

2006

Induction

November 26



2006 Induction Ceremony November 26, 2006

Religion and Education - Margaret Phillimore
Sports and Athletics - Warren Pugh
Business, Industry and Professions - Mary Louise Snider Efron
Music and Fine Arts - John Corbett
Tim O'Brien

→ Program <</p>

National Anthem

Invocation - Reverend Theresa Kelley, St. Luke's Church
Master of Ceremonies - S. J. "Dick" Dlesk, Chairman, Wheeling Hall of Fame Board
Official Welcome from City of Wheeling - Mayor Nick Sparachane
Induction of Honorees into the Wheeling Hall of Fame - By Hall of Fame Board Members
Responses - By Hall of Fame Inductees or their Representatives
Closing Remarks - S. J. "Dick" Dlesk

Benediction - Reverend Charles A. Ellwood, United Methodist pastor

Wheeling Hall of Fame Board Officers

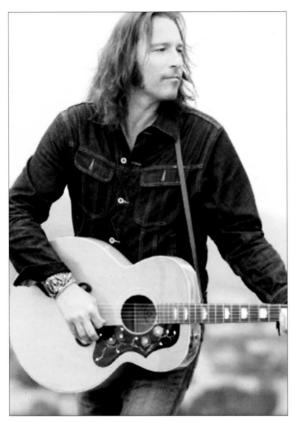
Chairman - S. J. "Dick" Dlesk Secretary Treasurer - Patricia Pockl
Co-Chairmen of Induction and Reception - S. J. "Dick" Dlesk, William J. Ihlenfeld

Wheeling Hall of Fame Board

Business, Industry and Professions - John W. Moore, chairperson; S. J. "Dick" Dlesk and James J. Haranzo Music and Fine Arts - Peter Holloway Jr., chairperson; Kate Crosbie and Robert De Francis Philanthropy - Laura Carter, chairperson; Sue Seibert Farnsworth and Jeanne Finstein Public Service - William J. Ihlenfeld, chairperson; Margaret A. Beltz and Jim Squibb Religion and Education - Sister Joanne Gonter, VHM, chairperson; Reverend Charles A. Ellwood and Patricia Pockl Sports and Athletics - R. Douglas Huff, chairperson; Richard L. Coury and William Nutting

Wheeling City Council

Mayor	
First Ward Councilman	Gloria Delbrugge
Second Ward Councilman	Vernon E. Seals
Third Ward Councilman	Robert E. "Herk" Henry
Fourth Ward Councilman	Brent Bush
Fifth Ward Councilman	Mike Nau
Sixth Ward Councilman	Barry Crow



John Corbett - Music and Fine Arts

Actor-singer John Corbett is an international movie and television star but holds such strong feelings for his hometown that when he works he often mentions Wheeling and has been known to weave the names of some of its residents into his scripted lines.

Corbett, speaking to a reporter at the farm he co-owns in rural Ohio County, says this: "I think how lucky I am because of all the movies I have gotten to do. Doors just open up. I am like a friend to the world. I can go any place in the world and have a friend. It is a constant and unique thing."

The performer, born May 9, 1961, in Wheeling, in his amiable way, thus has introduced the Friendly City to audiences and fans throughout the world. His official World Wide Web biography points out that when he was growing up he and his mother lived in an apartment five blocks from the Capitol Music Hall, home at the time to the Wheeling Jamboree, which featured live radio broadcasts of the top country music acts in America.

As a youngster hanging out at a relative's music club, he got to see country and rock musicians who had played the Capitol. There's where his love of music was cultivated.

Corbett graduated from Wheeling Central Catholic High School in 1979 and chose not to attend college, leaving the area for California where he worked as a laborer in the steel industry for six years until a back injury forced him to look for other work. He took cosmetology classes by day and drama classes at night at a California community college. He is a licensed hairstylist.

He began acting in advertising commercials, filming 50 national commercials in four years. One such ad led to his first television series, "Northern Exposure," in which he portrayed disc jockey Chris Stevens for five years (1990-95).

A break-through role on the big screen came when he landed the part of the romantic lead, Ian Miller, in the most successful independent film comedy ever made, "My Big Fat Greek Wedding" (2002). This film has earned

more than \$250 million. Corbett matched that huge triumph by playing Sarah Jessica Parker's boyfriend, Aidan Shaw, for 22 episodes of "Sex and the City" (2000-2003) one of the most successful and award-winning programs ever to appear on HBO cable television.

Career honors for Corbett's acting include, for "Northern Exposure": Emmy Award Nomination, Outstanding Supporting Actor in a Drama Series, 1992; Golden Globe Award for Best TV Series Drama, 1992-93; Golden Globe Nomination, Best Performance by an Actor in a Supporting Role in a Series, Mini-Series, or Motion Picture Made for TV, 1993; Peabody Awards, 1992-93; Screen Actors Guild Nomination, Outstanding Performance by an Ensemble-Comedy Series, 1995.

For "My Big Fat Greek Wedding": Golden Globe Nomination, Best Motion Picture-Comedy or Musical, 2003; People's Choice Award, Favorite Comedy Motion Picture; Screen Actors Guild Nomination, Outstanding Performance by the Cast of a Theatrical Motion Picture.

He has appeared in dozens of other motion pictures and television programs. On April 4, 2006, the John Corbett Band released its debut album, a blend of country and Southern rock. He and his band appeared at the July 2006 Jamboree in the Hills in St. Clairsville, with his mother proudly looking on from the wings.

The 45-year-old is part owner of a club in Seattle, Wash., where "Northern Exposure" originated and where he lived for a number of years. He since has relocated to Los Angeles and also visits his Wheeling-area farm as often as possible, which is difficult because of touring with his new band.

The 6'5" tall vegetarian, in explaining his switch from movies and television to music, said, as quoted from his band's Web site: "Music has always been central to my life, much more so than acting. Acting is how I make my living. Music has always been a passion—it's something I love, something I can't live without."



2006, he has recorded over 30 CDs.

Tim O'Brien - Music and Fine Arts

The year of his induction into the Wheeling Hall of Fame (2006) was an especially auspicious one for Tim O'Brien. During the course of the year Tim won his first Grammy in the category of Best Traditional Folk Album for his CD "Fiddler's Green" in February.

In September 2006, he was named the International Bluegrass Music Association (IBMA) Male Vocalist of the Year. At the same time the IBMA also named his song "Look Down that Lonesome Road" from the "Fiddler's Green" CD as the Song of the Year.

A Wheeling native, Tim developed an interest in and appreciation of country, traditional, and bluegrass music after listening to the WWVA Jamboree on the radio and as a member of the audience. Tim left college to become a ski bum, but instead spent his time practicing and learning his craft.

His first well known group "Hot Rize" was formed in 1978 with Tim on mandolin and fiddle, Pete Wernick on banjo, Charles Sawtelle on guitar, and Nick Firsten on bass. The group toured nationally and internationally and recorded seven CDs. The same team also appeared as "Red Knuckles and the Trailblazers" a band more oriented towards swing and comedy. "Hot Rize" won the IBMA's first Entertainer of the Year award in 1990.

Tim is also well known as a songwriter. His tune "Walk the Way the Wind Blows" was a breakout hit for West Virginia native Kathy Mattea in 1986 and helped her career to blossom.

In 1993, Tim received his first IBMA Vocalist of the Year Award. Since then he has recorded with diverse groups and soloists ranging from the O'Boys to his sister Mollie O'Brien. As of

Aside from his singing, Tim is a multitalented instrumentalist and is adept on the fiddle, guitar, mandolin and bouzoucki.



The Reverend Margaret Bird Caldwell Phillimore - Religion and Education

The long struggle for women's ordination as priests in the American Episcopal Church began in the mid-1850's and ended in Minneapolis, Minnesota, on September 16, 1976, when the General convention of the Episcopal Church voted to approve women's ordination to the priesthood and the episcopate. While this change was not made compulsory on all American bishops, the Diocese of West Virginia did embrace the canon law and, in January of 1977, history was made in the Episcopal Church.

Margaret Bird Caldwell Phillimore was one of the first women in West Virginia to be ordained Priest in the Episcopal Diocese of West Virginia at that time. Reverend Phillimore's road to the priesthood was an interesting one.

She was born December 21, 1915, in Wheeling, West Virginia, the daughter of the late Gibson Lamb Caldwell and Eleanor Glass Caldwell.

She attended Miss Bertha's School, Triadelphia High School, Pine Manor and Dana Hall. Margaret received her bachelor's degree from Smith College in 1947. She then attended Katherine Gibbs School in New York and, later, worked as a secretary until becoming a full-time volunteer for Moral Re-Armament from 1939 until 1961.

It was during this time that she met her future husband, the Hon. Miles G. W. Phillimore. Prior to her ministry and with her husband, she served in social work on every continent. She and her husband had one daughter, Debbie.

She was widowed in 1972. She returned to college and earned a second bachelor's degree from Wheeling Jesuit University (formerly Wheeling College) in 1974. She then attended seminary in Queen's Theological College in Birmingham, England, in 1975, and studied for the priesthood.

After her ordination, she worked as an interim vicar or rector in several churches in six of the eight deaneries of the Diocese of West Virginia. Usually there was some longstanding area of difficulty that needed to be resolved prior to the new incumbency of a permanent rector. The Reverend Phillimore was sent to that church to resolve it.

For several years, she worked with the Movement for the Ordination of Women in England. She preached in seventeen English churches and eight English Cathedrals. She was the first woman ever to preach at the Cathedrals of Canterbury, Rochester, and Carlisle.

