

ROCKLAND COUNTY SPORTS HALL OF FAME CELEBRATES ITS



APRIL 1, 2023

PARAMOUNT COUNTRY CLUB NEW CITY, NY

50 YEARS OF SPORTS EXCELLENCE

In honor and acknowledgment of the D'Auria members (Gerald, Pete and Pat D'Auria) who have been bestowed the glorious achievement as long time members of the Rockland County Sports Hall of Fame.

You have been a shining example of drive, dedication and determination to us all!

Lance Arietta

Heidi Higgins Sermabekian

Shawn Kapusinsky

Jim Scaringe



Dave Billings

Mary Brechbiel-Agnetti

Kimberly McDole-Gordon

Joe Famellette

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The D'Auria Family wishes to extend their congratulations to the 2023 RCSHF Inductees.



BRUNO ABLONDI (1979) Pearl River, 1947; All-County football, basketball, baseball



FRED ADLER (2017) Haverstraw, 1953; Multi-sport Athlete Joseph Holland Lifetime Achievement Award



CHUCK ALENO (1974) Pearl River, 1936; Pro baseball player, Cincinnati Reds



JOE ALLEVA (1986) Suffern, 1971; All-State quarterback, All-County baseball



NOREEN ANNUNZIATA APICELLA (2008) Pearl River, 1982; All-County in softball, soccer, basketball



LANCE ARIETTA (2023) Tappan Zee, 1976; 2x State Champ, Pole Vault 2 NYS Records



WIL ARIETTA (1985) Nyack, 1941; Top bowler; All-County football, basketball, baseball



JIM ASHCROFT (1984) Spring Valley, 1964; Track sprinter, New York State 100-yard dash champ



HENRY (PECK)
ARTOPEE
(1974)
Nyack, 1930;
11 letters in four sports;
early superstar



WARREN AUSTIN (1983) Congers, late 1930s; Youth sports advocate, bowling, football



HARRY BABCOCK (1996) Pearl River, 1949; first player chosen, 1953 NFL draft, by 49ers



BOB BACHELLER (1979) Congers,1929; 16 letters in four sports; tennis legend in Rockland



JEFF BECKER (2011) North Rockland, 1995; NYS Player of Year, football and baseball



RON BECRAFT (1988) Suffern, 1949; Basketball; once scored 56 points in amateur game



JOE BIDDY (2009) Suffern coach; Boys cross country, won 2 NYS & 1 Federation title, state record for wins



DAVE BILLINGS (2023) Nyack, 1972; 2x NYS Champ, Track, X-Country State Record, 2-Mile



PHIL BOGLE (2019) Spring Valley 1998; University of New Haven San Diego Chargers Tampa Bay, Cleveland, Philadelphia Soul - AFL



JAY BOHNEL (1993) Pearl River, 1959; All-County halfback; 13 letters in 5 sports



JOSH BOLACK (1985) Haverstraw, 1942; All-County 3 sports; minor-league shortstop



JERRY BONOMOLO (1992) Pearl River, 1951; 3-sport All-County; Nanuet basketball coach



MARVIN BRANCHE (1984) Spring Valley, 1950; Held County discus record for 25 years



MARY BRECHBIEL AGNETTI (2023) Albertus Magnus, 1974 Trail-Blazing Girls' Basketball Star Early Record-Setter



JIM BRECHBIEL (1983) North Rockland, 1972; State football player of the year, 1971



DARRYL BROWN
(1988)
Nanuet, 1971;
Basketball scoring leader,
track champion jumper
Fordham standout and
County Record
high jump & triple jump



JEFF BROWN (2009) Clarkstown South, 1978; County career scoring record; 3-time All-County



JIM BROWN (1978) Nyack, 1952; Rec softball star, All-County in three sports



ROGER BROWN (1975) Nyack, 1956; 6-time Pro Bowl Lineman in NFL (Lions, Rams)



LEW BRUNDAGE (1991) Pearl River, 1951; Twice All-County halfback; clutch performer



JEFF BRYANT (2003) Tappan Zee, 1971; top-rated basketball referee; 4-sport athlete at TZ, co-Athlete of Year in '71





KEITH BULLUCK (2013) Clarkstown North, 1995; NFL linebacker, 11 yrs., Tennessee All-State football at North



JOHNNY BURNS (1991) Haverstraw; Organizer & promoter, Letchworth Big 5 Basketball



JIM CANN (1999) Clarkstown South, 1986; Record-setting rusher; NYS co-player of year



TOM CANTY (1988) Suffern, 1957; Champion wrestling coach, Ramapo and Pearl River



RICK CAREY (2014) Nanuet, 1978; 3x NYS Champ, High Jump County Record 7' 1/4" University of Houston



MIKE CARROLL (2005) No. Rockland; Girls volleyball coach; Two NYS titles; 15-time league & County, 14-time Sectional champs



JOE CASARELLA (1999) North Rockland; Football coach, AD; won 1993 NYS title; 190+ wins



JOHN CASTELLANO (2017) Nyack Football Coach 19 years 160-22-1 Record



AUGUSTA BRADLEY CHAPMAN (1977) Nyack; National tennis champion in early 1900s



DON CLANCY (1990) Nyack, 1963; Track sprinter, former County record-holder, 100/220



JOE CLINTON (2015) Albertus Magnus, 1979; Gifted player Union College Successful Coach Dominican College



GEORGE COATES
(2019)
Tappan Zee, 1963;
OB, Point Guard,
Leading Batter,
X Country, Track



MICHAEL COFFEY (2019) Pearl River, 2006; Joseph Holland Lifetime Achievement Award



TOM COLLINS (1994) Albertus Magnus, 1964; AM hoops coach, 400 wins; No.3 all-time



JOSEPH CONACE
(2010)
Nyack,1940s;
3-sport letterman in
wrestling, baseball &
football; first-team
All-County tackle in football



KRISTEN CONKLIN-SULLIVAN (2011) Suffern, 1986; All-County softball pitcher; County Player of Year in soccer



