2022 Inductee Bios

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Mr. David S. Campbell

Class of 1959Â

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David Scott Campbell "...built an excellent career for himself in education, which included a vast disciplinary diversity of courses taught, an unwavering dedication to community service, and an appreciation for lifelong learning" (Julian Costa). According to Costa Campbell's "...appreciation for the †traditional' academy of learning, coupled with his practical and innovative pedagogical style, came from the excellent examples he observed in Galion. Teachers like Miriam Sayre and Harold Friar gave Campbell a sense of what good teaching entailed."

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While attending Galion High School, where he was Vice President of his graduating class, Campbell performed in Glee Club, Boys' Ensembles and Quartets, and Choir; was active in the drama department's plays; held membership in Hi-Y, Latin and Science Clubs; and served on both the Newspaper and Yearbook staffs. Upon graduation, he enrolled at Bowling Green State University, earning a B.S. in Speech and English (1964). His teaching career began at Linden-Mckinley High School in Columbus (1964-65); he then returned to Galion, coming home to teach English (1965-67).

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In 1968, Campbell earned an M.S. degree in Audio Visual Communication from Indiana State University in Bloomington. This led to his being appointed to the faculty at Clarion University in Pennsylvania. In 1970 he began a 30-year career at East Stroudsburg University. While at ESU, he furthered his education with studies at The Pennsylvania State University and Columbia University Teacher's College (ABD - Instructional Technology).

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During his years at ESU, Campbell taught twenty-five different courses related to television studio production and photography^{*}. He served on and/or chaired various department and/or university committees, including being chosen by the president to head the inaugural fall event, A Celebration of East Stroudsburg University, held annually for many years.

Costa added that Campbell "...could never sit still, because what is current today will be obsolete tomorrow." Using this

philosophy Campbell "...co-founded a new department, designed and coordinated courses, and developed a baccalaureate degree. Later, as department chair, he pushed for full integration of computers and digital technology into the curriculum." Beyond his service to the university, Campbell was active in the Stroudsburg community. This service included membership on the school board, coordinating the Pocono Medical Center Television Auction (12 years), raising over \$500,000.00 for medical equipment for the center, executive producing a telethon for the American Heart Association, producing a video for the Monroe County Commissioners to highlight improvements needed on a nearby highway, and producing as well as hosting various local radio and television programs. Campbell's efforts in the classroom and the community earned numerous accolades, including being named the recipient of ESU Alumni Association's Great Teacher Award (1998) and being named Faculty Emeritus (2000).

Campbell believed in teaching that is "...rigorous, classically rooted, yet geared toward growth and professional readiness" and used this philosophy in his career, "...touching the lives of thousands of students, and forever impacting the campuses on which he taught." (Costa)

In addition to his career, Campbell was the proud father of three children: Jesse, Jonathan and Sarah, who noted that her father always regarded his years in Galion very fondly.

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*Campbell's resume notes that "Photographs he has taken are on display throughout campus and have been used in University publications and on the covers of University catalogues. An exhibit of forty 11 x 14 color photographs taken by Professor Campbell, The Faces of East Stroudsburg University, was a part of the first Celebration Week." Â

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Dr. Terry Jobe, DDS

Class of 1973

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According to classmate and friend Tom Goddard, Dr. Terry Jobe "...is an outstanding and talented person, who should be recognized as one of the great successes of GHS Class of 1973, GHS and Galion on the whole." What about Dr. Jobe has earned him this appraisal?

The oldest son of Leo, former GHS head

custodian, Building and Maintenance supervisor, and President of the school board, and Jean Jobe, Dr. Jobe grew up in Galion along with his siblings, Vicki (Jobe) Myers and Ricky Jobe (HOF 2016). Terry was born in Evansville, IN, and moved to Galion when he was seven years old. He attended East Elementary for the second half of first grade and then Renschville Elementary from second through sixth grades. His friends and family would tell you he was always singing. He played on the Jaycees Little League team along with another 2022 HOF Inductee, Tom O'Leary and later played on an undefeated AMCO Babe Ruth team with O'Leary and another 2022 inductee, Chip Durtschi.

