

OTTAWA HIGH SCHOOL HALL OF FAME

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JODI ORSINI BARTH

Class of 1967



Ottawa Township High School 1967 graduate Jodi Orsini Barth has over thirty years of experience in law enforcement and investigations throughout the United States and Canada. In the late 1970's she was one of the few who made the cut into the Illinois State Police elite CSI team, and became the first female ever to do so. As the first female crime scene investigator for the Illinois Department of Law Enforcement she rose through the ranks of law enforcement to Detective Sergeant and ultimately Detective Division Commander. She later transitioned to the private sector as a licensed private investigator and internal fraud investigator for a global insurance carrier. She is the author of a book, CSI Old School, describing her crime scene investigation experiences. In 1980 she received the Director's Award of Honor, the second highest award that can be bestowed by the Department of Law Enforcement, for her work on the Monroe-Lampkin I-57 case involving the death of two state troopers and three assailants, and was named Law Enforcement Officer of the Year in 1985 by the Exchange Club of Bloomington, Illinois.