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# Dawahares / KHSAA Hall of Fame Nomination Form

## Information about Nominee

Name:	Harold F. Cole
Is the nominee deceased? (circle)	YES <input type="radio"/> NO <input checked="" type="radio"/>
<i>(if nominee is not deceased, please fill out address information below)</i>	
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## Information about person making nomination (list "self" if self-nominating)

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**Important Information Needed for ALL Nominees. This information is important to the Selection Process in helping to ensure that the desired objectives with regard to the consideration of nominees and the induction process is satisfied. (Application will not be accepted without this information)**

Please list the primary category of nomination (circle)-

PLAYER	<input checked="" type="radio"/> COACH	OFFICIAL	CONTRIBUTOR
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Birth Date of Nominee	12-4-31
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Sex (circle one)	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Male	<input type="radio"/> Female
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Is the nominee a minority (African American and others) as defined in 2(c)	Yes <input type="radio"/>	No <input checked="" type="radio"/>
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**If this person is being nominated as a Coach, please complete the following additional information-**

Coached at which High School(s)	Ashland Paul Blazer KNOX CENTRAL
Year of Retirement	
Primary KHSAA basketball region as defined in 2(b)	SECTION 4 REGIONS 13/16

(over for remainder of application)

If this person is being nominated as an Athlete, please complete the following additional information-

High School Attended	
Graduation Year	
Primary KHSAA basketball region as defined in 2(b)	

If this person is being nominated as an Official, please complete the following additional information-

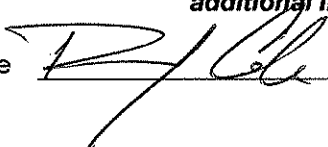
Primary Officiating Accomplishments at the High School Level	
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For persons being nominated in all categories, please complete the following additional information

Please summarize this person's accomplishments as a coach, player, official or contributor at the high school level in Kentucky.
<p>171 - 46 in 7 years Ashland Coach #2 All time win @ Ashland          7 District Championships Average 24 per season          4 Region Championships          KNOX CENTRAL PERSONNEL WOULD NOT SEND US ANY INFORMATION</p>

Please list any other factors about this individual that you would like for the Hall of Fame Committee to consider.
<p>16 coaching seasons (7 Ashland, 9 KNOX CENTRAL)          Players went on to colleges! # of players that were top level / experienced coaches teaching skills</p>

I certify that I have truthfully completed this information about the nominee with the permission of the nominee, that he/she will accept induction if selected, and I will cooperate with the KHSAA should additional information be needed for his/her consideration.

Signature  Name (print) RAMMY CARR Date 10/31/09

Attach any relevant press clippings and materials which would verify coaching win-loss records, or other statistical information. Also attach any other letters of recommendation of other information which may be helpful to the committee in making a final selection.



## MARK MAYNARD: Cole's Tomcat legacy secure 12/27/08

By MARK MAYNARD / Managing Editor

December 27, 2008 04:34 am

— When Harold Cole left Ashland back in 1972, he wasn't sure if he'd ever return.

It wasn't that Cole didn't like Ashland because he did. A lot.

But after 16 seasons of coaching high school basketball — including seven at Ashland — he took his career in another direction as a state employee in Christian County.

That's why Cole admits to being both humbled and surprised when he was asked to come back to Ashland as a Distinguished Tomcat honoree.

"You never know if you're remembered or not," he said. "I'll see all the people I thought I'd never see again."

Cole, 77, coached the Tomcats during the golden era of the 1960s. He won four 16th Region titles from 1965 to 1972 and went 4-4 in Sweet Sixteen games. Ashland reached the state semifinals in 1969 before dropping a heartbreaking 82-80 game to Ohio County.

"I think of that game every time I think about basketball," Cole said. "We had a nice lead. In those days, we ran the fastbreak, the old Marshall fastbreak. My college coach was a graduate of Marshall who played under Cam Henderson. It's the same break that Bob Wright used. We pressed and ran. Back in those days, they let you run under a guy after he went into the air."

But in the State Tournament, Ashland guards Johnny Mullins and Fred Leibee got in foul trouble because of charges.

"They fouled two guards out and we had to move (Ray) Kleykamp from forward to guard. That made us weaker inside."

Cole said the Tomcats probably couldn't have beaten Louisville Central in the finals, but he would have liked the chance.

"I thought we had a team that could compete better with Louisville Central than Ohio County," he said.

