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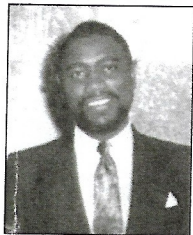
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Forrest City Athletic Hall of Fame

September 27, 2013

The 14th Annual Forrest City Athletic Hall of Fame induction ceremony will honor seven new members. The honorees are chosen from three eras: Lincoln High School, Forrest City High School before 1970 and Forrest City High School after 1970.

This year's honorees include: Haston Cole '68 and Pat Haggins '69



HASTON COLE (deceased) was a 1968 graduate of Lincoln High School. Cole was an All-Conference offensive guard and defensive linebacker for the Lincoln Tigers. Coach Eugene

Rooks called Haston "a prime mover on the offensive line". He was captain or co-captain of teams that posted a 28-3 record from 1965 through 1967. The 1965 team was conference champion and the 1966 team was a perfect 9-0.



DONALD CAMPBELL is a 1958 graduate of FCHS and was the manager under Coach Jim DeVazier from 1955 to 1957 when the Mustangs won 31 of 34 games including an undefeated season in 1957 and three region 3AA Championships. Campbell learned his lessons well and went on to become one of the state's most outstanding high school coaches. He retired after 39 years of coaching with the second most wins in state history with a record of 257-98-6 in 31 seasons while coaching at Corning, Sheridan, and Wynne High Schools. His Wynne High School teams were 119-28-3 over his last 12 years of coaching and included seven conference titles and two Class AAAA State Championships. Don is a member of the Arkansas High School Coaches Hall of Fame and the Henderson State University Hall of Fame. He is retired and makes his home in Vilonia, AR.



PAT HAGGINS is a 1969 graduate of Lincoln High School. He was a three year letterman in football. Pat was All-Conference and played defensive tackle and offensive guard on two undefeated Lincoln teams, 1966 and 1968. On the 1966 team, he started at the defensive tackle position as a sophomore. In three seasons, Pat was a standout on Tiger teams that produced an 28-2 record. After graduation from high school, Pat attended Arkansas A. M. and N. (now University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff) for two years. He was employed at Yale from 1972 to 1978 and worked for Sanyo Manufacturing Company from 1979 to 2011. Currently, Pat is a self-employed contractor.



LAWRENCE MCNUTT is a 1980 graduate of FCHS. He was a three year letterman in basketball and lead the Mustangs to the state finals his senior year. McNutt was a rim rocker with his thundering dunks, rebounding grabbing hands, and was the ultimate team player. He was named All-Conference, All-Northeast Tournament Team, All-State, Class 4A State Tournament Team, and Arkansas-Democrate Super Team. Lawrence was selected to play in the 1980 All-Star Basketball Game. He earned a basketball scholarship to Harding College. In 1981, he was named Honorable Mention National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) All-District in Basketball. Lawrence is a District Manager for Michaels' Stores, the largest arts and crafts retailer in the world. He makes his home in Brooklyn Park, Minnesota.



THOMAS BRIDGES is a 1952 graduate of FCHS and was a two year letterman in football and a three year letterman in basketball and track. In football, Tom punted and returned punts and kickoffs. In track, he ran the 100 and 200 yard dashes and qualified for the state meet finishing third in the 100 and second in the 220. Upon graduating from FCHS, Tom served in the U.S. Army where he played football and baseball. In football, he made second team All-Army as a safety. Tom served as a FCHS assistant principal for 20 years and athletic director for nine years. He was a member of the Arkansas Officials Association for 28 years, officiating football for 11 years and basketball for 28 years. In 2009, Tom was inducted into the Arkansas Officials Hall of Fame. He and his wife reside in Wynne, AR.



ERIC ROEBUCK is a 1986 graduate of FCHS. He was a three year letterman in football and played guard and linebacker on Clinton Gore's 1985 undefeated team. Eric was All-State, All-Conference and was named the KXJK Player of the Year in 1985. He attended Holmes Junior College in Goodman, MS where he earned All-Junior College Honors. Eric works for Oldcastle Materials in Memphis, TN and makes his home in Forrest City.

