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Forrest City Athletic Hall of Fame

September 19, 2014

The 15th 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: Robert Haggans '67 and Edward

Harris '68 from Lincoln; Coach James "Zebe" Perry '42-'49 and I. B. Stewart '57 from Forrest City before 1970; and Van Banks '78, Pat Mitchell '77 and Coach Donnie Willis '99-'04 from Forrest City after 1970.

The induction ceremony will be held September 19, 2014 at the Performing Arts Center at East

Arkansas Community College at 5:00 pm. Tickets are \$12 each and can be purchased at Times Herald Printing or the Forrest City Area Chamber of Commerce.

For more Hall of Fame information or to purchase your tickets, please call Dr. Rodney Echols at 870-633-1485.



ROBERT HAGGANS is a 1967 graduate of Lincoln High School. His track race was the 880 yard run, and he was the anchor man on the mile relay team. Robert's consistent time on a dirt track in the half mile was 1:55. In District competition, Robert was one on the best half milers in the state.



EDWARD HARRIS is a 1968 graduate of Lincoln High School. He played quarterback for the Lincoln Tigers, lettered three years, and was All-Conference. Harris played a vital role as quarterback for the 1966 undefeated Lincoln Tiger football team. Harris was known for his strong throwing arm. His tight football spirals and long passes were his signature as a quarterback.

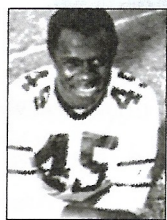


COACH JAMES "ZEBE" PERRY (Deceased) was the Mustang football team coach from 1942-1949. His 1944 team finished 7-2-1 and was led by All-State halfback Jim DeVazier. Coach Perry's 1944 team was ranked as high as fifth overall in the state. His 1947 team finished 11-2-1, won the District Championship, and was state runner-up. Coach Perry left the Mustang program in 1949 to become principal at Marianna and later served as superintendent of schools in Holly Grove and Wilson.



I. B. STEWART is a 1957 graduate of Forrest City High School. He was a two year lettermen in football and a three year lettermen in basketball. In football, I. B. was a defensive end on the 1956 Region 2AA Championship

team. In basketball, he was All-District as a senior on the Mustang's District 6A Championship football team. In 1957, I. B. was selected and played in the second Arkansas High School Coaches Association All-Star basketball game.



VAN BANKS is a 1978 graduate of Forrest City High School. As a sophomore, he played linebacker on the 1975 Mustang Conference Championship football team and 1975 State Runner-up football team. In track and field, Van throw the discus on the 1975 Conference Championship track team and 1975 State Championship track team. As a junior, Van was a two-way starter on the 1976 Conference Championship football team. During Van's junior year, he throw the discus on the 1977 Conference Championship track team and 1977 State Championship track team. Van accepted a football scholarship offer from UAPB and played linebacker and full-back for the Golden Loins.



PAT MITCHELL is a 1977 graduate of Forrest City High School. He was a member of the state record setting 3:14.7 Mile Relay team of May 14, 1977. A record that stands today. Pat was a two time All-Conference and All-State trackster for the Mustangs. He was selected as a member of the All-American National Honor Roll as a member of the 1977 Mile Relay team that rank seventh in the nation. Pat was the first Black recruit by University of Arkansas track coach John McDonnell. As a collegiate, Pat was a six time All-SWC performer and five time All-American trackster at the University of Arkansas.

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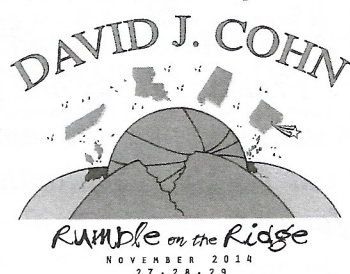
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COACH DONNIE WILLIS is the head senior boys track coach at Forrest City High School. His track teams have won 11 Conference Championships. Coach Willis' 2006 and 2007 track teams won the "triple crown" of track: Indoor State Champions, Conference Champions, and Outdoor State Champions. He has been named coach of the year 11 times. Coach Willis has been extremely successful in track and field without a track facility. He was FCHS head football coach from 1999 to 2004. His football teams were known for their outstanding defense.



2014 Rumble on the Ridge



The 18th Annual David J. Cohn Rumble on the Ridge will be held November 27, 28, and 29th at Forrest City's Mustang Arena.

The Rumble, one of the top high school basketball tournaments in America, will feature teams from Arkansas, Alabama, Tennessee and Louisiana. 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 Hoover High School, Hoover, Alabama; Marshall County High School, Lewisburg, Tennessee; Jackson Southside, Jackson, Tennessee; Arlington High School, Arlington, Tennessee; Bossier, High School, Bossier, Louisiana; North Little Rock High School, North Little Rock, Arkansas; Jonesboro High School, Jonesboro, Arkansas, 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 facebook - Rumble on the Ridge High School Basketball Tournament.

Forrest City Mustangs 2013

5A State Basketball Champions



2014-2015 Basketball Schedule

NOVEMBER

13	At Little Rock Central	SB	6:00
17-22	Mt. St. Mary Tournament in Little Rock, AR	SG	TBA
17-20	Mills Classic in Little Rock, AR	SB	TBA
27-29	Rumble on the Ridge Tournament	SB	TBA

DECEMBER

1-6	At DeWitt Tournament	SGTBA	
2	West Helena	JVG/SG	6:00
3	Springdale Harber	JVB/SB	6:00
20	At Springdale Harber	JVB/SB	6:00
26-29	Neosho Holiday Tournament in Neosho, MO	SG	TBA
29-31	Poplar Bluff Tournament in Poplar Bluff, MO	SB	TBA

JANUARY

9	Green County Tech*	SGB	6:00
13	At Wynne*	JVB/SGB	5:00
16	At Nettleton*	JVB/SGB	5:00
20	At Valley View*	JVB/SGB	5:00
23	Paragould*	JVG/SGB	5:00
27	Batesville*	JVB/SGB	5:00
30	Blytheville*	JVB/SGB	5:00

FEBRUARY

6	At Green County Tech*	SGB	6:00
10	Wynne*	JVB/SGB	5:00
13	At Paragould*	JVG/SGB	5:00
17	Valley View*	JVB/SGB	5:00
20	At Blytheville*	JVG/SGB	5:00
24	At Batesville*	JVG/SGB	5:00
26	Nettleton*	JVG/SGB	5:00