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Chambersburg Athletics Hall of Fame

An athletic hall of fame is something that the Chambersburg Area School District, its athletic department and community have been waiting for, for quite some time. Trojan athletics have had so much success over the decades that it would be criminal not to honor it. After a two-year process, we finally inducted our first ever class in 2024.

I want to personally thank everyone who has helped us along the way. From everyone on the hall of fame committee to the community who nominated these great athletes, it was a true TEAM effort! A special thanks goes to the CASD Administration for seeing the importance of an athletics hall of fame and allowing this process to take shape. Thank you to all of the local businesses who believed in the process and supported us financially.

Lastly, a huge thank you goes out to the *Chambersburg Area Sports Boosters* who led the way on this initiative. Without their support and backing, the HoF would've continued to be an "idea" that we all wanted to see happen.

Congratulations to the Chambersburg Athletics Hall of Fame Class of 2025! What a tremendous group of athletes and coaches to celebrate. This class continues to represent the "best of the best" when it comes to Trojan athletics.

The Chambersburg Athletics Hall of Fame is currently taking nominations for next year's class (2026). Please use the QR Code below to fill out the form. We are also taking contributions to finalize our display and for future endeavors. Again, use the QR Code below to do so. If you have any questions or concerns, please email us at trojanhof@gmail.com.

We look forward to the future classes and how the Chambersburg Athletic Hall of Fame can continue to celebrate worthy Trojans!

Thank you,
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Ben Gabler

During his four-year career in boy's tennis at Chambersburg, Ben Gabler was unfamiliar with the word "lose."

Because of that, Gabler put together a stellar career for the Trojans in the early 1990's and is by any measure the school's greatest tennis player ever.

Gabler has been named to the second class of the Chambersburg Athletics Hall of Fame.

Gabler finished his fabulous high school career at Chambersburg with a 73-3 record in singles and doubles matches.

As a freshman, he was defeated in the District 3 final by Ken Shapiro of Susquehanna Township, and again in the PIAA semifinals by Dan Lehman of Conestoga, and ended up third in the state by beating Shapiro in three sets, 1-6, 6-1, 7-5.

The following year, Gabler decided to play doubles in the postseason with his brother Matt, a senior (players had to choose to play either singles or doubles, but not both). They won a District 3 championship, but were defeated in the state final, 6-2, 6-4, by Matt and Clint Guyaux of Highlands.

Gabler did not lose again. In his junior season, he won District 3 and PIAA titles. In the state final, in a grueling and tight match, he edged Matt Guyaux, now of Abington Heights, 7-6 (5) and 7-6 (7).

As a senior, Gabler put together another unbeaten season, with District 3 and PIAA crowns. In the state championship match, he breezed to a 6-2, 6-3 victory over Marc Silva of Pennridge, who was the champion the next two years.

Not surprisingly, Gabler was recruited by many college programs, including schools from all of the top five conferences, but he ended up choosing the Big Ten Conference's University of Minnesota, which was ranked No. 6 at the time.

In his four years with the Gophers, Minnesota was 44-0 in Big Ten matches and collected four conference titles. Gabler was an All-Conference selection, was named the Big Ten most outstanding athlete in tennis, was an NCAA All-Tournament pick and also earned the Louis Ratner Award given to the most outstanding Minnesota men's tennis athlete.

After he graduated, Gabler gave professional tennis a shot on the ATP Tour and gained a world ranking, and he qualified for the U.S. Open by winning a Junior Davis Cup qualifier.

Gabler then finished his tennis career by coaching at Penn State University for nearly a decade.

Now the president of Gabler Trucking, Inc. of Chambersburg, Gabler wishes to thank his wife Laurie and his family; his coach, Jay Lefever; and the community for an opportunity to be a Trojan athlete.

By Ed Gotwals



Doug Walter

Doug Walter collected numerous medals in his excellent running career at Chambersburg, including a pair of PIAA gold medals in the 1984-85 season. But he lists a team achievement as his favorite memory of his time with the Trojans.

Doug Walter was a two-sport PIAA gold medalist for Chambersburg. He won the 3A cross country title in the fall of 1985, then came back in the spring of 1986 to capture the 800 race at the track & field championships.

Walter is one of the inductees for the second class of the Chambersburg Athletics Hall of Fame.

In the fall of 1985, Chambersburg had a good boys cross country team, with several runners back who had experience in the PIAA meet. The Trojans faced State College, a program that came into the season with a 20-year win streak, but Chambersburg pulled out a victory.

“To be a part of the team, coached by Rod Crawford, that ended State College’s long dual-meet streak was so fun,” Walter said.

When the postseason came around that year, Walter excelled individually. He captured the District 3 Class 3A race at Hershey with a time of 15:33.9 and helped his school to the district team championship.

Then came the PIAA Championships, held at Lehigh University, a 5,000-meter race. Walter kept in touch with the leaders over the first mile, running in fifth place. By the two-mile mark, he had moved up to be in the lead pack of 5 runners.

