

2022 Inductees

Adele Boyd (Field Hockey) – Local

- Area native; Cheltenham High School
- Ursinus College Field Hockey / Basketball / Tennis (1953)
- Member of USA National Field Hockey Team (1953-67)
- 2-time member of the USA IFWHA World Conference Tournament Team
 - ◊ Towson, MD (1963) - Team Captain
 - ◊ Leverkusen (1967) - Team Captain
- Head Coach Ursinus College Field Hockey (1972-89)
- Career at Ursinus College: 187-86-24 with a .670 winning %
- Led the Lady Bears to 3 consecutive AIAW Field Hockey Championship Finals (1975-77)
- Coached Lady Bears to the ECAC Conference title (1983)
- Cheltenham High School Hall of Fame (1996)
- Ursinus College Hall of Fame for Athletics (1974)
- National Field Hockey Coaches Association Hall of Fame (2005)
- Inaugural Class of the USA Field Hockey Hall of Fame (1988)

Art McNally (Football) – Local

- Philadelphia native (Roman Catholic High School-1943)
- World War II veteran with US Marine Corps
- Teacher & Coach at Central High School for 18 years
- Officiated more than 3,000 football, baseball & basketball games prior to joining the NFL
- NFL official for nine years (Field Judge, 1959; Referee 1960-67)
- NFL Supervisor of Officials (1968-87)
- Oversaw the first instant replay system in the NFL (1986)
- NFL Director of Officiating (1988-90)
- World League of American Football Head of Officiating (1991–1995)
- 1st recipient of Gold Whistle Award by National Assn. of Sports Officials - 1988
- *Art McNally Award* is given annually to honor an NFL game official for exemplary professionalism, leadership and commitment to sportsmanship on and off the field.
- 2004 Reds Bagnell Award from Maxwell Football Club
- Pennsylvania Sports Hall of Fame - 1987
- Pro Football Hall of Fame - 2022

Charles T. Cooper (Basketball) – Local

- Area native (Central High School)
- At 6'4" the most dominant center of the pre-NBA era
- Turned pro at 18 yrs old, playing for Philadelphia Panthers & Saints (1924-'29)
- Joined the legendary New York Renaissance in 1929-41
- During 11 seasons, led the Rens (an all-black team) to a record of 1303-203
- Was known for his tremendous ability to rebound & initiate the Rens fast break
- In 1932 led the Rens to 88 straight wins
- Led Rens to the 1939 the World Professional title over Harlem Globetrotters; Named tournament the MVP
- Ended his career with the Washington Bears (1943-44), leading them to a World Pro title in 1943
- Inducted into Naismith Basketball Hall of Fame –1

David Akers (Football) – Eagles

- 12 Seasons as Kicker with the Eagles (1999-2010)
- First Team All Pro (2001)
- 5-time Pro Bowler (2001-02, 2004, 2009-10)
- 2010 NFL scoring leader (143 points)
- Led Eagles in scoring 11 straight years (2000-2010)
- Eagles all-time leader in Field Goals (294) & PATs (441)
- Eagles all-time leading scorer (1,323 points)
- NFL 2000s All-Decade Team
- Eagles 75th Anniversary team
- Eagles Hall of Fame (2017)

Ed Bolden (Negro League Baseball) – Local

- Area native from Concordville
- Began baseball career as volunteer scorekeeper for Darby's amateur team
- Icon & leader in Negro League baseball for nearly 40 years as a creative marketer, skilled businessman & shrewd baseball scout
- Known as an unusually upstanding owner with little tolerance for rowdiness by players or fans
- In 1911 took over leadership of Darby Hilldale Club, converting it to an independent professional team in 1917
- Built the Hilldales into a powerhouse signing future Hall of Famers Biz Mackey, Judy Johnson, and Louis Santop
- Hilldales won the first three league titles, 1923-25
- Hilldales played in the first two Negro League World Series
 - ◊ 1924-Lost to KC Monarchs 5 games to 4
 - ◊ 1925-Won over KC Monarchs 5 games to 1
- Left the Hilldales in 1929
- Founded Philadelphia Stars in 1933 w/ co-owner Eddie Gottlieb
- Built Stars into a top team luring future Hall of Famers Mackey, Oscar Charleston & Satchell Paige
- Stars won 1934 Negro National League Championship over the Chicago American Giants 4 games to 3
- Led the Stars until his death in 1950

Fredia Gibbs (Multiple Sports) - Local

- Area native (Chester High Scholl 1981)
- 1981 All-American in Basketball at Chester HS
- 1981 All-American in Track & Field at Chester HS
- 1987 All-American in basketball at Cabrini College
- Cabrini career leader in Points (2,395) & Assists (680)
- 3-time World Tae Kwon Do Champion (1986-88)
- ISKA World Kickboxing Champion (1994-2001)
- WKA World Kickboxing Champion (1995-99)
- WCK World Kickboxing Champion (1996-2000)
- Kickboxing career record of 16-0-1 (15 KOs)
- 2-time Inductee Chester High School Hall of Fame – 2015 (Basketball) & 2016 (Track & Field)
- Delaware County Sports Hall of Fame - 2016
- Cabrini Athletics Hall of Fame – 2019
- Pennsylvania Sports Hall of Fame - 2019

