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April 2021

Dear Missouri Sports Hall of Fame Friends and Fans,

The temperatures are warming, the grass is greening, and spring is in the air daily! It kind of feels like we are coming out of a very long winter, longer than normal between the pandemic and the severity of the cold. Spring always provides us with a renewed hope in life and work, and I am really looing forward to this year!

Our year started as normal with the Enshrinement in Springfield presented by Killian Construction and, thanks to the Ozarks Empire Fairgrounds, we were able to host over 1,000 in a safe setting. That event was followed by our second Outdoor Sports Luncheon presented by the Ozarks Coca-Cola/ Dr Pepper Bottling Company. This coming week, we will host the seventh Women's Sports Luncheon presented by the Bee Payne-Stewart Foundation.

Now with spring here, our attention will turn to some of our annual golf events. On May 6 & 7, we will host the Tiger Ball and Scholarship Auction followed by the Mizzou Alumni Golf Classic. The Tiger Ball is presented by Rooney, McBride & Smith, and Morgan Stanley (Andy Stewart). The golf outing is sponsored by Great Southern Bank. On May 10, we will return to Old Kinderhook for our Lake of the Ozarks Celebrity Golf Classic presented by Missouri Eagle. We will play at Tiffany Greens Golf Club in Kansas City on May 18, and that tournament is presented by Hillyard, Inc. On May 19, we will honor the lifetime career of Mike Shannon at our Baseball Sports Luncheon presented by Ozarks Coca-Cola/Dr Pepper. And on June 6 & 7 will be the 26th annual Springfield Celebrity Golf Classic presented by Great Southern Bank and the BINGO Bash & Auction presented by USA Mortgage. A lot of spring activities, all leading up to the 32nd PGA Korn Ferry Tour's Price Cutter Charity Championship presented by Dr Pepper.

I hope as we move beyond the pandemic that you will be able to rejoin us for our events and activities as we celebrate Missouri sports and sports personalities.

Best Wishes,

Jerald L. Andrews  
 CEO and Executive Director

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**Museum Hours:**

Monday – Saturday: 10:00 am to 4:00 pm  
 Sunday: Noon to 4:00 pm

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**SAVE THE DATES**

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| <p><b>MAY 6</b><br/>                 Tiger Ball presented by<br/>                 Rooney McBride &amp; Smith LLC<br/>                 Morgan Stanley-Andy Stewart<br/>                 DoubleTree Hotel - Springfield</p> | <p><b>MAY 7</b><br/>                 Mizzou Alumni<br/>                 Golf Classic<br/>                 presente by Great Southern Bank<br/>                 @Millwod Golf &amp; Racquet Club</p>          | <p><b>MAY 10</b><br/>                 Lake of the Ozarks<br/>                 Celebrity Golf Classic<br/>                 presented by Missouri Eagle<br/>                 @ Old Kinderhook CC</p>                            |
| <p><b>MAY 18</b><br/>                 Kansas City<br/>                 Celebrity Golf Classic<br/>                 presented by Hillyard, Inc.<br/>                 @ Tiffany Greens Golf Club</p>                        | <p><b>MAY 19</b><br/>                 Baseball &amp; Softball Luncheon<br/>                 presented by<br/>                 Ozarks Coca-Cola/Dr Pepper<br/>                 @ Ozark Empire Fairgrounds</p> | <p><b>JUNE 6</b><br/>                 Bingo Bash<br/>                 &amp; Auction<br/>                 presented by USA Mortgage<br/>                 @ Oasis Convention Center</p>   |
| <p><b>JUNE 6-7</b><br/>                 Springfield Celebrity<br/>                 Golf Classic<br/>                 presented by Great Southern Bank<br/>                 @ Highland Springs CC</p>                      | <p><b>JUNE 16</b><br/>                 Ozarks Water Watch<br/>                 Golf Classic<br/>                 presented by Country Mart<br/>                 @ Buffalo Ridge Golf Course</p>              | <p><b>JUNE 22</b><br/>                 Sports Commission Awards<br/>                 sponsored by Elliott Lodging<br/>                 &amp; presented by Blevins Asphalt<br/>                 @ Ozark Empire Fairgrounds</p> |
| <p><b>AUGUST 23</b><br/>                 St. Louis<br/>                 Celebrity Golf Classic<br/>                 presented by Hillyard, Inc.<br/>                 @ The Legends CC</p>                                 | <p><b>SEPT. 12-13</b><br/>                 Stan Musial<br/>                 Hall of Fame Championship<br/>                 presented by Landau Pontoons<br/>                 @ Old Kinderhook CC</p>         | <p><b>SEPT. 17</b><br/>                 Sporting Clays Classic<br/>                 sponsored by Killian Construction<br/>                 presented by Bass Pro Shops<br/>                 @ Ozarks Shooters Complex</p>     |
| <p><b>OCT. 13</b><br/>                 Football Luncheon<br/>                 presented by<br/>                 Ozarks Coca-Cola/Dr Pepper<br/>                 @ Ozark Empire Fairgrounds</p>                            | <p><b>NOV. 14</b><br/>                 St. Louis Enshrinement<br/>                 presented by<br/>                 Great Southern Bank<br/>                 @ Chase Park Plaza</p>                         | <p><b>DEC. 9</b><br/>                 Basketball Luncheon<br/>                 presented by<br/>                 Mercy<br/>                 @ Oasis Convention Center</p>   |

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**BASEBALL  
SOFTBALL**

# Luncheon

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**MAY 19, 2021**  
11 A.M. TO 1 P.M.