But down the stretch, Walter had the best kick to win the race in a time of 15:38.14. The runner-up was Tim Barkdoll of Dallastown in 15:40.8.

The following spring, Walter was a big point scorer for the Trojan track & field team in the distance and middle-distance events.

In the District 3 meet at Shippensburg, Walter earned 3 gold medals — he won the 800 in 1:56.7, the 1600 in 4:22.1 (he had also won the 1600 in 1985 in 4:24.5), and anchored the winning 4 x 800 relay team of Tony Evans, Rod Forrester, Eddie Kimple and Walters to a time of 7:52.8.

Walter had been the runner-up at states as a junior in the 1600 to Mike Renninger of Oil City, 4:14.51 to Walter’s 4:15.72. But in his senior year, he captured gold in the 800. His time of 1:52.70 was good enough to hold off Harriton’s Ethan Fray (1:53.61).

Chambersburg’s school records list still includes two events for Walter — the 800 (1:52.0) and the 1600 (4:13.6).

Walter then went to Penn State to continue his running career and was successful there, too. He was an NCAA All-American in 1989 in cross country and in 1990 in the 1500. He placed 11th in the 1500 at the 1990 USA Track & Field Championships.

He graduated PSU with the third-best 1500 time in school history and then competed on the adidas running team after that.

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Garett Hammond

Because Pennsylvania is considered the home of the best high school wrestling in the country, winning a PIAA individual title in that sport is quite an accomplishment.

Garett Hammond liked winning a state championship so much in 2012 that he did it again in 2013, giving Chambersburg its only two-time PIAA champion in wrestling.

Although Hammond lived in Chambersburg, he began his high school wrestling career at Wyoming Seminary, a top private school in Kingston, Pa., where he fashioned a 38-16 record as a freshman. He decided to come back home after that one year and he made history for the Trojans.

He finished his Chambersburg career with a record of 125-14 (fourth on the all-time Trojan list for wins), and was 163-30 overall.

As a sophomore, Hammond reached the District 3 final, where he lost to Dan Neff of Solanco. They met again in the PIAA championship match at 135 pounds and Neff earned an 11-3 victory.

The next postseason, the rivalry began between Hammond and T.C. Warner of Cumberland Valley at 145 pounds. The two faced off in the Section I final, the District 3 final and again in the PIAA championship match. Hammond won all three. In the state tournament that year, Hammond rolled up three major decisions (13-2, 11-0 and 11-2) before meeting Warner in the final, where he posted a 12-9 victory.

In Hammond's senior year, things got a little tougher. Now at 152 pounds, Warner seemed to have figured out Hammond and he scored victories over the Trojan star in the Section I and District 3 tournaments. But when the PIAA tournament came around, Hammond hit a hot streak, racking up three technical falls (16-1, 16-0 and 20-5) before the final. In his last high school match, Hammond fell behind 4-0 against Warner, but battled back to tie it 4-4. He gave Warner an escape in the third period to go behind 5-4, but made the strategy work with a key takedown and nearfall points to post an 8-5 victory.

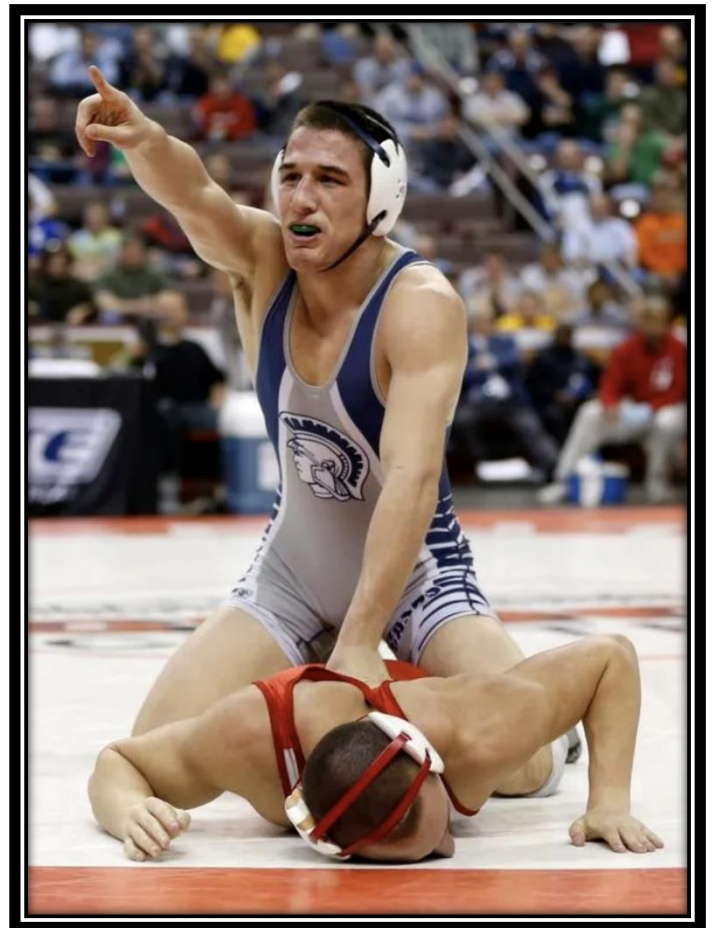
In 3 years of competing in the PIAA tournament, Hammond's record at Giant Center was 11-1 — outscoring his opponents 130-37 — with one silver medal and two golds.

