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2012 Rockland County Sports Hall of Fame

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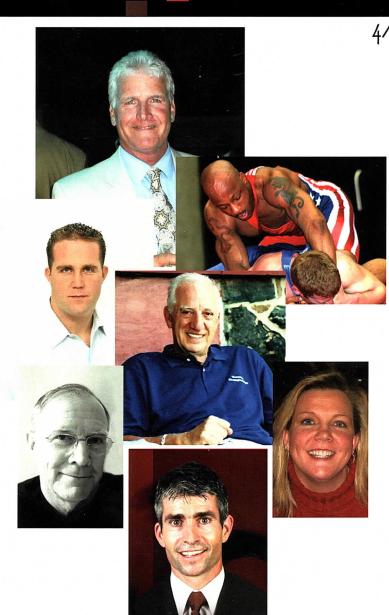
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Rockland County Sports Hall of Fame

elcome to the 39th annual induction ceremony of the Rockland County Sports Hall of Fame. The Class of 2012 continues the tradition of excellence that has epitomized this organization. Included among this year's headliners are:

- MARCEL COOPER, an outstanding wrestler for Nyack who was 126-pound New York State champion and a two-time U.S. national champion;
- JOHN DIFFLEY, who dominated Albertus Magnus soccer in the mid 1980s, gaining first-team All-State honors and later playing professionally in Holland;
- DENNIS O'SULLIVAN, a first-team All-State and Section 1 lineman of the year for North Rockland, going on to play in the NFL for the N.Y. Jets. He joins a group of outstanding football players in our Hall of Fame who played in the NFL;
- DAWN SUGRUE, an outstanding three-sport athlete for Ramapo, class of 1991, who went on to become a 1,000-point scorer for Dominican College;
- DAN SULLIVAN, whom we are honoring posthumously, a standout basketball player for Albertus Magnus and Dominican College. I had the good fortune to have played JV hoops with Dan when he was a freshman at Pearl River before transferring to Albertus. Dan will certainly be missed;
- VICTOR VELTIDI, a real Nanuet name-holder who played for Pearl River in the mid- to late 1940s. He was a superb baseball player who went on to play in the pro ranks and later became an outstanding softball player;
- TOM MCTAGGART of Suffern, a stellar track coach and master referee who has made a name for himself as a starter around the Penn Relays and national track and field events.

This year we acknowledge and congratulate Ethel Doller for her 33 years of distinguished service to the Rockland County Sports Hall of Fame, holding the positions of board member, vice chair, chairlady and secretary. Ethel was also inducted into the Hall of Fame in 1991 for her bowling prowess. Her dedicated efforts will always be remembered and we wish her much success.

The Hall of Fame has a website that serves as a rich repository of Hall of Fame information, including bios and photos on all 216 past inductees. Visit the website at www.rcshf.org.

We also wish to thank those people who help keep our organization a valuable asset to the community: Joan Neuendorf, vice chair; Gibby Sweet for dinner arrangements; Jamie Kempton, secretary and writer extraordinaire; Pete Castellano, treasurer and ticket chairman; Bob Veltidi, master of ceremonies and screening committee chair; Dan White and Tom Doherty for their behind-the-scenes support; the entire Board of Directors who all contribute to the support of the organization throughout the year; and Bruce and Phyllis Schweizer of Quality Graphics, who do a wonderful job printing our journal.

Regards,

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The Rockland County Sports Hall of Fame

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INDUCTEE: TOM McTAGGART - SUFFERN

INTRODUCED BY: Bob Buono (Athletic Director)
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INDUCTEE: DAWN SUGRUE - RAMAPO

INTRODUCED BY: Hector Pagan (Track Coach)
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INDUCTEE: DENNIS O'SULLIVAN - NORTH ROCKLAND

INTRODUCED BY: Joe Casarella (Football Coach)
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INDUCTEE: MARCEL COOPER - NYACK

INTRODUCED BY: Joe LaPorte (Wrestling Coach)
TROPHY SPONSOR: Nyack High School
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INDUCTEE: JOHN DIFFLEY - ALBERTUS MAGNUS

INTRODUCED BY: Bob Walkley (Soccer Coach)
TROPHY SPONSOR: Coach Bob Walkley, Tom Collins and Albertus Magnus High School
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INDUCTEE: DAN SULLIVAN - ALBERTUS MAGNUS (POSTHUMOUS)

INTRODUCED BY: Tom Collins (Basketball Coach)
TROPHY SPONSOR: Dan Sullivan Family
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John Diffley – Albertus Magnus
Tom McTaggart – Suffern
Dennis O'Sullivan – North Rockland
Dawn Sugrue – Ramapo
Dan Sullivan – Albertus Magnus (posthumous)
Victor Veltidi – Pearl River

ENSHRINEMENT REQUIREMENTS

The Rockland County Sports Hall of Fame was established to honor outstanding sportsmen and sportswomen, living and deceased, who have gained prominence while residing or competing in, or have brought recognition to Rockland County. To be considered for nomination to the Hall of Fame, candidates must meet the following criteria:

- A. Attain prominence in sports as an athlete, coach, manager, official, owner, writer, broadcaster or supporter.
- B. Reside or have resided in Rockland County, competed here at the time of their prominence, or brought fame to Rockland County as a result of their accomplishments.
- C.Be a person of integrity and good character.
- D. Candidates cannot be considered until 10 years after their high school class graduation, except in special cases.

Our committee encourages the public to send athletic resumes/nominations of prospective candidates to Screening Committee chairman Bob Veltidi, 400 Jersey Avenue, Greenwood Lake, NY 10925. Nominees are reviewed by this committee and, if accepted, voted upon for enshrinement by the committee as a whole.

The Hall of Fame Committee holds monthly meetings the first Tuesday of the month from October to May. Anyone wishing to join the organization should write to Chairman Pete Scheibner, 1 Captain McGovern Drive, Stony Point, N.Y. 10980, or e-mail him at scheibnp@msn.com.

