

3rd. ANNUAL AWARD DINNER DANCE

Saturday April 10,1976 - 8 P.M.

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DINNER PROGRAM

Call to Order and Welcome	Chairman Nick Mottola
Pledge of Allegiance Chairman 1	Nick Mottola & Assembly
Invocation	Deacon F. Hopkins
Introduction of Master of Ceremon	ies Leon Pesner

INTRODUCTION OF COMMITTEES

Certificate Award Committee John Mercurio
Dinner Leon Pesner - Al Bogitsh
Program Book
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INDUCTION PROGRAM

H. Parker Talman	Jim Ridlon
John Koster	Pete D' Auria
Gloria Callan Jones	
Concluding Remarks and Thanks Benediction	

Music by Derblich

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HOWARD PARKER TALMAN (1895-1961)

First professional athlete to come from Rockland.

First Rockland athlete to gain national recognition.

First All-American from Rockland in football.

The only person to be named to Walter Camp's All-American Football Team three years in a row at three different positions.

JOHN KOSTER East Nyack, N. Y.

Born, New York, N. Y. April 21, 1871 Died, Aug. 14, 1945



Koster was the first to win four ABC tournament titles, a record unmatched until Joe Wilman won his fourth in 1954. Bill Lillard tied them in 1956, then broke the deadlock in 1962.

Only 27 pins kept Koster from winning the singles title in the first ABC tournament in 1901 (he finished second with 621) but the following year he contributed 639 to Fidelia's winning 2792 team score and captured all events with 1841.

In 1912 he shot 573 as the Brunswicks won the team title and in 1913 he contributed 582 to a winning 1291 doubles total

Elected to ABC Hall of Fame in 1941.

"Long John" Koster, as he became to be affectionately known, came on to be the only four-time A.B.C. champion in the history of the Congress. Not only that, but he was second in the A.B.C. championships on three other occasions.

He has bowled 14 perfect games, the last of which came in the Greater New York individual championship in 1929. His most recent exploit was a 751 three-game series in the Pearl River (N.Y.) Major League in 1937.

JIM RIDLON

1952 Nyack High School, Q.B., All-County, Scholarship Syracuse University

1954 Colliers Sophomore All-American End, Syracuse University, Outstanding Student Athlete Trophy 1955 First String Half Back-End, Syracuse University, Outstanding Student Athlete Trophy All-East Selection 2nd String

1956 Half-Back - Q.B., Team Captain Cotton Bowl Team, Pat Miller Trophy-Student, Athlete, Citizen, All-East Selection 2nd String, All American 3rd String Selection 1957 Selected for Play in College All-Star Game Against New York Giants, First String Defensive Half-Back 1957 San Francisco 49ers, First String Defensive Half-Back

1958 San Francisco 49ers, Lead the Team in Interceptions, Selected Team Defensive Player of The Year 1959 to 1962 San Francisco 49ers, Alternated at Defensive Safety and Defensive Half-Back

1964 Dallas Cowboys, First String Weak Safety, Selected Defensive Captain, All-Pro Selection

1965 - 1971 Defensive Backfield Coach with Syracuse University, Coached All-Americans: Charlie Brown 1965, Tony Kyasky 1967, Tommy Meyers 1970 1973 Freshman Defensive Coach Syracuse University



PETE D'AURIA

Pete D'Auria played baseball, basketball and football for Nyack High School. He was also on the Nyack Track Team, coming in second in the 100 yard dash in the county track meet in 1931.

Pete was All County in football two years. He was All County in baseball three years and All County in basketball one year.

Pete was a member of the fabulous 1933 Nyack Alumni Football Team which was undefeated and had only two points scored against them. In addition to winning the County Championship, they also defeated Newburgh, Yonkers and the West Point Cavalry.

Pete played shortstop for the Rockland County All Stars. A team organized by Norman Baker, sports editor of the Journal News and sponsored by the late Doctor Pierre Bernard.

The Detroit Clowns were rated one of best semi-pro teams in the United States. Their competition included the New York Black Yankees, the Royal Giants, the Lincoln Giants, the Homestead Grays and the Havana Cubans.



GLORIA CALLAN JONES

She was from Nyack and was the national AAU 100-meter backstroke champion in 1940, 1941 and 1942 and was the U.S. record holder in the event. She was the best in the world in that event at the time but there were no Olympic games at the height of her career because of World War II.

She won 31 national titles total during her career.

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- 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 inshrinement by the entire committee.

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Henry (Peck) Artopee	Joe D'Auria					
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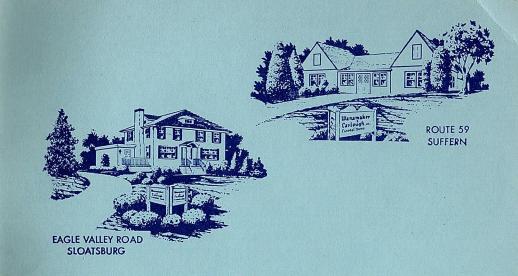
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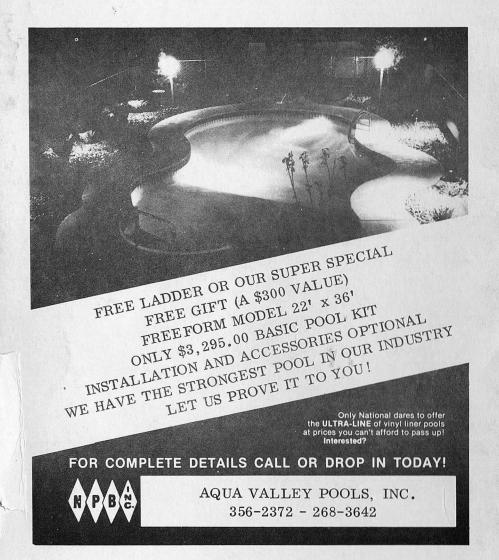
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