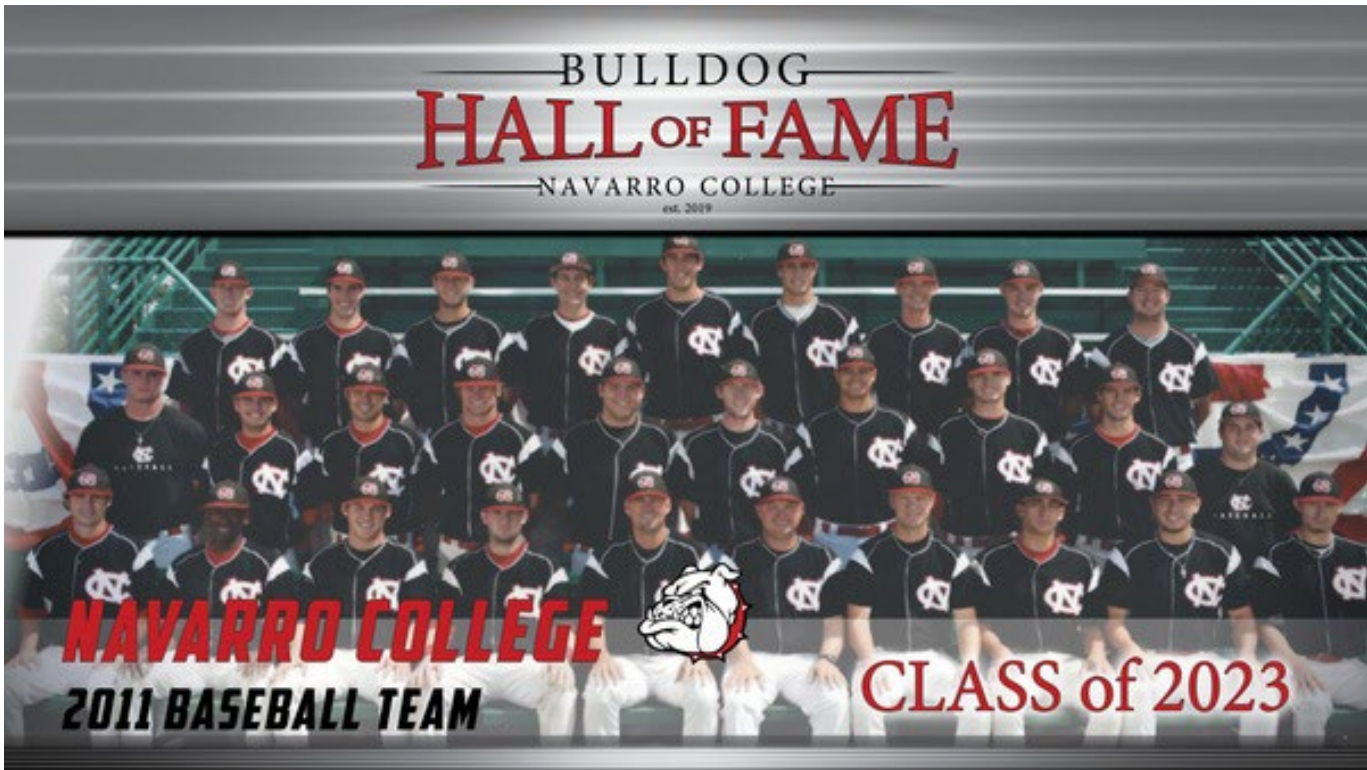


2023 NAVARRO COLLEGE HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES

2011 BASEBALL TEAM
SPORT(S): BASEBALL
YEARS PLAYED: 2011



- 2011 NJCAA National Champions
- Finished the season with a 46-18 record along with Region XIV Conference and Regional Championships
- Defeated Central Arizona 6-4 in the 10th inning of the championship game with a 2-run walk-off home run by J.T. Files.

The 2011 National Champion Baseball Team went 46-18 overall and 5-1 at the Alpine Bank JUCO World Series at Sam Suplizio Field in Grand Junction, CO. Baseball Head Coach Whoa Dill's fifth Navarro squad captured the title as J.T. Files slugged a two-run walkoff in the 10thinning to beat Central Arizona, 6-4.

Current active major league pitchers Austin Pruitt (Oakland A's) and Drew VerHagen (St. Louis Cardinals), plus Tyler Mapes and closer Justin Thomas headed NC's pitching staff. David Harris hit a team-high .526 in the Series, going 10-for-19 at the plate with four home runs and 12 runs-batted-in.