RICH CONKLIN (2000) Nanuet, 1967; Winningest wrestling coach, No. 2 in football



RALPH CONSIGLIO (1989) Suffern, 1949; All-County football; Suffern coach, 1965-84



(2022)
North Rockland, 1985;
NYS Wresting Champ
Placed all four years
Syracuse/Central
Connecticuit State



MARCEL COOPER (2012) Nyack, 1988; NYS wrestling champ; 2-time U.S. Sr. Natl champ; took third in 2000 & 2004 Olympic Trials



RALPH CORDISCO (1984) Haverstraw, 1937; Haverstraw/ Noorth Rockland Football Coach 1956-79



BOB CORVINO (2015) Nyack, 1969; 3 year Varsity Football 3 year letterman at Univ.of Bridgeport Coach - Port Jervis HS



FRANK COSENTINO (1979) Tappan Zee, 1951; 3-sport All-County; Section 9 golf champ



WILL CUNNANE (2022) Clarkstown No., 1992; Major League Baseball Padres, Brewers, Cubs, Brayes





JULIUS D'AGOSTINO (2007) Pearl River Coach; 4 County wrestling titles; 2-time Coach of the Year in Baseball



GENE DALL (2019) North Rockland Coach, 1970-2017 Track, Cross Country 48 County, 40 Section Titles 18 Indiv. NYS, 2 National Champs



GEORGE DALZELL
(2001)
New City;
Prolific basketball scorer;
NBA draftee;
Colgate star



KATHY (MILLER) DAPOLITO (1993) Ramapo, 1978; All-County basketball, softball, tennis



GERALD D'AURIA (2001) Nyack, 1939: 4-year All-County shortstop; one year of pro ball



JOE D'AURIA (1975) Tappan Zee, 1955; 17 letters in 5 sports; amateur golf champion



PAT D'AURIA (1988) Nyack, 1936; All-County baseball, football; batted .681 as a junior



PETE D'AURIA (1976) Nyack, 1932; Six-time All-County in 3 sports; semi-pro shortstop



FRANK DAWSON (1983) Pearl River, 1953; All-County football punter; rec softball great



MIKE DEANE (1993) No. Rockland, 1970; Basketball All-America, Div. I head coach



"HALE" DECHELFIN (1978) Haverstraw, 1930; 6-sport athlete, Ex-Hall of Fame chairman



DEER HEAD INN & SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT Joseph Holland Lifetime Achievement Award (2013)



HARRY DEMBNICKI (1979) Suffern, 1942; Was one of top golf instructors in the country



FRANK DEPATTO (1982) Suffern, early 1940s; 3-sport All-County; local semipro star



TOM DEPATTO
(2014)
Haverstraw, 1960:
Basketball & Baseball
Clarkstown Coaching
Legend, Cross Couuntry,
Wrestling & Baseball



THOMAS DICKSON (2018) Clarkstown, 1968; Three sport athlete 10 varsity letters, Mets minor leauger



JOHN DIFFLEY (2012) Albertus Magnus, 1985; All-NYS soccer, Parade All-America; 1st alternate to 1988 Olympic team



CHARLES F. DITTMER
(2008)
Congers, 1948;
Track, basketball, soccer & baseball; played on Congers Liberties, 2-time County champ



TOM DOHERTY
(2005)
Pearl River
coach, athletic dir;
2 NYS titles & 1 Federation
crown, boys cross country;
2 County, 3 Section 9
track titles; innovative AD



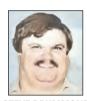
ETHEL DOLLER (1991) Nyack, 1944; Women's bowling president; Hall of Fame secretary



PHIL DONNELLY (2017) Pearl River, 1993; 14 Varsity Letters Wrestling - 4 time NYS Place Finisher Old Dominion Univ.



BILL DRESCHER (1975) Congers, 1939; Played for both NY Yankees and NY Knicks



STEVE DRUMMOND (1991) Clarkstown, 1961; multi-sport athlete, famed sports writer



RON EDWARDS (1995) Nyack, 1963; First County 1,000 point scorer; State high-jump champ



GENE ERICKSON (1985) Spring Valley, 1949; Alternate goalie for 1956 Olympic hockey



WIL ESCHEN
(2022)
Suffern, 1940;
Three Sport All-County
Coach at Suffern and
Potsdam State Univ.



JOE FAMELLETTE RCC, Phys Ed, Coach 1960-2010 Joseph Holland Lifetime Achievement Award



KHYL FARRISON (2013) Suffern, 1999: All-NYS football, wrestling, baseball 3x All-Section in each sport



JIM FAULK (1978) Sparkill; Successful athletic director at St. Agnes School, 1934-1958



JENNIFER FEENEY LOVELL (2015) Albertus Magnus, 1991; 1990-91 Basketball NYS Player of the Year Leader of 1990-91 State Champs



"SHAM" FEENEY (1988) Haverstraw, 1945; Set County basketball scoring records



DON FISCHER
(2014)
Tappan Zee, 1975;
Multi County & Sectional
Records, 200-meter IM
NYS Champion
Univ. of South Carolina



JOHN FLAHERTY
(2007)
St. Joseph Regional;
attended GW on baseball
scholarship; 14-year major
league career with Red Sox,
Tigers, Padres,
Rays & Yankees



T.J. FORD
(2010)
Nanuet, 1990;
Football, NYS
Class C Player of Year;
13 school records;
All-Section lacrosse midfielder; hoops point guard



50 Years of Sports Excellence



DAN FORTMANN (1974) Pearl River, 1932; NFL Hall of Fame lineman, Chicago Bears



JIM GALLO (2004) Haverstraw, 1938; 14 varsity letters; 10-time All-County: 4 in baseball, 3 each in football and basketball



"BABE" GAMBOLI(1991)
Haverstraw, 1935;
Little League founder and administrator



NICK GAMBOLI (1977) Haverstraw; Nationally renowned boxing judge, official



TONY GAMBOLI JR. (1982) Spring Valley, 1956; Threw back-to-back no-hitters



GEORGE GARRECHT (1996) Haverstraw, 1942; Softball pitching ace; sailing world champ