In high school Jobe excelled in

academics, sports and music. A few of the highlights include: Football, Basketball and Baseball 9-12; National Honor Society 11-12; Student Council and Class President 10; Varsity G 11-12; Choir 9-12; Glee Club 10-12; Vocal Ensemble 9-12; Senior Advisory Board12; Assembly Committee. For his efforts Jobe earned numerous awards, including All NOL 1st Team Offense and Defense in football as a senior; All District 1st Team Offense in football (12); All State Honorable Mention in football (12). Beyond sports, Jobe won the Kiwanis Club's Arion Award for Music; the Horowitz Award for Science; the Senior Science Award; and the Willian F. Unckrich Scholarship. For his academic excellence he was named the Salutatorian of the Class of 1973.

Following his graduation from GHS,

Jobe attended Ohio Northern University in Ada, OH. As a student, he continued to display his all-round talents, playing football (73-76), performing with the University Singers (73-76), and working as a Resident Advisor (74-76). As a member of the football team, Jobe was named the All OAC Center. He earned a Bachelor of Science Degree and was accepted into The Ohio State University's School of Dentistry, graduating in 1980.

According to Goddard, Jobe graduated "...near

the top of his class with a degree in dental surgery." Terry began his career on the staff of the Columbus Children's hospital in 1980. Goddard also noted that during this time, Jobe treated "low-income children" at the dental clinic during the evenings.

Returning to Galion in 1992, Jobe

opened a dental practice on S. Market Street and worked there for 11 years. Among Jobe's patients were his first-grade teacher Molly Bradford and many of his GHS classmates and their families as well as others from the Galion area. But Jobe had one more move to make. In 2003 Terry relocated his practice to the East Coast and opened offices in Manhattan (New York City) and the Hamptons (Sag Harbor). Numbered among his patients are Keith Hernandez, former MLB player, and Jimmy Fallon, late night host. As the result of his having such patients as these, Jobe's former classmates have given him the nickname "dentist to the stars."

Dr. Jobe and Debby, his wife of 41

years, are the parents of three children, son Andy (Suzanna) and daughters Lindsay (Nolan) and Molly. The Jobes also have two granddaughters, Penny (4 1/2) and Alice, who just turned 1 on October 12.

Despite all his accomplishments "Terry

is very humble about his success and remains a great friend to his GHS classmates and to the entire Galion community" according to Tom Goddard, a friend and former classmate, who nominated Dr. Jobe for induction into the Hall of Fame.

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Mr. Herbert (Chip) Durtschi

Class of 1973Â

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As a multi-sport athlete at Galion

High School in the early 70s. Herbert, or "Chip" (as he was known), Durtschi ran track (9), played football (9-12), basketball (9-12), tennis (10) and baseball (12) and earned * varsity letters at GHS. His accomplishments on the football field earned him first team all-conference and Honorable Mention All-Ohio honors in both football and baseball his senior year. Throughout his career he displayed leadership and was elected Vice President of his class as a junior and the President of the Varsity G Club in his senior year.

Durtschi then attended Ohio Wesleyan

University for his freshman and sophomore years in college. In 1975 Durtschi walked on at The Ohio State University, and according to Tom Goddard, "...was granted an athletic scholarship after proving he could play at an elite Division 1 level." His playing career ended in the 1976 spring game after he suffered a compound fracture of his lower leg. Woody Hayes then offered Chip a position as a Graduate Assistant Coach for defensive backs and a scholarship to pursue his master's degree. After college Chip and his wife Beth moved to Daytona Beach. At Florida's Mainland High School Chip loved coaching the varsity offensive and defensive backs until 1984.

In 1984, he shifted his focus and

began a distinguished career in business. As a sales and account representative for Merrell Dow pharmaceuticals, he excelled and was honored as a national top talent producer. After moving his family to Cincinnati and working on an inner management team, Chip realized he missed selling. Happily, he was hired by Gencon ACMI, a urology capital equipment company and was the company's number one salesman. He then moved his family to Wellington, FL.

