

## 14TH CLASS TO ENTER HALL

Six outstanding contributors to Mountaineer athletics make up the 14th class of honorees in the West Virginia University Sports Hall of Fame.

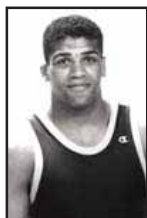
"This is another tremendous group of inductees who represent the great Mountaineer tradition," says director of athletics Ed Pastilong. The 2004 class includes former basketball coaches Gale Catlett and Lee Patton, world-class wrestler Dominic Black, Olympic shooter Bruce Meredith, football legend Floyd "Ben" Schwartzwalder and multi-sport standout Charley Seabright.

Induction ceremonies will take place around the WVU-James Madison football game on September 25. This class brings the number of total inductees to 89.

Dominic Black enjoyed a banner collegiate wrestling career at WVU. Black finished as one of only six wrestlers in school history to amass more than 100 career victories, posting a 105-36-2 mark.

Following collegiate competition, Black took first place in earning University Freestyle National Champion honors in 1992. Then in 1995, Black became the first West Virginia wrestler to ever represent the United States in an international event, as he won a gold medal in the 198-pound weight class at the World Cup of Freestyle. He holds two degrees from West Virginia, an undergraduate degree in sport management and a master's degree in safety management. A native of Lexington, Ky., he resides in Colorado Springs, Colo., for Olympic training.

Gale Catlett was a Mountaineer basketball player from 1959-63, helping the Mountaineers to records of 24-4, 26-6 and 23-8 and two NCAA tournament berths. After graduation in



Dominic Black

1963, he started a career in college coaching that took him to Richmond, Davidson, Kansas and Kentucky. In 1972, he was named head coach at Cincinnati, posting a 126-44 record in six seasons, with three NCAA and one NIT appearance.



Gale Catlett

Catlett returned to his alma mater as head coach in 1978, posting a WVU record of 439-276 over the next 24 years and an overall coaching mark of 565-320, making him just the 45th Division I coach all-time to win 500 career games. Taking 20 teams to postseason play (11 NCAA/9 NIT), he coached two Metro Con-



Bruce Meredith

ference champions (1975-76), five Atlantic 10 regular season and two A-10 tournament (1983-84) champions, and shepherded WVU's move into the BIG EAST Conference, where his 1998 club advanced to the NCAA Sweet 16. He retired in 2002.

Catlett and his wife Anise, a Morgantown native and former WVU cheerleader, have two daughters, Krista (who is married to Ed Neumann) and Kara. They spend their time between homes in

Morgantown and his hometown of Hedgesville, W.Va.

Bruce Meredith, one of the most talented riflemen in WVU history, lettered at WVU in 1958-61; through the course of his career, the WVU rifle team finished with a 42-16 record. As team captain, he led WVU to a record of 25-3 and its first collegiate national team title. He won the national individual smallbore championship with a record score and was WVU's initial first team rifle All-American in 1960 and repeated the honor in 1961.



Lee Patton

He was named Amateur Athlete of the Year by the W.Va. Sports Writers Association.



Ben Schwartzwalder

Meredith qualified for the Olympic Games in Seoul 1988, Barcelona 1992, Atlanta 1996 and Sydney 2000.

He has set 164 USA national records. He was inducted into the U.S. Army Reserve International Rifle Roll of Honor in 2000 and owns Mountaineer Appraisal & Realty, doing business in Georgia and North Carolina.



Charlie Seabright

The late Lee Patton was an outstanding WVU basketball coach from 1946-50. A Carbon, Texas, native, Patton led the Mountaineers to a 91-26 overall record during his tenure for a .778 winning percentage, still the second best in school history. Patton led West Virginia to two straight NIT berths in 1946 and 1947. Under his direction, WVU posted a school-record 57-game home winning streak that ended in the final home game of the 1949 season.

## Hall of Fame continued ...

Prior to coaching at WVU, Patton was a basketball and football coach at Princeton (W.Va.) High where his basketball teams made it to the state tournament six times and his 1943 football squad finished the year undefeated.