She served on eight boards and commissions in the Diocese of West Virginia. She chaired the Diocesan Division of Christian Education and served on the Hunger Task Force, the Appalachian People's Service Organization, and was a visiting minister for the West Virginia Penitentiary in Moundsville, West Virginia. In her earlier years, she became the first manager of the Wheeling Symphony.

Margaret Phillimore was a woman of courage, a visionary, and a woman of principle. She pursued a dream that possibly had no chance of coming true but she never gave up. She was in her sixties when that dream came true. Her faith guided her lifetime of service to God, family, and mankind.

After retirement, she moved to Seattle, Washington to be near her only daughter and granddaughters. She died March 15, 2004.



Warren Pugh - Sports and Athletics

One of the most respected and popular sports officials in the Tri-State area for five decades, Warren W. Pugh also was a longtime coach, teacher and public servant in his hometown of Wheeling. He officiated high school and college football, basketball and track. In football, he worked Ohio Valley high school games in addition to state conference, West Virginia U., Penn State and Pitt games. In basketball, he officiated every game of the 1933 and 1934 state tournaments in Buckhannon and also all 11 games of the first West Virginia Conference college tournament in 1935. He was a track official for 50 years including the prestigious Bellaire Relays for 25 years and numerous Ohio Valley Athletic Conference and other major area track and field meets.

Besides officiating contests, he was an active promoter of officiating and served as president of both the Ohio Valley Board of Approved Football and Basketball Officials' organizations. He also conducted officiating clinics and wrote a series of newspaper articles on officiating. He was honored for his service at the Bellaire Relays, Shadyside Relays and at the 1979 state track meet by the W. Va. Secondary Schools Activities Commission.

A teacher at the Linsly School, he coached Cadet swim teams to 25 straight OVAC titles, and 26 overall, before retiring in 1972. He coached numerous swimmers who went on to collegiate and AAU competition. A Red Cross instructor in water safety and life saving for 50 years, he was honored with a 40-year service pin and "Mr. Water Safety of the Ohio Valley" by the local Red Cross chapter in 1967. Active in community service, he served as City Recreation Director for 15 years. He also was twice elected Ohio County Sheriff and served from 1948-52 and 1956-60 and elected an Ohio County Commissioner

where he served from 1963-68. He was Commission president in 1967-68.

He was a Wheeling Island resident most of his life and attended Madison School and Linsly, where he was an athletic standout. He attended Alderson-Broaddus for two years before transferring to Davis & Elkins to play for Hall of Fame coach Cam Henderson from 1925-28. The 1928 team won its first state college title and defeated West Virginia U., 7-0 and Navy, 2-0 on big time schedule. He was president of the D&E student body and graduated in 1931.

The Wheeling honor is his fourth Hall of Fame recognition. He earlier was inducted into the W. Va. Sports Hall, the Upper Ohio Valley Dapper Dan Hall and the OVAC Hall of Fame.

Pugh, who died at age 81 in 1983, and his late wife Mary had three sons--the late Robert Pugh, Thomas Pugh of New Creek, W. Va., and David Pugh of Delray Beach, Fla.



Mary Louise Snider Efron - Business, Industry and Professions

Was born in Wheeling Hospital on November 18, 1926. She graduated from Mount De Chantal Academy; had a scholarship to Barnard College where she received her BA Degree, and graduated with honors from Harvard Medical School. She married Robert Efron, also a medical doctor and had three children, Carol, Paul, and Sonni.

She gained laboratory experience in human metabolism at University College Hospital at Queens Square in London, in the laboratory of Professor C.D. Dent, where she investigated the urinary excretion of amino acids. In the two years she went there, she mastered all the laboratory techniques, contributed considerably to the development of new methods and she learned to understand the significance of the results she obtained.

After she left London, Mary Efron became a research associate in Neurology at Harvard Medical School and an assistant in Neurology at Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston.

In the Joseph P. Kennedy laboratory, which was assigned to her, she was able to exploit new methodologies for detection of disorders of amino acids. She soon became a leading researcher in the field of mental retardation and children diseases. A book published by Little, Brown and Company, "The Massachusetts General Hospital 1955 - 1980," contains the following "...her laboratory had become a national center, extremely productive in finding new diseases and treatments,..."

Dr. Efron and her associates developed programs in Massachusetts for the mass screening of newborn infants, at birth, to detect amino acid deficiencies and PKU (a rare inherited metabolic disease that results in mental retardation and other neurological problems - brain damage - when treatment is

not started within the first few weeks of life.) This is done with a simple test performed from a drop of blood from the baby -- by pricking the heel. This screening process is now required and performed throughout the United States and the world for up to 10 serious disorders.

Dr. Mary Louise Snider Efron died on September 2, 1967 at the age of 40 years from Lupus. Her work had been so important to the field of neurological medicine that the American Medical Association caused to be published in January of 1969 a memorial issue "Diseases of Children" dedicated to Mary Efron.

A tribute containing therein by Dr. Raymond D. Adams of Boston summarizes her life:

"Once in every generation or so there looms over the medical firmament a personality that shines forth like a meteor, to briefly illumine its environment and thereafter to be remember by all who beheld it. "...she was able in a short time to open up new possibilities in the study of nervous disease. These skills, the new diseases which she discovered, and the old ones which she elucidated would have alone have assured her place in medical history,..." At the same time she exemplified the other attribute of a teacher...her ability to encourage clever pupils. She was surrounded by them; her laboratory was a mecca for young scientists. She was in touch with everyone in the world w h o shared her interest in the study of metabolic diseases of the nervous system. ..."The degree to which she has helped others will never be known, but some idea of the high esteem in which she was held in the world of medical science and the debt many owed to her is attested by the eagerness of gifted investigators from all over the world to contribute to this volume."

"It was Mary Efron's destiny as a gifted woman scientist to leave neurological medicine different than she found it, and every person who came to know her blithe spirit has been left a slightly better person."

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ANNIE SINCLAIR CUNNINGHAM 1832 - 1897

(RELIGION AND EDUCATION)

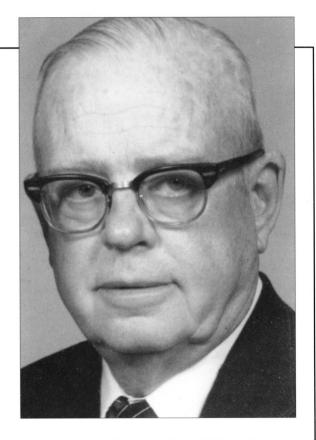
Powerful force for good whose life's work in religious and charitable matters benefited many at home and abroad. The wife of the Rev. David Cunningham, pastor of Wheeling's First Presbyterian Church, she was the originator of the Home for the Aged and Friendless Women, now Elmhurst, the House of Friendship. She also was named secretary of the Chautauqua Missionary Institute and was elected president of the International Union of Women for Foreign Mission Work.



ROSE M. GACIOCH

(SPORTS)

Pioneer of women's professional baseball in America. She played 11 seasons in the All-American Girls Professional Baseball League. Beginning her career in 1944 with the South Bend Blue Sox, she was traded to the Rockford Peaches, which she led to three AAGPBL titles. The versatile star played infield, outfield and pitched. During the 1951 season, she posted a 20-7 won-lost record and tossed a no-hitter. In the three-time all-star's final season, the 38-year-old batted .304 and hit 13 home runs.



ROBERT C. HAZLETT

(BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY)

Highly-respected banker on local and state levels. His half-century of service to Wheeling Dollar Bank and WesBanco resulted in innovations such as drive-in banking and West Virginia's first data center. This CEO was a church leader, and the educational, medicinal, and civic life of Wheeling all benefited from his stewardship. Community service included chairing the Wheeling Park Commission, Ohio County Board of Education, and the boards of OVMC and Linsly.

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KEITH LEE MAILLARD

(MUSIC & FINE ARTS)

Award winning novelist and poet whose hometown plays a prominent role in his fiction. A native of Wheeling Island and a Linsly graduate, his novels are set in "Raysburg," a thinly disguised Wheeling. Many local landmarks, such as the Suspension Bridge, play roles in his works. Each of the Raysburg novels examines a different era and social class. Called a "national treasure" by Kirkus Reviews, he also is a professor in the Department of Creative Writing at the University of British Columbia.



THOMAS B. MILLER

(PUBLIC SERVICE)

Served on the West Virginia Supreme Court for 18 years with tenacity and resolve. Navy veteran of the Korean War, receiving a law degree from WVU in 1956. Practicing attorney for 31 years, specializing in trial work. Respected and admired by colleagues in the judiciary, Justice Miller, in his dedication to advancement of the law sought to meet the demands of contemporary society, hoping his efforts would serve the needs of the people and also provide guidance for the future evolution of the law.



EARL SUMMERS, JR. 1916 - 2004

(MUSIC & FINE ARTS)

Renowned musician and orchestra leader. Wheeling Symphony Orchestra charter member, serving 61 years, as concertmaster 42 years. Performed with many local theater orchestras and bands, including his own. While known as Wheeling's "Mr. Music," he also was first violin for Columbus Symphony, Pittsburgh Opera and Pittsburgh Ballet Orchestras, and was Concertmaster for Pittsburgh Civic Light Opera Orchestra. Concentrated on classical, but jazz and popular music were career interests.

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IRENE DORETTA MEAGEL

1900 - 1999

(PHILANTHROPY)

Irene Meagel and her two brothers, Lawrence and William, were born to a German family in South Wheeling. A frugal person, her simple lifestyle revolved around Trinity Lutheran Church and the Alpha Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi sorority. At her death, she left a trust in excess of \$20 million to benefit 16 local organizations and institutions.

