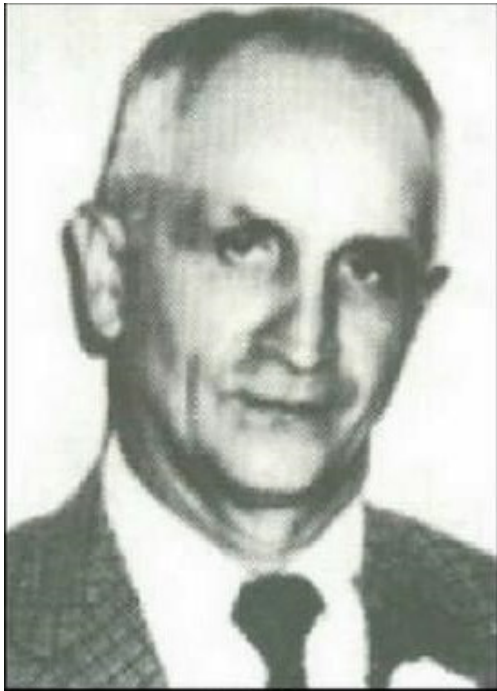




Michael "Mickey" Hodor



Mickey Hodor excelled in football, basketball, baseball, and track before his graduation from Mauch Chunk Catholic High in 1934. Upon Graduation he became a recreational leader in his community, a certified PIAA basketball official, and a youth organizer and coach. He helped form the American legion Junior League baseball team in his community, as well as the first CYO basketball program in Jim Thorpe. He served 20 years as School Director at East Mauch Chunk and Jim Thorpe High Schools. He was named "Man of the Year" by the Jim Thorpe Booster Club, and is a member of The Carbon County Hall of F

Drew Benyo



Drew Benyo captained his High School Football Team, was named MVP of his Wrestling Squad, and played First Base for the Olympian Baseball Team. He coached football at Elmendorf Air Force Base, and in the Jim Thorpe Knee Hi Program, as well as coaching baseball in the Jim Thorpe Little League Program. He is currently the Head Cross Country Coach at his Alma Mater. His 1991 boy's team won the Division 11 Championship of the Schuylkill League in his 4th year at the program. His is the race director of the Switchback Road Runners Triple Crown Race Series now in the eighth year. He established the World Record for the 163 miles distance from Mt. Whitney to Badwater, California in the summer of 1991. The course is from the highest to

the lowest points in the United States.





Dr. Clyde "Renny" Shoop



Renny Shoop became the first wrestler to go undefeated at Jim Thorpe High School, in only the first year of the sports existence. He repeated that feat in his senior year. His High School record was 17-0-1. He received his B.A in 1970 from Colorado State University. His college varsity record was 10-5 with a third in the M.I.A. Tournament, and a third at the Rocky Mountain Tournament. He went on to receive his Masters and Doctorate Degrees in Veterinary Medicine from the University of Pennsylvania. Dr. Shoop remains active in his sport, promoting and wrestling in the alumni and seniors wrestling tournaments.

1947 Mauch Chunk Catholic High School Basketball Team



The 1946-47 Mauch Chunk Catholic High Basketball Team, coached by Joseph and Francis O'Donnell, compiled a 31-7 record in winning the Eastern Pa. PCIAA Championship. Team members: Skipper McFadden, Mike Friel, Pud Solski, Hokie Brogan, Busie Busocker, Kitty Carrigan, Reds Heaney, Brud Krebs, Babe McGinley, and Slick Tim Yuhas, won the Anthracite Parochial League Championship, the Philadelphia Diocesan Parochial Class B title, and the Eastern PCIAA Class B crown. The Cougars team moderator was the Rev. Hugh McSherry. The team won 18 games in a row at one point of the season, and went undefeated in the second half of play in their league. Mauch Chunk Catholic High School had an enrollment in 1947 of 60 students, 28 boys. An incredible accomplishment.