Each inductee in the Rockland County Sports Hall of Fame receives a commemorative trophy and is further honored with an individual plaque, which is given to the inductee's high school for public display.

The Rockland County Sports Hall of Fame is more than awards and trophies and dinners, however. It is really about people – Rockland County people who have had an impact in the world of sports. A total of 210 such individuals have been honored since the hall's inception in 1974.

The Hall of Fame has evolved from those early beginnings to become a recognized presence in Rockland County athletics. In addition to its annual dinner, where it honors new inductees, the hall makes sizable donations to worthwhile local organizations and charities. Included among these donations have been cash gifts to:

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1974

Chuck Aleno* Henry "Peck" Artopee* Dr. Daniel "Danny" Fortmann* Howard Johnson Joseph "Jolo" Mackey Howard "Howie" Pierson

1975

Roger Brown Joe D'Auria Bill Drescher* Billy Hogan* Donald "Pop" Sherwood*

1976

Howard Parker Talman* John Koster* Jim Ridlon Pete D'Auria* Gloria Callan Jones

1977

Augusta Bradley Chapman* Nick Gamboli* Ed Greene* Harry Jackson* Paul Toscano Richard "Gus" Shankey*

1978

Jim Brown Harold "Hale" DeChelfin* Jim Faulk* Ira Shuttleworth* Jim Schnaars Nick Mottola*

1979

Bob Bacheller* Frank Cosentino* Harry "Dee" Dembnicki Jerry Hollahan* Bob Grossman* E.J. Maurer* Bruno Ablondi*

1980

Dr. Jeffrey Munson Art Orlando* Brit Paterson* Nick Ryder Horace Tyrus Emil Willis* Mickey Wittman

1981

Art Hopper* Frank Horan Lester Lepori* Walter Ostrom Victor Shankev* Bill Yuda*

1982

Frank DePatto* Tony Gamboli, Jr. Bill Perry* George Jakowenko Ed McGrath

1983

Warren Austin* Jim Brechbiel Frank Dawson* Jeanette Paddock Walter Sickles*

1984

Jim Ashcroft Marvin Branche* Ralph Cordisco Bryan Hassett Bob Tierney*

1985

Wil Arietta* Joseph "Josh" Bolack* Gene Erickson Tony Gemma* Joe St. Lawrence*

1986

Joe Alleva John Jemison Harold Lederman Bob Mathias* Sylvester "Molly" McGee*

1987

Fred Hahn* Charles Holbrook Chuck Scarpulla Jim Stamos Bob Strack

1988

Ron Becraft* Darryl Brown Tom Canty Pat D'Auria* James "Sham" Feeney*

1989

Ralph Consiglio* Patty Dillon Solliday Vincent "Dugan" Kovalsky* Frank Nelson* Bob Wolff

1990

Denise McGuire Guy Guccione Abe Schuster Robert "Red" Schassler* Don Clancy*

1991

Steve Drummond* Lew Brundage Johnny Burns* Pete Haubner Ethel Doller Dominic Gamboli*

1992

Murray Olderman Jerome Bonomolo Joseph "Biscuit" Picarello Dale Lydecker John Mercurio

1993

Jim Kane Kathy Miller Dapolito Jav Bohnel Mike Deane Don Driscoll

1994

Hubert Nealy Martin "Hawk" Jacobs* Joe Goldsmith Tom Collins Ron Tellefsen*

1995

Ron Edwards Walter "Red" Levy Max Talaska* Joe Klopchin* Joe McDowell* Paul Urban*

1996

Harry Babcock* Gerald Kapusinsky John Orlando Al Simonds George Garrecht Marty Springstead

1997

Mike Hagon Hank Kapusinsky Tom Mounkhall Dennis Pozsar Steve Wanamaker

1998

Kevin Kane Lou Kliewe* Rocco Marano Howie McNiff Blaise Winter

1999

Jim Cann Joe Casarella Ervan Levine* Gibby Sweet Dick Yerg

2000

Rich Conklin Kevin Houston Dawn Royster Sarah Will Alex Zilko*

2001

George Dalzell Gerald D'Auria* Seth Joyner Tod Giles* Debbie Grant Bill White

2002

Ken Harniman* Derrick Lassic Norinne Powers Kris Snider Dick Teetsel* Walt Weiss

2003

Genny Mulderig Allard Jeff Bryant Peter Hackett* David Hirsch Bill Kurisko †† Joe Grasso* † Charles "Jumbo" Strack*

2004

Jim Gallo Dave Hanson Joan Neuendorf Nancy Rosenfeld Lewis Ed Rubbert Frank Samoylo

2005

Jane Ronner-Beckley Mike Carroll* Tom Doherty Jamie Kempton Lee Klepper ††Leon Pesner* Rudolph Rejholec*

2006

Tony Harlin Jon Hess Jim Pollard John Scanlan Jeff Van Wie John Van Wyck*

2007

Julius D'Agostino* John Flaherty Barbara Hebel Robert Neuendorf Richard "Dixie" Reilly* †† Dan White

Noreen Annunziata Apicella Charles Dittmer Reid Hoffer Randy Nelson Paul Pietropaolo Tim St. Lawrence + Elizabeth "Pat" Ryan*

2009

Joe Biddy Jeff Brown Jim Horvath Mike Longuil Janice Olszewski John Sottile

2010

Joe Conace* T. J. Ford Sol "Spike" Isreal Barbara Mellen-Speerin Margie Sahlstrom-Jaxel Mike Sparago Robbie Woods

2011

Jeff Becker Dan Keeley Gene Martin Kristen Conklin-Sullivan Shulton Whitley † Wilbur "Web" Wanamaker*

^{*} Denotes Deceased

[†] Old-Timers' Special Award

^{††} Joe Holland Lifetime Achievement Award

MARCEL COOPER

Nyack High School Class of 1988

In one of the most demanding disciplines on the athletic palette, Marcel Cooper etched his name in bold letters among Rockland County's finest wrestlers. He rode a two-year hot streak to the state schoolboy crown and elevated himself to national prominence while representing the U.S. Marine Corps and Army teams during a decorated career in primarily Greco-Roman style of competition.