TONY GEMMA (1985) Valley Cottage; Clarkstown baseball coach; won 9 PSAL titles



TOD GILES (2001) Ramapo, 1980; Greco-Roman wrestling; 3rd, 4th in Olympic Trials



JOE GOLDSMITH (1994) Ramapo, 1972; Won 2 New York State wrestling titles; sixth, NCAA Div. I



DEBBIE GRANT (2001) Ramapo, 1983; 5-time NYS track champ; 4th, 5th Olympic Trials



JOE GRASSO
Joseph Holland Lifetime
Achievement Award
(2003)
Tappan Zee, late 1940s;
founding member of Hall of
Fame; 60 yrs of service to athletic community



GARY GRAY (2013) Nyack basketball coach; 432 wins, No. 2 all-time 4 Section 1 titles



ED GREENE (1977) Suffern, 1931; 3-sport All-County, coach; 1st RCC athletic director



BOB GROSSMAN (1979) Upper Grand View; 3-time national race-car champ



GUY GUCCIONE (1990) Suffern, wrestling coach; Won 6 County titles, 4 Section 9 crowns



PETER HACKETT
(2003)
Nyack; champion bowler;
First 200+ average in
County Major League; first
700 series in RCBA tourney;
co-founder, RCBA &
Golden Pins tourney



MIKE HAGON (1997) Suffern, 1974; New York State mile champ, Rockland record-holder (4:07.8)



FRED HAHN (1987) Nyack, mid-1940s; pitched in one game for St. Louis Cardinals



DAVE HANSON (2004) Nanuet track coach; 16 County titles, 15 Section 9 crowns in spring & winter track; NYS Federation champion, cross country



TONY HARLIN
(2006)
Nanuet, 1976;
Rockland's premier strongman;
NYS shot put champ, County
record; 6-time IC4A champ at
Manhattan; 5th in 1984
Olympic Trials



KEN HARNIMAN (2002) Nyack, 1933: Multi-sport star; County mile, cross country champ Journal-News Sports Writer



BRYAN HASSETT (1984) Clarkstown, 1966; 3-sport star; tryout with Yanks; softball whiz



PETE HAUBNER (1991) Spring Valley, 1967; Basketball Player of Year, All-County QB



BARBARA HEBEL (2007) Clarkstown South, 1982; 9-time All-County in basketball, soccer, softball & track; Player of Year in hoops; College coach





VIRGILIO "CHICO" HERNANDEZ (2016) Spring Valley, 1958; Multi-sport Athlete 10 Time All-County SUNY New Paltz Baseball & Basketball



JON HESS (2006) Nyack, 1994; Lacrosse star; County record career points, 3-time All-County; led Princeton to 3 national titles; 3-time All-America; MVP of Final Four



HEIDI HIGGINS SERMABEKIAN (2022) Spring Valley, 1981; Multi-Sport Star 1st HS girl in NYS to play on boys'

baseball team



DAVID HIRSCH (2003) Clarkstown South, 1990; NYS wrestling champ, All-America; 3-time All-County; NCAA champion at Corneli; 3-time Eastern & Ivy League titlist



REID HOFFER (2008) Clarkstown, 1967; All-County basketball & soccer; at Hartwick, starred in hoops, jumps in track; toured with U.S. All-Star hoops



BILLY HOGAN (1975) "Pride of Piermont"; Boxing legend; AAU jr. lightweight champ



CHARLES HOLBROOK (1987) Clarkstown, 1966; Soccer, basketball, baseball standout Supervisor -Town of Clarkstown



JERRY HOLLOHAN (1979) Pearl River, 1929; 9 letters in football, basketball, baseball



ART HOPPER (1981) Pearl River, mid-1920s; Little League/youth sports supporter Respected Local Journalist



FRANK HORAN (1981) Haverstraw, 1953; All-County pitcher; hockey coach at St. Joe's



JIM HORVATH (2009) Ramapo, 1972; NYS wrestling champ; 3-time Rockland, 2-time Section 9 titlist; All-County football end/linebacker; star wrestler at S. Illinois



KEVIN HOUSTON (2000) Pearl River, 1982; Army basketball, led NCAA in scoring



"SPIKE" ISRAEL (2010)
Spring Valley, 1946;
3-time All-County football;
County champ wrestler,
10 letters total; wrestling official, officiated
NCAA Div. I champs



HARRY JACKSON (1977) Spring Valley, 1931-33; Champion runner; Mile and Long Distance 1st Rockland HS runner to break 5-minute mile



"HAWK" JACOBS (1994) Haverstraw, 1944; Basketball scoring champ, semipro star



GEORGE JAKOWENKO (1982) Nyack, 1968; NFL kicker with Oakland, four other teams



JOHN JEMISON (1986) Nyack/Congers; Dominant softball pitcher; 2,146 wins, 145 losses



HOWARD JOHNSON (1981) Suffern, 1940; 4-sport athlete, teams won 9 County titles



GLORIA CALLEN JONES (1976) Nyack, 1942; national swim champ; AP Athlete of Year



SETH JOYNER (2001) Spring Valley, 1982; 13-year NFL linebacker; 3-time Pro Bowl, Philadelphia Eagles



JIM KANE (1993) Nyack, 1945; Top official; 20-year RCPSAL coordinator of officials



KEVIN KANE (1998) Nyack, 1976; 4-sport All-County; top soccer goalie, North Carolina



GERALD KAPUSINSKY (1996) Haverstraw, 1963; 4-sport athlete; football, lacrosse official



HANK KAPUSINSKY (1997) Haverstraw, 1959; record-setting running back; 26 TDs



SHAWN KAPUSINSKY (2023) North Rockland, 1986; 5x All-County Golf Skiing standout



BUD KAST (2013) Pearl River, 1938 Led '37 football to undefeated County title 3-yr. starter at Dartmouth



(2011)
North Rockland, 1972;
Football, baseball; coached
RCC baseball to 7 Region
XV titles, 1993 berth in
Junior College World Series; RCC AD



JAMIE KEMPTON (2005) Albertus Magnus, 1976; Champion distance runner; led 2 NYS champ XC teams; 100+ road-race & track wins; ex-Journal-News Sports Writer



BUSTER KEYES
(2018)
Clarkstown, 1972;
Three Sport Star
NYS Bronze Medalist,
Long Jump
Sub. - 10 second
100 Yard Dash



LEE KLEPPER
(2005)
Suffern, 1969;
Rockland's first 2-time
NYS wrestling champ;
52-0 record last two years;
excelled at Princeton &
New York Athletic Club



LOU KLIEWE (1998) Pearl River, 1950s; Was winningest boys' hoop coach (Spring Valley/ Albertus Magnus)



JOE KLOPCHIN (1995) Congers, 1948; baseball ironman; record-breaking soccer scorer



ED KOLAKOWSKI (2014) Suffern Coach; Siena College Sports Hall of Fame (Basketball) A great leader, coach and player.