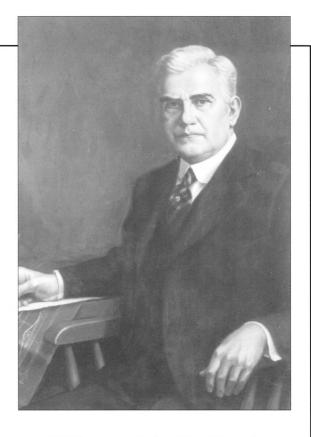


J. LORAN MERCER

1913 - 1983

(RELIGION AND EDUCATION)

Warwood High School Band Director from 1936-1964. Recognized in 1956 as one of the outstanding music directors in the nation. In 1963 he was appointed Director of the West Virginia All-State Band which performed at the New York City World's Fair. He started the first strings program while Music Supervisor for Ohio County Schools. He was inducted posthumously in 1994 into the West Virginia Music Educators Association Hall of Fame.



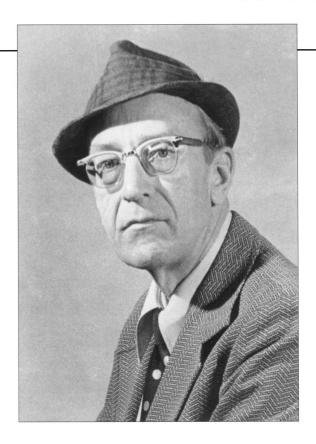
MICHAEL JOSEPH OWENS

1859 - 1923

(BUSINESS, INDUSTRY AND PROFESSIONS)

From humble beginnings, he achieved extraordinary fame by revolutionizing the glass industry. He invented the bottle making machine in 1903, and his name is on 49 patents relating to glass. His outstanding accomplishments are recognized throughout the world, and the encyclopedia pays tribute to him as an inventor, entrepreneur and outstanding businessman.

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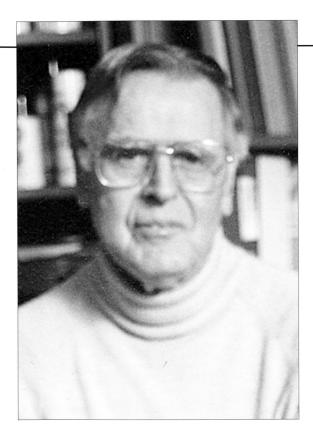


BILL VAN HORNE

1921 - 1995

(SPORTS AND ATHLETICS)

The "Dean" of Ohio Valley Sportswriters and a journalist for 54 years. A man of integrity and passion, he was known for his devotion to area high school and collegiate sports. There was never an event too small for his time, nor was there ever an event too big for him to cover. His contemporaries called him the most informational, motivational and influential figure in Ohio Valley athletics.



WESLEY J. WAGNER

1917 - 2006

(MUSIC AND FINE ARTS)

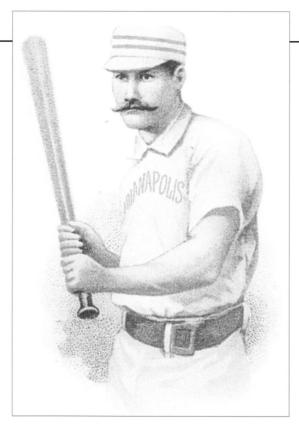
Artist and Teacher. Wheeling resident since 1937. He has taught at Wheeling Country Day School, Bethany College, and Oglebay Institute as well as many non-traditional settings. Well known for his landscape paintings of the Ohio Valley. His works are in numerous private collections and he has had 17 one-man shows. His students have ranged in age from kindergarten to senior citizens, and all whom he has touched have had their lives enriched.

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HELEN B. GAITHER 1900 - 1996 (PHILANTHROPY)

A member of Oglebay Institute for almost 60 years, Miss Gaither left a \$1.6 million bequest to support programs at the Stifel Fine Arts Center. She also made major bequests to Ohio Valley Medical Center, St. Matthew's Episcopal Church and the Ohio County Public Library. Miss Gaither was an award winning breeder of Gaidoune Scottish Terriers.



JOHN WESLEY GLASSCOCK 1857 - 1947 (SPORTS AND ATHLETICS)

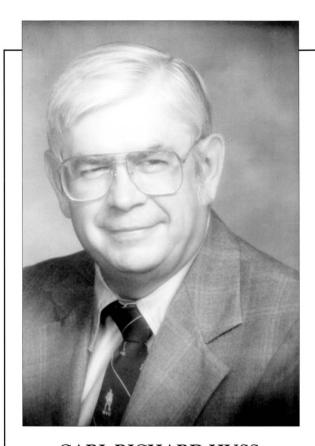
First West Virginian to play Major League Baseball. Sports Illustrated magazine named him as one of the three best shortstops of all time in 1984. Led the National League in fielding throughout his career, hitting in 1890, and set numerous records without the benefit of a glove. He came home to Wheeling to lead local team to Iron and Oil League title.



HARRY C. HAMM 1923 - 1991 (PUBLIC SERVICE)

A newspaperman for 50 years, his editorials as Wheeling News-Register editor championed causes such as quality education and health care, crime control, bridge construction, urban renewal, good government, and more. Helped secure millions in funding local parks, colleges, hospitals, cultural institutions and public improvements. Authored WHEELING 2000 revitalization plan.

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CARL RICHARD HUSS 1925 - 1996 (BUSINESS, INDUSTRY AND PROFESSIONS)

Distinguished aeronautical engineer, a member of NASA Space Task Force Group. Worked in the Mission Planning and Analysis Division for the Apollo Lunar Landing missions, Space Lab, Apollo-Soyuz, and the Space Shuttle program. Recipient of the NASA Outstanding Leadership medal. Served in Army Air Corps and Air Force Reserve.



SISTER ANNE REGINA O'LEARY, S.S.J.

1912 -(RELIGION AND EDUCATION)

A Sister of St. Joseph of Wheeling since 1932. First principal of a merged Wheeling Central Catholic High School. Served as General Superior/president of Wheeling S.S.J. General Council and other leadership offices over the past 40 years. Founder and president of S.S.J. of Wheeling Foundation.



MARILYN HUGHEY PHILLIS 1927 -

(MUSIC AND FINE ARTS)

Regarded as one of the most important watercolor artists in the country. Elected member of the American Watercolor Society and National Watercolor Society. Author of the best selling book *Watermedia Techniques for Releasing Creative Spirit*. Well-known and in demand as teacher and seminar leader. Interested in the connection between art and healing.

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RALPH REED SPEARS 1859 - 1943

(BUSINESS, INDUSTRY AND PROFESSIONS) Gained national recognition while building an oil distribution empire in South Wheeling. Established Fleet-Wing as first jobber brand of oil products. Pioneered development of tetraethyl anti-knock gasoline. Spears and Riddle Co. held the first franchise for ethyl gasoline.

Demonstrated his engineering and mechanical genius as founder and president of Spears Axle Co.



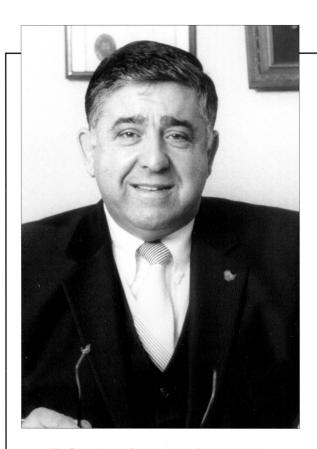
G. RANDOLPH "RANDY" WORLS

(PUBLIC SERVICE)

CEO of Wheeling Park Commission for 27 years, he oversaw the establishment of the Winter Festival of Lights, Oglebayfest, and the American Heritage Crafts Festival. A Benedum Foundation trustee, CEO of Oglebay Foundation, CEO of Parks System Trust Fund, he's a visionary whose keen insight and expertise makes him an invaluable asset to the city of Wheeling.

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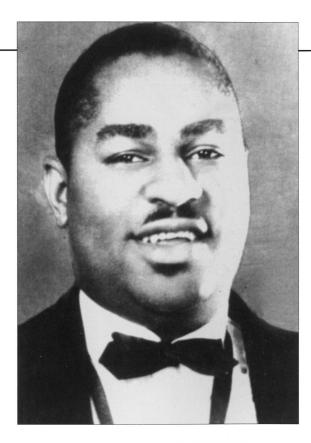


DOMINIC V. AGOSTINO

1931 -

(BUSINESS, INDUSTRY AND PROFESSIONS)

Founder, president and chairman of the board of Aladdin Food Management Services Inc. of Wheeling. In 1998 Aladdin had achieved growth of more than \$30 million in sales and grown from one college to over 50 accounts. Aladdin employs 1,200 full-and part-time workers. About 200 people work in Wheeling.



LEON "CHU" BERRY

1908 - 1941

(MUSIC AND FINE ARTS)

Became the jazz world's dominant tenor saxophone player. Performed around Wheeling and Charleston until 1929, joined the Sammy Stewart band in Columbus and Chicago, ending his career with Cab Calloway's band at the Cotton Club in New York. Metronome magazine named him to its All-Star Band of 1937-1938.



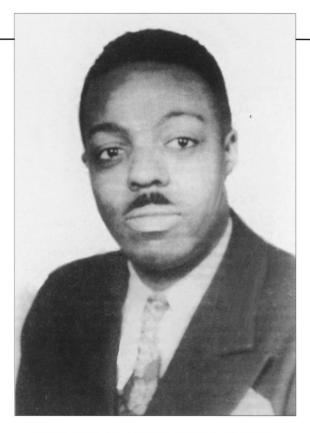
ETHEL CLARE ELIKAN

1911 - 1998

(PUBLIC SERVICE)

Worked with the visually handicapped for more than 50 years. Founder of the Seeing Hand Association Inc. of Wheeling. Opened the Seeing Hand Workshop and organized activities for the blind. As executive director, inspired more than \$1 million in donations to the center to maintain the Seeing Hand Workshop.

