

Each fall, as part of Adrian Public School's Homecoming celebration, the Adrian Schools Educational Foundation and the Adrian High School Alumni Association honor Outstanding Teachers & Mentors and Outstanding Alumni. Due to the circumstances surrounding COVID-19 and adhering to our Governor's executive orders, the awards event to celebrate our recipients will take place at a later date.

## **Congratulations to our 2020-21 Outstanding Teacher and Mentor award recipients!**



### **Jim Miller – Boys and Girls Track Coach, Adrian High School**

Jim has coached for many years and continues to be a positive role model and mentor to many students.

“Coach Miller is a quiet treasure and one of inestimable worth.” ~ nominator



### **Nate Parker – Principal, Springbrook Middle School**

Nate has made a tremendous impact at the middle school. He inspires and mentors students in a way that encourages them to have and use their voice.

“Mr. Parker effectively conveys compassion, genuine interest and care to parents, staff/teachers and students.” ~ nominator



### **Tracy Pickle - Mathematics teacher, Springbrook Middle School**

Tracy has spent the past 25 years teaching Math and Science in both the elementary and middle school level. Her students, past and present, are inspired by her and find her to be a positive influence on their learning and in their lives.

“Ms. Pickle has always been such a helpful school teacher. She helps us with work we are struggling with. She is always supportive and she believes in us.” ~ nominator

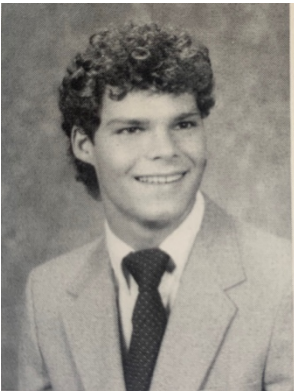
## Congratulations to our Outstanding Alumni award recipients!



### **Chuck Chase '64 is being honored in the area of Community Service.**

Chuck's service to the Adrian community runs far and wide. He is an active member of the Adrian Noon Rotary Club, a past longtime member of the Adrian City Commission, current chair of the Lenawee County YMCA board, and very involved with his alma mater, Adrian College.

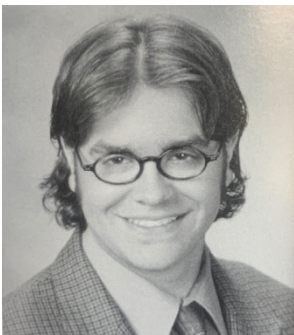
"Chuck is the consummate giver to his community in the form of time, talent, and treasure." ~ nominator



### **Tommy Heckert '86 is being honored posthumously in the area of Athletics.**

Tommy's professional career landed him as a Football Executive. He served as the General Manager for the Cleveland Browns and the Philadelphia Eagles. He was part of seventeen postseason campaigns, eleven division titles, eight conference championship games, three Superbowl appearances – including one Super Bowl championship while serving as Director of Player Personnel with the Denver Broncos.

"Physically Tommy is not with us anymore, but he influenced so many people throughout his life, his good is still radiating in this world." ~ nominator



### **Jordan Hoffman '00 is being honored in the area of Fine Arts, specifically for his accomplishments in Culinary Arts.**

Jordan is an accomplished chef, who landed in Detroit, Michigan after a very celebrated career including time in Las Vegas and Miami Beach. He is the Executive Chef and Director of Culinary Operations for the Iconic Restaurant Group, including Parc in the downtown area of Detroit.

"You see the beauty of each dish first, and then, even before you take your first bite, you know your palate will not be disappointed." ~ nominator

We look forward to honoring our 2020-21 award winners and their families at a later date. We will share details of the event as they become available.