In addition, his talent helped Chambersburg to its best seasons as a team. The Trojans reached the District 3 Team Championship final for the first time and also qualified for the PIAA Team Championships for the first time. In his junior year, Chambersburg finished third in the team standings at the individual state tourney.

Hammond said his best memories included training with his brother Ian, making trips to Giant Center, beating Cumberland Valley and achieving many team goals.

In college, Hammond wrestled with the NCAA champion Penn State program for two years, including starting for one season, then transferred to Drexel, where he qualified one year for the NCAA Championships.

By Ed Gotwals



Chris Clever

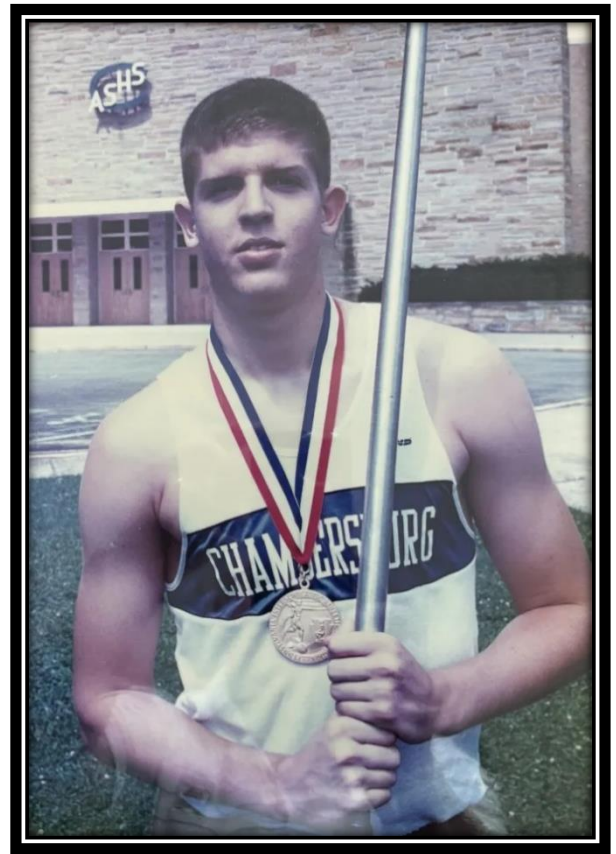
Chris Clever grew into a perfect body for throwing the javelin - long and lean with a powerful right arm.

And he made the most of it in his time at Chambersburg, securing a pair of PIAA Class 3A boys javelin titles in his junior and senior seasons.

The best thing that happened to Clever was that he got paired with the Trojans' expert throwing coach, Roger Coleman.

"I really lucked out in having a track coach who had been a javelin thrower," Clever said. "So I have to thank coach Coleman for getting me off on the right foot with javelin."

Clever came into his own for his junior season in 1996. At the District 3 Track & Field championships, his throw of 192-4 was good for first place. A week later at the PIAA Championships, Clever improved on that with a toss of 200-10, which won him a state gold medal by 10 inches over John Ruch of Pottsville.



In 1997, his senior year, Clever unleashed a throw of 211-8 to win another District 3 title. The next week at states, he saved his best high school throw for his final performance, hitting 220-3, which is still the school record. He won first place over the runner-up from Wyoming Valley West, Mark Ziotek, who was more than 6 feet shorter.

Later that year, Clever competed at the Golden West Invitational in Sacramento, Calif., which brought together the best athletes in the country, and placed fifth with a distance of 202-0.

Clever was not just a track & field star for Chambersburg, however. He was also a quality basketball player, twice being named to the Patriot News Big 15.

In the 1995-96 campaign, in which the Trojans were 25-5, Clever averaged 9 points per game. The team was a District 3 runner-up and was eliminated in the second round of states.

As a senior, Clever upped his average to over 11 points per game, helping the Trojans to a 22-8 record. Chambersburg won a District 3 crown that year and was knocked out of the PIAA Tournament in the second round, 60-59 by Plymouth-Whitemarsh, on a last-second desperation shot by the Colonials, who went to win the state title.

Clever was recruited to Harvard University, and that turned out to be a great fit, too. In his senior year, he was chosen for the William J. Bingham Award as the Crimson's male athlete of the year. He is a member of the Harvard Athletic Hall of Fame.

He was an NCAA All-American in 1999 and 2001, placing 14th (213-10) and 9th (222-6), respectively. Clever also won three Ivy League gold medals and a pair of Penn Relay victories., and competed in the U.S. Olympic Trials in 2000.

He still holds the javelin record at Harvard at 242-11.75, with the next-best throw almost 20 feet behind.

