

HALL OF FAME HISTORY

The Special Olympics Pennsylvania (SOPA) Hall of Fame honors athletes and volunteers who have made outstanding contributions both on and off the field of competition.

PREVIOUS HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES

ATHLETES

1996 Inductees

Mark Arrowood, Bucks Co.
Loretta Claiborne, York Co.
Francis Dell, Blair Co.
Michael Gaal, Bethlehem City
Wardell Gadson, Philadelphia Co.
Andy Leonard, Centre Co.
Pat Pinkston, Montgomery Co.

1997 Inductees

Beth Greenwalt, Area M
Michael Kmiec, Delaware Co.
Kathy Lindgren, Bethlehem City
Joey Osche, Butler Co.

1998 Inductees

Dan Gallagher, Montgomery Co.
Matt Jones, Luzerne Co.
Mike Witmyer, Berks Co.
Aaron Younkin, Somerset Co.

1999 Inductees

Karen Clemens, Allegheny Co.
Danny Delval, Washington Co.
James Markiewicz, Erie City
David Thompson, Centre Co.

2000 Inductees

Paul Bettendorf, Northumberland/Snyder Co.
Becky Fischer, Centre Co.
Janene Miller, Tioga Co.
David Mulgrave, Allegheny Co.

2001 Inductees

Mary Jeannerat, Clarion Co.
Fred Love, Lehigh Co.
Heather McCrea, Allegheny Co.
Deon Warner, Erie City

2002 Inductees

Wayne Jones, Bethlehem City
Michael Plappert, York Co.
Christine Polito, Blair Co.
Tracey Tribendis, Luzerne Co.

2003 Inductees

Ben Church, Blair Co.
Robert Cook, Montgomery Co.
Dan Kolb, Chester Co.
Robert Solonoski, Luzerne Co.

2004 Inductees

George Burton, McKean Co.
Andrew "Tom" Kinsey, Area M
Elizabeth Smith, Delaware Co.
Danny Zirkle, Crawford Co.

2005 Inductees

Wayne Chisolm, Area M
Erin Erdman, Lycoming Co.
Joseph "Sparky" Lyle, Blair Co.
Cindy Turk, Crawford Co.

2006 Inductees

Donald Haffelfinger, Delaware Co.
Donnalee Reese, Luzerne Co.
Michael J. Stephens, Blair Co.
Brenda Wallace, Adams Co.

2007 Inductees

Robert Grutkowski, Erie Co.
Francis Huntzman, Delaware Co.
Jennifer McCahan, Blair Co.
Michael Paulinski, Montgomery Co.

2008 Inductees

Timothy H. Cody, Delaware Co.
Travis L. Reading, Blair Co.
Paul Riley, Bedford Co.
Joni Talavera, Bethlehem City

2009 Inductees

Brian J. Downey, Westmoreland Co.
Kelly K. Horn, Lycoming Co.
Christopher W. Jagielski, Allegheny Co.
Robert "Bobby" Snively, Blair Co.

2010 Inductees

Tina Lamborn, Blair Co.
Matthew T. Prosek, Centre Co.
Edward Reynolds, Northumberland/Snyder Co.
John Steinour, Adams Co.

2011 Inductees

Kevin Boyles, Lycoming Co.
Krista Genter, Blair Co.
Timothy Spence, Butler Co.
George Updegraff, York Co.

2012 Inductees

Diana L. Dunbar, Butler Co.
Michael Gray, Warren Co.
Craig Robert Maurer, Bethlehem City
Mark Medora, Lancaster Co.

2013 Inductees

Theodore Angerman, Philadelphia Co.
Charles P. Becker, Montgomery Co.
Greg Focht, Centre Co.
Lonnie R. Straw Jr., Area M

VOLUNTEERS**1996 Inductees**

Dr. Jean Jones, Area M
Frank Lavin, Area P
Louise Tusak, Bethlehem City

1997 Inductees

Marie Doll, Centre Co.
Jack Stover, Crawford Co.

1998 Inductees

Carol Ging Erzen, Allegheny Co.
Paul Gasdick, Beaver Co.

1999 Inductees

Clyde Doll, Centre Co.
Joseph Murray, Allegheny Co.

2000 Inductees

Judy Kovacs, Northampton Co.
Linda Sloan, Clarion Co.

2001 Inductees

Dorothy Delval, Washington Co.
Regina Mancuso, Area N

2002 Inductees

Pay Byerly, Butler Co.
Bob & Alice Rau, Montgomery Co.

2003 Inductees

Dr. Norman Mulgrave, Allegheny Co.
Robert Young, Chester Co.

2014 Inductees

Doran Godshall, Montgomery County
Derek Eshenour, Area M
Mike Silvis, Adams County
Devin Wineland, Blair County

(No Inductees in 2015 & 2016)

2017 Inductees

Amanda Reiss, Bethlehem City
Andrew Mayer, Washington County

(Move to a Biennial Award Process)

2019 Inductees

Corey Markle, York County
Nina Kaneriyi, Columbia/Montour Counties

2004 Inductees

Deborah Kohl, Bethlehem City
Jill Schoeniger, Montgomery Co.

2005 Inductees

Janet Flegal, Blair Co.
Carl Kiesewetter, Blair Co.

2006 Inductees

Jackie Gasdick, Beaver Co.
Ora Ann Mollenkof, Philadelphia Co.

2007 Inductees

Jim Delsandro, Erie Co.
Barb & Ross Raffensperger, York Co.

2008 Inductees

Jean Steinour, Adams Co.
Judith Williams, Bedford Co.

2009 Inductees

Denise Dellaratta-Chesko, Delaware Co.
William J. Ivory, Westmoreland Co.

2010 Inductees

Richard Agretto, Northampton Co.
Grace Myers, Adams Co.

2011 Inductees

Shirley Lindgren, Bethlehem City
Bob Lopez, Lancaster Co.

2012 Inductees

Roxanne Dubbs, York Co.
Judith M. Voron, Montgomery Co.

2013 Inductees

Maryellen Brown, Area M
Leon Cole, Lancaster Co

2014 Inductees

Ernie Christopher, Area M
Madge Farenholtz, Chester County

(No Inductees in 2015 & 2016)

2017 Inductees

Joan Arrowood, Bucks County
Lawrence Rupert, Clinton County

(Move to a Biennial Award Process)

2019 Inductees

Herbert H. Packer III - Area M
Bellamarie Bregar - Centre County

CHAIRMAN'S CHOICE

Benjamin Harris, Volunteer - 1998
Sheetz, Inc., Sponsor - 2000
Pete Retzlaff, Volunteer - 2002
Caesars, Sponsor - 2004
Morgan Lewis, Supporter - 2005
Dick Vermeil, Supporter - 2007
Sue and Joe Paterno, Board Member & Supporter - 2008
Villanova University, Supporter - 2009
Pat and Carlene Deon, Supporter - 2010
Sovereign Bank, Sponsor, 2011
The Knights of Columbus - PA State Council, Sponsor, 2012
Aerotek, Sponsor – 2013
The Philadelphia 76ers, Supporter – 2014

AL SENAVITIS LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT

Al Senavitis, Former Board Member & Supporter - 2009
Mary Meder, Board Member & Supporter - 2011
Rev. Anthony Yazge, Supporter - 2012
Billy Frost Concert Committee, Supporter -2013
Tony Gillespie, Board Member & Supporter – 2014