Fondly nicknamed "Worry Bird," Coach Patton passed away in February, 1950, from complications suffered after a Valentine's Day automobile accident. He was survived by his wife Agnes and two daughters, Anne Patton Heater and Laura Lee Patton. Both daughters are graduates of WVU.

The late Floyd "Ben" Schwartzwalder excelled in two sports for WVU from 1930-32. The Point Pleasant, W.Va., native will go down as one of the smallest centers in Mountaineer history, weighing only 148 pounds while playing for Coach Earle "Greasy" Neale. Schwartzwalder also starred as a wrestler for Coach Steve Harrick, winning all-campus in 1930 in the 155-pound weight class.

After graduating from college, Schwartzwalder coached high school football for six seasons in West Virginia and Ohio, winning two state championships with Parkersburg High, before joining the U.S. Army's 82nd Airborne as a paratrooper in 1941. In his years of service he saw action in D-Day in 1944 and also earned a many awards, including a Silver Star, Bronze Star, Purple Heart, four battle stars and a Presidential Unit Citation. The military also named Schwartzwalder governor of Essen, Germany, for about six months following the fall of Nazi Germany.

Schwartzwalder married fellow WVU graduate Ruth "Reggie" Simpson and the couple had two children: Susan and Mary. He passed away in 1993 at age 83.

The late Charley Seabright was a versatile athlete at WVU from 1938-41, earning three letters in football, two in basketball and two in baseball. A native of Wheeling, W.Va., Seabright was an all-state athlete in football, basketball and baseball at Benwood Union High (now part of John Marshall High) before coming to play for the Mountaineers.

He was voted to the WVU football all-time team (1940-49) and was honored with a sportsmanship award by the Charleston Sportsman Club in 1980.

Seabright and his wife, the former Alice Olveski, had four children: Chuck, Jim, Joyce and Charlene. He worked for Valley Machine in Martins Ferry, Ohio, for 28 years as a production manager. Seabright died at the age of 62 in March, 1981, in Wheeling.

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## Swimming Scholarship Fund Established

In 2003 the alumni and friends of WVU swimming and diving established a new scholarship fund to help support both WVU swimming programs. An amount of \$25,000 was pledged to the Mountaineer Athletic Club over a five year period.

Again, thank you to all that contributed this year and we ask that you keep WVU Swimming and Diving in your thoughts throughout the year. Annual contributions can be made payable to the Mountaineer Athletic Club and mailed to:

Whit Babcock or Donnie Young  
Mountaineer Athletic Club  
P.O. Box 0877  
Morgantown, WV  
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1-800-433-2072

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A list of those who have previously contributed is below:

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## Lopez Hired as Swim Coach

On May 1, 2004, West Virginia University athletic director Ed Pastilong announced the hiring of Sergio Lopez as the head coach for the men's and women's swimming and diving squads.

Lopez, a native of Barcelona, Spain, and a 1988 Olympic bronze medalist in the 200-meter breast, comes to WVU from Northwestern where he spent last season as the Wildcat associate head coach and served as an NU assistant coach from 2000-03.

During his tenure, Lopez and the Wildcats produced seven All-Americans, eight Big Ten champions, eight Big Ten championship meet records, a Big Ten swimmer of the year and a Big Ten freshman of the year. During Lopez' tenure 43 of the school's 56 records were broken.

Lopez, a member of the Spanish national team from 1984-96, earned a bachelor's degree in independent studies in kinesiology from American in 1992 and garnered his national coach's title from the Spanish Swimming Coaches Association in 1995.

During his swimming career, Lopez won a silver medal in the 1993 world championships in the 400 medley, has held European and U.S. Open records in the 200 breast and has held or currently holds 14 records in Spain, two at Indiana and eight at American.

"I'm very excited about the opportunity to coach at West Virginia University," Lopez says. "I think WVU has a lot to offer and my goal is to get WVU in the Top 20 in the country in the next three to four years. I also want to establish the program in the BIG EAST and win the conference in the next four to five years. Those are all attainable goals."

Lopez is married to the former Sandy Carlos and they have two children, Harley (5) and Cobi (3).



