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Paso Robles High School to Induct New Members into Athletic Hall of Fame

Paso Robles, CA (September 14, 2017) – Paso Robles High School will be inducting three new members into its Athletic Hall of Fame this Friday night, September 15, during the halftime of the varsity football game.

John Waskowicz (Athletic Trainer, 1962-1977):

A tireless supporter of Bearcat athletes, John was the first athletic trainer in the central coast and was highly respected for his professionalism and integrity. He received no compensation for his services except for a yearly trip to the athletic trainers' convention. John's trademark was to always wear freshly-bleached and starched crisp, white pants to Friday night games and to always provide freshly-sliced lemons and oranges to the teams. Upon John's death in 1977, the Bearcat football team wore a black stripe on their helmets in his memory and dedicated their season to "Dr. John and the qualities that best represented him: Love for his fellow man, unselfishness, and perfection."

Jerome Thomas (class of 1995):

Jerome Thomas was a two-year varsity letter winner in football, All-Los Padres Athletic League (LPAL) twice, and All-CIF in 1994 on a league champion and CIF finals Bearcat team. He was also chosen Varsity Offensive Player of the Year in 1994. Jerome was a two-year varsity letter winner in basketball and was voted Defensive Player of the Year for the LPAL in 1995. He was also a varsity letter winner in baseball. Jerome received a Division I scholarship from the University of Idaho where he was a four-year letterman. He started at tailback for two years and had a 96-yard kickoff return in the 1999 Humanitarian Bowl victory over Southern Mississippi University, ESPN's "Play of the Day."

Kevin Hill (class of 1995):

Kevin Hill was a two-year varsity letter winner in football, an All-LPAL selection in 1993 and 1994, and team MVP in 1994 on a league champion and CIF finals Bearcat team. He was the LPAL champion in wrestling twice. In track, Kevin was a four-year letterman on 3 LPAL champion teams. He was a 3-time league champion and CIF finalist, winning the CIF championship in the 400 meters in 1995. He still holds the PRHS record in that event. Kevin received a Division I scholarship from the University of Idaho where he ran track for two years and was a four-year letterman in football. He was a two-year starter at strong safety and caused a key fumble in the Humanitarian Bowl victory over Southern Mississippi in 1999.

In addition to celebrating the inductees, there will also be special recognition of the 1995 CIF Champion women's volleyball team.

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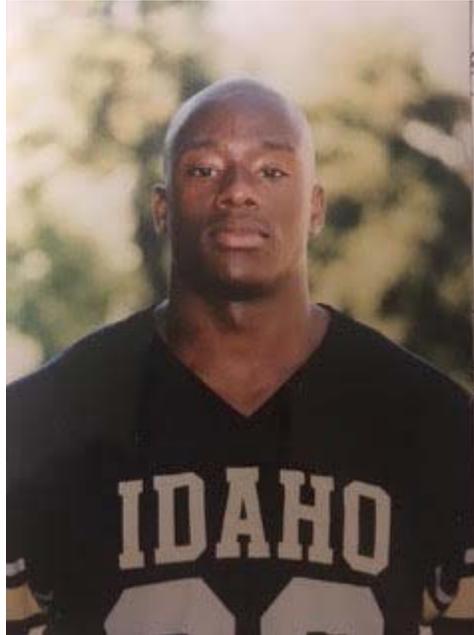
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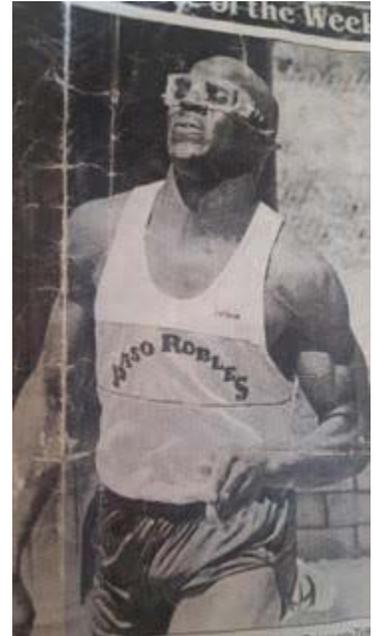
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