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BROWN TO BE INDUCTED INTO KALAMAZOO COLLEGE ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME

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The late Henry Brown '36 is one of fourteen individuals in the inaugural class of the Kalamazoo College Athletic Hall of Fame. Brown, the premier golfer of the MIAA (Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association) in the 1930s, will be honored in a special ceremony at the Homecoming dinner on October 18, which begins at 7 p.m.

Henry Brown was born in 1915 in Lincoln, Illinois, and grew up in Medford, Oregon. He moved to Kalamazoo in 1926, and was a 1932 graduate of Kalamazoo Central High School. At Kalamazoo College, he was the MIAA golf medalist in 1934, 1935, and 1936. He is the only golfer in MIAA history to have won the league title three consecutive years. The Kalamazoo College golf team, led by Brown and coached by fellow Hall of Fame member Chester Barnard, won the MIAA championship in 1935. Brown also lettered in basketball at "K".

During World War II, he did civilian defense work at the Fuller Manufacturing Company in Kalamazoo prior to enlisting in the Navy in 1943. He served aboard an LST in the Pacific theatre from 1943 until the end of the war.

After the war, Brown became a partner in the Premier Printing Company in Plainwell, Michigan. Before the war, Brown had won the Kalamazoo Men's All-City golf championship seven times, beginning in 1932 at age 17. He also won the title in 1933, 1934, 1937, 1938, 1939, and 1943. His All-City golf dominance continued after the war, as he won in 1950, 1951, and 1953, for a record 10 titles. Brown also won numerous Milham Park Municipal and Gull Lake Country Club titles. He passed away November 2, 1965.

Henry Brown will be represented at the induction ceremonies by his wife, Inez Brown.

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