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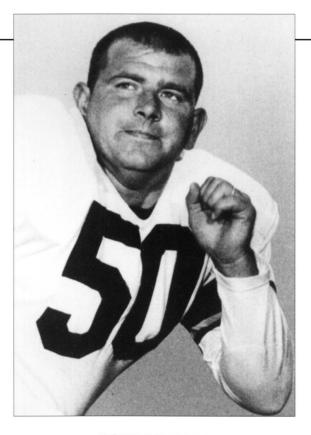


PHILLIP NATHANIAL REED

1914 - 1975

(RELIGION AND EDUCATION)

Prominent African-American educator in Wheeling for 35 years. Served as principal of Lincoln School and steered Ohio County's public schools through integration. First director of guidance for Ohio County Schools. Headed committee to develop the drug education policy of the school board. Served on the Northern Panhandle Employment of the Handicapped Committee.



JOHN REGER

1931 -

(SPORTS AND ATHLETICS)

Landed a spot with the Pittsburgh Steelers after playing only three varsity collegiate games at Pitt. Made the Pro Bowl three times while with the Steelers. Named Steelers' most valuable player in 1959. Concluded a 12-year NFL playing career with the Washington Redskins. A fullback and linebacker at Linsly Military Institute, he was captain of the All-Ohio Valley Athletic Conference Team in 1949.

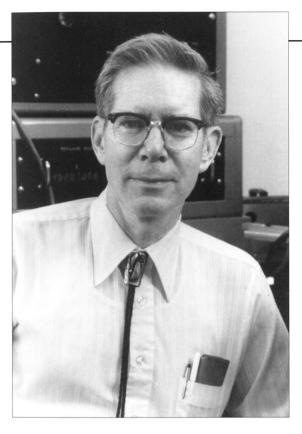
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HENRY STIFEL SCHRADER

1909 - 1996 (PHILANTHROPY)

Lifelong Wheeling resident. Practiced law from 1934-1989. A member of Oglebay Institute from 1937, served 17 years on its board of trustees, seven as chairman. His bequest of \$4.2 million was the largest single gift ever made to the Institute. He left \$1.2 million to Wheeling Jesuit University and made bequests to his church, his law school and other charitable organizations. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II.



DR. HARLAN J. SMITH

(BUSINESS, INDUSTRY AND PROFESSIONS)

A leading American astronomer. Was director of the University of Texas McDonald Observatory. Credited with discovering the optical variability of quasars and discovered the existence of dwarf Cepheids class of variable stars. Received NASA's Distinguished Public Service Medal, the highest space civilian award.

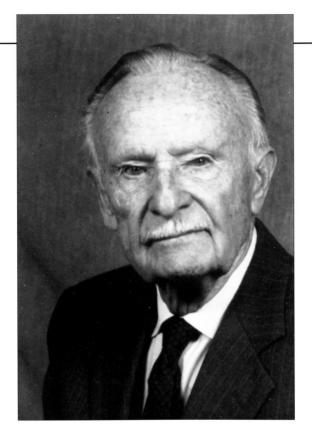
1994 INDUCTEES



SALLY CARROLL

1926 -

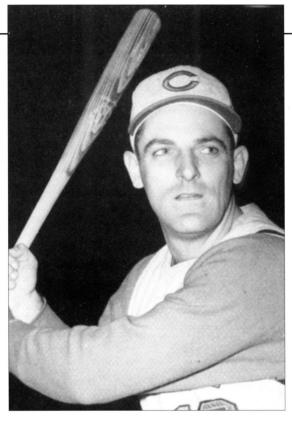
(SPORTS AND ATHLETICS) West Virginia Woman's Amateur Golf Champion seven times, runner-up six times. This Wheeling school teacher advanced to fourth round of British Amateur in 1964 and was second low amateur in U.S.Open twice. Chairman of USGA national girls' tourney for 10 years, she won the Card Walker Award in 1984 for her contributions to junior golf nationally.



ELLIS R. DUNGAN

1909 - 2001

(MUSIC AND FINE ARTS) His adventures in film making took this internationally known cinematographer all the way to India, where he spent 15 years and became one of that country's celebrated producers and directors. In Hollywood, he filmed jungle adventure stories for theatre and television. He formed his own company to produce industrial and educational and promotional films.



GENE FREESE

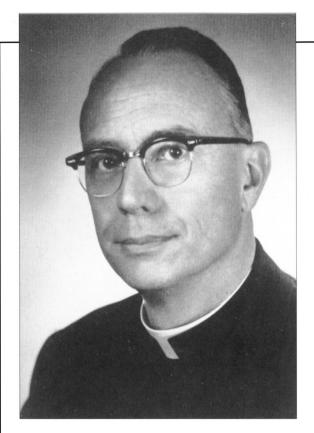
1934 -

(SPORTS AND ATHLETICS)

West Liberty State College star who played 12 seasons in baseball's major leagues. Third baseman with Pittsburgh Pirates, St. Louis Cardinals, Philadelphia Phillies, Chicago White Sox, Houston Astros and Cincinnati Reds. In 1959, he led Phils with 23 homers, five as pinch hitter. Key player in Reds' pennant drive in '61, with 87 RBIs and 26 homers. Played against Yankees in '61 World Series.

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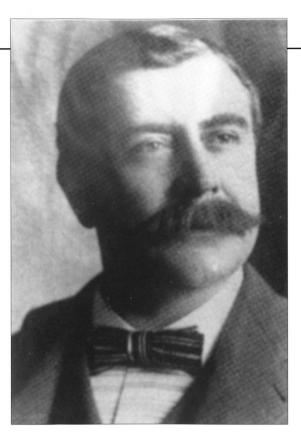
1994 INDUCTEES



REV. FATHER CLIFFORD M. LEWIS, S.J

1911 - 1983

(RELIGION AND EDUCATION)
Educator, author, lecturer and research analyst, he was among the founders of Wheeling Jesuit College (University) and was assistant to college president. He played an instrumental role in restoration of West Virginia Independence Hall and designation of Suspension Bridge as a national historical landmark. He was the first Jesuit priest to take up residence in Wheeling.

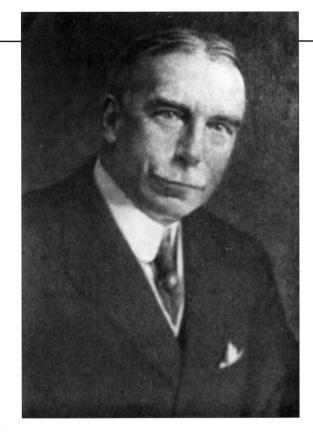


HARRY C. NORTHWOOD

1860 - 1919

(BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY)

A native of England, he became a pillar of Wheeling's industrial growth when he established one of the nation's premier glass tableware plants in the city in 1901. This great artisan revived glassmaking designs and techniques from his past and broke new ground with innovative patterns and decorating treatments.



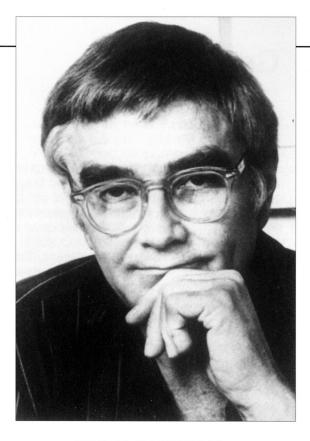
B. WALKER PETERSON

1851 - 1925

(PHILANTHROPY)

A bank president and corporate builder whose financial acumen enabled him to amass a fortune - much of which he used to better the city of Wheeling and lives of some of its people. His philanthropy helped establish OVGH, Wheeling Park and the Ohio County Public Library.

1992 INDUCTEES

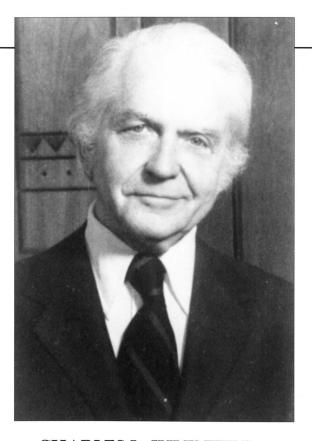


BUDD HOPKINS

1931 -

(MUSIC AND FINE ARTS)

Internationally renowned abstract artist and sculptor. His works have been displayed in leading art museums of the United States and Europe and he has received many prestigious awards. An Oberlin College graduate, he has also been recognized for his writings on UFOs. His book, "The Intruders", was a best-seller.



CHARLES L. IHLENFELD

1908 - 1989

(PUBLIC SERVICE)

A practicing attorney for 56 years, he was a distinguished public servant. He served Wheeling with foresight and dedication as a councilman and mayor. He was also Ohio County prosecuting attorney, chairman of the Wheeling Creek Watershed Commission and United States magistrate. He was generous in his philanthropy to his community and church.

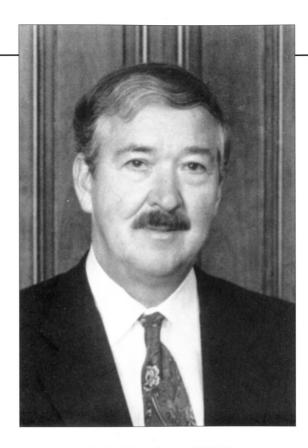
1992 INDUCTEES



DR. FORREST H. KIRKPATRICK

1905 - 1998

(RELIGION AND EDUCATION) Esteemed educator, industrialist and community leader. Member of the faculty at Bethany College, as professor and dean, for 25 years. Officer and director of Wheeling-Pittsburgh Steel Corporation. A board member of numerous corporations, his expertise was sought by international, national, state and local educational, business, industrial and civic organizations.



