

# Start High School Hall of Fame 2019 Inductees

## **Sue (Albright) Hyman**-Class of 1968

While at Start, Sue was a member of Peri's Literary Society, was one of the founding members of Amorosa Social Service Club and served on several committees for her class. She graduated from UT with her bachelor's in education, a social work license, and her master's degree in school counseling. Since that time Sue has been a teacher in Washington Local and a counselor in Sylvania and with Toledo Public Schools. She was one of the first four elementary counselors in TPS and helped develop the program. Sue was named one of Toledo's Most Influential Women in 2012. She is currently training to become a gatekeeper for students who experience suicide ideation and continues to advocate for all children and teens.

## **Lanae (Charon) Spruce**-Class of 2006

During her time at Start, Lanae was involved in DECA, PALS-Peer Assistance Leaders, African-American club and was on the Track and Field team. After graduation, she attended Hampton University, a historically black college; becoming the first in her family to attend college. She was active on campus with the Student Government Association, The National Council of Negro Women, The Hampton Script newspaper, and The Dean's 6 O'clock Club. In 2011 she moved to Washington D.C. eventually working for the Smithsonian at the National Museum of African-American History and Culture, heading their WEBBY and Shorty award winning digital engagement team.

## **Bradley Everett**-Class of 1990

Brad was a football player at Start while working at Kroger during his junior and senior years. He joined the Marines in 1991 and is still on active duty having attained the rank of Master Gunnery Sergeant. While on ship, Brad has been deployed to the Philippines and Somalia. He has also served in Japan, Iraq, Afghanistan, Sicily, Spain, and saw combat during Desert Storm. He is married to fellow classmate Karen Cowell Everett and has two sons, Robert and Anthony.

## **Douglas Herman**-Class of 1969

Douglas was an active Spartan in his high school years as a member of Quill and Scroll, Forum Literary Society, and was instrumental in working on the 1969 Shield. Doug has over 30 years of experience in home building starting as project/quality assurance manager before going to work as VP of construction in Nashville and Atlanta for John Weiland Homes. He started his current business, Legend Homes, in 2004 and is currently president. Doug is also involved with many philanthropic pursuits working with local schools in the Franklin, Tennessee areas well as the Wounded Warrior Project, Race for the Cure, and Community Child Care providing child care to low income families.

## **Harold Robert Howell, Jr.**-Class of 1973

While at Start, Bob was on the Freshmen soccer team and was active in Toledo Golden Gloves. In 1980, he started working with SSOE Group starting as a draftsman trainee and working his way up to President and CEO. In 1993 he "kick started" the firm's food sector, growing the operation into its own Strategic Business Unit. Since 2004, Bob has been instrumental in growing the firm to 30 offices around the world. Outside his business activities, Bob has been active with the Toledo Community Foundation, Toledo Science Society, Distinguished Clown Corps, and Read for Literacy.

## **Michael Schmitz**-Class of 1987

Mike was very involved with the arts, starring in every show in his four years at Start as well as singing in the choir. Three years after graduation he landed at Owens Community College working as a bus driver and never looked back. While at Owens Mike has been in union leadership for 12 years working on projects at the local, state, and national levels earning the Ohio PSRP of the Year award in 2014. He has also been involved in many projects to improve communication and morale at Owens. Mike has been active with the Start High School Hall of Fame committee serving as secretary for the last four years and assisting with the banquets.

## **Celia Yeack-Scranton (posthumous)**-Class of 1970

Dr. Celia Yeack-Scranton was a physical sciences researcher for the International Business Machines Corporation in San Jose, California. According to her husband, Robert Scranton, she lost her battle with ovarian cancer and died when she was only 42. While living in San Jose, Dr. Yeack-Scranton conducted extensive research into magnetic recording technology and she held several patents. Prior to her death, she was named an IBM Fellow, the company's pre-eminent technical distinction in recognition of her outstanding and sustained technical achievements and leadership. Dr. Yeack-Scranton held a doctorate degree in applied physics from Stanford University.