— By Ed Gotwals



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-CASHS Class of 2005

Lori Reese

You can list all kinds of great individual stats about Lori Reese, and we'll do that later in this story. But if you want to get to the bottom of her greatness, take a look at these team stats: In Reese's senior year at Chambersburg, the field hockey team was 16-2-2 and won a Mid Penn Division I championship; the girls basketball team was 24-4, was the Mid Penn I champion and advanced to the PIAA Tournament; and the softball team was 24-2, won Mid Penn and District 3 championships, and reached the PIAA semifinals. Add that up, and the teams Reese played on during that one athletic season had an astounding record of 66-8-2 combined.

While Reese was a true three-sport star — she was named a Mid Penn All-Star 9 times, 3 in each sport — the softball diamond was where she really shined. In her four years (1992-95), the Trojans were Mid Penn I and District 3 Class 4A champions each year, won one PIAA title (1994), reached the state semifinals once and the quarterfinals twice.

Here is a good statistic to begin with: Reese played in 28 playoff games in softball during her career, batted .474 (46-for-97) and drove in 32 runs.

Overall in her career, she batted .430 (140-for-325), scored 130 runs, produced 110 RBIs, collected 9 home runs, 12 triples and 15 doubles and stole 45 bases. She was also an outstanding defensive player at shortstop.

In her junior season, when she helped the Trojans win a state title, Reese batted .512, scored 42 times, knocked in 37 and ripped 13 extra-base hits.

After her senior season, she tried out for the U.S. Olympic team and was one of only two high school players to make the next-to-last cut. That put her on the USA Junior Olympic Team, which won a World Championship gold medal. She was also a Fast Pitch World High School All-American.

Reese's softball success continued in college. She started in every game for four seasons at shortstop for the University of Virginia. She was a two-time All-ACC selection and was named to the ACC 50th Anniversary Team in 2002.

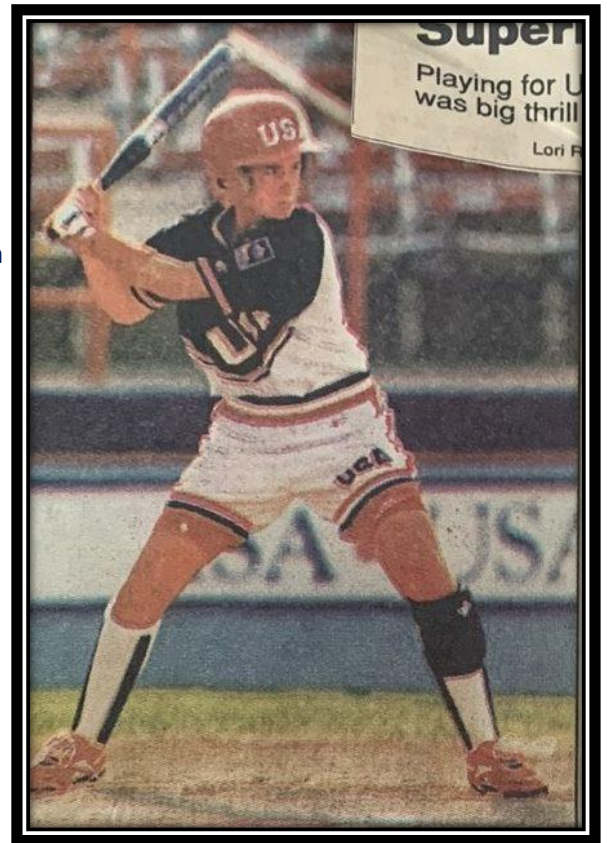
In 1999, Reese was drafted as the No. 46 pick by the Carolina Diamonds of the Women's Pro Softball League.

In basketball, Reese totaled 1,095 points in her career, and was a part of some of Chambersburg's most successful hoops teams.

In her senior season of field hockey, Reese scored 13 goals and added 5 assists, as the Trojans won a Mid Penn title and were the No. 2 seed for the District 3 playoffs.

She earned four letters in each sport during her career and was named a U.S. Army Reserve National Scholar Athlete.

Reese said, "My favorite memory of being a Trojan is definitely the team bonding. Each year and each sport had a different look and feel to it, but each team created lifelong memories and friendships. All the wins were nice, but it was the team dinners, bus rides, pre-practice snack runs, toilet papering, music playlists, etc. that forged friendships that I will cherish forever."



1990 4 x 400 Relay Team

It's not possible to be the winner of a track & field relay race unless every member of the team runs a good leg and every handoff is clean.

