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A recently inducted member of the Tennessee Sports Hall of Fame, Charles Davis is a game analyst for the CBS Television Network's coverage of THE NFL ON CBS. Since 2016, Davis has been the game analyst voice for EA Sports' Madden beginning with "Madden NFL 17."

Davis, a veteran broadcaster, was previously in the FOX NFL booth beginning in 2015.

Davis' signature broadcast style combines detailed preparation with an easy-to-

understand delivery, making him exceedingly popular among audiences across the country.

As the former lead analyst on FOX's college football coverage, Davis was on the call for three consecutive BCS National Championship games between 2007-09, also covering the 2008 Sugar Bowl and 2009 Orange Bowl.

He continues to stay connected to college football year-round, intensifying his study of players who are eligible for the annual NFL Draft at the conclusion of each college football season. He has a regular place on the NFL Network's draft lead-up programming.

A four-year starter as a defensive back from 1983-86 for Tennessee, and member of the Academic All-SEC Team, Davis appeared in 39 games and posted 234 tackles (146 solo), 13 interceptions, four fumble recoveries and three forced fumbles. Following his career at Tennessee, he signed as a rookie free agent with the Dallas Cowboys.

After retiring from football, Davis performed a variety of different roles during the 1990s. He served as an assistant athletic director at Stanford University, director of the United States Olympic Training Center and also became the first African American tournament director in PGA Tour history when he ran the Disney Golf Classic from 1998-2000.

Charles Franklin Davis was born in Elizabethton, Tenn. Married to wife Lisa, the couple has two children, a daughter, Taylor, and a son, Parker. In his free time, he enjoys being with his family and reading, naming the political and historical genres as his favorites.

For 39 years, the Greater Knoxville Sports Hall of Fame has celebrated sports with some of the area's finest. Each year, ten local individuals are inducted into the Hall of Fame for their achievements in athletics, media, coaching, sports administration, and officiating. Other honorees include Knoxville's Male and Female High School Athletes of the Year, Chad Pennington Professional Athlete of the Year Award, Pat Summitt Ignite Greatness Award, Buck Vaughn Legacy Award, and Special Recognition award recipients.

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CHARLES DAVIS

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TREY SMITH

CHAD PENNINGTON PROFESSIONAL ATHLETE OF THE YEAR

DUSTIN COLQUITT

SPECIAL RECOGNITION

BUCK JONES

HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETES OF THE YEAR

CALLIE GRACE TUCKER

ELIJAH YOUNG

BUCK VAUGHN LEGACY AWARD

1980S OLYMPIC ATHLETES

WILL MCKAMEY SPIRIT AWARD

TY HURST

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2020 Special Award Recipients

Callie Grace Tucker

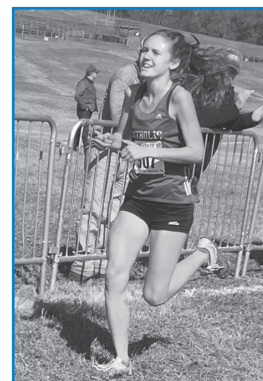
2020 Female Athlete of the Year Award

Callie Grace Tucker has received numerous accolades for her performances in cross-country, indoor track, and outdoor track. Tucker was All-State in Cross-Country in 2016, 2018, and 2019, winning an individual cross-country state championship in 2019, the first individual girl's state championship for Knoxville's Catholic High School since 2011.

In 2019, she was also named to the All-South Team at the Footlocker Cross Country Championship race. For Indoor Track, Tucker was All-State in the 2-mile in 2018, 2019, and 2020. She also qualified for New Balance Nationals Indoor in New York City in the 5K Championship race in 2017, 2018, 2019, and 2020. In addition, Tucker qualified in 2019 for the New Balance Nationals Indoor meet in New York City in the 2-mile Emerging Elite race.

During the 2020 indoor season, Tucker broke the Catholic High school record for the 1-mile (4:57) and the 800 (2:20). Tucker ran her personal best in the 3200 in March 2020 with a 10:37 mark, breaking the school record and currently ranking fifth in the nation by US Milesplit.com.

In 2018, Tucker won a state championship on the 4x800-relay team in the large school division with a 9:19 mark and setting the school record for Catholic High School. This team was also named the No. 1 relay team in Tennessee in the last decade. Callie has signed with the University of Tennessee in cross-country and track.



Elijah Young

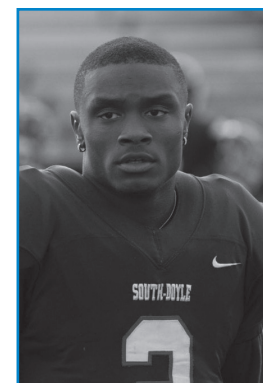
2020 Male Athlete of the Year Award

Elijah Young is a running back and three-star prospect who received 16 Division I scholarship offers. Young was selected the Tennessee Gatorade Player of the Year in 2019 and won the Class 5A Mr. Football award.

Young had 2,170 yards rushing on 245 carries and scored 39 touchdowns for the South-Doyle Cherokees. He also caught 15 passes for 169 yards and two touchdowns while averaging 28 yards per kickoff return. Young joined 17 players from East Tennessee to represent the East in the 2019 Tennessee East vs. West All-Star Classic.

Young racked up other honors for his performance such as first-team All-State, 5-StarPreps Player of the Year, Region 2-5A Player of the Year, PrepXtra Player of the Year and the Knox Country Player of the Year. Young is an early enrollee at University of Missouri.

On the track, Young ran a 10.70 100m and a 21.81 200m.



2020 Special Award Recipients

Dustin Colquitt

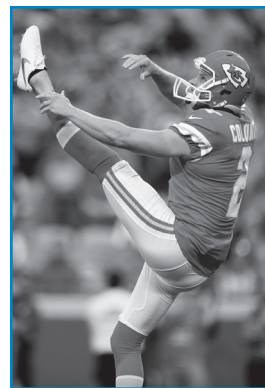
2020 Professional Athlete of the Year Award

Dustin Colquitt brought the family's fourth Super Bowl title home this past February as the Kansas City Chiefs defeated the San Francisco 49ers, 31-20, in Super Bowl LIV. His brother, Britton, had done likewise in Super Bowl I against the Carolina Panthers, while their dad, Craig, won Super Bowl titles in Super Bowls XIII and XIV. All three lettered as a punter at the University of Tennessee.

Colquitt accepted an athletic scholarship to attend the University of Tennessee and played for head coach Phillip Fulmer's Tennessee Volunteers football team from 2001 to 2004. As a junior in 2003, he was recognized as a first-team All-SEC selection, and a consensus first-team All-American.

The Chiefs selected him in the third round of the 2005 NFL Draft. He played 15 seasons and 238 games for the Chiefs before being released April 8, 2020.

His career numbers include 1,124 punts for 50,393 yards (44.8 avg.) with 98 touchbacks and 462 landing inside the 20, the third most in NFL history. He holds a career-net average of 39.7 yards and a long of 81 yards. He earned Pro Bowl honors twice, his first following the 2012 season and his most recent following the 2016 season.



Trey Smith

2020 Pat Summitt Ignite Greatness Award

A native of Jackson, Tenn., Smith is an All-American caliber left guard and enters his senior season in 2020 as one of the top returning players in the SEC. He opted to return for his senior season to obtain his degree, improve his draft stock, and continue to lead the Volunteers back to national prominence.

The No. 1-rated player in the nation in the 2017 recruiting class, Smith became the first Vol true freshman to start at left tackle in more than 30 years en route to freshman All-American status.