HOWARD LONG

1934 -

(BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY)

From modest means, he rocketed to giant stature in the vegetable processing industry. He founded Coronet Foods, Inc., in Wheeling and began a career that saw his business expand to encompass much of the world. Made a \$1,000,000 donation to Wheeling Hospital for the Wellness Center.



BERNARD MEHEN

1918 -

(SPORTS AND ATHLETICS)

All-time Ohio Valley basketball great, he was the top scorer on Wheeling High's state champion powerhouses of 1936 and 1938. Received All-American recognition at the University of Tennessee, where he led the 1941 team to the Southeastern conference title. Wounded in World War II, he nevertheless played professionally with the Youngstown Bears and Toledo Jeeps.

1990 INDUCTEES

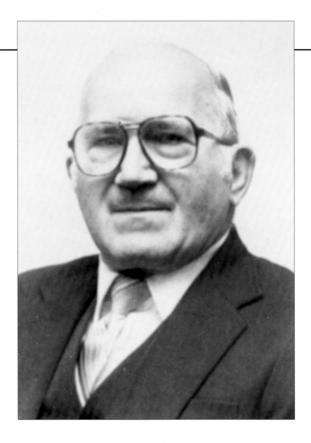


PHYLLIS A. BENEKE

1929 - 1988

(PHILANTHROPY)

She established a permanent trust fund, with a principal amount in excess of \$2,500,000 to provide scholarships for Wheeling Park High School students. An educator in Ohio County schools for 33 years, she was the last principal of Wheeling High School. She was named the outstanding principal in the state in 1984 while at Wheeling Park High.

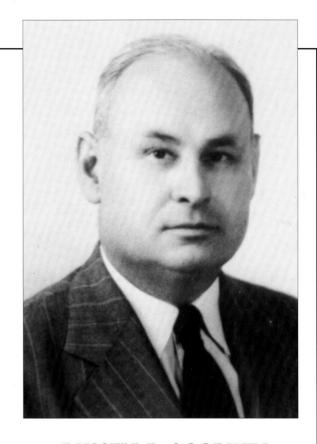


S. JAMES FOTI

1910 - 2004

(SPORTS AND ATHLETICS)

A basketball coach for 38 years and a football coach for over 20 years. He posted 466 varsity basketball victories, all but 26 at valley schools – Wheeling Central, Bellaire and Warwood. He piloted Warwood to the state tournament seven times and won the state Class AA title in 1967. His Central teams won six state Catholic championships. Coached teams to OVAC titles in three divisions of the conference.



RUSSELL B. GOODWIN

1893 - 1968

(SPORTS AND ATHLETICS)

Four-sports star at Wheeling High and three-sports standout at Washington & Jefferson College. Quarterback on W. & J. football teams that compiled 28-4-2 record. Played professionally with the Massillon Tigers. Officiated football for 30 years. Officiated the Army-Navy game and in the Rose Bowl and Cotton Bowl. He was an attorney who served on Wheeling City Council (1935-51) and was mayor of the city (1943-47).

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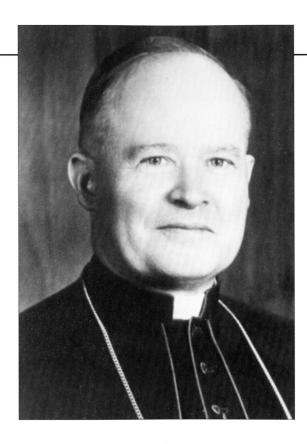


CHESTER R. HUBBARD

1905 - 1984

(PUBLIC SERVICE)

An attorney for 52 years, he served four terms in the West Virginia House of Delegates and three terms in the State Senate. Minority leader of the senate and champion of progressive legislation. A World War II veteran of the air force, he was a graduate of Lafayette College and the West Virginia University Law School. He was active in many facets of state and community service.

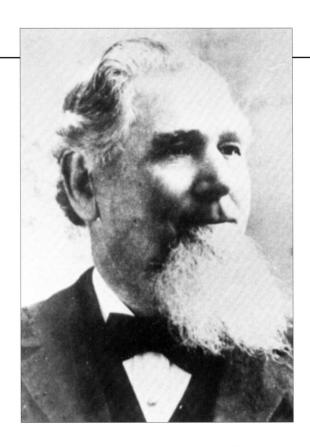


MOST REV. JOSEPH H. HODGES, D.D.

1911 - 1985

(RELIGION AND EDUCATION)

Bishop of the Catholic Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston for 23 years. Under his leadership the diocese expanded from 27 to 55 counties. He was active in building hospitals and schools. He made possible the building of the continuous care center at Wheeling Hospital – a center that now bears his name. He was a leader in implementation of the Second Vatican Council Resolves, in the areas of ecumenism, spirituality, and social service.



MIFFLIN M. MARSH

1818 - 1901

(BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY)

Founder of what became Wheeling's oldest manufacturing enterprise, M. Marsh & Son. He began operations as a one-man business, hand-rolling his own stogies, and developed a long-thriving firm which, at its peak, employed over 600. His Marsh Wheeling Stogies became known around much of the world.

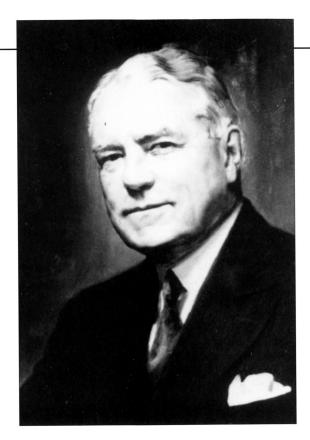
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LELAND S. DEVORE

1889 - 1939

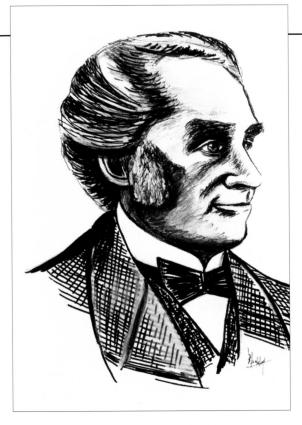
(SPORTS AND ATHLETICS)
Became Wheeling's first All-American football player as tackle at U.S. Military Academy in 1911. Captained Army team in senior year. A four-sport participant, he was academy's heavyweight boxing champion. Accompanied Gen. John Pershing on Pancho Villa expedition into Mexico in 1916 as the Army's first motor transport officer. Wounded in France in World War I.



DR. WILLIAM S. FULTON

1873 - 1938

(BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY)
Established Wheeling Clinic in 1924.
Ohio State University graduate who was a physician and surgeon in Wheeling for 40 years. He financed the building of the clinic and motivated a staff of specialists who had a free hand to practice their professions. President of the West Virginia Medical Association in 1937.



NOAH LINSLY

1774 - 1814

(RELIGION AND EDUCATION)

Benefactor of youth whose will provided means for establishment of school which became Linsly Institute. Taught at Williams College and Yale University before coming to West Virginia to practice law. Served as city council member, prosecuting attorney, and mayor of Wheeling. Bequeathed two farms he owned to found school for boys.

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1986 INDUCTEES



MARY L. BUTLER REED

1861 - 1939

(RELIGION AND EDUCATION)

President of International Order of King's Daughters and Sons from 1919 to 1924, she inspired ambitious effort in behalf of Union Christian Colleges in the Orient. Her devotion to child welfare resulted in the establishment of the King's Daughters Nursery in Wheeling. She was a leading spirit in the founding of the Wheeling YWCA and served as its president for 10 years.



DR. JACOB SCHWINN

1854 - 1941

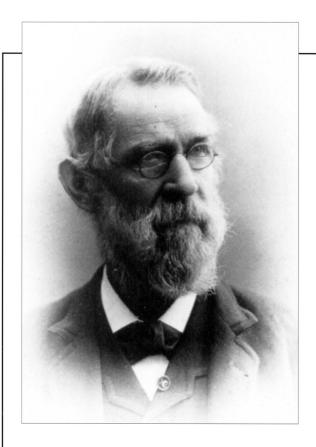
(PUBLIC SERVICE)

Physician, surgeon, and humanitarian who ministered to the needs of the people in the Wheeling area for 55 years

Wheeling area for 55 years. Born in Switzerland and educated in Europe, he came to Wheeling in 1886. Dean of the staff of Ohio Valley General Hospital and head of the research department, he was known for his work with crippled children.

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1986 INDUCTEES



ANDREW J. SWEENEY

1829 - 1893

(BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY)

Industrialist and nine-term mayor of Wheeling, he was credited with bringing electricity to the city. Appointed by President U.S. Grant to a commission attending the Paris Exposition in 1878, he became enthralled with an electric light demonstration there. Was a founder of the Wheeling Electric Co., which produced lighting for its first customer on Sept. 15, 1881.

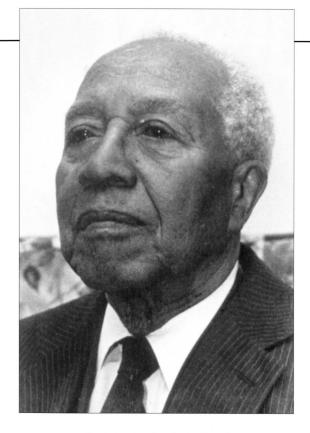


MICHAEL J. VALAN

1910 - 1986

(SPORTS AND ATHLETICS)

Sports enthusiast who provided entertainment for thousands of Ohio Valley fans. Co-owner of Wheeling Blues professional basketball team, which won three All-American Conference championships in the '50s. One of the founders of the Wheeling Ironmen football team and president of the club, which won United Football League championships in '62 and '63.



