

Tecumseh Athletic Hall of Fame

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2014 Hall of Fame Inductee

Bob Bauders

Jill Roller

Michelle Demmitt Wisecup



Bob Bauders

Bob Bauders was born in Norwalk, Ohio to Rev. Paul Bauders and Charmion Bauders. Bob has an older sister, Mary Ellen Gleske, who resides in The Woodlands, Texas. In June, 1962, prior to his senior year in high school, Bob moved from Bellefontaine, Ohio to New Carlisle when his father was assigned to become the minister of the New Carlisle Methodist Church.

At Tecumseh High School, Bob became the quarterback and part-time safety on the 1962 Tecumseh football team under Head Coach Bill Spitzer. The Tecumseh football team compiled a 9-0 record and scored a total of 310 points while holding its opponents to a total of only 42 points. The Tecumseh team scored 30 or more points in every game except the 2 games played in heavy rain

conditions. The most points which an opponent scored in any of the 9 games was 14 points and 4 opponents were shut out. In addition to winning the league championship, the Tecumseh football team was the only undefeated and untied football team in the Miami Valley area that year consisting of 82 schools and was the first undefeated and untied football team in the history of Tecumseh High School. The Tecumseh football team also was a ranked team in the Ohio high school football polls throughout that season.

For his quarterback performance in the 52-0 victory against Greenon, Bob was selected by the Dayton Daily News for its weekly Miami Valley Most Valuable Player award. This was the first time that a Tecumseh High School football player had received this award. After the completion of the football season, Bob was selected by his teammates to receive the Tecumseh High School Most Valuable Player award for the 1962 season.

In addition, Bob played as a guard on the 1962-1963 Tecumseh High School basketball team under Head Coach Doug Chaffins. The team was very competitive in almost all of its games and ended the season with a successful 14-6 record. Of the 5 regular season losses, one was by 1 point, 2 were by 2 points each, 1 was by 4 points, and the other loss was by 7 points. The Tecumseh basketball team made it to the third round of the Ohio high school basketball tournament and beat league champion Graham both during the regular season and in the tournament.

In the spring of 1963, Bob played as an outfielder and a pitcher on the Tecumseh High School baseball team under Head Coach Bob Davis. The Tecumseh team had a very successful season by winning the league championship with an undefeated league record of 7-0 and an overall season record of 17-2. Bob had the highest batting average on the Tecumseh team for the season at about .600 and was undefeated as a pitcher with a 5-0 record. Upon completion of the high school baseball season, Bob was selected to play in the high school Ohio East-West All-Stars Baseball Series in Columbus, Ohio as a member of the West team. Bob has always regarded his senior year at Tecumseh High School as a special year in his life. He appreciates that he was quickly welcomed into the school by his fellow high school athletes and other students. In addition, Bob greatly enjoyed playing sports throughout his senior year at Tecumseh on some exceptional teams with talented teammates and being led by skilled and supportive coaches. Bob feels that he could not have asked for a more fulfilling culmination to his high school years.

During the summer of 1963 following graduation from Tecumseh High School,

Bob played on the Tecumseh Merchants baseball team under Coach Bob Davis in the Springfield Lawrence-Haddix Baseball League and the Dayton Class C League. On that team Bob pitched and played outfield. Upon completion of its league season, Bob was officially declared the batting champion of the Lawrence-Haddix Baseball League with a batting average of .605.

In September, 1963, Bob entered Princeton University. During his freshman year at Princeton, Bob played on the freshman football and freshman baseball teams and received Princeton numerals in both sports. After incurring a serious knee injury while playing summer league baseball during the summer of 1964 and later major knee surgery, Bob decided to discontinue his intercollegiate career in both football and baseball. In June, 1967, Bob received a Bachelor of Arts degree with a major in Politics from Princeton University.

After graduation from Princeton University, Bob entered The Ohio State University College of Law in September, 1967. Upon receiving a Juris Doctor degree in June, 1970 and then obtaining a license to practice law in the state of Ohio, Bob accepted an attorney position with the National Labor Relations Board in Cleveland, Ohio. Bob remained there until he accepted a Supervisory Trial Attorney position with the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission District Office in Cleveland in 1979. In 1983, Bob was promoted to the position of Regional Attorney of the Cleveland District with overall responsibility for Agency litigation in the state of Ohio. Bob entered the private practice of law in 1990 specializing in employment law with his office in Cleveland. He has continued this private practice to the current time.

Bob resides in Shaker Heights, Ohio with his wife, Rosemary. He has two sons, David and Chris. David lives with his wife, Dolores, son, Max, and stepdaughter, Emily, in Shaker Heights. Chris lives with his wife, Belinda, in Largo, Florida.

Bob feels very honored to be inducted into the Tecumseh Athletic Hall of Fame. As is usually the situation when this type of honor is given, Bob understands that the athletic accomplishments in which he participated while at Tecumseh would not have been possible without the outstanding performances of many other Tecumseh teammates. From that perspective, Bob additionally views his induction as a well-deserved recognition of the many talented athletes with whom he shared this exceptional year.



Jill Roller

Jill Roller was born in Springfield, Ohio to Betty & Carl Roller. She was raised on Dairy Farm near Donnelsville with her five sisters.

Jill is a 1984 graduate of Tecumseh High School. She was in the first freshman class to attend Tecumseh. She was in FFA, Marching Band and Pep Band all four years of high school.