He was sidelined during the 2018 off-season with blood clots, but returned to start the first eight games that season at left guard before another ailment sidelined him indefinitely.

Smith garnered first-team All-SEC honors in 2019, appearing in all 13 games with 12 starts and leading the Vols on a six-game winning streak and a victory over Indiana in the Gator Bowl. Off the field, Smith has been a leader in the community. He was named the Jason Witten Collegiate Man of the Year and was the inaugural recipient of the Fritz Pollard Trophy, given to the collegiate player who has exemplified extraordinary courage, community values, and exceptional performance on the field.

Smith spearheaded a coat drive for KARM in 2018 and 2019 and has been named a member of the SEC Community Service Team.



2020 Special Award Recipients

Ty Hurst

2020 Will McKamey Spirit Award

The Greater Knoxville Sports Hall of Fame is proud to honor Ty Hurst with the 2020 Will McKamey Spirit Award. Hurst, a recent graduate of Carter High School, led the Hornets with 21 points per game, 5 rebounds per game, 3 steals per game and 2 assist per game. He was named All District, All District Tournament, All Region, Tennessee Sports Writer Association All State. He was selected as a participant to participate in the BCAT All Star game and was all names 1 of 9 Finalist for Mr. Basketball. Hurst signed his Letter of Intent on a full athletic scholarship to play at UNC-Pembroke.



The Will McKamey Spirit Award is given to a senior athlete that has overcome adversity in life to go on to excel in their respective sport. Ty Hurst has alopecia universalis, which is a rare condition causing complete loss of hair on the scalp and body. Less than 200,000 people in the United States have the disease. Hurst has dealt with teasing, both on and off the court, especially from opposing fans, during his life.

The Will McKamey Spirit Award honors the life of Will McKamey who played football for his father, Randy, at Grace Christian Academy and later for Navy. In 2012, McKamey suffered a head injury during a game that caused him to be hospitalized. After being cleared to play, he returned to the game of football. In a spring practice at Navy, McKamey collapsed again. After three days in a coma, McKamey passed away.

Ralph “Buck” Jones

2020 Special Recognition

Jones spent 25 years as an Associate Professor of Physical Education and Sport Management from 1981 until retiring in 1986. He was heavily involved in sport management at the University of Tennessee, particularly in track and field and cross-country.

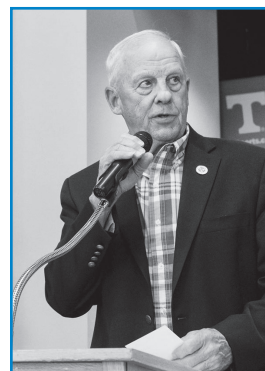
He was the public address announcer for nearly all U.T. track and cross-country meets from 1982 thorough 2018, part of his 50 years announcing in track and field. He created the track and field event management team for U.T. He was the meet director for the 1995 NCAA Track and Field Championships.

He was the public address announcer for numerous SEC and Big 10 Championship meets at various sites, 1985-2018, and for NCAA regional track meets and the 1992 NCAA Cross-Country Championships.

He announced numerous AAU track and field meets in Knoxville and at the ESPN Sports Complex at Disney World.

He has also served as official scorer for U.T. basketball, 2004-present, after also serving as timer, scoreboard operator, and public address announcer as needed. He also coordinated U.T. student volunteers for the Knoxville Open Golf tournament from 1997-2005.

He won the lifetime Achievement Award presented by U.T. track and field in 1995, the Governor’s Award for work with Tennessee Sportsfest in 1992, and was named an honorary Tennessee letterman in 2005.

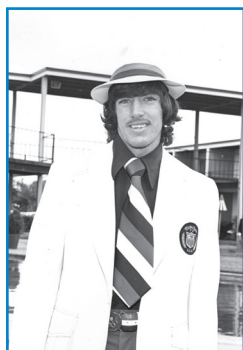


2020 Special Award Recipients

1980 Olympic Athletes

2020 Buck Vaughn Legacy Award

The 1980 Summer Olympics boycott was one part of a number of actions initiated by the United States and other countries to protest the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan. Due to the boycott in 1980, numerous athletes from the Tennessee Valley area were unable to experience their Olympic dream that summer. For this reason, the Greater Knoxville Sports Hall of Fame proudly honors these Olympians collectively with the Buck Vaughn Legacy Award.



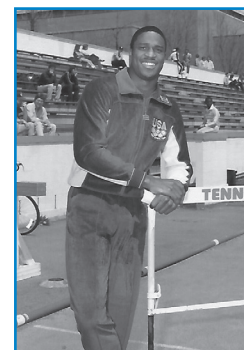
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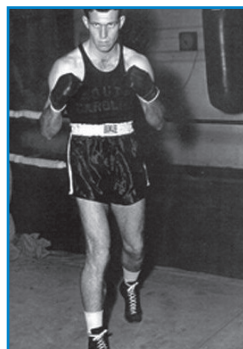
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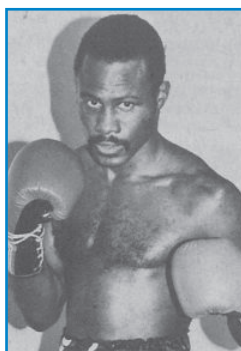
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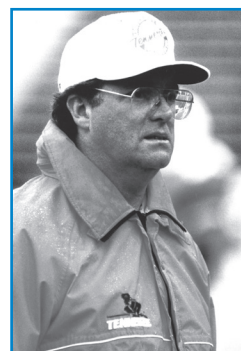
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Rob Black - Coaching

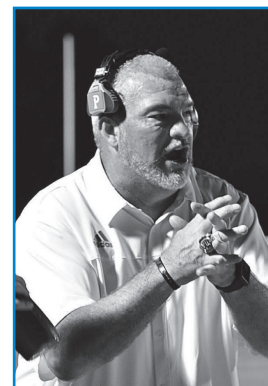
A highly-successful high school coach in the state of Tennessee at Knoxville's Fulton High School, Black has led the Falcons to state championships in 2012, 2013, and 2014 and regional championships in 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, and 2018. He has a record to date of 91 wins and 227 losses.

His teams were nationally ranked by USA and Maxpreps in 2013 and 2014, and he was Region coach of the year in 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, and 2018. He was the PrepXtra Coach of the Year in 2012.

The Falcons set a Tennessee high school football scoring record in 2013 by scoring 862 points (57.4 points per game) in 2012. Falcon defenders weren't bad either, allowing 9.6 points per game. They also had a 36-game winning streak between October 2012 and August 2015. His teams were nationally ranked by USA Today and Maxpreps in 2013 and 2014. He was Region Coach of the Year in 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, and 2018.

He is a member of the American Football Coaches Association (AFCA) and the Tennessee Athletic Coaches Association (TACA). He has coached six Tennessee Mr. Football Finalists and two Mr. Football Award Winners.

As an assistant coach and offensive coordinator at Fulton, he was part of three state championships (2003, 2004, and 2006), two state runners-up (2002 and 2007), and two district/regional championships (2002 and 2004). (2003, 2004, and 2006), two state runners-up (2002 and 2007), and two district/regional championships (2002 and 2004).



Mark Connor - Baseball

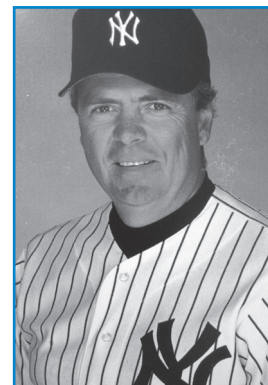
Mark Connor has spent his professional life coaching, developing, motivating, and counseling baseball pitchers at the highest levels of the game. A native New Yorker, Connor moved to Knoxville in 1974 to join Bill Wright as a graduate assistant pitching coach for the Vols, and he and his wife, Katie, have called Knoxville home ever since.

