



The Washington State Chapter of US Lacrosse is pleased to announce the Washington Lacrosse Hall of Fame class of 2016.

These five individuals from the community are joining 28 prior inductees enshrined with the Hall of Fame classes of 2006, 2008, 2010 and 2013.

Dejon Hush – coach

In 1998, Dejon helped create the Franklin High School Boys Lacrosse program - bringing lacrosse to the inner city. In 2000, he then became an assistant coach at Mercer Island HS helping the Islanders end Bainbridge's run of dominance with the State Championship. Ironically, he moved on to be an assistant for Bainbridge in 2003 (earning a State Championship in 2007) where he remained as an assistant or Co-Head coach until 2010. He then took on the program director role with the Lake Washington program leading them to the 2015 Division II Championship.



Additionally, he also spent time coaching for the University of Washington (2004-2005) and started the Egg & Spoon Lacrosse camps in Seattle to help grow the game in the inner city. As a member of the Washington Lacrosse Foundation, he has been the figure head in running the annual Space Needle Shootout tournament. Dejon has also coached numerous travel and all-star teams. His contributions to lacrosse in our community have been vital in both quality and reach into traditional and non-tradition areas.



Greg Maestretti - player & contributor

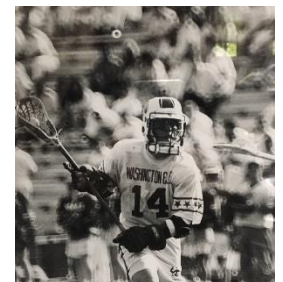
Greg started playing lacrosse at Whitman College in 1985. There he was a 4 time MVP, 4 time PNLA all-star, 3 year captain and helped lead the team to three PNLA championships. Greg played post-collegiate ball for a few different club teams including Blue Fish, Roanoke and the Crease Monkeys. He continues to play in tournaments around the country. Over the last 30 years, he has been a key player on a variety of

championship teams. Most recently he has won multiple championships with the Jaybirds in Hawaii and was MVP of the Grandmasters division in 2012.

Greg has played a major role in the development of both boys and girls lacrosse in Seattle. He started coaching for the NES Doublecrosse girl's team in 2009 and the North Seattle Raiders boys team in 2011. He was president of the NES Doublecrosse program for 5 years and helped grow the program from 3 teams with about 50 girls to a peak of 8 teams and 180 players. Greg continues to coach and manage the Nathan Hale girls high school program and continues to grow the game in Seattle.

Jeff Roberts - player

Jeff began his player career in the early years of boy's high school play in Washington State. Starting at Lakeside High School, he was a four-year starter from 1985 to 1988. At the conclusion of his senior year, he was named a HS All-American and went on to play in the National HS North-South All-Star game. As a four-year letterman at Washington and Lee University, Jeff earned Division III 2nd Team All-American honors in 1992 at the conclusion of his senior season. Jeff was the first Washington State player to earn NCAA post season awards recognition.





Val Torrens - contributor

Val has been involved with lacrosse in Washington State since 1991. Her dedication to building the sport has help start multiple girl's programs on the Kitsap peninsula. Initially, she created the North Kitsap high school team (2004 B League State Champions) which led to the formation of a youth program. Those program efforts helped create enough interest on the peninsula that Klahowya HS and the Port Angeles area also developed standalone programs. Val raised money to add lacrosse lines to school fields, which reinforced to her players that their sport was important. On the peninsula, she has organized summer leagues and umpire clinics to ensure player and umpire development. In addition to her local work, Val served as the girl's league treasurer from 1999-2002. She has also volunteered at the State Championship games for many years.

Jeannette Wake – official

Jeannette has been involved in Washington State lacrosse since 1992. Her service as an umpire contributed to the growth of high school and college leagues when they were in their infant stages and she remains a heavily relied upon umpire for high school, college, post-collegiate, and NCAA leagues. As one of the first from the region to attend the National Convention, she previously served as the Local Umpire Board Chair for four years helping to create structure and define professionalism for the umpire community. Jeannette has been an umpire for more than 10 years at state championship games, in addition to the Idaho state championships and at tournaments all around the Pacific Northwest. She has helped with many umpire clinics over the years and her dedication to lacrosse shows in her training efforts with many rising umpires. She is also a player in the adult league and helped organize the adult summer league many years ago.