During his junior and senior years at Nyack, Marcel won 64 of 65 matches, including the New York State 126-pound title in 1988 to cap an undefeated season and give Section 1 its first state champion since 1976. Marcel's state crown helped jump-start a string of strong Section 1 performances and state champions in the ensuing years. He was a two-time Rockland County champion and two-time Sol Gordon Award winner as the County tournament's outstanding wrestler.

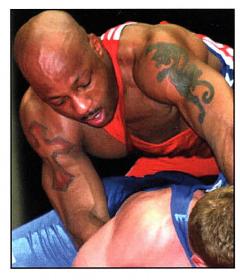
Over his four-year scholastic career, Marcel won 17 tournaments and was selected as the Most Outstanding wrestler six times. As a sophomore in 1986, he was the Section 1 champion and went on to place fifth at the State tournament. Qualifying for the state meet for the first time ranks among his greatest thrills in high school, Marcel says, along with his state title two years later. In 1987, his only loss was in the Section finals. In an era when eighth graders did not wrestle on varsity teams, Marcel amassed an overall record of 120 wins and only 8 losses.

Marcel credits his father, Melvin Cooper Sr., and brother, Melvin Jr., with sparking his interest in wrestling and providing direction, teaching him all the basics and taking him to youth wrestling programs and matches far and wide. His coach at Nyack, Joe LaPorte, saw his role as helping Marcel refine his techniques and to get and keep him in shape.

"Over my 18-year career as the varsity wrestling coach at Nyack, Marcel was my most successful wrestler," LaPorte says. "He was a pleasure to coach. Marcel was a fast learner and once you taught him a move, he perfected it immediately. He had a multitude of moves, was strong and quick. He could wrestle well from any position; on his feet, from the top or on the bottom. Marcel could get away from anybody and take down anyone. He was the perfect high school athlete."

Marcel attended SUNY Farmingdale for two years before enlisting in the Marines. After 12 years of service with the Marines, he shifted military stripes and joined the Army, where coaching positions were open to enlisted soldiers. He competed in the 152-lb. class from 1993 to 2001, then moved to 145 when the weight categories changed.

Where, oh where to begin with Marcel's exploits on the grandest stages of the sport? How about his two U.S. Senior National championships in 2001 and 2006, the latter title dedicated to his mother, Jennie Jordan? Or his victory at the 2001 U.S. World Team Trials, qual-



ifying him for the World Championships in Greece? Lest we forget, Marcel placed third in the U.S. Olympic Team Trials in 2000 and 2004 – which means he was second alternate to the Olympic team twice. Among Rockland County wrestlers, only Charles "Jumbo" Strack of Spring Valley, who made two Olympic teams (1924, 1928), and Tod Giles of Ramapo, a two-time alternate (1988, 1996), have equaled or surpassed Marcel.

The breadth of Marcel's success on the mat is simply stunning. He defeated several Olympic and World champions and medalists. He won the silver medal at the 2001 World Military championships and the 1999 bronze, both in Croatia. He captured the gold medal at the 2001 Pan American Games in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic, and the 1996 bronze in Cali, Colombia. Then there were the eight Armed Forces titles – six in Greco-Roman and two in freestyle – as well as the U.S. Marine Corps and Military Athlete of the Year honors in 1999, six runner-up finishes at U.S. Senior Nationals, nine berths on the U.S. National squad, a second-place finish at the 2002 World Cup, and three third-place showings at the U.S. Team Trials for the World Championships.

There's plenty more, but that should give you a taste of the heights Marcel reached during a competitive career spanning more than 20 years in the sport. Marcel, who is 41, currently resides in Colorado Springs, Colo., where he is an Army staff sergeant and one of three assistant coaches for the Army wrestling team.



JOHN DIFFLEY

Albertus Magnus High School Class of 1985

A homegrown star from the illustrious Diffley family of New City, John Diffley is one of the finest soccer players ever produced in Rockland County. No Rocklander has ever made the U.S. Olympic soccer team, but John came closest, missing the 1988 Seoul Olympics squad by one berth.

In his senior year at Albertus, John made first-team All-New York State and was a Parade High School All-America selection. He was a two-time first-team All-County honoree and scored a school-record 23 goals in the 1984 season. Playing on the varsity as a freshman, he helped the Falcons capture the Section 9 Class B championship in 1981. John was Rockland Journal News Male Athlete of the Season in the fall of 1984, and gained induction into the Albertus Magnus High School Hall of Fame in 2001.

"John's advanced skills and mastery of all aspects of the game was unparalleled in the scholastic ranks," says Bob Walkley, John's coach at Albertus and the current Suffern boys' soccer coach. "His impressive résumé should speak for itself."

"I consider John the ultimate team player," says Tom Collins, the former Albertus athletic director and keen observer of the Rockland sports scene for 50-plus years. "He made his teammates better than even they thought they could be. I have witnessed many great athletes ply their skills in their respective sports, but I cannot think of too many athletes from Rockland County who performed better in their sport than John Diffley."

At American University, John continued to excel. As a freshman starter in 1985, he played in the 1985 NCAA Division I championship game – a 1-0 loss to UCLA in eight overtimes, the longest game in NCAA history. He was a two-time, first-team All-Colonial Athletic Association recipient, an All-Region performer, and earned a berth in the prestigious Senior Bowl in 1988. A two-year captain, John set a school record for consecutive starts and games played, and he is one of the school's all-time assist leaders. He was named American's Athlete of the Year, for all sports, in the 1988-89 year, won the Charles Van Way Student Achievement Award, and was inducted into the American University Hall of Fame in 2006.

