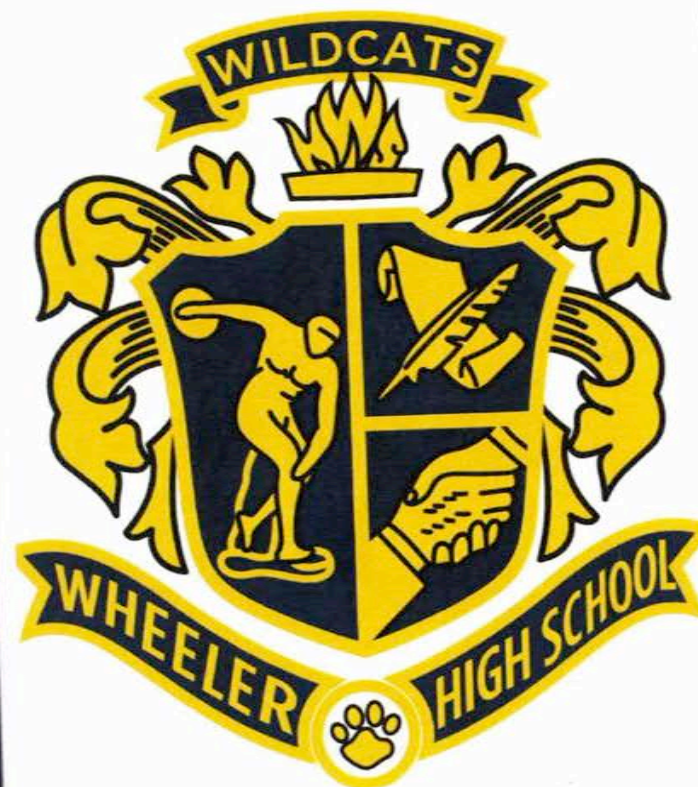


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**Wheeler High School
Athletic Hall of Fame
2018-2019 Induction Ceremony
Wheeler High School Cafeteria
Saturday, January 19, 2019
10:00 a.m.**

2019 Induction Ceremony

Master of Ceremonies.....Mr. Ron Roper

Welcome.....Dr. Peter Giles, Wheeler HS Principal

Invocation.....Mr. Tim McDaniel

Brunch

Recognition of Current Hall of Fame Members
.....Mr. Troy Jones, Wheeler HS Assistant Principal

Introduction of Inductees.....Mr. Troy Jones

2018-2019 Inductees

Mr. Antwuan Dixon

Introduced by Mr. D.A. Layne

Mr. Aries Merritt

Introduced by Coach Chad Walker

Ms. Lynn Murray

Introduced by Coach Shannon Center

Mr. Robert (Bob) Tway

Introduced by Mr. Bill Bergin

1994 State Basketball Championship Team

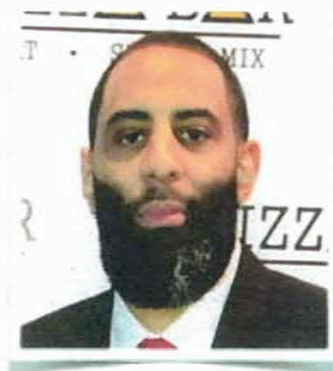
Introduced by Mr. D.A. Layne

Closing.....Mr. Troy Jones

2018 Inductee Accomplishments

Antwuan Dixon 1994 - 1998

Antwuan was a leader throughout his days at Wheeler High School, playing varsity basketball all four years and boasting a 109-13 record. He scored 1,212 points during his high school career, placing him as the second all-time leading scorer at Wheeler High School. He received the Clone Award, given each year to the student whom his peers would most like to emulate.



After graduating from Wheeler High School in 1998, Antwuan went on to sign a scholarship to play basketball at Florida State University. Dixon would spend the next four years of his career playing a major role in the Seminoles' success on and off the court. He played four years at Florida State University, and he is in the record books for the most consecutive games played at FSU and named Warrior of the Year in 2002. He went on to graduate with a communications and sociology degree from Florida State. Soon after graduation Dixon would spend time playing professional basketball in the European Basketball Leagues. Today Antwuan Dixon spends his time operating various business ventures, including event productions, night clubs, and multiple restaurants.



