

## ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME NIGHT February 17, 2017

Welcome Hall of Fame recipients, family members, friends, and Bear fans. This is the twenty-eighth year for the St. Joseph High School Athletic Hall of Fame. Athletic Director Kevin Guzzo will be honoring five new inductees with a plaque at halftime.

St. Joseph High School has a very simple philosophy: Each individual has the right and responsibility to develop and grow as a student, as an athlete, and as a person through a variety of experiences. Athletics has been a positive outlet for our honored guests. Certainly, as you read through the profiles of the inductees, you can see that these people serve as strong role models in all facets of life. They have distinguished themselves as great athletes and, more importantly, as good students and community leaders throughout the United States.

We hope you enjoy tonight's activities and invite you to spend some time after the game with the new inductees, their families and friends, at a reception on Main Street near the Student Center.

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### Dick Goodman

Richard "Dick" Goodman is a 1976 graduate of St. Joseph High School. Dick earned two varsity letters in football, two in wrestling and three varsity letters in track. Dick was an All Conference selection in both football and wrestling his senior year. In track, Dick was a member of the 1975 school record-holding 1600m relay team.

Dick continued his sports career at Kalamazoo College where he played football for four years and ran track for one year. Dick earned four varsity letters in football and was selected as a captain his senior year. He received his MBA from Indiana University (Bloomington) in Marketing.

Dick served for six years on the board of the Wyman Center, a non-profit located in St. Louis, MO, focused on teen development.

Married to Jan Azar Goodman, Dick lives in St. Louis, Missouri, where he is currently Chief Operating Officer of Wallis Companies, a company with over \$1 billion in sales and over 1,100 employees. Dick and Jan have four adult children, Mary, Charles, Leslie, and Rich.

### Jamie Stouffer Birris

Jamie Stouffer graduated from St. Joseph High School in 1998, where, besides being a 4.0 student, she lettered all four years in basketball and softball.

In basketball, Jamie earned All Conference three times, Academic All State twice, Detroit Free Press All State, and All State Honorable Mention. She holds the 3-point record at 134, and is



ted for career free-throw percentage at 77%. Jamie also earned All Conference honors in softball.

Jamie continued her education at St. Mary's College from 1998-2000 where she was a two-year starter on the basketball team. In 2002 she graduated summa cum laude from the University of Notre Dame. Jamie's Doctorate degree in Clinical Psychology was earned at the Chicago School of Professional Psychology.

Jamie volunteers with the Southwest Michigan Young Life Committee, spending the last two years as committee chairperson.

Jamie resides in St. Joe with her husband, Dr. Tom Birris, and their two children, Alaina and Olivia. Jamie has been a Clinical Psychologist at Lakeland Cancer Specialists for the past four and a half years.

### **Michelle Hall Kloha**

Michelle Hall found her niche playing basketball and softball at St. Joseph High School. The 1986 graduate earned a total of five varsity letters – two in basketball and three in softball.

A talented basketball player, Michelle helped her team win District Championships in both 1984 and 1985. As a varsity softball player, Michelle was an All Region and All State selection, as well as the Big 8 Pitcher of the Year her sophomore through senior years. Michelle's softball career ended at St. Joseph High School with 59 career wins and a stellar 1.2 ERA.

Michelle continued her education at Grand Valley State University on a softball scholarship, playing collegiate softball for two years and earning a degree in Education.

Michelle has been teaching middle school health and physical education in Fenton, MI for the past 26 years. She has coached JV softball, middle school volleyball and middle school track during that time.

Michelle volunteers her time coaching soccer and softball for the Special Olympics, along with directing the Ladies Church Softball League and their annual tournament.

Michelle is married to husband Mark Kloha, and they have two children, Emma and Riley, ages 12 and 10.

### **John Michael Hall**

John Hall worked for St. Joseph Public Schools as an elementary physical education teacher from 1969 till 2000. John also served in various other roles in the district, including coaching middle school football, directing the summer recreation program, keeping the scorebook for junior varsity and varsity boy's basketball games, and working with softball pitchers of all ages. John's relentless effort in volunteering his time to help develop pitchers in softball benefited the high school softball program for many years.



John helped develop the district's 3<sup>rd</sup> grade swim program, which teaches swimming to every 3<sup>rd</sup> grader in the district. John also was the founder of the elementary track meet, one of the district's most popular events. The John Hall Elementary Track Meet takes place every year in May and includes events for 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> grade students.

John's message to all of the students and athletes that he came in contact with was always the same - "you are a winner by just doing your best!"

John resides in St. Joseph and is enjoying his retirement with his wife Gail.

### Dave Wolf

I think if you pricked him with a needle, Dave Wolf would not, and *could not*, bleed red – maize and blue would flow from his body instead.

A 1993 graduate of St. Joseph High School, Dave Wolf has been working games for our school district for 30 years, since his days as an Upton student. Even before that time, he was announcing little league and minor league baseball games for both the North Lincoln and St. Joseph Baseball Associations.

Dave has run the clock, announced, worked the foul display, kept scorebook, run timing systems and the scoreboards. He has worked with basketball, wrestling, volleyball, competitive cheer, soccer, track and football. Dave is truly our unofficial historian and Sports Information Guru.

Dave has kept up with all the changes in technology, currently running our football message board, keeping fans updated on social media, and generating game statistics for several of our sports. Dave also prepares the game sheet for our home varsity football games, including game recaps, game and season stats, the SMAC roundup and conference information. A definite highlight for Dave this year was being able to announce our football season opener played at the University of Michigan Big House.

Dave still resides in St. Joe, working as the Operations Assistant for WSJM radio station, and as the morning news anchor for 103.7 COSY-FM. Dave has truly lived up to selection as the student with the "Most School Spirit for the Class of 1993."

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A full list of all our Athletic Hall of Fame recipients can be found on the St. Joseph High School Athletic website - <https://www.sjschools.org/athletics/hall-of-fame>