1996  Maria Carvajal '88
       Susan Chapman
       David Darrenberger '88
       Evan Elkington '89
       William Nims '66
       Carl Simon Jr. '46*
1995  Gregg Fiddes '85
       Eric Meerbach '87
       Hugo Noridge '45*
       Cindy Perkins '87
       John Tinker '32*
1994  Joseph Bronzino '59
       George Bliss Emerson '32*
       Philip Grebinar
       Mary-Jane Hall-Stimson '81
       Catherine Murray '87
       Frank Sannella*
1993  Richard Bazinet '56*
       Mary Donovan '78
       Patricia Graham Flaherty '75
       Paul Kerrigan '57
       Jack Rushton '39*
       William Shields '64
1992  James Buell '73*
       Michael Carbone '85
       Mark Dupuis '72
       Edward Milde '50*
       Andrew Murch '73
1991  George Abdow '53
       Orville Bailey '85
       Chiara Whalen Bubin '84
       Phillip Delphos '26*
       Robert Rounds Jr. '64
1990  James Banks (Al Banx)*
       Anne Marie Foreman '80
       Mark McCabe '79
       Peter Sifferlen '84
1989  Alan Briggs '76
       Donald Ferrari '59*
       Edward Griffith Jr. '69
       Terese Kwiatkowski '83
       Philip Pierce '31*
       David Wilson '80
1988  Arthur J. Knight '07*
       John McGrath Jr. '64
       Fred Pickwick Jr. '22*
       Leonard Polizotto '70
       Timothy Rooney '71
       Ralph White '23*
1987  Roy Bourgault '42*
       Suzanne Call Margerum '81
       Richard Converse '28*
       Carmen Della Vecchia '67
       Joseph Guidi '28*
       Alan King
       Harold Melden Jr. '49*
       Donald Purnam '32*
       Richard Zeleny '53*
1986  William Asp '32*
       Peter Horstmann '55*
       Cary Palulis '68
       Merl Norcross
       Michael Walker '78
1985  Percy "Doc" Carpenter*
       Fred DiPippo '60
       Richard Ferrari '51*
       John Korzick '68
       Charles Schmit '46*
       Elmer Scott '41*
1984  Ivan "Pete" Bigler*
       Earl Bloom '55
       William Graham '31*
       Donald Lutz '67
       David McEwan '39*
       Morgan Rees '61
1983  Thomas Berry '24*
       Edward Cannon '68
       Harry Dadmun 1891*
       Raymond Forkey '40*
       Charles McNulty*
       Henry Nowick '56
       Robert Pritchard*
       Albert Raslavsky*

*Deceased

WPI Homecoming
September 23, 2011
The WPI Athletic Hall of Fame honors excellence in athletics. Individuals are recognized for their outstanding sportsmanship and character, as well as their extraordinary contributions to WPI athletics. They have distinguished themselves in both their athletic and professional careers, and their accomplishments make all of us proud to be a part of the WPI tradition. Today, September 23, 2011, six individuals join the honor roll of the WPI Athletic Hall of Fame. Their names will be added to the list of current members.

2010 Ernest Ansah ’96
David Helming ’64
William Kimmel ’75
Russ Philpot ’83
Jennifer Plante ’96
Rachel Zimet Pytel ’02
2009 Kerri Coleson Oldmixon ’03
John Loonie ’87
Larry Penoncello ’66
Jonathan Pires ’00
Garrett Trombi ’95
2008 Al Carpenter ’83
Steve Hall ’87
Nicola McGowan Campbell ’90
Jeff Rosen ’80
Bob Schultz ’55
Toby Wyman ’91
2007 Robert Donle ’75
Christopher Dunn ’96
Danielle Luongo Fries ’94
Thomas Maloney ’61
Gregory Tucker ’92
2006 Lance Baden ’99
Stacey Cotton Bonasso ’90
Wm. Whitney Griffith
Michael Piekoski ’99
Matthew Surette ’99
Richard Testa Jr. ’84
2005 Danielle Batey ’97
Brian Daly ’91
Kimberley Gabis Elbirt ’92
John Fitzgerald ’75
Alan King ’76
Missy Hurley Marino ’86
2004 Brian Learned ’97
Jennifer Lovin ’96
Francis Oneglia ’42*
Christine Clancy McNary ’86
Richard Wheeler ’77

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Matt Wassel ’95

Raiders 9, Chargers 7. Please excuse wrestling coach and Hall of Famer Phil Grebinski if he forgets the score from that NFL Sunday Night Football game on Thanksgiving weekend of 1991. His wife, Dee, fielded a phone call that evening that suddenly made the football game a lot less important—seems that Matt Wassel was looking to transfer from West Point to wrestle and play football at WPI.

