

AU set to induct three into Athletics Hall of Fame

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ALFRED, NY Alfred University is set to welcome three new members into its Athletics Hall of Fame. Robinson Lattimer '83, David O'Brien '87 and Brooke White '99 will be inducted during a banquet ceremony Saturday, Sept. 19, on the AU campus. The Hall of Fame induction ceremonies are being held as part of Homecoming Weekend. Lattimer was an All-American swimmer at AU, earning certification in four individual events from 1981-82. At the 1981 NCAA Division III championships, he earned All-American honors in the 1,650-yard freestyle (seventh place nationally), the 200-yard butterfly (12th) and the 500-yard freestyle (14th). He earned All-American honors in 1982 after taking ninth in the 1,650 free. He also swam on the 1983 team that went undefeated. Lattimer graduated from AU in 1983, with a bachelor's degree in ceramic engineering. He is the global business leader for ceramics for Kennametal Inc., a Latrobe, PA-based company that manufactures and sells tooling engineered components and advanced materials used in production processes. He oversees a \$40 million dollar business unit that producing a variety of ceramic materials. Lattimer and his wife, Annbeth, live in Wilton, CT, with their two children, Timothy and Megan. O'Brien was a standout member of the men's track and field team from 1983-87. He holds the school record in the decathlon (6,403 points), which he set during the 1987 outdoor season. In the spring of 1986, he won a New York State championship in the decathlon and went on to compete in that event at the NCAA Division III outdoor championships, where he placed 12th. He had a combined five top-10 finishes at the state meets in the indoor pentathlon (sixth in 1984, fifth in 1985 and third in 1986) and outdoor decathlon (fourth in 1984, first in 1986). O'Brien earned a bachelor's degree in biology from AU in 1987 and later earned master's (1990) and PhD (1996) degrees in microbiology-immunology from the University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry. He has held several medical technologist positions and is currently employed in that capacity in the Hematology-Flow Cytometry Department at ACM-Medical Laboratory in Rochester. O'Brien and his wife, Heather, live in Fairport, NY, with their sons Connor and Joshua. White was a four-year member of the women's ski team (1995-98). She earned one Mid-Atlantic Regional individual title (in 1998, when she helped lead AU to the regional team crown) and helped lead AU to two appearances in the United States Collegiate Ski Association National Championships, in 1995 and 1998. White earned a Bachelor's of Fine Arts degree, specializing in studio art, photography and printmaking, from AU in 1999. She would go on to earn a Master's of Fine Arts degree from Cornell University (2003). She lives in Oxford, MS, and is a freelance photographer/videographer. Her work has been displayed at exhibitions, festivals and art fairs throughout the United States and around the world. White is also an assistant professor of Imaging Arts at the University of Mississippi. Each year during Hall of Fame induction ceremonies, the University honors one or more teams. This year, AU will recognize all of its former Alpine ski teams. The AU ski teams have been prominent nationally over the years. The men's team has competed in the USCSA national championships 12 times and the women's team eight times. For more information on the banquet, or to make arrangements to attend, please contact the AU Athletic Department at 607-871-2193.