



ROCKLAND COUNTY SPORTS HALL OF FAME

A History of Sports Excellence

2015



FOUNDED IN 1974

🌸 Celebrating our 42nd Year 🌸

Honoring

Joe Clinton

Bob Corvino

Jennifer Feeney Lovell

Ed Matott

Bob Nadal *(Posthumous)*

Lintz Rivera Adams

Homer Wanamaker

Nick Picarello *(Posthumous)*



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ACHIEVEMENTS OF
JOE CLINTON,
OUR DIRECTOR OF ATHLETICS



WE ALSO CONGRATULATE

BOB CORVINO – NYACK

JENNIFER FEENEY LOVELL – ALBERTUS MAGNUS

ED MATOTT – NYACK

**BOB NADAL – SPRING VALLEY/NORTH ROCKLAND/RCC
(POSTHUMOUS)**

LINTZ RIVERA ADAMS – SUFFERN

HOMER WANAMAKER – NYACK

**NICK PICARELLO – JOSEPH HOLLAND LIFETIME
ACHIEVEMENT AWARD (POSTHUMOUS)**



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Chairman's Message

We celebrate our 42nd Rockland County Sports Hall of Fame induction with a high-quality group of athletes and coaches. The Suffern Mounties give us Lintz Rivera Adams, who was Suffern's first national champion and accumulated 12 State championship medals. Joe Clinton of Albertus Magnus was the 1979 Rockland County Player of the Year and went on to become a stellar basketball coach, garnering more than 300 victories at Dominican College. Nyack's trio of inductees includes Ed Matott, a superb basketball coach and soccer official. I enjoyed playing against his high-powered basketball teams at the famed Nyack High "pit" back in 1968-70. Bob Corvino excelled in football in the late 1960s and was named first team All-State and Daily News All-America. He went on to a distinguished football coaching career at Port Jervis. Another Nyacker, Homer Wanamaker, joins his brother Steve as an inductee into our Hall of Fame as a multi-sport All-County champion.



Jennifer Feeney Lovell starred in basketball at Albertus, where she twice received first-team All-State honors, and amazingly scored more than 1,000 points in only three years. Jen later distinguished herself with her career hoop numbers at Rider University. Bob Nadal was an All-County football and baseball player for the Tigers of Spring Valley who went on to coach alongside legendary North Rockland football coach Joe Casarella in the Red Raiders' undefeated seasons of 1970-72. Bob later went on to win baseball championships as a coach for RCC. Nick Picarello was a three-sport athlete at Haverstraw who made a name for himself as both a boxer and bowler. It was as one of the founders of Haverstraw Little League that Nick distinguished himself as a wonderful organizer and community leader.

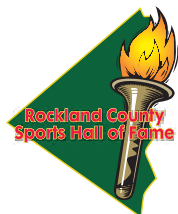
The Rockland County Sports Hall of Fame is doing its part to honor Rockland's athletes, coaches and others who have contributed in some meaningful way to sports in the county. We are working closely with all the other school's individual halls of fame and are happy to report that Nyack High School hopes to kick off its inaugural sports hall of fame induction sometime in September of this year. We are currently helping to fund scholar-athletes and those less fortunate. As such, we will be holding our Rockland County Sports Hall of Fame night on July 23, at 7 p.m., at a Rockland Boulders game at Provident Bank Park in Pomona. This enjoyable outing serves a fund-raiser for Mike Rogan, a former Clarkstown North track star who is recovering from a traumatic brain injury. We hope that many of you might join us in a worthy cause while having a fun night, in the Short Porch, at the ballgame.

In the past year we suffered the loss of four of our past inductees. Dick Yerg, inducted in 1999, was a wonderful sports reporter for The Journal-News and a real gentleman. Dick was always willing to write articles and post box scores on tennis tournaments that I ran as director of tennis for the Town of Orangetown during the late 1970s through the early 1990s. He and his wife, Sandi, really loved tennis and promoted the game. Hubert Nealy (class of 1994), a larger than life individual, was not only a great athlete but a compassionate person. After he retired from the Orangetown Highway Department he would help dig grave sites at the Rockland Cemetery and help in any way that he could. Richard Schumacher (class of 2014), a Suffern wrestling standout, and Bob Strack (class of 1987), a Haverstraw football player of the year in the early 1950s, also passed away during the last year. They will all be missed.

The Hall of Fame has a website that serves as a rich repository of Hall of Fame information, including bios and photos on all 247 inductees. Visit the web site at www.rcshf.org

I wish to thank the people who keep our organization a vital force in the community: Gibby Sweet, dinner arrangements; Jamie Kempton, secretary and program editor; Pete Castellano, treasurer and ticket chairman; Bob Veltidi, master of ceremonies and screening committee chair; Vince Sciortino, fund-raising; Chuck Maze, for community relations; Dan White and Tom Doherty, for their behind-the-scenes support; Bruce and Phyllis Schweizer of Quality Graphics and the entire Board of Directors for contributing to the support of the organization throughout the year.

Regards,



Pete Scheibner
Chairman

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Sports Hall of Fame*

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Rockland County Sports Hall of Fame 2015 List of Inductees

INDUCTEE: JOE CLINTON – ALBERTUS MAGNUS, DOMINICAN COLLEGE

INTRODUCED BY: *Joe Clinton Jr. (son)*

TROPHY SPONSOR: The Mahoney Group

PLAQUE SPONSOR: Tom Collins

INDUCTEE: BOB CORVINO – NYACK

INTRODUCED BY: *Ron Semerano (coaching colleague)*

TROPHY SPONSOR: Rockland County Sports Hall of Fame

PLAQUE SPONSOR: Nyack High School

INDUCTEE: JENNIFER FEENEY LOVELL – ALBERTUS MAGNUS

INTRODUCED BY: *Lorraine Moylan (coach)*

TROPHY SPONSOR: Albertus Magnus High School Parents' Association

PLAQUE SPONSOR: Lorraine Moylan

INDUCTEE: ED MATOTT – NYACK

INTRODUCED BY: *Buddy Matott (son)*

TROPHY SPONSOR: Rockland County Sports Hall of Fame

PLAQUE SPONSOR: Nyack High School

INDUCTEE: BOB NADAL – SPRING VALLEY/NORTH ROCKLAND/RCC (*Posthumous*)

INTRODUCED BY: *Dan Keeley, his fellow coach,*

Joe Casarella (coaching colleague)

ACCEPTED BY: Maureen Nadal (his widow)

TROPHY SPONSOR: Dan Keeley & Keeley Family

PLAQUE SPONSOR: Town of Haverstraw

INDUCTEE: LINTZ RIVERA ADAMS – SUFFERN

INTRODUCED BY: *Joe Biddy (coach)*

TROPHY SPONSOR: Joe Biddy & Tom McTaggart

PLAQUE SPONSOR: Suffern High School Track & Field Coaches

INDUCTEE: HOMER WANAMAKER – NYACK

INTRODUCED BY: *Randy MacRobbie (former teammate)*

TROPHY SPONSOR: Rockland County YMCA

PLAQUE SPONSOR: Rockland County YMCA

INDUCTEE: NICK PICARELLO

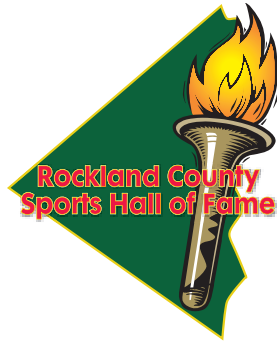
Joseph Holland Lifetime Achievement Award

(Posthumous)

INTRODUCED BY: *Dan Keeley*

TROPHY SPONSOR: Fred Adler

PLAQUE SPONSOR: Town of Haverstraw



Dinner Program

Pledge of Allegiance.....Gene Erickson
God Bless America.....Barbara Wanamaker

Master of Ceremonies

Bob Veltidi

Committees

Dinner.....Gibby Sweet
Program Book.....Peter Scheibner
Screening.....Bob Veltidi
Tickets.....Pete Castellano

