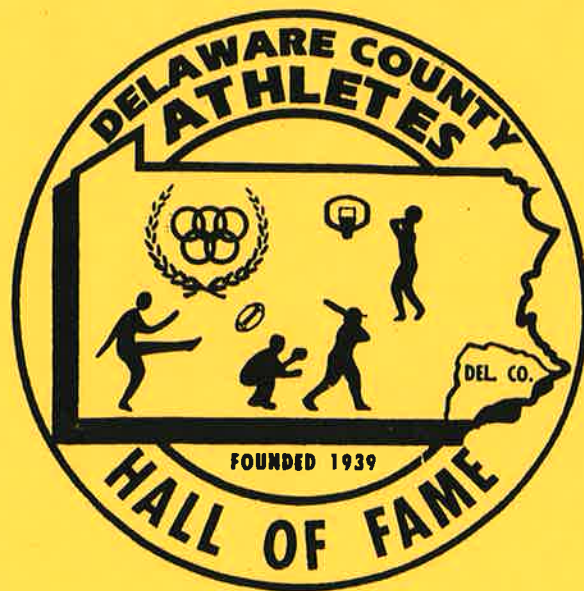


*Delaware County Old Timers
Association
60th Anniversary
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A SPORTS HISTORY

*Delaware County (PA) Athletes Hall of Fame
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DELAWARE COUNTY (PA) ATHLETES HALL OF FAME BOARD OF DIRECTORS



Left To Right: (Sitting) Joseph Cirilli, Brenda Smerigan, Patricia Mescanti, Joseph Volpone, Arthur McCall. (Standing) William McCray, Henry Lipp, Robert Urban, Thomas Blythe, Richard Pagano, Dr. Edward Coyle.

Chapter I

The Beginning

In the winter of 1939-40, the Chester YMCA, located at Seventh Street and Edgmont Avenue, was making plans to stage a father and son banquet. The banquet was being organized by Emery M. Nelson who, at the time, was General Secretary of the Chester YMCA, and the Physical Director Adam Smith.

As the date of the affair approached, only 27 tickets had been sold. As a result of the poor ticket sales, Nelson, in desperation, decided to invite L. Gordon (Dick) MacDonald, City Controller, to a meeting at his office. The purpose of the meeting was to see what could be done about the lack of interest.

At this meeting of YMCA people, MacDonald told of a banquet he had attended in Wilmington, Delaware, about a year before. The dinner was sponsored by trapshooters, and was called a Sportsman's Dinner.

At that point, MacDonald said, "Why can't we incorporate the father and son dinner into a sort of Sportsman's Dinner." Nelson and the others immediately approved.

The following week, MacDonald and the others started to sell tickets, and within one week MacDonald himself sold 187 tickets, which were priced at a \$1.00 apiece.

It turned out that the affair attracted more old timers than fathers and sons. After the banquet, Nelson told MacDonald, "The YMCA would like to see your project continued every year in our building. It's a tremendous thing, and one that should be continued." That banquet in 1940 was the birth of the Old Timers' organization that exists today.

However, it was the second affair, which was held on February 6, 1941 that supplied the spark to propel the Old Timers' banquets into the spotlight.

The Times sports section, commenting on the second annual banquet, reported, "It was a most momentous occasion, and out of the pleasurable affair may come a novel organization known as the Delaware County Sportsmen's Association to promote and encourage athletics of all kinds. Out of the newly planned association will come the sponsoring of the annual sorts dinner, at which time the outstanding athletes of our vicinity will be honored."

The advance sale of tickets for the second annual affair was so great that, at the last minute, it was switched to the more spacious Masonic Temple.

Bill Burk, Sports Editor of the *Chester Times*, served as toastmaster, while Crosby Black, Jr. was banquet chairman. The guest of honor was Phillies executive John Ogden. He was honored for his outstanding accomplishments in 25 years of baseball. Charles (Pard) Larkin presented Ogden with a gold wristwatch on behalf of the Old Timers.

Dr. Leroy Mercer, the Director of Athletics and Dean of Men at the University of Pennsylvania, also gave a talk in which he spoke highly of Ogden. Mercer had coached both Ogden and Larkin during his days as Director of Athletics and Coach at Swarthmore College.

Chester's Bill Dyer, one of radio's ace sportscasters, also spoke. He praised the remarkable turnout of great athletes, and later interviewed six local stars who were being honored that night. All six had just broken into organized baseball. They were: Mickey Vernon, Danny Murtaugh, Johnny Podgajny, Addis Copple, Larry File and Harry Morris. Each was presented with a portable radio.

Twelve members of the *Chester Times* boxing team were introduced and honored. They included Johnny Drulick, Johnny Ackerson, Len Johns, Joe Aurillo, John Aillio, Wilson Bozman, Lou Brooks, Charles Burley, Eddie King, Lou Renai, Mickey Ratay, and Pete Ward.

The affair, attended by 300 people including Chester Mayor Cliff Peoples, was such a success that its future was assured forever.