Connor spent 44 seasons in professional baseball, including 19 years in a major league dugout or bullpen. He was also U.T. head coach in 1988 and 1989. He served as a pitching coach for the New York Yankees, Arizona Diamondbacks, Texas Rangers, Toronto Blue Jays, and Baltimore Orioles.

In those roles, he worked with some of the game's best managers, such as Buck Showalter, Billy Martin, Yogi Berra, and Lou Piniella. He mentored hundreds of major league pitchers, including household names such as Rick Honeycutt, Tommy John, Dave Righetti, Ron Guidry, Greg McMichael, Chris Carpenter, Randy Johnson, Curt Schilling, Todd Stottlemire, Roy Halladay, Kevin Millwood, and R.A. Dickey.

Prior to his coaching days, Connor was a Topps Award College All-Star at Manhattan College, where he once struck out 20 batters against Columbia University, and was drafted by the Minnesota Twins.

In 1966, Connor was blessed to meet Katie at a cousin's Sweet 16 party. Together, they raised three children, Jennie Councill (Clay), Shannon Schupp (Cory), and Ryan Connor (Julia), and now spend many of their days chasing one or more of their nine grandchildren.





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Stan Cotten - Media

Stan Cotten has been broadcasting college sports for four decades and just completed his 24th season as the "Voice of the Demon Deacons" on the Wake Forest Sports Network from Learfield IMG College. The award-winning sportscaster is a four-time North Carolina "Sportscaster of the Year" as voted by his peers in the National Sports Media Association.

In April 2019, he received the prestigious Lindsey Nelson Award from the Knoxville Quarterback Club, an award given annually to a broadcaster who, through his or her work, has advanced the game of college football.

Cotten came to Winston-Salem in the fall of 1996 after spending four years in Huntington, West Virginia, as the radio play-by-play "Voice of the Thundering Herd" at Marshall University. Prior to his stint at Marshall, Cotten spent twelve years calling the radio play-by-play at Carson-Newman University while also holding down other duties working in both radio and television.

A Knoxville native, his broadcast career began in 1980 while still a student at the University of Tennessee. His first on-air job was as a sports reporter and anchor at WIVK-FM, the flagship station of Tennessee's Vol Network. That fall, Cotten began calling the football and basketball radio play-by-play at nearby Carson-Newman University. He would also add television anchor to his resume during that time serving as the weeknight sports anchor for Knoxville affiliate WTVK/WKXT (now WVLT) for three years in the late 1980s.

The fall of 2020 will be Cotten's 41st calling college football and basketball on the radio.



Gloria Deathridge - Basketball

Gloria Deathridge is a 1971 graduate of Bradley Central High School where she played basketball under the late head coach Jim Smiddy. As a Bradley Bearette, she was voted Most Athletic her Senior Year, was a Girls State Delegate, and was selected for three years to the All-District, All-Regional, and Sub-State teams. She was a member of the 1970 state basketball championship team and was twice an All-State selection.

The number 13, which she wore during her time at Bradley, has been retired and now hangs from the rafters of the school's gymnasium. After high school, Gloria played for the University of Tennessee from 1971-1974, where she also had the opportunity to play against the Russians as a member of the Eastern Region U.S.A. All-Star team.

She received her bachelors degree in business administration from the University of Tennessee. She retired in January 2005 from the Tennessee Valley Authority as a business analyst. Gloria served as a member of the Knox County Board of Education for eight years and now works as an affiliate broker for Realty Executives Associates.

Gloria has served and continues to serve on several community boards and organizations throughout the Knoxville area including Project Grad-Knoxville, secretary of the board of directors for the Women's Basketball Hall of Fame, a member of the Knoxville Chapter of Links, Inc., and of Leadership Knoxville. She is a past member of the University of Tennessee's Chancellor's Associates and the YMCA Black Achievers Program.



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Clark Duncan - Coaching

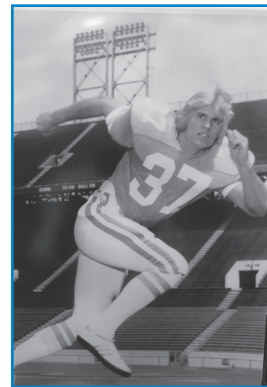
Clark Duncan came to the University of Tennessee from Erwin, Tenn. (Unicoi County) in the football recruiting class of 1977, the first for head coach John Majors when he came marching home to Knoxville after garnering a national championship at the University of Pittsburgh.

Duncan was a four-year starter at defensive back and earned first-team freshman All-SEC and second-team freshman All-American honors in his rookie campaign. Erwin declared February 16, 1977, as "Clark Duncan Day." In 1992, he was inducted into the Unicoi County Football Hall of Fame.

He has been head football coach at Knoxville's South Doyle High School since 2003 and also assistant principal and athletic director. He took two football programs from 0-10 to 10-0 or better, Powell from 0-10 in 1986 to 11-1 in 1990 and South-Doyle from 0-10 in 2009 to 12-1 in 2014.

Over his 28 years as a head coach and five years as an assistant, his teams have won 186 games and made 23 playoff appearances, were 1991 state championship runners-up, made three semi-finals appearances, and won 11 regional championships. Six of his former players have gone on to become head coaches and 15 have become assistant coaches.

He was the 2014 Athletic Director of the Year, the 2013, 2014, 2016 and 2019 Region 5A Coach of the Year, and won the 2018 Tennessee Athletic Coaches Association Jim Carter Life Time Achievement Award.



Steve Hamer - Basketball

Hamer led Middleton (Tenn.) High School to the 1992 state championship and was named tournament MVP. He was the state's Class A Mr. Basketball. He was named to the McDonalds All-American Team as an alternate. He received his first scholarship offer in the ninth grade.

He was a four-year starter at the University of Tennessee. He was named to the All-SEC Freshman Team for 1993 and was named All-SEC in 1995 and 1996 and the All-SEC Tournament team in 1996. He was drafted by the Boston Celtics with 38th selection in 1996.

He was a graduate of the Leadership Knoxville Class of 2016 and served as a panelist on WBIR's "Heavy Hitters." He also served as teacher and athletic director for Apostolic Christian School for nearly 13 years.

Hamer had left the University of Tennessee in 1996, after a basketball career in which he started four years and scored 1,418 points. There were good moments... and bad. Twenty-four years later, he is now a graduate and back on campus every day as Athletic Discovery Coordinator at the University of Tennessee. He has also found time to be a basketball analyst for the SEC Network.





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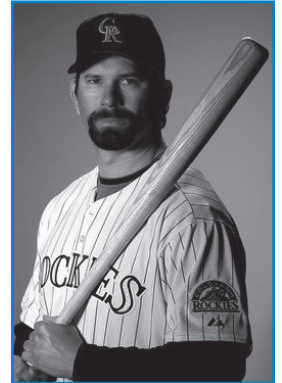
Todd Helton - Baseball

A legendary prep athlete in Knoxville sports history, Todd Helton spent 17 years with the Colorado Rockies organization and as the club's longest-tenured player, he was a five-time All-Star, four-time Louisville Slugger Silver Slugger Award winner, and three-time Rawlings Gold Glove Award winner. He won the National League batting title in 2000, with a mark of .372.

At the time of his retirement in 2013, Helton held Rockies career records for games played (2,247), runs (1,401), hits (2,519), doubles (592), home runs (369), RBI (1,406), walks (1,335) and extra-base hits (998). On Aug. 7, 2014, Helton became the first player in Rockies history to have his jersey retired.