Wassel entered WPI in January 1992 and made an immediate impact on the wrestling program. He earned All-New England recognition by placing fifth at 167 lbs. His sophomore season proved to be one of the best in Engineers wrestling history. He went undefeated (14-0) in dual meets and was a New England champion at 167. He registered four pins and totaled the seventh most take-downs in school history (54).

His final two seasons also produced All-New England showings. Wassel was a New England finalist at 167 lbs. in 1994 as a junior and a year later placed at 158 lbs. as a senior. Even more impressive, he was a vital cog in helping WPI win back-to-back New England team championships for the first time in the program’s history.

Wassel was equally as impressive on the football field. Joining the program as a sophomore, he notched 27 tackles and four pass-breaks as the Engineers went 9-2 en route to winning the Freedom Football Conference and participating in the NCAA playoffs.

In 1993 the defensive back started all nine games as a junior as the Engineers again went undefeated in conference play. Wassel was second-team All-FFC and posted totals of 73 tackles, four interceptions, and a sack. Matt’s senior season saw him add first-team All-ECAC honors to go along with his second straight all-conference selection. The team MVP and captain led the squad with an eye-popping 102 tackles to go along with an interception and a sack.

“Matt Wassel was the ultimate competitor,” says former head coach and now UMass head coach Kevin Morris. “He practiced and played the game with pride, always striving to make the football program better. Matt was an excellent leader on and off the field.”

A native of Walpole, Mass., Wassel graduated with a degree in biology. He teaches Fitness and Health at Wellesley High School and is the defensive coordinator for the King Philip High School football team. He has also coached wrestling for over 10 years and is currently a high school wrestling referee in Massachusetts.

He lives in his hometown of Walpole with his wife, Rachel, their children, Sophia and Chase, and their dogs, Brady and Sammy.
**Kim (Cloutier) Villa ’90**

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The scoring and the winning continued during her senior season of 1989. Cloutier found the back of the cage 21 times to go along with seven assists. She earned repeat selections as a NEW-8 and regional Field Hockey Coaches Association all-star and for the third consecutive year was named to the Field Hockey Coaches Association national all-star team. WPI won the NEW-8 with an undefeated record and qualified for the NCAA Tournament. In the NCAAs, the Engineers blanked Southern Maine 4-0 before a last-second 2-1 loss in the regional final versus Cortland State. Cloutier and her teammates finished 1989 with a 17-2-1 mark.

Kim left her mark not only on the WPI record books but on the annals of Division III field hockey. Third all-time in goals scored in school history, she ranks 21st all-time in Division III. In three years of NEW-8 play, Cloutier and the Engineers were 15-2 in the regular season with three titles (one outright) and one tournament championship.

While at WPI, Cloutier also played softball for three years. Active around campus, she was a member of Tau Beta Pi, Skull, and Pi Tau Sigma, the national honorary mechanical engineering society. She went on to receive her master’s degree in physical therapy from UMass Lowell in 2000. She currently lives in Scituate, Mass., with her husband, Louis, and their three children.

**Matthew Musiak ’04, ’06 M S**

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Musiak remains invested in the Swimming and Diving program’s continued success—this winter he’ll return to head coach Paul Bennett’s staff for his sixth year as an assistant coach.

“MATT was the epitome of what every coach wants in an athlete,” says Bennett. “He is dedicated, passionate, and very self-aware. His drive and work ethic are rarely seen and seldom matched. He has been a cornerstone of WPI Swimming and Diving, not only as a student-athlete, but as a coach. His commitment to the institution and his desire to push himself to improve and succeed has been contagious at every level of our program. I am confident that Matt is a primary reason we have experienced as much success, on both the individual and team levels, over the last seven years.

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Of all the student-athletes to compete for WPI over the years, chances are not one had the accomplishments John Maxouris had prior to his arrival on Boynton Hill. The Athens, Greece, native lived up to the lofty expectations and ended up producing a Hall of Fame career in just two years at WPI.

Before enrolling at WPI, Maxouris was a member of the Greek Olympic team in 1970 and was named an All-American in 1972 and 1973 at Orange County Community College in New York. He also distinguished himself by playing for various clubs in Athens, New York, Houston, and Atlanta.

Maxouris wasted no time making a name for himself in 1974. During his first season with the Crimson and Gray, he set a new school record with a jaw-dropping 24 goals and eight assists for a staggering 56 points. The Engineers posted a record of 11-2-1 that fall and advanced to postseason play.

