

# Central PA Chapter honors

48 High School Student/Athletes  
9 Collegiate Student/Athletes



## NATIONAL FOOTBALL FOUNDATION

CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA CHAPTER

**Honoring Central Pennsylvania  
Scholar Athletes**

*18th Annual Banquet  
March 22, 2015*

**Jeff Hartings  
Featured Speaker**



BUILDING LEADERS THROUGH FOOTBALL



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## Message from our President

### *The Mission*

*"to promote and develop the power of amateur football in developing the qualities of leadership, sportsmanship, competitive zeal and the drive for academic excellence in America's young people."*

The Membership and Board of Directors, of the National Football Foundation and College Hall of Fame, Central Pennsylvania Chapter, welcome you to the 17th Annual Scholar-Athletes' Awards Banquet. The honorees represent schools in Bedford, Blair, Cambria, Cameron, Centre, Clarion, Clearfield, Clinton, Columbia, Elk, Huntingdon, Indiana, Jefferson, Juniata, Lycoming, Mifflin, Montour, Northumberland, Snyder and Union Counties. The Chapter also honors collegiate athletes from area colleges and universities, including Bloomsburg U of PA, Bucknell University, Clarion U of PA, Indiana U of PA, Juniata College, Lock Haven U of PA, Lycoming College, Pennsylvania State University, St. Francis University and Susquehanna University. In addition, we recognize individuals, with Lifetime Achievement Awards, who have demonstrated exemplary service to athletes at the high school and collegiate levels.

Because of the Donors' generosity, we have awarded 175 -- \$1000.00 scholarships-- to 562 eligible scholar-athletes, totaling over \$175,000.00. Other coveted awards include the Joe Sarra and Fran Fisher Awards, for excellence in community service and sports journalism, respectively. Over the years, special recognition has also honored high school and college coaches, game officials, the Pennsylvania Interscholastic Athletic Association (PIAA), Athletics' Trainers, and Game Officials.

Relax, eat a delicious meal, and enjoy the program. The Banquet Committee offers participants' opportunities to "break bread," listen to a prominent speaker, and network with new and old friends. Your conversations with the guests of honor will encourage them to continue experiencing a sense of accomplishment.

On behalf of the exciting young people, and those who influence them about the game-of-life, thank you for honoring outstanding high school and college and university football players, and distinguished advocates. The help of donors, patrons, parents, athletic directors, coaches, the media, fans and former players makes the Mission possible.

Ron Pavlechko,  
*President*  
*Central Pennsylvania Chapter,*  
*National Football Foundation & College Hall of Fame*





## Central PA Chapter Board of Directors



**Front: (L-R): Bob Forbes, Jon Conklin, Ron Pavlechko, Bill Nichol, Rob Oshinskie, Jim Schnell**  
**Back: Jim Zauzig, Dave Lintal, John Stroh, Tom Elling**  
*Missing: Tom Broeren, John Kulka, Brian McMahon, Terry Powers, Wally Richardson, Brad Scovill, Jim Williams*





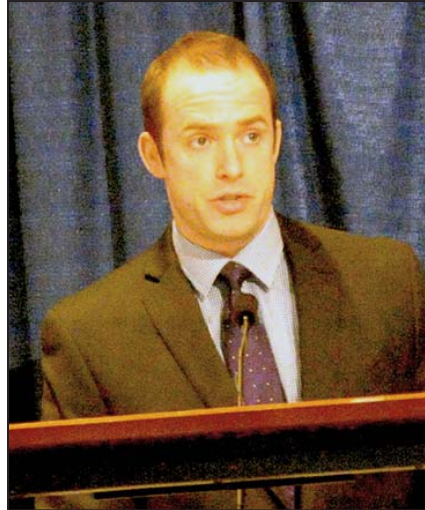
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## *SPEAKERS / PRESENTERS*



**John Stroh**



**KC Kantz**



**Ron Pavlechko**



**Rob Oshinskie**



**Rev. Dean Lindsey**



**Wally Richardson**





## *SPECIAL RECOGNITION*



Ed Conklin, Jr.; Dr. George Salvatera; John Hayes; Ron Bracken; Jeff Hartings

**Lifetime Service  
Coaching**



**John Hayes**

**Fran Fisher  
Media Award**



**Ron Bracken**

**Lifetime Service  
Training**



**Dr. George Salvatera**

**Lifetime Service  
Officiating**



**\*Ed Conklin**



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## Student/Athletes Families