During his career at the University of Tennessee, Helton was a consensus Freshman All-American, First Team All-SEC and Third-Team All-American honors in 1993. The accolades continued to roll in 1994 as he earned All-America honors by the National Collegiate Baseball Writers Association, Baseball America and Collegiate Baseball. As a junior in 1995, Helton hit at a .407 clip while leading the SEC in home runs (20), RBI (92), runs (86), doubles (27), hits (105), walks (61), slugging percentage (.775) and on-base percentage (.522). He also led the conference with a 1.66 ERA while compiling an 8-2 record with 12 saves.

Helton helped guide the Vols to three straight NCAA Regional appearances, including a third-place finish at the 1995 College World Series. He was twice named to the NCAA All-Tournament team.



Randy Lambert - Coaching

Maryville native Lambert had 39 seasons as a head coach at Maryville College. His teams made 20 trips to NCAA Division III National Tournament, with three Sweet Sixteen appearances. Maryville College had 20 20-win seasons. He had a 722-325 overall record (.689).

He is the eighth coach in D-III to win more than 700 games. He is 42nd all-time, all divisions, in wins in NCAA Basketball history. He is the fourth coach in all divisions in the NCAA to win 700 games at his alma mater. He has coached 42 All-conference players and five All-Americans.

As if coaching were not enough, Lambert also served as the college's athletic director from 1985 to 2008. During his 23 years, the department experienced an amazing turnaround in its success. From greatly improved winning percentages among its sports to a higher retention of student-athletes, the Scots began to be recognized as one of the South's finest NCAA Division III programs.

The athletic facilities also received a much-needed facelift during his tenure. A \$1-million renovation of Cooper Athletic Center, a \$500,000 development of the football facility, six new tennis courts, and improvements to the baseball, softball, and soccer fields were some of the featured changes.

He was also very instrumental in the origination of the Great South Athletic Conference in 2000 and served two years as its commissioner. For the past year, Lambert was coordinator of the Athletic Facilities Campaign at the college, a proposed and ambitious 22 million dollar overhaul of the athletic facilities.



Andy Landers - Coaching

Andy Landers was one of the most successful coaches in the history of women's college basketball. During 40 seasons at the University of Georgia and Roane State College, Landers' teams compiled 944 victories, an average of 23.6 wins per year, with 32 20-win seasons and 19 Top-10 final rankings.

A Maryville native, Landers won 862 games in 36 seasons at Georgia. In his final campaign, 2014-15, Landers became just the eighth NCAA Division I coach to win 850 games at one school, joining Geno Auriemma, Jim Boeheim, Mike Krzyzewski, Adolph Rupp, Dean Smith, and Pat Summitt.

Landers, named National Coach of the Year four times, kept Georgia in the national spotlight throughout his tenure. He led Georgia to 20 Sweet 16s, 11 Elite Eights, five Final Fours, and a pair of NCAA runner-up finishes. Georgia also captured seven SEC Championships and four SEC Tournament titles under his leadership. Equally impressive, Landers compiled a 100 percent graduation rate among his four-year letter winners.

Landers began his career at Roane State, where he was 82-21 in four seasons with three 20-win seasons. He was then hired as UGA's first full-time women's head basketball coach in 1979 at age 26. Landers was inducted into the Women's Basketball Hall of Fame in 2007 and the State of Georgia's Sports Hall of Fame in 2009. Following his retirement from coaching, Landers transitioned to television and is one of ESPN's lead analysts for women's college basketball.





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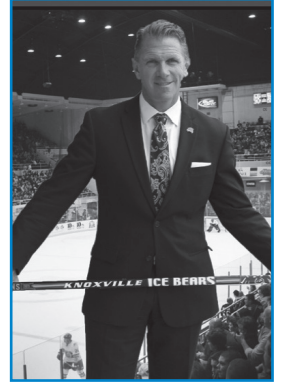
Mike Murray - Hockey / Administration

Originally from Kingston, Ontario, Canada, Mike Murray has enjoyed a very decorated professional hockey career. In 1984, at the age of 17, he was drafted to the New York Islanders, becoming their youngest draft choice to date. He was later traded to the Philadelphia Flyers where he inked a three-year contract. As a player, Mike played more than 850 professional games, contributing a combined total of 424 goals and 484 assists for 908 points.

Throughout his professional hockey playing career, he went on to win a Memorial Cup, representing all of Canada, and a Calder Cup with the Hershey Bears in the American Hockey League. With direction from his agent, Mike arrived in Knoxville in 1991 to join the then-Knoxville Cherokees for the remaining 20 games of their season. He fell in love with Knoxville, and after two seasons in Europe, returned to call Knoxville "home."

Retiring from playing hockey in early 2000. Mike then ventured into the golf business as general manager of the Golf Digest 4-Star Golf Course River Islands in nearby Kodak. In 2005, Mike joined the Knoxville Ice Bears Ownership Group in an effort to help keep hockey in Knoxville. Shortly thereafter, he welcomed the opportunity to assume the position of president and general manager of the team with the understanding that the product, community, overall fan support, and charitable aspects of the job are key ingredients to its continued growth and overall success.

He has been a part of a league leading four Southern Professional Hockey League President's Cup trophies brought to Knoxville and looks to provide hockey entertainment in the Knoxville sports landscape for many years to come.



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1982 INDUCTEES

Nathan Dougherty, Football
L. Roe Campbell, All-Around Athlete
Earl L. Keister, Sr., Basketball
George H. "Dusty" Lennon, Coach
William A. "Billy" Meyer, Baseball Player/
Manager Bowden Wyatt, Football Player/Coach J.B.
"Bonnie" Hollingsworth, Sr., Baseball Reba Mortan
Kennedy, Swimming
Doris Sams, Softball/Baseball
George Cafego, Football
Ed Bailey, Baseball
Julian Bell, Baseball Player/Coach
Ralph Boston, Track and Field
C.A. "Lum" Reeder, Basketball
Robert R. Neyland, Football Coach
Bob Suffridge, Football
Doug Atkins, Football
Jackie Parker, Football
Garrard "Buster" Ramsey, Football
Bob Foss, Football

1982 Special Award Recipients

George R. Lebow, Youth Worker,
Special Recognition

1983 INDUCTEES

Buford Bible, Basketball Coach
Roy "Pinkie" Walden, Football
Carl Cowan, Football
Mildred Doyle, All-Around Athlete
Frank Callaway, Baseball
Sam "Red" Sharp, Football
J.G. Lowe, Football
Edward Gordon, Track and Field
Floyd "Biggy" Marshall, Football/Basketball
Tommy Wright, Golf

1983 Special Award Recipients

Maynard Glenn, City-wide Recreation,
Special Recognition

1984 INDUCTEES

Johnny Butler, Football
Gene Demont, Boxing
Paul Hogue, Basketball
Ebb King, Tennis
Reid Patterson, Swimming
Pete Kreis, Auto Racing
Claude "Red" McMillan, All-Around Athlete
Wilson Collins, Football
J.C. Goosie, Golf
Sam Jones, Football Coach
Tom Siler, Media

1985 INDUCTEES

Hobe Brummette, Baseball
Ken Burkhart, Baseball
Ray Graves, Football
Bernice O'Connor, Swimming
Jack Rodgers, Tennis
Gene Johnson, Baseball/Football
Alex Curtis, Swimming
Stanley Hamilton, Boxing
Jack Keys, Football
Harvey Robinson, Football
Lindsey Nelson, Media