# NEWS AND NOTES

### BASEBALL

After starting off the season against some of the toughest competition in the country, the Mountaineers posted a 9-20 record through their first 29 games. The true character of the team has shined through since the bad start as the team won nine of their next 12 games to return themselves to contention for the BIG EAST tournament. Leading the comeback was junior All-America candidate Zac Cline, who has posted a 7-3 record and leads the country in complete games with nine on the season. At the plate, Lee Fritz, who was among the nation's top hitters a year ago, has continued to torment opposing pitching as he leads the team with a .369 average and 14 doubles.

*Former Mountaineers:* Bill Marovic (1963-65) is retiring from teaching after 38 years in Albert Gallatin School District ... Fred M. Wyant (1952-55-Baseball 1954) played slow-pitch softball in Western PA league for Uniontown Pa., age 62 and over ... his team won the regu-

lar season (24-6) and the post-season tourney (5 games in 1 day) ... he will be playing again in 2004 and will also play in 15-20 tournaments throughout the USA with the Penn Hills Chiefs age 70 and over traveling team ... Homer E. Shaffer (1946-48) completed his 49th year with the football scoreboard and related tasks with perfect attendance ... currently in his 37th year with the basketball scoreboard ... Charles C. Wallace (1964-66) is the division manager for the Fishel Company in Clermont, Fla., for installation of signs, signals, and roadway lighting ... Robert G. Peyton (1958-63) just retired from W.W. Williams Co. in Columbus, Ohio, where he was the President for 15 years ... he still goes to all WVU football games ... Frank A. Pryor (1973-77 assistant coach 1978-83) is a health and PE. Instructor at Beth-Center Senior High as well as the head baseball coach ... married to Patricia Novotnak for 11 years ... has two children, son Nicholas who is five and daughter Frankie who is three ... John

Radosevich (1963-65) teaches Biology at Broadway High School in Broadway, Va., he has been teaching for 36 years ... Dan Dolphin (1971-75) is director of Human Resources, Buckeye Pope Line Company, Allentown, Pa. ... he coached junior high football at Bethlehem Catholic and high school lacrosse ... Gib Parthemore is married with 2 sons (16 & 13). and is the owner of Parthemore Funeral Home & Cremation Services, Inc. ... he's the president of the Board of School Directors for the 8,200 pupil West Shore School District ... George Franks retired from the Albert Gallatin School District after 30 years as being athletic director and is in his 27th year as owner of Masontown Trophy and Embroidery ... he has an eight-month old grandson.

### MEN'S BASKETBALL

In 2003-2004, the West Virginia University men's basketball team wanted to improve its win total from the year before and take the next step

to becoming a BIG EAST contender. Those two goals were certainly achieved with 17 wins and a return to the postseason in just year two under John Beilein.

West Virginia's two wins in the NIT were the culmination of an overall season that brought progress and many good things. Accomplishments such as D'or Fischer's blocked shots record, Johannes Herber's Academic All-American award, Patrick Beilein tying the WVU consecutive free throws made mark, in addition to defeating NCAA tournament teams in Maryland, Boston College and Seton Hall.

*Former Mountaineers:* Rex A. Foster (1978-85) currently resides in Parkersburg, West Virginia working for Fibernet as a district sales manager ... Jim Hamrick (1952-53) retired from Executive Secretary of WVSSAC and is a substitute teacher who's watching two sets of twin grandsons play sports (Future Mountaineers??) ... Matthew Roadcap (1989-93) recently became co-owner and CEO of Corvette Connection in Ft. Myers, Fla. ... Corvette Connection is an industry leader in high performance automotive applications specializing in Corvettes ... Cris McPherson has been working for Mylan Pharmaceuticals for over 14 years as a quality assurance assistant and is getting married on August 6,



**JOE HERBER WAS AN ACADEMIC ALL-AMERICAN AS A SOPHOMORE IN 2004.**

2004 to Patty Sereg ... Ben Lewis (1941-42) now lives in a vibrant sports area of N.C. State, UNC and Duke, but he still keeps up with WVU ... Robert D. Carroll enjoyed the 100 year celebration ... it was great seeing Fred, Leland, and Bobby Stakem ... Clayce Kishbaugh (1954-1957) is enjoying his Golden Years ... Alfred C. Purrello (Basketball & Baseball 1948-52) after graduating from the School of Physical Education in 1952, he subsequently entered law school and became licensed in N.Y. ... he retired on January 1, 1997.

#### WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

WVU returned to the NCAA Championship after a 12 year hiatus after posting the third-best win total in school history (21-11). West Virginia advanced to the BIG EAST semifinals for the first time in program history and WVU posted the eighth-best turnover margin in the NCAA (13.5).

Coach Mike Carey was named BIG EAST Coach of the Year in just his third season and freshman Meg Bulger, a six-time conference freshman of the week, was named the BIG EAST Freshman of the Year. Senior Kate Bulger was named to the all-BIG EAST second team, started every game of her Mountaineer career (115), finished fourth on the school's all-time points list with 1,732 points and set the school standard with 301 career three-point field goals made. She became the first Mountaineer women's basketball player to be drafted professionally when she was picked No. 38 in the WNBA Draft by the Minnesota Lynx.

Junior point guard Yolanda Paige became the first Mountaineer named to the BIG EAST Tournament team and was a third-team conference selection. A Nancy Lieberman nominee, Paige was fourth nationally in assists with 7.9 per game and set the WVU single season record with 253 dishes.

#### CROSS COUNTRY/TRACK

After a tremendous season that saw WVU ranked as high as 25th nationally, the Mountaineers hit a small



**KATE BULGER MADE 308 THREE-POINTERS DURING HER CAREER AT WEST VIRGINIA.**

slump late in the season that caused them to finish one place outside of qualifying for NCAA's for the second consecutive season. West Virginia's top individual performer was once again junior All-American Megan Metcalfe. The Edmonton, Alberta, native finished in the Top 10 in six meets and was the top place finisher in two races.

West Virginia's indoor track season was highlighted by a second place finish at the ECAC championships. This finish tied WVU's highest finish at the championships in school history (2000).

At the BIG EAST championships, the Mountaineers had three second place and two third place individual performers en route to a sixth place team finish. At ECAC's, junior Tara Struyk broke the school record in the 5,000 meters with a time of 16:22.44 en route to her first ECAC indoor championship. West Virginia's Megan Metcalfe, Tara Struyk, Jen Davis, Pam Richardson and Jen Kemp qualified for the NCAA indoor championships.

West Virginia's outdoor season was highlighted with another school record and a plethora of underclassmen qualifying for the NCAA regional championships. Sophomore Susan Davis broke the school record in the 3,000 meter steeplechase with a time of 10:54.87 at the Sea Ray Relays in

Knoxville, Tenn. Just three weeks later, Susan's sister, Jennifer, broke the record with a time of 10:54.72 at the BIG EAST outdoor championships.

West Virginia currently boasts a total of six NCAA regional qualifiers. Each of those qualifiers are underclassmen.

*Former Mountaineers:* John L. Davis (1969) is vice president of administration at West Liberty State College ... he left the state for many years and worked on Capitol Hill and at Nike ... in his spare time he coached prep and small college track ... he runs regularly and participates in a couple marathons each year, including the Boston Marathon ... he lives in Bethany with his wife Lynn.

#### FOOTBALL

Although the season got off to a slow start, with the Mountaineers winning only one of their first five contests, it ended with a share of the BIG EAST championship. After the Mountaineers lost games to Cincinnati, Maryland, Wisconsin and Miami, West Virginia, led by a talented group of seniors, won seven games in a row to claim its first title since 1993 and earn a trip to the Toyota Gator Bowl.

Senior Linebacker Grant Wiley became WVU's ninth consensus All-American at the season's end. Tailback Quincy Wilson was drafted in the sixth round of the NFL draft by the Atlanta Falcons, and Wiley, Brian King, Travis Garvin and Lance Frazier each signed free agent contracts.

