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**Richard (Dick) Armstrong, Football (Nominated by Veterans Committee & Alfred Knutson, Class of '55):** Armstrong, who died in 1999, has been honored with a life-size bronze statue at Veterans Memorial Stadium in Everett. After attending CWU, Armstrong taught biology and physical education and coached for 32 years at Snohomish High School, completing a 38-year career in education. Retired in 1994 with 272 career victories, making him at the time the winningest coach in Washington State high school football history (currently ranks third). 243 of the wins came at Snohomish. He won two state titles and won or shared 16 league titles, including 13 in a row between 1976 and 1988. At Everett High School (before being hired at Snohomish) he had a 17-1 record in two seasons, earning a pair of No. 1 state rankings (prior to the WIAA adopting state playoffs in the 1970s). He also coached at Sultan and Camas High Schools. In 1977, he was selected by the Everett Herald as the "Man of the Year in sports." In 1978, he was selected as the Washington State Football Coach of the Year by the National High School Coaches Athletic Association. In 1994, Armstrong gave back his \$5,000 coaching stipend to keep the sophomore football program from being cut at Snohomish. He touched the lives of over 3,000 students during his time at Snohomish. Attended CWU between 1951 and 1954. Was a two-way starter playing both offensive tackle and defensive tackle. After retiring from Snohomish, he returned to his hometown of Concrete and assisted in their program until his death. Son is a teacher and assistant coach at Snohomish.

**Robi Raab, Golf (Nominated by Rob Lowery):** Graduated from CWU in 1987 with degree in education. . .Four-year letter winner (1984-87). . .Was CWU's First All-American golfer. Set season and career scoring records in 1987 averaging 74.1. Placed 15<sup>th</sup> in 1987 NAIA national tournament with 72-hole score of 297, leading Wildcats to 11<sup>th</sup> place finish in the national tournament, its best ever. At time was also best-ever finish by a District 1 school at the national tournament, Recorded three of the five best single-season stroke averages in school history (74.1 in 1987, 77.3 in 1986 and 77.1 in 1985). Selected CWU Player of the Year three times. . .Won three tournaments in career including 1987 District 1 championship with 54-hole score of 216. . .Coached girls basketball at Zillah High School between 1996 and 2004. Placed fourth at state in 2000, sixth in 2001 and eighth in 2004. Coached at East Valley since 2005. Placed fifth at state in 2005, sixth in 2006 and third in 2007 compiling record of 73-8 in those three seasons (25-2 in 2005, 25-2 in 2006 and 23-4 in 2007). . .Has made eight trips to state, placing in the Top Six five times. . .As a high school player, recorded the first hole-in-one at a state championship (1979 Washington Junior Golf Association championship at Manito in Spokane). He aced the 191-yard par-3 16<sup>th</sup> hole.

**Kenny Russaw (Nominated by Bob Guptill & Steve Hertling) –** Through 2005 was the fifth leading receiver in Northwest small-college history with 194 catches for 2,906 yards and 43 touchdowns. Teamed with Kitna for the best pass/catch combination in CWU history prior to the Reilly/Spvak combination (244 catches for 3,406 yards). Still holds CWU school record for career reception TDs (43) and single season receptions (94) and shares the school record for single season TDs (20). . .Also ranks second in school history in scoring (264), career touchdowns (43), single season reception yards (1,349) and single season total touchdowns (20). . .Also ranks third in CWU history in career reception yards (2,906), total receptions (194) and single season receptions (15). . .Most of his numbers were compiled in three seasons as played very little in freshman season, catching just one pass.

Year	No.	Yds	Avg.	TD	Long
1993	1	44	44.0	0	44
1994	34	603	17.7	8	80
1995	94	1349	14.4	20	80
1996	65	910	14.0	15	64
Tot.	194	2906	15.0	43	80

