

Local Sports Legend born on the 4th of July

John "Mack" Hummon



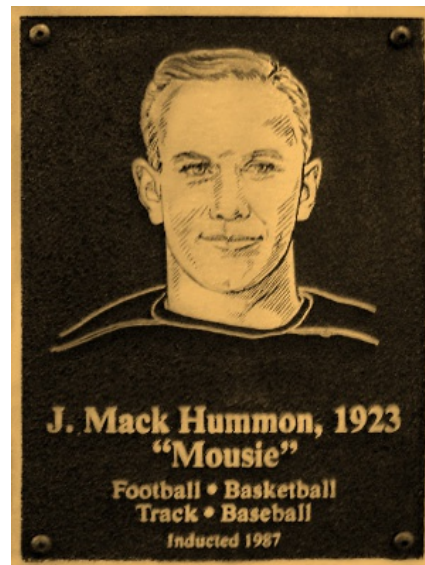
Born in Leipsic, Ohio, north of Lima, John "Mack" Hummon played only basketball and baseball at the local high school, which was too small to field a football team. Entering Wittenberg University in the fall of 1919, Hummon learned football in a hurry, lettering four years and in 1922 earned All-Ohio honors. He was a member of

Kappa Phi Kappa fraternity, and won a total of 16 monograms in four sports before graduating from Wittenberg in 1923.

Hummon served as head football coach and mathematics instructor for two years at Dover High School before coming to Oakwood High School in Dayton in 1925. He had multiple responsibilities at first becoming head coach of football, basketball and baseball in addition to teaching five math classes and monitoring a study hall.

He found time on weekends to play three seasons (1926-1928) with the NFL's Dayton Triangles and later refereed area high school and college games and provided sports casting.

In addition to serving as head football coach,



Wittenberg University Athletic Hall of Fame



Mack Hummon's Dayton Triangles Jersey

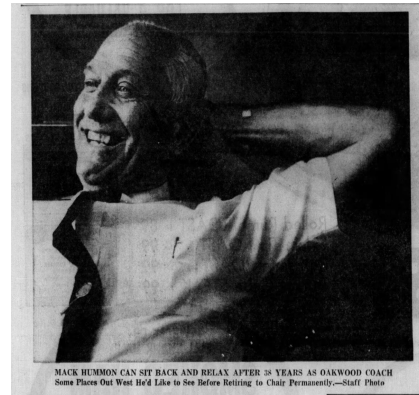
coach, 1925-1927, Hummon was Oakwood's line coach the next 15 years until pressed into duty as head coach in 1943 after Edward Cook retired. He served as assistant principal and dean of boys, and continued teaching mathematics and coaching tennis until his retirement in 1965.

Oakwood's football stadium was renamed "Mack Hummon Stadium" in 1967 in his honor.

Mack's helmet and jersey are on display in Canton at the Pro Football Hall of Fame.

Other honors include his election to the Sam Andrews Educational Hall of Honor, Oakwood Kiwanis Man of the Year, Dayton Tennis Commission and the Ohio Tennis Coaches Hall of Fame, and in 1987 election to the Wittenberg Hall of Fame.

John "Mack" Hummon was born on the 4th of July in 1901 and died February 27, 1992 in Dayton. He is interred in the Woodland Mausoleum.



*Mack Hummon retires after 38 years as
Oakwood sports coach.
Dayton Daily News
June 9, 1965*

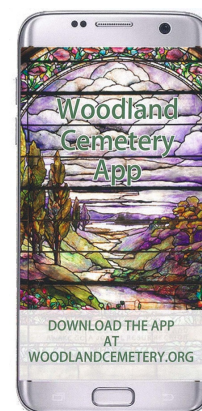
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