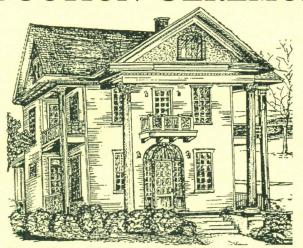
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#### WEST VIRGINIA STATE COLLEGE NATIONAL "W" CLUB FIFTEENTH ANNUAL

# SPORTS HALL OF FAME INDUCTION CEREMONY



Canty House, home of the West Virginia State College Sports Hall of Fame

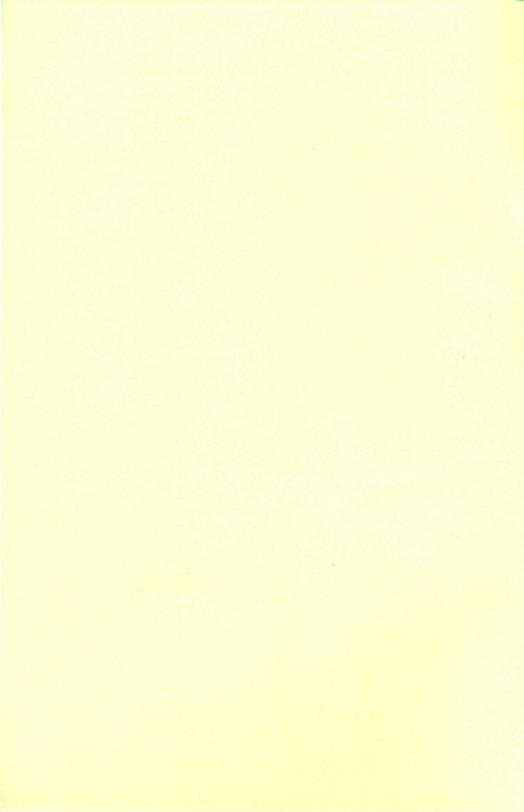


Fleming Hall, home of the Yellow Jackets



(Proposed) Erickson Alumni Center

Saturday, October 15, 1994 8:30 a.m.



#### A Brief History of the West Virginia State College National "W" Club

On a fall West Virginia Sunday morning in 1975, the day after West Virginia State's Homecoming, a group of West Virginia State College alumni met in a Charleston, West Virginia hotel. The agenda was to brainstorm as to how to raise funds for athletics as well as restore athletics to the status of previous years. The open discussion was chaired by Attorney William Lonesome, an alumnus of the school and a very distinguished community leader.

After several hours of discussion, it was decided that a National "W" Club would be formed to raise funds for athletic programs.

A year later, in 1976, a meeting was held the night before the Homecoming game to formally establish a new National "W" Club.

The first officers of the National "W" Club elected at the 1976 meeting were: Dr. Frank E. Enty, president; Rupert G. Curry, vice president; Herbert B. Thompson, treasurer and Herbert H. Henderson, attorney/secretary

Attorney Herbert Henderson was assigned the responsibility of acquiring corporate status for the organization. The hard, long, pro-bono legal work of Mr. Henderson gained corporate status for the National "W" Club in 1978. The incorporators were Dr. Frank E. Enty, Rupert Curry, Herbert B. Thompson, William L. Lonesome, and Herbert Henderson.

Washington, DC was selected as the home base for the National "W" Club.

Herbert Thompson wrote the first by-laws for the National "W" Club.

In 1979, at a "W" Club Homecoming meeting, Mr. Glover Smiley proposed the establishing of an Athletic Hall of Fame. It was voted on and passed by the membership. The first Hall of Famers were inducted in 1980. They were: Chester A. Burris; Mark H. Cardwell; Samuel A. Gamble; Vasco D. Hale; Adolph P. Hamblin; Louis R. W. Johnson; Earl Lloyd; Floyd Meadows; Roderick L. Price and Marvin H. Richardson.

Former presidents of the National "W" Club are Dr. Frank Enty, Rupert Curry, Vandy Miller and Madison Broadnax. In 1990, Henry R. Bellinger was elected to the presidency.

On October 13, 1990, the WVSC Sports Hall of Fame, dedicated to Coach Mark H. Cardwell, was opened. This facility located in the Canty House, on the campus of West Virginia State College, showcases academic and athletic triumphs of West Virginia State College athletes.

