

Ross Hall of Fame inductee, 2011

Coach Charlie Baker

Charlie is the only coach who did not coach swimming and diving to win a state championship for Ross.

He coached the 1973 Ross team to the Division I state golf championship. The team's members have previously been inducted into the Hall of Fame.

Charlie was the winner of the Martha Holdings-Jennings "Master Teacher" Scholarship award after nomination by his fellow teachers. He also taught for six years at Terra Community College.

Charlie graduated from The Ohio State University. He played one year on the OSU golf team and was a member of the Buckeye Marching Band.

He was a four-term city councilman, vice president of the Fremont Education Association, a church deacon, governor of the Fremont Moose Lodge, and a Civil War reenactment participant.

After coaching Ross to the state title and after he retired from the Ross system, Charlie guided a Fremont St. Joseph Central Catholic golf team to a runner-up finish at the state tournament.

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Jodi Fick Rizzo

Jodi won 10 letters at Ross, four in volleyball, four in softball, and two in basketball.

In volleyball, Jody was second-team All-Great Lakes League and second-team All-District as a sophomore. She was first-team All-GLL and the league's player of the year as a junior and was named second-team All-Ohio. She followed that up with first-team all-GLL and first-team all-district selections to go with another second-team All-Ohio honor as a senior. She set school records for kills in a match, season, and career.

Jodi was honorable mention all-GLL in softball her sophomore and junior seasons. She was honorable mention all-district as a junior. In her senior season, Jodi was first-team all-district and all-GLL. She served as a captain of the team her final year.

She lettered as a sophomore and junior in basketball.

Jodi won a four-year volleyball scholarship to Marshall University, where she lettered all four years. She was named to the all-tournament team at the University of Florida Tournament in 2000. Jodi ranks in the top five at Marshall in digs, single-match attack attempts, and single-match digs.

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Kelly Lytle

Kelly Lytle won seven letters at Ross, four in track and field, two in football, and one in basketball.

In track, Kelly was named the team's most valuable member in his sophomore, junior, and senior seasons. As a freshman, he was a member of the record-setting 4x100-meter relay team, which finished fourth at the state meet.

As a sophomore, he was first in the district 200-meter dash, second in the 100, and the 4x100 team, of which he was a member, was also second. Kelly finished third in the regional 200 meters, qualifying for the state meet.

Kelly was first in the 100 and 200 in the Great Lakes League meet as a junior and was named GLL Performer of the Year. He also won the district championship in both events. He qualified for the state meet in the 100 and 200, finishing seventh in each event. Kelly also set a school record in the 100, 10.5 seconds.

Kelly was seventh in the 100 at the state meet as a senior and finished second in the 200. He was named the co-athlete of the year at Ross and was a Wendy's Heisman High School Award winner.

In basketball, Kelly was a member of the GLL freshmen championship team and won a varsity letter as a sophomore. Injuries ended his junior and senior seasons prematurely.

After playing on the GLL freshman football championship team, Kelly lettered his sophomore and senior seasons. In his senior year, he won a Toledo Blade "Player of the Game" award. Another knee injury forced him to sit out his entire junior season and the final seven games of his senior year.

Kelly was an outstanding student, winning academic All-Ohio honors three times.

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James “Bo” Martin

“Bo” won nine letters at Ross, four in track and field, three in basketball, and two in football. He served as captain of all three sports his senior season.

In football, “Bo” led the Great Lakes League with five pass interceptions his senior season and finished his Ross career with 10 pass thefts. He won the team’s “Iron Man” award for not missing a practice his junior season.

He was named the football team’s most valuable offensive back as a senior and was selected to the Toledo All-Blade Team as a defensive back, also as a senior. He was listed in the 2001 edition of Grid Iron Greats and in 2002, the Who’s Who in High School Sports. He was also selected for the Toledo TV 5 team as a senior.

“Bo” was named to the first team All-GLL while being named the Back of the Year his senior season. He was first-team All-Northwest Ohio and second-team All-Ohio his final year. He had kickoff returns of 99 yards against Massillon Washington and 98 yards against Cleveland St. Ignatius, both in his senior year.

He played in the Ohio High School Coaches Association North-South game, earning Most Valuable Player honors as a wide receiver for the North team. “Bo” also played in the Big 33 Classic, matching the top players from Ohio and Pennsylvania.

In track, he was a part of a long jump team that set a GLL record.

In basketball, “Bo” played on the 2001 team that won the GLL title, the first Ross basketball team title in 47 years. He was named the team’s best defensive player. He helped the team win the championship the next season.

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Jessica Rollins

Jessica won seven letters at Ross, four in softball and three in volleyball.

In her senior year, Jessica led the volleyball team to a 17th ranking in the state. She helped lead the team to three Great Lakes League titles. She had 175 kills out of a team's total of 513 her senior year. Jessica was the team's Most Valuable Player as a senior and was an outstanding offensive player her last two years. She was an All-GLL first-team selection her junior and senior years and was the GLL Player of the Year both years. She was first-team Coaches Division I All-District as a junior and a senior and played in the District All-Star match her final year.

Jessica was also a qualifying player in the State All-Star Match and was a qualifying participant in the 1994 OHSVCA Elite Camp prior to her senior year. She was also on the All-Tournament Summer Slam team prior to her junior and senior seasons.

Jessica helped the softball team win three league championships as the team's top pitcher. She threw two no-hitters and was an error away from pitching a perfect game. The team won sectional and district titles her senior year. She was the team's MVP as a senior.

In her softball career, Jessica posted a 38-4 pitching record with a 1.41 earned run average. She also had a .336 batting average. Jessica was an honorable mention All-GLL as a sophomore, a first-team selection her junior and senior years, and was named the league player of the year both seasons. She was Division I District Six first team as a junior and a senior. In her senior season, she was an honorable-mention All-Ohio selection.

Jessica served as captain of the volleyball and softball teams her junior and senior years.

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Charles Shuff

Football Coach Chuck Shuff had a record of 35-23-2 at Ross in six years as head coach of the Little Giants. Shuff joined a program during a turbulent time, as the previous head coach had been fired.

Shuff's first Ross team struggled with a 1-9 record in 1968. In 1969, Ross finished 2-7-1 but had a huge upset win at Sandusky, 28-27. That game was the dawning of what was to come over the next three seasons for Shuff and the Giants.

1970 showed continued improvement under Shuff's tutelage, as Ross had its first winning season (5-4-1) in quite a few seasons.

1971, 1972, and 1973 were a trio of 9-1 seasons. Such stars as Rob Lytle, Bob Brudzinski, Brad Borden, Tim Smith, and many more led the assault on the opposition.

Coach Shuff left Ross after the 1973 season, having taken a stumbling program and turned it into a winner.