Cole, who followed Wright as Ashland's coach in the 1964-65 season, had a 171-46 record in seven seasons, winning 79 percent of his games. That ranks third behind Wright (85 percent in six seasons) and Paul Jenkins (90 percent in three seasons).

His last Tomcat team in 1972 was ranked No. 1 in the state but lost to Russell 80-75 in the regional championship game in Morehead.

"We would have had a chance that year of going far in the state tournament, maybe even winning the state tournament," Cole said. "But we didn't get that far. That's the way it works."

Cole remembers the battles with Marvin Meredith at Russell and Jack Fultz at Olive Hill.

"Jack's team was one of the tough teams to get over," he said. "He was a tough competitor. He'd slow it down on you. He knew we'd like to run. If you let Jack stay in the game, he's got as good a chance as you had of winning."

"Russell had good teams back then, too. That was a great rival game. Even before the B-team game the house would be packed. Marvin had some good players at Russell. The year they beat me, they shot well. It was one of those games."

But it was during his last season that Cole said he enjoyed his "coaching peak."

After winning the Ashland Invitational Tournament, the Tomcats were invited to the Fayette County Invitational at Henry Clay and defeated Bryan Station (coached by Bob Barlow), Henry Clay (coached by Al Prewitt) and Lafayette (coached by Jock Sutherland) on successive nights.

"That's what I think of as my most satisfying moment as a coach," he said. "That week was a big peak week



## MARK MAYNARD: Region history worth telling 030509

March 05, 2009 12:15 am

— Most of you know, diving into area sports history is a passion of mine.

The stories of our sports legends grow with each passing day.

We're watching a bit of history this season with Elliott County's amazing boys basketball team. Years from now, somebody (maybe me?) will be re-telling the story of the Lions' magical run in the 16th Region. If there's an upset this weekend, we'll be writing about that for years to come, too.

So either way, history will be made.

If Elliott County somehow becomes state champions — and that's not something that falls into the category of the Impossible Dream — then there will probably be books written and movies produced about the boys from Sandy Hook. The Lions could become Kentucky's version of "Hoosiers."

But that's getting ahead of ourselves.

For now, step back into the Wayback Machine with me on a 50-year journey, in 10-year segments, about some other memorable moments in 16th Region history.

1959

It was the Year of the Comets.

Olive Hill High School had one of its best teams ever under legendary coach Jack Fultz.

Bert Greene, whose 50-year record of being the region's No. 1 scorer was broken only this season, led the Comets to their third regional title in five years.

Olive Hill reached the state semifinals before injuries to both starting guards led to a bitter 67-65 defeat to North Marshall that Fultz went to his grave bemoaning. Lexington Dunbar beat the emotionally and physically drained Comets 88-45 in the third-place game.

Greene was the star but Larry Ader, Dale Barker and Larry Williams were other shooting stars for the Comets.

Olive Hill defeated Clark County 60-59 in the regional finals and also eliminated one of Vanceburg's best-ever teams 65-46 in the opening round.

The Comets saddled Vanceburg, led by Harold Billman, with four of its six losses in a 21-6 season. Two of those losses came in the postseason — the district finals and the regional opener (the regional was blind draw then). Vanceburg's coach was Bob Wright who, after that season, became coach of the Ashland Tomcats. In 1961, Wright guided the Tomcats to the 16th Region's last state title with a 36-1 season.

Billman, the fourth all-time scorer in Vanceburg/Lewis County history and the half-brother of 16th Region official Joe Billman, scored 41 against Olive Hill in the opener that season. That was a school record at the time. Gary Kidwell was a sophomore at Vanceburg High School who was a statistician '59 before being a player himself as a junior and senior.

1969

Ashland won the regional title behind the play of all-tournament selections Ray Kleykamp, Roger Baldrige, Fred Leibee and Johnny Mullins.

The Tomcats were never pushed in the regional, winning by margins of 26, 20 and 33 (84-51 over Menifee County in the finals) in one of the most dominating tournaments in history.

In the State Tournament, it was nail-biter time. The Tomcats edged Harlan 69-66 and then downed Shelby County 81-80 in the quarterfinals. The run for the title ended with an 82-80 loss to Ohio County on a last-second shot in the semifinals.

Louisville Central, a state powerhouse, went on to win the state title in runaway fashion.

It would be the best finish Ashland would make under Harold Cole.