#### GREETINGS

from the National "W" Club President:

The West Virginia State College National "W" Club Association is pleased to greet you on this very special occasion. This year marks the 15th anniversary of the Sports Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony. As in previous years, these seven athletes were outstanding players, coaches and one inductee later in life became a sports writer. What they really represent is the value of the team. They were all team players. The team represents a group that works together in order to accomplish a common goal. The athletes are different sizes, they have different strengths, different weaknesses and different abilities. The teams of West Virginia State College past and present best fit that description.

We continue to strive for West Virginia State College to have good *teams*. *Teams* with scholar athletes. Your support to our scholarship program, which exceeds \$144,000 contributed over the years, helps to make our goals attainable. Please continue to help us as we approach 1995 with the college *team* spirit.

Sincerely,

Henry R. Bellinger

### Program

Master of Ceremonies Fund-Raising Chairman, Nati					
Invocation	Mr. Vandy L. Miller*				
Welcome					
Greetings					
"W" Club Student Athlete Awards Dr. Steven D. Rader Athletic Director					
Outstanding Freshman Athlete Sar	ah Levetter, Shawn Hamilton				
Outstanding Sophomore Athlete . Mia Lew	is, Mike Gray, Shawn Harvey				
Outstanding Junior Athlete	Jennifer Akers, Vidal Adams				
Outstanding Senior Athlete					
Rotary Academic Achievement Awards					
Executive Assistant to the	President				
Julie Meeks	Sam Hrko				
INTRODUCTION OF INDUCTEES					
Introducers	INDUCTEES				
Wayne Elgin Casey	Wayne Casey '68				
John Courtney	Daniel L. Ferguson, Jr. '47				
Frank Enty*	Dave Hamilton '69				
Jimmy Morris*	Marvin D. Mills '47				
Elizabeth H. Scobell	Harland D. Price '71				
Thomas Cabbell	Alden Sheets '71				
John Bates*	Wendell Smith '37				
National "W" Club Achievement Award Mr. Steven Bryce Casto*					
Special Recognition	Mr. Herbert Henderson*				
In Remembrance: John Bowles '42*	Jack Housen '48*				
Memorial Prayer	Mr. Robert L. Smith*				
Contributions	Dr. Vincent E. Reed*				
CEREMONY CONTINUES AT THE CANTY HOUSE					
Induction Ceremony					
Alma Mater—					
*Denotes Hall of Famers					
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#### WAYNE D. CASEY CLASS OF 1968



Wayne D. Casey was born on March 31, 1942 to Constonce and Mary Casey in Stotesburg,

WV. Wayne found his way to West Virginia State through his brother, Frank Casey, who was an all-conference basketball player in the 50's.

Wayne graduated from Mark Twain High School in Stotesburg, West Virginia, Raleigh County, a small coal mining town. From 1956 to 1960 he was the first African American to play and enter an all white school in Raleigh County and surrounding counties. Wayne was probably the first African American quarterback in the state of West Virginia in 1957. He was the first African American to start a varsity basketball game in 1957. Wayne's play in basketball and football were legendary in Raleigh County.

Wayne played for Hall of Famers Coach Cardwell, Gray, Burris, and Wilson. He also played with Hall of Famers Larry Bailey, Calvin Bailey, Papa Jones, and Mike Gallion. He was an all WVIAC defensive halfback in 1962. He was all WVIAC at linebacker in 1963 and 1964. He was a two way player (linebacker and tightend), a leading pass receiver in the conference, and a leading tackler from his linebacker position. He was captain from 1963-64. In 1960-63 State was winless, but in 1946, State won four of its first five games, and Wayne's play at tightend was a key to the team's success. In 1961-62, the basketball team won the WVIAC title and tournament title and went to Kansas City, Missouri.

Casey was called Kangaroo by his teammates. Casey's leadership caused Coach Cardwell to name him co-captain with Tom Shivel 1963-1964 team. He played two years of baseball for Coach Gray and was a first baseman on the team (1961-62). In 1965, Wayne played pro football in the United Football League in Wheeling, West Virginia and Charleston in 1966.

Wayne's oldest son, Wayne Elgin, is a graduate of West Virginia State and was an all-American basketball player in the early 1980's. Wayne resides in Stone Mountain, Georgia with his twin sons, Brandon and Brian.



# Daniel L. Ferguson, Jr. class of 1947

Daniel Leroy Ferguson, Jr. was born on February 13, 1921, in Institute, West Virginia to Mr. and Mrs. Daniel L. Ferguson, Sr. Dan's early schooling was obtained from the model grade school and high school on the West Virginia State College campus. He holds a B.S. degree in Education from West Virginia State College.

