

BLACKCAT



**HALL OF FAME**

November 3, 2006



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*November 3, 2006*

*To all Blackcat Fans and Visitors:*

*For many years, Bay City High School athletes have brought state, national, and even world recognition and honor to themselves and our community. When our new high school was in the design stage, we asked the architects to include an area where community members and current and future Blackcats could remember and learn about student/athletes and educator/coaches who helped make Bay City High School one of the most respected athletic programs in the State of Texas.*

*Our architects developed a space in the foyer of the new coaches offices and the **BLACKCAT Hall of Fame** was born. Tonight marks the induction of 15 athletes and 1 coach from Bay City's storied athletic past. For those of you who have been in our community a long time, you will enjoy remembering some of the highlights of these athletes' careers at Bay City and beyond. For visitors, or people new to our community, you may be surprised at the number of Blackcats who have achieved at such a high level.*

*We are proud of these men and women and know that all of you will join us in congratulating them on this fine honor, and thanking them for their contribution to our community.*

*Go Cats,*

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Dick Walton".

*Dick Walton  
Superintendent of Schools  
Bay City Independent School District*

# BLACKCAT HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES 2005



## **DeWayne Bowden - Football**

Bay City High School – 1978 to 1981  
WCJC and University of Houston - 1981 to 1985  
Atlanta Falcons - 1985

**HS** - Lettered three years in both football and basketball, 1<sup>st</sup> team All-District defensive back in 1980-81 season, 2<sup>nd</sup> team All-District basketball in 1980-81; member of the 1979 Blackcat State Finalist Team.

**College** - At Wharton County Junior College made 1<sup>st</sup> team All Conference and led the team in interceptions (5); at University of Houston was named Southwest Conference Player of the Week four times and in 1984 helped UH beat the University of Texas with 4 interceptions and a 62 yd. interception return for a TD. 1984 1<sup>st</sup> team All Southwest Conference Defensive Back and 2<sup>nd</sup> team All America Defensive Back; led the SWC with 7 interceptions and helped UH to a Cotton Bowl berth.

**Professional** - Free agent with the Atlanta Falcons

*"I would like to first give thanks and honor to God for blessing me with the talent and skills to play sports. I would also like to thank my parents, Dora and A.C. Tellison for instilling in me good work ethics and moral values. I want to thank my teachers for their inspiration and support. Lastly, I would like to thank my coaches, Lewis Lloyd, Dave Britton, Dick Walton, Ron Mills, Dave Jones, and Eddie Nelson for giving me the opportunity to play and never letting up on me and continuing to push me to be the best. I will always cherish the memories and*

*lessons learned while at Bay City High. I thank everyone for this honor of being selected as one of Bay City High's Elite Hall of Fame. May God Bless."*

## **Todd Chambers - Basketball**

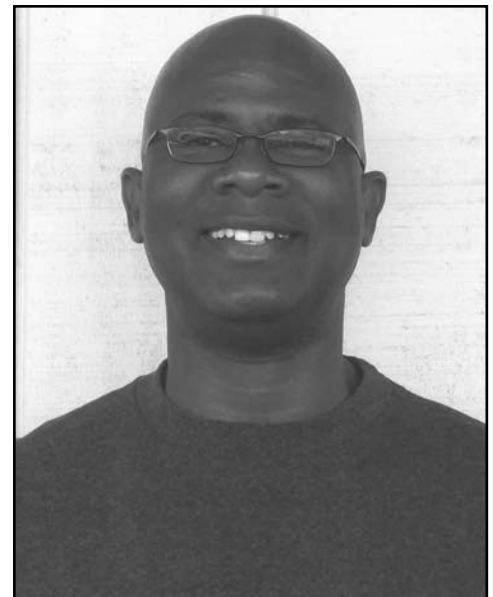
Bay City High School – 1977 to 1980  
University of Oklahoma and Phillips University - 1980 to 1985

**HS** - Four year letterman in basketball, All District three years, All State two years, averaged more than 20 points per game during his sophomore, junior, and senior years.

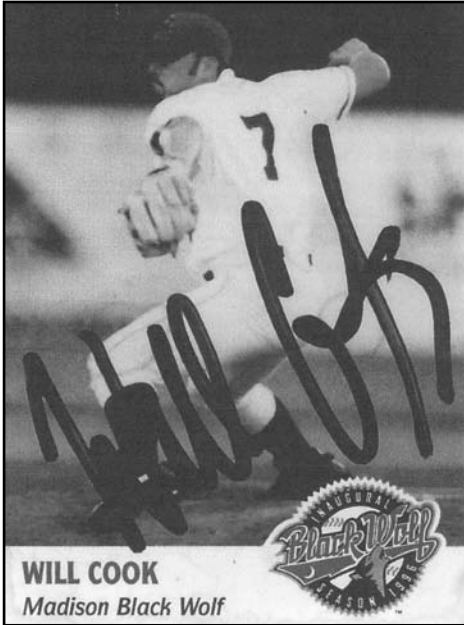
**College** - Oklahoma – Big Eight Freshman of the Year, Big Eight Defensive Player of the Year; Phillips University – 1985 Outstanding Player in District 9 Conference.

**Professional** – Coached the United States Basketball League, Oklahoma Storm, along with Kareem Abdul Jabbar and won the USBL Championship in 2002-03.

*"My years at Bay City High were a fantastic mix of coaches and teachers who really seemed to care about if their students would prosper or not. It was a time too, that really nurtured me into where I was going and who I would become. As a BCHS graduate, my coach, Eddie Nelson, instilled in me that is easy to become a big time athlete but rare to make it in that field. Through my career were some bad injuries that forced me to then do as he had told me years ago. BE SURE AND GET YOUR EDUCATION. That has stuck with me my entire life and if not for those encouraging words, I would not be where I am today. The four years at BCHS were up and down but they are days that will be cherished forever and without some of the teachers and the coaches like Eddie Nelson and Ron Mills, who I coached for in Brenham, along with my mother and father, Mr. Hart Lee Dykes Sr. and Mrs. Rita Dykes, it would have been a difficult road without their guidance. I thank you all."*



# INDUCTEES 2005



## **Will Cook - Baseball**

Bay City High School - 1988 to 1992  
Panola JC and Lamar University - 1992 to 1996  
Madison Black Wolf - 1996  
Florida Marlins - 1997

**HS** – Three year letterman in football and baseball, All District baseball in 1990,1991, and 1992; Football - two year All District and one year All State linebacker

**College** - Panola Junior College - pre-season Junior College All Star game in 1993, Lamar University – 1995 MVP of Sunbelt Conference Tournament, All-Sunbelt Conference, Al Vincent Outstanding Player Award, MVP of Louisiana Showdown Classic, batted .318 with 78 RBI's and 95 runs scored.

**Professional** - Relief pitcher for the Madison Black Wolf professional team in the Northern League in Wisconsin, signed as relief pitcher for the Florida Marlins organization in 1997.

