

2024 Inductees

A.W. Tillingast (Golf) – Local

- Area native; Born in Philadelphia
- One of USA's 1st golf reporters, writing for Golf Magazine, The American Cricketer, Golfer's Magazine & contemporary Philadelphia newspapers
- Pioneer and early advocate of turf grass research
- 1935-Named consulting golf course architect for the PGA
- Designed more than 300 courses in the US and Canada
- Designed 24 courses that hosted more 50 major championships including 8 PGA, 17 US Open and 9 US Amateur
- Notable courses designed, redesigned or collaborated on include:
 - ◇ Baltusrol Golf Club
 - ◇ Bethpage Black
 - ◇ Medinah Country Club
 - ◇ Winged Foot Golf Club
 - ◇ Philadelphia Cricket Club
 - ◇ Pine Valley Golf Club
 - ◇ San Francisco Golf Club
- World Golf Hall of Fame (2015)
- Metropolitan Golf Association Hall of Merit (2019)

Alice Putnam Willetts (Field Hockey) – Local

- Area native; Swarthmore HS
- Introduced Lacrosse to Haverford High-1947
- 21 years as head coach at Swarthmore High (1962-83): 155-20 record, 5 undefeated seasons and 3 league titles
- Played Field hockey, basketball & tennis at Temple University (1947)
- 4-Time All-College in Field Hockey (prior to All-American designations)
- Introduced Lacrosse to Temple in 1952 & coached for 3 years.
- US National Field Hockey team: 1946-1955 (Captain in 1955)
- US National Lacrosse team: 1943-1955 (Captain in 1955)
- Taught & coached at Swarthmore College, Shipley School & Strath Haven HS until retirement in 1986
- Outstanding Educator of America-1974
- Temple University Athletic Hall of Fame (1977)
- Delaware County Athletes Hall of Fame (1978)
- Pennsylvania Sports Hall of Fame (1985)
- USA Field Hockey Hall of Fame (1988-Charter Class)
- National Lacrosse Hall of Fame (1998)

Andy Talley (Football) – Villanova

- Area native; Haverford HS
- 5 years as Head Coach at St. Lawrence University (28-18-1)
- 32 years - Head Coach at Villanova (229-137-1; 26 winning seasons)
- Villanova's all-time winningest coach
- CAA All-Time winningest coach (257)
- 13-NCAA postseason appearances
- 2-time NY Sportswriters/ECAC Coach of the Year (1982, 1991)
- 2× AFCA National Coach of the Year (1997, 2009)
- 2009 NCAA FCS Champions with 14-1 record
- 2009 Eddie Robinson Award (Top coach in FCS)
- Received conference coach of the year in 1997, 2009 and 2012
- Coached 16 First Team All Americans, 84 first team all-conference selections & 16 Academic All-Americans
- Villanova's athletic facility named Andrew J. Talley Athletic Center
- Villanova Athletics Hall of Fame (2011)
- Pennsylvania Sports Hall of Fame (2019)
- College Football Hall of Fame (2020)

Angelo Cataldi – Legacy of Excellence

- 1983-88 - Sports Journalist at Philadelphia Inquirer
- 1988-2023 - Morning Host at WIP Sports Radio
- 1990-97 - Host of The Great Sports Debate on PRISM
- 2012 - Broadcast Pioneers Hall of Fame
- 2020 - Philadelphia Sports Writers Assoc. Bill Campbell Award
- 2023 - Charter member of 94 WIP Sports Radio Hall of Fame
- 2023 - Vincera Foundation's Person of the Year Award
- 2023 - MAPACA Divine Impact Award
- 2024 - BSM Summit Lifetime Achievement Award

Brendan Hansen (Swimming) – Local

- Area native; Haverford HS
- Undefeated in breaststroke while at University of Texas-2001-05
- 16-Time All-American; 14-Time NCAA Champion
- 2001, 2005 World Champion-200M Breaststroke
- 2003, 2005 World Champion-4x100M Medley Relay
- 2005, 2007 World Champion-100M Breaststroke
- Won 25 medals in international competition
- 6 World Records- 4x100m Medley Relay
- 5 World Records-200m breaststroke (3); 100m (2)
- Olympics
 - ◇ 3-Time gold medalist-4x100M Medley Relay-2004,2008, 2012
 - ◇ Silver medal-2004
 - ◇ 2-Time bronze medalist-2004, 2012
- University of Texas Athletics Hall of Honor (2015)
- Texas Swimming & Diving Hall of Fame (2015)
- International Swimming Hall of Fame (2020)

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Chase Utley (Baseball) - Phillies

