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Vision Statement

In 2007, the St. Francis Community Foundation continued to fulfill its mission of building philanthropy with the creation of four new funds that will provide charitable funding for projects such as the food pantry a scholarship for math majors, a fund for an American flag to be flown over Mustang Arena, and an award for a high school cross country runner. The SFCCF Board has 21 members who are active as donors, doers, and door openers.

Forrest City Athletic Hall of Fame

September 21, 2007

The Eighth Annual Forrest City Athletic Hall of Fame ceremony will honor nine athletes from three eras: Lincoln High School, Forrest City High School prior to 1970, and Forrest City High School after 1970.

This year's honorees include Roy Hall, LeRoy

Dangeau, and William (Bill) Irving from FCHS prior to 1970; Lafayette Twillie, Lee Herman Brooks, and Brice Ford from Lincoln; and Charley Hays, Carla Lucas Whitfield, and Don Mills from FCHS after 1970.

The induction ceremony will be held September 21,

2007 at 5:00 pm at the Forrest City High School cafeteria. Tickets to the event are \$10 each and can be purchased at Baxter & Associates and The Forrest City Area Chamber of Commerce.

For more information or to place an order by phone, call 870-633-0780.



BRICE FORD SR. is a 1948 graduate of Lincoln High School. He was a member of the very first Lincoln High School football team in 1946. Ford was co-captain of the 1946 and 1947 teams

and played both offense and defense. In 1947 he played every down but two the entire season. Ford worked in St. Louis for Laclede Steel Company for 30 years. He raised his family there. His daughter is a homemaker. His sons are college graduates of Princeton University and Southern Illinois University. Ford makes his home in Forrest City where he is involved in community service.



LEE HERMAN BROOKS is a 1956 graduate of Lincoln High School where he played football and ran track for the Lincoln Tigers. In football he played half back and corner back and was named All State

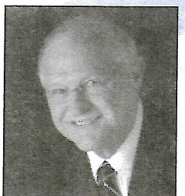
in 1954 and 1955. Brooks was unique in that while a member of the football team, he was also the first drum major for the LHS marching band (1953-55). Brooks served five years in the Army and this included 12 months as a member of the Honor Guard at Arlington National Cemetery. He now makes his home in Little Rock, where he works for Central Arkansas Transit as a dispatcher and has been there for over 24 years.



WILLIAM (BILL) IRVING

(deceased) was an outstanding athlete at Arkansas College, lettering in football, basketball, golf, tennis, track and baseball his junior year. He came to

Forrest City to coach in 1931 when he coached all the athletic teams. Irving was the head football coach in 1949 and 1950, winning the conference championship in 1950. He went into administration and became Superintendent in 1959 and retired in 1975 after 44 years of service to Forrest City. Irving was inducted to the Arkansas Sports Hall of Fame in 1986.



LEROY DANGEAU is a 1951 graduate of FCHS. He was a center and linebacker in football and a two-year All District performer in basketball. He attended ASTC (now UCA) where he lettered four years in football. He was co-captain of the team his senior year. Dangeau coached at Wilson for seven years and then entered private business. He was an outstanding official in high school and college athletics for 36 years. Her served on the Arkansas Official's Association Executive Committee. In July of 2000, he was inducted into the Arkansas Officials Association Inter-collegiate Conference. Dangeau is a past Cross County Judge, a past state Representative. He and his wife reside in Wynne.



ROY HALL (deceased) was a 1960 graduate of FCHS. He lettered in football, basketball, and track. He was an All District and All State halfback on Jim Devazier's 1959 undefeated champion

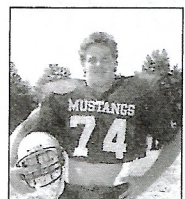
Mustang team that went 11-0. Pound for pound he was one of the toughest running backs the Mustangs ever had. Hall went on to an outstanding coaching career and held head coaching positions in Monticello, Osceola, and Wynne. He left coaching to become an administrator. He was principal of Wynne High School from 1987 until his death in 1995.



CARLA LUCAS WHITFIELD is a 1988 graduate of FCHS. She starred in basketball where she was named All Conference four years, All State two years, and honorable mention All American. Following high

school she attended Cohoma Community College where she made Junior College All American. She completed her career at Jackson State University where she was name Southwestern Athletic Conference newcomer of the year. Mrs. Whitfield is married to former NBA player Dwayne Whitfield and makes her home in the Pine Tree Community north of Forrest City. She is presently employed with the Federal Bureau of Prisons as a sports specialist.

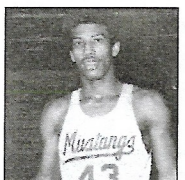
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DON MILLS is a 1985 graduate of FCHS. He lettered in football, track, and baseball. In football Mills was All Conference two years and All State one year. He was named to the Arkansas Gazette Super Team and played in the 1984 Arkansas High School All Star game. Mills lettered two years in football at Arkansas State University. After college graduation he returned to FCHS where he coached for six years. He continues to live in Forrest City and is in private business.



