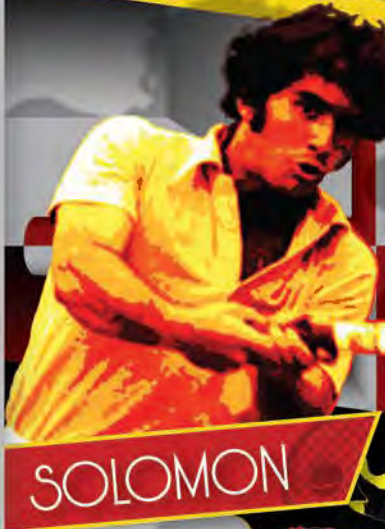


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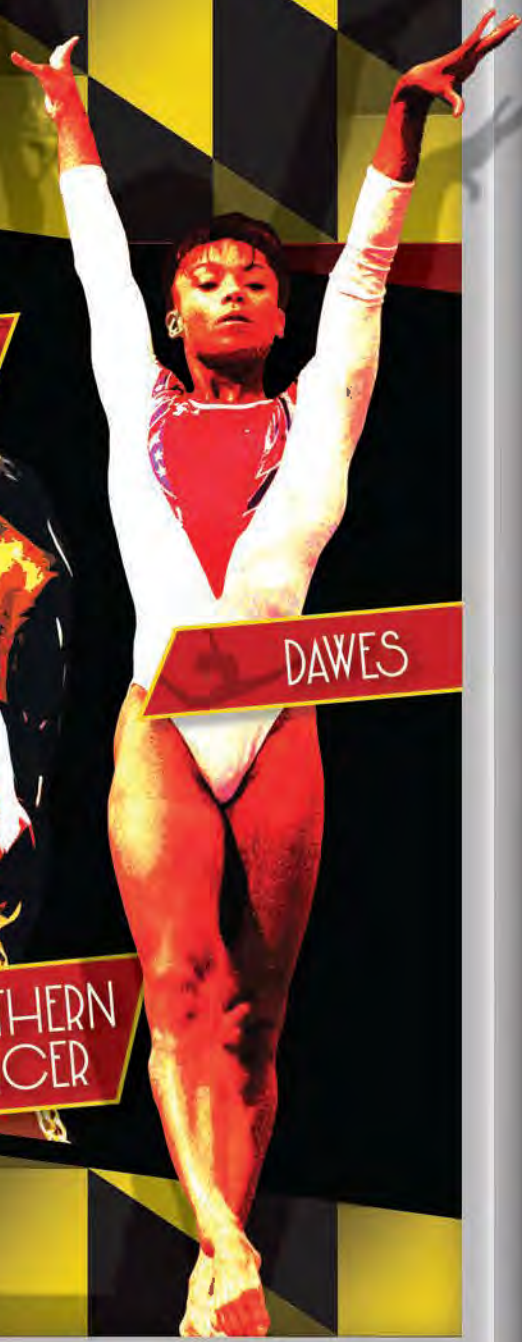
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Making peanut butter sandwiches for the players to save money to buy uniforms. Recruiting fans by putting flyers under windshield wipers at Terps football games. These don't sound like the duties of a college women's basketball coach. But to Chris Weller, who built what had been an emerging intramural program at the University of Maryland into an Atlantic Coast Conference and national powerhouse, it was part of the job.

"You did what you had to do," says Weller, 79, who coached the women's Terps from 1975 to 2002. In fact, sleeping four players to a room then was a step up from her own playing experience at Maryland from 1962 to 1966, Weller told *The Baltimore Sun* in 2015. "We played our first tournament in Frostburg – three games in two days. We slept on the gym floor. It was awesome," recalled Weller, who was team captain and leading scorer.

Later she became the Terps coach. Starting salary: \$9,000. Coinciding with the passage of Title IX in June 1972, Weller competed not only on the court but also worked to gain recognition, scholarships, court time, and funding to support the women's program. "I was never in it for money or fame," she told *The Sun*. "We pushed for opportunities in places where no one dreamed women should be involved – and every step forward was a blessing."

Weller achieved many steps forward. Her teams won eight ACC titles (including the first in 1978), made three Final Four appearances, and averaged 19 wins a season. She coached three All-Americans, five Olympians, and 20 All-ACC selections and helped lead four U.S.A. National and Select teams. In nine of her 27 seasons, the Terps achieved national Top 10 rankings, including in 1992, when they were No. 1 much of the year and Weller was named Naismith National Coach of the Year.

But ask Weller about numbers and it isn't her 499-286 record that she cites. It's that all but four students who finished their eligibility graduated. "Absolutely that was important," she says today.

Her being a mentor, not just a coach, was a recurrent theme when former players wrote letters of recommendation before Weller was inducted into the Women's Basketball Hall of Fame in 2010. Olympian Vicky Bullett said, "Her goal was not only to teach us basketball but the game of life. Coach Weller helped us believe in ourselves."

Martha Hastings added, "Her innovative techniques set her apart. However, for myself and other players, it will be the lessons learned not about the game she loved but about life that we will hold dearest. Ideals such as hard work, commitment, teamwork, and fair play."

Weller, who has less to say these days because of health issues, was clearly touched by the players' words. "It makes me feel good because they were family," she says. "I didn't have children so my players were my family."

Conditioning was one of Weller's innovations. At a time when it was thought a lot of running could affect a woman's childbearing, Weller still got her teams in shape, even running the steps of Cole Field House. It paid off – in her third year she led Maryland to the finals of what is now the NCAA tournament.



CHRIS
WELLER



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Of course, some superstitions also helped, knocking on wood before a game and always sitting in the fourth seat because that is Weller's favorite number. One of just three women's basketball coaches in University of Maryland history (with her successor Brenda Frese and Dottie McKnight 1971-75), Weller plays down her importance. "Everybody plays their small part to make a big thing happen," she says from her home in Silver Spring.

Her sister, Jackie, lends some insight about why win 499 was her last. "Our father had passed away and our mother was ill and had to be moved to 24-hour care. Chris managed that whole process," Jackie says. "It was an unhappy situation. But Chris was a hero in my mind for doing that."

Weller still goes to Xfinity Center occasionally to see the women Terps play and enjoys looking up in the rafters and saying "there's my banner," an honor bestowed in 2015 alongside those of other celebrated Terps, men and women.

It's only fitting. Jim Kehoe, the late Maryland athletic director, once said, "As one of the initial leaders in the sport, Chris Weller helped take intercollegiate basketball from its early beginnings in physical education departments to the great sport it is today."

Indeed after graduating from Maryland in 1966, Weller taught phys ed for seven years and started Montgomery County's first girls basketball program at John F. Kennedy High School. Working with kids was always in her DNA. As a lifeguard in high school, she provided free swim lessons to small kids. She taught boating as a camp counselor at Saranac Lake, N.Y.

Asked if she was a good basketball player, Weller says "I was great!" with a laugh. "You had to believe you were or you weren't."

Weller, who also was on the Terps swim and lacrosse teams, passed on that belief to her players. That leadership didn't end when she left UM. Take, for instance, when she became active in the owners association at her condo in Ocean City.

Apparently she got a big assessment and realized none of the owners had a say in condo management. She wrote a letter to the other 44 unit owners and they made her president of the new group.

Tonight she joins Gary Williams as the second Coaches Legacy Award winner in the Maryland State Athletic Hall of Fame. "That's great! He was so helpful to us," Weller says.





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The Dancer wasn't born in Maryland, but he spent 22 productive years here, at Windfields Farm in Chesapeake City. He came from his home in Canada with a glowing racing record that included a record-setting victory in the Kentucky Derby and Maryland's own Preakness Stakes.

He made such an impression, his owner E.P. Taylor had to hire a secretary to answer his fan mail. Fans came to visit. Streets and subdivisions in Warwick, Boyds, Bowie, and Churchville, Md., were named for him.

And thoroughbred breeders here still thank their lucky stars that Taylor decided to send the stallion to Maryland instead of Kentucky.

"There wouldn't be a breeding industry here in Maryland without him," says Bill Boniface, the 2018 Maryland State Athletic Hall of Fame's Steadman Award winner and the man who bred Deputed Testamony, the last Maryland bred to win the Preakness.

"Before Northern Dancer came here, the Kentucky breeders' public relations machine made everyone think because they had blue grass, you couldn't breed a winning thoroughbred outside of Kentucky. He gave us all the prestige we could have ever imagined."

Northern Dancer was a little horse by stallion standards, measuring about 15 hands. Which means he was about 5 feet tall in people terms and about seven inches shorter than his descendants, Triple Crown winners Secretariat and Justify.

