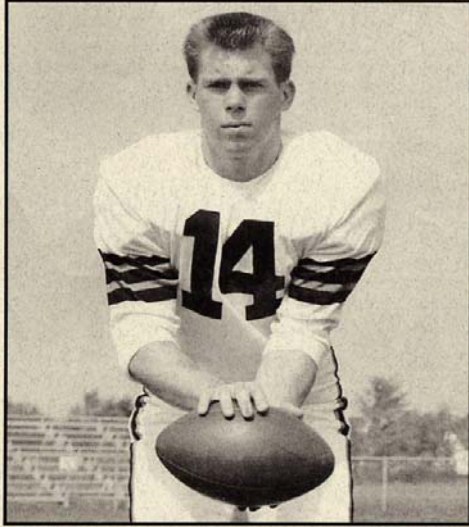


BRUCE PEEPERS



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COACH**

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IN THE HISTORY OF NORTH OLMSTED ATHLETICS, NO ONE PERSON HAS DEDICATED MORE OF HIS/HER TIME THAN BRUCE PEEPERS. FROM THE TIME BRUCE ENTERED NORTH OLMSTED HIGH SCHOOL IN 1952, BRUCE HAS EITHER BEEN A PLAYER OR COACH IN THE NORTH OLMSTED SYSTEM WITH THE EXCEPTION OF ONE YEAR WHEN HE WAS A FIRST YEAR TEACHER AND COACH FOR THE WILLARD CITY SCHOOLS. AN OUTSTANDING MULTISPORT ATHLETE WHILE ATTENDING NORTH OLMSTED HIGH SCHOOL, BRUCE PARTICIPATED IN FOOTBALL, BASKETBALL AND TRACK. IN 1956, BRUCE WAS THE ALL SOUTHWESTERN CONFERENCE QUARTERBACK AND LED HIS TEAM TO THE FIRST EVER FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP AT NORTH OLMSTED HIGH SCHOOL.

WHILE ATTENDING ASHLAND COLLEGE, BRUCE EARNED A DEGREE IN HEALTH AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND WAS ALSO SELECTED AS AN ALL NORTHERN OHIO LEAGUE PLAYER AS WELL AS AN ALL OHIO SELECTION.

SERVING UNDER FOUR DIFFERENT HEAD FOOTBALL COACHES, THIS WAS ONLY A PART OF HIS LOYALTY TO NORTH OLMSTED HIGH SCHOOL. BRUCE HIMSELF SERVED AS THE HEAD FOOTBALL COACH FOR ONE YEAR, WAS THE HEAD BOYS TRACK COACH, WAS AN ASSISTANT GIRLS TRACK COACH AND ALSO COACHED FRESHMEN GIRLS BASKETBALL FOR TWELVE YEARS.

AMONG SOME OF THE HIGHLIGHTS OF BRUCE'S CAREER AT NORTH OLMSTED ARE: 1979 BOYS SOUTHWESTERN CONFERENCE TRACK CHAMPIONS, 1979 SOUTHWESTERN CONFERENCE TRACK COACH OF THE YEAR, BRUCE PLAYED OR COACHED ON ELEVEN SOUTHWESTERN CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIP TEAMS AND 1995 ROTARY CLUB TEACHER OF THE YEAR.

BRUCE ATTRIBUTES MUCH OF HIS SUCCESS AS A RESULT OF HIS FOND RELATIONSHIP WITH HIS COACH AND FRIEND RON SLATER SR.