**Eric Boles, Football (Nominated by Brendon Kensel)** – Last CWU player drafted by the NFL going to the New York Jets in the 11<sup>th</sup>. Round. Also played with Green Bay. . . . Caught 67 career passes for 1,162 yards, including 37 for 667 in senior season in four seasons with the Wildcats. Honorable Mention All-American in 1991. . . .Boles is President of Edge Learning Institute, a training and development company dedicated to maximizing the human asset. He is a highly acclaimed keynote speaker and consultant for some of the most recognized companies in the world and the elite special forces. His expertise is in team dynamics, leadership, maximizing momentum, personal growth and change. His clients include AFLAC, Starbucks Coffee Company, Southwest Airlines, Coca-Cola, Boeing, Alaska Airlines, IRS, Thermo Fisher Scientific, Money Tree, Bonneville Power Administration and the Army Rangers to name a few. . .Prior to becoming an authority on teamwork, leadership and personal development, Eric learned many principles of team dynamics and leadership from his experience playing in the National Football League (NFL) with the New York Jets and Green Bay Packers. Eric had the privilege of being coached and mentored by some of the finest coaches in the game. . .Eric has presented all over North America with audiences ranging from 5 to 20,000 people. From the boardrooms of some of our nation's most prestigious Fortune 500 companies, to our Federal Government, non-profit organizations, private companies as well as trade associations, Eric has earned the reputation as a dynamic presenter, facilitator, executive coach and friend. . .According to his web site, typically receives a fee for \$10,000 to \$13,000 per speaking engagement.

Year	No.	Yds	Avg.	TD	Long
1988	1	7	7.0	0	7
1989	3	77	25.7	1	38
1990	26	411	15.8	5	45
1991	37	667	18.0	4	68
Tot.	67	1162	17.3	10	68

**Steven Slavens, Track and Field (1970-73) (Nominated by Ken Kladnik):** Still holds school record holder in 200 meters (21.0 in 1972). Ran on foursome that set school record in 4x100 relay in 1972 in time of 40.9. . .Placed fifth in NAIA national meet in 440 relay in 1970 in time of 41.2. and fourth in 4x100 relay in 1982 (41.1). . .District 1 champion in 100 yards in 1971 (9.8) and in 220 yards in 1972 (21.1). Ran on two district 440 yard relay championship teams (1971 and 1972). . .Had career best of 10.5 in 100, which still ranks ninth in school history. . .Has had highly successful coaching career at Fife High School winning state title in 1985 and finishing in Top 10 five times. Has won multiple league and district championships. . .Also coached Fife to three high school state power lifting championships. . .As a competitor has won two national power lifting titles.

**Jeff Hillis, Swimming (Nominated by Bob Guptill)** - Won 13 All-American awards, including six individual national championships between 1985 and 1988. Three-time national champion in 100 breast (1986-88). Three-time national champion in 200 breast after finishing second freshman season. Also swam on national championship 400 medley relay team in 1986. Helped lead Wildcat teams to team national championship in 1986 and 1987. School record holder in 100 and 200 breaststroke.

**Nick Snyder, Football (Nominated by Bob Bunton)** – Played for Wildcats in 1987 and 1988. Selected Best Tackle award winner in both seasons. Was first team all-conference both seasons. Honorable mention All-American in 1987. . .As of 2000, only one other player in school history who played only two seasons had more tackles. Graduated in 1990. . .“Nick could flat out play. Undersized, but had great speed and nose for the fall.

Player, Pos (Years)	PT	AT	Tot.	Loss	QB	BP	FR	FF
Nick Snyder, LB (1987-88)	105	53	158	10-24	1-5	3	1	0

Year	PT	AT	Tot.	QB	Loss	BP	FR	FF
1987	81	35	116	0-0	6-17	1	0	0
1988	24	18	42	1-5	4-7	2	1	0
Tot.	105	53	158	1-5	10-24	3	1	0

**Kristelle Arthur, Women’s Basketball & Track (Nominated by Gary Frederick)** – Led Wildcats, along with Hall of Famer Sonia Swan, to best season in school history as Wildcats posted 31-5 record and qualified for NAIA national tournament for only time in school history. Her three seasons were the most successful in school history resulting in 66 wins and 23 losses. Was a dominating rebounder especially at offensive end. Still ranks fourth in school history in rebounds with 568 and 11<sup>th</sup> in points with 781. . .In track and field held school record in 800 meters of 2:14.41 and still ranks second all-time 20 years later. . Had fifth best mark in 1500 (4:49.9) as of 1997. Was recently bumped out of the Top 10. Track MVP in 1989.