OZARK EMPIRE  
FAIRGROUNDS

**FEATURING ST. LOUIS CARDINAL**

*Mike Shannon*

PINNACLE AWARD

## INDUCTING

JOHN HARTLEY | MANDEE BERG HOLEYFIELD  
JASON HART | SONNIE DOOLEY  
ST. ELIZABETH HIGH SCHOOL SOFTBALL & BASEBALL PROGRAMS

## HONORING

DAVID GIBBS - PRESIDENT'S AWARD

## 2021 DIAMOND 9

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**MANNIE DECASTRO**

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**JUDY STRAATMANN HADSALL**

WASHINGTON HIGH SCHOOL | EAST CENTRAL COLLEGE | SPRINGFIELD SLOW-PITCH

**GAGE JACOBS**

BOLIVAR HIGH SCHOOL | DRURY UNIVERSITY

**CATLIN EVANS JONES**

PLEASANT HOPE HIGH SCHOOL | SOUTHWEST BAPTIST UNIVERSITY

**ALAN MAHAFFEY**

KICKAPOO HS | THREE RIVERS CC | UNIV. OF ARKANSAS | MINNESOTA TWINS

**JUSTIN MCMILLIN**

HILLCREST HIGH SCHOOL | MISSOURI STATE UNIVERSITY

**WILLY MORGAN**

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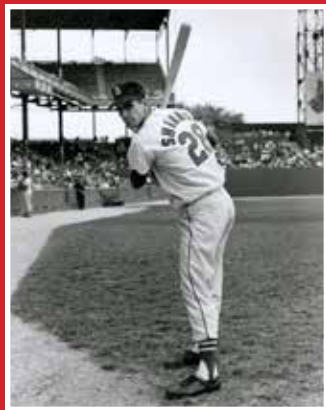
**TOD SUNDLIE**

OZARK HIGH SCHOOL | LUBBOCK CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY

**PAM MAYFIELD SWIFT**

ASH GROVE HIGH SCHOOL | MISSOURI SOUTHERN STATE UNIVERSITY





Photos courtesy of St. Louis Cardinals

# 'I'll Always Be a Cardinal'

## SHANNON TO HEADLINE MAY 19 BASEBALL & SOFTBALL LUNCHEON

After six decades in the St. Louis Cardinals organization, after all the World Series and all the names and faces who passed through, he still remembers Day One.

We'll let Mike Shannon tell the story about that summer day of 1958:

"There's a lot I can't tell you about," Shannon said, with that trademark laugh. "But I will never forget the first day. They sent me down to Albany, Georgia, and it was Class D ball. Their general manager picked me up at the airport and took me to the clubhouse, where they had my jersey hanging. And we had a doubleheader that day. So they put me in center field and had me batting fourth. Of course, I got two hits in both games."

Still chuckling, Shannon added, "They thought they had a phenom."

Well, they were on to something. After all, this summer marks Shannon's 64th in the Cardinals organization – 13 as a player, 50 as the iconic, game-day radio analyst – but it also will be his last.

That is why the Missouri Sports Hall of Fame is proud to be part of Shannon's so-called Farewell Tour. You see, the Cardinal lifer will headline our Baseball & Softball Luncheon presented by the Ozarks Coca-Cola/Dr Pepper Bottling Company, set for 11 a.m. on May 19 at the Ozark Empire Fairgrounds in Springfield.

Shannon, who will be bestowed the Pinnacle Award for his lifetime of work in baseball, says it's simply time to ride off into the sunset.



"I will always be a Cardinal. I think I personify the Cardinals fan-ship. The fans are tremendous. I'd like to think I helped educate them about the game and the organization," said Shannon, a 1999 inductee of the Missouri Sports Hall of Fame and a 2013 Missouri Sports Legend. "Of course, I'd like to have 50 more (years) to be quite honest. But I'm 81 years old for crimeny sakes."

What a run it's been for Shannon, who played in three World Series (1964, 1967, 1968) and was on radio for seven more.

What memories ...

Such as that first game in the Cardinals farm system. His manager? It was a guy named Mo Mozzali, who later scouted for the Cardinals and provided a helpful scouting report on the Yankees ahead of the 1964 World Series.

In that series, Shannon's game-tying, two-run home run off Whitey Ford propelled St. Louis to a 9-5 Game 1 victory.

"He threw me sliders too far inside, and it was 2-0 and hung one," Shannon recalled.

That he trotted around the bases, in his hometown, for his boyhood team, only sweetened the experience.

Then again, you could call it his destiny. Shannon had signed to play quarterback for the University of Missouri after high school in order to avoid what at the time was a \$10,000-or-less signing baseball bonus. And the advice came from none other than Hall of Famer Stan "The Man" Musial.

"In high school, I had gotten to be friends with Musial's son. He was more like a father figure to me," Shannon said. "For baseball, I had a lot of teams pursuing me. But I wanted to be a Cardinal."

Even better, he remained a Cardinal after his nine-year big-league career ended. After a year in promotions, he landed in the radio booth.