2020 Nominees

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Howard Eskin – Legacy of Excellence – Local

- Area native -Northeast HS
- Launched 610 WIP's initial sports talk show in 1986
- TV sportscaster with stints at CBS-3 (KYW) and Fox29
- Hosted 1st show on the air when WIP moved to 94.1FM in 2011
- Hosted a nationally-syndicated radio show, Let's Talk Sports
- Current host of 94WIP's Saturday morning program
- Sideline reporter during Eagles radio broadcasts
- National contributions include The Dan Patrick Show, NFL Network, George Michael's Sports Machine, NBC's Today Show and PBS's MacNeil Lehrer Newshour
- 2-Time Emmy Award winner as sportscaster
- Charitable work includes CHOP, Cystic Fibrosis, National MS Society
- March of Dimes Lifetime Achievement Award for Achievement in Radio-2010
- Unofficial national "recordholder" with
- Northeast High School Wall of Fame
- Pennsylvania Sports Hall of Fame.
- Broadcast Pioneers' Hall of Fame
- Philadelphia Jewish Sports Hall of Fame-2014

Jimmy Rollin (Baseball) – Phillies

- 15 seasons at Shortstop with Phillies
- Led NL in Stolen Bases with 46 (2001)
- Led NL 4-times in Triples (2001-02, 2004, 2007)
- 4-time Gold Glove winner (2007-2009, 2012)
- Led NL in Runs with 139 (2007)
- Led NL 4-times Fielding %-SS (2008-09, 2012, 2014)
- 3-time All Star (2001, 2002, 2005)
- 2007 Silver Slugger Award
- 2007 NL MVP
- 2014 Roberto Clemente Award 2014
- Current ranks on Phillies all-time lists
- 1st: - Hits (2,306), At Bats (8,628) & Doubles (479)
- 2nd - Games Played (2,090) & Stolen bases (453)
- 3rd - Runs scored (1,325) & Triples (111)
- 38-game hitting streak spanned the end of the 2005 season & 1st two games of the 2006 season (longest in Phillies history)
- One of the 4 players in MLB history with 2000 Hits, 350 Steals & 150 Home Runs with one team

Keith Allen (Hockey) - Flyers

- Joined the Flyers in 1966 in planning/strategic role prior to team entering the league
- 1st Head Coach of Philadelphia Flyers
- Flyers Head Coach - 1967-1969 (2 playoff appearances)
- Flyers General Manager - 1969-83
- Hired the legendary coach Fred Shero
- Known as "Keith the Thief,Built roster of 2-Time Stanley Cup Champion Flyers 1973-75 including Bobby Clarke, Bernie Parent, Bill Barber, Rick MacLeish, Andre DuPont, Barry Ashbee & Jimmy Watson
- 1988 Lester Patrick Trophy for outstanding service to hockey in the United States
- 1979-80 Hockey News' NHL Executive of the Year
- Flyers Hall of Fame - 1989
- Hockey Hall of Fame - 1992

Nikki Franke (Fencing) - Local

- Member of 1976 & 1980 US Olympic Teams.
- 2-time U.S. Fencing Association National Champion (1975; 1980)
- 3-time Pan American Games medalist 1975 (2); 1979
- Head coach of Temple University women's fencing team for 46 years; Only coach in program's history)
- Led Owls to 46 NIFWA appearances with 26 Championships including 22 straight titles
- Lifetime coaching record of 863-259-1
- 4-time USFCA Coach of the Year (1983, 1987, 1988, & 1991)
- Coached Temple to 1992 NCAA Foil Team Championship
- Co-founder of Black Women in Sport Foundation.
- Temple Athletics Hall of Fame-1995
- United States Fencing Association Hall of Fame-1998
- International Sports Hall of Fame (Women's Sports Foundation)-2002

Phil Martelli (Basketball) -Local

- Area native - Saint Joseph's Prep (1972)
- Played point guard at Widener University 1972-76
- Graduated as Widener's all-time leader in assists (currently #3)
- After being an assistant at St. Joe's for 10 years named head coach on July 20, 1995
- 24 seasons as head coach (444-328)
- Led St. Joseph's t7 NCAA tournaments and 6 NIT tournaments
- 4-Time Atlantic10 Coach of the Year (1997, 2001, 2004-05)
- 3-Time A10 Tournament Champions (1997, 2014, 2016) & 4-Time A10 regular season Champions (1997, 2001, 2004, 2005)
- 2003-04 Hawks went 27-0 in the regular season & reached the Elite Eight in the NCAA Tournament
- Named 2004 Coach of the year by Naismith, AP, Chevrolet & NABS
- 2004: Rupp Cup, Henry Iba Award & Jim Phelan Award Winner
- Currently associate head coach for the Michigan Wolverines