JOHN KOSTER (1976) West Nyack; won 4 national bowling titles; 19 perfect games





"DUGAN" KOVALSKY (1989) Haverstraw, 1951-54; prolific basketball scorer



BILL KURISKO
(2003)
Nanuet, 1987;
Rockland career scoring
leader in basketball,
lacrosse All-America, AllNYS football; starred at
Wagner; 10-year pro hoop
career



DERRICK LASSIC OWENS (2002) N.Rockland, 1988; Top rusher, NYS Player of Year; Running Back - Alabama National Champs & Dallas Cowboys Super Bowl Champs



BOB LAWSON (2018) Clarkstown, 1964; Multi-sport Athlete Captain & All-County Holy Cross - QB



TOM LAWSON (2021) Clarkstown, 1966; Multi-sport Athlete NY Daily News Football All-Metro Player Notre Dame, Colts, Jets



HAROLD LEDERMAN (1986) Orangeburg; boxing judge; judged over 50 world-title fights



LESTER LEPORI (1981) Spring Valley, 1932; 16 letters in 4 years; held shot-put record



GEORGE "DOC" LEITNER (2022) Piermont, 1885; Rockland's 1st Pro Baseball Player Indianapolis Hoosiers Fordham University -Baseball



ERVAN LEVINE (1999) Suffern, 1937; champion sprinter; undefeated 3 years in 100, 220



"RED" LEVY (1995) Spring Valley, 1950; football halfback, track sprinter, center fielder



MIKE LONGUIL
(2009)
Nyack, late 1940s;
3-time County wrestling champ; wrestling head coach; asst. track 15 yrs.; officiated wrestling and track



DALE LYDECKER (1992) Nyack, 1970; pro baseball draftee, top punter, had NFL tryouts



JO JO MACKEY (1974) Haverstraw, 1963; 8-time All-County in 3 sports; 8 County titles



ROCCO MARANO (1998) Haverstraw, 1945; All-County basketball forward; grid lineman



GENE MARTIN
(2011)
Tappan Zee, 1955;
NYS mile champ;
Eastern States & NYS
cross country titlist;
County mile record 16 yrs.;
starred at Manhattan



BOB MATHIAS (1986) Clarkstown, 1972; vaunted basketball center; So. Carolina star



ED MATOTT (2015) Nyack Coach, 1958-77; Daily News Coach of the Year Rockland '75 158-60 Overall Record Multi-Sport Official



E.J. MAURER (1979) Nyack; organizer, first president of Rockland Bowling Assoc.



CHUCK MAZE
(2018)
North Rockland, 1973;
Football, 1st Team Daily
News All-Star
1st Team All-State, NYS
Sports Writers
Brown University
Football/Wrestling



JACKIE MCCRACKEN HOUCK (2018) Nanuet, 1984; 10 Varsity Letters 1988 Journal News "Nanuet Best Ever" Female Athlete



JOE MCDOWELL (1995) Nyack; Coach Track, cross-country coach; won 6 PSAL, 8 Section titles



MEIDREICH
(2019)
Pearl River, 1991;
Soccer, Basketball, & Track
at PRHS, Soccer & Basketball at Mitchell College
Soccer & Basketball at STAC



KIM MCDOLE-GORDON (2023) Ramapo, 1983; Track Jumper, Sprinter Won 5 NYS Titles Long Jump, 100m, Relays



"MOLLY" MCGEE (1986) North Rockland, 1970; NFL & CFL running back, kick returner





ED MCGRATH (1982) Clarkstown; Basketball coach, won 10 PSAL titles



JOE MCGUINNESS (2016) Clarkstown So., 1978; Coach & AD Albertus Magnus & Tappan Zee West Point - Point Guard Manhattan (MVP)



DENISE MCGUIRE (1990) Pearl River, 1979; Hoops star; First County girl to score 1,000



HOWIE MCNIFF (1998) Albertus Magnus, 1973; 3-time state champ, track, cross country County Record, 2-Mile



TOM MCTAGGART
(2012)
Suffern, 1965;
world-recognized track
official; worked 2 Olympics;
33-yr. wrestling ref;
winning coach,
Suffern girls track/
XC; swim/dive official



BARBARA MELLEN-SPEERIN (2010) Clarkstown North, 1976; 4-sport standout; County record for soccer goals; County-leading .667 softball batting avg



JOHN MERCURIO (1992) Tappan Zee; Pro softball player; author, local sports records



RON MORGAN (2016) Congers, 1952; Multi Sport Star 15 Varsity Letters MVP Army/Navy All-Star Team



NICK MOTTOLA (1978) Tappan Zee 3-sport coach, won 6 PSAL titles; Suffern coach/AD



TOM MOUNKHALL (1997) Albertus Magnus, 1962; Basketball ace; Spring Valley tennis coach



LORRAINE MOYLAN
(2014)
Pearl River, 1976;
Coach at PR & AM
536-140 Record
Back-to-Back NYS &
Federation Class B championships at Albertus Magnus



GENNY MULDERIG ALLARD (2003) Suffern, 1981; NYS swim champ; state record, 100 back; Nat'l champ, All-America, Villanova



TOM MULROY
(2017)
Ramapo, 1974;
Pro Soccer 13 Years
Ulster Community College
NJCAA Hall of Fame in 1993
and named to the NJCAA
"Team of the Century"