Because of his previous success he was

hired by an international German Surgical Equipment company. With well over 8,000 products, he was kept busy selling endoscopes and demonstrating the use of surgical endoscopes in South Florida. In 2014 he accepted a new position with the German surgical equipment company Karl Storz, developing an educational program for their growing sales force. According to his wife Beth, "It was the perfect place for Chip because he was able to coach and teach new hires." Helping to develop young people to make a lasting impact on their selling careers earned Chip the nickname "Coach," a name that is dear to his heart. His friend Tom Goddard said of Chip, "His success in this position earned him recognition at the highest levels of the company."

Chip's reach goes far beyond the

football or business worlds. In 1995 Chip and Beth lost their 14-year-old daughter in a tragic automobile accident. This devastating event deeply impacted the lives of all the Durtschi, including their sons Pat and Nate.

Megan had been an all-round state

gymnastic champion and cheerleader at Wellington High School. In her Chip and Beth established a scholarship intended for Wellington HS students; the award is now given to deserving students throughout Palm Beach County. Chip has worked hard and determinedly to keep the award active for 27 years. Goddard noted that Chip was able to take a life-altering loss and channel that emotion into serving others.

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Â Ms. Lynn Stowe

Class of 1973Â

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Born in Galion to Robert and Donna

Stowe, both GHS graduates, Ms. Lynn Stowe led the typical life on a youngster in small town, middle America. She attended Renschville Elementary, the Junior High, and finally GHS. While in high school, Lynn participated in a number of clubs and activities, including Spanish Club (9-12), Choir (9, 11-12), Glee Club (10), Junior Achievement, Thespians (Vice President 12), College Club and Tri-Hi-Y. Following her graduation from GHS, Stowe attended Ohio University in Athens, OH, and graduated in 1977 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Fashion Merchandising and Design with a minor in Business Administration.

According to Tom Goddard, who

nominated her, Lynn "...embarked on a 3-month cross-country trip across the US" following her graduation from OU and "...reinforced her love of travel that was sparked by her parents and led to her traveling to over 5 countries." Goddard also noted Stowe has many future trips planned.

Professionally, Stowe's first position

was as an administrative assistant for a commercial banking firm in Nashville, TN. Recruited by Huntington Bank in 1982, Lynn moved to Columbus, OH, and was quickly identified as a "top talent and performer" by her management peers. Lynn advanced from a position as Sales Manager in the Commercial division to a

"series of Director and VP positions culminating with Senior VP" before her 2013 retirement (Goddard).

Beyond her business career, Lynn has

found time to support and champion a number of causes she believes will benefit the entire community. In 1997 she began volunteering for the Choices for Domestic Violence organization. After two years as a volunteer, Stowe joined the board of directors, then chaired the development committee and later served four years as board chair. Goddard commented "Lynn is Passionate about the organization - Dress for Success" and explained this group mentors people making the transition from being homeless to joining the workforce. Her interest in this group began in 2014 and continues today. She currently serves as the co-chair of the Volunteer Voices committee to recruit and retain the 500 program volunteers. Another area of her community service is Women 2 Women, a mentoring program that helps prepare "...clients for business and life balance and for employee readiness" (Goddard). In 2019 Stowe spoke at the Dress for Success annual conference.

When asked about her activities, Stowe

said, "My interests have always been world travel and helping women in domestic violence situations through my involvement with Choices as well as women re-entering the workforce after drug rehab or prison through Dress for Success." Since retirement, other volunteer opportunities followed. Stowe reported, "My newest volunteer opportunity is with Community Refugee Immigration

Services assisting new families entering

Columbus from war-stricken countries." While Goddard calls Lynn a "world traveler" who is "always seeking to learn and understand other countries and cultures," she is also very involved in helping those in need of mentoring and support as they move through their lives.Â

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Mr. Thomas O'Leary

Class of 1974

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Tom O'Leary is a 1974 graduate of Galion High School. While a student at GHS, O'Leary was active in sports, including football (9-12), Basketball (9-10), track (9), and baseball (10-12). He also participated in a variety of clubs and other activities. These included Junior Achievement (10-12), Prom Committee (11), Spy staff (Editor-in-Chief as a senior), and Varsity G (12). Additionally, he took an active role in student government. Perhaps his interest in public service was piqued when he was elected president of his freshman class or served on Student Council all four years at Galion.