Aries Merritt 1999-2003

Aries ran track throughout his four years at Wheeler. During his senior year his stats were astounding: he was the state champion in the 110m hurdles, setting a school record of 13.76,



that time was 2nd nationally; he also went undefeated in this event during the season; he was the State Runner-up in the 300m hurdles (36.61), another school record and 4th nationally; he ran the 3rd leg on 4x100 relay team that ran 41.14 and ranked 9th nationally; he ran the 2nd leg on 4x400 relay team that ran 3:14.14 and ranked 3rd nationally; he ran 10.78 in the 100m dash, all the while carrying a 3.6 GPA. That year the Wheeler Track Team won the State Championship.

Aries was recruited by Tennessee, South Carolina, Alabama, and Florida, but he committed to Tennessee. His first year at UT he set the freshman record in 110 hurdles with a time of 13.62. He was 4th in the nation at the NCAA Championships. He ran at UT from 2003-2006, and was a 7 time All American. His fastest time was 13.21 which was the second fastest time ever in NCAA history.

He turned pro after college and ran for Reebok and Nike. On September 7, 2012 he broke the World Record in Belgium for the 100 hurdles, running a time of 12.80, and he was the 2012 World Indoor Champion in Istanbul, Turkey, with a time of 7.44 in the 60m hurdles.

At the 2012 London Olympics, Aries was the GOLD MEDAL Champion in the 110 hurdles with a time of 12.92. At the time, he was also the World Record holder of this event with a time of 12.80. In the 2015 World Championships in Beijing, China, Aries won a BRONZE MEDAL.

Aries Merritt (continued)

In 2015 Aries was a recipient of a kidney transplant recipient, which his sister Latoya courageously donated to him. He returned to the sport in 2017, and he went on to make the World Team and became ranked 3rd in the world.

Aries is 33 years old and lives in Arizona. He is close to his mother Linda Hubbard, sister Latoya, and niece Lela. Aries enjoys playing video games as a hobby. He is currently recovering from knee surgery and is sitting out the indoor season to be ready for the outdoor season. He has continued to run professionally for Nike.



Lynn Murray 2001-2004

Lynn attended Wheeler High School as part of the first class through the Wheeler Magnet Program for Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math. During her four years at Wheeler, Lynn was a 4-year letter winner as the goalkeeper for the varsity girls' soccer team, and a team captain her junior and senior years. In addition to being voted Wheeler team MVP three of her four years, Lynn was selected as the Georgia Gatorade Soccer Player of the Year her senior year.



Through the Georgia Soccer Olympic Development Program, Lynn was selected and played at the Adidas Elite Soccer Player

National Camp (2002), U-19 US Women's National Team Camps in 2003 and 2005, and was a SoccerBuzz Top 50 college recruit.

As well as playing at Wheeler, Lynn also played on the United Quest Soccer Club Red '85 with many other Cobb County soccer standouts. The team won the Georgia State Championships five times, the Southeast Regional Championship (2004), and were ranked third nationally.

Lynn went on to play soccer on scholarship at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. She was selected to the Big Ten All Freshman Team in her first year (2004). During her career at Wisconsin, the team made two NCAA tournament appearances (2004, 2005) and won the Big Ten Tournament (2005). Lynn graduated as a four-year varsity letter winner at Wisconsin with a BS in Biomedical Engineering.

After graduating from Wisconsin, Lynn moved to Christchurch, New Zealand to continue studying at the University of Canterbury. In New Zealand, Lynn played soccer for the University of Canterbury women's club (2011 - 2013) and won goalkeeper of the year in 2012. Lynn also played for the local Ilam men's club team and took up indoor soccer for the first time. Lynn also served as the goalkeeping coach for the Canterbury Pride, a regional team in NZ women's national league. She graduated in 2013 with a PhD in biomaterials.

Lynn moved back to the Atlanta area after graduation and now works as an innovation research associate at a small consulting firm in Midtown. Lynn continues to play soccer and engage in the local soccer community by playing in the Georgia Adult Women's Soccer League and cheering on the Atlanta United.

Robert (Bob) Tway 1974-1977



A native of Oklahoma, Bob Tway was introduced to golf at the age of 5 by his father and grandfather. He started participating in tournaments at the age of 7. He started to show real promise when he won the men's club championship at Redding Country Club in Connecticut at age 13.

