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Campolindo Football Hall of Fame inducts five

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From left: Adam Resotto, Phillip Rei, Nick Fadelli, Dan Fadelli, and Anthony Fadelli Photo Jon Kingdon

With a composite record of 118-21 and a state championship, the Campolindo Football Hall of Fame inducted five new members: the three Fadelli brothers, Anthony (WR/CB-2007-2008-first Team All League), Dan (WR/CB-2009-2011- second Team All-State), and Nick (RB/DB-2013-2014-first team All-State), Adam Remotto (RB/LB 2013-2014-All State-second team), and Phillip Rei (WR/DB -2011-2014-first team All D.F.A.L).

For Phillip Rei, whose varsity record was 21-3, it all revolved around Head Coach Kevin Macy. "He's unlike anyone you'll ever meet," Rei said. "He's a champion of meritocracy in that everything you got, you earned. He could be hilarious but was unbelievably consistent and is the only reason that there is a Campolindo Football Hall of Fame. He manages everything too, and doesn't really ask for anything in return."

Rei also acknowledged his receivers coach, Marc McGinn. "Coach Mc Ginn was the most knowledgeable receivers

coach, with his own book on the art of receiving," Rei said. "The main lesson that I took from him is that everybody is better at one thing than everybody else. He always recognized that somebody was going to be better than you at something else and the best thing you can do is to observe that person at that one thing."

Rei, a real estate lawyer, still takes much from his experience at Campolindo: "As a team we had to go fight and claim it but not to be cocky because there's an outer bound to the level of competence that we each have and try and recognize what that outer bound is and operate within that."

Adam Remotto was the Swiss army knife on the championship team, lining up all over on offense and linebacker on defense, who Macy called the "Funk Factor." "I was a running back, fullback, backup quarterback, wide receiver and tight end, and felt that I could basically play any position," Remotto said. It all came together in the team's state championship game in 2014 when Remotto caught 12 passes (2 td's), ran for 58 yards and returned a fumble 85 yards for the winning score.

For Remotto, Macy was more than just a coach. "Coach Macy's football acumen speaks for itself but it was how he could bring everyone together and shake them up into a good football team," Remotto said. "Even after the season, it was also the help and guidance he gave. We learned to keep ourselves accountable, knowing that our actions could affect others and that gave us a different sense of responsibility."

At the dinner, Remotto spoke directly to the current players on the team. "Share these next six months with your teammates because you don't know how quickly it goes by," Remotto said. "They are your closest friends and those bonds matter and you'll be rewarded for the rest of your life."

It was Anthony Fadelli that set the tone for his brothers. "I shared with them how tough it would be but also how easy it would be if they put in the hard work during the summer and that it would pay off in that their skills would be at the necessary level."

With his brothers and Remotto all working for Berkeley Cement, a company their grandfather started, Anthony still uses the lessons he learned from Macy. "Coach talked about the grit and tenacity you can take from football into your everyday life, all while having a good time," Anthony said. "It's absolutely essential that we create the team environment and it's one of the things we live by and that's what Campo was all about. Coach Macy is able to link a bunch of different characters to one common goal and that's what we try to do in our business."

For Nick Fadelli, the roots of Campolindo football were planted early in life. "It started for me at the Cougar football camps and going on to play for Coach Macy with his rituals and huge team bonding experiences," Nick said. "When Anthony was playing on the varsity, I was a ball boy catching kicks before the game and it was really cool watching Anthony play from the sidelines and as a freshman I looked up to Dan who was a senior, seeing his work ethic and how he got his success which led into my career."

Besides his brothers, their father Ron, (Class of 1979-All-F.A.L.-football, basketball, baseball) laid the groundwork for Nick. "I worked out very hard for him in the offseason, running 200 meter sprints with him telling me how much I was going to appreciate this at some point, and that point came when I made a long kickoff return in the championship game that put El Capitan back on their heels."

As with all the inductees, Nick carries the lessons he learned to Berkeley Cement. "I still maintain the discipline I learned from the team," Nick said. "There was no messing around and if one guy was slacking, we would get on him and that's carried over into my job because I'm in the office from 4:45 in the morning to 4:30 in the afternoon and it takes a lot of discipline to do that. Our attitude was to play like it was our last game and I continue to apply that where I try to give everything I can each day because I just want to get to the next day and do it again and progressively get better."

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