As a yearling, Northern Dancer was offered for sale for \$25,000 and no one bought him. Obviously you can't measure determination and heart by a horse's height.

By the time he was a 2-year-old in 1963, he was Canadian Horse of the Year. He was the United States 3-year-old champion and, again, Canadian Horse of the Year in 1964.

As good as he was on the track, he was even greater as a sire. There the 1976 U.S. National Racing Hall of Famer stands alone. At least twice (2014, 2018), entire Kentucky Derby fields have descended from Northern Dancer.

Early on there were doubters. Even Hall of Famer Willie Shoemaker, who rode Northern Dancer to victories in two of his Kentucky Derby prep races, decided he was too small, and maybe too slow, to win the Derby and chose to ride Hill Rise, six inches taller.

Bill Hartack rode Dancer to victory over Hill Rise in both the Derby – setting a record that stood until Secretariat cut three-fifths of a second off Dancer's time of 2 minutes flat – and the Preakness.

"To me," says Benny Miller, the Windfields Farm stallion division manager throughout Northern Dancer's stay, "it was his determination that made him great."

That and his energy.



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"In my estimation, Dancer was very little, but he was built along the lines of a quarter horse, real stocky," Miller, 88, remembers. "I always describe him as like somebody on two or three energy drinks. That horse never walked anywhere. He pranced."

Multiple internet videos confirm this. They show Northern Dancer in his paddock or in a field – and in all of them he is prancing. Almost dancing along, and it is obvious he knows he is somebody special.

And he's beautiful. A statuesque 5-foot chocolate bay with strong hind hips and legs, three white socks, bold chest and a proud head with intelligent eyes.

Once in Maryland, he cemented the state's reputation in the thoroughbred breeding industry and his place as the world's leading sire. Even today, it is believed at least 90 percent of thoroughbreds can trace their ancestry to him. As can dozens of past greats including Triple Crown winners Secretariat, Justify and American Pharoah, as well as Derby and Preakness winners I'll Have Another, Animal Kingdom, Rachel Alexandra and, most recently, 2023 Preakness winner National Treasure.

"When you see Northern Dancer in the pedigree of your horse, it gives you confidence," says Maryland's Graham Motion, who trained I'll Have Another and Animal Kingdom. "It's extraordinary what that stallion has done."

Tom Coulter, who grew up at Windfields and worked there for 18 years, took Northern Dancer's babies to sales and saw his offspring set world records.

"In 1981, we doubled the world sale price to \$3.5 million," Coulter says. "At those sales, it was like a Hollywood premiere."

By the time Northern Dancer was through, the top price paid for one of his yearlings was \$10.2 million and his stud fee reached \$1 million – with no guarantee of a live foal. When he was 21 years old, a French syndicate, Horse France, offered to buy him for \$40 million.

The sale, of course, never happened.

Even after Windfields closed, Northern Dancer stayed, as part of the farm's sales contract. He lived at the farm, now called Northview Stallion Station, until his death in 1990.

Miller, the stallion manager, says every horse has its own personality, just like people.

"One can be very laid back, while another can be very high strung," he says. "He was just a ball of energy. If you were working with him, he'd nip at you, or give you a little fuss, but there was nothing mean about the horse."

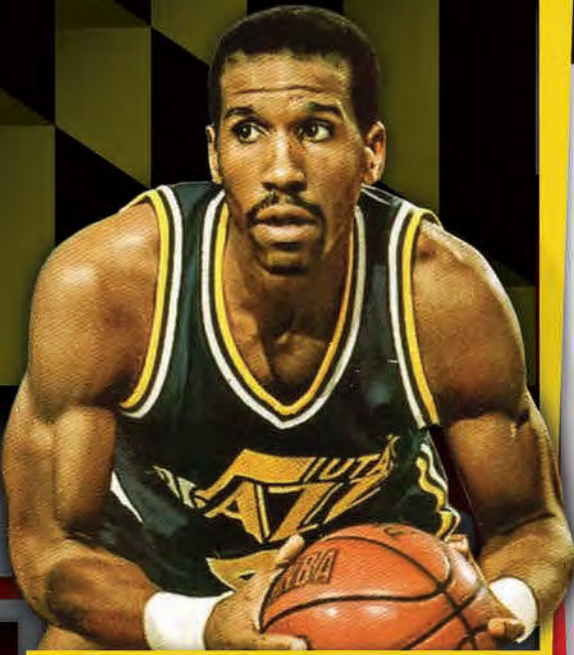
Ron Paris, who cared for Dancer over the last decade of Windfields' operation, recalls their first meeting:

"I remember going into Northern Dancer's stall and when I came out part of my jeans were missing. After three or four pairs of jeans, we got used to each other."

But then there were the kind stories. How much Dancer loved Taylor's wife, Winnifred, how gentle he was with her and with a young boy who visited from the school for the blind, calmly stretching his neck over his stall door, lowering his head and never moving while the boy petted him.

"I think what he represented to us was the heroic little guy," E.P. Taylor's daughter Judith Mappin said in a long-ago video. "Perhaps [he didn't have] everyone's idea of the perfect stride. But he had a big heart, tried his best and never gave up. That's heroic."





ADRIAN DANTLEY



NBA Hall of Famers rarely credit their history teacher with their basketball success. Of course, the man Adrian Dantley learned his U.S. and world history from at DeMatha High School in Hyattsville, Md., wasn't your average instructor. Morgan Wootten, who coached and taught Dantley, had an .869 winning percentage (1,274-192) as a basketball coach and in 2000 became just the third high school coach in the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame.

"You wouldn't be talking to me today if it wasn't for Coach Wootten," says Dantley, 68, who was born in Washington, D.C., and lives in Montgomery County, Md., with his wife of 42 years, Dinitri. "Thanks to him I learned all the fundamentals, which gave me an advantage when I went to college and the NBA. And they were things Coach Wootten taught me as a 13-year-old freshman!"

Admittedly a "little chunky" in high school, Dantley learned his lessons well enough to become a high school All-American who was recruited by colleges near and far. The hometown University of Maryland almost got him. "Lefty Driesell came to my house and said, 'We have to have you, Adrian.' And he pulled out a red jersey and a white jersey, No. 44, with Dantley on the back. I went upstairs and called Coach Wootten and told him, 'I might want to go to Maryland.'"

North Carolina came calling, too "but I didn't want to stand in the corner 25 minutes a game. Dean Smith was running the four corners then," Dantley says, chuckling.

Then he visited South Bend, Ind., and fell in love with Notre Dame. "I remember driving on to campus and seeing that Golden Dome. I knew right then this is the place for me." It didn't hurt that three guys he knew played for the Irish. They wasted no time making an impact in 1974, ending UCLA's 88-game win streak, 71-70. "I remember Bill Walton crying on the floor after the game," recalls Dantley, who had turned down UCLA recruiters the year before.

Dantley turned pro after his junior season but before doing so he helped the U.S. complete some unfinished business as an Olympian, scoring a game-high 30 points as the Americans reclaimed the Olympic gold with a 95-74 win over Yugoslavia, making amends for the controversial loss to the Soviets in 1972. "It was a great experience," Dantley recalls of wearing the USA jersey and hearing the national anthem on the medal stand. "Of course we wanted to play the Soviets after '72 but they lost to Yugoslavia."



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Drafted sixth by the Buffalo Braves, Dantley made an immediate impact as Rookie of the Year, launching a 15-year NBA career where he won several scoring titles and averaged 30 points a game for the Utah Jazz from 1981 to 1984. The six-time NBA All-Star finished his career with 23,177 points, which was then ninth on the list.

An undersized forward at 6 feet 5, 210 pounds, Dantley still did much of his scoring in the post, twisting and turning his body to maneuver around slower defenders. How did he overcome bigger players?

“Conditioning,” says Dantley, who still has a rigorous daily workout schedule at his home in Silver Spring, Md. “I felt like I was always better conditioned than the guy I played against. Plus the fundamentals I learned under Coach Wootten, head fakes, pump fakes to get a bigger player off his feet.”