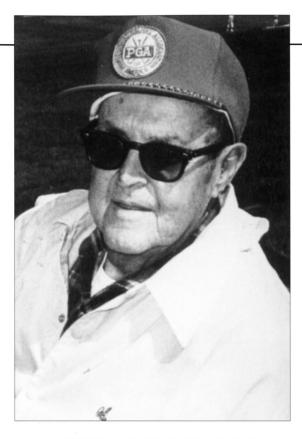
JAMES S. WHITE

1901 - 1988

(PUBLIC SERVICE)

A quiet servant of the people, regardless of race or creed. A pharmacist for over 60 years, this University of Pittsburgh graduate worked tirelessly to better living conditions and race relationships in his city and state. A member of the Wheeling Housing Authority for over 20 years, he helped secure hundreds of units of housing and millions of federal dollars for the city.

1984 INDUCTEES

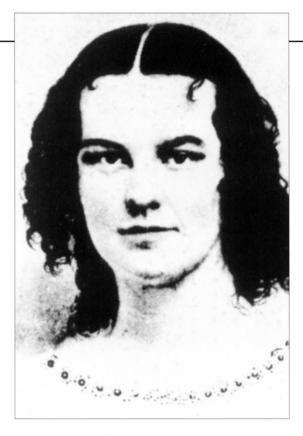


ROBERT E. "BOB" BIERY

1901 - 1991

(SPORTS AND ATHLETICS)

First West Virginia native to become a golf professional. Built Crispin Center Course at Oglebay Park and Wheeling Park course. Also contributed to construction of courses in Belmont Hills, Wheeling and Moundsville Country Clubs and Vine Cliff. First employee of Wheeling Park Commission. Served as president of state PGA.



REBECCA HARDING DAVIS

1831 - 1910

(MUSIC AND FINE ARTS)

Pioneer in literary realism. She described plight of industrial workers in "Life in the Iron Mills," published in Atlantic Monthly in 1861. Her novels were social commentary as she wrote on racism, political corruption and human rights. Became associate editor of New York Tribune. Mother of celebrated journalist Richard Harding Davis.

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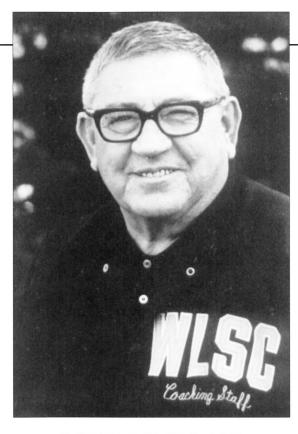
1984 INDUCTEES



JUDITH A. HERNDON 1941 - 1980

(PUBLIC SERVICE)

Wheeling attorney whose career in public office - four years as a member of West Virginia House of Delegates and six as state senator - was cut short by death at age 39. Leader for tax reform, sunset legislation, sexual assault legislation and effort to curb powers of bureaucratic government agencies.



ROBERT "BOB" ROE

1908 - 1984

(SPORTS AND ATHLETICS)

Football coach for 44 years - 11 at Warwood, 24 at Wheeling High and nine at West Liberty State College. Ex-Warwood and Bethany College athlete, he produced an undefeated team at West Liberty in 1970. His 1970-71 teams were in NAIA playoffs as West Virginia Conference champions. His 1946 track team at Wheeling High won state championship.



OTTO SCHENK

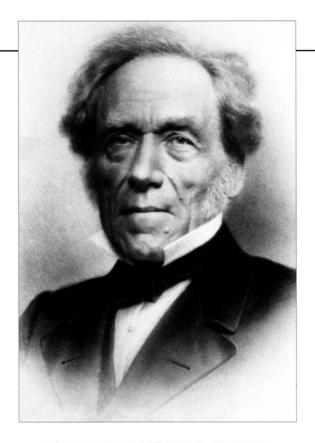
1863 - 1933

(PHILANTHROPY)

Businessman and civic leader who obtained for his city an option to buy land on which Wheeling Park is located. Spearheaded drive to raise funds to complete financing of park in 1924. President of F. Schenk & Sons, meat packing concern. Original member and chairman of Wheeling Park Commission whose generosity contributed to development of city's park system.

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1984 INDUCTEES



JOHANN LUDWIG STIFEL

1807 - 1881

(BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY)

Native of Germany who emigrated to the United States and opened small clothing and dyeing establishment in log cabin in Wheeling in 1835. This led to erection of factory with daily capacity of miles of cotton goods. J. L. Stifel & Sons was first plant in nation to print yard-wide indigo blue calico, shipped throughout the world.



ELLSWORTH MILTON STATLER

1863 -1928

(BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY)

From bellboy at McLure House, he rose to fame as inventive owner developer of Statler Hotel chain, which set standards for comfort and cleanliness. Virtually without formal education, he became business giant, multimillionaire and greatest hotel man of his era. Established Statler Foundation for scholarships in hotel management.

1984 INDUCTEES

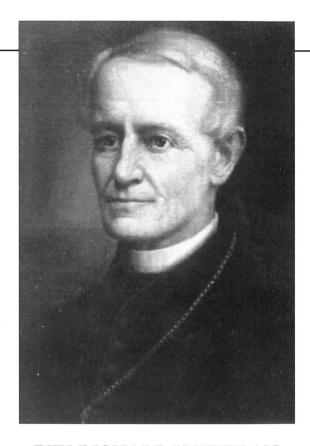


WILBUR E. STONE

1863 - 1938

(PHILANTHROPY)

Civic leader and public benefactor. His philanthropy took many channels. Contributed \$100,000 to establish Wheeling Park in 1924 and financed swimming pool at park in 1936. Moving spirit in founding of Ohio Valley Industrial Corp. He was president of Stone & Thomas, which became state's largest department store chain.

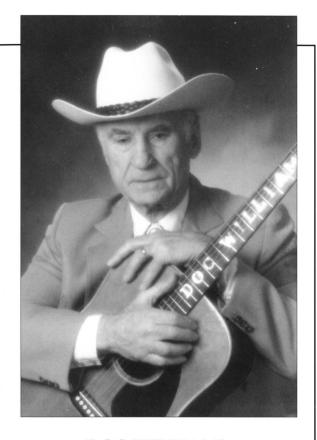


REV. RICHARD V. WHELAN

1809 - 1874

(RELIGION AND EDUCATION)

First Bishop of Diocese of Wheeling, he was prime energizer, founder and frontier developer of Catholic Church in West Virginia. This native of Baltimore guided growth of church through Civil War and creation of new state. Responsible for extensive building program in diocese. In 24 years, diocese grew from 4 to 48 churches. Also developed schools and orphanages and Wheeling Hospital.



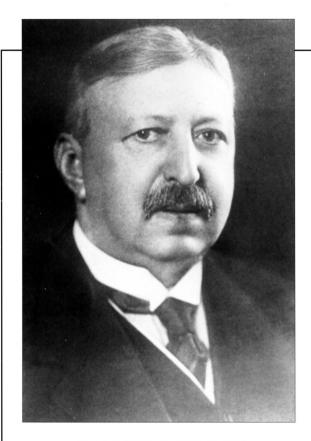
DOC WILLIAMS

1914 -

(MUSIC AND FINE ARTS)

Born Andrew John Smik in Cleveland Ohio, he became known to legions of country music fans as Doc Williams. Composer, stage and recording artist who made Wheeling his home when he joined The WWVA Jamboree in 1937. He and his wife, Chickie, and his band, The Border Riders, have entertained from coast to coast and in Canada and England.

1982 INDUCTEES



SAMUEL S. BLOCH

1850 - 1937

(BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY)
President and co-founder of the Bloch
Brothers Tobacco Co., producer of a new
form of chewing tobacco, "Mail Pouch". For
many years, his company was the largest
manufacturer of this type of product. He was
a generous supporter of community projects
and charities.



V. EVERETT BRINKMAN

1902 - 1972

(SPORTS AND ATHLETICS)
Coached Wheeling High to five state
basketball championships – 1936, '38, '40,
'43, '50. In career at Union High and
Wheeling High, he logged basketball record
of 405 victories against 193 losses. He also
coached four football teams – two at Union
(1928 and '31) and two at Wheeling (1934'37) – which laid claim to state titles. Star
athlete at Wheeling High and WV Wesleyan.



JESSE CAIL BURKETT

1868 - 1953

(SPORTS AND ATHLETICS)
First WV native elected to National
Baseball Hall of Fame. Batting champion
of National League three times, with major
league average of .342 for 16 seasons. One
of three men ever to hit over .400 three
times. Played with New York Giants,
Cleveland Spiders, St.Louis Browns and
Boston Red Sox. Later managed in minor
leagues.

1982 INDUCTEES



ELEANOR GLASS CALDWELL

1887 - 1979

(MUSIC AND FINE ARTS)
Founder of Wheeling Symphony Society in 1929, she established trust fund in 1952 to ensure its continuation. She was an accomplished musician who played in the symphony and served in many capacities, including librarian. She was also dedicated to other cultural activities and made generous contributions.

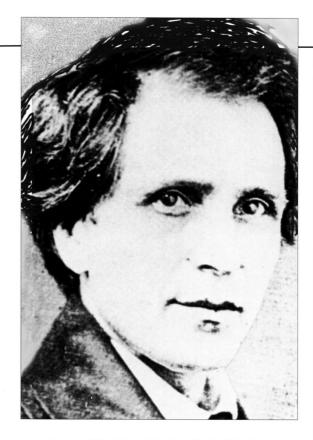


HARRY C. HOLBERT SR.