Tom began his career as a City Council

member, serving Galion's Fourth Ward from 1982-1984. Beginning in 1985, he served two terms as a Crawford County Commissioner and was elected president of the Board of Commissioners for six of the eight years he served.

In 1993, Tom was appointed by Governor

George Voinovich as his regional economic development representative. In January of 1997, he was appointed executive director of the Ohio Rail Development Commission.

In 2001, Governor Bob Taft appointed

him as District 3 Deputy Director for the Ohio Department of Transportation. In 2007, he was appointed by the Crawford County Commissioners as Director of Crawford County's Job and Family Services, where he served until his retirement in 2011.

In November 2013, O'Leary was elected

to a four-year term and was re-elected in 2017 and 2021. He is currently serving his third full term.

In 1977 Tom married fellow Galion High

School graduate Lonnie (Tucker) O'Leary. They have four adult children: Tim, Jacob, Mike, and Nathan, as well as six granddaughters with a seventh grandchild arriving soon.

*Thanks to Mr. Brian Treisch, classmate and fellow 2022 inductee and Mr. Matt Echelberry, Galion's Communication Director, for his assistance in providing information about Mr. O'Leary.Â

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Mr. Brian Treisch

Class of 1974

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The material submitted to support Mr.

Brian Treisch's nomination to the Galion School's Hall of Fame was broken down into various areas: His high school years, his professional career, his commitment to the Galion Schools, and his community involvement. In addition seven friends, former students, colleagues and supporters wrote testimonial letters supporting his nomination. So, who is Mr. Brian L. Treisch?

Brian is the son of Albert and Barb

Treisch and attended Galion schools. When he reached the high school, Treisch "got involved." The listing for him in the 1974 Spy was extensive and displayed his wide range of interests and involvement, including music, sports and service. As a student Brian played in "bands" - concert, marching, pep, stage, symphonic, and orchestra. His activities included chess club, student council, assembly committee, the "In the Know" team and Junior Achievement; his service, football, basketball and baseball manager and basketball statistician. He was chosen for Buckeye Boys State and the local chapter of the National Honor Society and finished eighth in the state on the State Ohio High School Achievement tests. Following high school he attended The Ohio State University, and in 1982 he earned a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration; in 1992, he completed his Master of Business Administration at Ashland University.

Among the highlights of his business

career is his time at Domino's Pizza (1983-1988). While serving as their Director of Advertising, Treisch worked with Group 243, an advertising agency, to introduce the "Noid" campaign. Focused on Domino's ability to deliver pizzas speedily (the nation's first "30 minute guarantee" came from the campaign), the idea was to "Avoid the Noid," who supposedly ruined home delivered pizzas. The Noid has recently reappeared in Domino ads. On the local level, Brian owned and operated Uptowne Outfitters for nearly a decade and has spent the last 40 years working to grow Galion in a variety of ways.

Treisch has participated in numerous

civic organizations such as the Lions Club, the Kiwanis Club, the Galion Alumni Association, the Alumni Band, Main Street Galion, the Oktoberfest Committee, Preserving Galion, the Galion Chamber of Commerce, the Galion Community Theater, the Community Band and the United Church of Christ. Serving as a member of the Galion School Board from 2000 through 2008, Brian was instrumental in passing a levy to build the new schools located off Portland Way North. He was also the Galion Board's representative to Pioneer from 2000-2004. More recently, Treisch served as Galion's City Auditor from 2013 to 2000 and helped lead the city out a state of fiscal emergency and currently serves on the Galion Port Authority board. He was also instrumental in the creation of Connections Weekend and the Hall of Fame to which he is now being inducted.