Ray Kelly – Legacy of Excellence – Local

- Area native
- Became a copy boy with The Bulletin at age 16 in 1929
- Served in US Army during World War II
- Sportswriter for more than 50 years at The Bulletin
- Covered the Athletics from 1948 to 1955
- Covered the Phillies from 1956 until his 1979 retirement
- Past National President of Baseball Writers Assn of America
- Past President Philadelphia chapter of Baseball Writers Assn of America
- Philadelphia & National Chapters
- National Baseball Hall of Fame J. G. Spink Award-1989

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(Francis) “Reds” Bagnall (Football) – Local

- Philadelphia Native (Germantown Academy-1947)
- Played tailback for Penn from 1948 to 1950; considered best in nation at that position in senior season
- In 1950 rushed for more than 1,700 yards and threw 88 passes without an interception
- 1950 Maxwell Award winner & *Football Digest* Player of the Year
- Finished 3rd in 1950 Heisman voting
- Excelled at baseball and basketball; One of only a handful of Penn athletes to earn 9 varsity letters
- Passed on playing in the NFL to enlist in the navy, serving 4 years as a Naval Officer
- *Reds Bagnell* Award presented annually to individual for their contributions to game of American football By Maxwell Football Club
- Served as president of the Maxwell Club (starting in 1976) and National Football Foundation (1990)
- Pennsylvania Sports Hall of Fame – 1970
- National Football Foundation Hall of Fame - 1977
- College Football Hall of Fame - 1977
- Germantown Academy Hall of Fame – 1996
- University of Pennsylvania Hall of Fame – 1996 (Inaugural Year)

Rollie Massimino (Basketball) -Villanova

- Assistant coach under Chuck Daly at the University of Pennsylvania
- Named head coach at Villanova University in 1973
- 19 years as Wildcats Head Coach (355-241)
- 5-Time Big East Regular Season Champions
- 11 NCAA tournament appearances including 5 Sweet Sixteens
- 1985 NCAA Champions
- Big East Coach of the Year (1982)
- 2-time Atlantic 10 Coach of the Year (1977, 1979)
- NABC (National Association of Basketball Coaches) Golden Anniversary Award - 2012
- Villanova Athletics Hall of Fame - 1996
- Big 5 Hall of Fame - 2010

Susan Francia (Rowing) – Local

- Abington Senior High School; University of Pennsylvania
- 3-years on Penn’s Rowing Team; 2004 All-American
- 3-Time winner - Women’s Championship Eight at Head of the Charles (2005, ‘06, ‘07, ‘09, ‘12)
- Gold Medal in Women’s Eights (world record of 5:55.50) - FISA World Rowing Championships (2006)
- Won Double Sculls - National Selection Regatta (2006)
- 2-Time Remenham Challenge Cup (Women’s Eights) at the Henley Royal Regatta (2006, 2011).
- US Rowing National Championship- Women’s Eight (2007)
- 10 years on US Rowing Team, highlighted by 5 World Championship golds
- Gold Medal in Pairs at 2009 World Championships-2009
- 2009 World Rowing’s Female Crew of the Year Award (with Erin Cafaro)
- 2-time winner-Pairs-National Selection Regatta (2010, ‘11)
- 2-time Olympic Gold Medalist – Women’s Eights (2008-Beijing; 2012-London)

1983 NBA Champion Philadelphia 76ers

- Won Atlantic Division by 9 games over Boston w/ record of 65-17
- Swept NY Knicks 4-0 in Eastern Conference Semifinals
- Beat Milwaukee Bucks 4 games to 1 in Eastern Conference Finals
- Swept LA Lakers in NBA Finals 4-0
- Featured 6 Philadelphia Sports Hall of Fame Inductees: Julius Erving, Moses Malone, Andrew Toney, Maurice Cheeks, Bobby Jones & Coach Billy Cunningham.
- Malone led the league in Total, Offensive & Defensive Rebounds; Free Throws & Free Throws made
- Malone was NBA MVP
- Malone & Erving were All-NBA 1st team
- NBA All-Star gGme: Erving, Malone, Toney & Cheeks; MVP- Erving; Coach-Cunningham
- Jones & Cheeks were NBA All-Defensive Team.
- Cunningham, Erving, Malone, Jones & Cheeks are also in the Basketball Hall of Fame

The Blue Horizon - Venue Enshrinement

- Building constructed in 1865
- First boxing event – March 1, 1938
- Bought by Jimmy Toppi - 1960
- Philadelphia Sports Hall of Fame Inductees Harold Johnson, Matthew Saad Muhammad, Tim Witherspoon, and Jeff Chandler all fought there.
- Boxing Hall of Famer, and Philadelphia legend Bernard Hopkins had 7 winning bouts with 5 five by TKO
- Philly Sports Hall of Fame promoters Herman Taylor and J Russell Peltz organized legendary cards there
- **The Ring** magazine: Voted it the number-one boxing venue in the world
- **Sports Illustrated:** “The last great boxing venue in the country”