"They wanted (Don) Drysdale," Shannon said, referring to the former Dodgers pitcher. "But they couldn't because he had a national contract. Fifty years ... you never know what's going to happen."

Now, as the curtain closes on his radio job, Shannon hopes the show will go on, that the game grows and that the kids who play the game – and the future big-leaguers of the next generation – remember some important points.

Points that made his own career so special.

"Just be yourself. Go outside and play, and you'll learn a lot from baseball," Shannon said. "And remember – somebody came before you."



## DAVID GIBBS PRESIDENT'S AWARD

Gibbs, Dr Pepper's Regional Sales Manager from 1997 until retiring in 2020, will be bestowed the President's Award, presented to individuals who champion the Missouri Sports Hall of Fame and sports across the state. Gibbs ensured that Dr Pepper supported Hall of Fame golf events and induction ceremonies, including the Stan Musial Hall of Fame Championship. The company also has been a presenting sponsor of the PGA Korn Ferry Tour's Price Cutter Charity Championship presented by Dr Pepper for nearly 20 years. A Ritenour High School and Drury University graduate, Gibbs served on the Board of Trustees of the Missouri Sports Hall of Fame and worked with or sponsored events of the Boy Scouts of America, United Way, Boys and Girls Club, Cattle Barons Ball of Southwest Missouri (supporting the American Cancer Society) and the FedEx St Jude PGA Invitational.

# Inductees

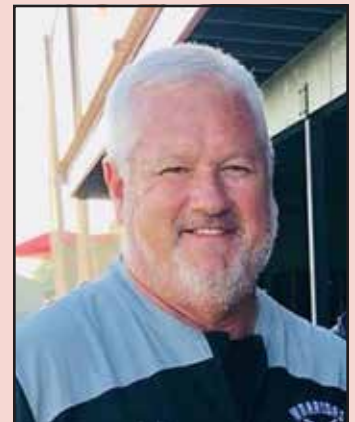
## SONNIE DOOLEY GOLF CONTRIBUTOR

Dooley was set to be inducted in the spring of 2020, but then opted out over understandable concerns about the pandemic. A graduate of Carl Junction High School, Dooley has been on the Joplin golf scene for decades, and her dedication to growing the sport in southwest Missouri is why she is being inducted as a contributor. Over the years, she has supported junior golf not only financially but also as an instructor and official. Her goal was not only to help shepherd junior golfers to success -- by learning how to focus and controlling emotions -- but also to become good citizens who would benefit the community and the game. Dooley, who, played for the Horton Smith Ladies Team from 1980 to 1990 and was team captain in 1988.



## JOHN HARTLEY COACH

A graduate of Springfield's Central High School and Oakland City (Ind.) University, Hartley earned 1,143 wins combined as a high school, American Legion and travel baseball coach. At Willard High School (1985-2007, 358 wins), Hartley's 1991 (third place) and 2003 teams (state runner-up) reached the Final Four. His Willard Legion teams earned 352 wins. He also was 116-47 in leading Kickapoo's American Legion teams, with the 1984 club placing third and the 1985 club finishing as state runner-up. At New Covenant Academy (2015-2020, 92-36 record), his 2016 team was the Class 1 state runner-up. He also coached the Midwest Nationals (2005-2012, 225) and College of the Ozarks, plus was an associate scout.



## JASON HART FAIR GROVE H.S. MISSOURI STATE U. OAKLAND A'S TEXAS RANGERS

A Fair Grove High School graduate, Hart became the most prolific hitter in Missouri State history from 1996 to 1998. Collegiate Baseball recognized him as a Freshman All-American and an All-American again as a junior, when Baseball America magazine and the National Collegiate Writers Association honored Hart with All-American recognition as well. He ended his collegiate career as the Bears' all-time leader in five offensive categories, including home runs (63) and RBI (203). A fifth-round draft pick of the Athletics in 1995, Hart was the 2000 TOPPS Minor League Baseball Player of the Year, after he hit 30 home runs and had 121 RBI in Double-A. He played 10 big-league games in 2002 for the Rangers, and later coached 13 seasons in the Rangers farm system.



## MANDEE BERG HOLEYFIELD BLUE SPRINGS H.S. UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL MISSOURI

From 1994 to 1997 at UCM, Berg was a three-time NCAA Division II All-American and a four-time All-Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association (MIAA) selection -- including First Team All-MIAA in her junior and senior seasons. When she graduated, she held 10 of the program's career records, including complete games (78), innings pitched (671.1), wins (85), earned run average (1.26) and strikeouts (639). Berg received the Vernon Kennedy Award as the 1997 UCM Outstanding Athlete, and was the MIAA MVP in 1997. At Blue Springs, she was all-conference and All-Metro her senior year, when she was 11-3 with a 0.92 ERA.







## ST. ELIZABETH HIGH SCHOOL SOFTBALL & BASEBALL PROGRAMS

St. Elizabeth High School's softball and baseball programs have combined to reach 15 Final Fours, including winning seven state championships, all since 1991.

### HORNETS SOFTBALL

It has captured four state titles (1992, 1994, 2002, 2011), finished as state runner-up in 1993 and 1997, and was fourth in 1991. For most of their history, they were led by coach Dian Juergensmeyer (MSHOF 2015), with Peggy Wieberg guiding the 2011 state championship team. The program also has won nine conference championships and 20 district titles between 1978 and 2019.

