

PASADENA ISD HALL OF FAME

2025 INDUCTEES

ATHLETES

RICK BREWER

PASADENA HIGH SCHOOL

Class of 1963 / Baseball / Football

A crafty right-handed pitcher for two of the Eagles' top teams in the Sixties, Rick went on to become a key mound component for University of Houston playoff teams in 1966 and 1967. He played a prominent role in UH's run to the College World Series championship game in 1967. Immediately after college, he joined the Air Force, later serving in Vietnam. He retired as a full colonel. Brewer was inducted into UH's Athletics Hall of Honor last year.



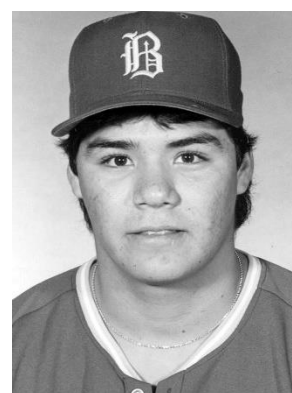
- He lettered two years in both baseball and football at PHS. The Eagles baseball team won district his junior year. He played on same team with Hall of Famer Paul Ratliff, Class of 1962, his catcher. As a senior, Brewer went 4-0 in district play for a 25-9 team that finished third in district.
- He pitched two seasons for San Jacinto College before transferring to UH.
- At the CWS in 1967, Brewer beat Boston College with one scoreless inning of extra-inning relief. He then pitched a four-hit shutout against Arizona State to put UH in the title game.
- Quote from UH Coach Lovette Hill: "He's my giant-killer. I use him against nothing but the giants -- the ones that swing the bat."
- His 2.00 career ERA still ranks third in UH history. His .800 winning percentage (8-2) is fourth.

BRUCE AGUILAR

SAM RAYBURN HIGH SCHOOL

Class of 1985 / Baseball / Football

Aguilar was the pitching ace of a Rayburn team that rolled to the state championship game in 1985 under Hall of Famer Al Campo Sr. No Pasadena ISD baseball team has advanced that far since then. He went on to post four productive seasons on the mound for the Baylor Bears (1986-1989). As a sophomore in 1987, Aguilar was named the Bears' most valuable player. He tied for the team lead with seven wins as a junior.



- Aguilar was named the All-Greater Houston player of the year in 1985. He was selected as All-Greater Houston as a junior as well. Also an outstanding hitter, he collected three hits in the two games at the state tournament.
 - In the state semifinals, he pitched a complete game in an 8-2 victory over a tough Lubbock Monterrey team. He allowed only seven hits, striking out seven and walking two. That gave him a 14-2 record for the season. Rayburn lost to Victoria Stroman the next day, although a single by Aguilar in the sixth inning broke up a no-hit bid by the opposing pitcher.
 - Aguilar was named to the South squad of the prestigious North-South All-Star Game the summer after his graduation. He started the game and earned the victory as three South pitchers gave up only two hits. He also singled in the contest.
 - He earned seven letters in baseball and football. In football, he earned all-district honors as both a defensive back and a wide receiver.
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SHARONDA McDONALD (Kelley)

J. FRANK DOBIE HIGH SCHOOL

Class of 2003 / Softball / Volleyball / Track

An elite softball talent in high school, college and pro ball, McDonald is now the head softball coach at Michigan State. At Texas A&M, she was named All-Big 12 in each of her four seasons. As a senior, she led the Aggies to the Women's College World Series for the first time in 20 years. She was hired as head coach at Michigan State in 2022. McDonald ranks as probably the best softball position player ever produced by a Pasadena ISD school.

- While at A&M, she set an NCAA record with 73 consecutive stolen bases. That record still stands.
- She holds Aggie single-season records for runs scored (60) and stolen bases (48) -- and still ranks as the program's all-time leader in both categories. Her 48 steals in 2005 led the nation and helped her earn the 2005 NCAA Golden Shoe Award as the nation's top baserunner.
- McDonald played professionally for eight years after college while launching her college coaching career. She was named a National Pro Fast-Pitch all-star three times.
- At Dobie, she was named district co-MVP as a senior shortstop and was twice a unanimous all-district pick. She placed fifth at the state track meet in the 200 meters as a junior.
- Now married, she goes by Sharonda McDonald-Kelley, but she's "Coach Sho" to her players.



JOSH RODRIGUEZ

SOUTH HOUSTON HIGH SCHOOL

Class of 2003 / Baseball

A standout shortstop at Rice, Rodriguez went on to forge a long career in pro ball that even included a short stint with the Pittsburgh Pirates. He's well remembered for his contributions to Rice's championship years under legendary coach Wayne Graham. Rodriguez played in the 2006 College World Series before turning pro. He emerged as a star player in the Mexican League from 2018 until his retirement this season.

- Rodriguez was a second-round draft choice of the Cleveland Indians following his junior season at Rice. He was also drafted after his senior year at South Houston -- in the 39th round by Oakland.
- He started three years at Rice, hitting .306 as a freshman, .345 as a sophomore and .344 as a junior. He was regarded as one of the premier college infielders in the country going into the 2006 draft. The Owls won 148 of 194 games while he was at Rice.
- The WAC freshman of the year in 2004, he went on to twice earn third-team All-America and all-regional honors. As a Rice sophomore, he led the team in homers and RBIs.
- Selected to play with Team USA, he hit .326 against international competition.
- Rice's post-season fortunes improved each of his three seasons at Rice. The Owls earned a regional spot his freshman year, a super-regional berth his sophomore year and made it to the College World Series his junior season.
- Rodriguez was a career minor-leaguer except for a seven-game stint with the Pirates in 2011 after he made the team's opening day roster.