After graduating from American in 1989 with a BSBA degree in Real Estate/Urban Development, John thrived at the highest levels of the sport. He made 26 appearances for the U.S. national team, including eight international "caps," pitting the U.S. first team against another country's first team. He played in the 1987 U.S. Olympic Festival. Most impressively, John was one of four alternates on the 22-member U.S. Olympic soccer team in the 1988 Seoul Olympics, and the only defender so

named. He was called to Olympic training camp when a spot opened just days before departure to Seoul, but a severely turned ankle, sustained during the preseason of his senior year at American, vented him from attending final tryout camp.



Professionally, John was the 27th player chosen overall in the inaugural Major League Soccer draft, and played for the Tampa Bay Mutiny and Kansas City Wizards. He also captained three different professional teams, played two years each in the Netherlands and the U.S. indoor pro league, and was a USISL All-Star in 1994 and USISL national championship team member for the Long Island Rough Riders in 1995.

John later used his knowledge and experience to enter the coaching ranks and has held many positions on the collegiate, club and professional levels, including a two-year stint as head coach at Dominican College. He also was First Assistant Coach at St. John's University for four years, during which the Red Storm made four consecutive NCAA tournaments, reaching the Round of 16 each time, and won two Big East titles. John was instrumental in recruiting the nucleus of the team that reached the 2003 College Cup final and 2001 semifinal, and played an integral role in the development of six All-Americans, seven academic All-Americans and 13 team members who later played professionally.

John obtained an MBA from St. John's and is currently senior associate athletics director at that school, a position he's held since 2004. He is also chair of the NCAA Division I Men's Soccer Committee, and chair of both the Big East Men's Soccer Championships Committee and NCAA Division I officiating subcommittee.

John, who is 45, lives in Floral Park, N.Y., with his wife of 14 years, Marcia, and four children: Jacqueline, 12, Nicole, 9, Kate, 6, and Jessica, 2.



TOM McTAGGART

Suffern 1965

To runners nervously lining up in their starting positions, hearts thumping expectantly, Tom McTaggart is a reassuring voice of calm. With right arm raised and starter's pistol held aloft, Tom's measured tones of "on your mark" and "set," followed by the crack of the gun, have sent off thousands of runners without a hitch and on an equal footing. His professional approach and attention to the subtleties of the craft have earned him the reputation as the gold standard in race starting.

Tom has many planks in his Hall of Fame platform – cross country and track coach par excellence, wrestling and swimming/diving official, scholastic trackman and wrestler, college wrestler, social studies teacher – but his greatest legacy resides in the track arena as "Mr. Starter." The chair of the USA Track & Field officials committee once called Tom "the cream of the crop when it comes to officiating."

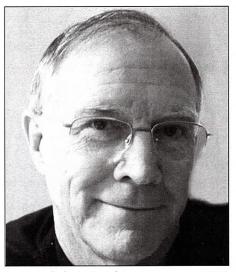
You earn those encomiums when you've officiated at two Olympic Games, as Tom did at Los Angeles in 1984 and Atlanta in 1996. And when you served as chief starter for the U.S. Olympic Trials, as Tom did in 2004 at Sacramento. And when you've been elected to the inaugural IAAF Starter's Panel, the only American among the global panel's seven charter members. And when you've fired the starting gun for 15 world-record races. And...well, you get the picture.

The list of athletes who have lined up for a McTaggart start reads like a Who's Who of track royalty. Those 15 world records he triggered? An early one was Irish hero Eamonn Coghlan's indoor mile mark of 3:49.78 set at the 1983 U.S. Olympic Invitational. When Coghlan crossed the finish line, Tom gave him the spent shells from his starter's pistol as a souvenir. How about the most recent of Tom's world-record starts? That would be Jamaican star Usain Bolt's 100-meter mark set at the 2008 New York Grand Prix meet. And let's not forget the time Tom disqualified – correctly, of course – Olympic legend Carl Lewis for false-starting twice in a 55-meter sprint indoors.

Of course, if you ask Tom, officiating a high school meet can be just as rewarding as working with the elites, if not more so. He has been a familiar sight at local meets since 1970, when he launched his track officiating career as a member of the Rockland County Track & Field Officials Association. He was a charter member, co-founder and first president of the Southern Catskill officials group, served six terms as its president, and is currently serving his ninth term as the body's rules interpreter. During his 41 years as a New York State official, he has officiated at more than 55 state championship events in indoor and outdoor track and cross country. Tom served two terms as

vice president of the state track & field officials association and was honored by that group with its Outstanding Official Award in 1991 and 2003.

Tom is also a regular at national-caliber competitions, having officiated at USA Track & Field events



since 1973 and at 48 national championship events since 1975. That includes all the marquee meets, such as the Millrose Games; Penn Relays, where he's been chief starter since 2003 and a starter since 1989; and a bevy of collegiate title meets including the IC4A (Easterns), Heptagonal Games, Patriot League, Big East and the NCAA Div. I championships. He was also the chief starter at the 1998 Goodwill Games in New York, the international starter for the IAAF 2010 World Junior Championships in Canada, and a starter at the 2008 U.S. Olympic Trials in Eugene, Oregon.

Wrestling was another of Tom's many bailiwicks. A wrestler at Suffern and Colgate (he also threw the discus for the Mounties' track team), Tom began officiating wrestling in 1968 while still a college student and in 1969 joined the Rockland County wrestling officials association after graduating from Colgate. He refereed at all levels over a 33-year period (1969-2001) – high school (five state championships), college (Big Ten and ACC Conference matches) and elite (U.S.-U.S.S.R. dual meets in the 1980s).