JEFFREY MUNSON (1980) Tappan Zee, 1956; Champion trapshooter



SHERRY MURPHY
MCGILL
(2019)
Spring Valley, 1988; Co
Rockland's Top Female in
100/220 Dash 3 Yrs. Florida St./
Temple/ECAC Finalist 3Yrs
Record-setting sprinter



BOB NADAL (2015) Spring Valley, 1958; Coach North Rockland and RCC All-County 2 Sports Hofstra Football Starter



HUBERT NEALY (1994) Tappan Zee, 1954; 7-time All-County, 3 sports; deaf since youth



FRANK NELSON (1989) Nyack Boys' soccer coach; won 12 league titles, 1956-73



RANDY NELSON
(2008)
Nyack, 1970;
Soccer kingpin;
County scoring record;
3-time All-County,
All-Section;
All-America at West Point



(2004)
Tappan Zee, 1979;
Champion swimmer, 4-time
All-County & All-Section;
All-America at Cortland;
8-time Coach of the Year
at Suffern



ROBERT NEUENDORF (2007) Tappan Zee, 1980; Swimming star; undefeated in County meet 4 years, Section 9 meet 3 yrs.; 5-time NYS runner-up; swam for Div. I Maryland



KATHERINE NOWELL (2016) Clarkstown So., 1978; Swimming High School All-America Jr. & Sr. Yrs. University So. Carolina & Ramapo College Coach Clarkstown South #1 NYS & #14 nationally



TOM O'BRIEN
(2018)
Pearl River, 1958;
Multi-Sport Athlete
Longtime Umpire, Sports
League Organizer
Joseph Holland Lifetime
Achievement Award



MURRAY OLDERMAN (1992) Spring Valley, 1938; Nationally syndicated sportswriter



JANICE OLSZEWSKI (2009) Nanuet, 1979; Basketball center; County scoring record; first Rockland girl over 1,000 points; starred at Div. I LaSalle



ART ORLANDO (1980) Clarkstown, 1956; All-County soccer (goalie), basketball, baseball



JOHN ORLANDO (1996) Suffern Winningest hockey coach, 2nd among lacrosse coaches



WALTER OSTROM (1981) Orangeburg; Expert trapshooter, won 4 North American titles



DENNIS O'SULLIVAN (2012) North Rockland, 1994; All-NYS lineman, led NR to State title; captained Tulane to unbeaten season; NFL lineman for 49ers, Jets & Texans



JEANETTE PADDOCK (1983) Spring Valley, 1959; Multi-sport star; tennis champion



LEON PESNER
(2005)
Spring Valley, 1939;
former Hall of Fame
chairman and member of
first executive committee
Joseph Holland Lifetime
Achievement Award



RRIT PATTERSON (1980) Pearl River, 1936; 7-time All-County, 4 sports; 5 PSAL titles



BILL PERRY (1982) Nyack, 1931; One of premier basketball players of his era



"BISCUIT" PICARELLO (1992) Haverstraw, 1952; baseball, football, basketball standout



NICK PICARELLO (2015) Haverstraw, 1940's; Multi-Sport Athlete Joseph Holland Lifetime Achievement Award



HOWIE PIERSON (1974) TZ, 1954; 4-sport star; pro baseball; golf champion; RCC AD



PAUL PIETROPAOLO (2008) Nanuet, 1976; First Rockland wrestler to 100 wins; 3-time County, 4-time Section 9 champ; 3-time NYS place-winner



JIM POLLARD (2006) Spring Valley, 1963; County & Section 9 champ jumper/sprinter in track, All-County quarterback/ halfback; Coached at Ramapo



DENNIS POZSAR (1997) Clarkstown, 1959; winningest boys' soccer coach; 6 Section titles



NORINNE POWERS (2002) Nanuet 1989; NYS hoops Player of Year; Holy Cross star; pro



"DIXIE" REILLY (2007) Haverstraw, 1955; 2-time All-County in basketball, led team to County, Section 9 titles; colorful hoops official, 24 yrs



RUDOLPH E. REJHOLEC (2005) Nyack; Coach, athletic dir.ector; introduced new sports; helped found Nyack Little League, Babe Ruth & Connie Mack League



JIM RIDLON (1976) Nyack, 1952; NFL defensive back for 8 years, 49ers and Cowboys



LINTZ RIVERA ADAMS (2015) Suffern, 1981; State Champ, 300 meters 2x NYS Champ, 4x400 Relay Rockland Record 400m, 55.3



BECKLEY
(2005)
Clarkstown North, 1976;
10-time All-County
in 4 sports



LEWIS
(2004)
Suffern, 1983; all-time track
great; 5-time NYS champ;
8-time County champ;
held 6 County records
in middle distances



MIKE ROTUNDO (2013) Tappan Zee, 1954 16 varsity letters basketball, track, baseball, XC



TOMMY ROWE (2019) Spring Valley, 1975; Baseball All County MLB Minor Leaguer -Orioles, Mariners, Indians, Mets



DAWN ROYSTER (2000) Nyack, 1983; All-State hoops, track; starred at UNC; Europe pro



ED RUBBERT
(2004)
Clarkstown North, 1983;
All-County QB;
broke 10 passing records at
Louisville; led Washington
Redskins to 3 wins in
strike season (1987)



ELIZABETH RYAN
Old-Timers Special Award
(2008)
Pomona; amateur swimmer,
earned bronze medal in 1936
Olympics in 400-meter relay,
1st Rocklander to
medal in Olympics



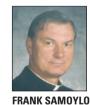
NICK RYDER (1980) Haverstraw, 1959 NFL fullback Detroit Lions, 1963-64



MARGIE SAHLSTROM-JAXEL (2010) Nanuet, 1992; basketball Player of Year, first-team All-State; top 5 Cty career scorer; County soccer goals record; 1,000-point scorer at STAC



JOSE SAINT-VICTOR
(2022)
Nyack, 1973;
All-County Football
and Track & Field
Syracuse University
3 Year Starter as OT
Bengals, Cowboys,
Generals (USFL)



