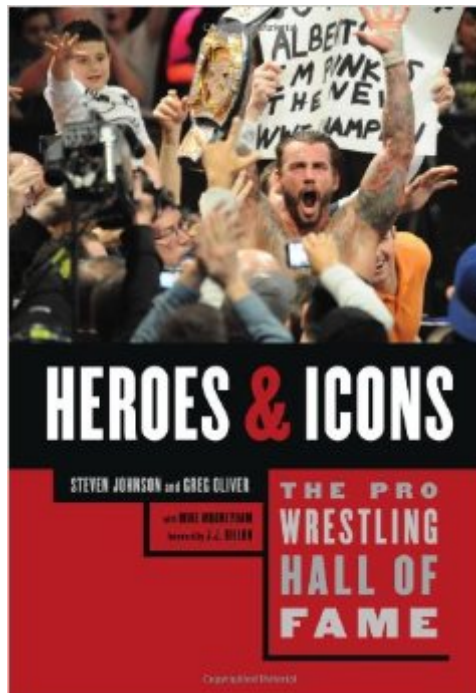


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# The Pro Wrestling Hall Of Fame: Heroes & Icons



## Synopsis

The legendary good guys worthy of a spot in the pro wrestling hall of fame At its core, professional wrestling has always been about the forces of evil trying to undermine everything good &#151; and a red hot heel needs a valiant hero to battle against, someone fans can root for, identify with, and look up to. Wrestling heroes like Hulk Hogan, Dusty Rhodes, The Rock, and Andre the Giant are celebrated worldwide. In Heroes & Icons, Oliver and Johnson include more than just the household names, digging deeper to also tell the story of forgotten heroes and regional stars, like Tiger Jeet Singh, who has an elementary school named after him, and Whitey Caldwell, whose gravesite still sees flowers from fans 40 years after his passing. Covering the 1930s through to the present day, the latest installment in the acclaimed Pro Wrestling Hall of Fame series examines what makes a great hero.

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This series is by far, the best books written on pro-wrestling. each book provides a great (if short) history of their subject and the bios of each wrestler goes beyond the kay-fabe layer, providing a balance overview of each person. this copy is no different. to me the only criticism that can be made is on their choices. i won't say who shouldn't be there but it would have been nice to see the following included: Billy Red Cloud Chief White Owl Danny Little Bear Cowboy Frankie Lanerest of the Von Erich family Austin Idol Carlos Colon Terry Taylor Brian Pillman Ivan Putski Tiger Mask (the

original) Argentine Apollo Don Curtis Leo Nomellini Booker TAJ Styles several Mexican & Japanese wrestlers

I have the books on heels and tag teams so I couldn't wait to get the one on the faces and it's lived up to the high standard set. I'm still only in the first section on the top faces of all time (just finished Whipper Watson) and it's already a great read.

SHOCKER!!!! I did not pick up this huge book for 2 months. Now I can't put it down. A great priceless gift for your grandpa or grandma if they were wrestling fans. They will love you for it. 547 pages packed with priceless pictures and endless stories on every wrestler you have EVER seen or not seen. A virtual Encyclopedia on ALL WRESTLING ORGANIZATIONS EVER! The internet is great but it can't compete with this book.

I LOVED this book....and all the history of the "baby faces" from each decade ! He does a great job with so many wrestlers, each having their own summary page about themselves and their careers. THICK !! Lots and lots of wrestlers identified and reviewed...well worth the money, and a fun read throughout !

Authors Oliver and Johnson have done it again with their latest product "Heroes & Icons". Countless "good guys" are profiled with their backgrounds thoroughly researched and illustrated. The guys profiled include Verne Gagne, Bob Ellis, and Wilbur Snyder (and other exceptional performers from territories all over). Reading through a Oliver and Johnson production is truly a comprehensive history lesson about the professional wrestling business. Their books usually carry articles on the wrestlers from the 1920s, 1930s, and 1940s - those special characters who entertained prior generations before our time. Anybody who wants to learn more about wrestling history outside their local territory should consider getting all the Oliver and Johnson products - including "Heels" and "Tag Teams". You will surely want to add these products to your wrestling library. Be careful about lending them out because they might not get returned. Review By Richard Vicek, Palos Hills, IL

These guys have put out the definitive collection of wrestling history books. This is the latest. Get them all NOW. You will be amazed at the scope and detail put in the stories about the stars of wrestling.

Comprehensive, detailed and informative. This is one of my favorite wrestling books. Very good biographies of the best "good guy" wrestlers of all-time.

Anyone who appreciates pro wrestling from earlier decades will have a field day with this book! Great photos! Great biographies! Top notch!

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