Tom was the chief official and clinician for the USA Wrestling Eastern Regional Freestyle Championships in 1983 and the National Club Championships in 1982, and was named Wrestling Official of the Year for New York State in 2001 by the national federation officials association. He also served eight years as a swimming and diving official, and in 2004 was inducted into the New York State Public High School Athletic Association Hall of Fame in the Officials category.

His impact in the officiating sphere was large indeed, but shouldn't we also give a shout-out to Tom's coaching career? After all, he spent 29 years (1980-2008) as head girls' cross country coach at Suffern and 23 years as the Mounties' head girls' track coach. After returning to his alma mater in 1973 to teach social studies, Tom spent three years (1974-76) as assistant boys' track coach and one year as assistant with the girls before embarking on his successful reign as girls' head coach in 1978.

In spring track, Tom rang up a dual-meet record of 121 wins, 20 losses and 3 ties. His teams won seven County championships, 11 League banners, 18 invitational meet titles, two Section 9 crowns and had six Sectional runner-up showings, and he was named Rockland County of the Year five times. Tom coached four individual state champions and two state championship relays teams, 57 individual County titleholders, and 28 girls who broke the one-minute barrier for 400 meters (quarter-mile), more than any other Rockland girls' team. At one time athletes he coached held County records in the 100, 400, 800, 1,500, shot put, sprint medley relay, 4x200 relay and 4x400 relay.

In cross country, Tom led the Mounties to 10 League, 4 County and 3 Sectional championships, had six undefeated dual-meet campaigns, won almost 90 percent of his duals (.896) and was named Rockland Coach of the Year four times.

Tom retired in 2009 after a 36-year teaching career at Suffern. He turned 65 on April 19 and hopes to continue his track officiating career and pursuing various avocations for many years to come.



CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2012 ROCKLAND COUNTY SPORTS HALL OF FAME **INDUCTEES**

Marcel Cooper, John Diffley, Tom McTaggart, Dennis O'Sullivan. Dawn Sugrue, Dan Sullivan, and Victor Veltidi



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DENNIS O'SULLIVAN

North Rockland High School Class of 1994

North Rockland High School has produced many outstanding scholar-athletes over the years and Dennis O'Sullivan ranks right up there with the best of them. Not many athletes have had the honor to play on, and captain, two undefeated teams on the high school and college level, but Dennis did. He was a multi-sport athlete in high school, excelling in football, track and field, and baseball. In college Dennis channeled all his energy into football and academics, with equally astounding results. His hard work and dedication was rewarded with an NFL contract and five years of professional football.

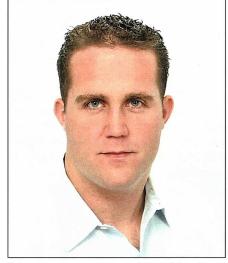
As a high school freshman football player, Dennis was called up to the varsity level late in the season to be the long snapper on punts and field goals. He was flawless in his execution and was a key member of the team in North Rockland's Intersectional game against Saratoga Springs when he snapped the ball for the winning field goal in 15-degree weather. Dennis played on four league and three sectional championship teams. In his senior year Dennis helped lead the North Rockland football team to a 12-0 record and the first-ever New York State championship. The Raiders beat Jamestown High School in the Carrier Dome in front of 4,000 home fans to finish the year ranked number one in the state, fourth in the East and No. 23 in the nation.

Dennis was All-County and All-Section in his junior and senior years, and the Section 1 Lineman of the Year twice. As a senior he was selected as a first-team All-State lineman and the winner of the Junior Heisman Award. During the spring of his sophomore year, Dennis was a catcher on North Rockland's state championship baseball team. In his junior and senior years he gave up baseball and went out for the track and field team. He was voted All-County in the shot put his junior year.

Dennis accepted a full football scholarship to Tulane University and went on to have a remarkable gridiron career. As a three-year starter at Tulane, the team got progressively better each year. After finishing 2-9 in his sophomore year, Tulane went 7-4 with a 5-1 Conference USA record to finish in second place in Dennis's junior year. That was just the start of what would become Tulane's greatest football season, 1998. Led by team captain Dennis O'Sullivan, Tulane went on to an undefeated season, 13-0, culminating with a Liberty Bowl victory against BYU. Tulane finished the year ranked No. 7 in the country in the NCAA Division I final coaches' poll. Dennis was named as a second-team All-Conference USA defensive lineman and the Tulane team's defensive MVP. Not only was he outstanding on the football field but he was named the 1998 Liberty Bowl

Scholar-Athlete, and the 1998 Nokia Sugar Bowl QB Club Scholar-Athlete of the Year. Dennis culminated his college career by being selected as Tulane University's Outstanding Male Scholar-Athlete of the 1998-1999 year.

After college Dennis went on to play in



the National Football League from 1999 to 2005. He played for the San Francisco 49ers and the New York Jets as a defensive lineman and then switched over to the other side of the ball and played offensive line for the Jets and the Houston Texans.

When his professional football career ended, Dennis went to work for the New York State Government Affairs Department as the Director for the New York State Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse. He is now employed as the Vice President for Professional and College Development of the American Athletic Institute. The American Athletic Institute is a sports consulting firm that is committed to helping people both in and out of sports. The institute provides programs and services to people ranging from drug and alcohol abuse, hazing education, sportsmanship in youth sports and childhood obesity. Their primary focus is on the education of athletes on the dangers of drug and alcohol abuse. Dennis is also the president and founder of Two Towns Charities, Inc., an organization based in northern Rockland dedicated to helping underprivileged children.

Dennis currently resides in Stony Point with his wife, Kelly, a guidance counselor, and their children, Tess and Molly. He is very involved in the North Rockland community, serving on the YMCA Golf Tournament and North Rockland Development committees, which help support youth scholarships and programs in North Rockland.