1986 INDUCTEES

Ed Cifers, Football
Earl Cronan, Coach
Bill Davis, Tennis
Paul Davis, Coach/Football Player
Tommy Ford, Softball
Wallace Hawkins, Basketball/Football
Jake Gaiter, Coach
Billy King, Swimming
Rose Roberts, Golf
Dr. Bob Whittle, Boxing

1986 Special Award Recipients

Bob Woodruff, Athletic Director, UT,
Special Recognition

1987 Inductees

Tommy Bartlett, All-Around Athlete
Quinn Decker, Football
Gladys Fisher, Tennis
Clifford Ross, Basketball
B.E. Sharp, Track and Field Coach
Eddie Taylor, Billiards
D.D. Lewis, Football
Pat McGlothlin, Baseball
Ray Mears, Basketball
Ben Byrd, Media

1988 Inductees

Ray Bussard, Swimming Coach
Buddy Cruze, Football
A.W. Davis, Basketball
Carden Gillenwater, Baseball
Ann Baker Furrow, Golf
Charles Wesley "Pug" Vaughn, Football
Bill Wright, Baseball
Mike Stratton, Football
John Mauer, Basketball/Football
Raleigh Wynn, Sr., Football

1988 Special Award Recipients

James "Doc" Simpson,
Coach, Educator, Special Recognition
Raleigh McKenzie, Professional
Athlete of the Year
Tracie Foels,
Female High School Athlete of the Year
Fred Lowrey,
Male High School Athlete of the Year

1989 Inductees

Ace Miller, Boxing
Kenneth "Shorty" Needham, Football
Chuck Rohe, Track and Field Coach
Ralph Hutchens, Football Coach
Joe Higdon, Softball Coach/Manager
Andy Kozar, Football
Dana Royal Forsyth, Tennis
Vicki Johnson, Runner
Cecil Gross, City Recreation
Lloyd Foree, Golf

1989 Special Award Recipients

Claude Walker, City Recreation,
Special Recognition
Tim Irwin,
Professional Athlete of the Year
Amy McManus,
Female High School Athlete of the Year
Brad Higdon,
Male High School Athlete of the Year

1990 Inductees

Dan Boring, Football
Joe Caldwell, Official
Cartha Doyle Childress, Softball
Dr. Joe Garcia and Family, Tennis
Bill Justus, Basketball
Harold and Ed Harris, Media
Ed "Britches" Montgomery, Basketball
Chris Zachary, Baseball
Horace "Bud" Sherrod, Football
Ron Widby, All-Around Athlete
Jon Young, Track

1990 Special Award Recipients

Pat Ryan,
Professional Athlete of the Year
Amy McMahon,
Female High School Athlete of the Year
Chris Freeman,
Male High School Athlete of the Year

1991 Inductees

Bill Anderson, Football
Bill Bailey, Basketball/TSSAA Official
Milo Fisher, All-Around Athlete
Ralph Radcliffe, All-Around Athlete
Clarence "Ba Ba" Jackson, Football
Blanche "Sal" Vaughn, Golf
Kyle Testerman, Tennis/Basketball
James "B.B." Hopkins, Baseball
Stan Huntsman, Track Coach
Joel Huffaker, TSSAA Official

1991 Special Award Recipients

Robert "Cotton" Jackson, City Recreation,
Special Recognition
Reggie White,
Professional Athlete of the Year
Stephanie Hawkins,
Female High School Athlete of the Year
Kippy Bayless,
Male High School Athlete of the Year

1992 Inductees

Jay Cole, Basketball Player/Coach
Stanley Ford, Tennis
Bill Luttrell, Football/Basketball
Trent Walters, Football Player/Coach
Pat Head Summitt, Basketball Coach
Terry Crawford, Track Coach
Reese Patterson, Tennis
Harold Long, Martial Arts
Donnie Varner, Golf
Johnny Payne, Football
E.S. "Cy" Roberts, All-Around Athlete

1992 Special Award Recipients

Roy Kramer, Coach and SEC Commissioner,
Special Recognition
Bill Bates, Professional Athlete of the Year
Marvena Almond,
Female High School Athlete of the Year
Todd Helton,
Male High School Athlete of the Year

1993 Inductees

James S. Bair, Sr., Football, Basketball
Player/Coach
Steve DeLong, Football Player
Phil Garner, Baseball Player/Manager
William "Bill" Hunt, All-Around Athlete
Frank W. "Red" Bailes, Media
Hal W. Canfield, Track Official
Jimmy England, Basketball Player
Retha D. Hankins, Teacher/Golfer
Lavoy Killian, Football, Track
Sam Venable, Sr., Teacher/Official
Martha Anne Ferris Parker, Tennis

1993 Special Award Recipients

Mike Cofer, Professional Athlete of the Year
John P. "Jack" Murphy, Tennis Player/Coach
Tanika Smith,
Female High School Athlete of the Year
Brandon Thomas,
Male High School Athlete of the Year

1994 Inductees

Robert Lee "Bob" Davis, Football
Player/Coach
Carl Torbush, Football/Baseball
Player/Coach
Benedict A. "Ben" Plotnicki, Sr., Handball
E. Mac Stalcup, Softball
Thomas Alvin Goss, Football
Joe Proctor, All-Around Athlete/Football Coach
Holly Warlick, Basketball Player/Coach
James "Tiny" Seay, Golf
Elston H. Turner, Basketball
E. Conley Akin, Football/Track

1994 Special Award Recipients

Harold Lloyd Maples, Jr., Scuba Diving,
Special Recognition
Fuad Reveiz, Professional Athlete of the Year
Johnny Butler, Thanks for the Memories
Tracy Garrett,
Female High School Athlete of the Year
Shawn Snyder,
Male High School Athlete of the Year

1995 Inductees

Jennifer Azzi, Basketball
Tommy Everette, Basketball/Softball
Bob Fry, Basketball Coach
Condredge Holloway, Football
LaTain McGhee, Football Official
John L. "Pete" Stafford, Wrestling/Coach
Clara Morton, Bowling
Willie Poplar, Track
Ben Testerman, Tennis
John Trembley, Swimming/Coach
1995 Special Award Recipients
Hal Stephens, Special Recognition
Ernie Grunfeld, Thanks for the Memories
Bernard King, Thanks for the Memories
LeRoy Thompson,
Professional Athlete of the Year
Shannon Evans,
Female High School Athlete of the Year
Matt Lowe,
Male High School Athlete of the Year

1996 Inductees

Theodore "T" Gross, Baseball/Football
John Michels, Football
Candy Reynolds, Tennis
Bernard Taylor, Boxing
Raleigh Wynn, Jr., Basketball
Tommy Hensley, Football
Missy Kane, Track
Bob Polston, Football Coach
Louis Royal, Tennis
Jack Wade, Fishing
1996 Special Award Recipients
Jim Haslam, Special Recognition
Benita Fitzgerald, Thanks for the Memories
Reggie White, Professional Athlete of the Year
Leslie Love,
Female High School Athlete of the Year
Todd Atkins,
Male High School Athlete of the Year

1997 Inductees

Jim Blevins, Jr., Bowling
Doug Dickey, Football/Administrator
Wallace "O" Hawkins, Jr., Basketball
Ruth Pike, Golf
John Ward, Sportscaster
Albert Davis, Baseball/Football
Luke Foster, All-Around Athlete
Harry Nacey, Football Official
Paul Naumoff, Football
Bill Young, Football/Coach
1997 Special Award Recipients
Charlie "Bull" Durham, Special Recognition
Abby Conklin, Thanks for the Memories
Latina Davis, Thanks for the Memories
Michelle Marciniak, Thanks for the Memories
Pashen Thompson, Thanks for the Memories
Bubba Trammell,
Professional Athlete of the Year
Laura Lauter,
Female High School Athlete of the Year
Matt Huskey,
Male High School Athlete of the Year
Gloria Ray, Administrator of the Year