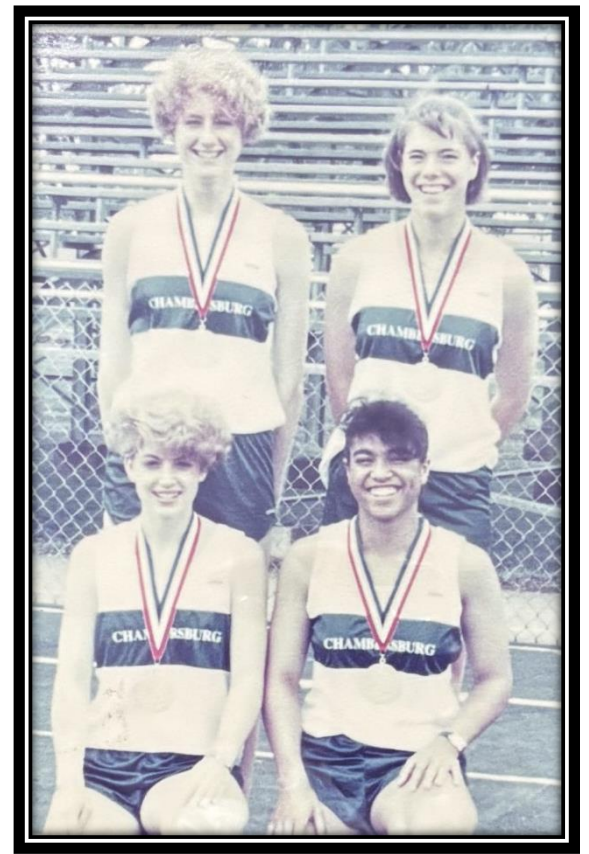
That's just the formula Chambersburg's girls 4 x 400 relay team, Tammy McClanahan, JuliAnn Hopkins, Beth Muehl and Rebecca Davis, used to capture a gold medal at the PIAA Championships in the spring of 1990.

After the first three legs of the relay race, the Trojans were not in first place, so that left it up to Davis, in the anchor spot, to work some magic. Still chasing down Cheltenham halfway through the final lap, Davis turned on the jets.

McClanahan said, "Watching Becky pulling ahead from behind is something I will never forget."

"Running the anchor and rounding the final turn to the straightaway ... it was all surreal," Davis said. "We were always taught the importance of team, and we couldn't have done it without each other."

Chambersburg finished with a time of 3:57.24, while Cheltenham was second in 3:58.12. **That winning time is still the school record.**



The previous fall, Muehl, Hopkins and McClanahan were members of the PIAA girls cross country championship team, so they had a lot of experience in a pressure situation.

In addition to the 4 x 400 victory at states, McClanahan placed fourth in the 300 hurdles in a school record time of 45.06 that still stands today. McClanahan and Muehl also teamed up with Aundrea Helman and Sharon Wenger to take fifth place in the 4 x 800 relay.

Hopkins competed in track at the University of Maryland and became a physical therapist.

Davis, who said, "I believe my years of track (at Chambersburg) literally saved my life," went on to earn three degrees and got into coaching her kids' teams in basketball, soccer and cheer.

Muehl went to Bucknell University, specializing in the 400, 400 hurdles and 800. She became a cross country and track coach at Northwest H.S. in Montgomery County, Md. for 13 years and her team won a state title in 2011.

McClanahan had a fine career at Shippensburg University. She was a 9-time medalist in the PSAC Championships, winning the 400 hurdles once and running on two winning 4 x 400 teams. She was the Shippensburg MVP in 1993 and 1994 and was the PSAC's Outstanding Female Athlete in 1994. She also went into coaching.

Muehl said, "(Relays) coach John Ambrosio taught us how to be a team — supporting each other through workouts and races and off the track."

"I was extremely proud to represent CASHS in my athletics and other school activities," Hopkins said. "I had great leaders who taught me to be humble, yet confident, in who I was and what I could achieve as an athlete and a person."

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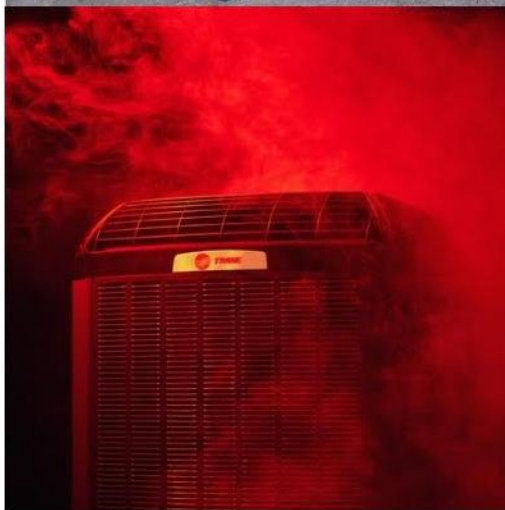
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Harvey Staver

When a program collects wins in nearly 9 games out of every 10 played, you would expect plenty of good things are going to happen.

And that's certainly true in the case of longtime Chambersburg softball coach Harvey Staver, whose teams seemed to be in the chase for state championships nearly every year.

In his 27 years as the head coach of softball — from 1983 to 2010, Staver's teams posted an amazing record of 563 wins and 84 defeats, a winning percentage of .870.

The Trojans simply owned the top division in the Mid Penn Conference, winning 23 titles in that 27-year span. That included a streak of 20 consecutive years as the champions.

District 3 wasn't a whole lot different, because Chambersburg won the district crown 11 times under Staver. That included a run of six straight championships (from 1991-96) and three in a row (from 2000-2002).