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BRAD HAWPE

SPORT(S): BASEBALL

YEARS PLAYED: 1997-1998



- Played 3B for Navarro College Baseball Conference Champions in 1998
- Won the 2000 NCAA National Championship playing outfield for LSU
- Selected in the 11th round of the 2000 MLB Draft by the Colorado Rockies
- Named a National League All-Star in 2007 after hitting 29 home runs

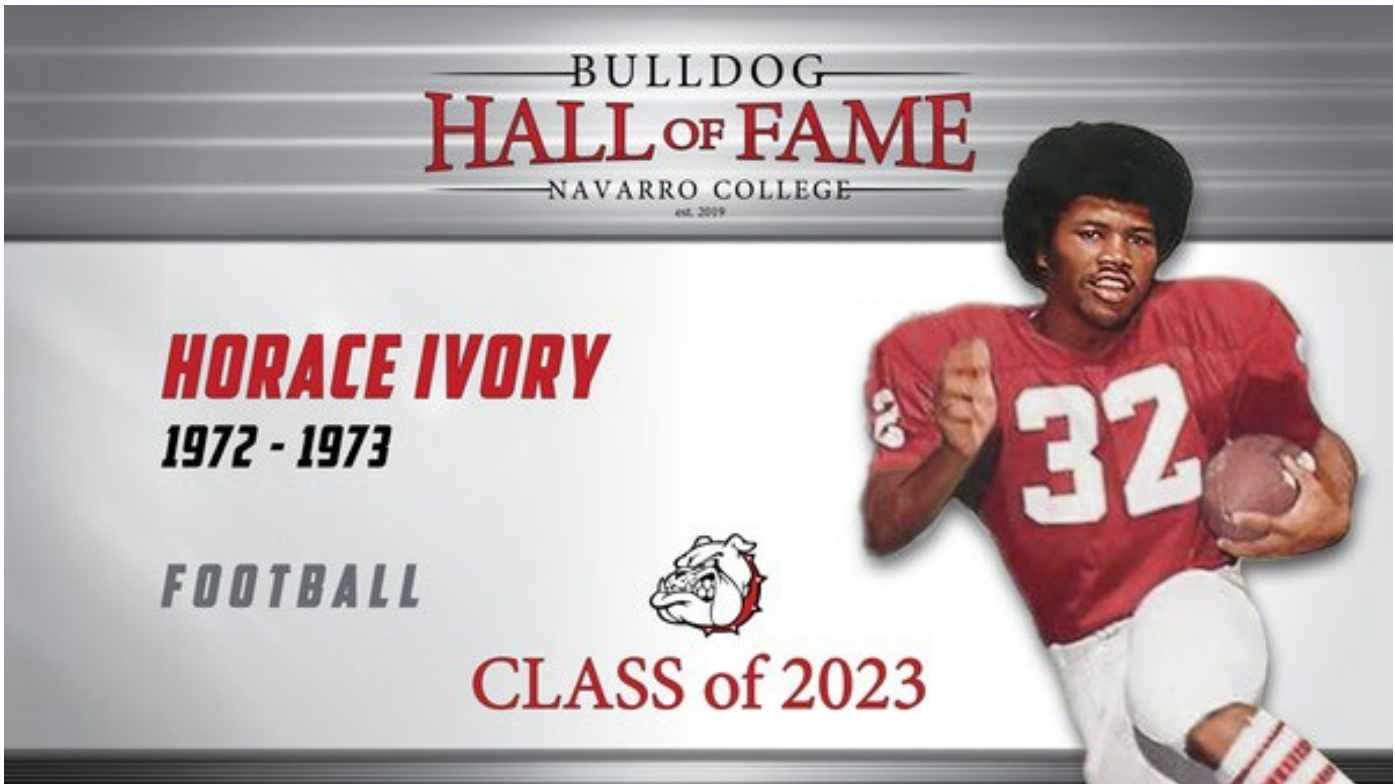
Hawpe won a UIL Class 4A state title at Saginaw Boswell High School as a first baseman and pitcher in 1995, and an NCAA Championship at LSU as an outfielder in 2000. An 11th-round draft pick in 2000, Hawpe signed with the Colorado Rockies and played there seven of his nine MLB seasons. Hawpe became a National League All-Star and earned MVP votes for a 2007 season in which he hit a career-high 29 home runs, 116 runs-batted-in and hit .291. A career .275 batter, Hawpe had four 20-plus homer seasons and finished his career with 124.