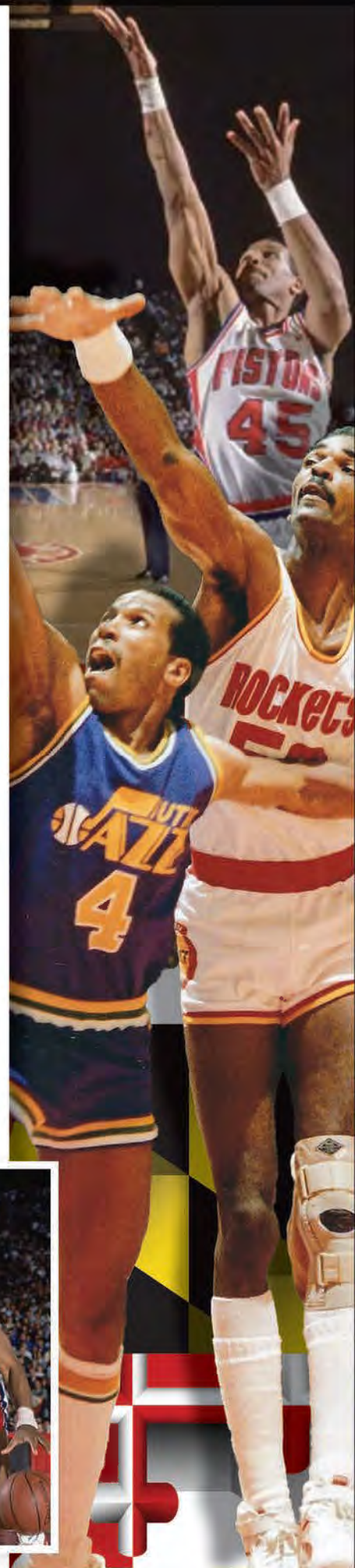
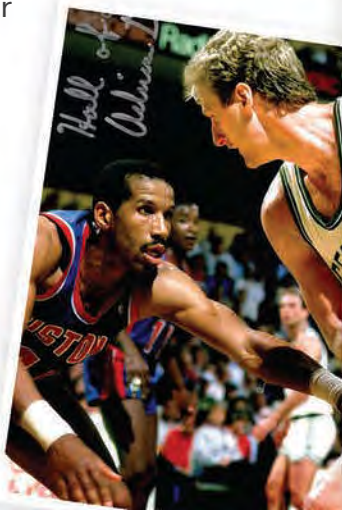
The resulting fouls sent Dantley to the free throw line, where he also excelled, repeating Wootten’s mantra “over the front rim, backspin, follow through” on each foul shot. He did that successfully 6,832 times, which still ranks No. 11 on the NBA list.

Dantley tried some coaching himself, working as an assistant to Terry Truax at Towson University in 1993-1996 and an assistant with the Denver Nuggets from 2003-2011. Would he like to do more coaching? “No, I don’t think so,” he says. “Today’s players you have to coddle them so much. It’s more coaching off the court than on the court. Time management, things like that. I never wanted to take a game off.”

Today Dantley is happy to still be on the court ... with a whistle in his mouth as a referee. “I do all levels – elementary school, middle school, high school, senior citizens 70 and older. Those guys give me the most problems,” says Dantley laughing. He finds it highly satisfying. “Over the years, I’ve seen kids like 8, 9, 10 years old and how they got better. It’s great,” says Dantley, who has three children (and two grandkids) of his own. “I might do 130-140 games a year. I also work as a crossing guard at the school. All the kids know me. Best part-time job in America.”

Dantley will enjoy tonight’s trip to Baltimore for his induction into the Maryland State Athletic Hall of Fame more than a visit here in 1973 when DeMatha and Dunbar of Baltimore played in a battle of unbeaten teams. “We had won a triple-overtime game against St. John’s the night before [43rd consecutive victory], and I think we played Dunbar at 12 noon the next day,” Dantley recalls. “We had no idea about Dunbar, but once we got there [Baltimore Civic Center] and saw it was a sold-out arena, we knew we were in for a game. Skip Wise was tremendous,” scoring 22 of his 39 points in the fourth quarter of an 85-71 Dunbar victory. “That game definitely turned everything around for Baltimore basketball.”

Tonight Dantley will be victorious, joining Wootten in the MDSAHO. “He was a great communicator, great teacher, great coach, great individual. I’m proud to join him.”





HAROLD SOLOMON



Tennis players often practice groundstrokes by hitting against a wall. The reason is simple: The wall doesn't miss. Opponents of Harold Solomon in the 1970s and '80s shared that sentiment. He usually wouldn't miss, earning the nickname "The Human Backboard."

"I was only 5-6 and I weighed like 130 pounds, so it's really hard to put the ball away against bigger, stronger guys. But I could outlast them," says Solomon, 71, a Washington, D.C., native who grew up in Silver Spring, Md. "My dad said, 'You've got to figure out a way to be in the best shape of anybody and be able to stay out there all day if necessary.'"

So, the two of them would do drills when Harold was 12 or 13 where they would hit a thousand balls in a row without missing. "If you missed before a thousand, you'd have to start all over again," Solomon recalls. "It made me really work on my footwork and my focus."

The hard work continued in college, where Solomon was No. 1 at Rice University. "If the players were out there practicing for two hours, I'd practice for four. If they were going to the gym for an hour, I'd go for an hour and a half." Not that he worked *all* the time. He also met his wife of 45 years at Rice; Jan was No. 1 on the women's tennis team. They have two children and three grandkids.

Solomon turned pro after his sophomore year in 1972. His marathon style resulted in the first of his 22 singles titles at the 1974 *Washington Star* tournament. The final against Guillermo Vilas featured one rally of 105 consecutive shots. "One article said someone ran out and got a Coke and a hot dog and came back, and we were still playing the same point," Solomon recalls with a laugh. "It became a psychological thing, players dreading facing me. They'd say you needed to bring your lunch when you play Harold Solomon. I encouraged that stuff. It gave me an edge."

Enough so that Solomon rose to No. 5 in the world in singles, spending four years in the top 10. Playing with doubles partner Eddie Dibbs. "The Bagel Twins" reached No. 4 in the world in 1976. Solomon was on four United States Davis Cup teams, was a U.S. Open semifinalist in 1977 and reached the French Open final in 1976.

"I thought I'd win it a couple times," Solomon says. "Unfortunately, this guy Björn Borg came along, and I lost to him in the semifinals twice."

Paris was a far cry from when he first picked up a racquet at age 5 and soon fell in love with tennis. He won his first tournament at age 8 in Takoma Park, Md. By 13 he lost in the national 14-and-under finals.

One of his friends then, and now, was Steve Krulevitz, whose 2019 induction into the Maryland State Athletic Hall of Fame (MDSAHOFF) Solomon attended. "Harold is one of the great overachievers in the history of tennis," says Krulevitz, who ranks him only behind Arthur Ashe among Mid-Atlantic players. "His return of serve was one of the best in his era and he used the moonball to break up a player's rhythm."

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After the two squared off in many local youth tournaments, Solomon at age 14 moved to Florida for part of the year. Today Solomon admits the move enhanced his tennis game but disrupted his social life.

"We would go to school [Springbrook High] in Maryland from September through early December, and then we'd go down to Florida from December through April. We'd come back up to Maryland from April through June."

Florida allowed Solomon to play year-round, and his game soared, becoming the first to win the national Orange Bowl 18-and-under junior championships twice. His tennis dreams were coming true.

"When I was 14, I told my father, 'I'm going to be in the top 10.' He thought I was crazy. The odds against me were astronomical ... because of my size, and I wasn't as gifted, athletically."

Toward the end of his career, Solomon became involved in the game's administrative side, serving as the Association of Tennis Professionals president (1979-1981) and then on the boards of both the men's and women's tennis tours. "I was fighting hard for equal prize money and women's rights while representing the men too, which was not a popular position at the time. But it was something I felt was really important, to make a difference and be involved in other things."