Chapter II The Early Times

The third annual banquet was held on Tuesday, March 24, 1942. Joseph W. DeFuria was the banquet chairman, and his committee included Jack Booth, Gordon MacDonald, Tim McCarey, Bernard Gallagher, Charles Schenk, Newt Myers, Stephen Cloud, Joseph Pew, Willard Reese, Howard Plummer, Crosby M. Black, Jr., Addison (Bing) Wells, Ed Hilditch, Ray Shallet, Jack Lawson, Tom Briggs, Les Aaron, Thomas C. Cockill, Jr., Leach Baxter, Adam Smith, Andy MacMurtrie and Jack Logan.

The principal speakers were Pard Larkin, Chester High School basketball coach Ellis Dwyer, and Times Sports Editor William J. Burk.

The Chester YMCA's Physical Director, Adam Smith, and outstanding local schoolboy swimmer, Don DeForrest, were honored. Also honored were the most valuable players in the Chester Church and Sunday School Basketball Leagues.

Toastmaster Larkin and Chairman MacDonald were honored at the fourth annual affair on February 10, 1943. Also honored that night for outstanding accomplishments were boxers Dan Yokis and Manley (Tim Tim) Laurence; swimmer Don DeForrest; cross country star Fred Wiley; bowlers Sam (Hap) Evans and Frank Schnaitman; baseball ace Dick Kerr; and shooter Howard Harper.

Also introduced was the Chester Times 1942 All-Delco football team. That first team included: Dave Showell, Dave Beadley and Bob Figulski from Prospect Park; Jay Dougherty and Dick Bell from Swarthmore; Chick Epright and Walt Udovich, St. James; Mariano (Nine) Stalloni of Chester; Ted Dorosh of Clifton Heights; Otto Davis, Collingdale; and Larry Inkster, Yeadon.

Speakers that night included the Reverend Joseph Dougherty, The Honorable Henry G. Sweeney, Sheriff Ray Munson, and Vince Desmond.

Ed Morrell, the new physical director of the YMCA, was recognized for his help, and the oldest guest present was octogenarian Punch Devinney.

At the fifth gathering on Monday, February 21, 1944, Dick MacDonald was honored and presented with a scroll and cup. Also honored were Barney Gallagher, Hughie Coakley and Mose Ewing.

The speakers were Judges Albert Dutton MacDade and Henry G. Sweney; Jack Stetser and Frank Boettger. Again, the oldest guest was 83-year-old Punch Devinney.

The sixth annual banquet, held Monday, February 5, 1945, was sold out two weeks in advance. Jack Stetser served as toastmaster; speakers were Mayor Ralph F. Swarts; Chester Times publisher Alfred G. Hill; Emery Nelson, Victor Boell and MacDonald.

The following schoolboy athletes were honored: Lee and Bill Garling of Ridley Township; Len Kleinman, Johnny Iacono, Jim Masticola and Bill Preston, Chester; Henry Sullivan of St. James; and Rus (Vic) Marler, Eddystone. Others who received special awards included: Eddie Rosenberg, Chester's bowling champion; boxers Freddy Sammons, Frank Parramore and Leon Szymurski; expert shooters Hardy Wilbank and Wally Oglesby.

At the seventh annual show, held Thursday, February 7, 1946, Dick MacDonald introduced the Old Timers individually, and urged that Chester do something for its youth in the way of providing more playing space.

Guest speakers included President Judge MacDade, Judge Sweney, Mayor Ralph Swarts, Stetser, Clarence Conner, Walt Layer and Elwood J. Turner, who proposed that the City of Chester get busy on building a huge sports palace. The presentation of awards was made to the following athletes: Joe Ward, Franny Desmond and Henry Sullivan of St. James; Ollie Thorpe of Chester; Jimmy Talbot, baseball; Jack Carr, ex-amateur boxing champion; bowlers Bill Gallagher and Jack Reed; Mickey McElwee, Eddystone High School basketball star; and Joe Howanaki, All-Delco football player from Ridley Township.

Mickey Vernon, winner of the American League batting title in 1946, was honored at the eighth annual dinner held Monday, January 27, 1947. Also honored were five outstanding athletes, singled out for their extraordinary accomplishments — Noah (Slick) Gethers, Chester High; Bob McCowan, All-Delco tackle for three years at Swarthmore High; Jack Daniels, all-around athlete at Prospect Park High; Jack Nacrelli, football and basketball captain at St. James; and Tony Stalloni, former Chester High graduate who captained the undefeated 1946 University of Delaware football team, and was named to the Little All-American team as a tackle.

William L. (Doc) Cornog, Ridley Park High football coach, was presented with a certificate in recognition of 25 years of coaching at one school. The principal speaker was Arthur E. Ehless, General Manager of the Philadelphia Athletics farm system.

Among the nearly 300 people present were Bobby Barrett, Len Hartline, "Pee Wee" Dougherty, Fuzzy Defarge, Pat McIlmull, Jim Bray, Walt Coppock, Bris Lord, Tom Leet, Lane A. Davis, Jim Friel, Danny Murtaugh, Curley Ogden and Curt Weigand.