DAWN SUGRUE

Ramapo High School Class of 1991

In an era where the one-sport specialist is the norm, Dawn Sugrue was a throwback to another time. Whichever sport she attempted, Dawn was very successful, not only on the county level, but statewide and nationally. As a competitor at Ramapo High School, Dawn was the captain of her team and a first-team All-County athlete in all three seasons. In her senior year Dawn was voted as the Scholar-Athlete of the Year at Ramapo High School.

During the fall season Dawn was selected as the All-County goalie in soccer. During her career she had more than 280 saves in goal and was invited to play on the New York State All-Star team and the American Soccer Ambassadors in Europe against other national teams from England, Belgium, Holland and Germany. In the winter Dawn began her varsity basketball career as a sophomore and wound up scoring more than 900 points, earning All-League and first-team All-County recognition as a senior.

In the springtime Dawn went out for track and field and developed into a first-class field specialist. She culminated her high school career as a six-time county champion. In 1990 and 1991 Dawn swept the shot put and discus at the county meet and her 1991 winning shot-put throw of 39 feet 11 inches ranks No. 7 all-time in Rockland. She also was the 1991 Section 1 champion in both events, and also won county javelin titles in 1989 and 1990. Her sweep of the three weight events at the 1990 county meet earned her the Nick Cozza Memorial award as the Most Valuable Performer in the girls' meet. In her senior year Dawn placed sixth in the New York State meet in the shot put with a throw of 37-11.

After high school, Dawn was recruited by Coach Steve Baxter of Dominican College to play basketball. Being comfortable with competing year round, Dawn also played goalie on Dominican's soccer team and, since Dominican didn't have a track team, she played one year as the catcher on the varsity softball team. In soccer Dawn was voted captain of the team at Dominican College and in one NCAA Division I soccer game she had 32 saves on goal in a 2-0 loss and Dominican had no shots on goal.

But it was on the basketball court that Dawn made her mark. As a four-year starter on the basketball team, she tallied 1,239 points for the Lady Chargers, putting her in the top 10 of all-time scorers. Dawn added 400 assists during her career and pulled down 959 rebounds, putting her in the top six on the all-time rebound list for Dominican. She was twice named to the NAIA All-Tournament team and in her senior year was voted captain of the basketball team and earned All-NAIA

Division II status. Coach Baxter described Dawn as "a versatile player who performs well in pressure situations. A dedicated athlete, her leadership and experience plays a vital role in the team's success." For her efforts in



soccer and basketball, Dawn was voted into the Dominican College Hall of Fame in 2004.

After graduation from Dominican in 1995 with a nursing degree, Dawn entered the work world and continued to make her mark upon the community. In 2008 she was awarded the Press Ganey award for patient satisfaction at Nyack Hospital as the Emergency Room Assistant Manager. In 2010 Dawn was given the New York Presbyterian Quality Symposium Award for advanced research in redefining the triage model in an emergency room. Also in 2010 as the Assistant Nurse Manager and Professional Development Coordinator at Nyack Hospital, Dawn was selected as one of "40 under 40, Rockland County's Rising Stars." This award is given to people younger than 40 who are making their mark on Rockland County in positive ways through their commitment to growth, development, professional excellence and their community at large. In winning the award Dawn was quoted as saying, "Patient satisfaction and patient safety within the community is a priority for me. That was the impetus when I implemented a 30-minute service standard at Nyack Hospital, living by the motto, 'Your emergency is our emergency."

Dawn currently lives in Valley Cottage with her partner, Joan Neuendorf, a fellow Rockland County Hall of Famer, and their three children: Aedan, 10, and twins Jack and Hunter, 8.



DAN SULLIVAN

Albertus Magnus High School Class of 1972

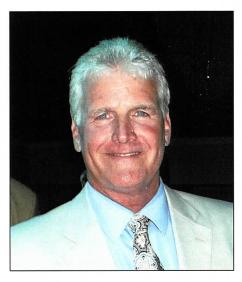
To be a member of a sports hall of fame is a great honor, to be a member of three sports halls of fame is remarkable. The induction into the Rockland County Sports Hall of Fame this year culminates the athletic career and life that Dan Sullivan lived. Dan made his everlasting mark upon everyone with whom he came in contact.

Dan was a multi-sport athlete at Albertus Magnus, competing for three years on the varsity level in both baseball and basketball. Although he was a fierce competitor on the baseball field, it was on the basketball court that Dan is most remembered. Albertus Magnus had just entered the RCPSAL and with their young coach, future Rockland Hall of Famer Tommy Collins, they were striving to make a lasting impression. Dan's basketball ability stood out in a big way. As captain of the team in 1971 and 1972. Dan was selected first-team All-County as a guard both years. In his senior year he became only the third backcourt player in Rockland County history to score 40 or more points in one game. In 1972 Dan was also selected to the Rockland-Orange All-Star team, representing the "cream of the crop" in the two-county area. To top it all off, Dan was selected among the tri-state athletes as a 1972 Daily News (New York City metro area) All-Star. The North Jersey News characterized Dan as the "main factor" in Albertus finishing a respectable fourth in the first year of PSAL play (1972), citing his 19.7 points-per-game scoring average, fine jump shot, eight assists per game, his good number of steals and his development into a complete ball player.

Coach Collins described Dan as the best competitor he ever coached, and a player who always played to win. "Sully was certainly our chief offensive weapon. His chief assets are his determination and will to win; the statistics speak for themselves." For his efforts on the basketball court and baseball diamond, Dan was inducted into the Albertus Magnus Hall of Fame in 1996.

Dan's local career didn't end after high school graduation. He decided to stay in Rockland County and play basketball for Dominican College. He started right away as a freshman and averaged 12.6 points a game during that year. During the first two years of Dan's college career he was selected second-team All-County on the college level by The Journal News. In his junior and senior years, Dan was selected to the first-team of the All-County college list, and was voted captain of his team both years.