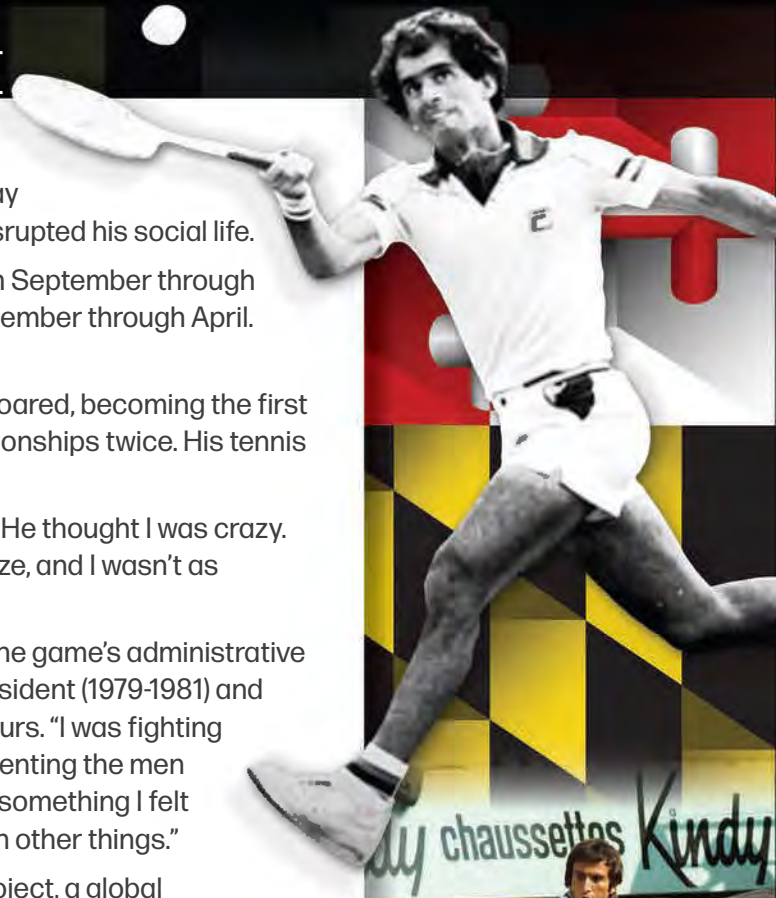
Since 1978 those other things have included The Hunger Project, a global organization he and his wife support and advocate for. The Hunger Project focuses on empowering women's leadership in ending hunger and mobilizing people to end their own hunger, thereby increasing their self-sufficiency.

He's also stayed in touch with tennis. For 15 years he coached rising stars such as Mary Joe Fernandez, Monica Seles, Jennifer Capriati, and Jim Courier. When the travel became too much, he opened the Harold Solomon Tennis Institute in 2005 near his home in Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

"We tried not to make it a factory. We never had more than two players on a court at a time," says Solomon, who operated the institute for 13 years. Now he works with several high school and college players, with special attention for his 12-year-old grandson, who likes the game. "No pressure," Solomon says with a smile.

His family will be proud tonight as Solomon receives what Krulevitz calls "overdue recognition" from the MDSAHOFF. "At these events you always think about the people responsible for helping you achieve the things you achieved," says Solomon, a member of the USTA Mid-

Atlantic, Intercollegiate Tennis, and D.C. Sports halls of fame. "The first thought goes to my parents. My father spent a ton of time and effort with me, and my mom, for taking me and my three siblings to tournaments. It was a lot. My coaches, friends, my wife. There was a lot of support."





JERMAINE LEWIS



Jermaine Lewis' decision to go to the movies on April 21, 1996, set up an Academy Award performance by him nearly five years later. And Baltimore Ravens' fans couldn't be more appreciative.

Lewis, a four-year starter at the University of Maryland who still holds Terps records for receptions, receiving yards, and touchdown catches, expected to be selected on the first day of the 1996 NFL draft. When he didn't, Lewis sulked on day two and decided to go to the movies "to clear my mind." So when the Pittsburgh Steelers called to tell him he was their third-round choice, Lewis didn't answer. The Steelers chose someone else. Two rounds later, Lewis became a Raven.

"Yeah, my Mom was upset about the call, but it worked out great for me," says Lewis, a Lanham, Md., native who lives in Reisterstown. "I was ecstatic to stay playing in my hometown. That's why I went to Maryland. The Ravens were new in town, too. So, you know, it was like a new buzz in the city."

In fact, Lewis was the first Raven to handle the ball, returning the opening kickoff against the Oakland Raiders at Memorial Stadium in 1996. After 42 receptions in 1997 and 41 in 1998 as a wide receiver, Lewis saw his role diminish into a full-time punt and kickoff man ... and he wasn't happy. "You fight to get off special teams because it's so violent," he recalls. "You can't avoid the collisions. The tacklers had a 40-yard running head start back then, and you're running full speed right at them. So, it's no avoiding it."

But, as always, Lewis could rely on his saving grace: his speed. "I was always fast. Even in little league football at age 6. Then in high school and college, I could turn a little catch into a big catch, before you know it, I'm 20, 30 yards downfield."

In fact, Lewis was so fast, his track coach at Eleanor Roosevelt High School, Larry Colbert, thought Jermaine might have been better in track than football. After he set the national indoor record in the 200 meters (20.8 seconds) and clocked the second-fastest time in the 100 (10.3), *Track & Field News* named Lewis its 1991 Athlete of the Year.

But Lewis preferred football, despite being just 5 feet 7 and 180 pounds. "Before the draft, they said 'he's diminutive.' I didn't even know what that word meant, but I had a big heart. My father used to always say as long as you've got a big heart, you're OK."

Lewis was more than OK; the nine-year veteran and two-time Pro Bowler remains eighth all-time for punt return yards in the NFL with 3,282 and six touchdowns.

The new Ravens had never been above .500 in their first four seasons, but they went into 2000 with growing confidence, Lewis, 49, remembers. "We got Shannon Sharpe after Rod Woodson came and then some other guys." Drafting Jamal Lewis helped, too. "We were building, the defense was great, but I didn't see us winning the Super Bowl," Lewis says.

Especially when they went five games without scoring a touchdown. "Yeah, Ray and the guys on defense were getting a little chippy," Lewis says. "But then we went on a seven- or eight-game winning streak. That's when I was like, oh, man, we can go all the way."

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The excitement of the season turned to devastation in December when Lewis and his wife Imara's son Geronimo was born stillborn. The infant's death still "tears up" Lewis 23 years later.

He took off 11 days to grieve, then returned for the Ravens' regular-season finale against the New York Jets. Without working out, Lewis returned two punts (89 and 54 yards) for touchdowns for the second time in his career. "That's where God was working in my life," says Lewis. "I was just numb, saying to myself just hit the hole."

He pointed again to the heavens weeks later in the Super Bowl, following Ron Dixon's kick return for a New York Giants touchdown with one of his own in a 34-7 Ravens' victory. What was No. 84 thinking before his 84-yard return? "I was pissed," Lewis says with a laugh. Not only because it ruined the shutout. To Lewis it was personal. "I wanted to be the best returner on the field, in the world. That's what I used to say. Somebody's got to be No. 1. That was my goal and he scored before me. I just thought 'I'm going to do something.' And I did."

After retirement in 2004, Lewis faced some challenges. The effects of 18 concussions led to some poor decisions, including alcohol. "When you win the Super Bowl, there's only one way to go, down, honestly," says Lewis, who has been sober for seven years.

Now, after working with NFL Cares, coaching two of his three sons at Saint Frances Academy, and doing Under Armour camps, Lewis has again found his calling – giving motivational speeches. "I made so many mistakes," he says. "Now every time I tell my story, someone in the crowd, usually a parent, comes and says 'you really inspire me.' I love that, giving back."

He also does that through the Geronimo Lewis Foundation, which provides assistance to programs that support at-risk youth in D.C., Maryland, and Virginia, and the Jermaine Lewis Foundation, which awards college scholarships.

And he's looking forward to tonight's speech when he goes into the Maryland State Athletic Hall of Fame. "I just want to thank people who helped me on my journey, and I don't want to leave anyone out," Lewis says with a laugh. "My father was there the whole time. My mother helped.

My wife helped through the latter part, and I'm just thankful. I just don't want to forget anybody."