(2004)
Albertus Magnus, 1968;
Basketball star; Rockland
Player of the Year, All-NYS;
Georgia Tech team captain
& MVP



THOMAS SANDERS
(2018)
Nyack, 1971;
11 varsity letters, 4 each in football and track and 3 in basketball
Daily News All-Stars, All-Metropolitan Team



JOHN SCANLAN (2006) Pearl River, 1969; 4-time County & Section 9 champ, led PR to 4 County titles; National junior college champ at Orange County CC



JIM SCARINGE (2023) Tappan Zee, 1973 Football, Wrestling, Baseball All-State Defensive End



CHUCK SCARPULLA (1987) Pearl River, 1959; 2-sport All-County; Ramapo coach, AD



"RED" SCHASSLER (1990) Haverstraw, 1952; Pitched in Brooklyn Dodgers organization



JODI SCHLESINGER SALSBERG (2013) Clarkstown South, 1999 3x Nat'l, 7x NYS champ, triple jump No. 2 all-time NYS



JIM SCHNAARS (1978) Congers; Nationally ranked amateur and pro lawn tennis standout



RICH SCHUMACHER
(2014)
Suffern, 1966;
2x All-County Football/
Wrestling/Baseball
E. Stroudsburg State 87-7-2
Collegiate Record
Coach, Bucknell Univ.



ABE SCHUSTER
(1990)
Spring Valley 1947;
Wrestling athlete, coach, official, administrator,
50 yrs



"GUS" SHANKEY
(1977)
Haverstraw, 1917;
Pro & semipro baseball;
Fordham 2-sport star



VICTOR SHANKEY (1981) Haverstraw, circa 1900; Pro baseball; pitcher, home run hitter



"POP" SHERWOOD (1975) Spring Valley, 1915; Popular official, newspaper editor, writer



IRA SHUTTLEWORTH (1978) Pearl River coach, 1927-56; AD, 1927-60; 23 titles won/shared



WALT SICKLES (1983) Pearl River, 1936; All-County running back, pitcher; Cornell star



STEVE SILVERBERG
(2016)
Ramapo, 1975;
4 Yr. Varsity Wrestler
NYS Champion and
H.S. All-American
University Virginia
4 Varsity Letters, MOW 2x



AL SIMONDS (1996) Nyack, 1956; 5-time All-County, 3 sports; county's top athlete, 1956



TODD SINCLAIR (2019) North Rockland, 1980; Fastest 1,500 ever run by a Rocklander -1980 NYS Mile Champ University of Florida Steeplechase, 1,500 Champ



KRIS SNIDER (2002) Suffern, 1974; Lacrosse record-setter; 3-time All-America at Virginia



PATTY DILLON SOLLIDAY (1989) Clarkstown South, 1974; State & National champion swimmer



LINDA SOTO (2016) North Rockland, 1984; Member NYS Softball Hall of Fame NYS Softball Player of the Year, 1984



JOHN SOTTILE
(2009)
North Rockland coach;
3 NYS baseball crowns,
6 Section 1 titles;
Coach of the Year
3 times NYS,
8 times Rockland,
one time nationally



MIKE SPARAGO
(2010)
Suffern, 1982;
3-time All-County hockey;
played on
U.S. national junior teams;
starred at Div. I Ferris State;
played Class A pro



MARTY SPRINGSTEAD (1996) Garnerville; Major League Baseball umpire for 20 years



JIM STAMOS (1987) Spring Valley, 1956; 4-time All-County, 3 sports; Hofstra grid star



JOE ST. LAWRENCE (1985) Pioneering Suffern track/XC/football coach; 9 PSAL titles



TIM ST. LAWRENCE (2008) Suffern, 1966; NYS pole vault champ, state record; starred at Alabama & post-collegiately; coached Warwick track/XC



MARGARET "BABS" STEAD (2022) Official -- Track & Field, Volleyball, Swimming, Girls' Basketball Joseph Holland Lifetime Achievement Award



JOHN STEPHENS (2016) North Rockland, 1989; First-team All-State Defensive Tackle 4 NYS Shot-Put Titles Syracuse University



BOB STRACK (1987) Haverstraw, 1952; Football Player of Year, 1950, 1951; top scorer



"JUMBO" STRACK Old-Timers Special Award (2003) Spring Valley, pre-1920; 2-time Olympic wrestler, 1924, 1928; NCAA champ; pro football, Chicago Cardinals



DAWN SUGRUE
(2012)
Ramapo, 1991;
All-County soccer goalie &
basketball player; 6-time
County champ in shot, discus and javelin; 1,200+ pts.,
Dominican hoops;
All-NAIA



DAN SULLIVAN (2012) Albertus Magnus, 1972; 2-time All-County guard, basketball; Daily News All-Star; 1,500+ points at Dominican College, Charger Hall of Famer



GIBBY SWEET (1999) Pearl River, 1968: NYS wrestling champ; All-America at RCC



MAX TALASKA (1995) Pearl River coach/AD; Key figure in girls' sports, realignment



HOWARD PARKER TALMAN (1976) Spring Valley, 1912; 3-time grid All-America; champion sprinter



AL TAYLOR (2017) Nyack, 1960; 9 Varsity Letters Team All-County Football and Basketball 1st County Shot-Putter over 50 Feet



DICK TEETSEL (2002) Albertus Magnus Track/cross country coach; trailblazer; top official



RON TELLEFSEN (1994) Congers, 1954; National President, Babe Ruth League; top umpire



BOB TIERNEY (1984) Pearl River, 1936; 3-sport All-County, Princeton football captain



PAUL TOSCANO (1977) Clarkstown, 1963; 3-sport ace; nationally ranked QB, Wyoming



HORACE TYRUS (1980) Nyack, 1933; 6-time All-County; pitcher, halfback, QB; 5 titles



PAUL URBAN (1995) Haverstraw, 1948; 5-sport star; captain 3 sports; tossed 6 one-hitters



JEFF VAN WIE
(2006)
Suffern, 1983;
Track ace; NYS recordholder, 800 meters; Golden
West national champ;
3 County records;
All-America at Notre Dame