2015 INDUCTEES

Joe Clinton – Albertus Magnus, Dominican College

Bob Corvino – Nyack

Jennifer Feeney Lovell – Albertus Magnus

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(Posthumous)

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, 35 Van Orden Avenue, Suffern, NY 10901. 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 247 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:

- ARC • Varsity Athletes Against Substance Abuse • Salvation Army
- Haverstraw Little League Save the Fields Fund • American Cancer Society • Special Olympics
- Venture • Big Brothers-Big Sisters • Challenger Little League • YMCA Youth Programs • Homes for Heros

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Rockland County Sports Hall of Fame Nomination Form

Nominee: _____
(Last) (First) (M)

Current Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ Date Submitted: _____

** If deceased, please give name, address and phone number of family member.*

H.S. and Year of Graduation: _____

College and Year of Graduation: _____

On a separate typewritten page, list all of the significant accomplishments of the nominee, both as a Rockland County resident and otherwise. Please be as specific as possible. Include varsity sports played in high school and college, dates, letters earned, honors won, records set, post-collegiate achievements, etc.

** Please submit a clear black-and-white or color photo of the nominee.*

Nominating Person:

Last name: _____ First: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Please Submit to:

Bob Veltidi
Chairman, Selection Committee
Rockland County Sports Hall of Fame
35 Van Orden Avenue
Suffern, NY 10901

Rockland County Hall of Fame Inductees

1974

Chuck Aleno*
Henry "Peck" Artopee*
Dr. Daniel "Danny" Fortmann*
Joseph "JoJo" 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
Howard Johnson
Lester Lepori*
Walter Ostrom
Victor Shankey*
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
Jay 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 Mounkhal
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

2008

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" Israel*
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*

2012

Marcel Cooper
John Duffley
Tom McTaggart
Dennis O'Sullivan
Dawn Sugrue
Victor Veltidi
Dan Sullivan*

2013

Keith Bulluck
Khyll Farrison
Gary Gray
Bud Kast*
Mike Rotundo
Jodi Schlesinger Salsberg
Ed Wanamaker
†† Vic Alfieri Sr.*
Ernie Capobianco*
Vic Alfieri Jr.
Deer Head Inn & Softball
Tournament

2014

Rick Carey
Don Fischer
Ed Kolakowski
Lorraine Moylan
Richard Schumacher*
Thaddeus Wilson
†† Al Witt

* Denotes Deceased

† Old-Timers' Special Award

†† Joe Holland Lifetime Achievement Award

JOE CLINTON

Albertus Magnus High School

Class of 1979

Coach, Dominican College

The route from the playgrounds of Pearl River to the Rockland Sports Hall of Fame has been a journey to remember for Joe Clinton, who starred on the hardwood basketball courts at Albertus Magnus and Union College and has gilded his legacy with more than a quarter-century of success as basketball coach and athletic director at Dominican College.

The five Clinton boys – all Albertus grads – were encouraged by their parents, Edward and Frances, to pursue their interests wholeheartedly, whether it be in school, drama, athletics or other pastimes. Joe became enamored with basketball after his dad erected a basket in the family's backyard on Graney Court – coincidentally, the same street as the home of his future coach at Albertus, Tom Collins. "We played a lot of games on that court," Joe says. Pickup football, hoops and baseball games occupied much of Joe's free time with buddies from the neighborhood like Tom and Pat Gavigan, Don Hafele and Mike Kolor.

After getting a taste of organized competition in CYO ball at St. Margaret's, Joe moved on to Albertus, where Collins had built a high-octane basketball program in the ultra-competitive Rockland PSAL prior to Joe's arrival in the mid-1970s. The program found another gear under Joe's floor generalship as starting point guard in the 1977-78 and 1978-79 seasons. The Falcons won the Section 9 championship both years and, with Joe captaining the squad in 1979, advanced all the way to the New York State Class B championship game before bowing to undefeated Malverne in overtime. No other Albertus boys' team has gone as far as that one.

"Joe was small in stature but big in heart," Collins said. "He played every game like it was the NCAA final. He could shoot, pass, handle the ball, direct the offense – everything you needed out of a point guard. On teams that I coached, it didn't matter who scored – they all had a piece of the pie. But Joe was the catalyst on that team, no question."

Joe, along with teammates like Terry Kelly, Chris Sullivan, Mike Rizzo and others, benefited from a first-class program that instilled the fundamentals at the freshman level, under Mike Rotundo, and perfected skills under the demanding Collins. "I loved playing at Albertus and for Coach Collins," Joe says. "To this day he's the best coach I ever had. He always had us well prepared."

The Falcons had to be well prepared to stave off the tough Rockland teams of that era. It's hard to overstate the electric



atmosphere in the sold-out Albertus gym when teams like Pearl River, Nanuet, Clarkstown South and North Rockland came a-calling to try and knock off the Falcons, who finished a perfect 14-0 in the RCPSAL in Joe's senior year en route to a 22-3 overall mark. The individual accolades came pouring in for Joe at season's end. He was named the Rockland County Player of the Year as well as a 1st team Daily News All-Star and 3rd team New York State selection, encompassing all schools regardless of enrollment class. The All-County berth was his second such designation in two years.

Lest we forget, Joe was not a one-sport wonder. He also sparkled on the baseball diamond, twice claiming All-County laurels and helping the Falcons capture the 1978 Section 9 title. Joe was a reliable right-hander in Coach Jim Spearman's rotation for two years and patrolled center field during his three-year varsity tenure. With Spearman's blessing, he joined the track team in the spring 1979 season and, when there was no conflicting baseball activity, got to compete in a few dual meets and one invitational. At the Arlington Relays, Joe's excellent split of 24.0 seconds on the second leg of the 880-yard relay helped the Falcons finish in second place with a school-record time of 1:34.1. He was joined on the relay by leadoff man Rick Teetsel – the son of track coach Dick Teetsel – third leg Ed Lynch and anchor leg Paul Fanelli, the County 440-yard dash champ.

"It was pretty impressive for a guy with no training or experience running on a cinder track in Converse basketball shoes," Rick Teetsel says of Joe. "If Joe had been a track guy all through high school he would have been outstanding. I think he enjoyed



running and I know we enjoyed running with him. And I am 100 percent certain that my father enjoyed coaching him."

After a decorated career at Albertus, Joe headed upstate to take his roundball talents to Union College, a Division III school in Schenectady, N.Y. To say he made his mark on that program would be an understatement. He shattered the school assist record in just three years and was the only guard in school history to amass more than 1,000 points (1,270) and 500 assists (556). His four-year career culminated in an NCAA bid – the first in school history – in the 1982-83 campaign. Joe was recognized with 2nd team All-East honors for that memorable season.

Over the past 26 years, Joe has become synonymous with Dominican College athletics. He has served as athletic director for the Orangeburg, N.Y.-based school since November 1989 and has been the head coach of men's basketball for 24 years, after two years as an assistant. His overall career record is 362 wins, 341 losses, but his record within the Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference (CACC) is even more stellar: 239-168. "We always played a strong non-conference schedule to get ready" for CACC competition, he says.

Strength of schedule also paid dividends beyond the conference level. Joe engineered three national tournament bids for

the Chargers: twice when Dominican belonged to the NAIA, 1999-2000 and 2000-2001, and once in NCAA Division II, 2012-2013. Joe's teams have captured the CACC regular-season crown four times and he has reaped the individual honors that accompany such success, notching CACC Coach of the Year plaudits four times and twice being named All-Met NY-NJ Writers Division II Coach of the Year.

