2010 HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES

Harris Sanders

(Class of 1945)

Harris "Fuzzy" Sanders achievements' as an athlete at Asheboro High School are second to none. Mr. Sanders earned 12 varsity letters starting in football, baseball and basketball. He was an inspiration and hero to many Blue Comet Hall of Famers. "Fuzzy" earned numerous all-conference and all-state honors in all three sports. To this day, many people of Asheboro still talk about Harris as one of the "best athletes" to ever attend Asheboro High School. Mr. Sanders turned down many scholarship offers and enlisted in the Navy. Thru the years, Harris has been involved in many civic and volunteer efforts in the city of Asheboro.

<u>Elvin York</u> (Class of 1962)

Elvin York may be the finest wrestler at Asheboro High School. Under the direction of Coach Jim Hurst, Elvin was a two-time individual state champion and twotime WNCHSAA champion in 1961 and 1962. He had a forty-two match win streak and was undefeated as a junior. This Beta Club member helped lead the Blue Comet mat men to 2^{nd} and 3^{rd} place team finishes (WNCHSAA). Elvin graduated from N.C. State in 1964 and was undefeated as a collegiate until academic scheduling forced him to retire from the sport. Mr. York served as a production control manager for Harrelson Rubber Company for thirty-three years. He resides in Ramseur, NC.

John Schwarz

(Class of 1964)

John Schwarz was an outstanding football and track athlete at Asheboro High School. He was a member and outstanding lineman on the 1963 WNCHSAA championship team. An outstanding school and team leader, Mr. Schwarz was named to numerous allconference and all-state teams during his junior and senior years. John continued his education and playing career at East Carolina University. He was named to the All-Southern Conference Team both as an offensive and defensive lineman. He returned to Asheboro in the late 1960's and served as a volunteer for Coach Lee J. Stone. John Schwarz resides in Greensboro and continues to volunteer in animal rights legislation.

<u>Gary Moody</u> (Class of 1973)

Gary was an outstanding baseball and football player at Asheboro High School in the early 1970's. He starred as an offensive and defensive end in football and excelled as an infielder and pitcher in baseball. An all-conference player in both sports, Gary accepted an athletic scholarship to Wake Forest. A four year player, Mr. Moody handled punting duties and played defensive end. He also played baseball for Wake Forest his junior and senior season. Gary Moody lettered in two sports at an ACC school which is very rare. He continued to help youth in Raleigh and Asheboro by coaching recreation sport teams. Gary Moody passed away in May of 1993.

<u>Derek McKee</u>

(Class of 1999)

Derek McKee is the epitome of what one would hope that an Asheboro Blue Comet would be. He established himself as a leader on the athletic field and in the classroom, maintaining a 4.156 GPA. Derek was a MVP winner in both basketball and baseball. He was named to four all-conference teams and played in the East-West All-Star game in basketball. Derek attended N.C. State on a baseball scholarship and graduated in 2003. He continues to give back to the community of Asheboro by volunteering his time coaching youth sports and spending time with his wife, Gina and new son, Colton.

<u>Michael Massey</u> (Class of 2000)

An Asheboro High School graduate of 2000, Michael Massey was outstanding both in the athletic arena as well as in the classroom. His 4.6 GPA was near the top of his class. Michael was a honor student, a basketball player, and a two-time State 3-A Champion in the high jump. He won the 1999 and 2000 individual title and still holds the AHS record at 6'10" while participating in other numerous events. Mr. Massey continued his academic and athletic career at Georgia Tech and won All-ACC Honors and was an ACC Champion in indoor and outdoor track, jumping over 7 feet. The 2005 Georgia Tech graduate in Industrial and System Engineering works in Washington, D.C. and continues to give back to the community in numerous civic and volunteer organizations.

1960's Women's Basketball Team

The 1960's Women's Basketball Team won Asheboro's first and only women's WNCHSAA Championship. The team has been the "talk of the town" for the last 50 seasons, and is still described as one of the best of all time. The team was touted as an experienced, smart group of athletes, with aggressive defenders and deadly shooters, but "short" compared to other teams in the newly formed South Piedmont Conference. The Lady Blue Comets survived a tough, exciting season of close games with overtimes and last second shots. After suffering three early conference losses, they played exceptional basketball earning a 1st place finish. A confident team, The Blue Comets swept three tournament games and captured the North-South Piedmont Tournament, crushing Statesville, 69 to 57. The Blue Comets won their 13th consecutive game overwhelming the much taller, 3 year undefeated Taylorsville team, 67 to 50. Taylorsville, the defending state champs, were no match for the tenacious defensive unit and brilliant shooting Blue Comets-1960 winners of the WNCHSAA Championship.

Members of the team were:

Coach Angelyn Glisson (Deceased) Angela Carpenter Crooks Wanda McIntrye Hargett McDaniel **Janet Harris** Margie Chrisco Barnes (Deceased) **Gail Foster Riggs** Gail Harris Sandy Henry Combs Pat Hobson Battle (Deceased) **Judy Loutrel Ferguson** Mary Jo Olivo Harville **Carol Tillman Bullins** Sandra Niki Underwood Sue Kearns Rossman Martha Kivette Bristow **Rudite Preimats Robinson Betty Pugh Lohr**