By the time Dan finished his senior year, he became the fourth member of the Dominican College 1,000-point club, scoring more than 1,500 points in his career. In his senior year Dan shot 55.3 percent from the floor, while averaging 16.3 points per game. On the foul line Dan averaged 70 percent; in addition, he had 124 steals and 162 assists. The Dominican College basketball team was very successful dur-



ing Dan's tenure on the team; they recorded 85 wins with only 20 losses from 1972 through 1976.

Dominican's basketball coach, Bob Macken, said of Dan after his senior season was completed: "Sully was a super hustler who gave everything, all the time. We'll miss him in so many ways; his ball handling, scoring, leadership, play-making. You can't replace a guy like Sullivan easily." In Dan's senior year he decided to go out for the soccer team at Dominican and became the starting goalie. In 1996 Dan was inducted into the Dominican College Hall of Fame.

Dan married his wife, Nora, after graduation and moved to the north Rockland area, where they raised their children. Dan contributed to the community serving as a Little League baseball and basketball coach. All three of Dan's children went on to be named All-County during their high school careers. Son Dan was a baseball player for North Rockland who was awarded a baseball scholarship to George Washington University. He was the captain of his college team and went on to play two years in the minor leagues. Dan's oldest daughter, Donna, also a North Rockland graduate, was awarded a soccer scholarship to Siena College. Not to be outdone by her older siblings, youngest daughter Alana, who chose to attend her father's alma mater, Albertus Magnus, played varsity tennis at Cortland State University.

Sadly, we lost Dan in October 2011 but he leaves behind a legacy in his children of athletic excellence, competitiveness, leadership and sportsmanship.



VICTOR VELTIDI

Pearl River High School Class of 1948

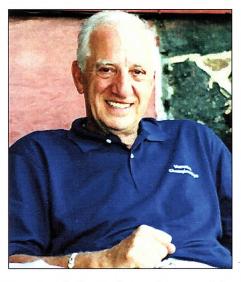
Vic Veltidi was a natural all-around athlete while growing up in rural Nanuet in the early wartime 1940s. By the time you got to the eighth grade a Nanuet student had an important decision to make – where to go to high school. Nanuet didn't have its own high school until the 1960s so one had to decide among Nyack, Spring Valley or Pearl River. For those who lived in the south end of Nanuet, the choice was easy, Pearl River. It was a short trip down Middletown Road to Central Avenue and only a couple miles home if you missed your ride.

If you were any kind of athlete at all while attending Pearl River High School, Coach Ira Shuttleworth would discover you in physical education class and he, in his own way, would persuade you to go out for the school team. If you were a natural athlete like Vic, Coach Shuttleworth would keep you with him for all three seasons. Vic was a three-sport athlete, football, basketball, and baseball, and he excelled at all three. With teammates like fellow Hall of Famers Bruno Ablondi, class of '46, and Harry Babcock, class of '49, Pearl River was a force to be reckoned with in the late 1940s. It was hard to figure out at which sport Vic was best. In basketball he was a two-year starter and captain of the team in his senior year. On the football team Vic was not only a two-year starter, but also a two-time All-County selection, earning unanimous acclaim in his senior year, when he was Rockland County's second-leading scorer. But baseball was Vic's first love. At Pearl River he was a three-year varsity starter, pitching and playing the infield. Vic was the captain of the 1948 baseball team and made first-team All-County as the starting pitcher. As a result of his success in sports Vic was voted "Most Athletic" in Pearl River High School's senior class of 1948.

After graduating high school, Vic had to choose between an athletic scholarship to Cortland Normal School and a professional baseball contract with the Brooklyn Dodgers. He chose the Dodgers. Vic was a pitcher and an outfielder whose bat was too valuable to sit idle on non-pitching days. When he didn't pitch, Vic played the outfield or pinch hit. Vic played for the Dodgers minor league team in the Virginia league for two years but in 1951 was drafted into military service, effectively ending his professional career.

After his stint in the army, Vic married his high school sweetheart, Jean Madar, settled down and went to work as a machinist at Rossi Tool and Die. But that didn't stop Vic from being active in Rockland County athletics. Vic played basketball for the Pederson Sparklers and Rockland State Hospital team. On the baseball diamond he pitched for the Nanuet A.C. and the Spring Valley Foresters.

Softball was, and still is, one of the most popular sports in Rockland County. Vic played some of the most wellknown teams to take the field in the county, including the Nanuet Hotel team and the



Rockland Mapleways team, which was the predecessor of the renowned Modern Auto Body team. Vic was chosen to play for the Rockland County All-Stars against "The King and His Court," a team led by softball pitching legend Eddie Feigner, and Vic was the only one to get a hit off Feigner that day.

Vic eventually bought Rossi Tool and Die and he and Jean settled in New City, where they raised their three children, Jim, Cathy, and Gary. While the children were growing up Vic took an active part in their lives. He coached the C.Y.O. basketball team at St. Augustine's to a championship, coached and managed a New City Babe Ruth League baseball team for 10 years, and was a member of that league's board of directors. He also coached and helped out with the New City Midget Football program and was a member of its board of directors for 10 years.

Vic is retired now but still calls New City home. He winters in Florida and gets to play golf regularly. When in Rockland County and not playing golf with his buddies, Vic can usually be found cheering for his grandchildren at their basketball, baseball or softball games.