*Former Mountaineers:* P. Scott Hindsley (1968-71) after 20 years in the Army, is living in a section of the Flathead Valley of NW Montana with his wife Cindy ... he recently visited with Chris Potts, John Wooton, and Danny Smith ... Eli Kosanovich (1960-62) is a retired marketing executive from Xerox Corporation ... wife- Terri ... daughters- Joan and Jennifer ... grandchildren- Mike and Emily ... Ervin S. Queen (1948-49) is suffering from Alzheimer's and has been in Lugan Park Care for one year ... he still recalls WVU and football sometimes! ... Dave Santrock

(1961) is practicing Orthopedics with Pete Lukoviski, former WVU band member – what a combo!! ... Donnie Young (1961-64) is enjoying his three grandchildren: Melody (6), Timmy (2), and Levi (1) ... Chad Young is enjoying the Florida Sunshine with his son Levi and wife Shannon ... Carl Roberts was 87 years old on April 3rd ... Alan M. Hoover (1962-64) has traveled to Morgantown every April for the past six years for a reunion with a few of the football players that played between 1962-67... Patrick Buratti (1963-67) is a competitive power lifter ... he holds all A.D.A.U American records in the 275 lbs. class, 54-59 year old Masters Division for bench press, squat, & deadlift ... Richard A. Loring, Sr. (1948-52) is a retired teacher/coach ... Robert Thomas (1941-42 & 46-47) is playing golf 4 times a week ... will be 81 years old on July 4 and is feeling good!! ... would like to hear from older players ... Let's Go Mountaineers! ... Gene Lathey (1952-56) ... is owner of Gene Lathey Insurance Agency in Ripley, W.Va. ... is married to Christine and has two children, Gail and Gina ... Fred Adkins (1958-62) is a partner in the law firm Huddleston- Bolen ... he has three children ... daughter Ann was the



**GRANT WILEY BECAME WVU'S NINTH CONSENSUS ALL-AMERICAN IN 2003.**

captain of the Stanford's 1992 National Champion women's basketball team ... he also has six grandchildren ... Jim Fagan (1962-63) is the incoming President of the WVU Alumni Association (2004-2005) and is in his 13th year as the narrator of NBA Action TV Show ... Bill McElroy (1993-97) is getting married on June 26, 2004 to Monica Morrow ... he is now a physical education/health teacher at Butler Intermediate High School ... Jay Brooks has been married for three years now and is currently coaching football at Capital University and teaching eighth grade science ... he has two children, Isabella who is two and Emma who is six months old ... William W. Lohr is retired from the Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company as Corporate Tax Administrator ... married 50 years to Joyce Knightnow widowed ... Terry R. Voithofer (1968-71) and his wife Kathryn (Kujda) remain located in Wexford, Pa. ... daughter Heather (Penn State 2002) recently married ... she and her husband, Chris, live in Connecticut ... son Sean is in second year at WVU in Pre-Business & Economics ... Joe Taffoni (1963-66) is VP of CNP Publications and has been offensive coordinator for 16 years at Holy Cross High School ... Dale "Dutch" Stortz is retired ... spends six months (Spring & Fall) in Atlanta area and six months (Summer & Winter) in Vail, Colorado ... Garland S. Hudson (1966-70) is a certified life underwriter and financial planner ... married 35 years ... father of three ... grandfather of six ... Matthew J. Ceresa is co-owner of Dig-More, Inc. Excavating Company ... Greg Anderson (1972-76) is married to Jaimee Hamilton ('76) ... President/GM of Akron Polymer Products, Inc. ... Adrian Moss-Beasley (1985-90) is married to Bridget Jordan Beasley ... they have one daughter, Zuri and one son, Sion ... presently living in Orlando, Fla. ... owner and president of ProHealth International, a nutritional health and wellness distributor ... Michael A. Zakowski (1971-74) is coaching high school baseball & summer baseball for his son Adam's

