

# Four named to Sports Hall of Fame

Four men who helped put Chowan College on the map in football and other sports were inducted into the Chowan College Sports Hall of Fame Oct. 4.

An estimated audience of 200 friends, former teammates, family members and school officials were present in Thomas Cafeteria to hear each praised for his achievements. Those in attendance gave standing ovations to inductees Herb Appenzeller, of Greensboro, Herman Clark of Murfreesboro, Pete Britton of Williamsburg, Va., and Bob Prince of Devon, Pa.

## Appenzeller Inducted

John M. Jenkins, of Murfreesboro, introduced Appenzeller, mentioning that Appenzeller had turned losers into winners at several high schools, as well as at Chowan and Guilford. He was Chowan's athletic director, football, baseball and basketball coach from 1951-1956.

Appenzeller is married to the former Margaret Little, and they have two daughters, Mrs. Linda Partee and Mrs. Mary Somers, as well as son Tom Appenzeller, who is currently serving as Chowan's Assistant Director of Athletics.

## Hawkins Inducts Britton

In describing the exploits of Britton, assistant coach Jerry Hawkins said Britton "could do just about anything he wanted to do" in athletics. He was all conference in football and baseball and still holds the school high jump record at 6'1-4".

Britton said Chowan "gives the student athlete who is academically marginal a chance to get started in the right direction." He said he was an example of this and received a football scholarship to the University of Richmond.

Britton is married to the former Gladys Wiltshire and they have one son, Pete III.

## Prince All-American

Head Coach and Director of Athletics Jim Garrison honored Prince, saying it was a "blessed day" for him and the college when the All-American defensive end decided to attend Chowan. He said his greatest quality was his "poise" which made him a natural leader in football and later in business. He, too, starred at Richmond.

Prince is married to the former Eileen Lee of Philadelphia, PA and they have two children, Robbie and Leanne.

Prince said, "I'll always hold a close place in my heart for Chowan," and he thanked coaches Garrison and Hawkins for their influence and "for remembering."

## "Best Quarterback"

Appenzeller praised Clark calling Chowan's first All-American "the best quarterback I ever coached." He said Clark was a "coach on the field, with

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Proudly displaying plaques are Bob Prince, Herman Clark, Herb Appenzeller and Pete Britton.

## Writing sports history for Chowan

The three former athletes and a former coach and athletic director inducted into the Sports Hall of Fame made sports history while they represented Chowan College.

Those receiving the honor were Dr. Herb Appenzeller of Greensboro, Herman Clark of Murfreesboro, Robert (Bob) Joseph Prince of Springfield, Pa., and Pete Britton, Jr., of Williamsburg, Va.

They bring to nine the number of former athletes and supporters of the athletic program to be inducted. The first inductees last year were Donald G. Matthews, League City, Tex.; W. Hilliard Greene, Jr., Raleigh; Thomas T. Grayson, Burlington; Albert L. Vaughan, Aoshkie; and the late E. Patterson Banks of Murfreesboro.

The Hall of Fame award is presented to the inductee who has had athletic achievement as a student or coach at Chowan, as an alumnus has brought considerable fame to the college as well as himself, or as a supporter has rendered invaluable assistance to the Braves' Club and its athletic department.

## Appenzeller Served Chowan

Dr. Herb Appenzeller served as Chowan's athletic director, and football, basketball and baseball

coach from 1951-56, endearing himself to the campus and community for his coaching ability, perseverance, dedication, love of people and resourcefulness.

He graduated from Wake Forest University with the bachelor's and master's degrees and received his Ph.D. from Duke University.

In his first year as football coach, Chowan compiled a 4-3 record including a 12-7 upset of Camp Lejeune in the opening game. The enrollment in 1951 numbered 75 and the football team had 16 players, according to Appenzeller.

Appenzeller also remembers fondly the 16-6 record of the 1952-53 basketball team led by Hilliard Green. Chowan won 14 in a row including an upset of the Oceana Naval Base team that included former college players.

He said he was also proud of the five athletes who competed in the Southern Conference track meet in Chapel Hill, finishing fifth in freshman competition. Also in 1954, the baseball team won the North Carolina Junior College Baseball Championship.

Appenzeller said Chowan's third place finish the first year they joined the state junior college basketball league "gave us respect." The 1955 football team

finished with an 8-1 record. During his five years at Chowan, he had only one losing season in any sport.

## "Great Challenge"

Appenzeller said serving at Chowan during these years was a great challenge. "We didn't have money for equipment and other colleges in North Carolina and Virginia — Wake Forest, North Carolina, Duke, the University of Richmond — helped us by donating jerseys, socks and other equipment. Since we were wearing a different color jersey each year, the joke around town was, 'Who are they going to be this year?'"

He said he will always remember the great school spirit at Chowan. "All of the student body supported athletics. You were either a player, a cheerleader or a fan," he said. "We felt like we were pioneers in those days. We were trying to keep the school open and also field teams to bring credit to Chowan." The 1955 yearbook was dedicated to Appenzeller.

Appenzeller moved to Guilford College as athletic director and football coach in 1956. The previous year, the records of the football and basketball teams had been 0-10 and 1-21 respectively. Appenzeller repeated the magic he had worked at Chowan, developing the athletic

program into a winner while still emphasizing the importance of academics.

## National Championship

One of the many highlights under his tenure as athletic director is winning the national championship in basketball in 1973 with three of the players graduating to the professional ranks. The 1981 women's tennis team won the national championship while the 1985 and 1986 golf teams were national runnerups.

Appenzeller is editor of a physical education and sports law quarterly called *Sports And The Courts*. He is the author of several books dealing with athletic law, most notably *From the Gym to the Jury*.

## Clark All-American

Herman Clark, who was Chowan's first All-American football player, quarterbacked the Braves to an 8-1 record in 1955 including two bowl victories.

Clark's gridiron exploits were a continuation of his love affair with football that spanned five years in the U.S. Army.

After playing high school football in his hometown of Victoria, Va., Clark played for two years at Fork Union Military Academy. At Fork Union, he was named all-

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