

PROFILES FOR 2016 WILSON ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME NOMINEES

LORA BOOZER: Lora was a three sport athlete at Wilson. She was a four year letter winner in field hockey, and also played basketball and softball. Lora was a captain of the 1997 District III Girls Basketball Championship Team. She received several personal and team honors during her time at Wilson. Lora continued her athletic career at Lebanon Valley College, where she played field hockey and basketball all four years, and softball her sophomore year. During her time at Lebanon Valley College, she received All-American, All-Region, and MAC MVP honors in field hockey and set a number of records. Lora also set free throw and 3-point records in basketball, and received MVP honors in softball.

JEFF GOOD: Jeff is a 1974 Wilson graduate. He was hired as the first Wilson Boys Volleyball Coach in 1995, the inaugural year of PIAA Volleyball in Berks County. Jeff was the Varsity Boys Volleyball Coach for ten years (1995-2005) and the JV Girls Volleyball Coach for eight years (1994-1997, 2000 & 2008, 2009, 2010). During his tenure, the Boys Teams won four BCIAA Championships (2000, 2003, 2004, and 2005) and was a BCIAA finalist in 1999. Wilson was the only team in Berks County volleyball history with three consecutive BCIAA Titles. The Boys Volleyball Teams were six time BCIAA playoff and District 3 qualifiers and a two time PIAA state qualifier. Jeff was named Berks County Coach of the Year in 2000, 2003, 2004, and 2005. He is an active PIAA Volleyball Referee for Boys and Girls Volleyball (2010-2016-current).

TOM O'BRIEN: Tom graduated from Wilson in 1977 and competed in football and wrestling. He was co-captain of the football team, earning All-County and All-League honors. He was inducted into the Wilson Century Club on the criteria of having more than 100 tackles. As part of the wrestling team, he contributed to three Berks County Team Championships and a District 3 Team Championship. He was a Berks County All-Star at 145 pounds. Before beginning his coaching at Wilson, Tom wrestled for Shippensburg State College at 167 pounds, serving as team captain in both his junior and senior seasons. Tom coached Wilson Wrestling at all levels for more than 20 years, including high school, junior high, and youth wrestling. He was part of several championship teams during that time and was voted Berks County Coach of the year in 1994. As a community volunteer, Tom organized wrestling clinics, summer open gyms, freestyle wrestling, and also coached Van Reed Youth Football for several years. He was fortunate to have worked with so many accomplished athletes, outstanding young men, and committed coaches.

SHAWN SMITH: Shawn graduated from Wilson in 2005. He earned three varsity letters in both football and track. In 2004, he was an Associated Press All-State first team wide receiver, a Lancaster-Lebanon first team wide receiver, cornerback and kick returner of the year. He was also selected as the Berks County Football Player of the Year. In track, Shawn was a 3-time BCIAA Champion in the Long Jump and 2-time BCIAA Champion in the 200 Meter Dash. Shawn set a Wilson school record in both the 200 Meter Dash (21.85) and the Long Jump (23' 0.75"). As part of the 2003 4 X100 Team, he won a District 3 championship, and placed 4th at the PIAA State Championships. In 2004, he placed 2nd in the 200 Meter Dash and 3rd in the Long Jump at the PIAA State Championships, where he lead his team to a 2nd place finish. Shawn was named the 2004 Berks County Male Track Athlete of the Year. In 2005, he placed 2nd in the Long Jump at the PIAA State Championships. Shawn received a full athletic scholarship to play wide receiver at Villanova University. Shawn continues to share his love of sports as a teacher and coach at Cocalico High School. Shawn is a Health and Physical Education teacher and an assistant coach for both the Varsity Football and Track & Field teams.

RICK ZISKA 2003: Rick was a four sport athlete, earning a combined nine varsity letters (2 in football, 3 in soccer, 2 in baseball, and 2 in wrestling). He is a member of the Century Club and earned All-County and All-Lancaster Lebanon League honors his senior year, leading to his participation in the Pennsylvania East West Shrine Game. Upon graduation, he held several Wilson kicking records, including longest field goal (47 yards) and most career points by a kicker (93). Rick was also a tri-captain of the soccer team his senior year, earning All-County and All-Division 1st Team honors. He was a shortstop and pitcher for the baseball team, earning All-County Honorable Mention and All-Division 1st Team honors, and participated in the Carpenter Cup Classic. Rick was also a sectional runner-up and district qualifier as a member of the wrestling team. Rick went on to become a four time letter winner at Lafayette College, where he set a record for the longest field goal (51 yards), and was 4th all-time in points by a kicker (178).