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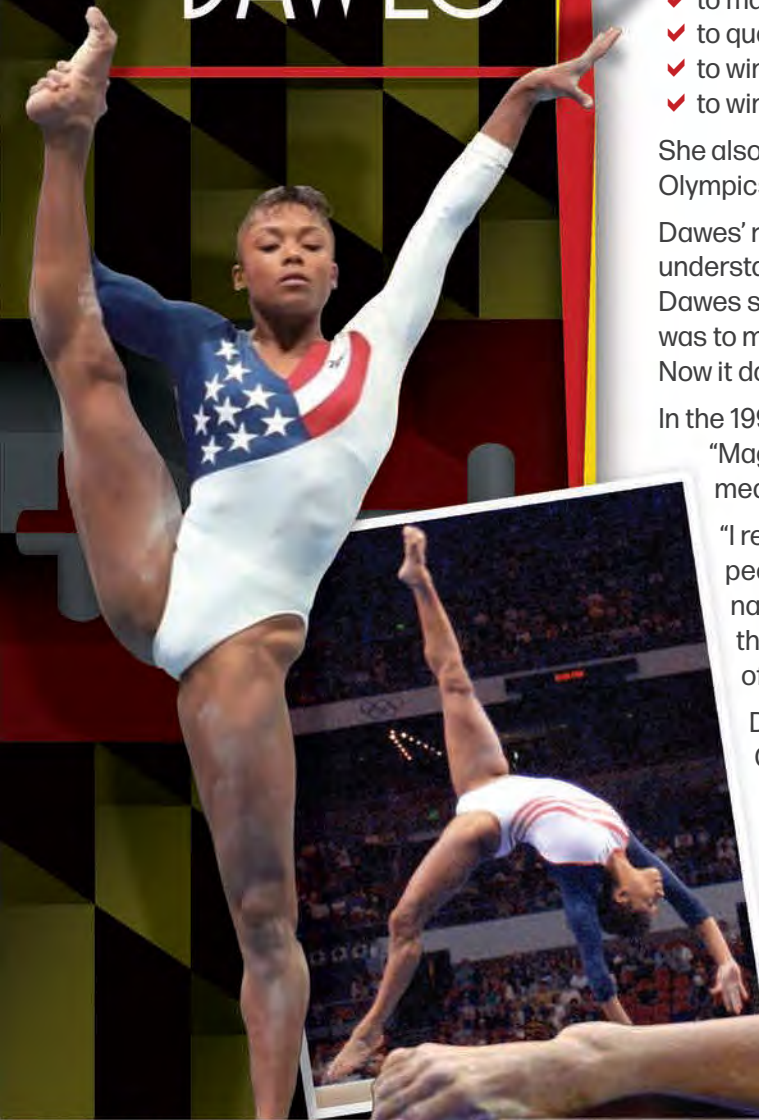
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DOMINIQUE DAWES



Needing to be a part of positive change, Dominique Dawes has shifted her priority from making the Olympic medal stand to creating happy childhoods. "Unlike an Olympic gold that will fade in time, a happy childhood will last forever," says Dawes, who tonight becomes the first gymnast in the Maryland State Athletic Hall of Fame.

It took a long, often painful journey for Dawes, now 46, to reach this point. Growing up in Silver Spring, Md., gymnastics became her life after her mom signed her up for a class across from Wheaton Plaza Mall when Dominique was 6. It was love at first sight.

"There were a lot of little people, like me, with squeaky voices like me," Dawes recalls. "And the skills they were doing was like the circus, flip after flip after flip. I really wanted to learn what those big girls were doing, and so I got hooked."

Soon it became all-consuming. Training two hours before school and five hours after it. "I slept in a leotard so I could get a little extra sleep." Dawes won her first competition at age 9. By 11 she was on the international stage, competing in Brisbane, Australia. In 1992 at age 15, she helped the U.S. win a team bronze in the Barcelona Olympics.

Unlike today, where women of color are "dominant, just dominant" in the gymnastics world, Dawes was breaking new ground. She was the first African American gymnast:

- ✓ to make the U.S. national team;
- ✓ to qualify and compete in an Olympics;
- ✓ to win an individual Olympic medal;
- ✓ to win an Olympic gold medal.

She also is one of three U.S. female gymnasts to compete in three Olympics.

Dawes' role as a pioneer means more to her now than it did then. "I didn't understand the impact that I was making because I was still a child," Dawes says. "When Gabby Douglas' mom told me how excited Gabby was to meet me because I was one of the first it didn't really resonate. Now it does."

In the 1996 Olympics in Atlanta, "Awesome Dawesome" was part of the "Magnificent Seven" team that was America's first to win a gold medal in women's gymnastics. Even that wasn't totally fulfilling.

"I remember when I was on the medal stand with nearly 50,000 people in the Georgia Dome, my hand over my heart singing the national anthem, reflecting on that 13-year journey it took to get there, I remember not feeling satisfied and complete. The level of sacrifice required was not worth it to me."

Dawes, who between 1991 and 1996 won 15 U.S. Championships, winning the all-around title in 1994, appreciates that gymnasts today have a fuller life than she did. "Gymnastics was all we did. That's why I love seeing this generation of athletes today, like a Simone Biles or a Jordan Chiles, they seem to be living more of a full life. Getting married, going to college. Being normal."

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So after an endorsement tour with the "Magnificent Seven," Dawes sought out some normality. She lived in Manhattan for a while and was in a Broadway musical of "Grease," singing, acting, dancing. She earned her degree at the University of Maryland, College Park. But she felt she owed something to the thousands of fans who still wrote her letters. So she began training six months before and "somehow" made the U.S. team for the 2000 Sydney Olympics, helping the U.S. to a bronze medal.

Then she really hung up her leotard and focused on how to help the next generation of young women. She teamed with Michelle Obama on Let's Move, an exercise program to fight childhood obesity, after she and former Saints quarterback Drew Brees co-led the President's Council on Fitness, Sports, and Nutrition. She also has made documentaries with the likes of LeBron James and Steph Curry.

Today she spreads her message of healthy activity through speeches and the Dominique Dawes Gymnastics & Ninja Academy that she and her husband, Jeff, opened in July 2020.

Now with locations in Clarksburg and Rockville, the academy creates a much different environment than what Dawes experienced growing up. "When I go to our facility, and it's not often, the thousands of kids are smiling, they're laughing. They have a healthy socialization with their coaches and with their peers there, and that's nothing that I had in my childhood. I would often arrive in tears and leave in tears. No child should be subjected to the pressure, the physical abuse, the mental abuse I went through. And so, it's pretty special to see what we have created."

Among the facility members are Dawes' four children, three girls and a boy including 5½-year-old twins. She isn't worried about molding the next gold medalist at her academy. Her focus is happy, healthy kids.

"We care about a young person's self-esteem. We care about developing friendships. We care about developing them as whole children."

And if her daughter says I want to take piano lessons? "OK, sure, why not?" Dawes says. "Now, we live in Montgomery County, Md., so people like to spread their kids thin, there's so many activities. Three of my kids dive. Two play soccer. My son is taking up baseball, but also loves playing golf with my husband. I want them to be exposed to different activities."

That's why in Dawes' home you won't see her Olympic medals or Wheaties boxes with her likeness. "They're tucked away," she says. "It's part of my life, but it doesn't define me." Instead family photos adorn the walls and "things that really make me happy."

Which is what will make her Maryland State Athletic Hall of Fame induction tonight so special. "I'm so looking forward to sharing this honor with my husband, as well as my four kids. It makes it so much sweeter when you have a full life and you can celebrate these exciting feats with others."



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JOHN F. STEADMAN LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Scott Garceau has endeared himself to Baltimore sports fans for more than 40 years as a TV anchor, play-by-play man, and radio broadcaster who never lost his cool. But there was one night he was tempted.

The year was 1995 and Garceau was leading media coverage of Baltimore's valiant attempt to get an NFL expansion team 11 years after the Colts left town. That quest had taken Garceau across the country. This night he was in Chicago where the NFL announced that Jacksonville – not Baltimore – would be joining Carolina as an expansion team.

"Carolina was expected – they looked like the hot new market," Garceau recalls. "But Jacksonville?? The press conference is over and I see Commissioner [Paul] Tagliabue standing onstage. I tell my cameraman to follow me and we go up and I say, 'Mr. Commissioner, Baltimore has done everything the league has asked. They sold out a Dolphins-Saints preseason game. They've got a stadium in place. What do they need to do to get football back?' That's when Tagliabue responded, 'Maybe they'd be better off building a plant or a museum.' I was incensed."

Garceau couldn't punch the commissioner, but he did the next best thing, rushing the feed back to WMAR-TV's satellite truck to lead that night's 11 o'clock news. The sound bite immediately went national, forever staining Tagliabue. "In fact," Garceau says, "the first Ravens game at the new stadium I see a fan wearing a T-shirt saying, 'Hey Tagliabue, how do you like our museum?' with a picture of the stadium. That was so good."

It's just one of countless things Garceau, 72, has done for the Baltimore sports community. Sports anchor at WMAR-TV for 28 years, he served as the Ravens' play-by-play voice their first 10 seasons and just completed his 17th season broadcasting Orioles games (1981-92, 2020-23). He spent 12 years co-hosting 105.7 The Fan on radio.

Funny thing is Garceau almost didn't come to Baltimore at all. "I was looking to get into a major market after jobs in Michigan and Albuquerque and a spot opened in Seattle. After my second interview I felt confident but didn't get the job. A friend with CBS Sherm Eagan said there's an opening in Baltimore but I was feeling sorry for myself and said 'I don't want to go through all that again.' Sherm said 'just send them the damn tape.' So I did, and here I am 43 years later."

Favorite memories include covering the Orioles 1983 World Series champions and doing play-by-play for the 2000 Ravens Super Bowl

champions. "I came to Baltimore eyes wide open," Garceau says. "I'm covering major league baseball and that bunch with Palmer and Eddie and Cal. Then the Ravens season, this group with a suffocating defense they go five games without scoring a touchdown and win the Super Bowl. What a crazy ride!"