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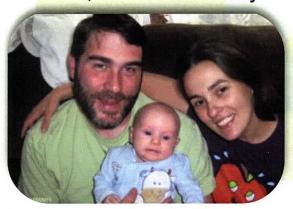
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We love you,

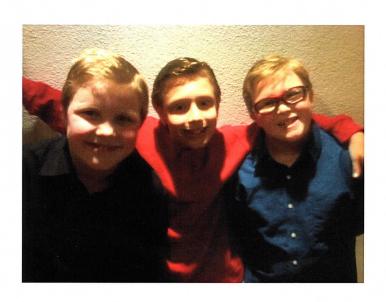
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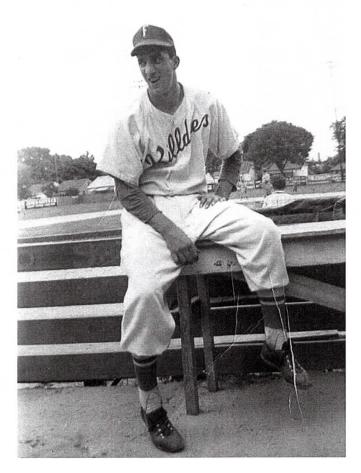
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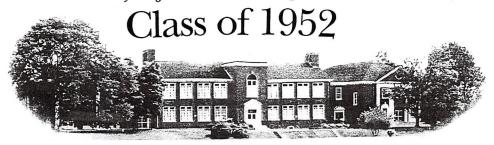
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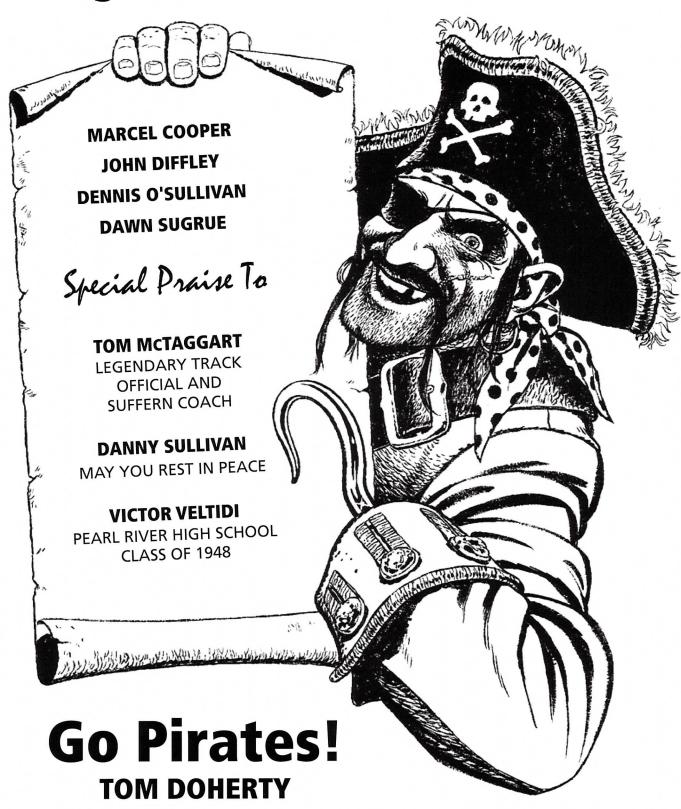
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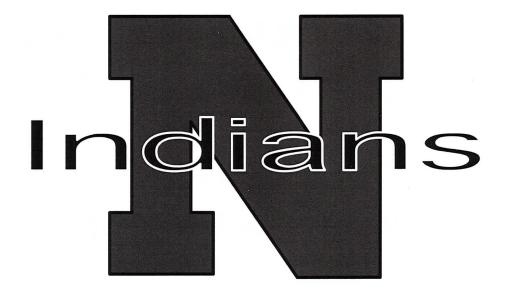
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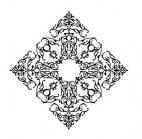
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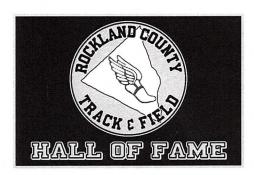
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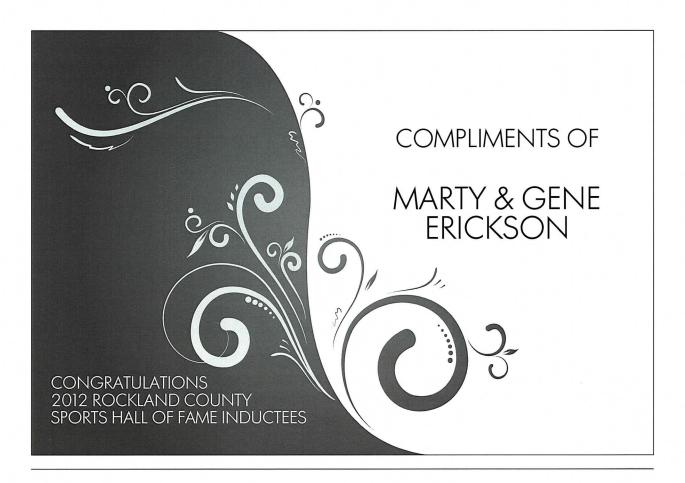
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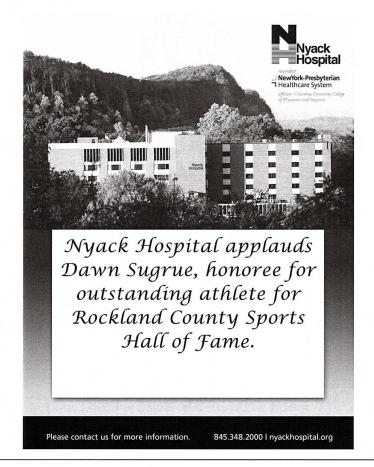
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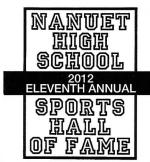
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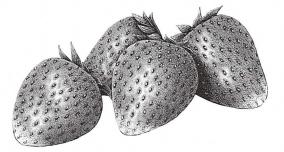
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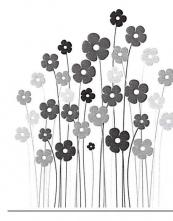
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