The Trojans posted a crazy record of 71-17 in District 3 contests (.806), and that included a stretch of 27 wins in a row. In District 3 championship games, his teams won 11 and lost only 4 times.

Chambersburg qualified for the PIAA Tournament 18 times in Staver's time at the helm, racking up a record of 28-16. The Trojans captured state championships twice, in 1994 with an 11-2 win over Titusville, and in 1997 by beating Bellefonte 8-0.

In those days, before the pitching circle was moved back, pitchers ruled in softball and the state playoffs were littered with 1-0 and 2-1 scores. For example, in 1995, Chambersburg won 1-0 in the first round, 1-0 in the quarterfinals and lost 1-0 in the semifinals.

There was also the wild win over Jersey Shore in 2001 in which the Trojans prevailed 1-0 in 19 innings.

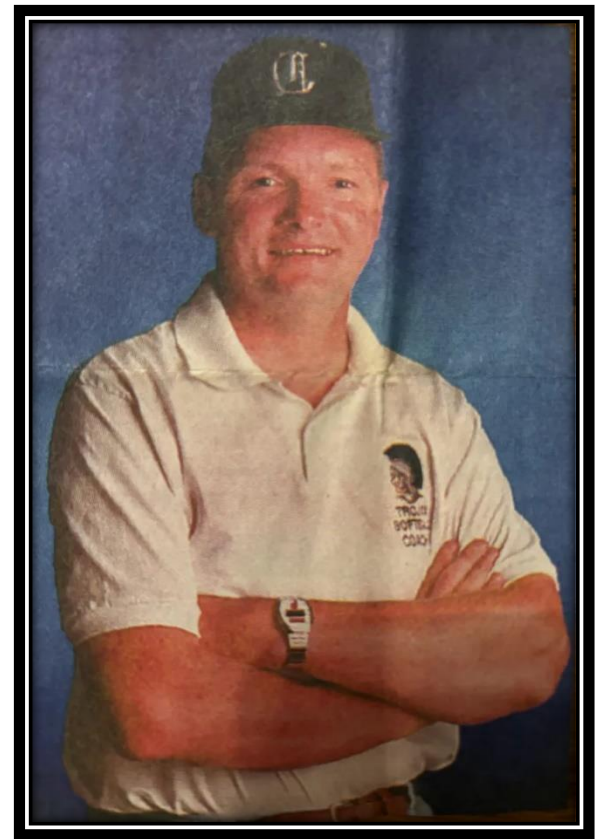
Six times, Chambersburg advanced to the semifinals and was defeated by the eventual state champions (four of them by one run), and that happened once in the quarterfinals. The Trojans also made it to the state final in 2004 and suffered a controversial 3-2 loss to Shaler.

In addition to softball, Staver had an even longer run as an assistant football coach at Chambersburg, holding the position for 32 years. In those years, he served as coach for the quarterbacks, running backs and defensive line. The highlight of his football coaching gig came in 1989 when Chambersburg put together an 11-0 regular season and won a Mid Penn Commonwealth championship.

Staver, who will also be inducted into the Pennsylvania South Central Hall of Fame this fall, said what he will remember most — other than the two PIAA softball titles and the 11-0 football season — is the athletes.

He said, "I'll remember all of the great athletes I coached and had the opportunity to see success in their lives."

— By Ed Gotwals



Donald “Mike” Waters

If you want some indication of how good Donald “Mike” Waters was as a football player at Chambersburg, check out these statistics from a 39-7 win over Hanover in October of 1950 at Henninger Field:

- In 13 carries, he gained 154 yards (11.8 avg.), including scoring runs of 80 yards and 23 yards.
- He intercepted a pass and returned it 65 yards for a score.
- Waters picked off another pass, returned it 15 yards, and that led directly to a Trojan TD.
- He returned a kickoff 85 yards for a touchdown.
- In total, he touched the ball 16 times and produced 319 yards (19.9 avg.) and 4 TDs.

Waters was a rock-solid star for the Trojan football and basketball teams, playing four years in each. He did not start in his first football game as a freshman, but did play. He started every other game, and missed only one game in basketball, because of sickness. He was believed to be the first Chambersburg player to earn four letters in football.

He also competed in track & field in his freshman year before the program was disbanded, and was an outfielder in baseball for two seasons. He earned 11 varsity letters in his career.

Waters was probably best at football, where he played fullback. In his senior season, he was named to the 1950 All-Pennsylvania Scholastic football team as a second-team selection. He was the first Trojan in 14 years to receive that honor.

In his career, Waters carried the ball 385 times and gained 2,333 yards for a 6.06 average. More importantly, he crossed the goal line 47 times for touchdowns, helping Chambersburg to South Penn League titles in 1948 and 1949.

As a freshman in 1947, Waters had 93 carries for 466 yards (5 yard-per-carry average) and scored 7 TDs. The next fall, he toted the ball 119 times for 681 yards (5.4 avg.) and scored 10 touchdowns.

Waters upped his numbers as a junior, although he had fewer carries. He had 84 carries for 536 yards (6.2 avg.) and had 13 scores to lead the South Penn. As a senior, he had 89 carries for 650 yards (7.1 avg.) and led the league with 17 touchdowns.