team ... his daughter, Halle, plays basketball and softball at the same high school ... his wife Robbi enjoys cheering us on ... John Mark Durham (1973-78) says go Mountaineers ... Bob Lavelle's (1957-1961) nephew, Brandon Lavelle plays on the current Mountaineer football team ... Joe Kiselica (1961-62) is retired from television program marketing & distributing ... he is now involved in running KISELICA, a sales assistance and marketing consultation firm ... Andre D. Peters (1972-75) has recently moved to Pasadena, Calif., to become Parsons Security vice president of corporate safety ... B.C. Williams, Jr. (1968-1971) is father of Bosco III and Brittany (JMU track high jump specialist), both future All-Americans! ... John Skinner (1960-62) has been joined by his sons, Stephen and Andrew, in the Charles Town Firm of Nichols & Skinner which is celebrating its 35th anniversary this year ... Francis Nickler (1963-64) is employed by ConSol Energy as a Safety Manager ... Jim Karwoski (1962-1966) will be inducted into the National Junior College Baseball Hall of Fame in May for compiling a 717-378 record as the Penn State- Beaver Head Baseball Coach ... he has already been inducted into the Beaver County Sports Hall of Fame ... during his career at Penn State-Beaver, Karwoski was named CCAC coach of the year 16 times, WPCC coach of the year 4 times, and NJCCA Coach of the year 4 times ... Bob Podbesek (1968) is a pharmacist at St. Francis Hospital in Charleston, W.Va., ... son Brian is a freshman at WVU ... Gregg Cutrane (1983-86) recently became an equity partner in a premier copier/printer dealer, ImagePro, that represents Toshiba, Sharp and Oke for Northeast Ohio.

#### GOLF

*Former Mountaineers:* Dor B. Hall (1942-43 & 1946-47) this spring will be the 57th anniversary of WVU undefeated golf team (18-0) in 1947, and went on to the NCAA Tournament at the University of Michigan ... four of five members to hold reunion ...

Gregory A. Gaudino's (1977-81) first daughter Leah Giana Gandino was born on August 30, 2003 ... Tony Morosco (1956-59) was inducted into New England PGA Golf Hall of Fame in 2001 ... he was PGA of America Golf Professional of the Year 2001 ... the 1976 New England Champion ... the 1980 New England PGA Sr. Champion and New England Section PGA Professional of the Year (1999 too).

#### GYMNASTICS

WVU won its East Atlantic Gymnastics League record fifth meet title with a meet record 197.05 and returned to NCAA Regionals for the 21st time in school history with a 20-6-1 record. Coach Linda Burdette, in her 30th season, notched her 500th career victory and now boasts an all-time mark of 507-204-3 (.712). WVU tallied three 197.0 or better all-around scores including a school record 197.4 at Pitt.

Freshman Janée Cox, the 2004 EAGL rookie of the year, set the all-time WVU individual all-around mark with a 39.675 at Pitt and individually qualified for the NCAA Championships. She was named first team all-EAGL on vault, bars, beam and in the all-around and was a second team selection on floor. Senior Jessica Bartgis, who will return for her fifth year, and Cox won the EAGL vault title with a 9.95 each, marking the ninth consecutive season WVU has boasted an individual event champion. WVU defeated five ranked teams on the season and entered regionals na-

tionally ranked at No. 21.

*Former Mountaineers:* Rosemary Torre Mills (1973-76) is currently working as assistant director of the Chesapeake Community Services Board-City of Chesapeake ... she has two children: Matthew Dominic Mills (19) and Mary-Kathryn "Katy" Mills (16).

#### ROWING

The rowing team capped off a successful fall season highlighted by a second place finish at the Head of the Schuylkill and a fourth place finish at the Head of the Charles, the world's largest two day rowing event. The team also hosted their first regatta, the Head of the Mon, featuring Virginia, Duke and Clemson.

In the spring the team spent much of the season trying to find what rowers work best together. Coach Nancy LaRocque's team competed in numerous prestigious rowing events including: the San Diego Crew Classic, the GW Invitational, the Knecht Cup, Big East Women's Rowing Challenge and the Dad Vail Regatta.

#### SOFTBALL

*Former Mountaineers:* Shelia Casey York (1975-79) ... has two kids attending WVU.