### HORNETS BASEBALL

It has won three state championships (1995, 1997, 2019), was the state runner-up in 2018 and earned third place in 1996. Its 1984, 2010 and 2011 teams each placed fourth in the state. Chris Jackson coached the 1995 team, and Doug Kemper guided the 1997 club. The program also counts five conference championships and 12 district titles.



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## DIAMOND 9 AWARDS

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### MANNIE DECASTRO – CARL JUNCTION HIGH SCHOOL / PITTSBURG STATE UNIVERSITY

In high school, DeCastro earned All-State, All-Region and all-conference. At Pitt State from 2009 to 2012, she was the program's first two-time NCAA Division II All-American (freshman & senior years), and was a four-time All-MIAA selection. She holds several school records, including home runs (25) and doubles (66), and has the third-best batting average (.394).

### JUDY STRAATMANN HADSALL – WASHINGTON HIGH SCHOOL / EAST CENTRAL COLLEGE / SPRINGFIELD SLOW-PITCH TEAMS

Hadsall was a four-year letter-winner in softball at Washington High School and then helped East Central College to two conference championships. In Springfield slow-pitch, she was the state's best outfielder for Coors, O'Byrne Electric, Ozarks Communications and Ozarks Express. Her teams won eight state championships and a regional title and played in eight national tournaments.

### GAGE JACOBS – BOLIVAR HIGH SCHOOL / JOHNSON COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE / DRURY UNIVERSITY

Jacobs was a two-time All-State selection (2010, 2011) and had 19 career wins, second-most in Bolivar history. In 2011, he was co-MVP of the Central Ozark Conference and the COC Pitcher of the Year after he fired two no-hitters and helped Bolivar win the conference. At Drury, he set the ERA record (2.74) and is No. 2 all-time in saves (19).

### CATLIN EVANS JONES – PLEASANT HOPE HIGH SCHOOL / SOUTHWEST BAPTIST UNIVERSITY

Jones was a two-time First Team All-State catcher (2011, 2012) for Pleasant Hope, which was 55-3 those years in finishing as a state runner-up her junior season and as the Class 2 state champs a year later. At SBU, Jones started all 161 games in her three seasons. She is first in sacrifice bunts (33) and third in steals (41).

### ALAN MAHAFFEY – KICKAPOO HIGH SCHOOL / THREE RIVERS COMMUNITY COLLEGE / UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS / MINNESOTA TWINS

Mahaffey was a two-time All-State selection at Kickapoo. At Three Rivers, he was a Juco All-American and pitched two no-hitters. At Arkansas, he struck out 91 in 100 innings in 1995, before being a 16th-round draft pick of the Twins. Mahaffey pitched six seasons in the minor leagues, reaching Triple-A (1999, 2000). He later coached the Midwest Nationals.

### JUSTIN MCMILLIN – HILLCREST HIGH SCHOOL / MISSOURI STATE UNIVERSITY

McMillin was a two-time all-conference pitcher and helped Hillcrest's 1988 team win state. After college, he was William Jewell's pitching coach and recruiting coordinator (1992-1998) and was pitching coach at Hillcrest (2000-2003), Nixa (2003-2012), Logan-Rogersville (2013-2015) and College of the Ozarks (2016-current). Hillcrest's 2002 American Legion team won a state title. Five of his pitchers have been drafted or signed by MLB clubs.

### WILLY MORGAN – BRANSON HIGH SCHOOL / FRANK PHILLIPS JUNIOR COLLEGE / COLLEGE OF THE OZARKS

As a leadoff hitter and center fielder, Morgan helped Branson finish as state runners-up in 1989 and 1992. He earned All-State, All-Region, All-District and all-conference. His 33 steals in 1992 remain a school record. At C of O, he was a two-time all-conference selection and twice was C of O's Defensive Player of the Year.

### TOD SUNDLIE – OZARK HIGH SCHOOL / LUBBOCK CHRISTIAN / FRONTIER LEAGUE

Sundlie was among the top players in the Ozarks in the mid-1990s. At Ozark, Sundlie earned First Team All-State honors in 1995. At Lubbock Christian, he was a two-time all-conference selection in the infield and outfield and was the first player to play all nine positions in one game, earning recognition in national publications. He ranks third in school history in runs scored (266) and eighth in singles (191).

### PAM MAYFIELD SWIFT – ASH GROVE HIGH SCHOOL / MISSOURI SOUTHERN STATE UNIVERSITY

As an Ash Grove middle infielder (1981-1984), Swift earned all-district and helped the team to sectionals. At Missouri Southern, she was an NAIA All-American as a junior. She has since given back to the game, coaching Ash Grove softball for 19 seasons and earning a 216-145 record. Two of her teams reached the state quarterfinals, and she guided three to district championships.