The Chambersburg basketball team found plenty of success with Waters playing as a guard. In the four years he started, the Trojans put together an awesome record of 74-6.

Waters was named to the All-South Penn team as a sophomore and junior, and was controversially bumped to the second team as a senior, even though he had another productive season. He scored 193 points, was a strong defensive player and the Trojans were 23-2.

After his school career ended, Waters became a member of the Chambersburg Cardinals semi-pro football team. He was inducted into the Pennsylvania South Central Athletic Hall of Fame in 1986. The old Second Street Playground is now named in his honor.

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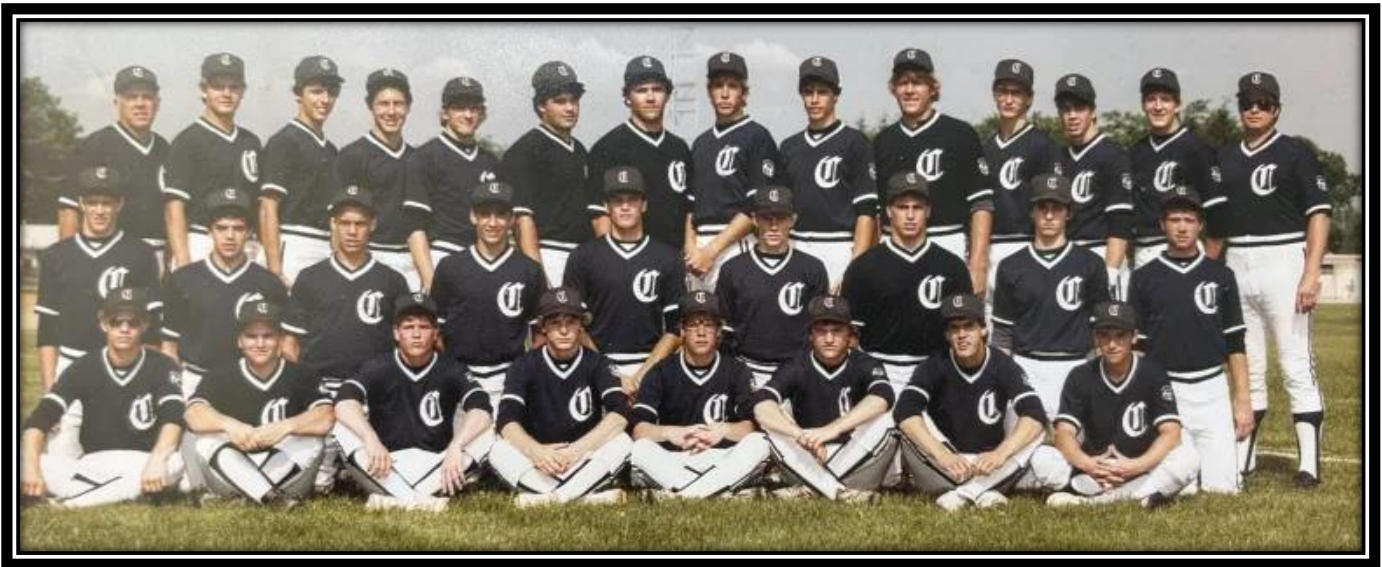
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1984 Baseball Team



At one point in the 1984 baseball season, Chambersburg did not look like a championship team.

The Trojans went 0-3 over a 10-day span in early May, committing a total of 13 errors, and were left with a 9-4 record. But in the next game, a 4-1 win over Mechanicsburg, Chambersburg survived a Wildcat rally in the seventh inning when pitcher Andy Shreiner struck out Shawn Abner — who would be the No. 1 pick in the Major League Draft that year by the Mets — with two runners on base. And from that point on, Chambersburg was nearly invincible, going 16-1 the rest of the way. In the playoffs, the team was 8-0, outscoring its opponents 62-22, capped by the school's first PIAA championship.

In the first round of the District 3 Class AAA playoffs, Dover put a scare into Chambersburg, which needed a 3-run sixth inning to tie the game, then won 8-7 in the eighth inning when Dave Stewart drew a bases-loaded walk. Tony Hartman led the way to a 12-2 victory over Hershey in the quarterfinals, hitting a home run and driving in four runs. Shreiner hurled a two-hitter to blank Cumberland Valley 6-0 in the semifinals. The Trojans had never won a District 3 title to that point, but that quest was taken care of quickly when they piled up eight runs in the first inning of the championship tilt against Mechanicsburg and won 8-2 as Brian Corwell had a strong game on the mound.

