

Truman High School Hall of Fame Inductees 2017
10th Class Induction
February 2, 2018



Damon Dombrowski Class of 1998



Senior Year was 1st Team All Conference at two positions, Running Back and Defensive Back. 1st Team All Area at both positions. 1st Team All Metro as a Running Back. The Examiner Football Player of the Year as a Defensive Back. 1st Team All State on Defense and received Honorable Mention All American Status as a Defensive Back. As a senior he averaged 36.6 yards a catch, scored 16 Touch-downs, led the team in Interceptions and was named team MVP.

Damon was also a standout in Basketball and Baseball. He broke his foot his senior year in baseball but was still drafted in the 34th round by the Royals. The Truman Basketball team finished fourth in the state as a sophomore, second in state as a junior and the team was 27-2 as a senior.

Damon went to the University of Central Missouri on both a football and baseball scholarship. Was injured and transferred before becoming a Union Electrician. He lives with his wife of 14 years, Amanda and 3 children Zander, Tatum and Merrick.

Edriss Floyd Class of 2006



1st Team All State in Basketball in both the 2004-05 and 2005-06 seasons. He was 2 time 1st Team All Conference and All-Area. He set a record for assists in a game with 12, had the 3rd highest scoring game of all time with 38 and at the time he graduated was 3rd all time in free throw percentage at 83.7%. Edriss went on to play at Penn Valley Community College as well as Northwest Missouri State University. He was 1st Team All District and 2nd Team All American at Penn Valley and has previously been inducted into the Penn Valley Athletic Hall of Fame.

Edriss currently lives in Lakewood, Colorado and works for Crop Supply. He is an avid extreme sportsman participating in snowboarding, hiking, mountain biking, camping, water rafting and rock climbing.

Jacquelyn (Kelley) Zita Class of 1965



Was the #1 player, Led the team to the Conference Championship and was unbeaten her Senior year on the Truman BOYS Tennis Team. Before the advent of Title IX, there were no girls athletics teams in 1965. She was the first girl to earn a letter at Truman and the ONLY one until girls teams were formed in 1974. She lettered all 4 years of High School in Tennis. The first three at Chrisman and her Senior year when Truman opened in 1964-65 She went on to Washington University in St. Louis where she majored in Biology with a minor in Chemistry. She earned a PH.D. in Philosophy from Washington University in 1982. Most of her professional life she was employed by the University of Minnesota where she became Chair of the Department of Gender, Women and Sexuality Studies from 1995 –2001. She retired from UM in 2015. She is Co-founder of the Women's Environmental Institute, a non-profit dedicated to Environmental, Agricultural and Food Justice. She is currently WEI Director of Education and Farm Manager and resides in North Branch, Minnesota.



Tom Norman Class of 1967

3 Time 1st Team All Conference and All Area in Baseball. (1965, 66, 67) MVP of Conference Championship Team in 1967. Team Captain in 1966 and 67. All State in 1967. At one time held school records for RBI's in a career -54, Hits in a career-62. RBI's in a season-25. Runs scored in a season-27. Batting averages included .328 as a soph, .382 as a jr., .396 as a Sr. Made only 6 errors in 3 seasons at 3rd base. Was drafted in the 3rd round of the baseball draft by the Minnesota Twins and played 2 seasons of Minor league baseball.

Earned 7 Varsity letters in High School including 3 in baseball, 2 in Basketball and 2 in Football.. Was an Honorable Mention All Conference Running Back in 1967.

Tom graduated from the University of Central Missouri with a degree in Zoology in 1971 and the University of Missouri Dental school in 1977. Was in the United States Naval Dental Corp from 1975 to 1977. He retired from private practice in 2012.

Tom currently lives in North Kansas City with his wife of 46 years, Deanna (Gordon) '67 THS Grad, who was his office manager for 30 years as well. They have 3 children Jamie, Shelley, and Zach and 7 Grandchildren.



Cassy Pallo Class of 2000

Still holds or is a part of 9 school records in Women's swimming. 200 Freestyle, 200 I.M., 50 Free, 100 Free, 100 Fly, 500 Free, 200 Medley Relay, 200 Free Relay, 400 Free Relay. Was an outstanding student which included being a National Merit Scholarship Finalist.

She attended the University of Kansas where she earned a bachelor's degree in Spanish but did not continue her swimming career. She is still a competitive Master's Swimmer and has won national events.

Cassy is currently self employed and resides in Independence.

PREVIOUS INDUCTEES

2008—Phil Basler '68, Gaylord Browne '68, David Hass '84, Tammie Romstad '77 and Penny Waggener '81

2009—Cindy Durham '82, Dwight Erickson '71, Nick Hahn '72, Don Hartman '66, Jan Grotenhuis '87, Bobby Narron '76, Will Palmer '98, Mike Royle '76, Tracie Tiensvold '01 and Marvin Tucker '66

2010—Greg Andrews '79, Steve Broughton '77, Pete Hile-Coach, Mike Rogers '76 and Chuck Simmons '77

2011—Mendy Chandler '81, Alan Kelley '70, Keith Moore '80, David Phillips '71, Christy Watts '91, Leroy Brown-Community Member and Don Coffman-Coach

2012—Rusty Calfas '66, Sarah Conyers '87, Norman James-Community Member, Clyde Kubli-Baseball Coach, Dixie Wescott '80 and 1977 State Baseball Team

2013—Dr. Keith Broughton-Community Member, Eric Fryatt '97, Cindy (Van Iten) Grant '92, Marcie (Esry) Johnson '79, Randy Rice '70, Dick Puhr-Independence Examiner Reporter and the 1979 Volleyball Team

2014—Jimmy Brewer '88, Al Isbell-Community Member, Shelley Lauber '87, Mike Matthews '71, Roger Riley '77, Lindsay Whorton '04.

2015—Chad Abernathy '01, Chris Andrews '83, Rachel Johnson '96, Kevin Miller '82, Mark Stanke '80, Rick Berlin--Baseball Coach.

2016—Sarah Franklin '10, James (Jamie) McIntosh '95, Steve Moore '08, Eddie Roush '75 and Brian Tann '86.