*"Bay City High School was the best time of my life. Good friends, good teachers, good coaches--just all around good people period. Thank you Bay City High School!"*

## **Andre' Franklin - Football**

Bay City High School - 1986 to 1990  
Blinn JC and Texas A&M, Kingsville - 1990 to 1994

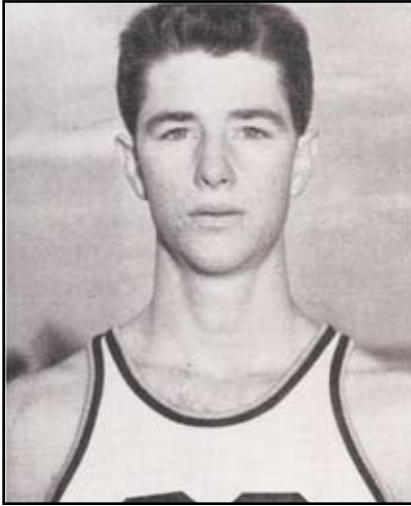
**HS** – Three year letterman at BCHS in football, two years first team All-District on Offense as a running back and Defense as a defensive back and punt returner.

**College** - 1995 All-Conference defensive back at Blinn Junior College and 1994 2<sup>nd</sup> Team All-Conference at Texas A&M, Kingsville

*"Playing football kept me in school and on track. I was so excited every time I touched the field that I was always ready to accept the challenge. I want to thank all my teachers and coaches."*



# INDUCTEES 2005



## Coach Bernard Graham

Bay City High School – 1962 to 1972  
Basketball District Champion - 1968

Coach Bernard Graham played basketball at BCHS under the tutelage of fellow Hall of Famer, Coach Sam Maglitto, and received All District honors in 1956. He returned to BCISD as a coach in 1962, and was promoted to BCHS Head Basketball Coach in 1968. His 1968 team's district championship was the first in over twenty years for BCHS.

*"The athletic skills I developed at BCHS allowed me to continue my education. Don Haley gave me the opportunity to come back home and coach. I would like to thank the many student athletes who invested their time and hard work to help move Blackcat Basketball forward. For me, seeing my players have successful productive lives will always be my greatest coaching reward."*

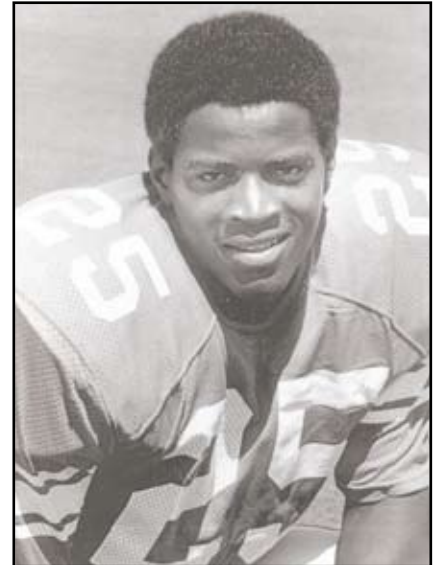
## Raymond Holt - Football/Track

Bay City High School – 1970 to 1974  
University of Texas, El Paso - 1974 to 1978  
Houston Oilers - 1979

**HS** – 1974 Football and Track Captain; First Team All-District running back, rushed for 1144 yards; District Champion in 120 yd. high hurdles and 330 yd. intermediate hurdles, and the mile relay (anchor). BCHS Most Outstanding Player.

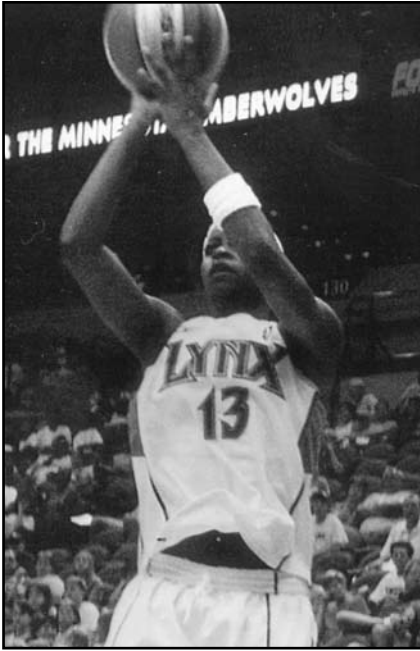
**College** - Four year letterman at UTEP and voted most outstanding athlete in the El Paso area in 1978, 1978 Western Athletic Conference leader in All-Purpose yds. (1,468), ranks 3<sup>rd</sup> in all-time UTEP career All-Purpose yds. (4,227) and 8<sup>th</sup> in rushing yds. (2,069). 1<sup>st</sup> team WAC All-Academic team, among the leaders in all-time UTEP records for single game returns and return yds., season returns and return yds., career returns and return yds.

**Professional** – Houston Oilers



*"As a recipient of President Bush's 2004 Presidential Rank Award, I was very pleased of my graduation from Bay City High School in 1974 and to represent the great community of Matagorda/Bay City during the ceremony in Washington, D.C. I want to personally thank my coaches Ronnie Miller, Bobby Kimball, Charlie Spano, Antonio Frankie, Pete Sardelich, and Eddie Nelson for assisting my parents, George and Delores Holt, in shaping my future. Coaches Miller and Kimball taught me in the developmental stage of football how to never give up and to try my best each and every play. Coach Spano reinforced the value of hard work and the potential payoff athletically. He was very instrumental in where I attended college. Coach Frankie was considered a great mentor and someone's opinion I valued. Coach Sardelich believed in me and gave me confidence to succeed at any level. Coach Nelson taught me the value of weighing my options regarding what sport I would concentrate on and what college I would attend. Lastly, Ms. Thelma Fountain and Blanche Johnson taught me that academics do count and with that in mind, I was the first in my family to graduate from college. I went on to get my Masters Degree and hopefully, have become a model citizen Matagorda/Bay City can be proud of. Again, I want to thank all of those who assisted me in my preparation to blend athletics and academics. In closing, a special thank you goes to the Hall of Fame Committee Members for selecting me to such a prestigious honor."*

# INDUCTEES 2005



## Chandi Jones - Basketball/Track

Bay City High School – 1996 to 2000

University of Houston - 2000 to 2004

Detroit Shock - 2004-2005

Minnesota Lynx - 2005-present

**HS** – Lettered four years in basketball and track, four years All District and three years All-State Basketball, four years State Champion in Long Jump and Triple Jump. Two years High School All-American on virtually every list in the country. Rated as the top college basketball prospect in the nation during her senior year of HS.

**College** - Quote from University of Houston basketball program, “Chandi Jones is heralded as the best female basketball player – as well one of the best basketball players ever – to attend University of Houston.” Four year starter in basketball, averaging 23.6 points per game through her career. Third fastest player in NCAA history to reach the 2,000 point milestone, finishing her career ranked 13<sup>th</sup> among NCAA Division I all-time career scoring leaders with 2,692 points in 114 games. Conference USA’s all-time scoring leader; captured the national scoring title in 2003 averaging 27.5 ppg; First Team All-Conference USA four straight years, three straight years as C-USA Player of the Year, NCAA All-American in 2003 and 2004.