JOHN VAN WYCK
(2006)
Nyack, 1945;
4-sport All-County;
MVP & leading scorer as
fullback & punter;
pitcher/cleanup hitter;
won County shot put
and discus titles



VICTOR VELTIDI
(2012)
Pearl River, 1948;
Nanuet native;
2-time All-County football,
All-County baseball pitcher;
2 yrs. in Dodgers
farm system



BOB VELTIDI
(2019)
Nanuet, 1965;
Multi-Sport Athlete
Longtime Suffern coach,
Rockland Sports Historian
Joseph Holland Lifetime
Achievement Award



ED WANAMAKER (2013) Nyack, 1972 Soccer Player of Year All-County baseball Hockey, volleyball star



HOMER WANAMAKER
(2015)
Nyack, 1971;
All-County Baseball,
Football, Soccer
University of Bridgeport
40 Consecutive PAT's
FG Knute Rockne Bowl



STEVE WANAMAKER (1997) Nyack, 1973; All-State mid.linebacker; All-County outfielder



"WEB" WANAMAKER
Old-Timers Special Award
2011
Nyack, 1942;
All-County football, baseball;
set County swimming mark,
teacher & coach,
Haverstraw/N. Rockland



WALT WEISS (2002) Suffern, 1982; Shortstop; 13-year MLB career; 1988 Rookie of Year



JEROME WHIDBEE
(2017)
Nyack, 1966;
Three Sport Star
Lettering in Football,
Basketball and Baseball
Captain & All-County in All 3,
All-Daily News Starting QB



BILL WHITE
(2001)
Suffern, 1958;
Suffern wrestling coach;
8 County,
5 sectional titles



CHARLIE WHITE (2022) Spring Valley, 1972; Track and Football Star Running Back for NY Jets, Tampa Bay, San Diego



DAN WHITE
(2007)
Nyack; Hall of Fame board
member; sponsored many
successful nominees for Hall
Joseph Holland Lifetime
Achievement Award



SHULTON WHITLEY
(2011)
Nyack, 1977;
Hurdles king; County record,
County record still stands
County Track Athlete of
Year; starred at Rutgers;
made 1984 Olympic Trials



EMIL WILLIS (1980) Spring Valley, 1932; Record-setting end, punter; County track champ, 440, 880



EMIL WILLIS, JR. (2021) Spring Valley, 1952; Lettering in Football, Basketball and Baseball Coaching - SVHS and Rockland Community College



BOB WILLIS (2022) Spring Valley, 1959; 2 Time All County Football and Baseball Springfield College "Little All-American"



THADDEUS WILSON
(2014)
Nanuet, 1969;
Track - 6 County Titles
3 County Records
Football All-County and
Team Captain



BLAISE WINTER (1998) Tappan Zee, 1980; 11-year NFL defensive lineman; Syracuse MVP, All-East



AL WITT
(2014)
Journal-News
Photographer
Joseph Holland Lifetime
Achievement Award



MICKEY WITTMAN (1980) Nanuet, 1962; 6'7" hoops All-America; Miami scoring leader



SARAH WILL (2000) Nyack, 1983; Multiple gold medalist, Paralympic/World mono-skiing



BOB WOLFF (1989) South Nyack; Sports announcer; broadcast World Series, Super Bowl



ROBERT "ROBBIE" WOODS (2010) Nyack, 1976; All-NYS football and basketball; County record 60 pts. in hoops, 5 TDs in FB; coached Ramapo & Nyack



WILLIE WORSLEY
(2018)
Coach Spring Valley
13 League Titles - 183-70
2x Coach of the Year - 2015
NYS Final Four - Started for
Texas Western 1966 NCAA Div
1 that defeated Kentucky with
1st all African American Team
to start in Championship game



DICK YERG (1999) Nyack, 1957; 32-year local sports writer, editor; top pro hockey writer

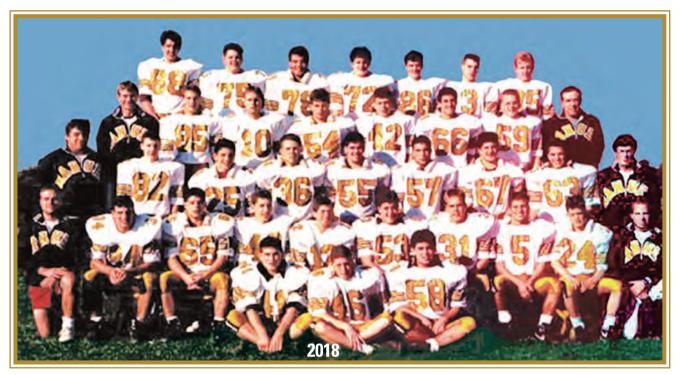


BILL YUDA (1981) Pearl River, 1927; NFL guard, Phila. Eagles, 1933-34; All-County



ALEX ZILKO (2000) Pearl River, 1939; 3-sport All-County, twice as football halfback

50 Years of Sports Excellence



Nanuet High School Football Team, 1989

Undefeated, Untied, Unscored Upon



Spring Valley High School Boys Basketball Team, 1981-1982

Fourth League Title in a row, Rockland's 1st NYS Boys' Basketball Team Champions

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Albertus Magnus High School 1990-1991 Girls Basketball Team

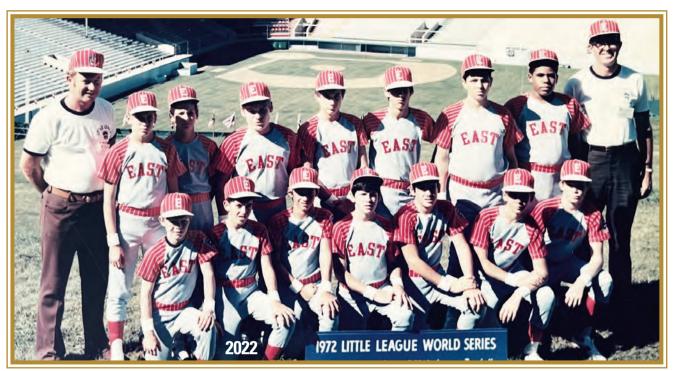
Rockland County, Section 1, New York State & Federation Champions



