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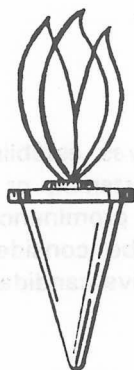
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Master of Ceremonies	Leon Pesner

COMMITTEES

Dinner	Leon Pesner
Program Book	Harry Jackson
Screening	Joe Grasso
Shrine	F. McGarvey
Trophy	Joe Grasso
Tickets	Dan White

NEW INDUCTES FOR 1996

HARRY LEWIS BABCOCK
GERALD T. KAPUSINSKY
JOHN ORLANDO

AL SIMONDS
GEORGE GARRECHT
MARTIN J. SPRINGSTEAD

Concluding Remarks and Thanks	Leon Pesner
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ENSHRINEMENT REQUIREMENT

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

- A. Attain prominence in either Professional or amateur sports as a player, coach, manager, official, owner, writer or broadcaster.
- B. Have been either a resident of Rockland County or competed here at the time of his or her prominence.
- C. Be a person of integrity and good character.

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

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SPORTS HALL OF FAME PAST RECIPIENTS

***Deceased**

1974

Charles (Chuck) Aleno
Henry (Peck) Artopee*
Dr. Daniel (Danny) Fortman*
Joseph (Jo-Jo) Mackey
Howard (Howie) Pierson

1975

Roger Brown
Joe D'Auria
Bill Drescher*
Bill Hogan*
Donald (Pop) Sherwood*

1976

H. Parker Tallman*
John Koster*
Jim Ridlon
Pete D'Auria*
Gloria Callan Jones

1977

August Bradley Chapman*
Nick Gamboli*
Ed Greene
Harry Jackson
Richard (Gus) Shankey*
Paul Toscano

1978

James (Jim) Brown
Harold (Hale) DeChelfin*
James (Jim) Faulk*
James A. Schnaars
Nicholas (Nick) Mottola*
Ira Shuttleworth*

1979

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

1980

Dr. Jeffrey Munson
Arthur Orlando*
Britain Patterson*
Nickolas Ryder
Horace Tyrus
Emil Wilis*
Mickey Wittman

1981

Arthur Hopper*
Frank Horan
Howard Johnson
Lester Lepori
Walter Ostrom
Victor Shankey*
William 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
Brian Hassett
Bob Tierney*

1985

Wilbur J. (Wil) Arietta*
Joseph (Josh) Bolack
Eugene (Gene) Erickson
Anthony John Gemma
Joe (The Saint) St. Lawrence*

SPORTS HALL OF FAME PAST RECIPIENTS

***Deceased**

1986

Joe Alleva
John Jemison
Harold Lederman
Bob Mathias
Sylvester McGee *

1987

Fred Hahn*
Charles Holbrook
Chuck Scarpulla
James Stamos
Robert Strack

1988

Ronald Becraft
Darryl Brown
Tom Canty
Pat D'Auria
James Feeney

1989

Ralph Consiglio
Patty Dillon
Vincent Kovalsky
Frank Nelson*
Bob Wolff

1990

Denise McGuire
Guy W. Guccione
Abraham Schuster
Robert Schassler
Don Clancy*

1991

Steve Drummond
Lewis Brundage
Johnny Burns*
Peter Haubner
Ether Doller
Dominic Gamboli

1992

Murray Olderman
Jerome Bonomolo
Joseph (Biscuit) Picarello
Dale Lydecker
John Mercurio

1993

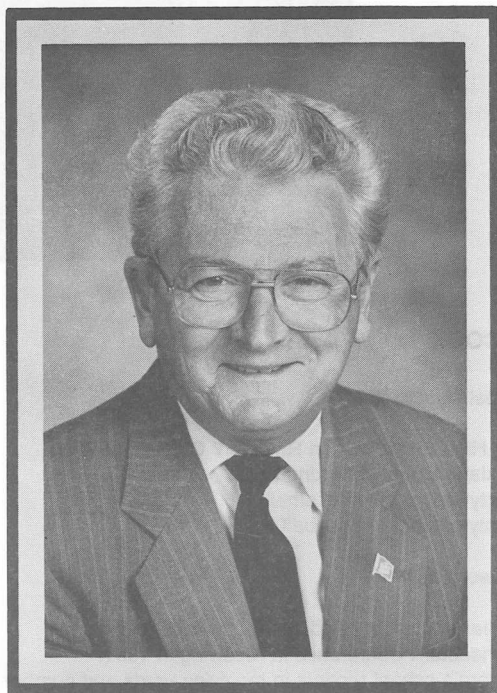
Jim Kane
Kathy Miller Dapolito
Jay A. Bohnel
Mike Deane
Don Driscoll

1994

Hubert Nealy
Martin "Hawk" Jacobs
Joe Goldsmith
Thomas F. Collins
Ronald Tellefsen