**Professional** – Became the first Lady Cougar in school history to be taken in the first round, eighth overall, of the WNBA Draft when the Detroit Shock drafted her with their first pick in 2004. Traded to the Minnesota Lynx in 2005 where she still plays as a starter for that team.

*"To God be the glory for the things he has done. Thank you BCISD for giving me my first chance at athletics. Thanks to all of the coaches for your encouraging words. May God richly bless each and every one of you."*

## Scott Lark - Football

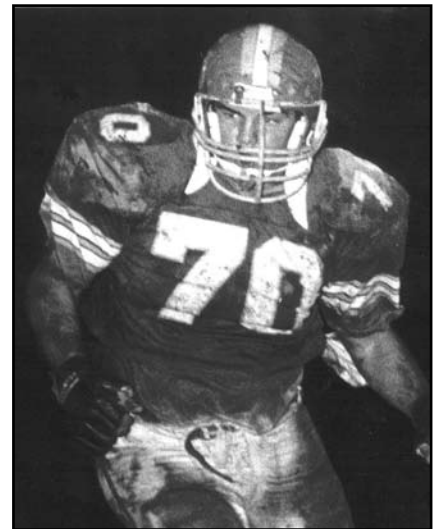
Bay City High School – 1981 to 1985

Texas A&M University - 1985 to 1989

**HS** – Lettered three years in football and track, 1<sup>st</sup> team All State offensive tackle as a junior and senior, also 1<sup>st</sup> team All District in those years. Member of the 1983 undefeated State Championship Blackcat team. Qualified for the 1985 State Track Meet in both the shot and discus and set the school record in the shot put; member of the 1984 Bi-District Champion track team.

**College** - four year letterman at A & M and member of Southwest Conference Champion teams in 1986, 1987, and 1988.

*"I am honored to be inducted into the Blackcat Hall of Fame and am very grateful to have been a small part of the long history of excellence at Bay City High School. I was incredibly fortunate to have had great coaches and absolutely phenomenal teammates. The support of the community has always been a major part of our success and once again, is on display tonight. Bay City is full of great memories and I always look forward to coming back to visit family and friends."*



*I would like to thank David & Sandra Koester, Sam & Carole Lark, Stephanie Lark, Stephen Lark, Stuart Lark, Ron Mills, Marshall Brown, Syd Gilzow, Pat Centilli, Pete Sardelich, James Adams, David Jones, L.S. "Doc" Spencer, Henry "Peaches" Green, Joe Davis, Jack Young, and Lamar Evans for all the hard work they put into developing me not only as an athlete but as a person.*

*Special thanks to Offensive Line Teammates - Kelly Oates, Joey Baros, Kevin Dunn, Chris Grote, and Noel Chapa. (I still think we executed the screen play as well as any high school team, ever.)*

*Although I have not lived in Bay City for over 20 years, it will always be my home. I am proud to be a Bay City Blackcat!*

*Blackcat Fight Never Dies!"*

# INDUCTEES 2005

## **Arnulfo (A.J.) Vargas, III - Baseball**

Bay City High School – 1995 to 1999

Concordia University - 1999 to 2005

**HS** – Three year letterman at BCHS, 1999 All-District Utility Player, 1999 District Batting Champion

**College** - Played baseball for Concordia University from 1999 to 2004 and was a member of the 2002 team that won the Conference and Regional Championships, earning a trip to the NCAA Division III World Series in Appleton, WI.

*"It is a privilege to be inducted into the Blackcat Hall of Fame. I am honored to join an outstanding group of former Blackcat athletes. Thank you to the committee for selecting me as a member.*

*Bay City High School holds many memories for me. Being a member of the Bay City Blackcat Baseball team was a goal I set upon entering high school. Blackcat baseball developed discipline, sportsmanship and camaraderie among its athletes. There were countless hours of hitting, fielding and field maintenance. We played as a team. When we won, it was great; when we lost, we strived to get better. I played with many friends I still have today--Kevin, Travis, Trent, Rusty and Arnulfo. Blackcat baseball and the academic coursework at BCHS provided the foundation for competition on the college field and classroom.*

*I would not have accomplished any of these things without the support of many people. My coaches, Manny Rodriguez and Robert Rayos gave me the opportunity to play. Thank you for all your time, instruction and advice. I will always be indebted to my parents and my sister for all their support. They attended numerous games on all levels of play. To all my extended family and friends, I appreciate your support.*

*Thank you to BCISD for the opportunity to teach and coach. I am glad to contribute to my alma mater. Thank you to all who made this day possible. I will always cherish this honor. **Always a Blackcat, A.J.**"*



**Due to the cancellation of last year's Hall of Fame, this issue contains the inductees for the years of 2005 and 2006.**

# BLACKCAT HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES 2006



## Rush Claxton - Football

Bay City High School – 1995 to 1999  
Sam Houston State University - 1999 to 2003

**HS** - Three year letterman in football and four year letterman in track, 1<sup>st</sup> team All District running back in 1996, 1997, and 1998 football seasons, also 1<sup>st</sup> team All Area in those same years, rated as one of the top college recruits in the State after his senior season, selected to play in the 1999 North/South Texas All Star Football Game, member of the 1998 State Finalist Blackcat Team. Four time All District baseball catcher, hit 13 homeruns his senior year

**College** - Sam Houston State – started at fullback as a true freshman, member of the 2001 Southland Conference Championship team, winner of the Iron Man weightlifting award, after a career ending injury he worked as an Asst. Strength and Conditioning Coach

*"Bay City High School was the best stepping stone in my life. I would like to tell my football teammates 'I love you and always remember that Blackcat Fight Never Dies!!' I would also like to thank my old teachers and coaches for making me the man I am today."*

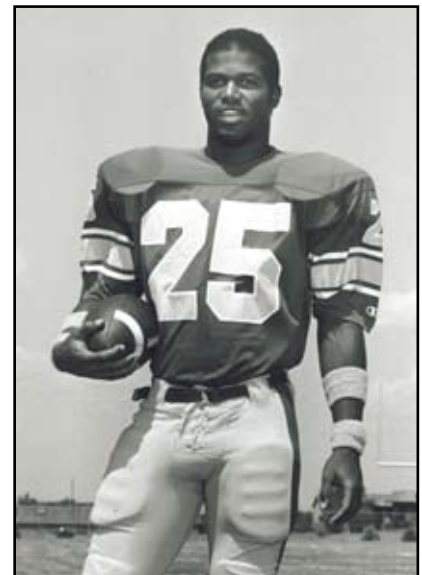
## Gerry Flannel - Football/Track

Bay City High School – 1975 to 1979  
Tyler JC and Central State University, Oklahoma - 1979 to 1983

**HS** - Lettered two years in football and four years in track, rushed for over 1000 yds. and named 1<sup>st</sup> team All District running back in 1978, member of 1978 State Semi-Finalist Team; District Champion in both 120 yd. high and 330 yd. intermediate hurdles, Regional Champion in 120 highs and finished second in the State meet; member of the 1979 State Champion Blackcat Track Team.