SCOTT GARCEAU



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But Garceau also embraced amateur sports. Dunbar-Calvert Hall basketball. The Battle of Baltimore with local college basketball teams. The college lacrosse game of the week. The Turkey Bowl, a high school football tradition “that’s been part of my life since I got here in 1980. Back then you couldn’t get that coverage other places. People loved that stuff, and we at WMAR went after it. Local sports was our niche.”

What sport was the toughest to call? “Lacrosse because I didn’t play it.” The strangest? “Calling Orioles road games on monitors from an empty Camden Yards during COVID.”

Garceau did play baseball, basketball, and football growing up in Michigan. Once he realized he wasn’t major league caliber, he looked to stay close to sports. “My dad was an underground iron miner and he told me I didn’t want to do that.” Broadcasting proved Scott’s outlet. He started out in radio doing high school games where Tom Izzo, the Hall of Fame coach for Michigan State, and Steve Mariucci, the former NFL coach, were guards on the Iron Mountain basketball team.

Once he got to Baltimore there were more Hall of Fame people. Sharing a broadcast booth with Brooks Robinson. Filling in for Chuck Thompson to call his first Orioles game. Covering for, but not replacing, Jon Miller when he had national games to call. “You don’t replace guys like them, you just do the job after them,” Garceau says.

And then there was Vince Bagli, the folksy “dean” of Baltimore sports on WBAL-TV. “We became good friends and golfed together a lot. He was a great role model about how to treat people.”

Garceau learned his people lessons well, says Keith Mills, his sports partner for nearly 20 years at WMAR. “Scott was a great mentor to so many of the young kids that came into WMAR at that time and I was one of them,” Mills says. “He also took care of the sports producers, the editors, the photographers. My father once told me ‘take care of the people who take care of you’ and Scott epitomized that. Always a class act.”

The Fallston resident, who has been married to Georgeanna for 49 years and has two daughters and four grandkids, also has given back through his charity work including starting a lupus walk in Baltimore that has raised over a million dollars.

He is humbled to be receiving the John F. Steadman Lifetime Achievement Award from the Maryland State Athletic Hall of Fame because he respected the longtime Baltimore newspaper columnist. “Before I got here I knew who John Steadman was,” Garceau recalls. “I grew up with the Packers and Bart Starr in northern Michigan. John and I would talk a lot about the Packers and the Colts. He loved the history of the game.”

Garceau is eager to join the “duckpin bowlers, badminton players and power boaters” in the Hall of Fame. “I’ll be thinking about how lucky I’ve been. How well Baltimore has treated me and my family for 40 years. Teams, players, coaches, fellow workers, but most of all the people that have watched and listened. It’s been terrific.”



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BROOKS ROBINSON



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There has never been anyone like Brooks Calbert Robinson in Baltimore sports history. Arguably the most beloved athlete in this town's storied past, Robinson came from Little Rock, Ark., in September of 1955 to begin what would be a 23-year career with the Baltimore Orioles. Robinson and the Baltimore sports community developed a mutual relationship of admiration for each other that continues to this day over 60 years later.

Robinson's arrival in Baltimore came one year before the formation of the Maryland State Athletic Hall of Fame in 1955 and he is an adopted Marylander per amended bylaws of the MDSAHOFF in 2012. His genuine embrace of Baltimore and its fans began full-time in 1960 as Robinson started living here year-round. He became the greatest third baseman of all-time leading to his first-ballot induction into the Baseball Hall of Fame in 1983. At the same time, his reputation grew leaps and bounds as a professional athlete who loved his fans and went out of his way to accommodate them whether it be an autograph or personal appearance.

It seems like everyone has a Brooks Robinson story off the field to tell. His story as a major league third baseman is legendary. Nicknamed the "Human Vacuum Cleaner" because of his incredible defense at the hot corner, Robinson won 16 consecutive Gold Glove Awards (1960-75) and a record 11 fielding percentage titles. At the time of his retirement, his career fielding average of .971 was the highest ever for a third baseman and his defensive prowess that Oriole fans considered routine was nationally showcased in the 1970 World Series.

Robinson nearly singlehandedly defeated the Cincinnati Reds "Big Red Machine" with spectacular play after spectacular play as the Orioles took their second world championship in five games. He batted .429 in the series and copped the World Series MVP Award and later the prestigious Hickok Belt as the Professional Athlete of the Year. Reds manager Sparky Anderson said after the series that "I'm beginning to see Brooks in my sleep."



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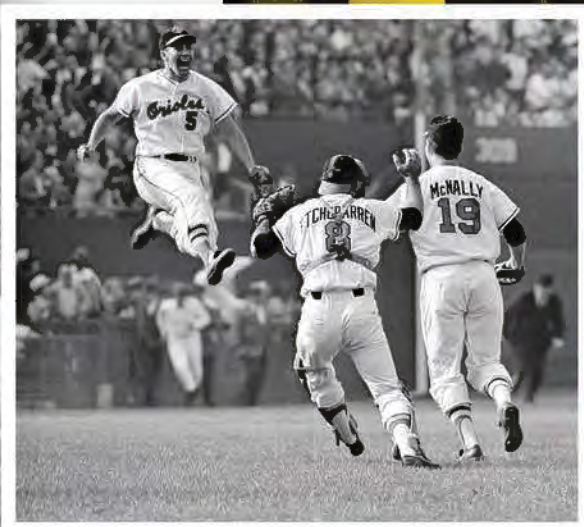
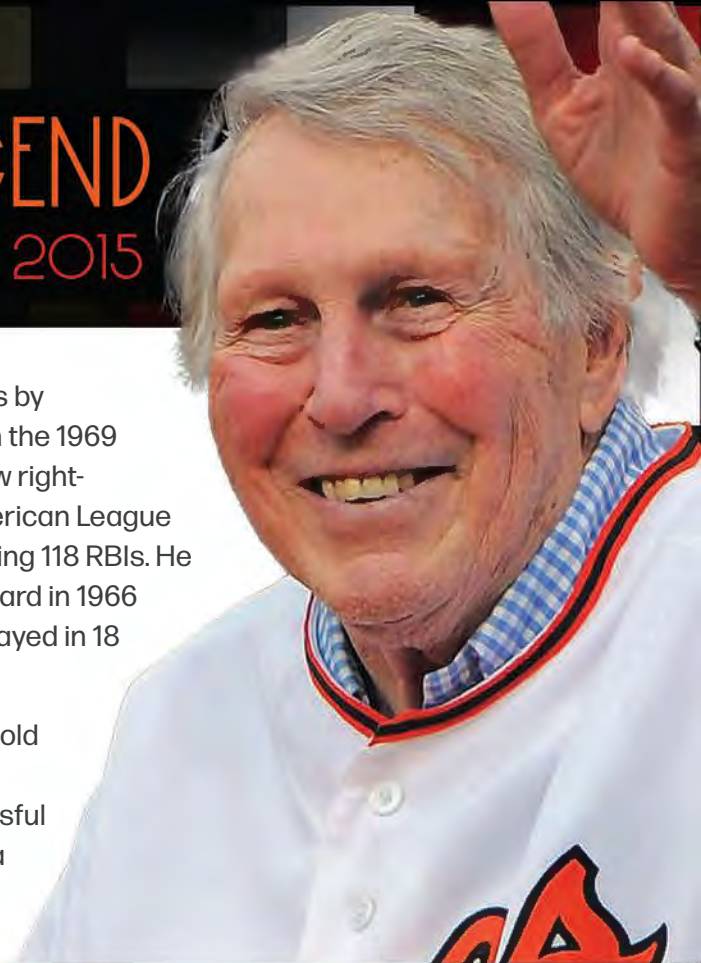
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The Orioles and Robinson had earlier won the 1966 World Series by sweeping the vaunted L.A. Dodgers and Robinson also played in the 1969 and 1971 World Series. A natural lefty, Robinson batted and threw right-handed putting together his best season in 1964 taking the American League MVP Award after batting .318 with 28 homers and a league-leading 118 RBIs. He finished runner-up to teammate Frank Robinson for the MVP Award in 1966 after winning the MLB All-Star Game honors that summer. He played in 18 All-Star games in his career.

Named to the MLB All-Century Team and the All-Time Rawlings Gold Glove Team, Robinson's No. 5 was retired at the end of his final season in 1977. After his retirement, Robinson was a very successful commentator on Orioles' TV broadcasts for about 15 years and a big supporter of the Boy Scouts of America.

