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Laurier inducts five at sixth annual Athletic Hall of Fame dinner

Five people will be inducted into Wilfrid Laurier University's Athletic Hall of Fame at an awards dinner in the Paul Martin Centre on Friday, Sept. 27.

NORM CUTTIFORD of Embro will be recognized for his contribution to the university's basketball program from 1965 to 1968. Playing centre, he helped the team win three Ontario Inter-collegiate Athletic Association (OIAA) championship titles. When the team captured the national championship in 1968, he was named the Canadian Interuniversity Athletic Union's (CIAU) most valuable player. In the 1967-68 season, he was the team's most valuable player and its leading scorer.

Cuttiford, who graduated in 1968 with a degree in physical education, is a high school teacher in London.

JOHN GLASSFORD, who played seven seasons in the Canadian Football League (CFL) and was named the outstanding defensive player in the 1981 Grey Cup game, will be honored for his contribution to Laurier's football program from 1973 to 1976. In his last year, he was team captain and was voted the team's most valuable lineman as well as being named an Ontario Universities Athletic Association (OUAA) all-star.

In 1976, Glassford graduated with a degree in economics. The Embro resident is the general manager of Glassford Motors and owns two Dairy Queens and a cattle ranch.

CHUCK McMANN of Kitchener will also be honored for his contribution to the football program. From 1973 to 1975, McMann gained 2,000 yards to rank as the third leading rusher in WLU's history. He was named to the OUAA all-star teams for 1974 and 1975, and was team captain in his last year.

After earning a degree in psychology, McMann played with the CFL for ten years. He is now an assistant football coach at University of Waterloo.

RICH OTT will be recognized for his contribution to the football program. On the team from 1971 to 1975, Ott became the second person in WLU's history to play for five years. During that time, he played on the 1972 and 1973 championship teams, which made three post-season bowl appearances. In his last year, Ott was named to the all-Canadian team.

The Waterloo resident, who earned his degree in psychology in 1973, is general manager at Hinderliter Heat Treating Ltd.

ALEX TROOP, who has the distinction of being inducted in his first year of eligibility, is being honored for his outstanding performance in the football program from 1982 to 1985. He was an OUAA all-star for each of his four years, and is the only Golden Hawk football player to be named to three consecutive all-Canadian teams. In addition, Troop was twice named the team's most valuable player.

After graduating in 1986 with a degree in geography, he played in the CFL for five years. A resident of Cookstown, he now works part-time as a defensive co-ordinator at York University in Toronto and is involved in the commercial real estate and development industry.

This year's five inductees bring the total membership of the Hall of Fame to 40.