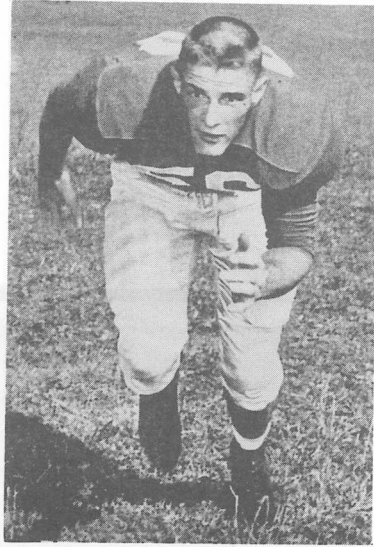
1995

Ronnie Edwards
Walter "Red" Levy
Max Talaska
Joe Klopchin
Joe Mc Dowell
Paul Urban



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**"FOUNDER OF THE ROCKLAND
COUNTY SPORTS HALL OF FAME"**



HARRY LEWIS BABCOCK

Born: Aug 12 , 1930, West Nyack, NY.

High School: Pearl River High School, Pearl River, NY Class of 1949.

- *** All - Rockland County blocking back.
- *** All - county forward in basketball.
- *** All - county catcher in baseball.

College: University of Georgia (1950-54)

Athletic.

- *** Three - year starter for Bulldogs at offensive end.
- *** Led Southeastern Conference in receiving in 1951.
- *** Broke Georgia school records in receiving yards and number of pass caught.
- *** All - Sec First Team, 1951.
- *** All - Sec baseball centerfielder, 1951.
- *** 1953 Hula Bowl - first player from Southeast invited.
- *** 1952 East-West Shrine Game - scored touchdown on winning East team.
- *** First player selected in National Football League Draft in 1953 - picked by the San Francisco 49ers.
- *** Selected best offensive end in Sec in 1951 by Atlanta Constitution.
- *** Selected to the International News Service All-South Team, 1951.
- *** Winner of Jenkins Award in 1952 as Georgia's best lineman.

Professional: San Francisco 49ers (1953 - 56)

- *** Injuries forced retirement midway through '56 season.

GERALD T. KAPUSINSKY

Year Graduated: 1963

Sports Played:	Football	J.V. 1	Var 3
	Basketball:	1	2
	Baseball (Family Illness 1 yr	2	
	Track		1

All County Honors:

Unam.	Baseball Centerfield	1963
	Football End/Def back	1962

Records of Honors Received:

Baseball B.A. 396 Outfield (No Errors).

Football Top five scoring Jr. / Sr. years.

Back of week - 3 T. Downs.

College Attended: St Thomas University, did you graduate?

Yes, Major: Education Master Degree: Univ. Bridgeport, Comments related to college activities: M.A. Education, Professional Diploma Education Administration, Currently Assistant Principal at North Rockland High School.

University of St. Thomas - Houston, Texas

3 Letter Baseball

M.V.P. Baseball - batting average 416 (1965)

Semi-Pro-Bergen Co, League-All League 1964,

No. Jersey League - All League 1964

Texas Professional League (Football)

Cornerback and Safety 1965, 1966, 1967

1966-All League Def. back

1967-Injured Knee & Shoulder (2 operations)

P.S.A.L. Football Official - 1979 - 1995

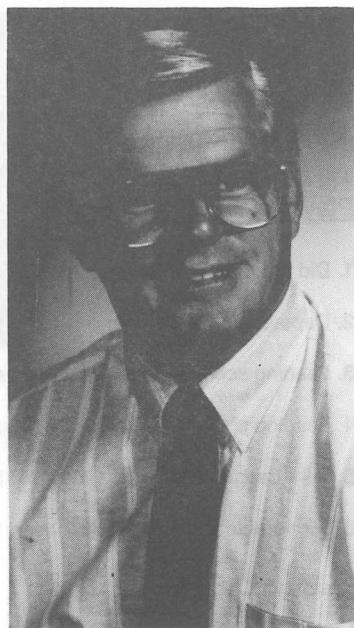
E.C.A.C. Football Official - 1994 - 1995

P.S.A.L. Lacrosse Official - 1982-95

College (NCAA) Lacrosse Official 1988-93

Head Referee in Numerous Sec. 1 and 9 Bowl games in Football and Lacrosse.

Golf - Assistant Golf professional (teacher) 1990-95



JOHN ORLANDO

Playing Career - College

1. Did not play until College
2. Captain - Jr. & Sr. Year
3. Leading scorer - Soph. - Jr. - Sr. year
4. Leading scorer in nation - 1961 season with 37 goals in 10 games.
5. All - League 1961 and 1962 (1st team)
6. Honorable Mention All- American 1962



CLUB - PLAYING CAREER

1. 6 years with Long Island Lacrosse Club - National Champions 5 of the six years.
2. Holder of scoring record in a National Championship Club game.
1968 - Long Island vs. Maryland Lacrosse Club - 3 goals in 7.5 seconds.
3. Club All - Star North - South Game 1968
4. Player - Coach and MVP - New Jersey Lax Club 1970
5. Finished playing career as Player - Coach Yorktown Lacrosse Club 8 yrs.