While attending high school, Dan participated in basketball, football, track, tennis, and softball. He lettered in all of these sports except for tennis and softball where letters were not offered. He was captain of the basketball and football teams for two years and a member of the All-Sectional Basketball Team.

At West Virginia State, Dan participated in basketball, gymnastics, softball, and swimming. He lettered in basketball and was a member of the 1940 Mid-West Conference Championship Team. He earned the Meritorious Achievement Certificate in gymnastics. In 1947 he earned the Red Cross Instructor Certificate; and in 1950 the YMCA Water Safety Certificate.

Dan worked for the United States government for approximately 32 years in various capacities. He is currently retired from Chanute Air Force Base (Deactivated September, 1993), Rantoul, Illinois (Retired-October 31, 1986). At Chanute he was a Federal Civil Service (civilian) employee and performed duties as a Training Instructor, Aero-space Ground Equipment (AGE) Branch; Training Specialist (Curricula); Athletic Director (believed to be the first civilian African-American in this capacity in the history of this base), and Recreation Director.

#### DAVE HAMILTON CLASS OF 1969



Dave Hamilton attended West Virginia State College from 1966-69. During his brilliant basketball career, Dave broke and set numerous records at WVSC. In his freshman year, he scored a total of 604 points which is the highest point total by a freshman. A left-handed outside shooter, Dave scored 56 points, a school record, during his junior year against Alderson-Broaddus. He once led the "Top Ten" in shooting in West Virginia colleges. He is a member of the 36 Point Club, scoring 40 points in a WVIAC Tournament at the Charleston Civic Center in 1969. Dave was named to the All-Tournament Round-Up Team for three years. His college coach, Coach Gray, was quoted in the Charleston Gazette, "Dave Hamilton is one of the greatest shooters I've ever seen."

Upon completing his senior year in 1969, Mr. Hamilton continued to set new records. He became the All Time Scorer - scoring 2,698 points. He ranks first in total rebounds - 2,089, and first in field goals made - 1122. During his career, he set the WVIAC tournament record by scoring 362 points.

After graduation, Dave was drafted by the NBA's Philadelphia 76ers. He played eight years for the Eastern League Basketball Organization.

When his basketball career ended, Dave supervised a summer program for the youth at Morgan State University. He also was a director of an after school program for the Germantown YMCA and Dr. Leon Sullivan's Summer Camp Program of Zion Baptist Church in Philadelphia. Dave has been employed since 1977 as a counselor at the Youth Development Center for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Dave and his family reside in Philadelphia.



# MARVIN D. MILLS CLASS OF 1947

Marvin D. Mills was born on August 6, 1921 to Hughie and Mable Mills in Fayette County, West Virginia and in 1928, his family moved to Charleston.

Marvin attended public schools in Charleston and in his senior year at Garnet High School, the basketball team on which he played became the 1940 State Champs. Upon his graduation from Garnet, Dr. Mills came to West Virginia State College. While at WVSC, he was on the football team.

Dr. Mills became the tennis coach at WVSC in 1958 and remained in that capacity until 1968. State's tennis team received many honors, achievements and championships under his leadership. The team won two State Conference Tournament Championships; three State Conference Season Championships; State Conference Singles and Doubles Championships; and they were also WVIAC Season Champions and Runners-Up from 1959-1964.

While employed as a Professor of Occupational Safety and Environmental Safety at Murray State University in Kentucky, Dr. Mills was elected to many national and state offices such as President, American Academy of Safety, Member, Board of Directors, National Safety Council. He is the author and editor of *Ideas, Issues, and Readings in Safety*, and *Teaching the Handicapped to Drive*.

Upon his retirement from Murray State University in 1988, the Dr. Marvin D. Mills Scholarship Award was established. This scholarship allows 40 African-American scholars to receive full room, board, and tuition for four years. This amounts to over a quarter of a million dollars annually.

Dr. Mills is enjoying his retirement with his wife, Eunice. They have three sons and six grandchildren.

#### HARLAND D. PRICE CLASS OF 1971



Harland Denny Price graduated from Paden City High School in 1967. That year, he received the Paden City High School's Outstanding Athlete Award.

Denny came to West Virginia State College in 1967 and was a back-up quarterback during his freshman year. The next three seasons, he was the starting quarterback and he quarterbacked the 1968 WV Conference team. In 1971, he was named co-captain.