In Marching Band under the direction of Bob Shade the Band had over 100 members (all four years) and went to competitions every Saturday in September & October competing with some of the best bands in the state and winning numerous awards. The summer of her senior year, the Marching Band was invited to be the Lab Band for Marching Bands of American in Wisconsin. While learning from some of the best Band Directors from across the country. At the end of week they performed what they had learned.

While in FFA she participated on the Dairy, Dairy Products and Soil Judging Teams. Her sophomore year the Dairy products team placed 10th at State. She was also on parliamentary procedure team and held the office of Reporter. She also earned her State Farmer Degree.

At an early age (3) Jill learned about volunteering in the concession stand. No kids allowed to work, so she would sit in the back room or walking the hallways around Shannon Gym or in the bleachers watching all the great Tecumseh teams. In the early 70's the Boosters had a fund raiser selling raffle ticket for a new car. Jill got to draw the winning ticket and got to go on the basketball court at Reynolds Gym. From just having a limited menu of just Hot Dogs, Pop & Pop Corn to adding new items and expanding the menu. After graduating she was finally allowed to work in the Concession Stand working with family and friends and a lot of great volunteers over the years.

For the past 23 years Jill has worked at the Clark County Auditor's Office as a Deputy Auditor. She has been a 4-H volunteer for the past 29 years volunteering with the club that she was 4-H member as a youth participating at the Clark County Fair and also volunteering for the 4-H Committee at various events when they have a concession stand.

As a volunteer with the Tecumseh Athletic Boosters Jill was in charge of the group that worked at the Nutter Center raising over \$100,000 for the Athletic Building Fund. She has worked in the concession stand for the past 30 years and has helped with the Car Show the past 7 years, passing out flyers to promote the Car Show. She has been a Trustee for several years and the past 2 years as Vice President. The goal for her and her family is to see that Tecumseh gets an all-weather track.





Michelle Demmitt Wisecup

Michelle Renea Demmitt Wisecup was born in Xenia, Ohio to Chris and Vicki Demmitt. She was raised in Medway and Donnelsville, Ohio, and is a 1997 graduate of Tecumseh High School. She is one of 4 children, two sisters and one older brother (who takes the credit for most of her athletic success).

Throughout her career Michelle excelled in both athletics and in high school and college. In high school she was a three sport athlete (volleyball, basketball and softball). In volleyball she played varsity for 3 years and was decorated with several

awards such as 1st Team CBC, all area, all-district and all-county. She was also the 1996 Co-player of the year for Clark County. In basketball, she was also played varsity for 3 years and was the leading scorer and rebounder for both her junior and senior years.

Although she performed well with the other sports she excelled the most in softball. Racking up awards throughout her career with 1st team CBC, Honorable mention all-state, Southwest All-Ohio team, Southwest All-star team. She held a batting average of .441, slugging percentage of .691, on base percentage of .570, fielding average of .929, and lead the team in batting average, RBI's, extra base hits, runs scored and on base percentage bolstered her athletic career to a Division 1 program with a scholarship at Wright State University. Michelle always strived for balance between her academics and athletics. Her hard work and dedication allowed for her to excel just as well in the classroom. She was part of the National Honor Society, graduated with Honors, and received Honor's scores on her 12th Grade Proficiency testing in all categories placing her on the THS Wall of Fame. One of her highlights in high school was graduating as co-valedictorian.

At Wright State University she continued her focus of balancing both academics and athletics despite losing her father to cancer during that time. During her collegiate career she accumulated several awards and records along the way. She was 1st Team All-MCC, lead the conference in batting average, hits per game, triples, stolen bases, 2nd in runs per game, 3rd in slugging percentage, runs scored, and home runs. One of her highlights of her softball career was a tournament down in Florida where she was 19 for 30 (.633) with 24 RBIs, 15 runs scored, and 7 stolen bases in just 10 games... drove in 6 runs with 2 triples in a game, 5 runs with 2 home runs in a game, and 4 runs with 2 home runs in yet another game that week. That allowed her to rank nationally for NCAA Division 1 Softball at the end of the year, 15th in stolen bases, 16th in triples, and 26th in batting average. She still continues to hold many school records for Wright State Softball.

Michelle graduated in 2001 at Wright State University with a BS in Biology, Magna Cum Laude (GPA 3.6)). She was then accepted into the highly competitive veterinary program at The Ohio State University. She graduated from OSU in 2005 and was selected for an elite Small Animal Medicine and Surgical Internship at Red Bank Veterinary Hospital in New Jersey, which at that time was the largest private practice in the nation.

Michelle's life has now transitioned from awards and achievements to a different balance of work and family life. She is board member, part owner and practicing veterinarian at Riverside Drive Animal Care Center, in Dublin, Ohio. It is a very progressive practice that continues to present challenges and opportunities for her professional career. She has become proficient in ultrasound, laparoscopic procedures, and managing critical complex cases. Michelle is working towards U.S. national board certification in canine and feline medicine. Over the last two years her athletic competitive side is starting to re-appear with the new found love of Crossfit. However, all things now take a back seat to her most important job, raising her children, Grady (6 years) and Adelyn (4 years) with her husband, Chris. Michelle currently resides in Ostrander, Ohio, with her husband, their 2 children and their black lab, Abby.

Michelle is honored to become a member of the Tecumseh Athletic Hall of Fame. All of her achievements would have not been possible if it had not been for all of the wonderful support and dedication of the coaches, teachers and administrators here at Tecumseh Local Schools. Thank you. Go ARROWS!!!!