

Muncy High School Athletic Hall of Fame Ed Heincelman Class of 1964 Induction year 2001

Ed has always been involved in sports. He played Little League Baseball and American Legion Ball Post 268 for four years. During high school, Ed lettered in football, wrestling and the band. His first love however has always been and remains today—wrestling. He went from being a stellar performer during his high school days to the University of Pittsburgh to wrestle. He then went on to coaching wrestling at the high school level where he has been extremely successful and a leader of young men.

In the three years that Ed wrestled at Muncy, he sacrificed many meals to stay at the 95lb. weight class. Some individual accomplishments for Ed included 2nd place at the East Central Sectional Tournament in 1962, 1st place at the Williamsport Tournament in 1963 and 1st place honors at the East Central Sectional Tourney in 1964. Ed posted one of the best winning percentages in dual meet records for the Indians. His 26-3-3 log for his three years comes to a .897 winning percentage.

During Ed's three years on varsity, his team reigned supreme in the West Branch as they captured league titles in 1962 and 1963, while taking top honors in District IV. Muncy made it three in a row as they finished Co-champions his senior year.

After enrolling at the University of Pittsburgh, Ed wrestled his freshman year at 115 lb. and 123 lb., posting a 4-1 mark and earned a letter. Unfortunately, injuries and illness ended his Pitt career on the mats, but he continued to be a member of the team.

Ed has taught school in Montgomery County, Maryland for 28 years. From 1969 to 1973 he coached wrestling at the Montgomery County Boys Club. The Club is for boys ages 8-14 from Maryland and Virginia. In four years at the helm, his teams won three Beltway League State Crowns.

Ed then coached from 1974-65 at Einstein High School where he garnered Coach of the Year for 1982-83. From 1985-1995, he coached Rockville High School before moving on to head the program at Magruder High School in 1996 to the present. On his team at Macgruder is Ed's son Marc. Marc was a key performer in helping win two Montgomery County wrestling League Championships in 1998 and 1999, also going undefeated. In 1998, Ed's son reached the pinnacle in wrestling by winning a State Title with a 30-1 log. In 1998, Ed was again Coach of the Year.

In his 21 years as a head coach, Ed posted a 174-68-2 record while coaching 23 Regional Champions and 8 State Champions.