1998 Inductees

Sam Anderson, Football/Coach
Walter "Bud" Bales, Baseball/Coach
Ken Donahue, Football/Coach
Dick Evey, Football
Roland Julian, Sports Writer
Worth Mabry Lebow, Basketball
Fay Martin, Tennis
Robert Neff, Track Official
Herky Payne, Football/Baseball
Doris Rogers, Basketball
1998 Special Award Recipients
Gus Manning, Special Recognition
John Tate, Thanks for the Memories
Mike DiFelice,
Professional Athlete of the Year
Sarah Stroud,

Female High School Athlete of the Year
John-Christopher Lowery,
Male High School Athlete of the Year
Joan Cronan, Administrator of the Year

1999 Inductees

Haywood Harris, Media
Searl Henderson, Football
Mary Ann Dempster Klein, Swimming
Herb Neff, Basketball
Todd Williams, Track
Don Blackstock, Official
Howard Blum, Tennis
Eddie Brown, Football
Charlie Coffey, Football/Coach
Walter Hardy, Jr., Tennis
1999 Special Award Recipients
Bobby Lippert, Special Recognition
John Ward and Bill Anderson,
Thanks for the Memories
Todd Helton, Professional Athlete of the Year
Christy Baird,
Female High School Athlete of the Year
Russ Rutherford,
Male High School Athlete of the Year
Bob Black, Administrator of the Year

2000 Inductees

Bert Ackermann, Football Official
Russ Bebb, Media
John Foster, Jr., Basketball Coach
Bill High, Track
G. Turner Howard III, Tennis
Alma Cobb-Hulse, All-Around Athlete
John Majors, Football
Carol Zachary Mitchell, Softball
Robert Rovere, Track
Larry Seivers, Football
2000 Special Award Recipients
Emmet P. "Buck" Vaughn, Jr.,
Special Recognition
Willie Gault, Thanks for the Memories
Chris Woodruff,
Professional Athlete of the Year
Julia W. Stowers,
Female High School Athlete of the Year
Kevin Yeager,
Male High School Athlete of the Year
Dan Rajkowski, Administrator of the Year

2001 Inductees

Hank Bertelkamp, Basketball
Doug Brown, Track
Bill Faddis, Golf
Tim Irwin, Football
Jasmin Jones Keller, Track
Bill Luther, Media
Gordon Polofsky, Football
Steve Searcy, Baseball
Ken Sparks, Coaching
John Tate, Boxing
2001 Special Award Recipients
Bobby Denton, Special Recognition
Allan Houston, Thanks for the Memories
Todd Helton,
Professional Athlete of the Year
Julie Maples,
Female High School Athlete of the Year
Sean Stevens,
Male High School Athlete of the Year
Reggie McKenzie, Administrator of the Year

2002 Inductees

Bill Deatherage, Boxing
Keith DeLong, Football
Elbert Fielden, Official
Roy Kramer, Administrative
Robert Laugherty, Swimming
Orvis Milner, All-Around
Jill Prudden, Coach
Dwayne Simmons, Basketball
LeRoy Thompson, Football
John Wylie, Golf
2002 Special Award Recipients

Stanley Underwood, Special Recognition
Chuck Rohe, Thanks for the Memories
Todd Helton,
Professional Athlete of the Year
Kristi Ferris,
Female High School Athlete of the Year
Jeff Mitchell,
Male High School Athlete of the Year

2003 Inductees

Mike Barlow, Track
Mike DePalmer, Tennis
Mike DePalmer, Jr., Tennis
Arthur "Bud" Fields, Volleyball
Calvin Frazier, Track
Becky Hartman, All-Around Athlete
Richard Pickens, Football
Melissa Vaughn, Track
Bruce Wilkerson, Football
Bob Wilson, Media
2003 Special Award Recipients
Doug Dickey, Special Recognition
Mickie DeMoss, Thanks for the Memories
Chad Pennington,
Professional Athlete of the Year
Jennifer Bell,
Female High School Athlete of the Year
Ian O'Connor,
Male High School Athlete of the Year

2004 Inductees

Mike Cofer, Football
Shelley Sexton Collier, Basketball
Richard J. Davis, Basketball
Glenn Glass, Football
Lon Herzbrun, Coach Bob LeSueur, Coach
D.M. Miller, Administrative
Roy "Looney" Smith, Football
Max Springer, Track
Marvin West, Media
2004 Special Award Recipients
Sid Hankins, Jr., Special Recognition
Sid Hankins, III, Special Recognition
Sade Buley,
Female High School Athlete of the Year
Stephanie Woodfin,
Female High School Athlete of the Year
Demarcus Stevens,
Male High School Athlete of the Year
Tom Pappas, Professional Athlete of the Year

2005 Inductees

Bill Bates, Football
Ted Davis, Football
Fred Gladding, Baseball
Jeff Gollither, Golf
Steve Gollither, Golf
Gary Lundy, Media
Raleigh McKenzie, Football
Reggie McKenzie, Football
Pat Shires, Football
Faye Rogers Stafford, Basketball
2005 Special Award Recipients
Pat Summit, Thanks for the Memories
Tim Mack, Professional of the Year
Erin Ogan,
Female High School Athlete of the Year
Anthony McAlister II,
Male High School Athlete of the Year
Cade Thompson,
Male High School Athlete of the Year

2006 Inductees

Ginger Baxter, Gymnastics
Bert Bertelkamp, Basketball
Tony Cosey, Track
Bud Ford, Media
Bill Lauer, Swimming
Tom Mozur, Tennis
Tina Sanders, Golf
Bobby Scott, Football
Dewey Warren, Football
Tony White, Basketball

2006 Special Award Recipients

Sandy Hull, Special Recognition
Melvin Tate, Special Recognition
John D. Lee, Thanks for the Memories
Emmet P. "Buck" Vaughn, Jr.,
Thanks for the Memories
Alonzo "Big Zo" Butler,
Professional Athlete of the Year
Meredith Anne Ayres,
Female High School Athlete of the Year
Nick Reveiz,
Male High School Athlete of the Year

2007 Inductees

Barbara Bordinger, Golf
Dick Campbell, Coach
Don DeVoe, Coach
Anthony Hancock, Football
Phil Hatcher, Official
Don Labelle, Hockey
Jimmy O'Brien Baseball
Fuad Reveiz, Football
Neal Ridley, Baseball
Chris Woodruff, Tennis

2007 Special Award Recipients

Jenae Anderson,
Female High School Athlete of the Year
Angela Puleo,
Female High School Athlete of the Year
Anthony Anderson,
Male High School Athlete of the Year
Tyler Maples,
Male High School Athlete of the Year
Dennis Rogan,
Male High School Athlete of the Year
Chad Pennington,
Professional Athlete of the Year
Lady Vols Basketball Team and Coach
Pat Summitt, Special Recognition
Monica Abbott, Thanks for the Memories

2008 Inductees

Phillip Fulmer, Coach
Mac Gentry, Official
Drew "Buddy" Gilbert, Baseball
Ricky Gregg, Golf
Ron McCartney, Football
Tim Priest, Football
Lisa McGill-Reagan, Basketball
Copley Vickers, Track
Jackie Walker, Football
Randy Wylie, Golf

2008 Special Award Recipients

Jackie Coward,
Female High School Athlete of the Year
Glory Johnson,
Female High School Athlete of the Year
Will Coley,
Male High School Athlete of the Year
Brandon Tarr,
Male High School Athlete of the Year
Jason Witten,
Professional Athlete of the Year