After graduating from WVSC in 1971, he began his educational career coaching and teaching at Elkins High School. After one year at Elkins, Denny moved to Musselman High School. In 1973 he was named head football coach after serving as an assistant the prior year. His record at Musselman is 165-63-1. Coach Price has coached two Class AA State Champions (1974, 82) while being runners-up for two years (1983, 89). He has also had four unbeaten regular seasons. His teams have won nine Potomac Valley Conference Championships. Denny has been named Coach of the Year, Potomac Valley Conference 8 teams (1974, 75, 1981-83, 1989, 1992-93). He has also been named Coach of the Year by Winchester Times three times (1988-89, 1992) and Morning Herald (1989).

Denny is an active member of the WVSSAC State Football Committee along with the WV State Coaches Association. Mr. Price is an Assistant Regional Director of the WV State Coaches Association. He is also an active member of the NEA, WVEA, BCEA and National Strength Coaches Association.

Denny and his wife, Penny, live in Bunker Hill along with their two sons, James and Matthew.



#### ALDEN SHEETS CLASS OF 1971

Alden Sheets attended Poca High School where he played football as a linebacker. His senior year, 1966, he served as captain of the football team. After graduating from Poca in 1966, Alden entered West Virginia State College. At WVSC, he played football for four years and was named co-captain of the 1970 football team. While at State he was very instrumental in the success of the 1968 WVIAC football championship team, a feat which has never been duplicated. Coaches and players say that Alden Sheets was, "an outstanding leader, dedicated to being the best that he could be." Alden was an all-conference performer on defense for two years.

After graduating from WVSC, Mr. Sheets began a coaching career as an assistant at DuPont Jr. High in 1971 and in 1973, he was named head coach. He coached there for seven years and had a record of 45-11. Alden moved on to Dunbar High School in 1980 and served as an assistant for five years. In 1985, he took over the reigns as head coach until the school consolidated in 1990. While at Dunbar, he accumulated a record of 24-11.

Coach Sheets continues to teach in Kanawha County where in 1993, he went to DuPont High as an assistant in football. The Panthers were 13-1 in 1993 when they won the State AAA Championship. Currently they have an undefeated season.

He now lives in Scott Depot.

#### WENDELL SMITH CLASS OF 1937



Wendell Smith was born in Detroit, Michigan, June 27, 1914 and received elementary and high school education there. He earned a B.S. degree at West Virginia State College in 1937 and was a star in basketball and other sports while there. After graduation he was employed as sports writer by the Pittsburgh Courier, rising quickly to the positions of sports editor and city editor.

Even though Wendell attended West Virginia State on a basketball scholarship and was a star player and captain of the basketball team, he was also a baseball player.

In 1938 he launched a campaign for employment of Negro players in the major leagues. Nine years later, his campaign became a reality when he recommended Jackie Robinson to Branch Rickey of the Brooklyn Dodgers.

In 1947 he co-authored the first book on Jackie Robinson, *Jackie Robinson—My Own Story*. That same year he was hired by the Chicago Herald-American, covering pro boxing and Big Ten football, and became full time baseball writer for the American in 1958, assigned to the White Sox. In May of that year, he was selected to share announcing chores with Jack Drees for two championship fights. While with the American, he won three William Randolph Hearst national awards for outstanding sports writing.

In 1962 he left the American for a television position with WBBM-TV. In May, 1964, he joined WGN-TV as sports commentator and continued in that position to the end. In addition he wrote a weekly sports column for the Chicago Sun-Times.

He was president of the Chicago Press Club in 1972, and was a member of other leading professional organizations including Sigma Pi Phi Fraternity, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity and Royal Coterie of Snakes.