While working with Crown, Robinson played a major role in organizing and promoting the Crown High School All-Star Game during the 1980s. The amateur game that showcases the top high school seniors in Maryland continues today as the Brooks Robinson All-Star Game.

In 2015 Robinson was named one of the Orioles' Franchise Four players along with Frank Robinson, Jim Palmer and Cal Ripken Jr. as the greatest to ever don an Orioles' uniform. And he served as the president of the Major League Baseball Players Alumni Association.



JOHN F. STEADMAN LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD WINNERS

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- 1997 Jim Phelan, Mount St. Mary's Basketball Coach
- 1998 Morgan Wootten, DeMatha Basketball Coach
- 1999 Walter Youse, Baseball Scout
- 2000 J. Frank Cashen, Professional Baseball Executive
- 2001 John Steadman, Sports Editor and Columnist
- 2002 Jim Kehoe, Athletic Director, University of Maryland
- 2003 Gene Corrigan, Collegiate Sports Administrator
King Leatherbury, Horse Racing Trainer
- 2004 C. Earl Brannan, Baseball Player and Coach
Chuck Thompson, Hall of Fame Broadcaster
- 2005 Edward L. Athey, Washington College Player, Coach, and Administrator
- 2006 Orlando "Tubby" Smith, Basketball Coach
- 2007 David P. Smalley, U.S. Naval Academy Player, Coach, and Administrator
- 2011 Vince Bagli, Sportscaster
- 2012 Johnny Holliday, Sportscaster
- 2013 Sam Lacy, Sportswriter
- 2014 Earl C. Banks, Morgan State Football Coach
- 2015 Edwin F. Hale, Ownership and Athletics Support
Jack Zane, Sports Information and Promotion, University of Maryland
- 2016 Jim Henneman, Sportswriter
- 2017 John Schuerholz, Professional Baseball Executive
- 2018 Bill Boniface, Horse Racing Trainer
Missy Meharg, Field Hockey Coach
- 2019 Tom Davis, Sports Broadcaster
Jim Margraff, Football Coach
- 2022 Carl Runk, Lacrosse Coach
- 2023 Scott Garceau, Sports Broadcaster

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- 2023 Chris Weller, Basketball

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1956

Frank "Home Run" Baker, Baseball
Jimmie Foxx, Baseball
Robert Garrett, Track
Babe Ruth, Baseball

1957

H.C. "Curley" Byrd, Football/Baseball
Vince Dundee, Boxing
Ned Duvall, Football/Baseball
Robert "Lefty" Grove, Baseball

1958

Charlie Keller, Baseball
Jack Slagle, Football
Theodore Strauss, Track
Mickey Whitehurst, Football/Track

1959

Joe Dundee, Boxing
Edwin Harlan, Football/Baseball
Eddie Rommel, Baseball
Burt Shipley, Football/Baseball

1960

"Bozey" Berger, Baseball/Basketball
Joseph M. George, Skeet Shooting
John Turnbull, Basketball/Lacrosse
Lenore "Kight" Wingard, Swimming

1961

Elizabeth "Toots" Barger, Bowling
Tom Kibler, Baseball/Football
Fred Linkous, Basketball/Football/Lacrosse
Johnny Neun, Baseball

1962

Bill "Moon" Evans, Lacrosse
Buck Herzog, Baseball
Harry Jeffra, Boxing
Fritz Maisel, Baseball

1963

George "KO" Chaney, Boxing
Al Heagy, Basketball/Lacrosse
C. Loudes Johnson, Yachting
Bill "Swish" Nicholson, Baseball

1964

Valentine "Dutch" Lentz, Basketball
Bobby Pool, Lacrosse
Bill Schuerholz, Basketball
Bill Werber, Baseball

1965

Jack Bentley, Baseball
Edward Jacobs, Tennis
Douglas Lee, Wrestling
Edgar Allen Poe, Football

1966

Billy Guckeyson, Baseball/Basketball
Douglas Turnbull, Football/Lacrosse
Carl "Molly" Twigg, Football/Baseball
Bobby Williams, Football

1967

Albert Hobelman, Tennis/Volleyball
Philip Jackelski, Walking
John "Kid" Williams, Boxing
Harry Wright, Skeet Shooting

1968

Benny Alperstein, Boxing
Emery Lavelle Ensor, Horse Racing
Jessie Krajovic, Football
Tommy Thomas, Baseball

1969

Charley Ellinger, Football/Lacrosse
Donaldson Kelly, Basketball/Lacrosse
Dick Porter, Baseball
John N. Wilson, Basketball

1970

Joe Deckman, Football/Lacrosse
John Eareckson, Wrestling
Al Houghton, Golf
Pat Smithwick, Horse Racing

1971

Harry Baugher, Squash
Redmond Finney, Football/Lacrosse
Gene Shue, Basketball
Fred Stieber, Lacrosse/Badminton

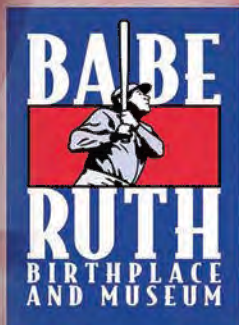
1972

Al Kaline, Baseball
Jim Lacy Jr., Basketball/Squash
Gardner Mallonee, Lacrosse/Football
Bobby Matthews, Baseball

1973

Deane Beaman, Golf
John Donohue, Football/Lacrosse
Joe Gans, Boxing
Tommy Mont, Football/Lacrosse

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1974

Sam Boulmetis, Horse Racing
Bill Brozey, Bowling
Judy Devlin Hashman, Badminton
Spike Webb, Boxing

1975

Ronald Abercrombie, Lacrosse
Joseph Aitcheson Jr., Horse Racing
Arthur Bragg, Track
John Lambros, Basketball/Softball

1976

Tom Biddison, Lacrosse
Bill Brown, Track
Jack Portney, Boxing
Tom Scott, Football/Lacrosse

1977

Darcey "Jake" Flowers, Baseball
Mrs. Maurice Glick, Golf
Bill McMillan, Pistol Shooting
Jack Scarbath, Football

1978

James C. "Red" Burman, Boxing
Edwin C.K. Calhoun, Skeet Shooting
Frank "Pat" Dengis, Running
William "Judy" Johnson, Baseball

1979

Thomas Joseph Byrne, Baseball
Mary Anne Downey Cooke, Golf
Gilbert L. Schuerholtz, Soccer
David Volk, Bowling

1980

Charles T. Bassler, Golf
Rodney Breedlove, Football
Donald J. Christy, Powerboat Racing
Francis I. Foreman, Baseball

1981

Harry C. Clarke, Football
Millard Tuttle Lang, Lacrosse/Soccer
Nicholas T. Lee, Track
Charles "Butch" Schmidt, Baseball

1982

B. Warren Corkran, Golf
Donald E. Heinecke, Running
Jimmy McAllister, Boxing
Spencer Overton, Golf

1983

John J. Long, Basketball/Baseball
Alton C. Pierson, Powerboat Racing
Patricia A. Stephens, Badminton/Tennis
Warren W. Weaver, Tennis

1984

Calvert Johnson, Powerboat Racing
Pete Reynolds, Lacrosse/Football
Norwood Sothoron, Football/Lacrosse
John W. Voight Jr., Track/Baseball

1985

Chuck Foreman, Football
Lloyd W. Keaser, Wrestling
Debbie Meyer, Swimming
Babe Phelps, Baseball

1986

Steve Barber, Baseball
Jimmy Dietsch, Bowling
Calvin Hill, Football
Dave Patrick, Track

1987

Katherine Brooks, Skeet Shooting
Wayne Mulligan, Football
Jim Spencer, Baseball
Larry Surock, Soccer

1988

Raymond Chester, Football
Charles Fenwick, Horse Racing
Dr. Ruth White Hooker, Fencing
Bill Hooper, Lacrosse

1989

Dick Bielski, Football
Emil Budnitz, Lacrosse/Soccer
Ernie Fischer, Wrestling

1990

Debbie Thompson Brown, Track
Joseph Cowan, Lacrosse
John Roberts, Auto Racing
Bob Robertson, Baseball

1991

George Cusick, Powerboat Racing
Tom Phoebus, Baseball
"Lefty" Stern, Basketball/Football
Tammy Davis Thompson, Track



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1992

Brian "Moose" Haas, Baseball
Nick Kropfelder, Soccer
Lois Warning McGean, Figure Skating
Marvin Webster, Basketball

1993

Mary Lou Bartram, Jousting
Arthur "Otts" Brandau, Football
Jean S. Fugett Jr., Football
Pam Shriver, Tennis