Dominican has been good to Joe, and vice versa. He's coached countless high-caliber players, guys like Corey Fleetwood, Leon Porter, Mike Parchen and Ramon Wiggerton, to name a few. Coaching his son, Joey, a junior on the 2014-2015 team, has been "an awesome experience," he says proudly. Sharing the sidelines with assistants such as Tony Toapha, Joe McGuinness and Pat Buckley has been equally rewarding. And interacting daily with the athletic staff at Dominican "has been fantastic," he says. "I have had some great people working for me over the years."

Growing up in Pearl River left such a positive impression on Joe Clinton that he has continued to make it his home. Joe, who's 54, and his wife of 24 years, Mary Beth, are the proud parents of five children: Tara, 23; Joey, 21; Laura and Kelly, 18; and Erin, 14.

The Albertus Magnus Girls Basketball Program

would like to congratulate

JENNIFER FEENEY LOVELL

and

JOE CLINTON

On their induction into the
Rockland County Sports Hall of Fame.

We are Proud! We are AM!
GO FALCONS!

BOB CORVINO

Nyack High School
Class of 1969

For more than 40 years Bob Corvino was a powerful force on the football field. First he was a three-year, All-County, two-way performer at Nyack High School, then a three-year varsity letter winner for the University of Bridgeport, and finally as the football coach with the most wins in Port Jervis High School history.

In the late 1960s Nyack High School was the dominant force in Rockland County football and Bob was one of the main reasons for their success. In 1968 Bob captained the undefeated championship Nyack High School football team, which was named as the Rockland County High School Football Team of the Decade by The Record of Bergen County, NJ. Individually Bob was selected as an All-County linebacker in 1966, a unanimous choice All-County linebacker and center in 1967, and again a unanimous selection at linebacker and center in 1968. Bob was the first player to be voted unanimous All-Rockland County on both offense and defense. To add to Bob's accolades, he was also chosen a Daily News High School All-Star 1968, and that same year Bob was voted Honorable Mention Prep All American, The Journal News Outstanding Lineman of the Year, and Rockland's first football player to be named 1st Team All-State. The year 1968 was the first year the New York State sports writers picked an All-State team; it encompassed every school in the state and had only 44 football players named to that honor. The impact that Bob had on the Rockland County football scene is evidenced by the fact that he was selected as the No. 3 vote-getter as the "Football Player of the Decade" by The Record. The two players finishing in front of him were a quarterback and a running back, while Bob played "down in the trenches" on the line. Bob was also named Rockland County's Scholar-Athlete of the Year in 1969.

After graduation from Nyack High School, Bob enrolled at Arnold College in Connecticut, a small physical education school that was absorbed by the University of Bridgeport, a Division II college football team. Bob lettered on the varsity football team for two years. During that time the University of Bridgeport's record was 21-1. In 1971 the team's record was 10-1 with a 17-12 win over Hampton-Sydney College in the Rockne Bowl. The Rockne Bowl was played indoors at the Atlantic City Convention Center and the victor, Bridgeport, was named as the Eastern Small College Champion. In 1972 the University of Bridgeport's football team went undefeated with an 11-0 record. Bridgeport beat Slippery Rock State University of Pennsylvania in the Rockne Bowl and was again named the Eastern Small College Champion. That year Bob received the Scholar-Athlete award from the Fairfield County Chapter of the College Hall of Fame. On the academic front, Bob was named as the Arnold College Outstanding Physical Education Student at his graduation.



Bob graduated from the University of Bridgeport in 1973 and was hired as a physical education teacher and assistant football coach in Port Jervis, in upstate Orange County. After spending 11 years as an assistant football coach, Bob was named the head football coach at Port Jervis High School, a position that he held until 2007. During that time Bob's record was 161-70-1, which ranks him as the winningest football coach in Port Jervis' history, and the fourth-most successful football coach in Section 9 history. He was twice voted as the Times Herald-Record Football Coach of the Year in Section 9. Bob was named the Cable 6 (local Orange County television channel) Football Coach of the Year and The New York Jets High School Coach of the Week when he won his 150th game. Bob won 12 league titles, 1 state regional title in 1997 and, between 1989 and 2007, Bob's teams won five Section 9 football titles. When the Orange County League (OCL) was in existence, Port Jervis was either the conference or league champion from 1986 through 1989. Bob finished his career at Port Jervis serving as the athletic director for the school district and was named as the New York State Public High School Athletic Director of the Year for Section 9. It is interesting to note that while Bob played for Nyack High School, Nyack's only loss was to Port Jervis and as a coach at Port Jervis, Bob's only loss to a Rockland County team was to Nyack.

Bob is retired now; he and his wife, Betty, live in Huguenot, N.Y. They have two children: Karen, 36, an assistant principal in New York City, and Bobby, 33, who works for Dick's Sporting Goods. Karen and her husband, Paulo, have a 2-year-old son, Alex.

When he was notified of his selection into the Rockland County Sports Hall of Fame, Bob commented, "It's great to be recognized at this point in my life. At this age, that doesn't happen too often. It's something my family and I are definitely excited about." In retirement Bob is still active in Orange County athletics, serving on the Section 9 Football Committee when he is not playing golf or babysitting grandson Alex.

JENNIFER FEENEY LOVELL

Albertus Magnus High School
Class of 1991

In the 1988-89 season sophomore Jennifer Feeney burst upon the high school basketball scene in style, playing for the Albertus Magnus Falcons under Coach Lorraine Moylan. For three straight years, 1988-89 through 1990-91, she was selected to first team All-League, All-County and All-Section. In 1989-90 and 1990-91 she was named first team All-New York State. In 1990-91 Jen was MVP of the New York State Class B girls' basketball championship tournament and the New York State Player of the Year for Class B. Also in 1990-91 she was the Rockland Journal-News Athlete of the Year for girls' basketball.

Jen led her team in scoring all three varsity years and amassed 1,093 career points, which was No. 2 on the all-time Albertus scoring list at that time. The personal recognition was nice, but Jen will be the first to tell you that team accomplishments supersede any individual acclaim. Of the 76 games she played in, the Falcons won 68 of them and lost only 8. Most importantly, in her senior season, 1990-91, she was a member of the first girls' high school varsity basketball team from Rockland County to win the New York State and Federation Class B championship. It was the first of back-to-back State and Federation crowns for Albertus.

"Jen is one of the finest basketball players I have had the privilege to coach," says Moylan, Rockland's career leader in basketball coaching victories with 536. "She had all the qualities you look for in a top-flight player. In my 30 years as a head coach I have seen very few players combine the talent, work ethic and leadership that Jen displayed. One of the greatest gifts that Jen possessed was one of unselfishness, always putting the team ahead of herself. She is the true example of, 'There is no "I" in team.'"

Jen's family ties to Albertus Magnus were very strong. Her father, James, graduated from Albertus in 1962, and her two sisters and brother are also Falcon alums.

After graduating from Albertus, Jen attended Rider University in Lawrenceville, N.J., on a full basketball scholarship. She was a four-year starter and finished her career in 1995 as the fourth-leading scorer with 1,262 points, fifth in career rebounds with 590 and seventh in career assists with 235. While at Rider she was named East Coast Conference Rookie of the Year as a freshman, and received All-Conference honors as a sophomore. She graduated from Rider in 1995 with a B.S. in Business Administration.



Jen went on to be an assistant coach at Drexel University, where she received her MBA, graduating with a stellar 3.8 GPA. She is currently a fourth-grade teacher residing in Salem, S.C., with her husband, Broward, and children James, Julie and Caroline.

Jen was inducted into the Albertus Magnus High School Hall of Fame in 2004.

**Congratulations
and
Best Wishes
to all 2015
Inductees**



Bob Marino

EDMUND MATOTT

Nyack High School
Coach, 1958-1977

Throughout his career as an educator, coach and sports official, Ed Matott held himself and others to the same high expectations. He gave his best and expected the best from those who played for him, who officiated his games and the coaches whose games he officiated at both the high school and college level.