**College** - Tyler JC – rushed for over 1000 yds. and named 1<sup>st</sup> team All Conference as a member of the 6<sup>th</sup> ranked (nationally) JC team in 1980; Central State University – member of the NAIA National Champion Team in 1982, two year starter

*"Although, I didn't realize it at the time, my years at BCHS were some of the biggest stepping stones in my life. Getting along with people and working as a team are some of the things I learned that can never be replaced. I learned to take in as much as possible, and how to put it to work."*





# INDUCTEES 2006



## John McMillan - Track

Bay City High School – 1957 to 1961

Texas A & M and Oklahoma City University – 1961 to 1965

**HS** - Football – 1960 All District halfback and 2<sup>nd</sup> team All State; Track – 1960 District Champion in the 100 yd. dash, 220 yd. dash, and 440 yd. relay member, Regional Champion in the 220 yd. dash and 440 yd. relay, 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the State Track Meet for the 220 and 440 relay; 1961 District Champion in the 100 yd. dash, 220 yd. dash, and 440 yd. relay member, Regional Champion in the 110, 220 and 440 relay, 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the State Track Meet for the 220 and 440 relay, Held the record at the Black Cat Relays in the 100 yard dash with 9.6 for 25 years. It was finally broken by Olympic Champion, Joe DeLoach!  
**College** - Texas A & M – member of track and football team in 1961-62, Oklahoma City University Cross Country Team – letterman from 1963-1965

*"My years at Bay City High School are some of the greatest memories I have and I will always cherish them. My teachers made the learning experience enjoyable. Coaches Haley, Rogers, Schraub and Maglitto were good motivators and helped me be a better athlete and person."*

## Robby Reed - Football

Bay City High School – 1992 to 1996

Cisco JC and Lindenwood University – 1996 to 2000

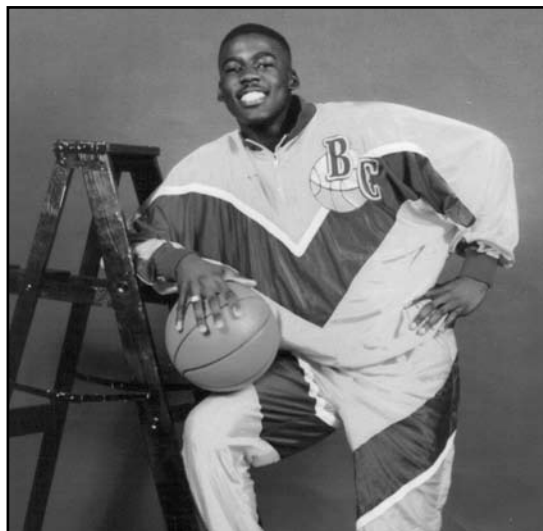
**HS** - Lettered three years in football, 1995 All District linebacker, 1996 unanimous selection as All District linebacker, Team Captain

**College** - Cisco JC – three time Southwest JC Conference Defensive Player of the Week, All Conference linebacker. Lindenwood University, St. Charles, MO – two years All Heart of American Conference (HACC) linebacker, two times Most Valuable Defensive Player, almost 200 tackles in two seasons, selected to the HAAC All Star team in 1999

*"This is a great honor to be selected as a member of the Blackcat Hall of Fame. To be mentioned with so many great Bay City Athletes and coaches is an honor. I would like to thank all the coaches who helped to advance my playing days and continue my education. Finally, I want to thank my parents for always being encouraging and for making almost all of my college games no matter where they were."*



# INDUCTEES 2006



## **William Smith - Basketball**

Bay City High School – 1993 to 1997  
University of Texas, El Paso - 1997 to 2001

**HS** - Lettered four years in basketball, two years in football, one year in baseball; three year All District in basketball, two year All District in football, one year All District baseball, selected as a McDonald's HS basketball All American after his senior year, made several other HS All American teams, invited three years to the Nike Basketball Tournament for national college prospects

**College** - Four year letterman at UTEP, led the team in scoring at UTEP during his senior year, All Conference selection two years, numerous All Tournament selections in college, UTEP retired his #31 jersey after graduation.

**Professional** – Played two years in the European Professional Basketball league.

*"I, William Smith, would like to take this opportunity to thank Mr. Richard Walton for nominating me to receive this prestigious honor. My years at Bay City High School as a "Blackcat" were both memorable and rewarding. I will always cherish the learning and fundamental teaching that I received from "Future Cats" coaches Mr. Mike Muecke and Mr. Richard Walton as a small child. I had the opportunity to be given a full scholarship to a Division I college to further my studies, while at the same time being given the chance to live out my lifelong dream and love for basketball. Thanks again, to those who saw the potential in me that I had not yet fully realized during the early years of my life."*

## **Lashonda Gibson White - Volleyball/Track**

Bay City High School – 1989 to 1993  
Alvin JC and Sam Houston State University - 1993 to 1997

**HS** - Lettered in track, volleyball, and basketball, three years All District in volleyball, three years All District in basketball, qualified for the State Track Meet all four years of HS placing 3<sup>rd</sup> in 1991 and 2<sup>nd</sup> in 1992 and 1993 in the high jump.

**College** - Lettered two years at Alvin JC, making the 1995 All-Conference team for Region XIV. Sam Houston – lettered two years in volleyball

*"Attending Bay City High School was a rewarding experience for me. Just as many of us did, coming into high school I felt I didn't belong, but quickly discovered that the Blackcat athletic department was where I wanted to be. I would like to thank my coaches: Mattie Sue Ringgold, Sherby Wilkerson, Margaret Sitka, and Vicki Sorenson for giving me the confidence and drive to perform to my fullest potential not only on the court, but in the classroom as well."*



# INDUCTEES 2006



## **Stephen Woods - Basketball**

Bay City High School – 1993 to 1997  
Southern Methodist University - 1997 to 2001

**HS** - Four year letterman in basketball, three years All District, two years District MVP, during senior year was named to the All Greater Houston, All Region, and All State teams. Selected as a McDonald's All American, also made several other HS All American teams. Member of the National Honor Society.

