

# Crawford County

## SPORTS

### HALL OF FAME



## *Erin Ebner Shawk*

Erin Ebner Shawk participated in track all four years at Colonel Crawford High School and graduated in 1992. The track star led the Lady Eagles to victory in the Division III state meet her senior year. She placed first in the 100 meter dash, with a time of 12:47, and helped her 4x100 relay team win first place with a time of 50:14. Erin participated in four events at the state meet to help her team's scoring chances. Additionally, Shawk broke the state record after winning the 100 meters 33" hurdles in 14.59, one of her greatest accomplishments in her track career. During her high school career, Erin had 12 first place titles in Crawford County meets, 10 first place titles in North Central Conference meets, 10 district first place titles, six regional titles and 12 state meet awards including seven first place awards. Erin was MVP of the track team, the Galion Inquirer Athlete of the Year, and won All-Ohio honors in the 100m hurdles, 100m dash and the 300m hurdles.

In addition to track, Erin swam summer and winter and participated in 4-H with horses.

Nationally, Erin placed second in 1991 at the East Coast Championship in Maryland. She was a three time competitor at the USATF (TAC) Junior Nationals from 1990-1992. She placed third in a national meet in Mt. Sac, California.

Internationally, Erin traveled to Europe with the World Sports Exchange to compete with the US team. She placed first in the 100m hurdles, second in the 100 m. dash and second in the 4x400m relay.

During Erin's senior year, she had to have surgery on both of her knees. She credits Coach Keller for helping her to rehab and work hard to be ready for her senior year of high school track. She was told she would need more surgery in the future and that if she continued to run her condition would only worsen.

Shawk accepted an offer to run at Miami University. In 1993, she qualified for the Miami University women's Track and Field Outdoor Top 10 from 1975-1993. She placed #2-100 m dash, #4-100m hurdles and #9-200m race. She also qualified for the Miami University Women's Indoor Track and Field All Time Top 10. Erin is still listed on the Miami University's Top 10 All Time for the 100m dash. After running at Miami for two seasons, Erin decided to make the difficult decision to stop because of the problems with her knees. She still suffers from pain and swelling. Erin graduated in three years from Miami with a Bachelor's Degree in Education.

Erin was inducted into the Ohio Association of Track and Field Coaches Hall of Fame in January 2016.

She met husband Jason at track practice in ninth grade. They have two sons, Thomas and Simon. Erin is active in community theater, and the Ohio Farm Bureau.