In his playing days, Ed was a pitcher of note at SUNY Oswego. After starting his teaching and coaching career in a tiny school district near Oswego, Ed moved to Rockland in 1959. A year later, he helped pitch the Spring Valley Bengals to the 1960 New York / New Jersey Semi-Pro Championship.

But Ed is most revered for his work with young people, guiding them in their performance at the junior high school, high school junior varsity and varsity levels. Even outside the classroom, he spent many summers working with Nyack youth to keep them out of trouble and help develop their sports skills.

His coaching career started in upstate New York's Red Creek Central School District where from 1956 to 1958 he had a 17-3 record coaching soccer and a 21-7 record coaching junior varsity baseball.

Arriving at the Nyack School District in the fall of 1958, he coached his only season of football, guiding the Nyack Junior High School squad to an impressive 6-2 record.

From 1959 to 1969, Ed coached junior varsity baseball at Nyack High School, amassing a record of 99 wins and 75 losses.

During that same stretch, Ed also coached Nyack's varsity "B" soccer teams to an astounding 110-10 record. Together with his record at Red Creek, Ed has an impressive overall high school soccer record of 127-13.

Ed took over the Nyack varsity basketball team in 1962 and coached for 14 seasons until his retirement from the court in 1977.

During that tenure, Ed had a single losing season, but many feel that didn't qualify as his greatest accomplishment in coaching.

That came after a year away from the game. While he was on sabbatical, the team went 0-16.

He returned to the bench after the 1973-74 season and coached the team to the first of two back-to-back Public School Athletic League championships in 1974-75 and 1975-76 to go along with a Section 9 championship won in the 1969-70 season.

He compiled a career Rockland Public School Athletic School record of 133-75, a winning percentage of 64 percent. His overall Nyack record was 158-106 for a 60 percent winning percentage. Along the way, he coached some of Rockland's



finest, including Ron Edwards, Jimmy Mack, Robbie Woods, Kevin Kane and Ken Riesen and had on-the-court battles with Lou Kliewe, Ed McGrath and Tom Collins, among others.

Ed had a reputation for being tough on officials, a right he felt he had earned by being regarded as one of the top officials in the area.

As a high school soccer official, Ed officiated the first-ever New York State high school championship game, played at Cornell University, as well as several other state championships and Sectional and Regional finals. He also worked as the lead demonstration official at national and state clinics for officials. He was a founding and charter member of the Rockland Soccer Officials Association.

Ed logged more than 37 years as a soccer official. In addition to averaging 25 high school games each year, he also officiated an average of 20 collegiate soccer games a season.

From 1964 on, Ed has been a member of the New York State Intercollegiate Soccer Officials Association Executive Committee and served as the organization's president-elect in 1983-84 and president in 1985-86.

Former Albertus Magnus and Pearl River Athletic Director Tom Collins has known Ed for more than 50 years and has experienced Ed's dedication and high-level performance on a number of levels.



At Nyack Junior High School, Ed taught Tom Citizen Education and History. He remembers Ed as "a dedicated and revered educator."

Later, after Tom majored in physical education at Manhattan College and began his own coaching career and became an athletic director, he witnessed Ed as a coach and as an official.

"In the world of officiating," Tom Collins says, "Ed was, in my mind, the best soccer official in New York State. He was firm with his calls and with his control of the game."

Ed's excellence as an official was evident locally and across the state, Tom Collins says. "He was in high demand to officiate

championship games on the county as well as state levels. When he arrived at a contest, coaches and players alike were confident in his ability to call a fair game."

Tom Collins believes Ed's greatest achievement was bringing the Nyack basketball team back from a winless season to win the 1974-75 PSAL championship. That accomplishment earns Ed status as "a legendary coach" in Tom Collins' eyes. The championship won Ed designation as The Daily News Coach of the Year from Rockland in 1975.



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ROBERT (BOB) NADAL

Spring Valley High School

Class of 1957

Coach, North Rockland/RCC

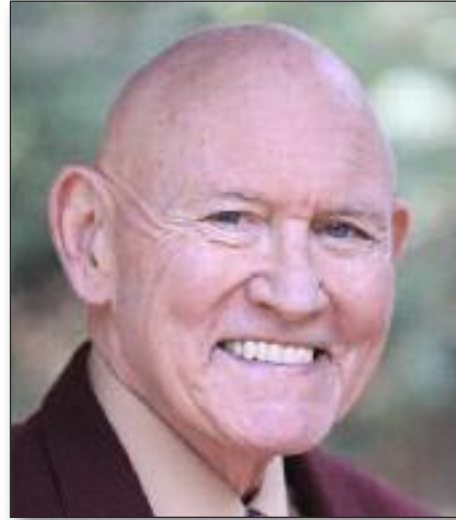
Bob Nadal is a rarity in Rockland County sports: he not only excelled as a Rockland high school athlete and was an outstanding high school coach in the county, but also stepped up to the next level and became an outstanding college coach right here in Rockland County.

Bob attended Spring Valley High School. While playing football and baseball for the Tigers, Bob was named All-County in both sports. The 1955 Spring Valley football team won the Rockland County championship with Bob being selected as an All-County guard. The 1956 and 1957 Tiger baseball teams were also Rockland County champions; Bob was the All-County catcher on those teams.

After graduating from Spring Valley High in 1957, Bob entered military service and proudly served his country for six years in the U.S. Navy. Bob was a Fire Control Technician on the U.S.S. Lloyd Thomas, a destroyer escort ship. When he was discharged from the Navy, Bob was awarded a football scholarship from Hofstra University, where he started on the football team as a guard alongside future Jet John Schmidt. Bob graduated in 1965.

He was immediately hired to teach history at North Rockland High School. Along with his teaching duties, Bob coached freshmen football, wrestling and baseball. In 1970 Bob was named the varsity football offensive coordinator. Led by Head Coach Ralph Cordisco, Bob ran the offense while Joe Casarella handled the defensive side of the ball. The North Rockland Red Raiders were undefeated Rockland County champions in 1970, 1971 and 1972. In 1971 North Rockland was ranked No.3 in New York State and knocked off undefeated No. 1 ranked Newburgh.

In 1970 Bob became the varsity head baseball coach at North Rockland, a position he held until 1979. In that first year, 1970, the Red Raiders played in the RCPSAL championship game. Bob won his first Sectional championship in 1972 and went on to win four more Section 9 titles before moving on to Rockland Community College. During his 11 years as the head baseball coach at RCC, Bob won 8 Mid-Hudson Conference Champion-



ships. His 1983 team won the Junior College Region XV Championship. One of Bob's greatest assets was his ability to recognize, develop and place outstanding athletes in his program. He had 78 former RCC baseball players move on to play at four-year colleges. Thirteen of his former players went on to play professionally. Among the most notable were Jim Rooney, from North Rockland, who attended Morris Community College and was drafted as the No. 1 pick in the winter draft, and Bob Schepis, who played at RCC and then Seton Hall.

Bob retired as the head baseball coach at RCC in 1990 but still stayed involved with baseball. He signed on as an assistant baseball coach at the U.S. Military Academy at West Point for a while, and then served as Dan Keeley's assistant coach at RCC.

Sadly, we lost Bob in 2012. He leaves behind his wife, Maureen, a Realtor; daughter Nicole, a CPA married to Trevor Lynch; and son Justin, who followed in his father's footsteps and is a teacher in New Jersey. Justin and his wife, Keri, have four children: Jacob, Jocelyn, Jace Robert and Corina.



LINTZ RIVERA ADAMS

Suffern High School
Class of 1981

At the beginning of the 1978 outdoor season, Suffern girls' coach Tom McTaggart had a talent-laden squad. Among those climbing up the depth chart was a freshman basketball player by the name of Lintz Rivera. She showed promise in all the speed and power events, and earned a varsity letter. However, McTaggart recalls, "She was socially hyperactive" and had not yet matured enough to focus on developing that talent.