**College** - SMU – Team Captain, four year letterman, voted 1996-97 Western Athletic Conference Freshman of the Year and All Newcomer team; two years WAC All Conference, 1997-98 SMU Defensive Player of the Year, SMU 2000-01 Male Athlete of the Year

*"My years in Bay City helped set the foundation to my life. As I stop and think back on my high school years, I was very fortunate to have wonderful teachers that cared. I want to thank Mr. Gray, my math teacher for 3 years. (Algebra II, Pre-Cal, and Calculus) He showed me that tough love! He didn't care if we had a big game the night before and we won and I had 30 points. He wanted his homework! He wanted to know if I did it but most importantly if I understood it. Then as the bell rang for the class to be dismissed he would call me aside and ask about the game or say good game. That showed me that he did care but also helped me to understand what was more important. I want to thank Senorita Martinez, my Spanish I and II teacher. She made learning fun and the impossible, possible. I actually learned to understand Spanish and it has been helpful in my life. I still can't roll my tongue to pronounce the double r's though.*

*And last but not least, I would like to thank Coach Eddie Nelson for teaching me the game of basketball. He believed in me as a freshman and entrusted his program to me for the next 3 years. He taught me the importance of the fundamentals of basketball and how the little things count. He taught me how to strive for perfection and how to be a leader, an Eagle that soars alone. He taught me so much that I was able to start as a freshman at a Division I college and average 30 plus playing minutes a game. To some, that says a lot about the player but to me that says a lot about the person that prepared and taught the player. In his quest to teach me the game, he also passed on some knowledge, philosophies, and coaching style that I have incorporated and now putting to use. I am proud to say this is my 5<sup>th</sup> year as a teacher and basketball coach. I taught and coached one year at Katy High School, before moving on to Alief Hastings High School in Houston, Texas, where I have been for the past 4 years, to become the JV Boys & Varsity Assistant Basketball Coach."*

## BLACKCAT Hall of Fame Class of 2001

**Vivian Rollins Allen** - Track  
 BCHS – 1970 to 1974  
 Texas Southern University – 1974 to 1978

**Bobby Bell** - Baseball  
 BCHS – 1973 to 1977  
 Alvin Comm. College – 1977 to 1979  
 University of Houston – 1979 to 1981

**Coach Marshall Brown** - Track  
 BCHS – 1974 to 1997  
 Track State Championships 1979, 1984, 1990

**Bob Burnell** - Baseball  
 BCHS – 1973 to 1975  
 Rice University – 1976 to 1979

**Larry Callis** - Basketball  
 BCHS – 1989 to 1992  
 Wichita State – 1992 to 1996

**Chris Cornman** - Swimming  
 BCHS – 1983 to 1987  
 University of Texas – 1987 to 1991

**Karen Crain** - Basketball  
 BCHS – 1970 to 1974  
 Texas A & M – 1976 to 1978

**Joe DeLoach** - Track  
 BCHS – 1981 to 1985  
 University of Houston – 1985 to 1988  
 1988 U. S. Olympic Team

**Rhonda Rutherford De Los Santos** - Volleyball  
 BCHS – 1986 to 1990  
 Tex. Southmost College & Univ. of Ark. at Little Rock – 1990 to 1994

**Mark Dennard** - Football  
 BCHS – 1971 to 1974  
 Texas A & M – 1974 to 1978  
 Miami Dolphins – 1978-1983 & 1986  
 Philadelphia Eagles – 1984 & 1985

**Hart Lee Dykes** - Football  
 BCHS – 1982 to 1985  
 Oklahoma State – 1985 to 1989  
 New England Patriots – 1989-1993

**Simon Fletcher** - Football  
 BCHS – 1977 to 1981  
 University of Houston - 1981 to 1985  
 Denver Broncos - 1985 to 1996

**Patrick Franklin** - Football  
 BCHS – 1977 to 1981  
 University of Houston and Southwest Texas – 1981 to 1986  
 USFL Orlando Renegades, Cincinnati Bengals,  
 Tampa Bay Bucs, and San Diego Chargers – 1986 to 1991

**Dennis Gann** - Football  
 BCHS – 1960 to 1963  
 Rice University – 1963 & 1964  
 Sam Houston – 1965-1967

**Coach Don Haley** - Football  
 BCHS – 1949 to 1972

**Blake Holden** - Swimming  
 BCHS – 1991 to 1995  
 Stanford University – 1995 to 1999

**Brandt Kieschnick** - Golf  
 BCHS – 1992 to 1995  
 Sam Houston State – 1995 to 1999

**Marvin Kristynik** - Football  
 BCHS – 1957 to 1961  
 University of Texas – 1961 to 1966

**Coach Ron Mills** - Football  
 BCHS – 1975 to 1988  
 Football State Championship 1983

**Roland Mitchell** - Football  
 BCHS – 1979 to 1982  
 Texas Tech University 1982 to 1987  
 Buffalo Bills, Atlanta Falcons, and Green Bay Packers 1987 to 1995

**Coach Chad Morris** - Football  
 BCHS – 2000 to 2003  
 Football State Championship 2000

**Coach Edward Nelson** - Basketball  
 BCHS – 1972 to  
 Basketball State Championship 1984

**Daniel Pena** - Baseball  
 BCHS – 1979 to 1983  
 University of Texas – 1984 to 1986  
 Los Angeles Dodgers – 1986 to 1988

**Ivan Pettitt** - Basketball  
 BCHS – 1979 to 1982  
 Rice University – 1982 to 1986

**Coach Mattie Sue Ringgold** – Basketball, Track  
 BCHS – 1957 to 1991

**Donny Rogers** - Track  
 BCHS – 1966 to 1969  
 Texas A & M – 1970 to 1973

**Coach Joe Rogers** - Track  
 BCHS – 1947 to 1973

**Lance Sardelich** - Baseball  
 BCHS – 1982 to 1986  
 Baylor and Alvin Comm. College – 1986 to 1988  
 Pan American Univ. – 1988 to 1991

**Annette Smith-Knight** - Basketball  
 BCHS – 1978 to 1981  
 University of Texas – 1981 to 1986

**Audrey Smith** - Basketball  
 BCHS – 1979 to 1982  
 University of Texas – 1982 to 1987

**LaBradford Smith** - Basketball  
 BCHS – 1983 to 1987  
 University of Louisville - 1987 to 1991  
 Washington Bullets - 1991 to 1995

**Harold Smith** - Football  
 BCHS – 1979 to 1980  
 Texas Southern University - 1980 to 1984  
 Cleveland Browns - 1986-1987  
 Canadian Football League Edmonton Eskimos  
 And Saskatchewan Roughriders 1984-1989

**A. C. Tellison, Jr.** - Football  
 BCHS – 1986 to 1990  
 University of Miami – 1990 to 1994  
 Washington Redskins, St. Louis Rams,  
 CFL Hamilton Tigers, and Buffalo Bills – 1995 to 2000

**CC Willis** - Football  
 BCHS – 1958 to 1961  
 Texas Tech University – 1961 to 1965

## BLACKCAT Hall of Fame Class of 2002

**Sonya Smith-Billingsley** - Basketball  
BCHS – 1981 to 1985  
University of Texas San Antonio – 1985 to 1990

**Dale Callihan** - Football  
BCHS – 1957 to 1961  
Rice University – 1961 to 1965

**Carl Jackson** - Football  
Hilliard High School – 1954 to 1958  
Prairie View A & M University – 1958 to 1963

**David Kristynik** - Football  
BCHS – 1953 to 1957  
University of Texas – 1957 to 1961

**Linda Babik Miska** - Basketball  
BCHS – 1965 to 1968  
Wharton Jr. College – 1968 & 1969  
Sam Houston State University – 1969 to 1971

