



Kenneth Kintner

Year of Induction: **2023**
Coach

It is hard to imagine anyone equaling Ken Kintner's 35 years of contributions to Johnson City and Section IV athletics. Whether as a coach, an administrator, or a football official, he performed admirably.

Kintner was born in Wyalusing, Pennsylvania. He was an athlete in his high school and college years. At Wyalusing High School, he participated in all sports. At Mansfield State College, then Mansfield Normal School, he played end and guard for three seasons on the football team and was a 440-yard runner on the track team. He was also president of his freshman class.

After college graduation in 1933, Kintner began his career at Johnson City High School, teaching English. He was named Athletic Director in 1936 and Head Track Coach in 1937.

Kintner's tenures as JC Track Coach (1937-1960) and JC Athletic Director (1936-1969) were interrupted only by his two years of service as a Lieutenant in the United States Navy during World War II. He took part in the Omaha Invasion.

Kintner inaugurated the Ken Kintner Invitational Cross Country meet on October 28, 1972. The event continued annually for the next two decades.

Kintner's love of football continued after college. Whether a referee, an umpire, or another official, Kintner spent his autumn weekends on the local high school football fields. His career spanned the 1940s through the 1960s. He held Officer positions for many years in the Southern Tier Chapter of Certified Football Officials.

Kintner also participated in Section IV activities, serving many times as president, Secretary, or Treasurer of the Southern Tier Athletic Conference.

In 1976, Ken Kintner was inducted into the Section IV Athletic Hall of Fame.