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**William Lampley, Ash Grove  
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**Greg Cole, President of Greater Ozarks Chapter - Mizzou Alumni Association**



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*Sports Philanthropist &  
Humanitarian*

**Dennis Heim,**  
*Monett & Missouri State  
football standout*

**Jim Middleton,**  
*Basketball coach*

**Alex Hall,**  
*Kickapoo & Drury  
basketball standout*

**Jim Whytlaw,**  
*Swim coach*

**Missouri State  
Sugar Bears**

**Dan Boever,**  
*Golf Long Driver & Entertainer*

**Pat Colon,**  
*Southeast Missouri State  
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coach*

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– the President's Award*

## HALL OF FAME HONORS 17 INDIVIDUALS, 4 PROGRAMS & OZARK COKE'S COOKIE RICE BESTOWED PRESIDENT'S AWARD

The Missouri Sports Hall of Fame ushered in its Class of 2021 during the Enshrinement presented by Killian Construction on January 31 at the Ozark Empire Fairgrounds. CEO and Executive Director Jerald Andrews presided over the ceremony, whose associate sponsors were Advertising Plus, Bryan Properties, Hiland Dairy Foods, Great Southern Bank, Hillyard, Inc. and Sterling Bank. Reliable Toyota sponsored the afternoon reception.

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**MSHOF Class of 2021:** Front row, from left: Chairman Kris Conley, Warrensburg coach Ron Clawson (accepting on behalf of Warrensburg Cross Country Program), Edwin Evers, Pat Colon, Edwin "Cookie" Rice, Carl Peterson (accepting on behalf of the late Derrick Thomas), Bobby Allison, Mark Lamping, Dayton Moore, Emily Dryden (accepting on behalf of the Missouri State Sugar Bears), Bryan Blitz, and Bill Caputo (accepting on behalf of the Poplar Bluff High School Boys Golf Program). Back row, from left: Executive Vice President Marty Willadsen, Tom Mast, Jim Whytlaw, Jim Middleton, Alex Hall, Paul Evans, Dennis Heim, Dan Boever, John Roderique, Jeff Montgomery and Rich Montgomery (representing the Mizzou Football Chain Crew), and CEO and Executive Director Jerald Andrews.



**LEGEND:** Page 12, upper left, clockwise: Cookie Rice, Dayton Moore, Carl Peterson, Mark Lamping, Dennis Heim, Dan Boever, MSU Sugar Bears, Alex Hall, Jim Middleton, Edwin Evers. Middle photo: Bobby Allison with Cayden Harper and Jerald Andrews. Page 13, upper left, clockwise: John Roderique, Pat Colon, Jeff Montgomery (for Mizzou Football Chain Crew), Jim Whytlaw, Paul Evans, National Anthem singer Eric Meruelo, Tom Mast, Ron Clawson (for the Warrensburg Cross Country Program) (bottom middle photo), Cayden Harper (accepting on behalf of Bobby Allison), Bryan Blitz, Poplar Bluff Boys Golf Program (below the Class of 2021 photo).





From left: Geno Middleton, Erin Kalkbrenner, Don Berry, Wayne Fredrick, Rob Marsh, Victor Thomas, Jim Klousia, PeeWee Roper and Rick Emmitt



## PRICE CUTTER'S ROB MARSH HONORED WITH PRESIDENT'S AWARD AS HALL INDUCTS BERRY, EMMITT, FREDERICK, KALKBRENNER, MIDDLETON, ROPER RACING FAMILY, THOMAS



Dale Roper, Sr. (left) and PeeWee Roper

He understandably got choked up thanking his wife and children, as well as his boss, late father and local companies – all while proudly wearing the Missouri Sports Hall of Fame letter jacket.

What a memorable day it was for Rob Marsh, the Vice President of Price Cutter Supermarkets who was bestowed the President's Award during the second annual Outdoor Sports Luncheon presented by the Ozarks Coca-Cola/Dr Pepper Bottling Company.

The luncheon, held February 25 at the Oasis Hotel & Convention Center in Springfield, featured the inductions of seven individuals, as well as the Roper Racing Family. The inductees were golfer Wayne Fredrick, bass fishing's Rick Emmitt, fishing & fishing radio's Don Berry, Lincoln University track and field coach Victor Thomas, tennis coach Jim Klousia, water skier Erin Kalkbrenner and professional horse trainer Geno Middleton.

"Thank you all for being here for me today," Marsh told the crowd. "It means so much more than you know."



The President's Award is presented to individuals who champion the Missouri Sports Hall of Fame and sports across the state.

A 1991 Kickapoo High School graduate, Marsh is in his 23rd year with Price Cutter Supermarkets, a corporate sponsor of the Hall of Fame. Since 2004, he has been the company's primary link for the PGA Korn Ferry Tour's Price Cutter Charity Championship presented by Dr Pepper, which has gifted nearly \$17.4 million to Ozarks children's charities since 1990.

That's significant. Over that time, Marsh has strengthened the relationship between the company and the tournament, which is managed by the Missouri Sports Hall of Fame. In fact, 92.5 percent of the PCCC's total – or \$16,078,141 – has been gifted since Price Cutter Supermarkets became a presenting or title sponsor 22 years ago.

Which was why, during the event's press conference, Marsh encouraged folks to turn to Price Cutter Supermarkets.

"The tournament," he said, "is proof that where you shop matters."