2009 Inductees

Valerie Bachmann, Track
Cotton Barrier, Golf
Craig Colquitt, Football
Ted Cook, Basketball
John Dean, Coach
John Heatherly, Coach
Debby Jennings, Administration
Al Neil, Baseball
Pat Ryan, Football

Phil Savage, Gymnastics

2009 Special Award Recipients

Kayla Christopher,
Female High School Athlete of the Year
Faith Dupree,
Female High School Athlete of the Year
James Gallman,
Male High School Athlete of the Year
Caleb Leonard,
Male High School Athlete of the Year
Chad Pennington,
Professional Athlete of the Year
Pat Summitt, Thanks for the Memories
John Cook, Special Recognition
Vance Link, Special Recognition

2010 Inductees

John Cooper, Coach
Austin Denney, Football
Carmen Foster, Coach
Jeryllyn Harper Carroll, Basketball
Bill Higdon, Administration
Jim Kerr, Golf
Carolyn Peck, Basketball
Dirk Pohlmann, Cycling
Jackie Pope, Football
Chuck Ramsey, Football

2010 Special Award Recipients

Patavia Lowery,
Female High School Athlete of the Year
Taylor Mills,
Female High School Athlete of the Year
Jalen Steele,
Male High School Athlete of the Year
Dwight Tarwater,
Male High School Athlete of the Year
JaRon Toney,
Male High School Athlete of the Year
Garrett Willis,
Professional Athlete of the Year
Haywood Harris, Thanks for the Memories
Mike Capps, Special Recognition

2011 Inductees

Jim Bemiller, Coach
Reggie Cobb, Football
Donna Fielden, Official
Scott Galyon, Football
Elizabeth Henderson, Tennis
Ben Martin, Coach
Ed Poore, All-Around
Bill Redding, Golf
Heath Shuler, Football
Jim Smelcher, Coach

2011 Special Award Recipients

Maddie Treasure,
Female High School Athlete of the Year
Lester Wilson,
Male High School Athlete of the Year
Parker Wormsley,
Male High School Athlete of the Year
Devrin Young,
Male High School Athlete of the Year
Trevor Bayne,
Professional Athlete of the Year
Chad Pennington,
Professional Athlete of the Year
James A. Dick, Special Recognition
Vance Link, Special Recognition
Gus Manning, Thanks for the Memories

2012 Inductees

Bob Black, Administration
Rick Byrd, Coach
Mimsy Fleming, Golf
Rocky Goode, Official
Todd Kelly, Football
Charles "Bud" Lobetti, Jr., Track
Terry McDaniel, Football
Glenn McNish
Dave Parrington, Coach
Charlie Severance, All-Around

2012 Special Award Recipients

Marjorie Butler,
Female High School Athlete

Bethaney Oglesby,
Female High School Athlete
Caleb Blance,
Male High School Athlete
A.J. Simcox,
Male High School Athlete
Elliott Stroupe, Special Recognition
Bob Polston, Thanks for the Memories
Ace Miller, Thanks for the Memories
Scott Stallings, Chad Pennington
Professional Athlete of the Year
Pat Summitt,
Pat Summitt Ignite Greatness Award

2013 Inductees

William Neil Clabo, Football
Doyle Human, Official
Ed Irvin, Coach
Bernadette Locke-Mattox, Basketball
Holland Phillips, Boxing
Mary Ellis Richardson, Tennis
Bill Schmidt, Track
Jay Searcy, Media
George Underwood, Basketball
Virginia Ann McGrath Weaver, Swimming

2013 Special Award Recipients

Rick Honeycutt, Thanks for the Memories
Chase Headley,
Chad Pennington Professional Athlete of the Year
Randall Cobb,
Chad Pennington Professional Athlete of the Year
Tamika Catchings,
Pat Summitt Ignite Greatness Award
Will McKamey,
Male High School Athlete of the Year
Charlie High,
Male High School Athlete of the Year
Teleri Hughes,
Female High School Athlete of the Year

2014 Inductees

John Bruhin, Football
David Douglas, Football
Atlee Hammaker, Baseball
Joel Helton, Coach
Wade Houston, Basketball
Jenna Johnson, Swimming
Nikki McCray, Basketball
Pete Oppegard, Figure Skating
Jimmy Pitkanen, Tennis
Jerry Wrinkle, Coach/Official

2014 Special Award Recipients

Todd Helton, Thanks for the Memories
Peyton Manning,
Chad Pennington Professional Athlete of the Year
Inky Johnson,
Pat Summitt Ignite Greatness Award
Anna Catherine Feaster,
Female High School Athlete of the Year
Allison Hodge,
Female High School Athlete of the Year
Sophia Schubert,
Female High School Athlete of the Year
Todd Kelly Jr.,
Male High School Athlete of the Year
Xavier Hawkins,
Male High School Athlete of the Year
Tyler Hicks,
Male High School Athlete of the Year
Will McKamey, Spirit Award

2015 Inductees

Brian Brophy, Track
Joan Cronan, Athletic Director
Antone Davis, Football
Herman Goddard, Auto Racing
Bob Kesling, Media
Charles McRae, Football
Vernon Osborne, Coach
Eddy Powers, Official
Gloria Ray, Athletic Director
Bob Woodruff, Athletic Director

2015 Special Award Recipients

Anna Hammaker,
Female High School Athlete of the Year
Katie Collier,
Female High School Athlete of the Year
Gabriella Prevost,
Female High School Athlete of the Year
Nathan Cottrell,
Male High School Athlete of the Year
Matt Fox,
Male High School Athlete of the Year
Domonique Williams,
Male High School Athlete of the Year
Hannah Tate, Spirit Award
Candace Parker,
Chad Pennington Professional
Athlete of the Year
Jason Witten,
Pat Summitt Ignite Greatness Award
Dr. William T. Youmans, Special Recognition

2016 Inductees

Dr. William C. Battle
Samantha Hatcher Chafin
Steve Chancey
Halle Cioffi Carroll
Charlie Durham
Joe Fishback
Grandmaster Pete Mills
John Newton
Tommy Schumpert
Lynn Sexton

2016 Special Award Recipients

Zaezion Dobson, Will McKamey Spirit Award
Harrison Smith, Chad Pennington Professional Athlete
of the Year
Eric Berry, Pat Summitt Ignite Greatness Award
Kenny Jones, Special Recognition

2017 Inductees

Buck Vaughn, Founder
Jim Haslam, Athlete and Contributor
Todd Collins, Football
Rod Delmonico, Coaching
George Quarles, Coaching
J.J. McCleskey, Football
Kevin Swider, Hockey
Dawn Marsh, Basketball
Rebecca O'Connor, Bowling

2017 Special Award Recipients

Eddie Courtney,
Pat Summitt Ignite Greatness Award
Skyler Merrell,
Will McKamey Spirit Award
Larry Cox,
Special Recognition Award
Ott DeFoe,
Chad Pennington Professional Athlete of the Year
Allie Dunn,
Female Athlete of the Year Award
Keondra McKinney,
Female Athlete of the Year Award
Tee Higgins,
Male Athlete of the Year Award
Davis Shore,
Male Athlete of the Year Award
Luke Smith,
Male Athlete of the Year Award
30th Anniversary Women's basketball Team
Pat Summitt's 1st NCAA Championship,
Buck Vaughn Legacy Award