**Claude Reinke** - Football  
BCHS – 1957 to 1961  
Sam Houston State University – 1961 to 1965

**Richard Walton** - Football  
BCHS – 1991 to 1994  
University of Texas – 1994 to 1998

**Coach Joe Washington** - Football  
Hilliard High School – 1952 to 1964  
Football State Championship 1958

## BLACKCAT Hall of Fame Class of 2003

**Dr. Fred Matthes** - Team Physician  
BCHS – 1945 to 1948  
BCHS Team Physician - 40 years

**Nate McDonald** - Basketball  
BCHS – 1970 to 1973  
Howard Payne University – 1974 to 1978

**Wayne (Coonie) Roberds** - Football  
BCHS - 1962 to 1966  
Baylor University – 1966 to 1970

**Ralph Roberson** - Football  
BCHS – 1981 to 1984  
University of North Texas – 1984 to 1990

**LaTosha Clark Rutherford** - Basketball  
BCHS – 1989 to 1993  
Sam Houston State University – 1993 to 1996

**Rick Seeker** - Football  
BCHS – 1968 to 1971  
Texas A&M University – 1971 to 1975  
Houston Oilers - 1975

**Beau Trahan** - Football  
BCHS – 1995 to 1998  
University of Texas – 1998 to 2002

**Coach Warren Trahan** - Football  
BCHS – 1992 to 2000  
Football State Finalist 1999

**Coach Sherby Wilkerson** - Basketball  
BCHS – 1991 to present  
Girl's Basketball State Finalist 1998

**Mike Williamson** - Football  
BCHS – 1952 to 1956  
Tulane University - 1956 to 1958

## BLACKCAT Hall of Fame Class of 2004

**Coach Pat Centilli** - Football  
BCHS – 1980 to 2000  
Football: State Champion - 1983; Finalist - 1999

**Jarvis Edison** - Football  
BCHS – 1991 to 1994  
University of Notre Dame - 1994 to 1998

**Estella Fisher** - Track & Field  
BCHS - 1985 to 1989  
San Jacinto Junior College - 1989 to 1991  
Stephen F. Austin University - 1991 to 1992

**Albert Hall** - Football  
BCHS - 1987 to 1991  
University of Oklahoma - 1991 to 1994  
CFL Winnipeg Blue Bombers - 1995

**Coach Sam Maglitto** - Basketball  
BCHS – 1952 to 1967  
Basketball Regional Finalist - 1957

**Keith Meyer** - Football  
BCHS – 1994 to 1998  
Rice University - 1998 to 2003

**James Redus** - Football/Track  
BCHS – 1976 to 1979  
Texas A & M University - 1979 to 1981  
State Champion, Long Jump - 1979

**Deric Rutherford** - Football/Track  
BCHS - 1986 to 1990  
Rice University - 1990 to 1995  
State Champion, Discus in 1990

**Andrew Smith, Jr.** - Football  
BCHS – 1997 to 2001  
University of North Texas – 2001 to 2004

**Chris Smith** - Football  
BCHS – 1984 to 1988  
University of Texas - 1988 to 1989  
Austin College - 1989 to 1992

**Quentin Watkins** - Football  
BCHS – 1951 to 1954  
University of Texas, El Paso - 1954 to 1957

**View Hall of Fame  
pictures at  
Bay City High School  
during regular school  
hours.**

## **WHERE ARE THEY NOW...**

### **Vivian Rollins Allen**

*Has taught many years in Bay City ISD. Currently teaches Physical Education at Cherry Elementary. She and husband, Rodney have two daughters, Raven and Robin.*

### **Bobby Bell**

*Claims Manager for Progressive Insurance. Lives in Houston with his wife, Kim, and three children Jeffrey, Michael and Rachael.*

### **DeWayne Bowden**

*I'm employed with the Texas Department of Corrections in Richmond, Texas. I've been with the department for 20+ years. I currently reside in Sugarland, Texas.*

### **Coach Marshall Brown**

*Retired, living in Bay City with his wife, Kay. Marshall is active in his church and an avid fisherman. He does substitute teaching at Bay City HS and has "volunteer coached" with the Blackcat track team.*

### **Bob Burnell**

*Bob Burnell passed away on August 6, 1987. He is survived by his brothers, Drew, Bill and Tommy and his sister Barbara Quirk.*

### **Dale Callihan**

*Retired from Campbell Soup Company. Dale is enjoying traveling and hunting.*

### **Larry Callis**

*Obtained Master's Degree in Criminal Justice, is presently an Academic and Pre-Law Advisor for the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences at Wichita State University. Is also the instructor for the Personal and Academic Success Seminar (PASS) for college athletes at Wichita State.*

### **Coach Pat Centilli**

*Retired to Canyon Lake, Texas where he travels and plays golf.*

### **Todd Chambers**

*I now work for Southwestern Oklahoma State University where I am an educator and a director for Level E troubled youth offenders through a statewide program affiliated with our university. So in essence, I am passing on the knowledge that I have been blessed with to a greater challenging youth.*

### **Rush Claxton**

*I am now in my third year of teaching and coaching at Bay City High School. I am married to Katie and have a son named Conner.*

### **Will Cook**

*Currently living in Bay City selling cars for a local dealership.*

### **Chris Cornman**

*Graduated from Baylor Dental School in 1996. Has a dental practice and lives in Georgetown, Texas with his wife, Terry, and children, Amber and Alex.*

### **Karen Muskiet Crain**

*Has taught 25 years in Bay City ISD. Currently teaches Pre-AP Algebra II, AP Statistics, and Calculus at Bay City HS. She and her husband, Gary, have two children, Kristie and Heath.*

### **Joe DeLoach**

*Computer Systems Analyst/Consultant for BMC Software and an independent network consultant. Lives in Missouri City, Texas with his wife, Melony and three children. Loves to fish and fly remote controlled airplanes in his spare time.*

### **Rhonda Rutherford De Los Santos**

*Lives in Houston and works as a Juvenile Probation Officer for Harris County. Married to Celso De Los Santos.*

### **Mark Dennard**

*Lives in College Station where he owns and operates the Wings and More restaurant franchise. Is married, with two children and participates in many NFL Celebrity Golf Tournaments around the nation. For many years has sponsored the Mark Dennard/John David Crow Charity Golf Tournament that has raised money for the Boys and Girls club of Bryan/College Station.*

## **WHERE ARE THEY NOW. . .**

### **Hart Lee Dykes**

*Lives in Sugarland, Texas where he owns a Voice Stream franchise and is a real estate investor. In his spare time he loves to play golf.*

