

Alfred University inducts four into Sports Hall of Fame

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ALFRED Four former student-athletes were inducted into the Alfred University Sports Hall of Fame during ceremonies Saturday night on the AU campus. Timothy Scott '75, Bill Schuster '81, Sue Conn-Moore '84 and Greg Prusia '88 were inducted during the University's annual Hall of Fame Banquet, held each year as part of Homecoming. Scott was a standout member of the track and field teams for four years (1971-73 and 1975). He competed in the high jump at the NCAA championships in 1973 and 1975 and was a four-time state champ: three times in the high hurdles, once in the high jump. Scott graduated from AU in 1975 with a bachelor's degree in nursing. He joined the U.S. Army, retiring in 1994 with a rank of Lieutenant Colonel. He earned a master's degree in nursing in 1989 from the University of Rochester. He is a registered nurse anesthetist at Great Plains Hospital in Elk City, OK. Scott lives in Clinton, OK, with his wife, Julia, and their three children, Valerie (20), Victoria (18), and Raymond (16). Schuster was a record-breaking split end on the football team, playing four seasons (1976-79) and twice earning All-American honors. He is the University's career leader in receptions, with 137, and is fourth all-time in receiving yards, with 1,856. He graduated from Alfred in 1981 with a bachelor's degree in business and was an assistant coach on the 1981 AU football team that made the school's only NCAA tournament appearance. He is branch manager at the James S. Sullivan Agency in Livonia, NY. Football is still a huge part of Schuster's life. He has been officiating football games for 21 years and is in his fourth season as an umpire in the National Football League. Last January, he officiated his first playoff game, a Wild Card contest between the Falcons and Packers. Schuster lives in Livonia with his son Michael (6). Conn-Moore competed in indoor track and field from 1979-83 and is one of the top middle distance runners ever to compete for Alfred University. Her time of 2:15.52 in the 800-meter run set when she took first place at the 1981 NCAA Division III Eastern Regional meet at West Point, NY remains an AU school record and at the time was the fastest ever run at the West Point Fieldhouse. Her time that day was faster than five of the eight runners who competed in the 800 at last spring's NCAA Division III championships. Throughout her career, she was part of numerous winning relay teams, including the 4X400 team that placed second at the 1981 NCAA Eastern Regionals. Conn-Moore earned a bachelor's degree in business administration from Alfred University in 1984 and a bachelor's degree in nursing, also from Alfred, in 1985. She is manager of senior plan medical management for Empire Blue Cross Blue Shield. She lives in Belleville, NJ, with her husband, Timothy. Prusia was a tremendous football player for Alfred University in the mid-1980s, twice earning All-America honors and establishing himself as one of the best defensive backs in school history. He will also be remembered as one of Alfred's greatest all-around athletes. He played two sports at AU, lettering four years in football (1984-87) before joining the basketball team his senior year (1987-88). His greatest contributions to AU sports were on the football field, where he was a three-year starter at free safety, collecting 11 career interceptions. In 1987, his senior year, Prusia played on both sides of the ball, leading the defense in tackles with 86 and interceptions with four, while also catching 11 passes on offense. In 1987, he was named a Football Gazette First Team All American and a Third Team Pizza Hut All American. Prusia graduated from Alfred in 1988 with a bachelor's degree in ceramic engineering, but he wasn't yet done with sports. A talented baseball player, he signed with the Kansas City Royals after graduation from Alfred and remained with the organization for two seasons. Today, Prusia is senior project manager for the Glass Technologies Group of BOC Gases in Toledo, OH. He resides in Maumee, OH, and has a 5-year old son, Ryan.