2018 Inductees

Joey Clinkscales, Football
Buck Coatney, Coaching
Tony Parrilla, Track & Field
Gary Rankin, Coaching
Rock Saraceni, Golf
Lisa Savage, Gymnastics
Elliot Stroupe, Coaching & Administration
Bubba Trammell, Baseball
Stanley Underwood, Official
Chris Vandergriff, Wrestling

2018 Special Award Recipients

Gus Manning,
Pat Summitt Ignite Greatness Award
Eryn Hill,
Will McKamey Spirit Award
Dr. Bob Overholt,
Special Recognition Award
Harrison Smith,
Chad Pennington Professional Athlete of the Year
Nicklin Hames,
Female Athlete of the Year Award
Rebecca Story,
Female Athlete of the Year Award
Josh Sobota,
Male Athlete of the Year Award
Jack Sompayrac,
Male Athlete of the Year Award
University of Tennessee Volunteers
1998 National Championship Football Team,
Buck Vaughn Legacy Award

2019 Inductees

Terry Brown, Official
Walt Chapman, Golf
Randy Jenkins, Track & Field
Dr. Chris Jones, Coach
Kameisha Martin, Track & Field
David Meske, Coach
George Sampson, Contributor
Davis Tarwater, Swimming
Jody Wright-, Coach

2019 Special Award Recipients

Peyton Manning,
Pat Summitt Ignite Greatness Award
Judge Hill,
Special Recognition
Kaysee Armstrong,
Chad Pennington Professional Athlete of the Year
John Michels,
Buck Vaughn Legacy Award
Brittany Bishop,
Casey Collier,
Jada Guinn,
Stanton Martin,
Deshawn Page,
Jake Renfree,
High School Athlete of the Year

2020 Inductees

Rob Black, Coaching
Mark Connor, Baseball
Stan Cotten, Media
Gloria Deathridge, Basketball
Clark Duncan, Coaching
Steve Hamer, Basketball
Todd Helton, Baseball
Randy Lambert, Coaching
Andy Landers, Coaching
Mike Murray, Hockey/Administration
2020 Special Award Recipients
Trey Smith,
Pat Summitt Ignite Greatness Award
Dustin Colquitt,
Chad Pennington Professional Athlete of the year
Buck Jones,
Special Recognition
Callie Grace Tucker,
Elijah Young,
High School Athletes of the Year
1980s Olympic Athletes,
Buck Vaughn Legacy Award
Ty Hurst,
Will McKamey Spirit Award

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Emmet P. "Buck" Vaughn, Jr.

Founder

Emmet P. "Buck" Vaughn, Jr., a well-known and highly respected leader was dedicated to his faith in God, deep love for his family and service to the community for which he received numerous top honors.

In addition to his love of faith, family and community was his deep love of sports and most of his life was involved with sports in many areas. Buck played baseball, basketball and football at Tennessee Military Institute and later baseball at the University of Tennessee. In 2010, he was selected by the University of Tennessee Letterman Club as an "Honorary Letterman".

In early 1981 he started working on a lifelong dream to establish a sports hall of fame to honor athletes who were from the East Tennessee area or had played their sports and lived here for a period of time.

After consulting with many business, sports and civic leaders, the "Greater Knoxville Sports Hall of Fame" became a reality.

Financial backing was secured from Cherokee Distributing Company and Pilot Corporation (now known as "Pilot Company"). After almost four decades these two corporations

remain as the annual "Founding Sponsors".

Buck worked diligently to set up the governing rules and committees, a prestigious Board of Directors and secure more corporate sponsors.

A committee was established to recruit and secure top speakers for the annual banquet and a selection committee from highly respected community leaders chooses each year the 10 athletes to be honored along with a local female and male high school top athlete.

After a year of dedicated hard work the summer of 1982 Buck's lifelong dream became a reality with the first ever "Greater Knoxville Sports Hall of fame". Each year, all proceeds from this event are donated to the Boys & Girls of the Tennessee Valley and over the years several million dollars have been raised for this organization.

As a result of Buck's passion and leadership, this event is among the most highly respected sports recognition ceremonies and one of the most highly attended sports halls of fame in the nation.



Thanks to your support, the doors to Boys & Girls Clubs of the Tennessee Valley have remained open, while our schools have closed. We have extended services to include children of essential workers as well as extending our service hours. We have continued our services and met the needs of our members and their families when they needed us most.



Effective programs to keep Club members actively engaged in learning and career development when they might not be otherwise. Our **College & Career Readiness Initiative** provides academic counseling and support, as well as career exploration activities and camps.



How our College & Career Readiness Initiative serves our Club members:

- Online and Virtual College and Career Counseling: 750 curriculum recipients
- Virtual College Tours – 40 members touring 21 schools (Austin Peay, Western Kentucky, Carson Newman, Pellissippi State, ETSU, MTSU, Howard University)
- Internships: 58 interns
- Oak Ridge National Laboratory – Day in the Life of a Scientist
- Oak Ridge National Laboratory - Virtual Tour
- Tennessee Tutor Corps: 72 tutors and 543 members
- Safety & First Aid Training: 8 participants
- Career Exploration Camps: 40 participants
- Google Certifications: 40 participants
- Virtual YouthForce University
- Cosmetology Camp
- Culinary Arts Camp
- Welding Camp
- Engineering Camp
- Criminal Justice Camp
- Futures Fair
- **Total members served: 2,450**

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHT

To help stave off a dramatic ‘COVID slide’ of learning loss, **Tennessee Tutoring Corps**, initiated and supported by Governor and Crissy Haslam, is a unique opportunity for qualified college students to support summer learning opportunities in math and reading for Tennessee children preparing to enter kindergarten through 6th grade.

*2019 photos showing College & Career Readiness Initiatives.





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Clubs are open to children of essential workers

Haslam Family Club
University: 6 am – 6 pm

Regal Entertainment
Group Teen Center:
6 am – 6 pm

Halls/Powell: 6 am – 6 pm

Vestal: 7 am – 6 pm

Northridge Crossing:
7:30 am – 6:00 pm

Middlebrook: 7 am – 6 pm

Montgomery Village:
10 am – 6 pm

Walter P. Taylor:
10 am – 6 pm

Western Heights:
10 am – 6 pm

Northwest Middle:
7:30 am – 6 pm

Norwood Elementary:
7:30 am – 6 pm

South Knoxville
Elementary:
7:30 am – 6 pm

Lonsdale: 7:30 am – 6 pm

Ft. Craig (Blount County):
7 am – 6 pm

Loudon County:
6 am – 6 pm

North Anderson County:
7 am – 6 pm

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436 new

members who are children of essential workers. **For a total of 1,800 members served.** We are working with **UT Medical Center, Blount Memorial Hospital,** and the **Knox County Sheriff's Office** to provide childcare for their employees.



SEWI

Our Social & Emotional Wellness Initiative works to:

- Promote social and emotional development; including competencies like teamwork, self-awareness, coping strategies, self-control, empathy, and perseverance.

During the COVID-19 response we have continued these efforts with activities including:

- Creating Glitter Bottles that are used as a tool to practice deep breathing and mindfulness.
- Making and sending gratitude cards to first responders, Club Staff, and other essential workers.
- Art therapy projects to identify protective factors, and conversations about managing frustrations and other challenging emotions.

138

- The SEWI team has directly served **138 Club members.**



69,134

Serving breakfast, lunch, and an afternoon snack to Club members.

450

Family food boxes provided for our members and their families for the weekend.



YAI

Our **Youth Arts Initiative** is offering virtual, digital, and on-site programming for our members.



VBDC

Our **Virtual Blue Door Club** is open to help keep our members engaged and on track with weekly updated content.

*Statistics are based on services and programming from March 13 – June 30, 2020.

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