1994

Ralph M. Bogart, Golf
Tom Gatewood, Football
Phil Grove, Horse Racing
Reggie Lewis, Basketball

1995

James H. Belt Sr., Soccer
Lyn Brooks, Triathlete
Charles E. Ernst, Soccer
James T. Gaffney, Football

1996

Dudley Bradley, Basketball
Robert F. Fischer, Wrestling
Irv Pankey, Football
Vic Willis, Basketball

1997

Raymond Moore, Baseball
Charles V. Pittman, Football
Ron Swoboda, Baseball
Elmer Wingate, Football/Lacrosse

1998

William F. Currier, Football
William K. Morrell Jr., Lacrosse
David J. Pivec, Football
Wendy Weinberg Weil, Swimming

1999

Rico Chiapperelli, Wrestling
Carole Gittings, Bowling
Gerald Gray, Football
James "Mickey" Webster, Lacrosse

2000

Lloyd Bunting, Lacrosse
Walter C. Greiner, Golf
Randy McMillan, Football
Kelly Ward, Wrestling

2001

George Bartram, Jousting
Jack Fisher, Baseball
Andrew Maynard, Boxing
Ray Truszkowski, Softball

2002

Carlton Bailey, Football
Charles Messenger, Track
Bill Ripken, Baseball
Tim Wittman, Soccer

2003

Harold Baines, Baseball
Vincent Pettway, Boxing
Bill Vondenbosch, Softball
Calvin Williams, Football

2004

Harvey Alperstein, Boxing
Mike Bielecki, Baseball
Marty Lyons, Football
Edmund Thompson, Powerboat Racing

2005

Otto Greiner, Golf
Johnny Klippstein, Baseball
Cal Ripken Jr., Baseball
Bill Stromberg, Football

2006-2007

Steve Farr, Baseball
Antonio Freeman, Football
Tony Greene, Football
Vaughn Hebron, Football
Denny Neagle, Baseball
Greg Schaum, Football
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2011

Sam Cassell, Basketball
Fred Funk, Golf
Tara Heiss, Basketball
Sean Landeta, Football
Travis Pastrana, Action Sports
Hasim Rahman, Boxing
Geoff Zahn, Baseball

2012

Danny Ferry, Basketball
Michael Federico, Lacrosse
Jimmy Kappler, Lacrosse
Carol Mann, Golf
Sharmba Mitchell, Boxing
Mario Pino, Horse Racing
Johnny Unitas, Football

2013

Mike Curtis, Football
Art Donovan, Football
Lenny Moore, Football
Renaldo Nehemiah, Track/Football
Wes Unseld, Basketball
Danny Wiseman, Bowling

2014

Beth Botsford, Swimming
Tommy Brown, Football/Baseball
Brian Jordan, Football/Baseball
Kimmie Meissner, Figure Skating
Bob Scott, Lacrosse
Native Dancer, Horse Racing

2015

Dr. Delverne "Del" Dressel, Lacrosse
Kevin Glover, Football
John Mackey, Football
Tom McMillen, Basketball
Jeff Pyles, Bowling
Brooks Robinson, Baseball
Bernard Williams, Track

2016

Brady Anderson, Baseball
Wheeler Baker, Powerboat Racing
Louis Carter, Football
Gary Jobson, Sailing
Laurie Schwoy, Soccer
Jack Thomas, Lacrosse

2017

Keion Carpenter, Football
Darryl Gee, Soccer
Jeff Nelson, Baseball
Tommy Polley, Football
Thori Staples Bryan, Soccer
Brian Westbrook, Football
Polly Winde Surhoff, Swimming

2018

Mark Greenberg, Lacrosse
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Buck Williams, Basketball

2019

Ali Andrzejewski, Soccer
Steve Krulevitz, Tennis
Rob Shek, Lacrosse
Mark Teixeira, Baseball
Walt Williams, Basketball

2022

Len Bias, Basketball
Dave Cottle, Lacrosse
Leon Day, Baseball
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THE HISTORY OF THE MARYLAND STATE ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME

The Maryland State Athletic Hall of Fame was established to celebrate Marylanders' outstanding accomplishments and promote the ideals as well as the traditions of Maryland athletics and athletes ...

In 1956, under the sponsorship of the M Club Foundation, the Maryland State Athletic Hall of Fame (MDSAHOFF) inducted its first class of "all-stars" and what a class it was: the inductees included the first modern Olympic champion in discus throw and shot put, Robert Garrett, and baseball greats Babe Ruth, Jimmie Foxx, and Frank "Home Run" Baker.

They were inducted at the M Club's sixth annual banquet on Dec. 13, 1956, at the Lord Baltimore Hotel. Bucky Miller served as chairman and Dr. Jonas E. Salk, the inventor of the flu vaccine, was the recipient of our Distinguished Citizen Award.

The Hall of Fame's list of native-born – and more recently, "adopted" – Maryland sons and daughters has been growing ever since thanks to a group of individuals who has worked relentlessly as part of the MDSAHOFF board of directors over the past 66 years to ensure the heritage of Maryland's (and in some cases the world's) highest athletic achievers.

For the first 34 years of the MDSAHOFF's existence, its activities were overseen by the M Club Foundation at the University of Maryland, College Park.

In 1956, Charley Ellinger was named president of the M Club Foundation and served as the organization's first leader until 1963, when D. Chester O'Sullivan became the MDSAHOFF's chairman.

O'Sullivan was a man committed to sports. He was the longtime chairman of the Maryland State Athletic Commission and he gained recognition for his efforts to make boxing safer. He led the MDSAHOFF for 33 years, until 1996.

During his tenure, the MDSAHOFF was recognized in 1990 by a resolution of the Maryland General Assembly as the state's official sports Hall of Fame. Under O'Sullivan's leadership, athletes from 26 different sports, from the traditional baseball, football, and basketball to the less familiar skeet shooting, badminton, and jousting were among those inducted into the Hall.

In the 1960s, the Hall of Fame had its then induction luncheons at The Johns Hopkins Club on the university's campus. It moved to Martin's West in the 1980s and at that time a relationship was forged with the Babe Ruth Museum under the direction of current MDSAHOFF board member Mike Gibbons. Gibbons, also the Babe Ruth Museum director, worked extensively with longtime sportscaster Vince Bagli and O'Sullivan to establish a permanent home for the MDSAHOFF.

In 2005, under the leadership of longtime board member Jack Scarbath, who became MDSAHOFF chairman in 1996, the Sports Legends Museum, then at Camden Yards, agreed to host the archives and collection of the Hall of Fame.

"It was a \$130,000 installation featuring a bio on each HOF inductee plus a large display case containing [MDSAHOFF] artifacts," Gibbons said. "The museum raised the balance of the gallery cost."

Using biographical sketches and photographs of the more than 200 athletes inducted into the Hall, the museum, which is now seeking a new location, told the stories of the state's greatest athletes, from auto racing to yachting.

"I thought I could bring to light various athletes from the past who should have been recognized by the people of Maryland," said Scarbath, the Maryland Terrapin football All-American, recalling his days leading a Hall of Fame board that included Bagli; newspaper columnist John Steadman; Ed Athey, athletic director at Washington College; O'Sullivan; Tom Scott, college football Hall of Famer; and Bob Scott, athletic director at Johns Hopkins.

In November 2005, with the guidance of Sen. Mike Wagner, the annual induction banquet was moved to Michael's Eighth Avenue in Glen Burnie. That 2005 event included the induction of Cal Ripken Jr. and was emceed by media stars Pat O'Malley and Keith Mills. Pete Gilbert of WBAL-TV took over the emcee role in 2012.

Scarbath, who died in 2020, stepped down after the 2006-07 ceremony and the MDSAHOFF did not have another induction until 2011. That year the MDSAHOFF leadership came into the hands of a new chairman, legendary high school baseball coach Bernie Walter. He recruited a new diverse board, which included the first woman (retiring *Sun* sportswriter Sandra McKee) and African Americans like former football stars Darryl Hill and Jean Fugett. Walter described the reorganized board as "a diverse group of doers, who are leaders in various components of Maryland sports. They are tirelessly working to maintain the memories of Maryland's greatest athletes."

Walter served as chairman until late 2016 when the mantle was passed to Steve Doherty, vice president of Loomis, Sayles & Co. Walter remained a board member until his death in 2021.

2020 and 2021 were lost to the coronavirus pandemic, but the banquet resumed in 2022 with Doherty and his MDSAHOFF board more determined than ever to honor Maryland athletics and athletes.

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