	G	FG	FGA	PCT	FG	FGA	PCT	FT	FTA	PCT	OR	Reb	Avg.	PF-D	Pts	Avg.	Ast.	TO	Bk	St.	Min
1985-86	21	35	94	37.2				6	17	35.3		82	3.9	28-0	76	3.6	10	22	2	14	238
1986-87	27	138	320	43.1				18	30	60.0		202	7.5	76-3	294	10.9	38	42	18	45	771
1987-88	34	189	399	47.4	0	0	0.0	33	55	60.0	134	284	8.4	76-4	411	12.1	64	58	33	102	1052
<b>Totals</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>362</b>	<b>813</b>	<b>44.5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>55.9</b>	<b>134</b>	<b>568</b>	<b>6.9</b>	<b>180-7</b>	<b>781</b>	<b>9.5</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>161</b>	<b>2061</b>

**Paul Harshman, Track and Field 1981-84 (No indication on who nominated him on-line):** CWU's Track MVP and Inspirational award winner in 1984. 1982 team captain in cross country and 1981 Inspirational award winner. . .Still holds school 3000 record of 8:18.4 and 10,000 record of 29:41.50. Also still ranks second all-time in 5,000 and 10<sup>th</sup> in 1,500. . .Placed third in 10,000 to earn All-American honors in 1984 national meet in time of 30:07.0. . .1984 district champion in 5,000 (14:42.10)

**Bill Beattie, Football (nominated by CWU Hall-of-Famer Jack Curtright).** . .Was honorable mention offensive line All-American for Wildcats in 1982. Won CWU Best Blocker award the same year. Three-year starter for Wildcats....According to Curtright is one of the top football coaches in the state of Washington at Olympia High School. . .21 years as head coach, 7 at Elma and 14 at Olympia....143-71 record. . .Won 11 conference titles...Qualified for playoffs 11 times in 21 years, reaching quarterfinals 3 times and semifinals once. . .Twice his teams have been State Academic champions. . .Has had more than 60 players play at the college level. . .Four of his former assistant coaches have gone on to be head coaches. . .Coach of the Year 10 different times. District III Coach of the Year in 2003. . .Has participated in State All-Star game in three different capacities – as a player (1978), as an assistant coach (1996) and as a head coach (2005). . .Oversees a program that annual draws 150 participants (varsity, 2 JV teams and a freshman team). . .Recognized by Seahawk Football as State Coach-of-the-Week twice (2001 and 2008). . .Originated Bear Buddy program at Olympia in which high school players mentor and follow young kids through their seasons.

**Eric Tollefson, Track and Field & Cross Country, 1991-96 (nominated by Kevin Adkisson).** . .NAIA All-American in cross country with ninth place finish (highest ever by a CWU athlete). . .Placed 3<sup>rd</sup> in 5,000 in NAIA national meet to earn All-American honors. . .Six-time NAIA national qualifier (3 in cross country and three in track. . .Ranks third on CWU all-time list in 10,000 and steeplechase and fifth in 5,000. . .District 5,000 champion in 1996 and district 10,000 champion in 1993 and 1995. District steeplechase champion in 1996. . .In his post-collegiate career he developed into one of the finer long distance runners in the United States. In the 2000 Olympic Trials, he placed 13<sup>th</sup> in the 10,000 in a time of 29:13.72 (his best at CWU was 30:04.69) and he had best that year of 28:43.34. . .He is a past winner of the prestigious Penn Relays 10K. . .Eric is currently a technical coordinator performing bioassay work with Nautilus Environmental in Fife. His work involves primarily testing for aquatic toxicity.

**Gerry Abbott, Football and Booster for Meritorious Service (Nominated by Dave Coffman)** – Played football between 1965 and 1968. Served on CWU Foundation Board for four years (1998-02) providing strong support for Central athletics. Also served on several committees in providing direction for the Foundation Board. . .Past president of Wildcat Club. Organized Tom Parry recognition banquet.