COACHING CAREER - COLLEGE & CLUB

1. 1 Year Fresh Coach - Penn State
2. 8 years - Asst. Coach USMA, West Point
(A) 1969 - National Champs
3. 1 year New Jersey Lacrosse club (Head Coach & Player)
4. 1 year New York Lacrosse club (Head Coach & Player)
5. 8 years - Yorktown Lacrosse Club (Head Coach & Player)

HIGH SCHOOL COACHING CAREER

24 YEARS AS SUFFERN VARSITY COACH 1969 - 1993
285 WINS

- 9 Section titles
- 3 Regional titles
- 20 Rockland County titles
- 8 losses in 24 years in R.C.

Produced 19 H.S. All - Americans

Total record as a head Coach - All - levels - 375 wins - 95 losses

Inducted into the City College of New York Athletic Hall of Fame in 1972.

AI SIMONDS



Some statistics on Al Simonds, former 3-sport athlete at Nyack High School and Basketball Captain at Bowdoin College.

- Earned nine varsity letters at Nyack High, 3 year starter in baseball and basketball, 2+ in football.

- All - County PSAL selection in basketball (twice), baseball (twice) and football.

- Quarterback of Nyack's co-champion 1954 football team (first time Nyack won since 1946) and its 1955 runner-up team, a relatively unprecedented era in which the Indians defeated their arch rivals Haverstraw (40-0, 20-0) Tappan Zee (20-13, 20-0) and Pearl River (19-0, 28-0), as well as Spring Valley (13-0) and Suffern (31-6). Had seven TD passes and ran for four. Also played safety (5-8, 135 lbs) and returned punts.

- Averaged more than 21 points per game in basketball and was a unanimous first team All-County selection in 1955-56.

- Fourth player in Rockland County history to score more than 40 points in a basketball game (42 vs Tappan Zee in 1956).

- Varsity shortstop for three years, All-County in 1955 and 1956, batting .309 and .396. Committed only three errors in two years. Also pitched when needed, even hurling one-hitter against Tappan Zee.

- Winner of the James E. Grasso Memorial trophy as the Outstanding All-Around Athlete in Rockland County (1956).

- Earned scholarship to Bowdoin College. Was three-year starter, Co-Captain and top scorer on the basketball team. Led upset victories over Division I teams such as Rutgers and Delaware.

- Three-time Bear Mt Summer Basketball League All-Star playing with teams from Piermont (Tallman Mt. Boys Club), Nyack (Lucky's Men Shop) and Haverstraw (T.J. Freeman Insurance) and was leading scorer on the first Rockland County team to win the title (Freeman).



George Garrecht

May 2, 1925

1937-38

Tappan Grammar School - Coach William O. Schaeffer - Pitcher and Infielder.

1940-41-42

Haverstraw High School - Coaches - Joe McManus and Ed Danowski

Infield 1940, Pitcher 1941 - 5W -3L, Pitcher 1942 - 8W-2L.

Haverstraw Caseys Summer League Pitched 16 games 13W -3 L. Mgr. Pete Schuler.

Haverstraw high School 1942 No Hit No Run game vs Pearl River. Still have signature baseball. Varsity letters

baseball, basketball. Broken collar bone varsity football.

1942

We all went off to war. Served 3 1/2 years USN Aviation Radioman Gunner IC. Flew back seat of SBD and SB2C dive bombers. Saw my first professional softball game in San Diego in 1943. Windmill, lights, softball stadium, etc. Taught myself to pitch when we had time to play in the Pacific.

1946

Lederle-County Hardball League Mgr. Pete Mauro pitcher 3W-3L

One of the losses vs Congers Liberties-struck out 21 batters and lost 3-1. Picked to pitch in all star game at the end of season. All star game was played as a benefit for Red Murin who broke his leg during the regular season.

1947

Tappan Blue Devils - Rockland County League pitcher 7W - 5L

We also played independent teams from Westchester and Long Island arranged by baseball scouts so they could evaluate talent they were interested in.

1948

Nanuet AC Mgr. Art Hopper - 2nd Place county League. Pitcher 12 W-3L. Started Bowling at Wawayanda Lodge in Sparkkill and Nyack Bowling Center.

1949

Nanuet AC - Mgr. Art Hopper County Baseball League. League Champions Pitcher 12 W - 2L

Pitched for Nanuet AC vs New City Farmers sunday afternoon a 9-1 win and Tappan Mens club vs Dunnigans in a softball game the same night at Nyack under the lights a 5-1 victory. Bowled with Pete Hackett and Hubie Nealey Sr. in a county traveling league.