Recalling his strategy of dealing with the fiery freshman, McTaggart said, "I tried to make sure that she could see that achieving at a higher level would be a lot of fun and that she was knocking on the door of excellence already. My feeling was that she needed to be a silly freshman before she became a serious athlete. Her latent talent was there, along with an unbridled enthusiasm that just needed to be channeled in a proper direction."

As a sophomore athlete she matured and channeled her enthusiasm. In doing so, she began to indelibly etch her name in the history of Rockland County track and field.

Reflecting today on Lintz's strengths, McTaggart said the following: "Lintz was incredible in three categories – her enthusiasm, her work ethic, and her sportsmanship. She absolutely relished every competitive experience as something that was emotionally thrilling and highly satisfying. Win or lose – and she hated losing – she loved what she did and wanted more of it. She wanted nothing but excellence. Her attitude rubbed off on the rest of the team and she became a leadership force from her sophomore year on."

Forgoing basketball to join Coach Joe Bidy's indoor team, Lintz became an immediate force to build a team around. She won County titles at 300 yards and the long jump. Outdoors, she became the workhorse of the Suffern sprint corps, volunteering to perform difficult triple-event performances in invitational competitions. That year she won her first 400-meter County championship in an historic fashion, leading a 1-2-3 sweep by Suffern athletes who all broke the 60-second barrier in that race. Two weeks later she anchored the Mounties to their first-ever State championship in the mile relay, defeating previously unbeaten Brooklyn Tech and setting a meet and Rockland record of 3:55.3 in the trial heats. It was the first time a Rockland team had ever broken the four-minute barrier. For the next two years, with Lintz's help, it became a Mountie habit. She also led off the 440-yard relay to a third-place medal just minutes before the mile relay final.

In 1980, her junior year, she became one of the elite athletes on the East Coast. Indoors, she won County titles at 300 yards and in the 880 relay. In the Section 9 meet she won four gold



medals at 60 yards, 300 yards, 600 yards and the 880 relay. Knowing she was in great shape, she qualified for the States in the 300-meter dash. Running well through all the rounds, she won the State championship in 40.1 seconds, setting a national best by a high school athlete that season. She was ranked fifth nationally in the event by Track & Field News. Outdoors, she continued demonstrating her prowess at races from 100 meters through 800 meters, again winning the Rockland 400 title, as well as the Section 9 championship. At the States at SUNY Brockport, she finished third in the 400 and led off the 4x100 relay that placed third.

Her senior year was just as spectacular. Indoors, she qualified for States at 300 meters, but suffered a bitter disappointment by finishing second in a hard-fought race. Later that day she retrieved a sense of accomplishment as she helped Suffern to its first indoor 4x400 relay State championship. In the outdoor season, she established a Rockland County record of 55.3 seconds in the 400-meter dash while winning the Loucks Games. At the States at Cornell, while battling some muscle soreness, she came up second in the 400 meters, losing by one one-hundredth of a second in 55.82 seconds. However, as in the indoor meet, she was able to anchor her 4x400 relay team to another New York State championship in that event.

"In all the years that I have coached indoor track, I have never seen an individual who had the ability to intimidate the opposition by her mere presence," said Bidy, Lintz's indoor track coach. "She won major titles at 55 meters, 300 yards, 300 meters, 600 yards, 600 meters and the long jump. She was the most dominant sprinter-middle distance runner of her era."

To this day, she appears on top-10 performance lists at Suffern in the following events: 55 meters, 100 meters, 200 meters



(indoor and outdoor), 400 meters (indoor and outdoor), 300 yards, 300 meters, 600 yards and 600 meters. She also has an 800-meter time of 2:24.9 to her credit as well. When she graduated she had amassed 12 State championship medals – 6 gold, 3 silver and 3 bronze. She set eight school records, eight County records, and two State records during her years at Suffern. In addition she helped lead her team to four Rockland County and four Section 9 championships (indoor and outdoor) in that era.

Lintz went on to compete at St. John's University and Penn State University. At age 34, she won medals in the Empire State Games, breaking 60 seconds for 400 meters. She worked as an assistant coach at North Rockland High School and Wagner College as well. She credited the late Bob Murphy, the long-time North Rockland throws coach and a Wagner alumnus, with helping her obtain a graduate assistant's position at

Wagner, where she earned her master's degree in elementary education. She received her undergraduate degree, a BS in business, from Marymount College.

Lintz moved to New Orleans in 1999 and has been an elementary school teacher for the past 16 years, currently employed as a second grade teacher at Green Park Elementary School. Her husband of six years, Terry Adams, is a toxicology research pathologist who earned a doctorate in veterinary medicine from Tuskegee University and a PhD from Michigan State.

Suffern's long-playing record of success in track and field, including a pair of titles at the 2015 national indoor championships, has Lintz beaming with pride. "It's wonderful to see the new generation continue the tradition," she said. "I guess I passed the baton to future generations, and they heard the call."



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HOMER WANAMAKER

Nyack High School
Class of 1971

Homer Wanamaker's career at Nyack High School was like a highlight reel of the dreams of young athletes.

There were team and individual championships and moments young boys play out in their minds over and over, but few get to live.

Such championship performances were not foreign to the Wanamaker family or to the other athletes who hailed from Upper Nyack, where Wanamaker was surrounded with future Hall of Famers.

But from the beginning of his time at Nyack High School, Homer Wanamaker built the résumé of a champion.

Wanamaker, who left Rockland in 1978 and now lives in Stillwater, N.J. where he and his wife Deborah raised four children, retired in 2003 after a distinguished 26-year career with the New Jersey State Police. He's now the Undersheriff of Sussex County, overseeing the county correctional facility.

Although his high school career is more than 40 years in the rearview mirror, Homer E. Wanamaker had the distinction of being the hero in two pressure-packed moments that produced championships for Nyack.

Homer was a standout at catcher for the Nyack baseball team, earning All-County recognition while often forming a winning battery with pitchers, brother Steve and cousin Edward, both Hall of Famers.

The 1971 PSAL title game at Nanuet was the setting for one of his highlight moments.

He hit a three-run home run to cement Nyack's 5-2 win and its first baseball championship since his father, also Homer, starred in the outfield on the 1949 champions.

Although his father was a police officer, and eventually chief of the Orangetown Police Department, he remembers fondly, "Even when he was working revolving shifts, Pop always managed to get to our games."

That father/son championship connection made the moment all the more memorable, Homer Wanamaker says.

By then, he had already etched himself in Nyack football history as the kicker on the 1969 and 1970 teams, large shoes to fill following George Jakowenko, who went on to kick at Syracuse University and in the NFL.

In 1970, Homer kicked 21 points after touchdown and two field goals, making him the county's leading kicker.



But in 1969, with his junior season in the balance, Wanamaker kicked the PAT in front of a crowd estimated at 6,000 spectators that brought Nyack from behind to edge Haverstraw 7-6 for the county championship. To hear him tell it, the kick was anything but a thing of beauty. "It was probably one of the most memorable moments of my life," he says, "but it was kind of like a knuckleball going through (the uprights). I wasn't sure it would make it through." Admitting to a bit of nerves, he says, "I just didn't hit it square."

Kicking footballs was an outgrowth of his performance on the soccer field where he twice earned first-team All-County honors playing on three Section 9 championship teams. Among them was the 1970 team that went 16-0 to win the regional title – the highest achievement possible at the time. Despite those dream moments in baseball and football, Wanamaker says soccer was actually his favorite sport. He was friends in grade school with Randy Nelson, whose dad Frank Nelson was varsity soccer coach at the high school. Both his son and Wanamaker learned to love the game from him.

As a young boy Homer was also enrolled at the Nyack YMCA, where he says his swimming skill blossomed into a varsity career with early morning or late night practices that helped him win consistently in the 100-yard butterfly.



1968 Nyack High School Swim Team

He swam other events, too, he says, but did the butterfly "because no one else could do it."