KRISTINE KELLY

PASADENA HIGH SCHOOL

Class of 2006 / Swimming / Track

A versatile athlete in and out of the pool, Kelly rewrote nearly all of the swimming records at Pasadena High before moving on to the University of Houston, where she competed for two years. She was named the most valuable swimmer in District 23-5A both her junior and senior seasons. Three times she won the district 200 freestyle title and twice won the district 100 backstroke crown.

- Kelly broke 71 school records at PHS. Only one record kept by the school eluded her. She shattered 21 Pasadena ISD records.
- As a senior, she won the Dale Parrott Award as the outstanding swimmer in the Pasadena ISD.
- In track, Kelly set school records in the pole vault and shot put -- and a Pasadena ISD record in the pole vault. She also collected numerous honors in water polo competition.
- Kelly graduated No. 6 in her class. She is the daughter of Robert and Darla Kelly, both Pasadena ISD swim coaches. Her mom coached her in high school.
- Kelly is now a lawyer in Houston.



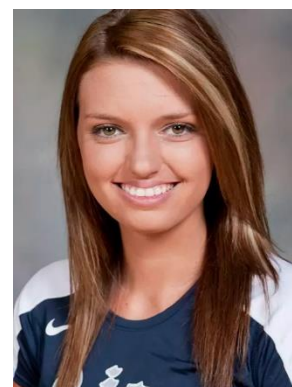
NANCY COLE (Bowman)

PASADENA MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL

Class of 2009 / Volleyball

A standout volleyball player at Memorial, Cole who went on to earn high honors during four seasons as a starter for the Rice volleyball team. She was, arguably, the first female athlete at Memorial to rise to elite status at a Division I school. Twice named to Conference USA's first-team squad, she led the Owls to an NCAA post-season berth as a freshman and to a rare run of successful seasons thereafter.

- At Memorial, Cole was named first team all-district three straight years. Twice she was named the team's MVP.
- As a senior she led the Houston area with 630 kills. She was rated the No. 62 volleyball recruit in the nation and named all-state by LoneStarVolleyball.com.
- As a junior, she led the Houston area with 500 kills. As a sophomore, she was No. 1 in the region with 115 blocks.
- The summer after her graduation, Cole helped lead the Absolute Volleyball Club to the gold medal in the National Division of the USAV Junior Olympics. She was named the division's MVP.
- In addition to the Rice achievements already mentioned, she was an honorable mention All-American selection three times.
- The NCAA tournament berth earned by Rice her freshman year was only the third in school history. The Owls finished second in C-USA her junior and senior years -- the best C-USA finishes in school history.
- Cole established top 10 rankings in several statistical categories during her college career. Twice picked as her team's MVP, she still ranks in the top 10 in many of the Owls' career and single-season stats categories.



COACH

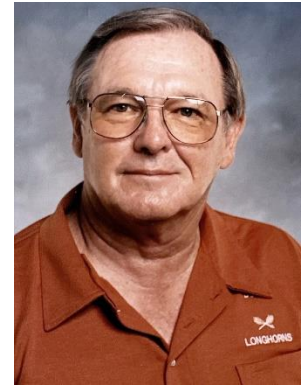
BOBBY KRAMER

J. FRANK DOBIE HIGH SCHOOL

Tennis

The sage of Sagemont tennis, Kramer brought numerous titles to Dobie during an 18-year career as head coach. As the same time, he stimulated youth participation in tennis across the South Belt area, gleaning elite players from a community not blessed with country club-type talent. At its peak in the mid-Eighties, Kramer's Dobie program earned numerous Top 10 state rankings while dominating competition in District 23-5A.

- Hired in 1977, Kramer needed only six years to develop a program worthy of state-wide recognition. Starting in 1983, his girls captured five straight team tennis titles. Starting in 1985, his combined boys and girls teams won three straight district championships.
- His 1985 and 1987 squads advance to the regional semifinals. And, in 1986, the Longhorns reached the regional final, falling just one step short of state. That squad won 59 of 63 matches in district play and swept the district field in head-to-head competition, 7-0.
- Kramer retired in 1995. He was subsequently elected to the Texas Tennis Coaches Association Hall of Fame. He is also a member of the Dobie's Faculty Dobie Hall of Honor.



TEAM

1980 DOBIE BOYS CROSS COUNTRY

STATE CHAMPIONS

Coach Bryan's squad produced the first state championship by a Pasadena ISD school since Pasadena High's state track conquest in 1957. It the first of twin titles for Bryan's Dobie program. Just over five months later, his boys track team also won the state championship.

- At the cross-country meet, three Dobie runners placed in the Top 20: Gawain Guy took 10th, Pete Ramos 13th and Phillip Williams 19th. That paved the way for the Longhorns to post 56 points, by far the lowest (and best) score in the field. Edinburg was a distant second with 93 points.
- Greg Johnson, who finished 24, Dave Windsor (29th) and Todd Whistler (31st) rounded out the Longhorns' top six runners.
- The meet was the pinnacle performance for a cross-country program that had finished third at the state meet in 1978 and fifth in 1979.
- In their 11 meets that fall, the Longhorns had placed in the top three each time, winning 9 of the 11.