### WAYNE FREDRICK – GOLF

A Glendale High School and Missouri State graduate, Fredrick is the only golfer to have won all six men's state championships in the Missouri Golf Association: the Missouri Amateur (1996), Missouri Stroke Play (2001), Missouri Mid-Amateur (2007), Missouri 4-Ball with Kory Bowman (2014), Missouri Senior Amateur (2018, 2019), and Missouri Senior 4-Ball with Brian Haskell (2020). He also was medalist at the 2015 Missouri Amateur. Fredrick was the MGA Senior Men's Player of the Year in 2019 and 2020. Additionally, he has won 10 Springfield City Championships (Regular and Senior) and has competed in three USGA national championships.





## THE ROPER FAMILY – AUTO RACING

The Roper Family of Fair Grove is the standard of Ozarks racing. Dale, Sr. began in 1965 and won roughly 200 races, including seven championships at three different tracks in southwest Missouri. His brother, the late Dean Roper, raced in the 1983 and 1984 Daytona 500 – he was 15th in 1983 – and won three ARCA (Automobile Racing Club of America) championships. Dale, Jr. won a championship at the Ozark Empire Fairgrounds in 1980 and, from 2001 to 2011, won six more championships. The late Tony, Dean's son, was the American Speed Association short-track Rookie of the Year in 1992. From 1995 to 2000, he drove in 60 races in the NASCAR Truck Series (eight Top 10 finishes) and had three Top 10 finishes in 16 races in the Xfinity Series.



### RICK EMMITT – BASS FISHING

Emmitt has more than 35 years of experience in the fishing industry, including 13 years as manager of the Bass Pro/Nitro Pro Fishing Team. He also is the marketing manager for angler programs and pro staff for Bass Pro Shops/White River Marine Group. He also appears on countless radio shows and podcasts, plus is a co-host of a weekly fishing tips segment that airs 13 weeks each spring on KY3 TV. Additionally, he is in his sixth year as the head coach of Drury University's bass fishing program, which has become one of the top programs in the country.



### DON BERRY – FISHING MEDIA

This year marks Year 21 since Berry founded Don Berry Pro Fishing LLC Productions. A graduate of Advance High School, he hosts "Don Berry's Fishin' Radio Show" on 96.9 FM and 99.9 FM in Springfield. He also enhanced the company with ReSpoolin' Magazine, where he wrote numerous fishing stories. In 2007, he established Ozark Mountain Team Trail, which has paid back more than \$2 million in cash and prizes to tournament anglers. He also served as a coach, counselor and administrator in the Van Buren and Willard school districts. At Van Buren, his 1978 team was 27-1.



### VICTOR THOMAS – LINCOLN UNIVERSITY TRACK & FIELD COACH

Thomas is in his 19th season coaching the Lincoln University Track and Field Program (MSHOF 2013). He has guided 14 women's teams to national titles: nine D-II Outdoor titles and five D-II Indoor championships. On the men's side, the Blue Tigers finished No. 2 nationally in 2012 in the D-II Outdoor and, in 2016, won their first MIAA Indoor title since 1981. The 2017 Lincoln men won the MIAA Outdoor, and the 2020 indoor team was ranked No. 1. Thomas has coached Lincoln athletes to 897 All-American performances, including 92 individual national championships and 38 relay titles.



### ERIN KALKBRENNER – WATER SKIER

Kalkbrenner has won 14 national championships in the U.S. Water Ski National Championships, plus holds two Missouri state water ski records. The Kansas City native won national titles in the Women 2 Division in 2012, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017 and 2018. She holds the Women 1 Division record (ages 18-24 inclusive) jump of 119 feet, set in 2009. In fact, her 2015 national title was historic, as she and her husband, Cole, became the first husband and wife team to win a national title. She also established the Women 2 trick record in the 25-34 inclusive age category with 3,890 points, set in 2012.



### GENO MIDDLETON – PRO HORSE TRAINER

Middleton is a nine-time Grand world champion horse trainer in the Missouri Fox Trotting Horse Breed Association (MFTHBA), based near Ava, and is in his 40th year as a horse trainer. Middleton was the youngest horse trainer to win a Grand national, doing so at age 18 in 1986 with Madam Sensation. His other Grand world championships were Missouri's Bobbie Sue (1989), Missouri's Charming Princess (1994), Travelers Red Alert (1995), Pancho Villa (1996), Prince Chester (2001) and Gunsmoker's Gunslinger (2003). It's quite a career, considering the MFTHBA features open and amateur qualifying classes for 2-, 3-, 4- and 5-year-old horses – meaning hundreds enter competitions.



### JIM KLOUSIA -- TENNIS

Klousia coached the Missouri State University men's tennis program for 27 years (1977-2005), which made him the second-longest tenured coach in MSU history at the time of his retirement. He also is in his 34th year as the Director of Tennis at Hickory Hills Country Club. He guided MSU to 10 conference championships and was one of only two MSU coaches to win championships in three different leagues. A Monett native and 1975 graduate of Southwest Baptist University, he was a four-time NAIA District 16 selection for SBU, played in nationals all four years and ranks second all-time in singles wins (105).





# GREAT TURNOUT FOR 24TH HIGH SCHOOL GOLF CLINIC

To Reeds Spring senior golfer Ty Cooper, it was just good for the game of golf. Yes, he picked up some pointers himself. But he was more delighted to see so many up-and-comers taking mental notes, too.