During his senior season he dealt with defensive schemes keyed on denying him the ball and still delivered impressive totals of nine goals and four assists for a total of 22 points. Winning was still in the cards for the Engineers as the team registered a 9-3-1 mark in 1975.

"John had the ability, more so than any player I've seen before or since, to put his corner kicks in the net on the fly," says former WPI sports information director Steve Raczynski. "If a keeper played it safe and took a central position in the goal mouth, John could curve his shot into the near corner or far corner, whichever one he thought he'd have a better shot at. He had a magnificent touch."

Maxouris’s achievements are all over the WPI history books. He still holds the school single game record for goals in a game when he netted five markers in a wild 8-6 victory over city rival Holy Cross. He tallied 33 goals and 12 assists for a total of 78 career points.

"It was very rare at WPI to have players with such high talent," says former WPI coach and Hall of Famer Alan King. "It was amazing to have a player like John Maxouris around—not only for his high skill but for his maturity. He was able to score goals and improve his teammates by his example."

Maxouris graduated with a degree in computer science in December 1975 as a member of the Class of ’76. He went on to receive a master of science from Trinity College and University in 2002.

He has spent his professional career in the United States and Greece working as a business engineer for large corporations such as Citibank (Athens), United Jersey Banks (New Jersey), Verizon (Athens), Orange & Rockland Utilities (New York), and Greenbrier & Russell (Atlanta).

John currently lives in Athens with his wife, Maria, and his daughter, Christina, but plans to return to the States within the next two years.

T here’s an old adage in sports that you can’t teach speed. If that’s the case, Miguel Conception must have had plenty of it for his academic studies—a path that would lead him to become a medical doctor—as his natural speed helped make him one of WPI’s top athletes ever in both football and track and field.

A defensive back by trade, Conception began to contribute during his first two seasons. As a freshman, he totaled 14 tackles and recovered a fumble. In 2002, he tallied four interceptions to go along with eight pass breakups, 22 tackles, and a blocked kick.

During his junior year, he became one of the country’s premier kickoff returners. He returned kicks for three touchdowns, including a pair versus Endicott in the Power Gulls’ inaugural collegiate football game. He was fourth in NCAA Division III with an average of 30.5 yards per return while amassing 30 tackles, an interception, and an additional 50-yard touchdown scored on a fumble return.

Conception’s senior year saw him rake in the awards and honors. He was named Liberty League Special Teams Player of the Year after earning first-team conference honors as a defensive back and a return specialist. The senior was third in the country in kickoff returns (33.7 yards), including a touchdown, three interceptions, and 55 tackles. He took home regional recognition for first-team All-ECAC and was named to the New England Football Writers Division II/III team.

"Since the day he first suited up for the football team, there was something different, something special about Miguel," says Chris Robertson, Miguel’s defensive coordinator and current WPI head football coach. "His personality was quiet, yet confidence filled the young man. He would tell you exactly what he was going to accomplish and then go out and do just that."

His honors were not limited to the gridiron—he was an NCAA postgraduate scholarship finalist and Top Eight award nominee, as well as a first-team All-District Academic selection. And his accomplishments did not end at the conclusion of the football season. He continued to exhibit excellence as a member of the indoor and outdoor track and field teams. A two-time member of the NEWMAC All-Academic team, he took home the silver medal at the New England Division III Indoor championships as a senior in 2005. He also garnered multiple All-NEWMAC and All-ECAC accolades as a member of the 4x100 meter relay team.

"Miguel was pivotal to the success and rise of Track and Field teams during his time here. He was what coaches like to call track-smart," says Mike Maceiko, his track and field coach and current WPI cross country coach. "He always knew what we were doing and why we were doing it. Miguel was both an athlete and coach to his WPI teammates."

A native of Lowell and Fall River, Mass., Miguel graduated with a BS in biotechnology. He went on to the University of Massachusetts Medical School, where he received his medical degree in 2009, and pursued specialization in family medicine at Tufts Family Medicine Program. He is currently in his last year of residency and is in the process of applying for a primary care sports medicine fellowship. He plans on integrating his background as a certified personal trainer, sports medicine, and primary care into his future practice.
Michele (Giard) Hanly ’82

Michele (Giard) Hanly recently returned to WPI and was amazed at the development and expansion of the campus and the athletic programs. When she arrived on Boynton Hill in the late 1970s, WPI had a combined six women’s varsity and advanced club teams. Three-sport pioneers like Giard helped WPI women’s athletic programs advance to become the pillars of success that they are today.

In the fall of 1978, she got involved with the field hockey program and saw it rapidly expand during her four years. After playing as a club team the first three seasons (and serving as the top scorer during her sophomore campaign) the squad made an immediate impact in the new Division III status of the collegiate field hockey world as the Engineers went a whopping 21-7 in their debut varsity season in 1981. As a senior, Giard finished second on a team that made the NCAA Tournament in goals (14) and points (32).