**Altoona - James Metzgar**  
Seated L-R): Grace Murray, Dawn Metzgar, James Metzgar, Jim Metzgar  
Standing: Lowell Murray, Jr.; Lowell Murray, Sr.; Kim Gurekovich, Karl Gurekovich



**Bald Eagle Area - Jarrett Shreffler**  
Seated L-R): Shawn Shreffler, William Shreffler, Jarrett Shreffler, Roxanne Shreffler  
Standing: Zach Sayers, Dillon Shreffler, Ron Hoover, Earnest Greene



**Bedford - Jeremiah Bingham**  
Seated L-R): Bridget Bingham, Jeremiah Bingham  
Standing: Kevin Steele, Michael Bingham



**Bellefonte - Zachary Stephens**  
Seated L-R): Mandy Stephens, Zach Stephens, Dianne McCarter  
Standing: Scott Stephens, Michael McCarter



**Bellwood-Antis - Matthew McMillan**  
Seated: Cheryl McMillan, Madi Steinbauer, Matthew McMillan, Randy McMillan  
Standing: Scott Boyer, Richard Schreier, John Hayes, William Crowell, Rick Kensingler, Nick Lovrich



**Bishop Carroll - Dan Dunchack**  
Seated L-R): Alexa Dunchack, Dan Dunchack, Fran Dunchack  
Standing: Joe Ridgely, Ryan Dunchack

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**Bishop Guilfoyle - Sam McCloskey**  
Seated L-R): Katie McCloskey, Sam McCloskey, Wendy McCloskey  
Standing: Pat Partner, Tom Partner, Sam McCloskey



**Brookville - Sam Clowes**  
Seated L-R): Barbara Donahue, Hali Olson, Samuel Clowes, Arlene Clowes, Christine Clowes  
Standing: Chris Clowes, Jim Rush, Chris Dworek



**Bucktail - Aaron Ransdorf**  
Seated L-R): Judy McCool, Tracy Long, Aaron Ransdorf, William Ransdorf  
Standing: Brian Long, Charlie Barnum, Melissa Barnum



**Cambria Heights - Clayton Schinkle**  
Seated L-R): Ron Schinkle, Claxton Schinkle, Patty Schinkle  
Standing: Austin Schinkle, Ralph Thomas, Theresa Thomas



**Cameron County - Brandon Saline**  
Seated L-R): Rochele Saline, Brandon Saline, Kevin Saline



**Central - Christopher Carder**  
Seated L-R): Marin Shriver, Chris Carder  
Standing: Kerri Carder, Fred Carder



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Central Mountain - Ethan McGill  
Seated L-R): Sally McGill, Ethan McGill, Tim McGill  
Standing: Morgan Bittner, Don Leitzell, Heidi Leitzell



Chestnut Ridge - Shane Davis  
Seated L-R): Maygan Rice, Shane Davis, Janice Davis  
Standing: Max Shoemaker, Kevin Davis



Clarion - P. Jacob Troutman  
Seated L-R): Greg Troutman, Jacob Troutman, LuNeda Troutman



Clearfield - Erik Sellers  
Seated L-R): Belle Sellers, Mike Sellers, Erik Sellers, Roni Sellers  
Standing: Rick Redden, Dave Domico, Tim Janocko, Gary Sellers



Curwensville - Jacob Stiles  
Seated L-R): Jenae Stiles, Jacob Stiles, Ronda Stiles  
Standing: Jenessa Stiles, Todd Stiles,



Danville - Gabriel Shope  
Seated L-R): Dave Shope, Gabe Shope, Denise Shope  
Standing: Rachel Billig, Brian Raup



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**DuBois - Gabe French**

Seated L-R): Lizzy French, Shelly French, Gabe French, Linda Soult, Launce Soult  
Standing: Chuck Pasternak, Silvio Benasutti, Frank Varischetti, Shay French, Denny French



**Forest Hills - Joseph Donoughe**

Seated L-R): Robert Petrunak, Joseph Donoughe, Kaitlyn Kline  
Standing: Dave Donoughe



**Greater Johnstown - Nate Litvin**

Seated L-R): Amy Litvin, Nathan Litvin, Joe Litvin



**Hollidaysburg - Colton Ruggery**

Seated L-R): Barb Ruggery, Tony Ruggery, Colton Ruggery, Krista Ruggery  
Standing: James Ruggery, Brandon Fellingner, Mike Fellingner, Payton Ruggery, Sophia Lemtouni