He did it, and did it well, winning a Section 9 title. The state meet didn't go as well. "I got smoked at states," he says with a laugh. "It was a humbling experience."

He says he liked each of his four sports for different reasons, but preferred the camaraderie of team sports to the individual sports.

"There was some anxiety about the individual competitions," he says although his championship moments seem to argue he handled any pressure well.

On the teams, he says, "you learned to lean on people and depend on teammates." With teammates the likes of future Hall of Famers Dale Lydecker, Randy Nelson, his brother Steve and fellow inductee Bob Corvino, he says, "you were surrounded by so many great athletes with so much talent."

In fact, Homer Wanamaker went on to the University of Bridgeport, following Bob Corvino there.

He set two records in his freshman season, kicking 40 consecutive PATs and scoring most points in a season, which included four field goals. His career-longest field goal of 41 yards contributed to Bridgeport's 17-12 victory over Hampton-Sydney in the Knute Rockne Bowl at the Atlantic City Convention Hall in 1971. The win capped a 10-1 season with the NCAA Eastern Small College Championship

Once he and his wife started their family, Homer worked with two of the boys in scouting and fed his love of soccer as a youth coach.

All four of their children also played sports in high school. Garrett, now 35, opted for lacrosse, while both Bryant, now 30, and Homer Jr., now 25, played football and wrestled. For daughter Blaire, 31, the choices were basketball and soccer.

"I'm a very lucky man; I've been lucky all my life," Homer Wanamaker says. "I was surrounded by a great family. I'm proud to be a Wanamaker," he says, adding with a laugh, "In Nyack, the Wanamakers are like the Kennedys in Massachusetts – without the money."



Joseph Holland Lifetime Achievement Award

NICK PICARELLO

Haverstraw High School
Boxer, Bowler, Little League Coordinator

Being a three-sport athlete at the old Haverstraw High School was just the start of Nick Picarello's lifelong impact on sports in Rockland.

Like so many high school athletes, the major sports were the immediate appeal and Nick excelled at football, basketball and baseball, filling each season of his school year with competition.

Beyond his high school days, team sports gave way to individual sports where his performance alone ruled the day. And like at Haverstraw High School, those efforts were marked with greatness.

Many consider the 1940s to be the Golden Age of boxing. Nick was a jewel of that Golden Age, carrying on a family tradition in amateur boxing.

In 1942, under the guidance of manager Phil Rotella – who would go on to become a Democratic Party political powerhouse as Haverstraw town supervisor – Nick fought his way from his hometown to Midtown Manhattan.

"The 19-year-old youth stole the show in the opening round of the tournament when he hammered Cyril Knight through two fast rounds and then polished off his foe with a looping right in one minute 10 seconds of the third round," according to a report in *The Journal-News*.

Reporting on another match, *The Journal News* referred to Picarello as "The peppery little Haverstraw puncher," and said he belted his opponent "to the canvas twice and then went on to trade blows at a fast clip to win the decision."

After beating opponents from around the Metropolitan Area, the 118-pound puncher from Haverstraw won the novice level Bantamweight Golden Gloves title against a CYO boxer at the old Madison Square Garden, on Eighth Avenue at 50th Street.

Nick then went on to represent New York in the Intercity Golden Gloves. At the time, the Intercity Golden Gloves was considered, along with the events in New York and Chicago, to be the premier amateur boxing tournaments in the nation.

Nick went on to box in the U.S. Navy, serving in both the European and Asian Pacific theaters. Following his service, he returned to Haverstraw where he would eventually serve as Post Commander of the Leo Laders American Legion Post 130, then located in West Haverstraw, where it was an anchor to the community.

Living in Garnerville after the war, Nick was an avid golfer and also became a force on the lanes of local bowling alleys.



Not long after the King Pin Lanes opened in West Nyack in 1960, Nick rolled a 751 series that stood as the high series until after his death more than a decade later. Four years after the high series, Nick bowled the first sanctioned perfect 300 game at King Pin in 1964. He had been bowling for 15 years and had posted 289 scores twice before the historic perfect game.

The perfect game won him a \$500 bond and earned him membership in the American Bowling Congress 300 Club to go along with his membership in the Rockland County Bowlers Association.

Close to home, he worked to promote bowling to a new generation, founding and overseeing the Junior Bowling League at Hi Tor Lanes in West Haverstraw.

Nick Picarello made his enduring mark on Rockland youth sports when he was among the dedicated individuals who worked to create and nurture Haverstraw Little League.

It was the second Little League formed in Rockland and Nick was among those who turned it into one of the premier Little League programs in New York State.

He coached and managed at both the Little League and Senior League levels and served as president of Haverstraw Little League, guiding its growth in numbers and quality.

He also served as District Administrator of New York District 18, which at the time encompassed all of Rockland County's 13 leagues and four leagues in southern Orange County. According to the old *News-Leader-Independent*, District 18 in 1972 boasted 11,000 young players, making it the largest Little League district in the world. Spring Valley alone had 1,000 players.

For about 35 years, Haverstraw was the only league in Rockland with a lighted field, which positioned it perfectly to

serve as the home of the championship games in the early years of The Journal-News Little League Tournament of Champions.

The tournament was founded in 1961 when a Haverstraw merchant approached the sports editor of The Journal-News asking that the newspaper hold a baseball tournament to benefit Jawonio, an agency in New City that provided services to the merchant's son, who had cerebral palsy.

Nick presided over the tournament through the 1972 season. Under his watch, games at the Little League and Babe Ruth levels were played at various Little League fields around the county.

But when the time came for championship games to be played, Nick made sure the premier Haverstraw field was available for those title games in the 1960s and early 1970s. In its earliest years, fundraising consisted of a Journal-News sportswriter passing a hat to seek donations for Jawonio.

When that wasn't bringing in enough money to suit Nick, he shifted all the games to Haverstraw and guaranteed the agency \$1,000 yearly.

Eventually, having the entire Tournament of Champions played at Haverstraw Little League became the norm, first in August and more recently in June, raising \$10,000 to \$15,000 annually for Jawonio.

But the tournament might not have survived to become the prototype for so many other fundraising youth sports tournaments were it not for Nick Picarello's leadership and the generosity of the Little League he helped create and nurture into a local power and role model for so many other programs across the state.

Nick, who made his living as a salesman at the former Schmidt Chevrolet dealership, was only 50 at the time of his death in February 1973.