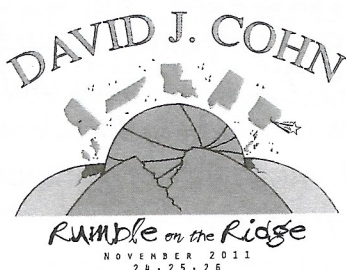
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CORONICA RANDLE is a 2003 graduate of FCHS. She was an All-Conference, All-State, All-Academic, All-Arkansas Team Selection, and Channel 7 Player of the Week for Coach Sue Jayroe. Coronica was selected to play in the All-Star Basketball Game. She was earned a scholarship to play basketball for the UCA Sugar Bears. Coronica was twice named Division II All-America Honorable Mention, two time All-Gulf South Conference and to the GSC All-Decade team. She concluded her playing career in 2007 as the UCA's number 3 career scorer (2,089 points) and all-time leader in free throws made and attempted. She averaged 17.2 points, 6.1 rebounds and 1.4 assists for her career, and made 33.6 percent from behind the 3-point stripe. Currently, Coronica is an assistant women's basketball coach at Marshall University.



2013 Rumble on the Ridge



The 17th Annual David J. Cohn Rumble on the Ridge will be held November 28, 29, and 30th at Forrest City's Mustang Arena.

The Rumble, one of the top high school basketball tournaments in America, will feature teams from Arkansas, Alabama, and Tennessee. The action starts Thanksgiving

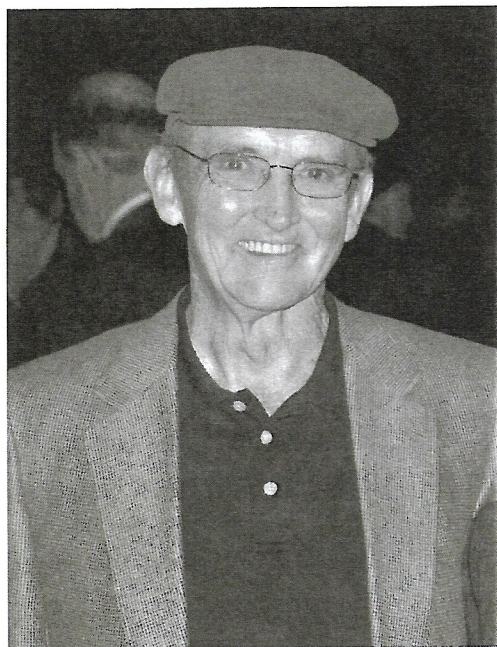
Day with the first game tip off at 3:30 p.m.

This year's lineup will feature some of the top players in America playing for Gadsden High School, Gadsden, Alabama; Jonesboro High School, Jonesboro, Arkansas; Southwind High School, Memphis, Tennessee; Har-Ber High School, Springdale, Arkansas; Hall High School, Little Rock, Arkansas; North Little Rock High School, North Little Rock, Arkansas; Lee High School, Huntsville, Alabama and Forrest City High School, Forrest City, Arkansas.

The Rumble on the Ridge has become a Forrest City tradition. Tickets will be \$7 per day or a 3 day tournament ticket will be \$15. Tickets can be purchased in advanced from the Forrest City Area Chamber of Commerce.

More tournament information is available on the Rumble on the Ridge website at www.rumbleridge.com

Mr. Bill Baxter: A Supporter of Forrest City



He was a 1966 Graduate of Arkansas College (now Lyon College) where he was a Math major, Senior Class President, on the Basketball team, and in 1996 was inducted into the Arkansas College Sports Hall of Fame. He taught math and coached basketball in Forrest City, Marked Tree, and Helena. He received his Master's Degree at Arkansas State University in 1970. He began a career in insurance in 1978 and was owner of Baxter and Associates Financial Services. He was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Forrest City where he was a former Sunday School Teacher, current Trustee, and Past Chairman of the Council on Ministries.

Mr. Baxter was the founder of the Rumble on the Ridge Basketball Tournament, founder of the Forrest City Sports Hall of Fame, member of the East Arkansas Community College Foundation Board. He was past president of the Forrest City Chamber of Commerce, Forrest City Kiwanis Club, St. Francis County Community Foundation, and the Forrest City School Board.