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## Intercollegiate Men's Lacrosse Coaches Association Hall of Fame Class of 2018 Announced

The Intercollegiate Men's Lacrosse Coaches Association recently approved the nominations of the Hall of Fame Committee, chaired by Tom Gill (United States Merchant Marine Academy) for the induction class of 2018.

"The 2018 Intercollegiate Men's Lacrosse Association (IMLCA) Hall of Fame class is another great example of the remarkable men that have coached the young men of college lacrosse. The reason ours is the premiere lacrosse organization is because of men like these. Coaches **Tommy Thomsen** (Denison University), **Carl Runk** (Towson University), **Mort Lapointe** (Bowdoin College) and **Gene Corrigan** (Washington & Lee University, University of Virginia) all embody the mission of the IMLCA. It is a great honor to announce these four men as the 2018 IMLCA Hall of Fame class. We cannot wait to celebrate their careers with friends, family, and former players."

About the honorees:

**Gene Corrigan** graduated from Duke University in 1952 and began coaching at St. Paul's School in Baltimore. From 1956-1958 he coached at Washington and Lee University compiling a 16-15 record. He took over the helm at University of Virginia in 1959, and accumulated a 52-49 record over nine seasons. Corrigan is also being honored for his contributions to the sport in his administrator roles including his time at University of Notre Dame, Atlantic Coast Conference and the NCAA.

**Mort LaPointe** attending Trinity College (CT) and graduated in 1955. His coaching career began at the Lenox School (MA), where he compiled an impressive 83-24 record over 11 years. LaPointe arrived at Bowdoin College as the sixth head coach in six years. He brought needed stability and in his 20 years, compiled a 218-76 record. With a .741 winning percentage, LaPointe is ranked 11th for all time Division III coaches.

**Carl Runk** played football at the University of Arizona and upon graduating, convinced the school to start a lacrosse team where he remained the head coach until 1968, the year he left for then, Towson State College. In over 30 seasons, he compiled a 262-161 record with 24 winning seasons and the DII USILA National Championship in 1974. Runk is ranked 4th in Division II for all-time wins. After Towson, Runk won state championships in 2003 and 2008 while leading Hereford High School (MD).

**Ferris "Tommy" Thomsen**, began his coaching career at River Country Day School (MA) after graduating from University of Pennsylvania in 1954. After seven years, in 1966, he took over the helm at Denison University where he led the Big Red for 25 years. His 255-97 record ranks him 12th for Division III all-time winning percentage. In 1968, his team was voted National Champions after earning a 10-1 record.

The IMLCA induction ceremony will take part on Friday, December 7, 2018, at the Baltimore Waterfront Marriott. Tickets are available at [IMLCAcoaches.com](http://IMLCAcoaches.com) on June 20th. Event sponsorship and program advertising available by contacting Tracey Cantabene ([tcantabene@gmail.com](mailto:tcantabene@gmail.com), 717-644-8385).