**Homer Center - Stephen McLoughlin**

Seated L-R): Abby Vancy, Stephen McLoughlin, Maggie McLoughlin  
Standing: Susan McLoughlin, Jim McLoughlin



**Huntingdon - Zachary Dail**

Seated L-R): Missy Dail, Zack Dail, Mike Dail  
Standing: Mike Hudy



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**Jersey Shore - Dominic Loffredo**  
Seated L-R): Nicole Loffredo, Dominic Loffredo, Isabella Bubb  
Standing: Rebecca Loffredo, Brian Loffredo, Tom Gravish



**Juniata - Edward Hampton**  
Seated L-R): Ed Hampton, Ed Hampton, April Hampton  
Standing: Levi Hampton, Kira Hampton



**Juniata Valley - Allen Long**  
Seated L-R): Nikke Long, Rivan Long, Allen Long, David Long  
Standing: Lori Booher, Grant Musser, William Musser, Wes Lyons



**Lewisburg - Logan Aikey**  
Seated L-R): Howie Aikey, Tammy Aikey, Logan Aikey, Emily Aukerman  
Standing: Dawson Aikey, Michael Ferriero, Georgina Ferriero, Andrew Wagner, Shawn Crebs, Evan Aikey



**Loyalsock - Kyle Datres**  
Seated L-R): Lynn Datres, Cindy Datres, Kyle Datres, Allie Pagana, Kelli Datres  
Standing: Denny Stopper, Kerri Datres, Kory Datres, Justin VanFleet, Kris Datres



**Mifflin County - Jared Michaels**  
Seated L-R): Kezia Loht, Cathy Michaels, Jared Michaels, Joan Trackim  
Standing: Jeff Michaels, George Miskinis, Aaron Michaels, Tom Michaels

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Mifflinburg - Jordan Wagner

Seated L-R): Jason Dressler, Sue Wagner, Jordan Wagner, Jeff Wagner  
Standing: Danielle Dressler, Cade Dressler, Tom Parfitt, Dave Wagner, Barb Wagner



Montoursville - Curtis Miller

Seated L-R): Deanna Miller, Curtis Miller, Samantha Miller, Kylie Savidge  
Standing: JC Keefer, Scott Boyer, Alan Miller, Kim Boyer



Moshannon Valley - Ryan Thomas

Seated L-R): Devin Thomas, Beth Thomas, Ryan Thomas, Kyle O'Donnell  
Standing: Matt Irvine, Zach Zapsky, Jim Keith, Brett Kephart, Michael Keith, Kerry O'Donnell



Mount Union - Kole House

Seated L-R): Vera Jenkins, Sandra House, Kole House, Mark House  
Standing: Kelsey Rhodes, Cynthia Jenkins, Kirsty House, Bo Border, Matt Young



Northern Bedford - Aaron Batzel

Seated L-R): LaRhonda Batzel, Aaron Batzel, Jeff Batzel



Penn Cambria - Michael Eckenrode

Seated L-R): Dawn Eckenrode, Michael Eckenrode, Faber Eckenrode  
Standing: Bridget Grassi, Jason Grassi, Jared Grassi, Madison Krug



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**Penns Valley - Lucas Bitsko**

Seated L-R): Pat Stahley, Tammy Bitsko, Luke Bitsko, Chris Bitsko  
Standing: Kelly Meixsell, Nelson Stahley, Martin Tobias, Laura Tobias



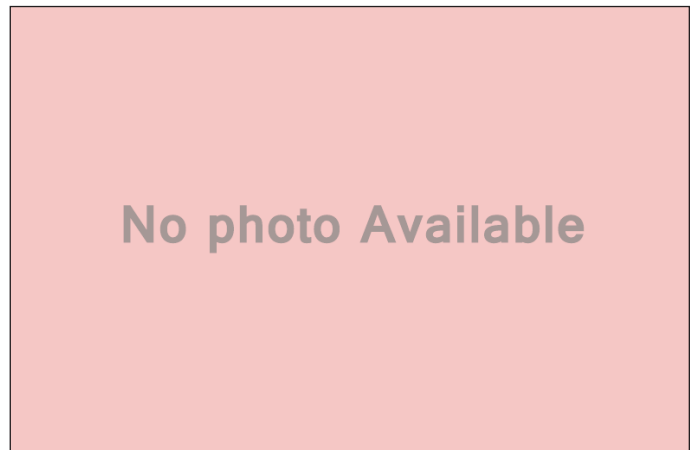
**Purchase Line - Royce Bish**

Seated L-R): Brecken Overdorff, Royce Bish  
Standing: Brandon Overdorff, Roy Bish