### **Jarvis Edison**

*Currently a banker for a national bank and mortgage group where he specializes in creating banking relationships and helping people to homeownership.*

### **Estella Fisher**

*Currently a graduate student at The University of Houston-Clear Lake and will graduate in December with a master's degree in Sociology with an emphasis in Criminology. During the past seven years she has been employed with Harris County Pretrial Services as a Pretrial Officer. She is visible in the community as an active member of the Fountain of Praise Church (formerly South Post Oak Baptist Church) and with her sorority, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. She is a full time aunt who spends a lot of time with her nieces and nephews. In her spare time she can be found on the greens trying to make a hole in one.*

### **Gerry Flannel**

*I'm living in Alvin, Texas with my wife and three kids. I have been working in Information Technology for about 17 years, and currently work for GE Energy (General Electric Energy) as a systems analyst in Houston, Texas. I'm also involved in our church where I am a Deacon for Greater New Hope Baptist Church in Alvin. I also coach Pee Wee football in Alvin.*

### **Simon Fletcher**

*The last we heard from Simon he was living in Denver, Colorado and owned the "Doghouse Restaurant" franchise and had concessions for Denver Bronco games.*

### **Andre' Franklin**

*I have been serving in the US Navy for 12 years.*

### **Patrick Franklin**

*Lives in Tampa, Florida where he owns a marketing business, Blaque Pearls, Inc. He is single and enjoys golf and racquetball.*

### **Dennis Gann**

*Is a CPA and owns his own accounting firm in Houston. Has been in public accounting for many years.*

### **LaShonda Gibson White**

*I have just recently moved back from Guam to Richmond, Texas where I am completing my master's degree in Human Relations through the University of Oklahoma.*

### **Bernard Graham**

*Is retired and lives in Bay City with his wife, June.*

### **Coach Don Haley**

*Don Haley passed away in 2005. He is survived by his wife, Evelyn.*

### **Albert Hall**

*Recently completed an MBA in Human Resource Management and relocated back to Austin with Dell, Inc. as a Sr. HR Consultant from Nashville, TN. He has been working with Dell for 5+ years in various roles (Management, HR Training) and has been married for 3 1/2 years to Traci Allen-Hall and has a dog named Chance.*

### **Blake Holden**

*Lives in Mountain View, California and works as a manufacturing engineer with Pratt & Whitney Engines. Blake is in the process of restoring a 1951 Chevy Pick-up Truck.*

### **Raymond Holt**

*I now work for the Department of Justice, Federal Bureau of Prison, as Regional Director, Southeast, Atlanta, Georgia. I have primary responsibility for all Federal Prisons in South Carolina, Florida, Alabama, Georgia, Mississippi, and Puerto Rico. I also have a regional budget of over \$500,000,000 and responsibility for nearly 6000 staff.*

### **Carl Jackson**

*Currently on staff at the University of Iowa as the Running Back Coach.*

### **Chandi Jones**

*Playing in the WNBA for the Minnesota Lynx.*

## **WHERE ARE THEY NOW. . .**

### **Brandt Kieschnick**

*Currently lives in Huntsville, Texas and is a professional golfer. He made it through the first stage of the PGA Qualifying School and is in the middle of the second stage.*

### **David Kristynik**

*Is retired and lives in Lockhart, Texas. Enjoys traveling and playing golf.*

### **Marvin Kristynik**

*Lives in Richmond, Texas and owns a financial planning company, Marvin Kristynik and Associates.*

### **Scott Lark**

*Scott is currently the Director of Real Estate for Ruth's Chris Steak House. He is married to Stephanie Scarmardo of Bryan, Texas and they have one son, Chaz. Scott and Chaz are active in the Boy Scouts of America and enjoy spending time with their beagle, Scooter.*

### **Coach Sam Maglitto**

*Retired from BCISD in August of 1998. He has been very involved in the Honduras Medical Mission for the past 11 years. He is active in the Lions Club, a CPS board member, on the education committee for the Chamber of Commerce, on the Community Education Advisory Council and is a MEHOP volunteer.*

### **Dr. Fred Matthes**

*Is retired and living in Bay City. Enjoys ranching, walking, and keeping up with his grandkids.*

### **Nate McDonald**

*Lives in Bay City and manages McDonald Equipment Company. Active in Lions Club and is Patrol Director of the Ski Apache Ski Patrol in Ruidoso, New Mexico. He also competes on the professional water skiing circuit. Is married to BCHS graduate, the former Sharyl Opella, and has a son, James. He is the judge "elect" of Matagorda County and will take office in January, 2007.*

### **John C. McMillan**

*Retired from Solutia (formerly called Monsanto Chemical Company), traveling and doing volunteer work to benefit others.*

### **Keith Meyer**

*Currently living in Bay City and employed in agriculture.*

### **Coach Ron Mills**

*Retired, living in Brenham with wife, Nynvia. Both Nynvia and Ron love to play golf and visit their grandchildren.*

### **Linda Babik Miska**

*Starting her 25th year as an 8th grade Pre-Algebra/Algebra teacher at West Columbia Junior High School. Married to Frank for 31 years and have two sons, Jeremy and Garrett.*

### **Roland Mitchell**

*Lives in Richmond, Texas where he is the owner of a Beauty and Barber Salon. Also is Assistant Head and Defensive Backs Coach for the Semi-Pro Football Fort Bend Falcons.*

### **Coach Chad Morris**

*Is the Head Football Coach and Athletic Director at Stephenville High School.*

### **Coach Edward Nelson**

*Still coaches the Blackcat Boys Basketball team.*

### **Daniel Pena**

*Works as an Operator for Phillips 66 Petroleum Company. Lives in Palacios with his wife and five daughters. Fishes and coaches his children in youth sports activities.*

### **Ivan Petitt**

*Works for Detroit-based ACN as an International Marketing Strategist for the deregulation of Public Utilities and the Telecom Industry, lives in Houston with his wife and two sons.*



## **WHERE ARE THEY NOW . . .**

### **James Redus**

*Resides in Missouri City, Texas and has been employed for many years as a correctional officer with the Texas Department of Criminal Justice System.*

### **Robby Reed, Jr.**

*I now live in Bay City, am married, and farm rice, milo, cotton, and soybeans.*

### **Claude Reinke**

*Retired Major General in the Marine Corp. Currently the publisher of "The Californian," a Southern California newspaper. Enjoys playing golf and loves sports of all kinds.*

### **Coach Mattie Sue Ringgold**

*Retired, living in Bay City. Attends most BCHS athletic events, loves to travel and visit with friends.*

### **Wayne Roberds**

*Has taught for 35 years in Angleton ISD. Coached for 17 years and currently teaches Outdoor Education. Is married to his high school sweetheart, Lynda; they have a son and a daughter. He enjoys hunting in South Texas and fishing in East Matagorda Bay.*

### **Ralph Roberson**

*Lives in Lewisville, Texas and has been employed with Denton County as a Juvenile Probation Officer for the past fourteen years.*