1918 - 1982

(MUSIC AND FINE ARTS)

Talented artist who inspired others, both with his work and his teaching. World War II combat veteran who studied art in New York and Paris, he served as art director for Oglebay Institute. Later founded Art School of Wheeling. Was art director for WTRF-TV, where his "Uncle Harry Show" taught children to appreciate art.



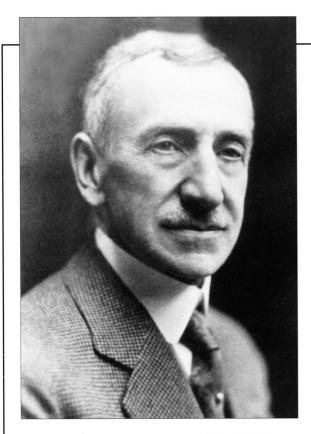
DR. SIMON P. HULLIHEN

1810 - 1857

(PUBLIC SERVICE)

Father of oral surgery and a founder of Wheeling Hospital. First doctor to confine practice to surgery of mouth, nose and throat. Much of modern technique in dealing with hare-lip, cleft-palate and fractured jaw developed from his discoveries. Invented dental and surgical instruments. Great physician and humanitarian.

1982 INDUCTEES



GEORGE R. LAUGHLIN

1862 - 1936

(PHILANTHROPY)

Established Laughlin Plan for interest-free loans to aid deserving individuals in purchase of homes. Donated Laughlin Chapel to community. President of Cleveland Manufacturing Co. and Cleveland-Canton Spring Co., he was also member of WV House of Delegates. After serving as president of Wheeling Intelligencer Co., he published Wheeling Telegraph from 1914-1929.



HERSCHEL C. OGDEN

1869 - 1943

(BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY)

Built largest, most influential newspaper group in West Virginia. Began career as reporter on Wheeling Register, then founded Wheeling News in 1890. Managed his newspapers with courage and creativity. As crusading publisher, he campaigned successfully for tax reform, worker protection and humanitarian legislation. Deeply committed to general welfare of communities served.



MARGARET McCLUSKEY SCHIFFLER

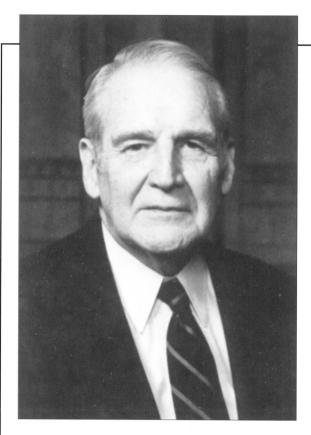
1895 - 1976

(PHILANTHROPY)

At a time when women executives were rare, she advanced from office clerk to secretary-treasurer of Centre Foundry. Amassed personal fortune by own efforts. The wife of former congressman Andrew Schiffler, she was the largest contributor to Wheeling Hospital. Also made bequests for education of Catholic priests and scholarship fund at Central Catholic High School.

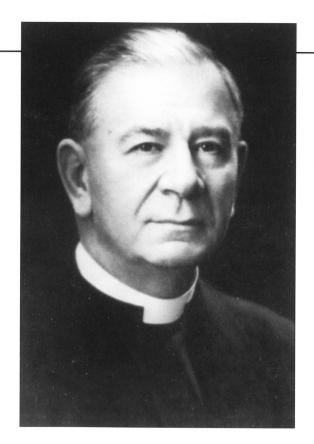
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GEORGE H. SEIBERT JR. 1913 - 1986 (PUBLIC SERVICE)

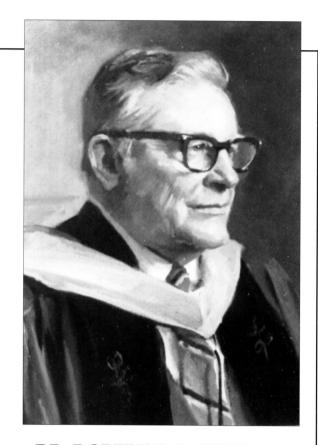
Served 24 years as member of House of Delegates, West Virginia Legislature. Minority leader for 18 years, all-time record for state. West Virginia University law graduate and naval veteran of World War II, he was municipal judge and active in many avenues of service to his university, state and city.



RT. REV. ROBERT E. L. STRIDER, D.D. 1887 - 1969

(RELIGION AND EDUCATION)

Third bishop of Episcopal Church in West Virginia, with many years of dedicated service to God and his fellowman. Became priest at St. Matthews Episcopal Church in 1915, was named Bishop of Diocese in 1939. Widely acclaimed as scholarly preacher.



DR. ROBERT E. L. STRIDER II 1917 -

(RELIGION AND EDUCATION)
Distinguished educator, he was president of Colby College from 1960 until retirement in 1979. Then was named president emeritus. Leader in college and university affairs in New England and the Episcopal Church. Graduate of Harvard and recipient of 10 honorary degrees. Began teaching career at Connecticut College. Naval veteran of World War II.

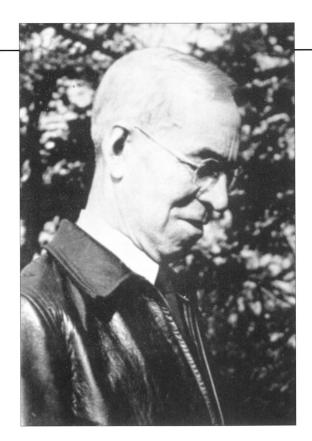
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1980 INDUCTEES



LEVERING C. BONAR 1896 - 1978 (RELIGION AND EDUCATION)

Area educator for 54 years. Was teacher, principal, assistant superintendent, and county superintendent in Ohio County schools. A key figure in planning and developing public school system of Ohio County. He began his teaching career in a one-room school.



ALONZO B. BROOKS 1873 - 1944 (RELIGION AND EDUCATION)

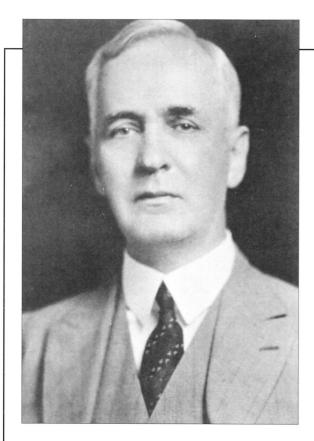
First naturalist at Oglebay Park. Through his genius and innovative planning, he created the education nature study programs at Oglebay and interested countless children and adults in the wonders of nature. Established the Oglebay Nature Leaders Training School. Authorized nature reports for the WV Geological Survey. Organized Ohio County Historical Society in 1929.



ARCHIBALD W. CAMPBELL 1843 - 1902 (PUBLIC SERVICE)

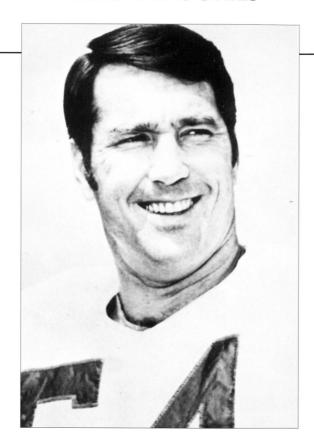
Crusading editor of the Wheeling Intelligencer. Campaigned vigorously in behalf of free expression of ideas without political censorship. He was a major influence in creating West Virginia statehood. He spoke out against slavery and was a prominent figure in nomination of Abraham Lincoln for president.

1980 INDUCTEES



ALEXANDER GLASS 1858 - 1941 (BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY)

Founder of Wheeling Corrugating Company in 1890 and Wheeling Steel Corporation in 1920. For half a century, a leader in the steel industry and in the banking and business community. During his years, the Upper Ohio Valley became a major producer of ingots and finished steel products.

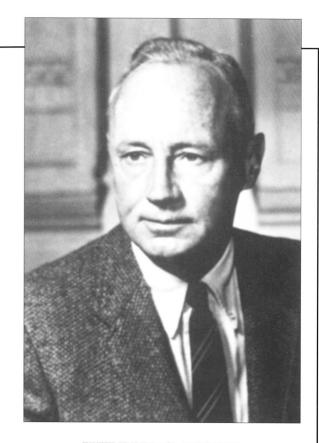


CHARLES "CHUCK" HOWLEY

1936 -

(SPORTS AND ATHLETICS)

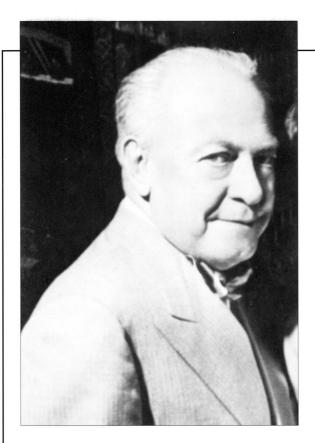
Professional football great. Most valuable player of Super Bowl V and a star in Dallas Cowboys' victory in Super Bowl VI. All-state at Warwood High, All-American at West Virginia University. No.1 draft choice of the Chicago Bears in 1958. Played linebacker at Dallas from 1961 through '72. All-pro six times. Performed in six Pro Bowl games.



WILBUR S. JONES 1909 - 1977 (PUBLIC SERVICE)

Department store executive who was a constructive leader in many community development projects. Long time chairman of the Wheeling Parks Commission. Hospitals, parks and schools and the industrial and business community benefited from his dedication and expertise. Army colonel in World War II.