#### MEN'S SOCCER

Under interim head coach Mike Seabolt, the Mountaineers earned a 5-10-3 record with a team that had only two seniors and featured 16 freshman. WVU put together its first four game winning streak since 1999 and



**BEGINNING WITH THE 2004 SEASON, THE NEW HOME OF MOUNTAINEER MEN'S AND WOMEN'S SOCCER WILL BE DICK DLESK STADIUM.**

set several school records including most overtime matches in a season (7), consecutive shutouts (4) and freshman goalkeeper Nick Noble set the fifth lowest goals against average (1.17).

Seabolt and staff put together a solid recruiting class that includes five players: Andrew Halsell of Quentin, Pa., Reed Cooper of Madison, Wisc., Pete Carroll of Springfield, Va., Ben Stevens of Brisbane, Australia, and Jason Miller of Lakeland, Fla. The staff believes that all five should figure in heavily to the 2004 season.

#### WOMEN'S SOCCER

Behind a 17-4-2 overall record, West Virginia advanced to the NCAA Sweet 16 for the first time in school history in 2003.

The Mountaineers notched key non-conference wins over such high caliber competition as perennial powerhouse Connecticut and SEC-power Tennessee, and seniors Chrissie Abbott and Lisa Stoia rewrote the Mountaineer record books during their senior season.

Abbott, a 2003 Hermann Trophy nominee, graduated as WVU's leader in goals scored, points and shots. Stoia, the 2003 BIG EAST midfielder of the year, claimed the all-time as-

sist record.

Both were named *NSCAA* and *SoccerBuzz* All-Americans for the second consecutive season.

#### SWIMMING

The men's swimming and diving team went 6-5 in dual meet action while the women's team went 3-9 on the season. Mountaineer junior Pedro Pinto earned all-BIG EAST honors for the second season in a row after placing second in the 100 butterfly with a time of 48.43 at the conference meet. The 200 freestyle relay team of Kleyton Franca, Kyle Williams, Chris Hagedorn and Matt Drozd set a school record with a 1:21.33 at the BIG EAST meet.

Franca was again among the best swimmers in the conference and led the team in individual victories. He came up short in his bid to win his fourth straight conference title in the 200 freestyle event after placing sixth overall this season.

For the women's team, senior captain Lee Ann Johnston consistently scored points for WVU all season while freshman Jennifer Nyce proved to be among the most talented young divers in the league.

*Former Mountaineers:* Raymond Brace (1962-67) is VP Operations & Technology of Hershey Foods Corporation ... he and his wife, Pat, have three children and three grandchildren ... son Matthew is a 1995 graduate of WVU, where he also served as the swimming manager ... Tom Brindle (1959-64) is working in the advertising and promotional products industry in sale ... he lived in Atlanta for 31 years ... he has three grandsons in the area ... Larry L.R. Crago (1960-64) is the brother of Ronald L. Crago (deceased) ... he was the southern conference diving champion 1961-1964, co-captain of swimming team and voted a top 10 University athlete in 1964 ... Paul E. Emch (1953-54) and Deloris Jean will celebrate 50 wonderful years of marriage on 11-27-04 ... Jennifer Quick (1993-99) is the campaign finance director for Dr. McKinney for Governor 2004 ... Denton Quick (1993-99) is the head swim coach at West Virginia Wesleyan

College where is a six-time WVIAC Coach of the Year ... Leon H. Ryan III (1978-79) serves on the School of Physical Education visiting committee at WVU and is resident director of Merrill Lynch in Birmingham, Ala. ... Bud Swiger (1959-63) lives in Roanoke, Va., and is president and owner of Swiger Enterprises ... a manufacturer's representative sales agency ... he is single with two sons ... Brian Day received his bachelor's from WVU in 1982, his master's in 1986 and his Ed.D in 1999.

