

# **THIRTEEN NEW MEMBERS WILL JOIN THE PWCA HALL OF FAME CLASS OF 2013**

## ***Banquet and Induction Ceremonies to Be Held in State College***

At the annual fall meeting of the Pennsylvania Wrestling Coaches Association on Saturday, October 20, 2012, the Executive Board elected thirteen former wrestlers, coaches and/or contributors to be inducted into the Pennsylvania Wrestling Hall of Fame, Class of 2013.

The Class of 2013 consists of eight wrestlers, three coaches, one contributor and one coach/wrestler/contributor.

The 2013 Hall of Fame inductees include the following (in alphabetical order):

**Mark Bodo (Wrestler-District 10);** Mark Bodo was a three-time PIAA Class AA state placewinner and a 1993 state champion for Reynolds HS and a three-time NCAA placewinner for Pitt (6<sup>th</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>).

**Mike Clair (Contributor-District 3):** Although having no actual wrestling experience, Mike Clair's life has been dedicated to the promoting amateur wrestling in Pennsylvania. Since 1971, Clair worked as a volunteer work for Franklin and Marshall head coach Stan Zeamer, volunteered at Manheim Central and Ephrata High School, served as Vice President of the PA Chapter of the National Wrestling Hall of Fame and, in 1999, was appointed National Director of the State Chapters of the National Hall of Fame.

**Mike Cole (Wrestler-District 2),** Mike Cole was a 1984 PIAA Class AA State Champion for Montrose High School and a two-time NCAA 3<sup>rd</sup> place finisher for Clarion University.

**Dave Cook (Wrestler/Coach/Contributor-District 7):** Dave Cook was a 1967 PIAA State runner-up for Chartiers-Houston High School with a career record of 54-9. Cook was a three-time PSAC finalist and 1969 PSAC champion while

competing for California State (PA). He served as head wrestling coach at Ringgold, Chartiers-Houston and Canon-McMillan, where his team finished PIAA Class AAA runner-up in 1986. He was an exceptional wrestling referee, officiating in four PIAA Championships, two NCAA Division II Wrestling Championships and one NCAA Division I Wrestling Championship.

**Tom Harbert (Wrestler/Coach-District 7):** Tom Harbert attended Wilkinsburg High School where he was a WPIAL section champion. He was a four-time letterwinner at Shippensburg University and won the 1961 PSAC 115-pound championship. He succeeded Hall of Fame coach Creed Westfall as head coach at Greater Latrobe High School. His career record was 202-87-5. He also served as head coach at Saint Vincent College.

**Scott Hovan (Wrestler-District 11):** Scott Hovan was a two-time PIAA Class AAA state champion in 1986 and 1987 for Allen Allen High School and a two-time NCAA placewinner (6<sup>th</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>) for the University of Pittsburgh.

**Joey Killar (Wrestler-District 11):** Joey Killar was a two-time PIAA Class AA state finalist and a 1996 state champion and a two-time EIWA champion and a two-time NCAA placewinner (6<sup>th</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>) for Harvard University.

**Josh Koscheck (Wrestler-District 7):** Josh Koscheck was a PIAA Class AAA 160-pound runner-up in 1997 for Waynesburg High School and a four-time NCAA placewinner, finishing 4<sup>th</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and winning the 2011 174-pound NCAA Championship.

**Brad Lloyd (Wrestler-District 3):** Brad Lloyd was a 1984 PIAA 3<sup>rd</sup> place finisher for Red Lion High School and was a three-time NCAA placewinner (1986, 1988, 1989) finishing 7<sup>th</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> for the Bald Eagles.

**Duane Maurer (Wrestler.Coach-District 3/11):** Duane Maurer attended Tri Valley High School and was an NCAA All-American for Elizabethtown College. He served as head coach at Pine Grove and Schuylkill Valley High Schools where he's combined for over 400 coaching victories.

**Kevin O'Neil (Wrestler-District 4):** Kevin O'Neil was a two-time PIAA state champion in 1992 and 1994 and a three-time NCAA placewinner for the University of Pittsburgh at Johnstown. He served as captain of the 1996 NCAA Division II national championship team.

**Jeff Sweigard (Coach-District 3):** Jeff Sweigard wrestled for Central Dauphin High School where he was a SC Regional runner-up and a 1977 PIAA Class AAA State Runner-up. He attended Millersville University where he was a two-year starter. He has coached for 28 years at Susquehanna Township and Central Dauphin High Schools. He coached Central Dauphin to four consecutive PIAA Class AAA team championships from 2008-2011.

**Tim Wittman (Wrestler-District 9):** Tim Wittman was a two-time Class AAA state placewinner and a 1986 state champion and a three-time NCAA placewinner (4<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>) while competing for Penn State.

For the sixth consecutive year, the official ceremonies will be held separate from the PIAA State Wrestling Championships. The Hall of Fame inductions will be held on Sunday afternoon, May 19, 2013 at the Ramada Inn in State College, Pennsylvania.

A buffet luncheon will precede the formal ceremonies with brief acceptance and recognition speeches by the inductees (Details about the banquet and formal ceremonies will be available in the next few months).