**Mike Dunbar, Football Coach (Nominated by Marc Yonts) (Note:** Our current ByLaws require that a coach have 10 years of service to CWU. Dunbar has 9, 6 as a head coach and 3 as an assistant so consideration of his nomination would require unanimous consent to waive that rule) – Was assistant football coach at Central Washington between 1980 and 1982 and twice was head coach, first in 1983 and then again between 1987 and 1991. Second winningest coach in school history with record of 54-9-1 including 33-3-1 conference record in six seasons. By far, the winningest coach based on percentage in both CWU and Columbia Football Association history. . .Won six different Coach-of-the-Year awards (Northwest and Mt. Rainier League in 1987, Mt. Rainier and Kodak Region V in 1988, Kodak Region V in 1989 and Mt. Rainier in 1991). . .Led CWU to five straight post-season berths 1987-91 reaching semifinals in 1989 and 1991. . .Helped set the stage for perhaps the two best teams in school history. . .Came in as an assistant in 1980 and his recruiting was a key in helping turn around a program that had won just one game in previous two seasons. After he left for the University of Massachusetts, CWU reached the national semifinals in 1984 with a team largely built by Dunbar. . .After returning in 1987, he once again left for Division I following the 1991 season and many of his final year recruits were key players on the 1995 national championship team including Jon Kitna. . .He served as a head coach at Northern Iowa for four seasons between 1997 and 2000 compiling records of 7-4, 7-4, 8-3 and 7-4 for a career head coaching record of 83-24-1 in 10 seasons. Has been an assistant at Northwestern, California and now Minnesota. CWU put together a 41-game regular-season unbeaten streak starting in 1987 and ending in 1992 during Jeff Zenisek's first season as head coach.

**Melissa Sawyer, Women's Soccer 1995-98 (Nominated by Michael Farrand)** – Best defender in school history earning second team All-American honors the only CWU athlete to ever win such an accolade in women's soccer. Three-time all-conference. Played on some of the best soccer teams in CWU history in the late 1990s. Scored eight goals in career, a very high number for her position.

**Byron Johnson, Football (nominated by Vernell Chandler):** Played for Wildcat football team between 1962 and 1965. Was offensive end and defensive tackle. Four-year letterman. All-conference honorable mention sophomore, second team as junior and first team as senior. Drafted by Dallas Cowboys. Also played basketball. . .Was long-time football coach and history teacher at Franklin High School. Died of diabetes in 1998 at age of 53.

**Jim Carmody, Football (Nominated by L.G. Carmody)** - Excerpts from LG's letter: "was one of the best backs in post-World War 2 era. . .played under three coaches in four years. . .as one of his coaches, I was in position to evaluate his ability, his attitude and dedication as a football player and as a student and loyal alumni. Never in the years he played at Central did he not give the very best in any endeavor he undertook. If more were around to help me recall Jim as a player his selection would be almost automatic. . .he was known to make plays when needed - to be called upon to make difficult blocks, because of his speed, to be a rugged defensive back in the days when the two platoon was just beginning - to play 60 minutes was common, yet difficult to imagine by today's standards." . . .Earned honorable mention all-league honors in 1946.

**Robin MacAlpine, Wrestling (Nominated by Bob Guptill)** - Won 1984 national title at 126 pounds after finishing second in 1983. Career mark of 52-30-1. While that record doesn't sound overly impressive take into account the many of his losses were to Division I athletes. With a strong endorsement from Jim Pappas was almost elected in 1999.

**Spike Arlt, Track and Field Coach (Nominated by Bob Guptill)** - Long-time cross country and track-and-field coach. Qualified teams nine times for cross country nationals, placing in Top 10 six times. Four-time District 1 Coach-of-the-Year in cross country and three times in track. Won two District 1 track titles. Coached 22 All-Americans. Graduate of WSU. Completed in 1960 Olympic Trials and was WSU Athlete-of-the-Year. Was well-known nationally not only for his coaching but was one of first to develop computer software for use in coaching.

**NOMINATED BUT NOT ELIGIBLE BECAUSE OF 10-YEAR GRADUATION RULE**

**Scott Iwata, Mascot, 2000-04 (Nominated by Lucas ??? & Renee Allwine)** – Has run several marathons for non-profit causes. PRSA (Public Relations Society of America) National, PRS NYC, Team in Training through the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society & the NY City Road Runners. . .Scott spearheaded a fundraising drive for new mascot outfit. He personally raised \$5,000 from private donors to make over the new Wellington. Since graduating, he has competed in the Country Music Marathon, the Bronx Half Marathon and presently is in training for the San Francisco Marathon and Philadelphia Half Marathon, all while fundraising more than \$6,000 for blood cancer research. . .Is an Associate Account Manager at America Online Platform-A Online Division. Won the Zango Bullseye Award which is an employee of the year award only given to 12 people nationwide. . .

## THE WATCH LIST

### COACHES

**Bob Gregson, Swimming Coach** – Long time swim coach who has refused to be considered in past. Has credentials in his sport equal to Beardsley, Parry, Nicholson, etc. Should be in Hall of Fame. After the passage of time, perhaps he might consider.