In other words, the Missouri Sports Hall of Fame's High School Golf Clinic – an event presented by the Ozarks Coca-Cola/Dr Pepper Bottling Company – was a hit for nearly 100 teens on March 22 at the Highland Springs Country Club driving range.

Brian Maloney, the Director of Golf at Highland Springs, lined up nine other local PGA teaching professionals for an event now in its 24th year.

"It's beneficial for some of these kids out here," said Cooper, who attended the

event two years ago. "There are some golfers new to the game. It just creates a whole new path for them. I love it."

Other high schools represented were Hillcrest, Central, Parkview, Kickapoo, Glendale, Marshfield, Monett, Seymour and Strafford. Golfers received instructions on their swings from area teaching pros such as Megan Furnish, Steve Harrison, Larry Ray, Jake Mann, Brian Bennett, Garrett Holt, Don Greene, John Brandish and Theo Atchison. The teens also were treated to Jersey Mike's sub sandwiches and Ozarks Coca-Cola/Dr Pepper products afterward.

"It's a wonderful opportunity for young student-athletes to come out and get in front of a golf professional. Some of these young men and women may not have had that opportunity. And even if

they have, they may have been a little shy," Maloney said.

It certainly made a positive impression on Monett freshman Bo Stephens.

"It was just nice to have some help from guys who have been playing a long time," Stephens said.

Kickapoo senior Hunter Pounds echoed those sentiments.

"I've been playing for about two years – this is the first year I'm taking it seriously," Pounds said.

Strafford's Tucker Stone enjoyed the technical details.

"I learned to keep my left foot down because (Furnish) said it would cause more motion and give me a solid base," Stone said. "It's already helped me."





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# WELCOME TO OUR NEW CORPORATE SPONSORS



TECHNOLOGIES

CPI Technologies, which has deep roots in the Ozarks, is the newest corporate sponsor of the Missouri Sports Hall of Fame.

CEO & Executive Director Jerald Andrews and CPI Technologies President and CEO Erik Crane announced the partnership in early January.

It means CPI Technologies will have a major presence at Hall of Fame events, including the Enshrinement presented by Killian Construction, four Celebrity Golf Classics, five Sports Enthusiasts Luncheons and the Sporting Clays Classic.

"We are extremely appreciative of the support from CPI Technologies," Andrews said. "It's a great, well-run company that has meant a lot to our community."

Overall, the partnership is a natural fit. Crane grew up in a basketball family. His dad coached for years in Kansas, mainly at Allen County Community College in Iola. Crane himself was a student assistant for the Kansas State University men's basketball program in the early 1990s.

CPI Technologies was previously Copy Products, Inc., which was founded by Vern and Toni Starks in Iola, Kan., in 1963. Its Springfield branch opened in 1992 under the direction of Crane and his wife, Heidi Starks Crane, Vern and Toni's daughter and also the Chief Operating Officer of CPI Technologies. It now counts nearly 7,000 clients across 80 counties combined in Missouri, Kansas, Oklahoma and Arkansas. The Cranes purchased the company in 2018. The company specializes in computer hardware, information technology, phone systems, workflow software, scanners and more.

"We obviously can use the events as networking opportunities," Crane said. "But, more important than that, it helps the Missouri Sports Hall of Fame keep those stories alive of great athletes, coaches and teams."



Zimmer Communications has been one of the most respected radio broadcasting groups in the country, with a tremendous presence in the Show-Me State.

So when the company entered the Springfield market last year, it made perfect sense for the Missouri Sports Hall of Fame to try to enter into a partnership.

The result? CEO & Executive Director Jerald Andrews worked with Zimmer General Manager Carla Leible to bring Zimmer Communications on as a corporate sponsor, ensuring the Missouri Sports Hall of Fame has an even greater presence across the Ozarks. It became official on February 1.

"We are delighted to have Zimmer Communications on board as a corporate sponsor," Andrews said. "Like all of our corporate sponsorships, they've really grown their business with successful leadership at the top. We also want to thank Ken Meyer & Meyer Communications for their corporate sponsorship over the years."

Zimmer Communications purchased Meyer Communications last year, entering the Springfield market.

The company was founded by Jerome Zimmer in 1956 in the southeast Missouri town of Dexter and, by 2003, the company had 32 stations in Illinois, Missouri and Kansas. It has remained in the family, with Don and John Zimmer now running Zimmer Communications. They also have a presence in Columbia and Jefferson City.

In Springfield, Zimmer's stations include KBFL – The Jock ESPN Radio on 96.9 FM, 99.9 FM and 1060 AM; KTXR – 98.7 The Dove and Real Country 101.3 FM; KWTO – 93.3 FM, 560 AM.

The Jock features "The Sports Reporters," a two-hour morning show hosted by former longtime TV Sports Director Ned Reynolds (*MSHOF Legend 2015*). The station also features the afternoon "Sports Talk" show hosted by Art Hains (*MSHOF 2016*), the Voice of Missouri State University Athletics.

Both shows have been extremely supportive of the Missouri Sports Hall of Fame for years and continue to be great friends of the Hall of Fame.

## SPORTS COMMISSION AWARDS TO HONOR TOP HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETES JUNE 22

The Missouri Sports Hall of Fame is again partnering with the Springfield Sports Commission on a grand awards show, which will honor the top high school athletes of southwest Missouri.