### **Donny Rogers**

*He and his wife, Dina, live in Victoria. He has taught in Victoria ISD for many years.*

### **Coach Joe Rogers**

*Coach Rogers passed away in the spring of 2006. He is survived by his sons and his wife, Gerri.*

### **Deric Rutherford**

*Married to LaTosha Rutherford and has two children, Kenedi and Reagan. He is a sales professional residing in Houston, Texas.*

### **LaTosha Clark Rutherford**

*Is currently a Professional Representative with Merck Pharmaceutical Company. She is married to former Blackcat and Rice University great, Deric Rutherford. They have two daughters, Kenedi and Reagan.*

### **Lance Sardelich**

*Teaches and coaches varsity football and baseball at San Antonio Highlands High School. He and his wife, Veronica have two children, Anissa and Steven.*

### **Rick Seeker**

*Currently is working in Houston for an oilfield service company, The Mudlogging Company, in charge of sales. Is a member of the Board of Trustees for the Texas A&M 12th Man Foundation and lives in Brenham where he raises Registered Beefmaster Cattle.*

### **Andrew Smith, Jr.**

*Drew was fatally injured in an automobile accident on August 7, 2004. He is survived by his parents, Andrew Sr. and Berrilyn, and siblings, Raqisha and Michael Smith.*

### **Audrey Smith**

*Academic Account Representative for SAS Institute, Inc. Lives in Watauga, Texas (in the Dallas/Fort Worth area). Works with girls and boys youth basketball leagues during spare time and weekends.*

### **Chris Smith**

*Chris currently serves as Business Manager for the Katy Independent School District. Katy ISD has grown to over 44,000 students and operates 41 schools including 5 high schools under a total budget of \$367 million. Prior to working in Katy, Chris proudly served for over 5 years as Assistant Superintendent for Business & Technology in the Bay City Independent School District.*

### **Harold Smith**

*Lives in Canada and coaches quarterbacks for the Saskatchewan Roughriders.*

## **WHERE ARE THEY NOW...**

### **LaBradford Smith**

*Lives in Owen Mills, Maryland and continues to play professional basketball in the European League. He is married to Ericka and has two children, Eric and Nicolaus.*

### **William Smith**

*I live in Rosenberg and work for Coca Cola. I am married to Christina and have three daughters.*

### **Sonya Smith-Billingsley**

*Lives in Sugarland, Texas. For the past 12 years, she has been employed with Continental Airlines. Her future plans include her "heart's desire" of becoming a winning basketball coach.*

### **Annette Smith-Knight**

*University of Texas Assistant Athletic Director for Women's Basketball Operations where she coordinates all team travel arrangements, recruitment and administration. She also directs the Texas Women's Basketball Camp. Lives in the Austin suburb of Cedar Park and is married to former UCLA basketball player, Curtis Knight. They are the parents of Curtis Knight, III (Trey).*

### **A. C. Tellison, Jr.**

*Completed Bachelor of Arts degree in Communications and Business Administration in 1994 and a Masters Degree in Sports Administration in December 2001. Currently lives in Miami, Florida.*

### **Beau Trahan**

*Teaching and coaching quarterbacks at Dickinson High School. He works as an Assistant Coach under his dad, Warren.*

### **Warren Trahan**

*Lives in Dickinson where he is the current Athletic Director/Head Football Coach for Dickinson ISD.*

### **A.J. Vargas**

*I am now in my third year of teaching and coaching at Bay City Junior High School. I coach football and basketball and scout for the varsity team. I enjoy being in my hometown with my family and friends. I play softball and golf and watch as much ESPN as I can.*

### **Dr. Richard Walton**

*Lives with his wife, Ann, and daughter, Claire, in San Antonio. Graduated in May 2003 with a medical degree from the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio and is doing a four year residency in Diagnostic Radiology in San Antonio. He spends his leisure time salt water and fly fishing and hunting.*

### **Joe Washington**

*Is retired and living in DeSoto, Texas. Most of his time is spent working in the yard, golfing, and involved in church and community activities.*

### **Quentin Watkins**

*Retired from Hoechst Celanese Co. in 1997 and currently runs a ranching operation southwest of Bay City. His hobbies are fishing and hunting. He enjoys traveling with his wife and friends and playing as much golf as time allows.*

### **Sherby Wilkerson**

*Current BCHS Lady Cats Basketball Coach. Is looking to make a 4th State Tournament appearance in quest of a State Championship.*

### **Mike Williamson**

*Is retired, living in Houston and enjoying his grandchildren, playing golf regularly, and volunteering in civic and church activities.*

### **CC Willis**

*Lives in Casa Grande, Arizona with wife, Camella. They have four children and five grandchildren. Retired from his farm in Arizona.*

### **Stephen Woods**

*I am proud to say this is my fifth year as a teacher and basketball coach. I taught and coached one year at Katy High School before moving on to Alief Hastings High School in Houston, Texas, where I have been for the past four years, to become the JV Boys and Varsity Assistant Basketball Coach.*



## **BLACKCAT HALL OF FAME**

### **Selection Criteria**

**INDUCTION CEREMONY:** Last home football game of each school year, usually the last week in October or first week in November.

**PURPOSE:** To recognize former Blackcat, Lady Cat, or Hilliard HS athletes or head coaches who have distinguished themselves beyond "the norm" and who have represented our community at a state or national level.

**LOCATION:** Foyer of the coaches offices at Bay City High School. The public is welcome to visit during regular office hours.

### **CRITERIA FOR NOMINATION:**

#### Coaches:

- Must have been the Head Coach of a BCHS sport
- Automatic induction for State Championship

#### Players:

- Must be out of BCHS for at least five years
  - Must have completed four years of college eligibility and participation with some special recognition or excellence
- (or)
- HS State Champion in individual sport
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Team All-State in any sport
  - THSCA All-Star game or HS All-American designation
  - Professional career (at least one full season)
  - National or Olympic Champion
  - Teams: State Champions or State Finalists

**SELECTION COMMITTEE:** Made up of several long-time community members or school employees

**NOMINATIONS:** Nominations may be made by current or former coaches, family members, teachers, community members, or the media

**NUMBER:** Approximately 8 to 10 athletes and/or coaches per year.

## **BLACKCAT Hall of Fame**

### **Selection Committee**

We would like to give special thanks to the group of community members who serve on our selection committee. Each of these individuals have been attending Bay City athletic events for at least 30 years, and some have more than 50 years of "Blackcat experience." In August of each year, they meet to consider nominations and make selections for the Hall of Fame.

Anyone who feels that they know of former Bay City athletes or coaches who meet the criteria listed in this program should contact the Superintendent's office at (979) 245-5766 for a nomination form. The deadline for nominations is August 8, 2008.

Mattie Sue Ringgold  
C. V. McKelvy  
Dr. Crayden Dennard  
Arnold Vargas  
Ric Carlin  
William Dale  
Bill Cornman  
Richard Walton  
Marshall Brown