2023 NAVARRO COLLEGE HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES

HORACE IVORY

SPORT(S): FOOTBALL

YEARS PLAYED: 1972-1973



- Ivory led the 1973 Navarro College Football team with an 10-1 record, completed the 1973 season as Conference Champions and a victory in the Wool Bowl.
- Won National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) National Championships at Oklahoma in 1974 and 1975.
- Ivory was the 2nd round National Football League (NFL) Draft pick for the New England Patriots.
- Named All-Pro in 1980 during a seven-year NFL career.

Ivory starred on first-year Head Coach Harold Hern's Texas Junior College Football Conference co-champions (10-1) in 1973 and fashioned Navarro bowl-record performances in a 17-0 Wool Bowl victory over Fort Scott, KS. He transferred to the University of Oklahoma, joining three other Bulldogs, Keith Thomas, Billy Brooks (Senior Receiver) and Reggie Mathis (Sophomore Linebacker) on the Sooners' 1974 and 1975 NCAA Championship squads.

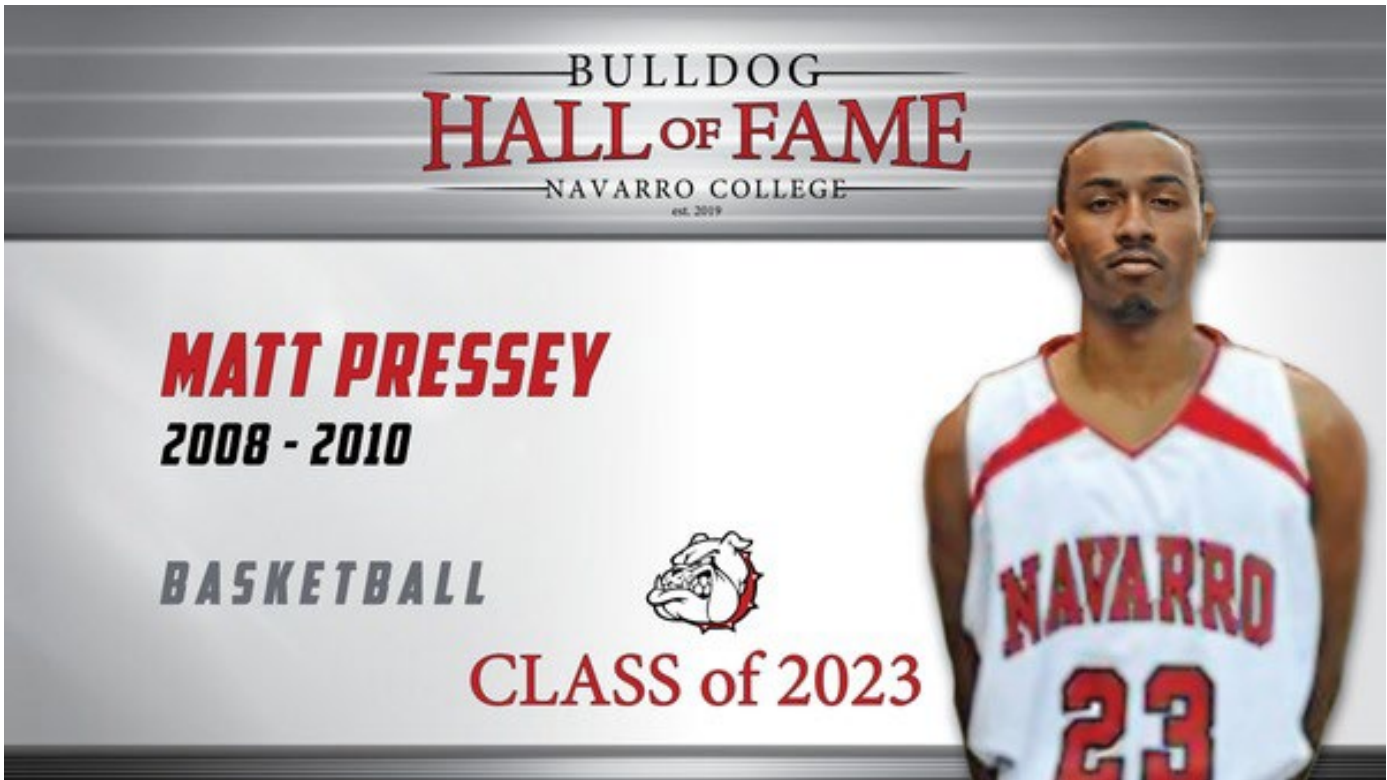
Ivory, a product of Fort Worth Nolan Catholic High School, ran 18 times for 102 yards in the game at Roswell, NM. At Oklahoma, Ivory averaged 6.5 yards per carry and piled up two-year rushing marks of 213-1390-11 on his way to the NFL in 1977 as a second-round draft choice of the New England Patriots. Ivory was named All-Pro in 1980, rushed 351-1425-15 and caught 54-471-2 during a seven-year career with the Pars and the Seattle Seahawks.