## WEST VIRGINIA STATE COLLEGE SPORTS HALL OF FAME MEMBERSHIP

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INDUCTEE		YEAR INDUCTED	INDUCTEE	CLASS 1940	YEAR INDUCTED
Archie, William B.	1954	1990	Hale, Vasco D.	1980	
Bailey, James A.	1950	1982	Hamblin, Adolph P. (Coach) (DEC)		1980 tam
Bailey, Calvin L.	1972	1985	Harvey, Harold N. (DEC)	1936	1982
Bates, John M.	1937	1982	Hawkins, Robert (DEC)	1954	1990
Bates, Pervis M.	1939	1981	Henderson, Herbert H.	1953	1983
Baugh, Warren T.	1950	1988	Horn, John W.	1943	1990
Bellinger, Henry R.	1960	1985	Housen, Jack H.	1948	1987
Boone, James L.	1955	1989	Israel, Isaiah	1938	1985
Bowles, Joseph	1942	1988	Jackson, William S.	1937	1981
Broadnax, Madison	1940	1989	Jefferson, Frederick D.	1946	1991
Brown, Dandridge D. (DEC)	1923	1989	Jenkins, Drewie G.	1938	1992
Burghart, William F. (Coach) (D	DEC) 1936	1981	Johnson, Ernest E. (DEC)	1934	1993
Burney, William L.	1950	1991	Johnson, Louis R. W. (DEC	1940	1980
Burris, Chester A. (DEC)	1948	1980	Jones, Cornelious "Papa"	1968	1993
Burroughs, Knute W.	1937	1982	Jones, Hubert L. (DEC)	1939	1987
Cardwell, Mark H. (Coach) (D	DEC) 1925	1980	Justice, Franklin P., Jr.	1967	1992
Carey, Malva J.	1975	1985	Lloyd, Earl	1950	1980
Casto, Steven Bryce	1981	1993	Lynch, Wesley J.	1943	1990
Christian, Horace D.	1959	1988	Majette, Milton L. (DEC)	1948	1993
Clark, Benjamin F.	1933	1983	McLeod, Ronald M.	1960	1993
Clark, Clarence	1950	1982	Meadows, Floyd (DEC)	1937	1980
Corbin, E. Adelbert	1940	1984	Middleton, Fred D.	1947	1983
Crawford, Everett G.	1927	1990	Miller, Vandy L.	1954	1986
Curry, Rupert G.	1953	1987	Miller, Moreno G.	1955	1989
Davis, Frank Maxie (DEC)	1948	1988	Miller, Samuel	1951	1991
Davis, Robert A.	1948	1986	Moore, William George (DE	C) 1924	1983
Diggs, Robert P.	1931	1987	Moore, Paul J. (Coach) (DE	C)	1990
Dillard, Clyde	1950	1987	Moore, Oscar A.	1934	1981
Edwards, Ernest E.	1932	1989	Morris, James G.	1954	1985
Ellis, Oliver (DEC)	1951	1984	Nunn, William "Bill"	1948	1990
Enty, Frank E.	1950	1992	Palmer, Daniel B.	1931	1992
Farmer, Samuel J.(DEC)	1930	1990	Peters, Joseph C.	1948	1987
Froe, Dreyfus W.	1929	1984	Preston, James D.	1939	1990
Gallion, Michael L.	1964	1991	Price, Roderick L. (DEC)	1937	1980
Gamble, Samuel A.	1947	1980	Reed, Vincent E.	1952	1983
Gaskin, James C.	1939	1988	Richardson, Marvin H.	1937	1980
Gilliam, Joseph W.	1952	1987	Robinson, William J.	1937	1981
Gray, Grant S. (DEC)		1993	Rockhold, Clayton D.		1993
Greene, Oliver (DEC)	1931	1982	Ross, Ellis L.	1933	1993
Griffin, James S.		1993	Saunders, Emmett B., Jr.	1943	1991
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	INDUCTEE	CLASS	YEAR INDUCTED	INDUCTEE	CLASS	YEAR INDUCTED
	Saunders, Harry (DEC)	1929	1984	Thomas, Paul W.	1950	1986
	Scott, James L. (DEC)	1934	1983	Thompson, Carroll U. (DEC)	1935	1984
Choset	Shannon, Oliver T.(DEC)	1929	1988	VanHargis, Clifford	1938	1993
JILE-CL	Smiley, Glover L., Jr.	1977	1992	Wares, James T. (DEC)	1933	1984
Smith	Smith, Robert L.	1947	1987	Watson, Norman E. (DEC)	1939	1986
DIVERT	Smith, Willie B.	1954	1986	Whitted, Palmer D. Sr.(DEC)	1931	1985
	Starling, Edward M.	1951	1986	Wickliffe, Edward V.	1950	1981
	Starling, Carl (DEC)	1946	1990	Wilkerson, James A.	1928	1992
	Stewart, Colston R. Jr.	1934	1983	Williams, Jerry B.	1951	1989
	Swanson, John E.	1944	1988	Wilson, James C. (DEC)	1946	1989
	Taylor, Robert Paul	1951	1989	Wilson, Robert	1950	1983