1979

## UNION COLLEGE NEWS

### Five Union Alums Receive Awards at the Annual Homecoming Awards Banquet

Union College inducted three new alumni into the Union College Hall of Fame, named two new Union College Rising Stars and awarded the Alumni Distinguished Service Award at the annual Homecoming Banquet held on campus this past Saturday.



Left to right: Jessica Terry Bergman, Clevis Don Carter, President Edward de Rosset, Rev. Dr. Donald Durham, Bill Hill, and Harold Cole.

The event was a part of the weekend Homecoming activities that began Thursday with the annual golf tournament. The highlight of the weekend was the Inauguration Ceremony held on Friday. Union inaugurated Edward D. de Rosset as the College's 17th President. Homecoming activities concluded with a worship service held at Conway Boatman Chapel on Sunday.

Inducted into the Hall of Fame were: Clevis Don Carter '59, Educator's Hall of Fame; Bill A. Hill '70 and Harold F. Cole '54, Athletic Hall of Fame.

Also receiving awards were Blair Skidmore '95 and Jessica Terry Bergman '98. Both were named Union College Rising Stars.

In addition to this, the Reverend Dr. Donald William Durham '43, H'64 was awarded the Alumni Distinguished Service Award.

### Union College Hall of Fame

The Hall of Fame is intended to honor Union College alumni, former or current faculty and recipients of honorary doctorates who have made outstanding contributions to their fields, been pioneers in their areas of expertise or provided leadership at state, regional or national levels.

Local resident, Clevis Don Carter, was inducted into Union's Educators Hall of Fame this past Saturday. Carter graduated from Union College in 1959 and went straight to work as a high school math and science teacher for the Knox County school system. He's been in front of a black board ever since.

Carter has spent the better part of his life as an educator and says he especially enjoys teaching future educators. "I enjoy teaching and working with students. I want to help them understand science and math and I especially enjoy working with students who are becoming teachers. I hope that I can continue making an impact in the education of students in our community."

Currently, Carter is retired from teaching and holds the rank of Associate Professor Emeritus of Physical Science at Union College. Prior to this appointment, Clevis Carter served as an Assistant Professor of Physical Science, Director of Coal Technology, and as an Instructor of Physical Science at Union.

Carter belongs to the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics, the Kentucky Council of Teachers of Mathematics, the Cumberland Council of Teachers of Mathematics, the Kentucky Mathematics Association of Teachers of Teachers, the Fifth District Math Alliance and the Kentucky Science Teacher Association.

He has made presentations to both the Kentucky Council of Teachers of Mathematics and the Cumberland Council of Teacher of Mathematics. In 1996, Mr. Carter served on the Steering Committee to prepare Kentucky's National Science Foundation teacher Preparation Proposal

### **Union College Rising Star**

The Rising Star Award, created in 2002, is given to outstanding Union alumni who have graduated within the past 10 years. Honorees were involved on campus while students, preferably in leadership roles, are enjoying career success and continually give back to their community and Union College.

Former local resident Blair Skidmore along with Jessica Terry Bergman were presented with the 2005 Rising Star Award during the banquet.

Skidmore is no stranger to Union College. A member of a Union College legacy family, he spent a lot of time on campus even before he became a college student. Skidmore's mother Jane and his grandmother Jane Blair are active friends of the college today as was his father and grandfather were in years past.

After graduating in 1995, Skidmore applied for and was hired as an Admissions Counselor at Union College. With the intention of attending law school, he took the LSAT test. However, after spending two years as a counselor, Skidmore realized that Higher Education was his future calling.

Skidmore said, "The success I have today is in large part due to the lessons I learned while at Union College, be it in the classroom, the theater, cheering at a football game or hanging out with fellow students in the student center and residence halls. Union has remained a large part of who I am today."

Today, as an Admissions Systems Analyst, Skidmore spends his days helping hopeful high school seniors realize their dreams of becoming graduates of Vanderbilt University in Nashville, Tennessee. Prior to accepting this position, he spent 6 years working in the private sector of higher education helping colleges and universities as a Senior Support Analyst for a company now known as College Board in Atlanta, Georgia.

No matter where Skidmore's career has taken him, his love of service and service to his community has been a constant. Skidmore has performed in summer musical theater, worked with Habitat for Humanity and worked to support the High Museum of Art and Zoo in Atlanta. He also volunteers as an event coordinator for the Wang Foundation for Sight Restoration and, he says, "I have continued to support Union College at every opportunity."