The Sports Commission Awards sponsored by Elliott Lodging and presented by Blevins Asphalt is set for 6 p.m. on Tuesday, June 22 at the Ozark Empire Fairgrounds.

The Hall of Fame and the Springfield Sports Commission have been working for months on a partnership that's now in its fourth year. A selection

committee chooses the top athletes and teams in more than 30 different categories. That includes Performances of the Year and Inspiration Awards.

The categories cover boys and girls categories for Athlete of the Year and Team of the Year in the 2020-2021 sports year.

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# *in memoriam*

## **JACK BUSH**



Jack Bush, who coached high school basketball for 52 years and was inducted into the Missouri Sports Hall of Fame in 2003, passed away on November 20. He was 96. A graduate of Lincoln High School, he began his coaching career in southwest Missouri in Caruthersville and then R.T. Coles Vocational

School in Kansas City. However, he was mostly known for coaching at Kansas City's Central High School. Over 33 seasons, his Central teams earned 799 wins and reached a dozen Final Fours, winning a state title in 1979. In 2017, Central High School named its court after Bush.

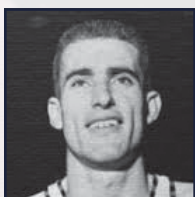
## **BOB BROWN**



Bob Brown, who coached basketball for 43 seasons and was inducted into the Missouri Sports Hall of Fame in 2009, passed away on December 25. He was 86. A Stoutland High School graduate who later played basketball for Missouri State, Brown spent 38 years coaching high schools. His teams had 691

wins, four Final Four berths and a 1960 state title with Bolivar. He coached at Stoutland, Bolivar, Ruskin in Kansas City and Parkview in Springfield and also at the University of Tulsa and Western Kentucky University before coaching Ponca City (Okla.) and then Springfield Catholic.

## **JERRY ARMSTRONG**



Jerry Armstrong, who was the co-captain of Texas Western College's historic NCAA Tournament championship basketball team in 1966, passed away on February 4. He was 76. Armstrong earned All-State for North Harrison High School before playing four seasons at Texas Western, which was the first

to start an all-black lineup in the national championship game en route to beating Kentucky. His defense was credited for the team's semifinal victory. Armstrong later earned 329 wins coaching Trenton, King City, Richmond and Mansfield high schools, and was inducted into the Naismith Basketball Hall of Fame and the Missouri Sports Hall of Fame (2016).

## **MARTY SCHOTTENHEIMER**



Marty Schottenheimer, who brought his run-oriented "Martyball" to the Kansas City Chiefs and sparked their Golden Era in the 1990s, passed away on February 9. He was 77. A 2010 inductee of the Missouri Sports Hall of Fame, Schottenheimer was the eighth-winningest coach in NFL history (200-126-1), including

101-58-1 with the Chiefs from 1989 to 1998. In his Kansas City days, the Chiefs qualified for the playoffs seven times in his 10 seasons, with the team reaching the AFC Championship game in January 1994. All this was part of a career in which he also coached in Cleveland, Washington and San Diego.

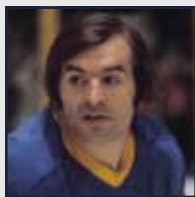
## **LEON SPINKS**



Leon Spinks, a St. Louis native who surprised the boxing world by beating Muhammad Ali for the world heavyweight title in 1978, passed away on February 6. He was 67. A 1999 inductee of the Missouri Sports Hall of Fame, Spinks retired in 1995 with a career record of 26-17-3, including 14 knockouts. He was a

former Marine who won a gold medal as a light heavyweight at the 1976 Olympics and was only 13 months and eight fights into his pro boxing career when he beat Ali on Feb. 15, 1978 in Las Vegas.

## **BOBBY PLAGER**



Bobby Plager, an integral part of the National Hockey League's St. Louis Blues in the 1960s and 1970s, passed away in a car accident on March 24. He was 78. Plager was inducted with his brothers, Barclay and Bill, in 2014 into the Missouri Sports Hall of Fame. Plager spent 11 seasons with the Blues, playing in 615

games. Known as a defenseman for his physical play, he was a member of the original Blues team in 1967 and helped them to the Stanley Cup Final in each of the Blues' first three seasons.

## **JOE CUNNINGHAM**



Joe Cunningham, who spent seven of his 12 seasons in the big leagues with the St. Louis Cardinals and later worked for the organization, passed away on March 25. He was 89. A 2012 inductee of the Missouri Sports Hall of Fame, Cunningham played for the Cardinals from 1954 to 1961 and finished as a

career .291 hitter. He hit .345 in 1959, right behind National League batting champion Hank Aaron (.355). After his playing days, he worked for the Cardinals for two decades, including the 1982 World Series season when he was on the staff of manager Whitey Herzog (MSHOF Legend 2008).

## **BILL ROSS**



Bill Ross, who launched three sports at the University of Missouri-Kansas City, passed away on February 20, 2019. A graduate of Paseo High School in Kansas City, he played basketball and baseball at the University of Missouri, including on its 1954 College World Series baseball team. He spent a majority of

his professional career at UMKC, where he launched the men's basketball program in 1968, the men's golf team in 1969 and the women's basketball program in 1980. He also was an official in the National Football League and was inducted into the Missouri Sports Hall of Fame in 2007.





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