Tway moved to Marietta in the middle of his freshman year where he attended Wheeler High School from 1974-1977. He was on 2 state championship teams during his time at Wheeler.

While in high school, Tway won numerous junior golf tournaments, putting him very high in national rankings.

After graduation Tway attended Oklahoma State University, where he had a distinguished career as a member of the golf team. He was a 3-time first team All American and member of 2 NCAA national championship teams, and during his senior year he was voted NCAA college player of the year. At this time, he also won many amateur tournaments and participated in the Masters as an amateur in 1981.

Tway turned professional in 1981 and joined the PGA Tour in 1985. Tway won 8 PGA Tour Tournaments and 5 other tournaments around the world, his best year coming in 1986, when he won 4 times including a major championship, the PGA Championship. He was selected PGA player of the year in 1986. Tway played the PGA tour for 25 years, and then when he turned 50 years old joined the PGA Champions Tour.

Tway is married to Tammie whom he met while at Oklahoma State University. They have 2 children and reside in Edmond Oklahoma. Kevin Tway, age 30, resides in Jupiter, Florida and is also a professional golfer on the PGA Tour. Carly Tway, age 25, resides in Los Angeles California, where she is a model and owner of Merkababe Design jewelry company.

1994 AAAA State Basketball Champions



In 1994 the Basketball Team was the first basketball team to win the State Championship in Wheeler's history!

Racked with injuries the team still strove for nothing but the best. Wheeler suffered a defeat to Pope High School in the Regional Finals and became Region 6 AAAA Runner-ups. In the state tournament Wheeler defeated Lithia Springs, Clarke Central, Beach, and Valdosta en route to the state championship. The road marked the amazing journey for which its travelers deserve our utmost admiration.

Coach Doug Lipscomb
Asst. Coach Craig Hines
Shareef Abdur-Rahim
Jim Adcock
Eric Desmond
Temu Dixon
Dejuan Dove
Brent Harrison

Santez Kindred
Torri McCullough
Kevin Myers
Mike Santos
Greg Singleton
Demitrius Smith
Dee Weir
Jeff Zaubi

Current Hall of Fame Members

Class of 2008

Mr. Shareef Abdur-Rahim
Ms. Kate Brandt Hardy
Mr. Randy Edwards
Mr. Larry Keener
Coach Carlton Kell
Coach Jim Mau
Mr. Shane Monahan
Mr. Jeff Vazquez

Class of 2009

1975 State Championship
Baseball Team
Mr. Robby Ginepri
Ms. Linda Hamilton
Coach Verna Jones
Mr. Charlie Roper
Ms. Nancy Paris Simpson
Mr. Reggie Witherspoon

Class of 2010

1974 State Champion
Golf Team
Mr. Drew Griffin
Mr. D.A. Layne
Ms. Tori Dross Nichols
Ms. Dottie Saye
Mr. Robert Shaw
Mr. James Thomas

Class of 2011

Ms. Theresa Gernatt
Mr. Ed Guthrie
Mr. Michael Mills
Coach David McDonald
Ms. Nancy Turpin

Class of 2012

Coach Steve Diffley
Mr. Jeremy Hermida
Mr. Ronnie Keener
Mr. Ches Riley
Ms. Danielle Santos

Class of 2013

1983/1984 State Champion
Softball
Mr. Josh Burrus
Mr. Byron Capers
Coach Jeff Hollis
Mr. Chris Price
Mr. Steve Romine

Class of 2014

Ms. Karen Chandler
Kasprowicz
Mr. Hugh Meek
Mr. Jeffrey Paulk
Coach Robbie Robertson
Mr. Willis "Bill" Shaw

Class of 2015

Mr. Fred Cook, Jr.
Mr. Chris Crawford
Ms. Tracy Moll Douglas
Coach Bill Holcomb
Coach J. L. Jones
Ms. Carrie Julka

Class of 2016

1985 State Champion
Wrestling Team
Tommy Crenshaw
Krista Kilburn
Keith Masters
Barry Parker
Bill Rogers

Class of 2017

Bill Bergin
Christina Cabrera Burns
Don Keener
Margarita Cabrera Nickell
Gordon Pritz

A Special Thank You to:

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