Winter was a particular busy time for her. She took her talents into Harrington Auditorium where she was a standout on the basketball team. She overcame an injury during her freshman season to earn a varsity letter. After a sophomore season that saw her play in all 19 games and move into a starting role, a season-ending ankle injury curtailed her junior year after the opening game. She bounced back with authority during the 1981-82 season, averaging 7.3 points to go along with 11.4 assists and 4.1 steals as she led the Crimson and Gray to a stellar 14-9 finish.

Giard would wrap up a busy year of athletics on the softball diamond. An RBI machine, she tallied 41 career runs batted, including 18 each during her sophomore and junior seasons. She was also a threat on the base paths as she posted double-digit career stolen base numbers. As is typical with programs that she played in, the Engineers compiled an impressive 37-19 (.661) record over her four years.

Tom Vallani, classmate and member of the Hall of Fame Selection Committee remembers, “Michele was a true pioneer in the annals of WPI women’s athletics. She played in an era in which female athletic participation was just beginning to take hold at the college level in terms of its relative importance. She was a very good player in three different sports, each requiring a completely different skill set. She earned respect and recognition from her teammates by being named captain to all three sports teams during her senior year.”

“Michele was the epitome of the perfect teammate,” says Sue Chapman, former WPI head coach, and 1996 Hall of Fame. “She was a quiet and unassuming leader who led by example. Her solid work ethic and unselfish style of play elevated everyone around her.”

After graduating, Michele worked as an engineer for the Engineers compiling an impressive 37-19 (.661) record over her four years. In 1992 she became an at-home mom raising three daughters: Megan, Colleen, and Kathryn. During those years she was very active as a community volunteer. Currently, she works part-time as a science lab teacher at St. John School in Old Saybrook, Conn., and has just completed the Connecticut Alternate Route to Teacher Certification program. She and her husband, John Hanly ’82, are long-time residents of Old Saybrook.

Jeff Horowitz showed up at WPI in the fall of 1981 with a mohawk haircut. His wrestling coach, Hall of Famer Phil Grebinar, told him, “You better be good if you are going to walk around like that.” Three All-New England honors, including a championship, proves he was more than good enough.

Horowitz wasted no time making a name for himself in the New England wrestling circuit. On a talented 1982 team, he earned a spot to wrestle at the New England Championships and delivered with a third-place finish.

After an injury curtailed a promising sophomore campaign (8-1-1 dual meet record), he came back with vengeance in 1984 and posted a record of 14-4-1 at 142 lbs, with a career-best eight pins. At the New England championships, he collected a second-place showing.

Jeff simply dazzled as a senior co-captain during the 1984-85 season. He registered a 16-1-1 mark in dual meets and won the 1985 New England championship at the 142-lb. weight class, a class that featured four former or future champions. One of his greatest accomplishments was defeating an eventual Greco-Roman Olympic medalist twice that season, pinning him during the Bay State Games.

As a team, the Crimson and Gray won their first-ever New England title and Horowitz was one of four WPI wrestlers to qualify for the 1985 NCAA Championships. His 83 team points that season tied him for eighth all-time in program history.

Classmates and Hall of Famers Paul Wyman and Rich Testa agree that Jeff knew more about wrestling than most of us forget. “He was a master at knowing just what to do in almost any situation to finish a move to score,” they claim. “He had this uncanny ability to score from counter situations after defending an offensive attack.

Horowitz finished his standout career with a 43-10-3 overall dual-meet record, including 18 career pins, with three occurring in under a minute. He also was a standout in the classroom, earning National Wrestling Coaches Association Academic All-America honors.

“Jeff arrived at WPI with as good skills and techniques as any previous WPI wrestler,” says Phil Grebinar. “He was dominant in his weight class for WPI, beating outstanding competitors, including one wrestler who ended up with an Olympic bronze Greco-Roman medal. A real team guy, Jeff was a great leader who led by example, and a great ability to keep our team loose.”

A native of Commack, N.Y., Jeff graduated with a BS in management engineering. He is a nationally known financial planner and principal of Horowitz Associates in San Francisco. Many of his clients are prominent owners and CEOs whose companies are listed on the NYSE, Nasdaq, and Dow Jones Index. He is regarded as one of the industry's finest estate and wealth advisors. After establishing his practice in 1989, he was nominated to appear in Worth magazine's list of Top 100 Wealth Advisors in the U.S. Lincoln Financial Group named him Planner of the Year in 2007 and 2008 out of approximately 7,200 registered representatives.