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MATT PRESSEY

SPORT(S): BASKETBALL

YEARS PLAYED: 2008-2010



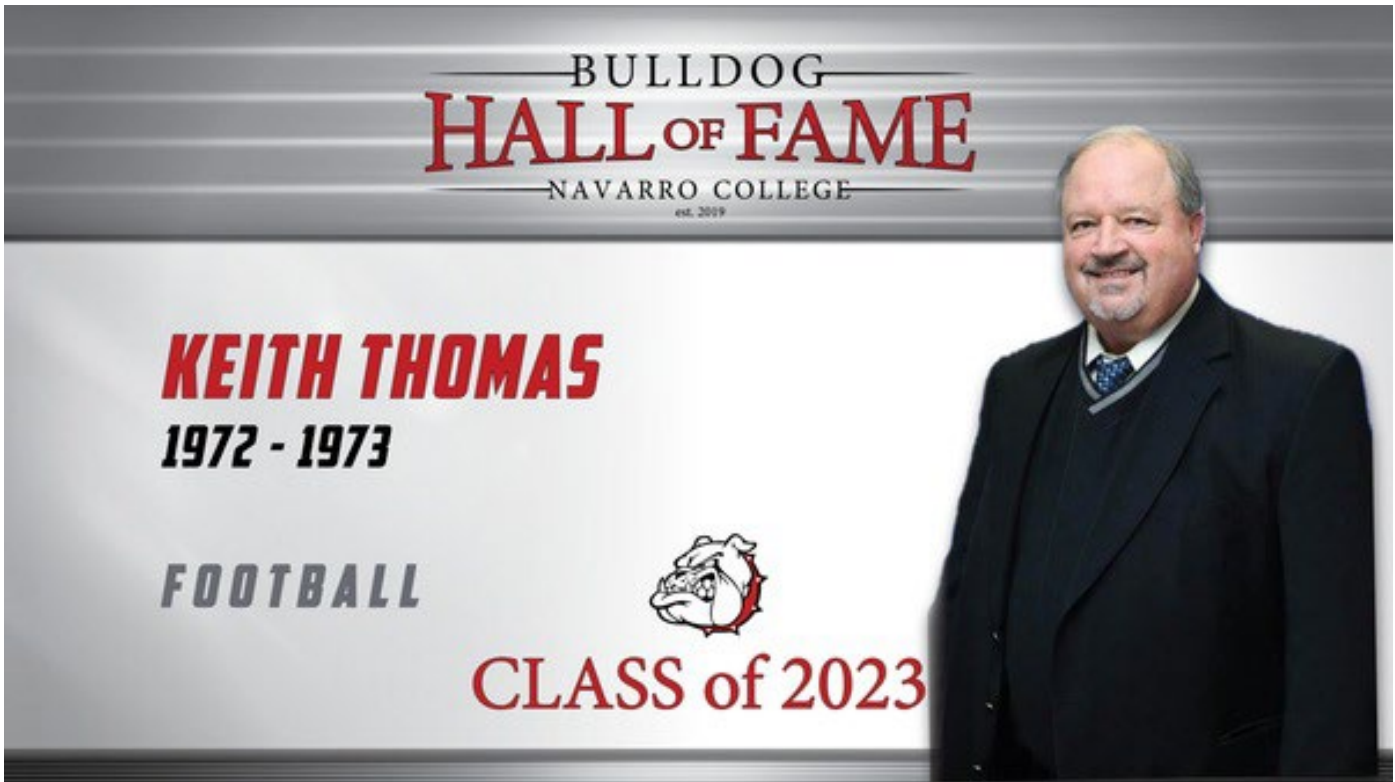
- NJCAA 1st Team All-American
- Averaged 17.5 ppg, 4.2 rpg, 2.7a pg and 2.0 spg
- Region XIV Regular season and conference tournament MVP in 2010
- Led Navarro College Basketball to the Final Four appearance at NJCAA National Tournament (2010)