**Richland - Dominic Farina**

Seated L-R): Nick Farina, Dominic Farina, Sherry Farina



**Ridgway - Ben MacDonald**



**Selinsgrove - Zach Adams**

Seated L-R): Mike Adams, Zach Adams, Karen Adams  
Standing: Ryan Keiser



**Southern Columbia - Trent Donlan**

Seated L-R): Margie Donlan, Lisa Donlan, Trent Donlan, Tom Donlan  
Standing: Troy Donlan, Lindsey Donlan, Jim Roth

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State College - John Weakland

Seated L-R): Pam Johns, Samantha Weakland, John Weakland, MaryAnn Weakland  
Standing: Matt Lintal, Maria Wittman, Josh Weakland, Mark Weakland, Chris Weakland, Ron Weakland



Tussey Mountain - Curtis Wentz

Seated L-R): Diana Wentz, Curtis Wentz, Dale Wentz



Tyrone - Jacob Makdad

Seated L-R): Marie Makdad, Jake Makdad  
Standing: Jack Makdad, Jason Wilson



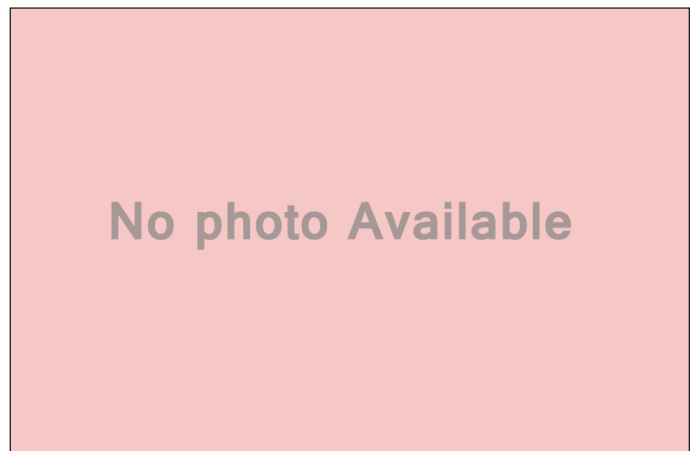
West Branch - Kristopher Smeal

Seated L-R): Terry Smeal, Jr; Kathy Smeal, Kris Smeal, Tim Smeal, Scott Smeal  
Standing: Terry Smeal, Alvin Hubler, Becky Hubler, Aspen Galley, Kayleigh Smeal



Williamsburg - Tyler Shaw

Seated L-R): Emily Shaw, Tyler Shaw, Rebecca Shaw, Lisa Shaw  
Standing: Stanley Grove, Jim Shaw, Steve Shaw, Mitch Year, Robert Hearn



Williamsport - Jed Chestnut



## Collegiate Student/Athletes Families



Bloomsburg University - Tim Kelly  
Seated L-R): Rose Carter, Timothy Kelly, Tammy Kelly  
Standing: Paul Darragh, Thomas Kelly



Bucknell University - Derek Maurer  
Seated L-R): Derek Maurer, Missy Maurer  
Standing: John Maurer



Juniata College - Ethan Witt  
Seated L-R): Julia Witt, Ethan Witt, Ashley Brue  
Standing: Eric Witt



St. Francis - Franklyn Williamson  
Seated L-R): Nicole Williamson, Franklyn Williamson, Marcia Williamson, Sabian Williamson  
Standing: Franklyn Williamson, Sr., Kegan Williamson



Lycoming College - Kyle Sullivan  
Seated L-R): Patrick Sullivan, Kyle Sullivan



Susquehanna University - Pat Murtha  
Seated L-R): Donna Murtha, Patrick Murtha, Denis Murtha  
Standing: Alex Murtha, Griffith Murtha



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Penn State - Ryan Keiser  
L-R: Ben Keiser, McKenzi Keiser, Ryan Kesier, Cathy Keiser





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## 2014-2015 Scholarship Winners



