



Knight Times



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NPAAA selects its 5th "Lifetime Achievement" Hall of Fame Inductee

The NPAAA Board of Directors selected its 5th "Lifetime Achievement" Hall of Fame Inductee. The North Penn Alumni Athletic Association Lifetime Achievement Hall of Fame will honor North Penn High School and Legacy School graduates who have made significant contributions to society in the Arts, Business, Education, Legal, Medical, Performing Arts, Public Service, or the Sciences fields of endeavor.

The NPAAA Selection Committee has named Patricia Henry, North Penn High School Class of 1967, as its 5th Inductee. Pat will be honored at the 11th Annual Hall of Fame Ceremony at 7:00 pm on Saturday, October 10th, 2015 at North Penn High School.

Pat Henry is the Senior Associate Director of Athletics at Harvard University which sponsors the largest intercollegiate athletic program in the country with 42 varsity sport offerings. As a member of the senior management team, she is responsible for the programmatic administration of all intercollegiate programs, their support areas, their strategic planning as well as the management of human resources for the Department of Athletics. Among numerous initiatives she created the Harvard-Radcliffe Foundation for Women's Athletics which has broadened the base of support for all of the women's sports and which has influenced fundraising for the Friends Groups for all sports sponsored by Harvard. Prior to coming to Harvard, Henry spent nine years at North Penn High School as a teacher and coach where her swim team won the 1979 Pennsylvania State Swimming and Diving Championship. Pat has been inducted into the NPAAA Athletic Hall of Fame in October 2008.

Please come out and attend the 11th Annual Hall of Fame Ceremony on Saturday, October 10, 2015 at NPHS to help recognize Pat Henry, our eight Hall of Fame Athletes, Four PIAA State Championship teams and our first Individual Special Recognition Inductee, all of whom have distinguished themselves and North Penn High School. The Event is free and open to the public.

NPAAA KNIGHTSITE ANNOUNCEMENT 2015

The NPAAA has introduced a new recognition category for "[Individual Special Recognition](#)."

The North Penn Alumni Athletic Association, as part of its Sports Hall of Fame mission, now gives Special Recognition to individuals who did not meet the NPAAA Hall of Fame qualification criteria, but has demonstrated remarkable athletic accomplishments and, in the opinion of the NPAAA Board of Directors, should be recognized for their unique contribution to North Penn High School sports history.

[The NPAAA ANDY KUSMA GOLF OUTING, — Will not be held In 2015 due to Jessica Kusma Expecting a new baby. Stay tuned for future updates.](#)

AT THE TIME OF THIS PUBLICATION THE NPAAA HAS 456 MEMBERS: PLEASE HELP US REACH OUR ORGANIZATIONAL GOAL OF 500 MEMBERS IN 2015 BY CONTACTING YOUR CLASSMATES, TEAMMATES, FAMILY AND FRIENDS AND ENCOURAGE THEM TO SUPPORT THE NPAAA BY BECOMING A LIFETIME MEMBER. A LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP IS A ONETIME FEE OF \$50.00 AND CAN BE PAID VIA THE KNIGHT SITE:WWW.NPAAA.ORG, CHECK, MONEY ORDER OR CASH.

NPAAA 2014 10th HALL OF FAME EVENT PICTURES

OCTOBER 11, 2014 AT NORTH PENN HIGH SCHOOL



2015 HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES

NPAAA Hall of Fame Ceremony to be held on Saturday, October 10th at NPHS. The Event Is free and open to the public.

2015 INDIVIDUAL HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES

- ◆ Christine Albright Kerber, NPHS 1959
- ◆ Dave Costlow, NPHS 1999
- ◆ Daniel Finacchio, NPHS 1988
- ◆ Steve Johnston, NPHS 1997
- ◆ John Raeburn, NPHS 1992
- ◆ Andrew Serang, NPHS 1994
- ◆ Jim Williams, NPHS 1992
- ◆ Jeff Yeakel, NPHS 1994