North Rockland High School 1971 Football Team

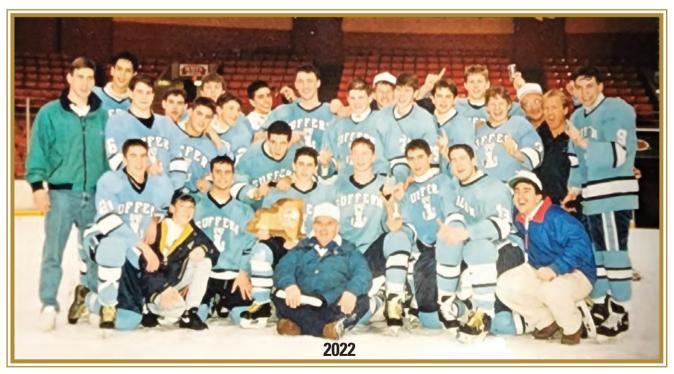
9-0 Record, County Record 308 Points Scored, Only 14 Points Allowed

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1972 New City Little League

First County Team to Advance to the Little League World Series



Suffern High School 1991/1992 Hockey Team

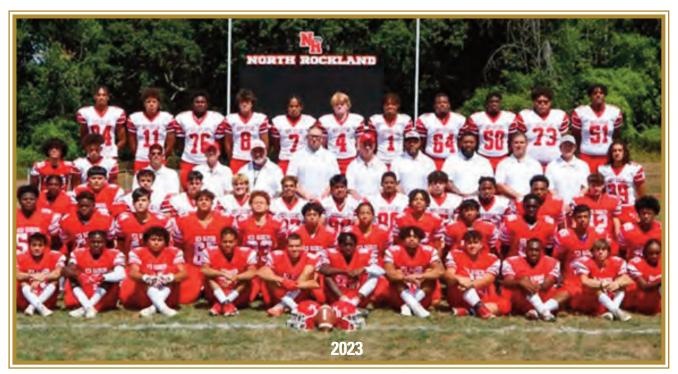
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Tappan Zee High School 1954 Cross Country Team

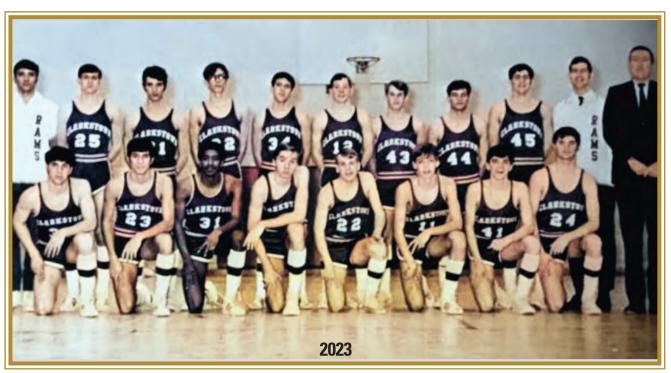
Rockland's First New York State Team Champions In Any Sport



North Rockland High School 1993 Football Team

First New York State Division AA Team Champions

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Clarkstown High School
1969-70 Boys Basketball Team

Rockland County PSAL Champions



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1974

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*

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

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 Jerrý Hollahan* Bob Grossman' E.J. Maurer* Bruno Ablondi*

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*

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

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

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 Rovster 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 H 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 HLeon Pesner Rudolph Rejholec*

2006 Tony Harlin Jon Hess Jim Pollard John Scanlan Jeff Van Wie John Van Wyck*

2007Julius D'Agostino*
John Flaherty
Barbara Hebel Robert Neuendorf Richard "Dixie" Reilly H 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 Diffley Tom McTaggart Dennis O'Sullivan Dawn Sugrue Victor Veltidi Dan Sullivan

2013 Keith Bulluck

Khyl 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 HAL Witt

2015

Joe Clinton Bob Corvino Jennifer Feeney Lovell Ed Matott Bob Nadal* Lintz Rivera Adams Homer Wanamaker #Nick Picarello*

2016

Virgilio Hernandez Buster Keyes, Jr Joe McGuinness* Ronnie Morgan* Katherine Nowell Steve Silverberg Linda Soto John Stephens H Michael Coffey

John Castellano Tom Mulroy Al Taylor* Jerome Whidbee* Phil Donnelly H Fred Adler

2018

Thomas Dickson* Bobby Lawson Chuck Maze Jackie McCracken Houck Thomas Sanders Willie Worsley 1989 Nanuet High School Football H Tom O'Brien

2019 Phil Bogle

George Coates Kristen McGarvey Miedreich Sherry Murphy McGill Tommy Rowe Todd Śinclair Gene Dall 1990-91 Albertus Magnus Girls Basketball Team 1981-82 Spring Valley Boys Basketball Team #Bob Veltidi

2021

Emil Willis Bob Willis Tom Lawson 1971 North Rockland Football Team

2022

Phil Consiglio Will Cunnane Wilbur Eschen George "Doc" Leitner Jose Saint-Victor Charlie White # Margaret "Babs" Stead 1954 Tappan Zee Cross Country Team 1972 New City Little League 1991-1992 Suffern High School Hockey Team

2023

Lance Arietta* Dave Billings Mary Brechbiel-Agnetti Heidi Higgins Sermabekian Shawn Kapusinsky Kimberly McDole-Gordon Jim Scaringe # Joe Famellette 1969-70 Clarkstown Boys' Basketball team 1993 North Rockland Football Team

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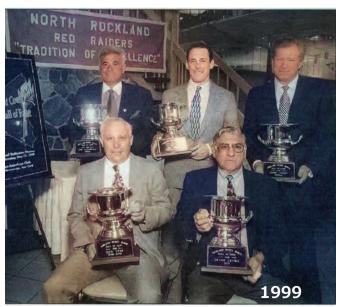
















































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- B. Reside or have resided in Rockland County, competed here at the time of their prominence, or brought fame to Rockland County as a result of their accomplishments.
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