### Joe Sarra Award



Sam McCloskey







## 2014-2015 Scholarship Winners



**SHANER GROUP**  
GABE FRENCH - DUBOIS



**SHANER GROUP**  
GABRIEL SHOPE - DANVILLE



**WOODLANDS BANK**  
CURTIS WENTZ - TUSSEY MOUNTAIN



**ROBERT MITINGER MEMORIAL**  
JACOB STILES - CENTRAL

*Awards presented by Central PA Chapter President  
Ron Pavlechko*

*Photos by  
Roger Elling, Tom Elling, Rob Irwin, Bill Nichol, Craig Myers*



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## 2014-2015 Scholarship Winners



**\*JACK BAILEY / GAWEN STOKER**  
COLTON RUGGERY - HOLLIDAYSBURG



**KISH BANK**  
TYLER SHAW - WILLIAMSBURG



**FULTON BANK**  
TRENT DONLAN - S. COLUMBIA



**JT WHITE FAMILY**  
LOGAN AIKEY - LEWISBURG



*\*Award sponsored by the Central PA Football coaches' Assoc/*



### 2014-2015 Scholarship Winners



**M & T BANK**  
JORDAN WAGNER - MIFFLINBURG



**GARDNER'S CANDIES**  
JACOB MAKDAD - TYRONE



**DELGROSSO**  
STEPHEN MCLOUGHLIN - HOMER-CENTER



**NITTANY MEDIA IN MEMORY OF HENRY HAIN**  
JOHN WEAKLAND - STATE COLLEGE





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**DRAYER PHYSICAL THERAPY**  
MATTHEW MCMILLAN - BELLWOOD-ANTIS



Clearfield Coach Tim Janocko shows his pride in Erik Sellers.



## Candid

**Silent Auction Winner Bill Mosser**  
with Board Member Jim Zauzig



**Silent Auction 2015**





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### CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA CHAPTER

### Membership Application

I am a:  New Member       Renewing Member      Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

### Membership Level

#### **VARSITY CLUB**

**\$40**     One-Year

#### **ALL-CONFERENCE CLUB**

**\$99**     Three-Year

#### **HALL OF FAME CLUB**

**\$1,000**     Lifetime Membership

#### **PAYMENT**

Enclosed is my check for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ made payable to The National Football Foundation.

#### **BENEFITS WAIVER (for Hall of Fame Club members only)**

I prefer to waive all benefits offered at my gift level, rendering my entire contribution tax deductible.

**Please Mail to:**    *Membership Department  
Robert I. Forbes  
3301 Shellers Bend 904  
State College, PA 16801  
1-814-231-1284*

April 12, 2015

Mr. Ron Pavlechko, President  
Central PA Chapter, NFF/CHF  
312 Mary Elizabeth Street  
Boalsburg, PA 16827

Mr. Pavlechko,

I would like to thank you and all the members of the Central PA Chapter of the National Football Foundation and College Hall of Fame for recognizing my accomplishments as a scholar-athlete, and for the opportunity to participate in the NFF/CHF Banquet on March 22<sup>nd</sup>. The banquet was outstanding. It was very well organized, the food and venue were great and the speakers were very enjoyable. I am very proud and thankful to have been chosen to participate.

I would also like to thank you and all the members of NFF/CHF for selecting me as this year's recipient of the Jack Bailey and J. Gawen Stoker Memorial Scholarship. I have decided to attend Penn State's Schreyer Honors College. I plan to major in Pre-Med and go on to medical school. The scholarship money will help pay for this year's tuition. This particular scholarship also has an added interest, as my Great-grandfather, Bob Forney, was a long-time baseball coach at West Branch. Although he passed away some years ago, I'm sure he and Mr. Bailey worked together over the years, and I know he would be very proud of this scholarship's connection to Coach Bailey and the school where they both worked and coached for so many years.

Thank you again for the honors and congratulations on a successful banquet. It was a great day, a great experience and one my family and I will never forget.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Colton Ruggery".

Colton Ruggery

Hollidaysburg Area Senior High School

April 1, 2015

Mr. Ronald Paviechko, President  
Central Penna Chapter  
NFF/CHF  
312 Mary Elizabeth Street  
Boalsburg, PA 16827

Dear Mr. Paviechko:

I would like to thank you and the Central PA Chapter of the NFF for the scholarship I received in memory of Mr. Robert Mitinger.

I am currently planning on attending one of The Penn State University campuses to explore a major most likely in Chemical Engineering. This scholarship will be put to good use with the expenses in obtaining my degree.

Again, thank you very much for this opportunity.

Sincerely,



Jacob B. Stiles  
Curwensville Area High School