**Jeff Zenisek, Football Coach and Player** - Best Blocker award winner in 1981. Coached Wildcats to only national championship in team sport. Had record Of 35-17-1 in five seasons as head coach.

**Gil Coleman, Basketball Coach** – Though he career was cut short accomplished enough to be selected to the Washington State Coaches Hall of Fame in 2008. Had outstanding prep, though short, career as well leading Onalaska (with Ron vanderSchaaf) to state title.

### FOOTBALL

**Kenny Thompson, Football and Track** – Team MVP in 1991. First team All-American, Rushed for 1,455 yards and 22 touchdowns in two seasons. 6.4 per averaged second best in school history behind Hall of Famer Pat Patterson. Also school record holder in high jump with best of 6-11. Placed sixth in national indoor meet in 1991 (6-9) and fifth in 1990 in outdoors (6-11).

**Jimmie Dillingham, Football** – Ranked third on all-time rushing list with 2,405 yards (as of 2001) and 22 touchdowns. No. 2 in all-purpose yardage with 4,181 (as of 2001), including 1,241 on kickoff returns.

**Kyle Fowler, Football** - Caught 72 passes for 1,221 yards and 17 touchdowns. Led CWU to first-ever NAIA national berth in 1984. Only played two seasons and doesn't have the career numbers of some other players, but probably best overall receiver CWU has had past 20 seasons (though Brian Potucek and Kenny Russaw fans might argue that point). “Great hands”.

**Craig Danielson, Football** - First team All-American offensive lineman in 1985. Also All-American in wrestling placing seventh in 1987 national meet.

**Tyson Raley, Football** – One of six players in CFA history to earn first team all-conference honors four times. 3,982 all-purpose yards (3<sup>rd</sup> as of 2001). As of 2001, ranked second in career catches with 160 and also rushed for 1,521 yards.

**James Atterberry, Football** – Caught 147 passes for 2318 yards. Yardage was second best in school history through 2001. Ranks right there with Fowler and Potucek among all-time great Wildcat wide receivers.

**Mike Grant, Football** - First team All-American wide receiver. Caught 86 passes for 1585 yards.

**Rick Harris, Football** - Voted Best Tackler award winner four years in a row (1975-78) though he played on some bad teams. Team captain and Most Inspirational award winner in 1978. Twice first team all-conference linebacker.

**Tim Kofstad, Football** - First team All-American linebacker in 1981. Ranks 15<sup>th</sup> (as of 2001) in career tackles, despite playing just two seasons.

**Tracy McKenzie, Football** - Great linebacker on 1988-91 teams. First team All-American. As of 2001, eight in school history in tackles with 227.

**Pat Maki, Football** – Was CWU all-time leader in interceptions with 19 (in an era when the passing game was not as dominate) before Jason Patterson broke the record in 2001.

**Other Possible Candidates** - Mark Doll 2009, Dan Murphy 2010, John Hallead 2010, Nat Conley 2011, Jason Patterson 2011, Zak Hill 2013, Brian Potucek 2016, Mike Reilly 2019.

### VOLLEYBALL

None

**IN THE FUTURE:** Carolyn Mires 2012, Kate Reome 2014, LeAnne McGaughey 2015.

### CROSS COUNTRY AND TRACK

**Mark Brown, Track** - Back-to-back second place national finishes in 5,000 meters in 1978 and 1979. Still holds record in 5,000.

**Keith Baker, Track** – Five-time All-American, finishing sixth, fourth and second in 110 high hurdles in 1990, 1991 and 1992 and second in 60 indoor hurdles in 1992. Won 1991 national indoor hurdles title. School record holder in 110 hurdles.

**Toby Suhm, Track & Cross Country** - Had highest finish ever in NAIA men's national meet (13th in 1977) prior to ninth place finish by Eric Tollefson. Won two district 5,000 meter titles and one 10,000 meter title.

**Bill Jurgens, Track** - Placed second and third in shot put at 1953 and 1954 national meet.

**Jon Torrance, Track** - Only male athlete ever to win national individual title in track-and-field. Won 1987 hammer title and placed sixth in discus in 1986 national meet. Two-time district discus champion. Twice selected track MVP (1986-87). Was also CWU's first Academic All-American in track-and-field in 1987. Shared team captain that year with Charles Chandler.