#### WOMEN'S TENNIS

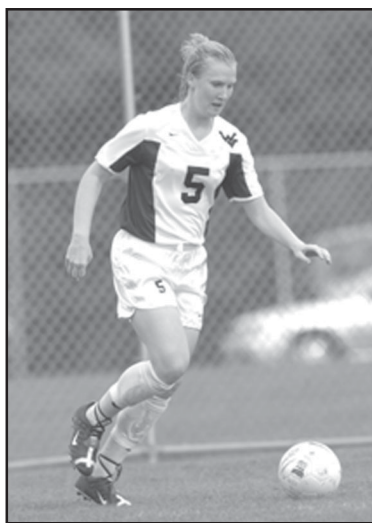
The Mountaineers opened the season 5-1 before the injury bug hit their top player and slowed WVU's momentum heading toward the season's end. In the end, West Virginia finished with a 10-9 record, their second winning season in a row.

*Former Mountaineers:* Maureen Druga DeStefano (1980-84) is a full-time mom with three great kids, Samatha (13), Alexa (10), C.J. (4) (all tennis players) and a wonderful husband Chas ... additionally she is a part-time tennis instructor.

#### VOLLEYBALL

WVU volleyball head coach Veronica Hammersmith reached a huge milestone in 2003 as she won her 500<sup>th</sup> game as a Mountaineer with a 3-0 victory over Providence on Sept. 28. Hammersmith, who will enter her 30<sup>th</sup> season as a head coach in 2004, joined the late baseball coach Dale Ramsburg as the only other coach in school history to win 500 career games (gymnastics coach Linda Burdette has since joined the 500-club as well).

The Mountaineers posted a 9-21 overall record in a rebuilding season for the program, but had quite a few bright spots. Junior Alison Zemanski proved to be among the best all-around middle blockers in the league after logging 267 kills and 84 total blocks. Sophomore Stephanie Zolna paced the team with 275 kills and also contributed 217 digs, good for fourth on the squad. Senior Kristi King wrapped up her career with 1,218 digs, placing her in fifth-place on the



CHRISSIE ABBOTT, A 2003 HERMANN TROPHY NOMINEE, IS WVU'S ALL-TIME GOALS, POINTS AND SHOTS TAKEN LEADER.

all-time digs list.

*Former Mountaineers:* Sally Dorwart (1974-75) is the aquatics Director at Ashley Hall in Charleston, S.C., ... she spends the summer months at her cottage on 33 acres on the Bay of Fundy in Digby, Nova Scotia ... Beth Hoffman has been married for 11 years and has a five-year old daughter, Maggie ... Gina R Paolini (1977-80- Softball 1978-79) is president of North Columbus Volleyball Club- A USAV Juniors Program ... she has been coaching elite open teams over the past eight years and has over 450 wins to date.

#### WRESTLING

Head Coach Craig Turnbull led an injury-plagued Mountaineer squad to a 9-5 dual meet season and a 16th-place finish at the 2004 NCAA Tournament. Turnbull was selected as the Eastern Wrestling League coach of the year for his efforts as the Mountaineers were named EWL Tournament

Co-Champions. WVU has now won two tournament titles in the past three years.

Junior Greg Jones turned in the finest individual season by a WVU wrestler in school history going 26-0 and being named the EWL Wrestler of the Year. It was the first undefeated season for any Mountaineer. Jones also became the first wrestler in WVU history to win multiple national titles. This year's 184-pound NCAA champion was also a champion at 171-pounds in 2002. Jones, a Slickville, Pa., native, tallied a 7-0 record in league contests that earned him the EWL points champion award. He won his third consecutive EWL crown as he led the Mountaineers to a share of the 2004 EWL Championship title.

Seven Mountaineer grapplers qualified for the 2004 NCAA Tournament - the most among Eastern Wrestling League institutions and tied for 11th overall among all NCAA schools. Over the past three seasons,

West Virginia has sent 23 different wrestlers to the NCAA championships. The Mountaineer wrestling team also landed 15 wrestlers on the 2003-04 Eastern Wrestling League All-Academic Team.

*Former Mountaineers:* Matthew B. Schrom is a first Lieutenant in U.S. Army ... Mark W. Finrock is a financial analyst for Connective Power ... father of four children and is living in Central Pennsylvania ... the three girls are active in swimming, and his five-year son is a hockey player ... Paul Check (1961-63) is a retired teacher.

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