The PIAA tournament began with a 5-2 win over Berwick. Shreiner twirled a four-hitter and contributed a home run and three RBIs, and Rip Lawhead belted a two-run double. Brian Whitfield's grand slam highlighted a 9-3 homer-happy quarterfinal win over Upper Darby in which Hartman blasted a pair of HRs and Brian Etter added one. Semifinal opponent Wilkes-Barre Coughlin came into the game with a big reputation and a cocky attitude, with eight players in its lineup boasting a batting average over .360. But Shreiner held them to just four hits and Stewart had a big day at the plate, going 4-for-5 in an 11-5 victory. That put the Trojans into the final, held the next day, June 15, at Shippensburg University. Exactly five years earlier, Chambersburg had lost 2-1 to State College in its only other state championship appearance. The Trojans' opponent was Central of Martinsburg, which knocked off favorite Allderdice in the semifinals.

Ron Wiegand was named the starting pitcher for the final, and he was up to the task. The Scarlet Dragons did take a 1-0 lead in the second inning on a walk, a base hit and a throwing error trying to nail the runner at third base. But a bigger inning was avoided when Lawhead fielded a grounder at first base, stepped on the bag, then threw home to catch the runner trying to score from third base. The rest of the way, Wiegand was nearly untouchable. He fired a 3-hitter, walked 2 and struck out 6 batters, and he retired the final 9 Central batters. The Chambersburg offense got to Scarlet Dragon pitcher Bart Mock (who played the game with a broken bone in his non-throwing hand) in the bottom of the third inning. Hartman lined a single to right with one out and Bobby Curfman followed with a towering drive on a 1-and-2 curveball that carried over the fence in left field for a home run and a 2-1 lead. In the bottom of the sixth, the Trojans got a little insurance when Stewart bombed a solo homer to center. The 3-1 victory's final out came on a grounder to Lawhead and the celebration began. It was the first of three state championships for the program.

Coach Bob Thomas, who was inducted into the Hall of Fame last fall and passed away this year, said this at a celebration in Memorial Square that drew around 1,000 fans: "We thought we had a pretty good chance at this (championship). We might be blowing a little smoke, but when you take 29 guys to start the season and you still have 29 guys at the end of the season, that shows the coaches that (the players) have a lot of desire. Everyone did their part. It was an all-out effort."

Chambersburg finished with a 25-5 record and was ranked No. 11 in the nation by Collegiate Baseball.

Other players not mentioned in the above story included Cliff Salmon, John Pogue, Tom Knepper, John Herb, Joe Tosten, Tim Patterson, Jim Egolf, Mel Fager, Rich Schoenleber, Brad Shoemaker, Pat Kane, Ron Culbertson, Allen Jones, Keith Swartz, Darby Crum, Richie Bell, Terry Newman, Lewis Crist, John Ross and Kevin Getz, and assistant coach Dave Etter.

Angie Rideout

Angie Rideout Lowe was an outstanding three-sport athlete at Chambersburg and a two-sport star in college at Kutztown University, leaving her marks all over the record books at the two schools.

What made her great were her superior jumping skills, which she put to good use in volleyball, basketball and track & field.

In high school, Rideout first stood out in track & field as a sophomore in 1994 in the high jump. She was first at the Mid Penn Conference meet, first at the District 3 championships and earned a silver medal at the PIAA Championships. She hit a mark of 5-6 at states — she and D-Dee Cooley share the school record at that height — while Becky Kaza of Punxsutawney won at 5-7.5.

She spread her skills out in her junior season, placing first at Mid Penns in the 100 hurdles and second in the high jump and triple jump, and was fifth in the district meet in the high jump.

In her final season, 1996, Rideout got even busier. At Mid Penns, she took first in the high jump and triple jump, third in the long jump and fifth in the 100 hurdles. At districts, she medaled in the triple jump (1st), high jump (3rd) and long jump (8th). In the PIAA event, Rideout earned two medals — 4th in the high jump and 5th in the triple jump.

She set a school record in the triple jump (which has since been passed by Marshay Ryan), and set a school record for varsity points scored in a season. She was also the first CASHS girls high jumper to compete at the Penn Relays.

During the fall, Rideout played on the Trojan volleyball team, and in her last two years they put together records of 20-5 and 18-5. She was a Mid Penn first-team all-star and a District 3 second-team all-star, as well as making the PA Volleyball Coaches Association All-State team.

Rideout played center for the basketball team, which won a Mid Penn Commonwealth title. She was the team's best defensive player for two years and led Chambersburg in rebounds and blocked shots as a junior.

"My parents, Mike and Vicki Rideout, spent countless hours of driving and being in the stands and providing me with additional coaching, so I could follow my dreams," Rideout said. "Also, the community support was amazing — we had the best fans."

At Kutztown, Rideout's standout career was recognized when she was voted into the Kutztown University Hall of Fame in 2009.

In volleyball, she ended her career with school-record totals for kills (1,016), blocks (477) and solo blocks (241), as well as blocks in a season (176 in 1996) and solo blocks in a season (101 in 1996). She has since been passed in kills and blocks.

Rideout was named to the All-PSAC second team in 1996 and 1997, and to the first team in 1998 and 1999.

She had a big year in track & field in 1997 as a freshman, helping the Golden Bears to a PSAC team title by winning the triple jump and placing second in the high jump.

Rideout was named the team's Female Rookie of the Year in 1997 and the Senior Female Athlete of the Year in 2000.

— By Ed Gotwals





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