2015 HALL OF FAME PENNSYLVANIA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TEAMS

- ◆ 2006 BOYS TRACK & FIELD, PTFCA INDOOR STATE CHAMPOINS
 - ◆ 2008 BOYS TRACK & FIELD, PTFCA INDOOR STATE CHAMPIONS
 - ◆ 2007 BOYS CROSS COUNTRY, PIAA STATE CHAMPIONS
 - ◆ 2008 BOYS CROSS COUNTRY, PIAA STATE CHAMPIONS
- LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE:**
- ◆ Patricia W. Henry, NPHS, Class 1967
- SPECIAL RECOGNITION INDIVIDUAL HONORED:**
- ◆ Daniel J. Gallagher, NPHS 1990

NPAAA 2015 SCHOLARSHIP AWARD RECEIPANTS

NPAAA LANSDALE WAREHOUSE NPAAA SCHOLAR ATHLETE AWARDS AND THE NPAAA SCHOLAR ATHLETE SCHOLARSHIPS.

NPAAA
Lansdale Warehouse

1. Micaela Cubit
2. Austin Redilla

NPAAA
Scholar Athlete

1. Michael Kern
2. Amanda Laessig
3. Hannah Simon

ANDY KUSMA MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS.

1. Bradley Deckel
2. Allen La
3. Jared Melone

NPAAA JAMES K. GULICK MEMORIAL SCHOLAR ATHLETE

GULICK SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

1. Janeel Solanki

NPAAA KEN SCHMIDT MEMORIAL AWARD

1. Shaun Collins
2. Madison Tanis

NPAAA DON RYAN SCHOLAR

1. Cesar Martinez, Jr.
2. Lauren Schwartz

NPAAA LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT INDUCTEES

- ◆ **Ed Kneedler, JD, NPHS CLASS 1963, Inducted 2011**
- ◆ **Gerson "Gus" Rosenberg Ph.D., NPHS CLASS 1962, Inducted 2012**
- ◆ **Stephen G. Somkuti, M.D., PhD., F.A.C.O.G., NPHS CLASS 1978, Inducted 2013**
- ◆ **Greg Moyer, BS, NPHS CLASS 1971, Inducted 2014**
- ◆ **Patricia W. Henry, NPHS CLASS 1967, to be Inducted on October 2015**



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2015 NPAAA PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Membership: **[MEMBERSHIP STANDS AT 456. HELP THE NPAAA REACH THE MILESTONE 500!!](#)**

[As you know, the NPAAA depends on memberships and donations to support its mission.](#)

The fact is North Penn High School is one of the largest high schools in Pennsylvania and graduates around 1,000 students each year. The NPAAA which was founded in 2000 and currently has 456 members. Given the size of the school and the unbelievable success of the athletic program, we should have at least 1,000 members by this time. I have determined that one of the issues is awareness. A great percentage of our graduates do not even know we exist. This is the result of factors beyond our control, such as demographic issues. After graduation our alumni move away for any number of reasons and lose contact with NPHS and their classmates and teammates.

The one possible solution is for our existing membership, of which we are very proud, to get involved and reach out to classmates and teammates, tell them about the NPAAA, and ask them to become lifetime members. **[The lifetime membership is a one time \\$50 fee.](#)**

The fact is we need to increase our Lifetime Membership each year by around 50 to generate enough revenue to support the mission. The annual budget for the scholarships, Hall of Fame, and operating costs is roughly \$6,500.00.

[In the 15 years since our founding in 2000, including 2015, the NPAAA has provided 87 scholarships for a total of \\$52,150, inducted 148 individual athletes, 31 championship teams, 5 Lifetime Achievement Inductees, 16 Special Recognition Teams and 1 Special Recognition Individual.](#)

The NPAAA was founded with the mission of helping our student athletes by providing scholarships to help them with their future; the Hall of Fame was established to honor and document the history of our outstanding athletic accomplishments of the past. By establishing this tradition, which has been built by student athletes, coaches, teachers, parents, etc., we have created not only a source of pride but a standard of excellence for current students to emulate.

[Please consider helping the NPAAA continue this important mission with financial support, membership recruitment, and if possible personal involvement in the work of the organization.](#)

TOM STRICKLAND, PRESIDENT NPAAA