LAFAYETTE TWILLIE is a 1959 graduate of Lincoln High School. He was an all-around athlete playing football, baseball, and basketball. He is the third member of the Twillie family to be named to the Hall of Fame. Twillie was named All State in football for three years and played on four undefeated championship teams. He makes his home in Chicago, IL where he retired after working for the City of Chicago for 27 years.



CHARLIE HAYES is a 1973 graduate of FCHS. He was a 3 year letterman in basketball and led the Mustangs to the state finals his senior year. Hays was a silky-smooth guard who was the ultimate team player. He was named All-Conference and selected to play in the 1973 All-Star game. Charlie earned a basketball scholarship to Southern Baptist College. He served in the Navy and has been employed by General Motors for the last 28 years. Hays has been married for over 32 years and has four children and four grandchildren. He now resides in Arlington, Texas.

2007-08 Mustang Basketball

The Forrest City Mustangs and Lady Mustangs had their best season ever in 2006-2007. The Mustangs, coached by Dwight Lofton, finished with a record of 26-4, won the 6A East Conference Championship, and finished runner-up to Jonesboro in the State Tournament. The Lady Mustangs, coached by Jackie England, finished 17-12 and also qualified for the State Tournament. Both of the 2007-2008 Mustang teams hope to build on last year's success. Each team returns talented players that know what it takes to win – something Forrest City basketball fans have grown accustomed to.

2007 - 2008 Mustang-Lady Mustang Basketball Schedule

Date	Opponent	Place
Nov. 6	Buffalo Island Central (Girls)	Home
Nov. 12, 14, 17	Mt. St. Mary Tournament (Girls)	Away
Nov. 19	Pine Bluff	Away
Nov. 22-24	Rumble on the Ridge (Boys)	Home
Dec. 11	Wynne (Girls)	Home
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Dec. 14	Pine Bluff	Home
Dec. 18	Little Rock Central (Boys)	Home
Dec. 21	Wynne (Girls)	Away
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Dec. 27-29	Wynne Tournament (Girls)	Away
Dec. 27-29	Red Devil Classic (Boys)	Away
Jan. 4	Searcy	Away
Jan. 8	Marion	Home
Jan. 11	Jacksonville	Away
Jan. 15	West Memphis	Home
Jan. 18	Sylvan Hills	Away
Jan. 22	Jonesboro	Home
Jan. 25	Mountain Home	Away
Feb. 1	Searcy	Home
Feb. 5	Marion	Away
Feb. 8	Jacksonville	Home
Feb. 12	West Memphis	Away
Feb. 15	Sylvan Hills	Home
Feb. 19	Jonesboro	Away
Feb. 22	Mountain Home	Home

Current Hall of Fame Members

Lincoln High School

Cecil Twillie - 2000
DeJustice Coleman - 2000
Robert Harris - 2000
Manuel Twillie - 2000
Rodney Echols - 2001
Florine Toussant Bingham - 2001
Clarence Jones, Jr. - 2001
John Henry Watson - 2001
Maxine Kennedy Douglas - 2002
Wallace Purifoy - 2002
Eugene Rooks - 2002
Melvin McAllister - 2003
Archie Coleman - 2003
Roy Weatherall - 2003
Rayfield Black - 2004
Thurman Vanzant - 2004
Dr. Cato Brooks - 2004
Eddie Anderson - 2005
Isaiah Metcalf, Jr. - 2005
Hazel Warren Sims - 2005
Willie Guest - 2006
Clifton Walker - 2006
M.O. Livingston - 2006

Forrest City High School Prior to 1970

B. Lindsey - 2000
Marvin Laws - 2000
Don Kessinger - 2000
Jim Devazier - 2000
Jim Lindsey - 2001
Sonny Holmes - 2001
Bill Kessinger - 2001
Pat Todd - 2001
Richard Trail - 2002
Jim Finch - 2002
Ray Trail - 2002
Max Graham - 2003
Jim Williams - 2003
Billy Trail - 2003
Ed Henderson - 2004
Cliff Garrison - 2004
John Childress - 2004
Clinton Gore - 2005
Eldon Hawley - 2005
Stuart Towns - 2005
Jane Laws - 2006
Dewitt Smith III - 2006
Jim "Sonny" Connaway - 2006

Forrest City High School After to 1970

Mallory Nimocks - 2000
Arthur Banks - 2000
R.L. Steward - 2000
Rusty Trail - 2000
Dudley Parker - 2001
Jimmy Rogers - 2001
William Hampton - 2001
Charlotte Fields Wright - 2001
Harvey Hampton - 2002
Carter Ray Crawford - 2002
Stan Winfrey - 2002
Frederick Freeman - 2003
Richard Benson - 2003
Richard Kimble - 2003
Bill Baxter - 2004
Verlond Brown - 2004
1977 Mile Relay Team - 2004
Terry Burgess - 2005
Clark McBride - 2005
Dave Hodges - 2005
Freddie McCline - 2006
John Thompson - 2006
Jimmy Taylor - 2006