- 13 Years at 2nd base w/ the Phillies (1551 Games)
- 6X All Star (2006-2010, 2014)
- 4X Silver Slugger (2006-2009)
- 2008 World Series Champion
- Run-saving "Deke" in Game 5 of 2008 World Series regarded as one of the best defensive plays in Phillies history
- 2008 World Series Parade Speech cemented his place as an all-time fan favorite
- 2X NL Champion
- 5X NL East Champion
- Phillies All-Time Ranks
- 5th Doubles
- 6th Home Runs; Runs Scored
- 7th RBI; Extra Base Hits; Total Bases
- 9th Hits, At Bats, Games Played
- 1st Hit By Pitch (9th MLB All-time)
- Postseason - .262/10HR/25RBI in 46 games with the Phillies, including 5 HR in 2009 World Series

Cheryl Reeve (Basketball) - Local

- Area native; Washington Twp. (NJ) HS
- 4-year starter at La Salle University
- 7 years as assistant coach (La Salle; G. Washington U.; 1988-95)
- Head Coach at Indiana State (1995-2001)
- 8 years as WNBA asst. coach (Charlotte, Cleve., Detroit; 2001-09)
- Head coach of WNBA Minnesota Lynx since 2010 (.638 win %)
- 3-time WNBA Coach of the Year (2011, '16, '20)
- 4-time WNBA Champion (2011, '13, '15, '17)
- 3-time WNBA All-Star Game Coach (2013, '14, 17)
- General Manager of the Lynx since 2019
- 2109 WNBA Executive of the Year
- FIBA World Cup gold medal as head coach of Team USA (2022)
- La Salle Hall of Athletes (2017)
- Big 5 Hall of Fame (2022)
- Minnesota Sports Hall of Fame (2023)

Eddie Stanky (Baseball) – Local

- Area native; Northeast Manual Training School/Edison HS
- 11 MLB seasons with Cubs, Dodgers, Braves, Giants, Cardinals
- 3-time NL leader in Walks (7 times top 5)
- 2-time NL leader in On-base percentage (5 times top 5)
- Led NL in Runs scored in 1945 (4-time top 5)
- 3-time NL Leader in Putouts by 2nd baseman (7 times top 5)
- 3-time NL Leader in DP turned by 2nd baseman (7 times top 5)
- 3-Time NL All Star
- 3-time NL Champion (Dodgers, Braves, Giants)
- 7 seasons as MLB Manager with Cardinals & White Sox
- Befriended and stood up for Jackie Robinson when Robinson joined the Dodgers.
- 14 Seasons as head baseball coach of the University of South Alabama (1969-83; 488 W-193 L)
- U of S. Alabama baseball field is "Eddie Stanky Field"
- Alabama Sports Hall of Fame (1977)
- Univ. of South Alabama Athletic Hall of Fame (1989)

George Benton (Boxing/Trainer) -Local

- Philadelphia native; known as "The Mayor of North Philly"
- First amateur bout at age 13; Turned professional at 16
- Boxed professionally 1949- 1970; defeated future world champions Freddie Little, Jimmy Ellis, & Joey Giardello.
- Never knocked down in 76 professional fights.
- #1 ranked middleweight in early 1960s, but never given a title shot
- Retired as boxer in 1970 with record of 66-13-1
- Studied under Eddie Futch; was in Joe Frazier's corner for the "Thrilla in Manila."
- Trained Randall "Tex" Cobb, , Joe Frazier, Leo Randolph, Leon Spinks, Meldrick Taylor, Pinklon Thomas, Pernell Whitaker, Tyrell Biggs & Evander Holyfield at various stages their careers
- Trained 14 World Champions, 5 Olympic gold medalists, 8 Golden Gloves Champions & 11 AAU National Champions
- 2-time Boxing Writers Association of America Trainer of the Year (1989 & 1990)
- PA Boxing Hall of Fame (1986)
- International Boxing Hall of Fame (2001)
- World Boxing Hall of Fame (2007)

Jameer Nelson (Basketball) – Local

- Area Native; Chester HS
- Led Chester to PIAA AAAA State Championship (2000)
- FIBA U21 gold medal Winner
- 4-year Starter at St. Joe's (started all 125 games)
- National Freshman of the year 2001
- Led St. Joe's to 27-0 regular season; #1 seed & NCAA Elite 8
- 3x All A-10 1st team
- 2004: National Player of the Year; Bob Cousy Award; Naismith Award; Adolph Rupp Trophy; A-10 Player of the year; consensus 1st team All-American
- St. Joe's All-time leader in Points (2094) & Assists (713)
- #14 retired by St. Joe's
- 1st Rd pick by Nuggets in 2004 NBA draft; (Traded to Magic)
- 15 Year NBA Career (11.3 PPG, 5.1 APG)
- 2005 NBA All-Rookie 2nd Team
- 2009 NBA All-Star
- Delaware Blue Coats General Manager since 2023
- St. Joe's Athletics Hall of Fame
- Big 5 Hall of Fame (2017)
- Delaware County Athletes Hall of Fame (2023)