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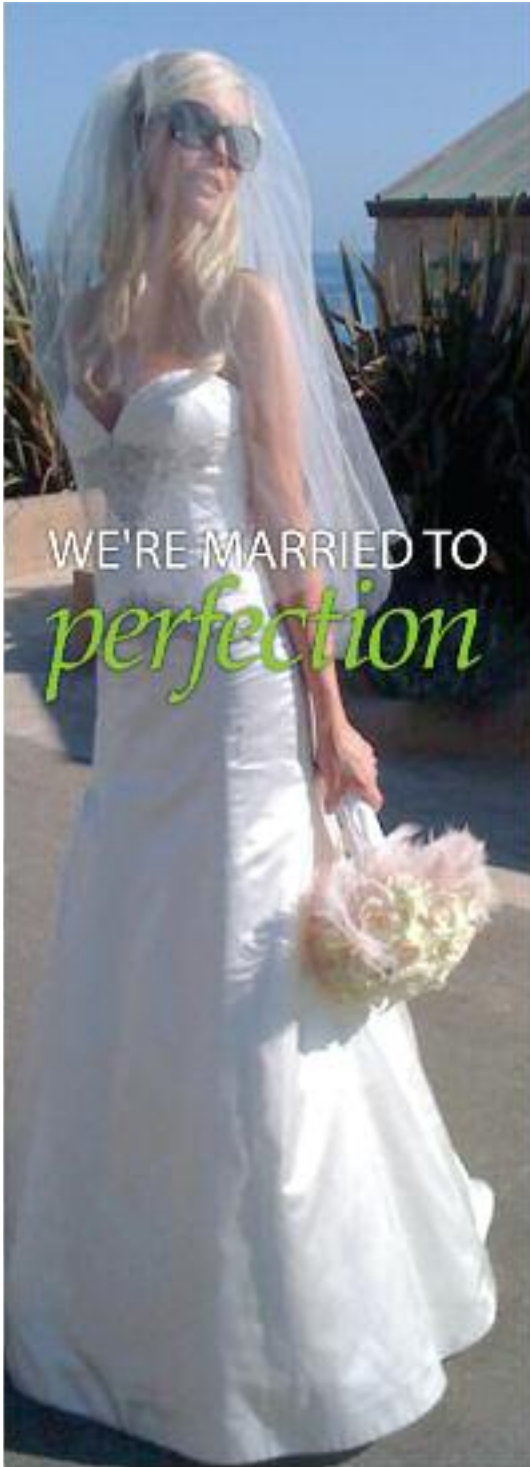
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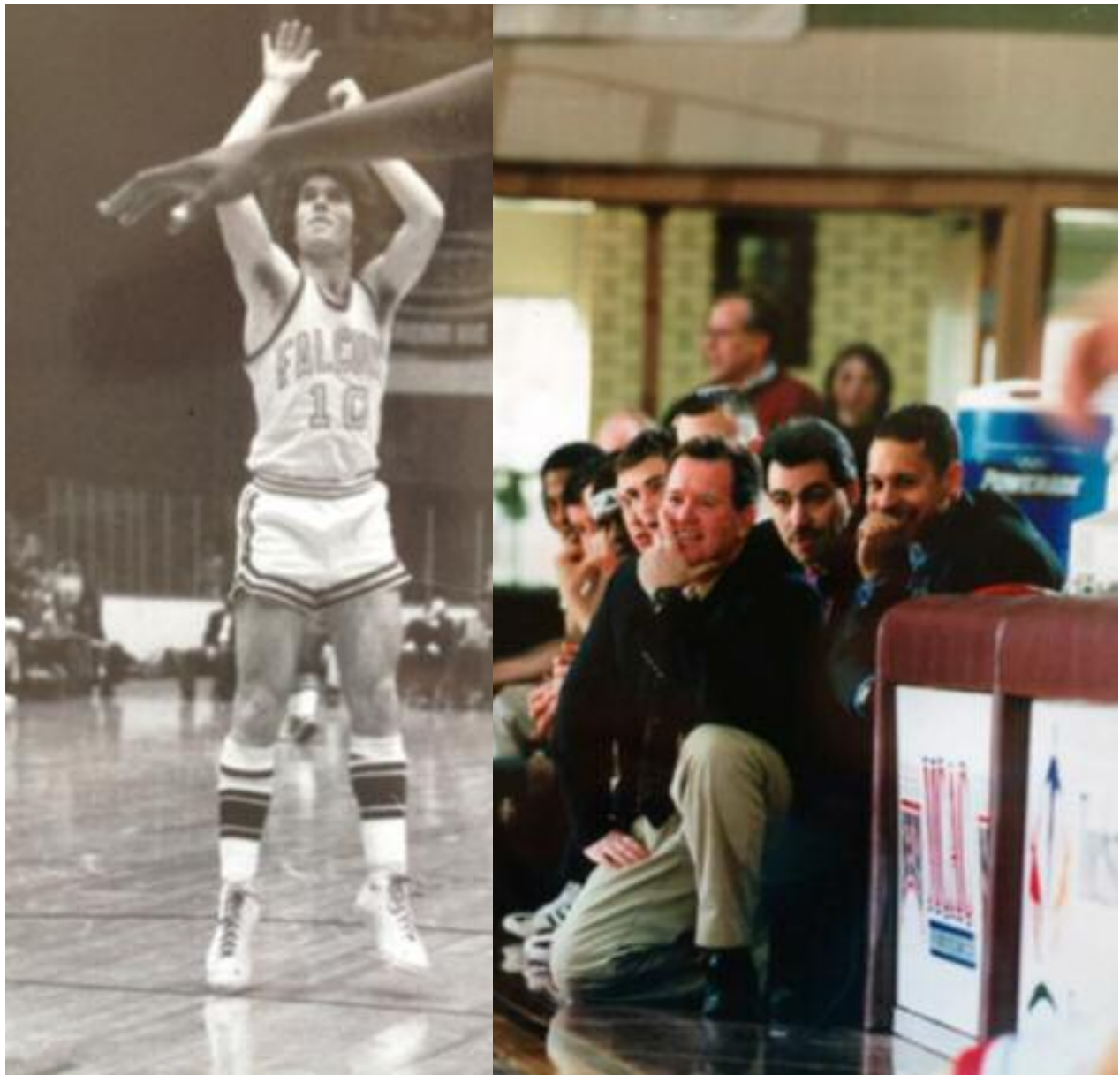
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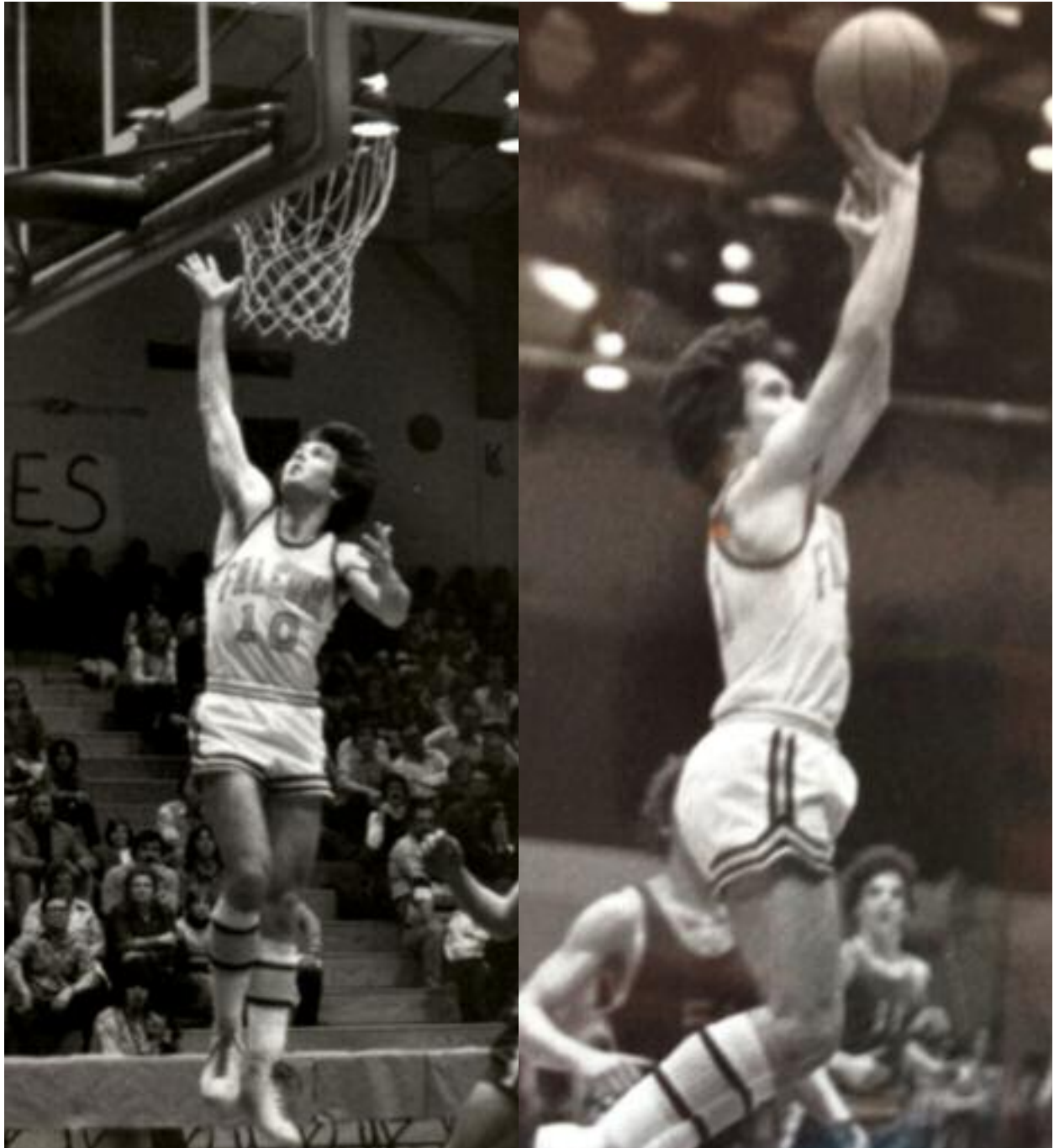