In the words of Ryan Karbula, GHS Class

of 2010, Treisch wanted "...to shine a light on so many Galionites who have led exemplary lives in order to give our town's youngest generation examples to aspire to. Without a doubt, Brian Treisch is a man future GHS alum(s) would be worthy of emulating."

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Mr. Timothy (Tim) Miller

Mrs. Patricia (Patti) Miller

Outstanding Educators

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The Millers are native Pennsylvanians,

Patti growing up in St. Mary's and Tim in Fort Cliff. Following typical high school years (For example, he played football; she was a cheerleader.), they each enrolled at Slippery Rock and met while students there. According to their daughter Karri (Miller) Sherer, they fell in love quickly, became engaged only six weeks after meeting, and married just a year later. While a college student, Tim came to Crestline to work at the former PPG plant where one of his relatives was employed after the plant had moved to Ohio from Pennsylvania. This introduced him to the area, and when Tim and Patti graduated and started looking for jobs, they applied at Galion and were hired, beginning in 1974. They spent 36+ years in Galion, working 25 of those years side-by-side at Galion Middle School. Their impact over the years in the Galion schools is enormous.

When asked to provide some thoughts about her parents, Karri wrote the following:

It is said that a good teacher takes a

hand, opens a mind, and touches a heart. For 36 plus years, Timothy and Patti Miller touched the hearts and minds of countless students at Galion High School and Middle School. Timothy, or Coach Miller, spent his career as a teacher and leader in the classroom, on the football field, basketball court, track, and softball field. In the classroom, he was known for his upbeat style of teaching, many times making connections with songs and through humor. In addition, his focus on relationships made students look forward to his classes and practices. Mr. Miller made room for everyone on and off the court and wanted to see success for all. His efforts are alive today through the bonds he formed with students and colleagues, and the admiration people have for him within this community needs no explanation. Coach Miller was part of the 1985 state championship football program and has received countless awards and accolades for his dedication throughout his career with the Galion City School.

In sharing a few thoughts about her mother, Karri said:

no-nonsense approach to teaching. She focused on engagement, application, and mastery to develop lifelong math skills. Mrs. Miller was determined that all students understood at her level and spent countless hours outside of the school day meeting the need of every student. Just as her husband, Mrs. Miller has received various awards for her work in the classroom. In addition to her dedication to her math students, Mrs. Miller also has been involved in the growth and development of volleyball in the area through her efforts as an official for high schools, middle schools, and summer programs in Galion and the surrounding area. Mrs. Miller was also actively involved in Galion's New Teacher mentoring program, helping to get young teachers prepared for the rigors of the classroom.

In highlighting some of their joint

accomplishments, Ms. Sherer noted that "Together Mr. and Mrs. Miller were instrumental in developing the MAAP (Most Advantageous Alternative Program) program at Galion Middle School. This program allowed advanced students to further their academic goals through enrichment and advanced curriculum." She went on to indicate that this program helped prepare students to begin earning college credits at The Ohio State University-Mansfield or North Central State College while still in high school. She also pointed out that many of Galion's valedictorians came out of the MAAP program.

As part of their commitment to the

students at GMS, the Millers organized and chaperoned numerous trips to Washington, D.C., as a means of enriching their students' educational experiences. And in order to fund these trips, the Millers organized various fundraising activities over the years.

Sherer indicated that she feels

honored to have had both parents in the classroom and lucky to have been coached by her father and said:

I remember their dedication and

ability to balance their careers and family life. Their support of my brother and myself surpasses excellence as they always created a supporting foundation at home while succeeding in their careers. The values they instilled in their students and me will be lifelong, as I can only hope to be as successful as they were. I grew up watching my parents support so many students and inspire so many colleagues. Their dedication is something we should all take note of. Their ability to connect with young minds and execute their goals can almost be said to be unmatched...Mr. and Mrs. Miller are already in the hall of fame in the hearts of so many students that are products of [their efforts].

Just as they worked together teaching at

Galion Middle School, the Millers retired together in 2010. Today they are spending much of their time influencing another generation of youngsters: their grandchildren, Keegan and Karlee, Karri's two; and Autumn and Tim, the children of Karri's older brother Chad.Â