1950

We built a new ball field in tappan and entered the County Baseball League. We called the team the Tappan Colonials. Our first year we finished 2nd. to the Congers Liberties.

1951

Tappan Colonials - Mgr. Nick Mattola county Baseball League. Division II champions. Played with Herb Dietrich, John Stockdale, Joe Maurer, Art Fowler, Al Baker, J. D'Auria, Dom D'Auria, On December 31 I bowled 755 in the Nyack Classic League.

1952-53

Tappan Colonials Mgr. Nick Mattola Rockland County Baseball Champions. For two years we compiled a record of about 27W-3L. Herb Tietjen and myself did the pitching and this was a solid ball team and dominated baseball in the county.

1954

Tappan Lions - J.P. thomsen Mgr. County Softball League. League Champions. Pitched 10W - 2L

1956

Tappan Plumbers C.S.L. League Champions Pitched 12W-3L.

1957

Nyack Bowling Center Booster League Champions.

1958

Tappan plumbers - C.S.L. League Champions. Pitched 14W-1L, 2 no hitters. Nyack Bowling Center Booster League Champions.

1961

Tappan Mens Club - Mgr. Joe Grasso C.S.L. Champions
Blackie Consiglio 8W-OL Garrecht 6W-OL, 1 no hit

1962-66

Managed numerous Little League Teams.

Nyack Classic League Bowling Champions	1963 1966
King Pin booster League Bowling Champions	1964 1966
King Pin Booster League Bowling Champions	1969 1975

Raced a Lighting Class Sailboat	1954 1964
Inducted into the Rockland County Softball Hall of Fame	1984
Rockland Country Club Senior Golf Champion	1983-85-89-93
Ken Venturi Golf Classic Gross Championship	1985-89-95



MARTIN J. SPRINGSTEAD

Native of Garnerville, N.Y.

A National Sports Award recipient, Marty Springstead, is no stranger to either sports or awards. His colorful officiating performances behind the plate and on the field have been displayed in major League Baseball for 20 years.

The 5'11", 180-pound Umpire completed 20 seasons as an Umpire in the American League in 1985. He played baseball as a youngster in High School, American Legion, Semi-Pro and in the military service. He combined his sports, talents and competitive abilities in baseball and other sports as well while attending Farleigh Dickinson University in Teaneck, New Jersey.

Following college he traveled to Daytona Beach, Florida, where he enrolled in the Al Sommers Umpire School. A year later in 1960, Marty Springstead, as a rookie, began his professional career as an Umpire. He became a member of the American League Umpiring Staff in 1966 and was the League's senior umpire for many years.

Highlights on his career include service in the Class "C" Northern League, 1960; U.S. Army Baseball, Fort Hood Texas, 1961-62; Class "AA" Southern League, 1963-64-65. He has worked in three Major League All-Star Games, 1969, 1975, 1982. He has also officiated in five American League Championship playoffs in 1970, 1974, 1977, 1981 and 1984, and in the World Series in 1973 (New York Mets-Oakland Athletics, 1978 (New York Yankees-Los Angeles Dodgers), and 1983 (Philadelphia Phillies-Baltimore Orioles). He has had the distinction of working two no-hitters behind the plate - a rarity in professional baseball. Marty wore the number "4" and was a Crew Chief in the American League for 11 years.

Marty is very much in demand as a guest speaker, and has taught and lectured throughout the world. He has held clinics in Japan where he instructed the Japanese Professional Umpires of the Pacific League, and has also taught in various Canadian Provinces and for the United States Air Force in the countries of Spain, Holland and Germany.

At the end of the 1985 season Marty was taken off the field as an active Umpire and on January 1, 1986 was promoted to the job of Executive Director of Umpires for the American League - a position that was held by Dick Butler for 17 years until his retirement in late 1985, and which had been held by only three men prior to Marty.

Marty now works in that position full time and resides in the city of Sarasota, Florida.



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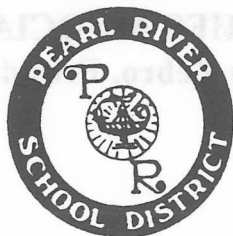
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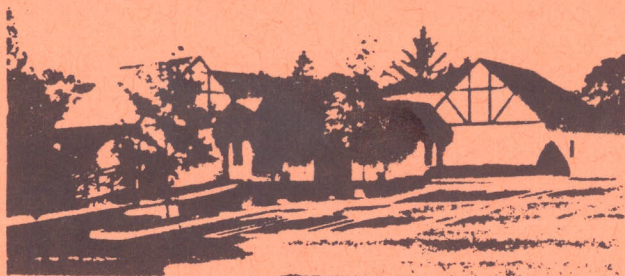
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