

ROCKLAND COUNTY
SPORTS HALL OF FAME

FIRST ANNUAL
AWARD DINNER - DANCE



SINGER'S HOTEL
Spring Valley, New York

Saturday, March 23
1974

THE MENU

	Pineapple Basket of Fruit	
Celery	Olives	Radishes
Garden Vegetable Soup		Tossed Caesar Salad
String Beans Almondine		Stuffed Potato
	Prime Ribs of Beef	
Chocolate Mousse		French Pastries
Coffee		Tea

DINNER PROGRAM

Call to Order and Welcome.....Chairman Joseph Holland
Pledge of Allegiance....Chairman Holland and the Assembly
Pre-meal Prayer.....Rev. Ernest W. Johns
Christ Episcopal Church, Suffern
Introduction of Master of Ceremonies.....James Kane
Dinner.....Eat, Drink and Socialize

INDUCTION PROGRAM

Charles (Chuck) Aleno.....By Peter Smith
Scout for New York Mets
Henry (Peck) Artopee.....By Hez Easter
Dr. Daniel (Danny) Fortmann.....By Harry Jackson
Joseph (Jo-Jo) Mackey.....By Frank Schnell
Howard (Howie) Pierson.....By Nicholas Mottola
Concluding Remarks and Thanks.....Chairman Joseph Holland
Closing Prayer.....Rev. Ernest W. Johns

DANCING

Music by.....Hal Prince Orchestra

ENJOY!

ENSHRINEMENT REQUIREMENTS

The Rockland County Sports Hall of Fame was established to honor outstanding professional and amateur sportsmen, living and deceased, who have gained prominence while residing in Rockland County. To be considered for nomination to the Sports Hall of Fame, a prospective candidate must meet the following criteria:

- a. Attain prominence in either professional or amateur sports as a player, coach, manager, official, owner, writer or broadcaster.
- b. Have been a resident of Rockland County at the time of his or her prominence.
- c. Be a person of integrity and good character.
- d. A period of 5 years shall have elapsed since he or she gained prominence.

Nominations for consideration by the Hall of Fame Committee are solicited from the general public. Nominees are reviewed by the screening committee and then voted upon for enshrinement by the entire committee.

Dr. Daniel Fortmann....

....is enshrined in the Pro Football Hall of Fame, Canton, Ohio, in recognition of his being named All-Pro guard for eight consecutive years while playing for the Chicago Football Bears. He was born in Pearl River, is a graduate of Pearl River High School and Colgate University. Today he is a noted surgeon in Burbank, California. Dr. Fortmann, while at Pearl River High School, made All-County as a fullback, earned 10 letters in four sports, and was valedictorian of the class of 1932.



(More....)

FORTMANN -Continued....

As a guard at Colgate he made the All-East team, and he was elected to Phi Beta Kappa. While being named All-Pro guard eight consecutive times as a performer for the Chicago Bears, he attended Medical School and was an honor student. He was inducted into the Pro Football Hall of Fame in 1965. Dr. Fortmann and his wife, Mary, are the parents of two sons. The doctor has been on the staff of St. Joseph's Hospital, Burbank, for the past 26 years.

Charles Aleno....

....formerly of Nanuet and a Pearl River High School graduate, played professional baseball for 20 years, including at least parts of four seasons in the National League, and as a player-manager in his last six seasons of minor league ball. He had the longest pro baseball career of any Rockland County player, and is the only one to serve as a manager in pro ball, including winter ball in the islands. He was a 12-letter man in four sports at Pearl River High School, and was All-County in baseball and football. He played Sunday baseball and went from the Pearl River A.A. to DeLand in the Florida State League. He was with Cincinnati in the National League at least parts of four seasons, hit 11 doubles, three triples and a homer for a composite major league batting average of .209. He has been in business in DeLand for the past 26 years. He and his wife, Mary, are the parents of three sons.



Henry Artopee....



....of Nyack, a superstar for Nyack High School in the 1920s, and who starred in amateur and semipro football, basketball and baseball, today is a member of Nyack's Board of Water Commissioners, and is active in a variety of community affairs. A native of Nyack, he earned 12 letters in four sports. Henry played Nyack Alumni football, fast amateur basketball, and semipro baseball, including first base for the Lincoln Giants in New Jersey. He saw Army duty in England, France, Germany and Austria during World War II. He has served as an auxiliary policeman, served with the NYS Department of Labor, and was on the Rockland County Selective Service Board. He works in construction and has been a member of Local 754 for 25 years, having served as shop steward. He and his wife, Dorothy, a school teacher, reside in Nyack.

Joseph Mackey....

....one of the greatest superstars in the history of Haverstraw High School during the early 1960s, who was named to eight All-Rockland teams, and who spent six seasons in professional baseball, these days plays with six softball teams during the season. He starred in baseball, football and basketball at Haverstraw High School, and set multiple records in these sports. In 1962 he became the first junior to win the Joe Grasso Trophy as the best athlete in the county. Next he was awarded the Joe Goods Memorial trophy as Haverstraw's best football player. He set records in both the Haverstraw Little League and Babe Ruth League. After graduating from high school in 1963, Jo-Jo played professional baseball for six seasons, going as high as Triple A, finishing with Buffalo, a Yankee farm team. During his pro career he hit 35 doubles, 10 triples, 12 homers, and had a composite batting average of .219. He and his wife, Christine, are expecting their first child in June. Mackey is employed by Orange and Rockland Utilities.



Howard Pierson....



....of Central Nyack, a former superstar at Tappan Zee High School went on to play professional baseball, later returned to coach at his alma mater, today is an assistant professor and coach at Rockland Community College. He presently is an amateur golf star and during the past three years he won 15 tournaments. Howie has a USGA minus one handicap. He qualified for the U.S. Amateur Golf Tournament at Charlotte, N.C. in 1972. His sports career includes at least five firsts. He was born in New York City, grew up in Piermont, and attended the local grade school and Tappan Zee High School. He was awarded 13 letters in four sports and made All-County in three fields of athletic endeavor. He played basketball for two years and was captain his second year at Manhattan College. He gave up that sport to concentrate on baseball, played shortstop and batted .421 in his junior year. Howie signed with the Phillies and in 1958 helped its Williamsport club win a title. While serving in the military he played baseball at Fort Dix. He spent another two seasons in pro baseball. He married, took the coaching job at T.Z. High School, and now is at Community College. His wife is the former Dorothea Oliver of Nyack and they are the parents of three children.

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