**Mike Pace, Track & Cross Country** - Finished fourth in 1987 NAIA national meet in 1500 and second in 1988. School record holder in 1500. Team MVP in cross country.

## **SOCCER**

**Judy Koenigs, Women's Soccer** - CWU's all-time leading scorer with 27 goals and 65 points. Two-time all-conference. Married to Scott Earle who is one of the winningest baseball pitchers in school history. Both are probably future Hall-of-Famers.

**Darcy Neil** - Four time Team MVP as defender (1992-95). Three-time all-Conference. Honorable Mention All-American.

## **BASKETBALL**

**Theartris Wallace** - Averaged 12.6 points and had 255 rebounds. Maybe not Hall-of-Fame numbers, but was second team All-American in 1969 and here is what Dean had to say about him when he ranked him among his all-time Top 10: "He was a super player at both ends of the court and was a great team player. He played tough defense and was a great shooter.. He had a skinny frame, but was a hell of a rebounder for his size." .

**Dave Oliver, Basketball** - Two-time honorable mention All-American in 1976 and 1977. One of top scorers and rebounders in school history among two-year players.

**Ray Orange, Basketball** - Second Team All-American in 1980. Honorable mention All-American in 1979. One of best shot blockers in school history.

**Kristi Wilson, Basketball** - Career rebounding leader with 640 and ranks fourth in career scoring with 846. Two-time Team MVP.

**Carl Aaron, Basketball** - Scored 1,410 points in two seasons 1987-88. One of only two players (20.7) along with Mel Cox (21.2) to average 20 points a game in career. Definitely one of top 10 players in school history, but probably didn't get a degree so may not be eligible. If he is eligible, should be automatic.

**Leon Johnson, Basketball** - Third best career average in school history (18.9). Along with Aaron only two-year player in school history to score 1,000 career points.

**In the Future:** Dave Biwer, Tyce Nasinec (2009), Justin Thompson (2012), Rose Shaw (2012), Lance Den Boer (2017)

## **SWIMMING**

**Craig Weishaar, Swimming** - Won 14 All-American certificates, including national title in 1978 200 breaststroke. Three time national runner-up in 400 IM (1975-77).

**Russ Ferguson, Swimming** - Won 16 All-American certificates, including national title in 1977 100 breaststroke. Also finished second twice in 200 breaststroke.

**Tom Drury, Swimming** - After transferring from University of Washington, won 1987 national title in 1650 free. Finished third twice in 500 free and once in 1650. Also swam on two second place relay teams.

**Cyndi Hudson, Swimming** - Won 20 All-American awards between 1986-88. Finished second in 1986 and 1987 50 free. Swam on four national championship relay teams. Elected not to turn out senior season.

**Tani Thorstenson, Swimming** - Won 19 All-American awards between 1984-87. Swam on two national championship relay teams. Highest individual finish was third.

## **WRESTLING**

**Bill Elliot, Wrestling Coach** - On CWU's first wrestling team. Long-time successful high school coach at Cashmere and member of High School Coaches Hall of Fame.

**Joe Sanford, Wrestling and Pro Rodeo Clown** - 1978 National champion. Later was fairly well-known professional rodeo clown.

**Bill Hoglund, Wrestling** - 1982 national champion at 118.

**Lenal Brinson, Wrestling** - 1987 national champion at 126.

**Future:** Jack Anderson (2010)

## **BASEBALL**

**Jim Clem, Baseball** - Elected to high school baseball coaches Hall-of-Fame in 1994. Compiled 245-126 record in 17 years at Burlington and Dayton, winning four league titles and qualifying for regionals seven times (not updated since 1998). Finished second in 1989 when team won 21 straight on way to a 24-2 record. . .Had 2-2 career mark with two saves in 1974 and 1975 at CWU.

**Marc Greeley, Baseball** - Honorable mention All-American in 1988. Key figure on national qualifying 1988 baseball team. Set CWU career leader in games, at bats, runs, hits, total bases, RBI, walks, stolen bases. Second in home runs. Had .330 career average. Twenty years later still ranks second in games, third in at bats, second in runs, third in hits, fourth in triples, third in home runs, third in total bases, second in RBIs, second in walks and first in stolen bases.

**In the Future** – Jamie Nilsen (2018)

## **TENNIS**

**Vern Ball, Tennis** - Won a pair of district tennis championships in late 1950s.