Dad,

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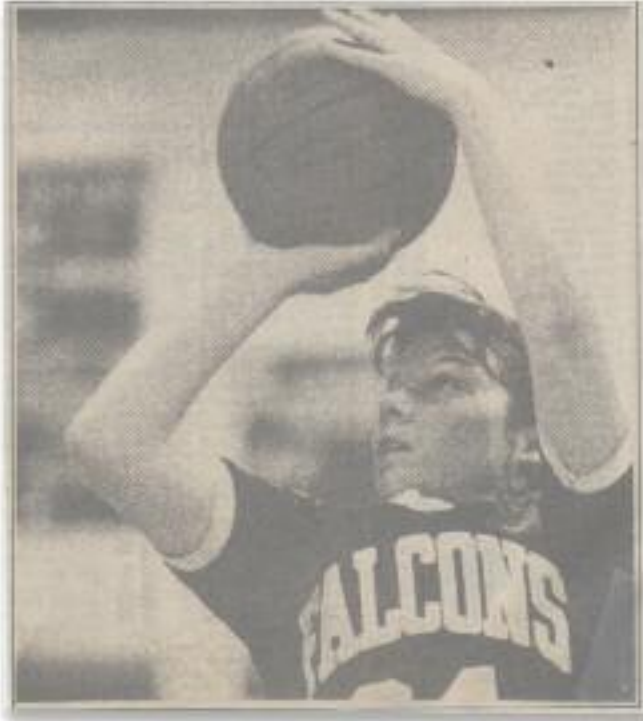
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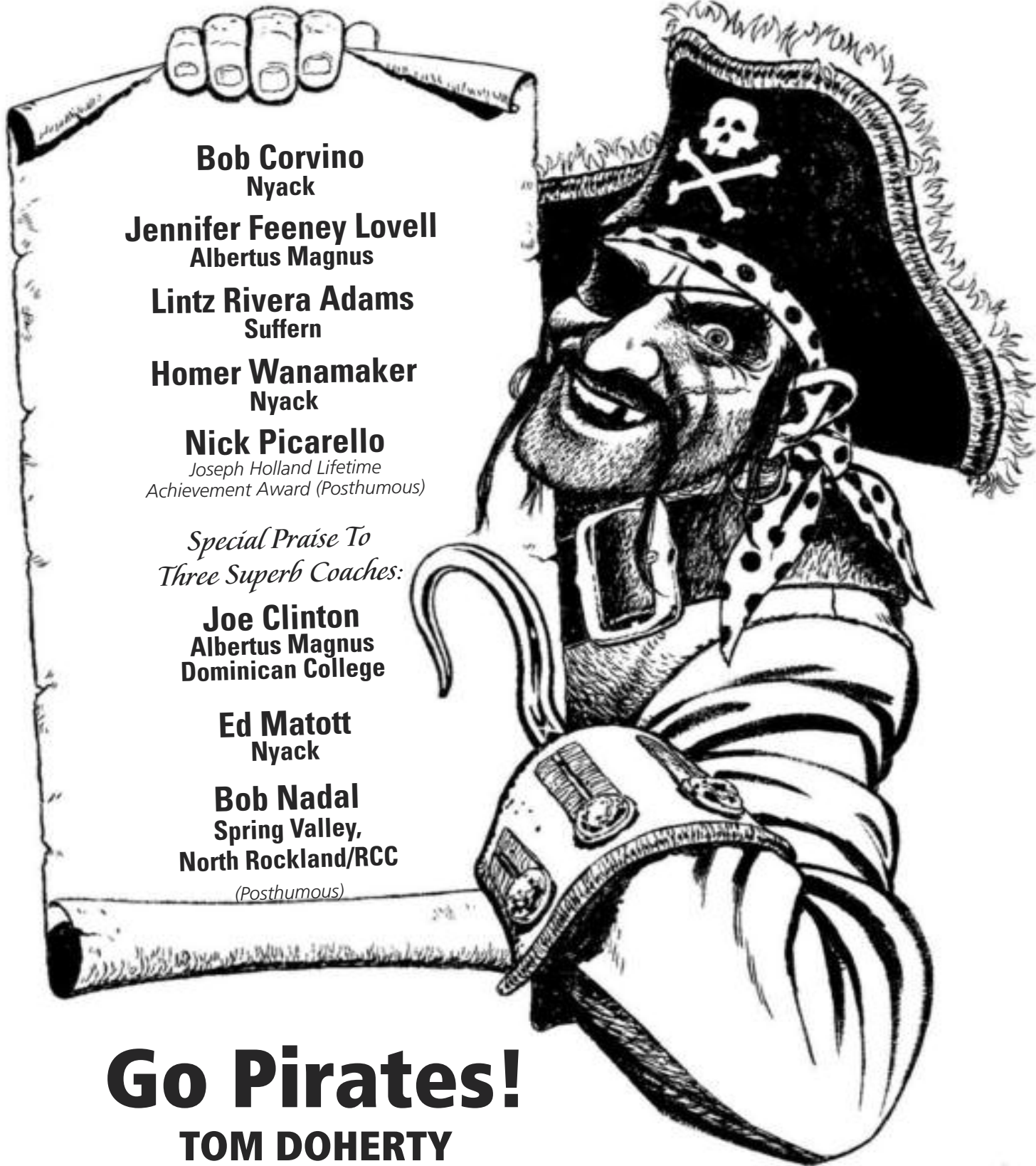
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**THE NYACK H.S. CLASS OF 1952 WISHES TO CONGRATULATE THE
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The June 1952 graduating class of Nyack Jr.-Sr. High School wishes to announce the formation of Nyack High School's own Sports Hall of Fame. Dan White and a special organization committee will have more news shortly.

Now let's honor tonight's honorees.

First, from Nyack High School: Bob Corvino (1969), High School All-American in football; Homer E. Wanamaker (1971) distinguished football, soccer, swimming, and baseball player; and Edmund Matott, Nyack Basketball Coach, outstanding college soccer official, and a semi-pro baseball pitcher for Rockland County Teams.

We would also like to congratulate:

Joe Clinton (Albertus Magnus 1979) basketball and baseball; Jennifer Feeney Lovell (Albertus Magnus 1991) basketball; Lintz Rivera (Suffern) track; Robert Nadal (Spring Valley 1957) RCC Baseball Coach; Nick Picarello, (Haverstraw) football, basketball, boxing, bowling, Little League coordinator.

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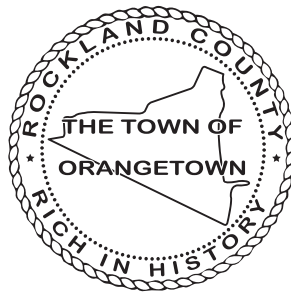
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Nick Picarello – Joseph Holland Lifetime Achievement Award
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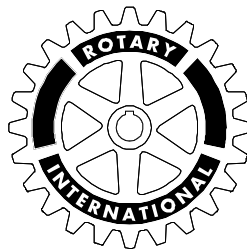
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