Pressey earned NJCAA First Team All-American honors after leading Navarro to its first two NJCAA Tournament appearances, including a 30-7 mark and a fourth-place finish at Hutchinson, KS, in 2010. The Region XIV Tournament MVP averaged 17.5 points, 4.2 rebounds, 2.7 assists and 2.0 steals and reached double figures in 33-of-37 games, including 16 games of 20+ points.

Pressey, an NJCAA All-Tournament team selection as a freshman. Since 2000, Pressey leads Navarro basketball in career scoring (1052 points), field goals (312) and attempts (800), free-throws (243) and attempts (349). He is 2nd in steals (124) and 9th in assists (151).

2023 NAVARRO COLLEGE HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES

KEITH THOMAS
SPORT(S): FOOTBALL
YEARS PLAYED: 1972-1973



- Named NJCAA 1st Team All-American in 1973
- Won NCAA National Championships at Oklahoma in 1974 and 1975
- Assistant Coach for 1989 Navarro College Football in which the team claimed the NJCAA National Champion title
- Member of the NJCAA Football Hall of Fame

Thomas starred on first-year Head Coach Harold Hern's Texas Junior College Football Conference co-champions (10-1) in 1973 and fashioned Navarro bowl-record performances in a 17-0 Wool Bowl victory over Fort Scott, KS. He transferred to the University of Oklahoma, joining three other Bulldogs, Horace Ivory, Billy Brooks (Senior Receiver) and Reggie Mathis (Sophomore Linebacker) on the Sooners' 1974 and 1975 NCAA Championship squads.

Thomas, an NJCAA and JC Grid-Wire First Team All-American, caught 42-1038-11 in 1973 and capped that season with a Wool Bowl MVP performance of six receptions for 172 yards in the game at Roswell, NM. At Oklahoma, Thomas played strong safety as a sophomore and switched to tight end for his final two seasons.

2023 NAVARRO COLLEGE HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES

BUBBA THORNTON

SPORT(S): FOOTBALL

YEARS PLAYED: 1965-1967



- Played defensive back and wide receiver at Naarro before transferring to TCU
- Selectd by the Buffalo Bills in the 1969 AFL Draft
- Won 11 Big XII Champions as the Head Track and Field Coach at the University of Texas
- Head Coach of the USA Track and Field team at the Beijing Olympics (2008)

Thornton played defensive back and wide receiver (1965-67) before transferring to TCU, where he also lettered in track-and-field. Thornton, a 14th-round draft pick of the Buffalo Bills in 1969, became one of the American Football League's top kick returners (30-749), finishing fourth in returns, fifth in yardage, and sixth in return average.

Thornton's greatest athletic successes occurred in a 31-year career as head track and field coach at TCU (1982-1995) and The University of Texas (1996-2013). He guided TCU to five Top 10 and 11 Top 20 finishes with 39 major relay wins. At Texas, he guided the Longhorns to four Top 5 finishes and 13 in the Top 15, and 11 Big XII Championships. A Texas Track-and-Field Coaches Hall of Fame inductee in 2013, Thornton coached USA Teams at the World Juniors in 1996, the World Outdoor Mens in 2003 and in the 2009 Summer Olympics in Beijing.

2023 NAVARRO COLLEGE HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES

MICHELLE WHIPPLE

SPORT(S): SOFTBALL

YEARS PLAYED: 1999-2001



- Navarro College Softball All-Time record holder for Hits in a season with 186 in 2001
- Named an NJCAA All-American in 2001
- Led the Bulldogs to back-to-back Conference Championships and first NJCAA Championship appearance
- First softball player to be inducted into the Bulldog Hall of Fame

Whipple played third base on Navarro's consecutive NJCAA Tournament qualifiers (1999-2000 and 2000-01). The Humble, TX, native was named an NJCAA All-American and the Texas Junior College Player of the Year. She still holds the Navarro Softball single season record for hits in a season with 186 in 2001. She finished her playing career at the University of Houston.