Joan Moore (Gymnastics) – Local

- Area native; Girls HS
- 4-Time US All-Around-Champion- 1971-74
- 6-National Titles (Vault, Floor Exercise, Balance Beam) 1971-74
- 1st Place - All-Around & Floor Exercise-French Invitational-1971
- 1st Place - Floor, Balance Beam & Vault-1972 South Africa Cup
- 1st Place - All-Around-1973 AAU Championships
- 1st Place - All-Around, Uneven Bars & Floor Exercise-1974 AAU Championships
- 1974 Gymnast of the Year
- 11-year member of USA Gymnastics Board of Directors
- US Gymnastics Hall of Fame (1994)

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Lurline Jones – Lifetime Commitment

- Philadelphia native, William Penn HS
- Civil rights protester and activist while a student at Baltimore's Morgan College (now Morgan State)
- Member of) Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee (SNCC) at Morgan
- Educator, coach, and mentor with the School District of Philadelphia for 52 years
- Led 1979 Title IX-based lawsuit to allow girls' High School City Title games in Philadelphia
- Winningest female coach in Philly High School history
- More than 300 of her students went to college on full or partial athletic scholarship
- Cofounded Developmental Basketball League,
- 2017 Philadelphia Black Basketball Hall of Fame
- 2019 People Magazine Heroes Among Us feature
- 2024 Voices Empowering Generational Change Award

Paul Westhead (Basketball) -Local

- Area native; Lower Merion HS
- Philadelphia native; West Catholic HS
- Over 40 years as basketball coach at high school, collegiate & professional levels with 575 career wins
- Led Cheltenham HS to 1968 PIAA state final
- Head Coach at La Salle College (1970-79; 142W-105L)
- LA Lakers Head Coach (1979-81; 111W-50L)
- Coached 1980 NBA Champions
- Head coach of Chicago Bulls (1 yr) & Denver Nuggets (2 yrs)
- Head Coach Loyola-Marymount (1985-90; 105W-48L)
- Head Coach George Mason (1993-97; 38W-70L)
- Head Coach WNBA Phoenix Mercury (2006-2007; 41W-27L)
- 2007 WNBA Champions
- Head Coach (Women's) Oregon (2009-2014; 66W-92L)
- Coached 3 Consensus All-Americans (Ken Durrett, Bo Kimble, Hank Gathers)
- Loyola-Marymount Hall of Fame (2000)

Rod Brind'Amour (Hockey) -Flyers

- 11 seasons as Right Wing with the Flyers (621 games)
- 1990-Led Flyers in Points, Goals & Assists
- Flyers Top 5 in Points, Goals & Assists – 1988-91
- 3 straight NHL All-Star Games with the Flyers-1989-91
- 5th on Flyers All-Time list for Hat Tricks
- Delaware County Athletes Hall of Fame (2023)
- 1988 Class Guy Award (Professional Hockey Writers Assn.)
- 1990 Flyers team MVP
- 1992 Flyers Bobby Clarke Trophy winner
- British Columbia Hockey Hall of Fame (2012)
- Flyers Hall of Fame (2020)

Ryan Howard (Baseball) – Phillies

- 13 seasons at 1st base for the Phillies (1572 games)
- 2005 Rookie of the Year
- 2006 National League MVP
- 2008 World Series Champion
- 2-time MLB Home Runs leader (2006, '08)
- 4 seasons with 40+ Home Runs (2006-09)
- 3-time MLB leader in RBI (2006, '08-'09)
- Six seasons with 100+ RBI (2006-11)
- 2006 Led MLB in total bases
- 4-time NL Player of the Month
- Rank on Phillies all-time list:
 - ◇ 2nd: HR; Intentional Walks
 - ◇ 3rd: RBI; Sacrifice Flys
 - ◇ 4th: Extra Base Hits
 - ◇ 5th: in Total Bases
 - ◇ 7th: Walks; Slugging %
 - ◇ 10th: Doubles
- Phillies All-Time Single Season Home Run Record (58)
- Postseason - .259/8HR/33RBI in 46 games with the Phillies, including 5 HR in 2009 World Series

Stan Walters (Football) - Eagles

- 8 seasons at Tackle for Eagles (1975-83)
- Anchored offensive line for Eagles teams that went to 4 straight postseason appearances including Super Bowl XV
- Started 125 out of 127 games with the Eagles including 122 straight (1975-82)
- 2-time Pro Bowler (1978-79)
- 3-Time All-Pro (1977-79)
- Color analyst on Eagles radio broadcasts (1984-97)
- Philadelphia Ring of Honor (1991)