1980 INDUCTEES



JAMES HOWARD KINDELBERGER

1895 - 1962

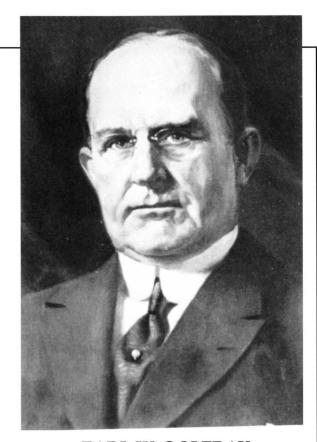
(BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY)

Engineer and designer of military and civilian aircraft. President of North American Aviation Corporation. Pioneer in nuclear reactors, guided missiles and rockets. Member of the Aviation Hall of Fame and the International Aerospace Hall of Fame.



GEORGE J. KOSSUTH 1886 - 1960' (MUSIC AND FINE ARTS)

Internationally renowned photographer whose camera captured the character of some of the world's great personalities. Talents encompassed many fields, including music and theater. Helped establish first broadcast studio of Radio Station WWVA and the Little Theater of Wheeling.



EARL W. OGLEBAY 1849 - 1926 (PHILANTHROPY)

Leader of the iron ore industry and founder of an important center for scientific research. At age 28, he become the youngest bank president in the United States. He gave the city of Wheeling his beautiful country home, Waddington Farm, which became Oglebay Park.

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MARY E. "FRITZI" STIFEL QUARRIER

1904 - 1967

(SPORTS AND ATHLETICS) Won 10 West Virginia State women's amateur golf championships. Competed at national and international level. A contestant in the U.S. Amateur 10 times, she reached the semi-finals in 1935. She was a finalist in the Canadian Amateur in 1927. She won the Mason-Dixon Amateur in 1934. Also accomplished musician. First woman named to the West Virginia Sports Hall of Fame.



WALTER P. REUTHER 1907 - 1970

(PUBLIC SERVICE)

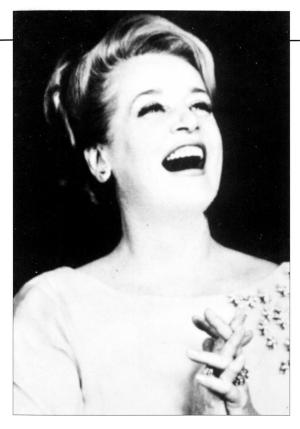
Strong and vigorous president of the United Automobile Workers for a quarter of a century, he achieved such bargaining breakthroughs as flexible, long-term contracts and cost-of-living escalators. An architect for the AFL-CIO and a champion of the young, the black and the poor.



JULE RIVLIN
1917 - 2002
(SPORTS AND ATHLETICS)

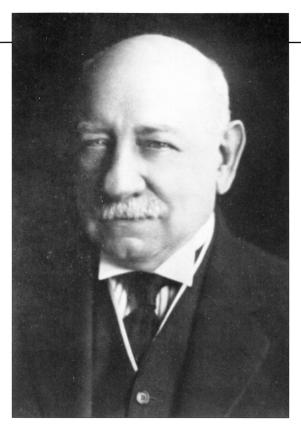
College and professional basketball star and coach. Most valuable player in the World Pro tournament at Chicago in 1947 while coaching the Toledo Jeeps. Began athletic career at Triadelphia High School. He led Marshall College to two Buckeye Conference titles and set school record with 530 points in one season. Later coached Marshall to two Mid American Conference crowns.

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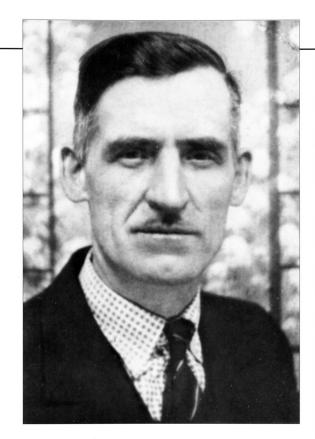
ELEANOR STEBER 1916 - 1990 (MUSIC AND FINE ARTS)

Internationally acclaimed Metropolitan Opera diva whose performances extended to the opera houses of Europe and Asia. Appeared in 50 different leading operatic roles and was heard in more premieres at the Metropolitan Opera than any other artist. Made significant contributions to training of young artists.



GEORGE E. STIFEL 1849 - 1931' (PHILANTHROPY)

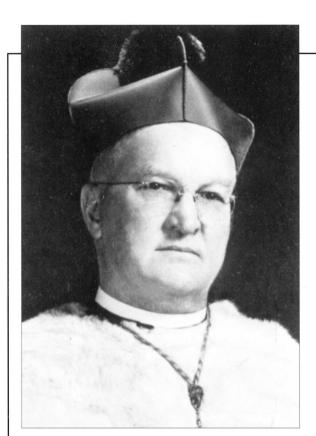
Department store owner and concerned citizen, he was intensely interested in education of young people. He left an endowment fund to provide annual cash awards to top-ranking students in the fifth to twelfth grades of Wheeling public schools, as well as scholarships for nurses.



PATRICK J. SULLIVAN 1894 - 1967 (MUSIC AND FINE ARTS)

One of the outstanding primitive painters of the 20th century. Lived and worked in Wheeling most of his life. Two of his works in the Museum of Modern Art in New York are "A Hunting He Would Go" and "The Fourth Dimension". His paintings, "The Mansion Museum" and "The Trinity", have been displayed at the Oglebay Mansion Museum.

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MOST REV. JOHN J. SWINT, D.D. 1879 - 1962 (RELIGION AND EDUCATION)

Bishop of the Diocese of Wheeling for 40 years. Leader in education and religion. Directed an expansive building program of churches, schools and hospitals. Founder of Wheeling College. Named Archbishop by Pope Pius XII in 1954 on his fiftieth anniversary as a priest.



WILLIAM E. WEISS 1879 - 1942 (BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY)

As a young pharmacist, he started to manufacture a single drug product for the local market. By the early 1930's his Sterling Drug Company was the world's largest manufacturer of proprietary remedies, with plants world wide. Also a founder of American Home Products.



CLARA M. WELTY 1879 - 1960 (PHILANTHROPY)

In her lifetime, a generous contributor to local and national charities, with a special concern for the aged. At her death, she left a permanent trust which made possible the construction and operation of Welty Memorial Home. Later, the trust made possible the establishment of the Good Shepherd Nursing Home.

Wheeling Hall of Fame Board

During the early planning stages for the Wheeling Civic Center, one of the members of the committee suggested that a "Hall of Fame" should be included in the Center to give recognition to former residents and present residents who had attained considerable distinction in some specific field and thus brought honor to their home city.

The City Council studied the matter and solicited suggestions for guidelines and procedures.

On February 3, 1977, council passed an ordinance (No.6179) creating the Hall of Fame Board. In July 1977 the Mayor, with the approval of Council, appointed 18 citizens to serve on the Board with designated terms of two, four, and six years. The Board also includes a representative of City Council and the chairman of the Civic Center Board as an ex-officio member.

The membership of the Board has changed as new appointments have been made by the Mayor and Council from time to time. Of the original appointees two are still serving, R. Clark Morton and James J. Haranzo.

The Board set up specific procedures for the selection of nominees and proceeded to select the first 18 people to be named to the Hall of Fame. Those considered had to have achieved distinction in one of six categories and had to have lived in Wheeling at least 15 years. Three persons were named in each of the six categories.

These 18 people were inducted into the Hall of Fame at a formal ceremony and dinner on April 13, 1980. The Hall of Fame Board later selected 12 additional people to be honored and these people were inducted on May 23, 1982. Ten more were inducted on May 20, 1984. Eight were officially added at ceremonies on October 26, 1986. Six inductees were enshrined on October 21, 1990. Five more were ushered into this distinguished company on November 29, 1992. Six people were inducted on November 20, 1994. Seven people were inducted into the Hall of Fame at ceremonies on September 20, 1998, eight in November 26, 2000, and five more on December 1, 2002. The 2004 class of six honorees and the 2006 class of five honorees brings to ninety-six the total number of people enshrined in the Wheeling Hall of Fame.

The preamble from the Ordinance establishing the Hall of Fame Board reads as follows:

"A Hall of Fame to honor Wheeling citizens and former citizens for outstanding accomplishments in all walks of life shall be established in the halls of the Wheeling Civic Center. While outstanding public services were rendered by our founding fathers and early citizens, these worthy deeds are recognized by historical publications and appropriately honored in other halls, museums, and memorials. Therefore, honorees in the Wheeling Hall of Fame shall be selected on the basis of accomplishments after 1863 (later amended to 1836). For purposes of selection and designation, the human endeavors of the honorees shall be divided into the following six major categories:

- (1) Music and Fine Arts
- (4) Sports and Athletics
- (2) Business and Industry*
- (5) Public Service
- (3) Education and Religion
- (6) Philanthropy

The first officers of the Board were: Forrest H. Kirkpatrick, Chairman; James J. Haranzo, Vice Chairman; and Sister Anne Regina O'Leary, Secretary Treasurer.

The late Charles L. Ihlenfeld succeeded Dr. Kirkpatrick as chairman and was, in turn succeeded by Harry L. Buch. Dr. Kirkpatrick was subsequently elected to succeed Buch, who was then selected as successor to Sister Anne Regina O'Leary as Secretary-Treasurer. With the retirement from the board of Dr. Kirkpatrick, James Haranzo was elected chairman in 1990 and Michael Pockl was named Secretary-Treasurer, to be succeeded in that position by James Seibert

In January 1996, James Seibert was elected chairman. James Haranzo was elected Secretary-Treasurer. In February 1999, S. J. "Dick" Dlesk was elected chairman, Patricia Pockl was elected Secretary-Treasurer.

^{*} became Business, Industry and Professions in 1996.