Skidmore's support of Union College is evidenced by his service on the Alumni Board, assuming the responsibilities of class agent, hosting local alumni gatherings, and continuing to act as a Union College ambassador wherever he goes.

He is married to Joanne Thompson and they are expecting their first child in late December.

Also named a Rising Star was Jessica Terry Bergman. Bergman spent her time at Union College developing her leadership skills, participating in service projects, and taking part in campus activities. And she's still doing that today. Only now, Bergman's involvement with student life and activities is as Dean of Students at Lees-McRae College in Banner Elk, North Carolina.

Prior to serving as Dean, Bergman served as the Director of Community Outreach at Lees-McRae managing AmeriCorp and the Bonner Leaders program. She created the Freshmen Emerging Leaders Program, designed leadership training curriculum for community partners and students, and further developed relationships between the campus and the community.

In addition to her work with students, Bergman served on the Hispanic Outreach Committee, the Avery County Interagency Alcohol and Other Drug committee, the AmeriCorp Advisory and the Avery Children's Collaborative committee.

Bergman has a resume chock full of committees, councils, programs and forums that reflect her love of service and her desire to contribute to her community. This extensive list that fills the pages of her vita harkens back to days spent participating in river, road, and community clean-ups and swinging hammers and wielding saws during repair affair as a student at Union College.

Bergman graduated from Union College in 1998 with a Bachelor of Science in Sociology. She then went on to graduate from Appalachian State University with a Masters of Arts in Geography. Bergman is married to Matthew Bergman, a '99 graduate of Union.

### **Union College Alumni Association Award for Distinguished Service**

# HAROLD COLE

1965-66	25.7	DISTRICT CHAMPS REGION CHAMPS STATE QUARTERFINALIST
1966-67	24.5	DISTRICT CHAMPS REGION RUNNER UP
1967-68	22.10	DISTRICT CHAMPS REGION RUNNER UP
1968-69	25.9	DISTRICT CHAMPS REGION CHAMPS STATE FINAL 4
1969-70	21.8	DISTRICT CHAMPS REGION CHAMPS STATE FIRST ROUND
1970-71	26.4	DISTRICT CHAMPS REGION CHAMPS STATE QUARTERFINALIST
1971-72	28.3	AIT CHAMPS FAYETTE CO. INVITATIONAL CHAMPS DISTRICT CHAMPS

REGION RUNNERUP  
RANKED #1 IN STATE

COACHING RECORD: 171.46 (7 YEARS)

7 DISTRICT CHAMPIONSHIPS

4 REGION CHAMPIONSHIPS

#2 ALL TIME WINS @ ASHLAND

AVERAGED 24 WINS PER SEASON

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Information about Nominee

Name:	HAROLD COLE
Is the nominee deceased? (circle)	YES <input type="radio"/> NO <input checked="" type="radio"/>
<i>(If nominee is not deceased, please fill out address information below)</i>	
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Information about person making nomination (list "self" if self-nominating)

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Please list the primary category of nomination (circle)-

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Birth Date of Nominee	12/4/31
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Sex (circle one)	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Male	Female
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Is the nominee a minority (African American and others) as defined in 2(c.)	Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/> No
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If this person is being nominated as a Coach, please complete the following additional information-

Coached at which High School(s)	KNOX CENTRAL - 9 YRS - ASHLAND PAUL BLAZER - 7 YRS
Year of Retirement	1972
Primary KHSAA basketball region as defined in 2(b)	16 <sup>th</sup>

(over for remainder of application)

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High School Attended	
Graduation Year	
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ASHLAND PAUL BLAZER 1965-66 SEASON STATE TOURNAMENT 1966
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ASHLAND PAUL BLAZER 1970-71 SEASON STATE TOURNAMENT 1971
ASHLAND PAUL BLAZER - WON Ashland INV. TOUR. & FAYETTE Co. INV. TATIONAL TOURNAMENT - 1971-72 SEASON
Please list any other factors about this individual that you would like for the Hall of Fame Committee to consider.

I certify that I have truthfully completed this information about the nominee with the permission of the nominee, that he/she will accept induction if selected, and I will cooperate with the KHSAA should additional information be needed for his/her consideration.

Signature Bill Case Name (print) BILL CASE Date 4/25/05

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