Chapter III Outstanding Sportsmanship Award

The "Outstanding Sportsman" award was inaugurated at this dinner by its founder, *Daily Times* writer Matt Zabitka. Matt even paid for the first award. The first winner was Sun Village's Eddie Dodds. The presentation was made by Bill Burk. Burk was also honored with a plaque in recognition of his service through his "Sports Shorts" column in the *Chester Times*. The column was dedicated to young men of Delaware County who served in World War II.

Scrolls were presented to 11 outstanding county athletes. The recipients included: Earl Wentzel, Eddystone basketball player; swimmer Don DeForrest; bowler Hal Messick; Media High all-around athlete Cliff Moat; Sol Tollin, Haverford College basketball star; St. James distance runner Jim Dugan; St. James bowler Jim Vershinski; State skeet champion Skeets Watson; Chester High athletes Joe Tiburzi, Ted Varano and Dick Parramore.

Guests included: Mayor Swarts, Woody Ludwig, Danny Murtaugh, Dick Madison, George Alston, Bris Lord, Bob Finucane, Dr. Edward Manning, George White, Bob Shultz, Kenneth Dale, and Clifford Peoples.

William (Punch) Devinney did not attend the banquet due to illness. It was the first affair he had missed since its inception.

The second "Outstanding Sportsman" award was given to the Reverend I. Walter Nall at the tenth annual banquet, Monday, February 7, 1949. Rev. Nall was the rector of Our Lady of Peace Church in Milmont Park.

The main speaker was George Earnshaw, former pitcher for the Philadelphia Athletics. At the time, he was the pitching coach for the Philadelphia Phillies. Earnshaw stated, "Baseball is not keeping pace with the challenge of TV. It has not progressed with other forms of entertainment. Baseball must make the game more interesting and the surroundings more comfortable for the fans if it is to meet the challenge of TV."

Athletes honored for outstanding accomplishments were: Don DeForrest, Eddystone High diving champion; Wes Huffines, All-State end from Ridley Township High; Don Fryer, Chester High's cross country runner; Tony Carney, St. James basketball; Mike Cerasero, Lloyd A.C. boxer; Chick Sweeny, bowling; Steve Hester, no-hit pitcher from Eddystone; and Benny Wright, State champion sprinter from Chester High.

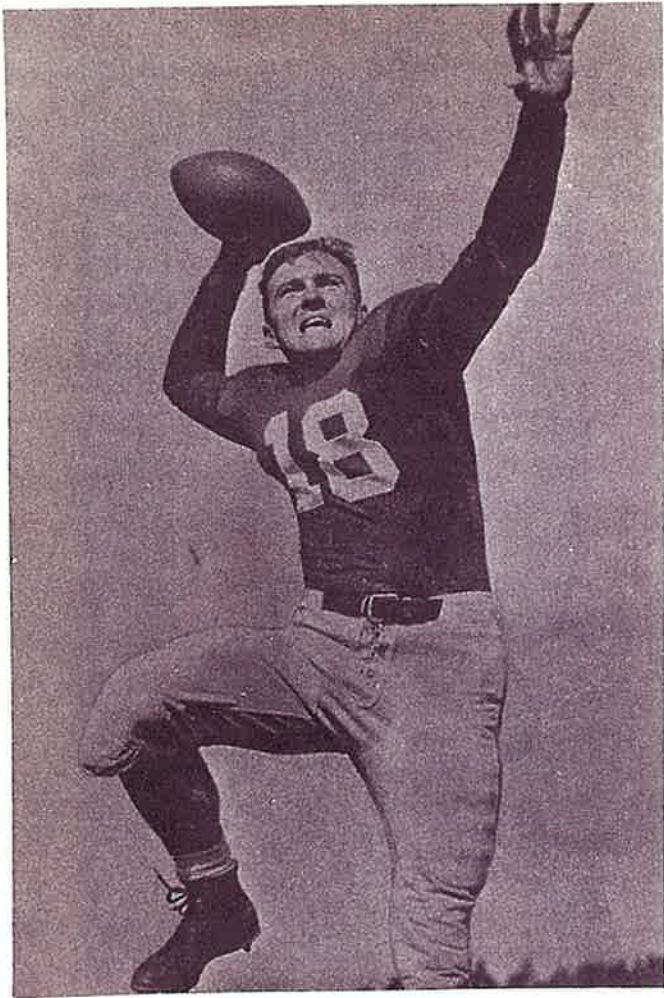
One of the highlights of the evening was Vince Mallon singing "Take Me Out To The Ballgame."

Pard Larkin served as toastmaster for the 11th annual dinner on Tuesday, January 31, 1950. The main address was given by the Philadelphia Phillies coach, Benny Bengough, and Matt Zabitka presented the Outstanding Sportsman award to Charles P. Ludman of Springfield.

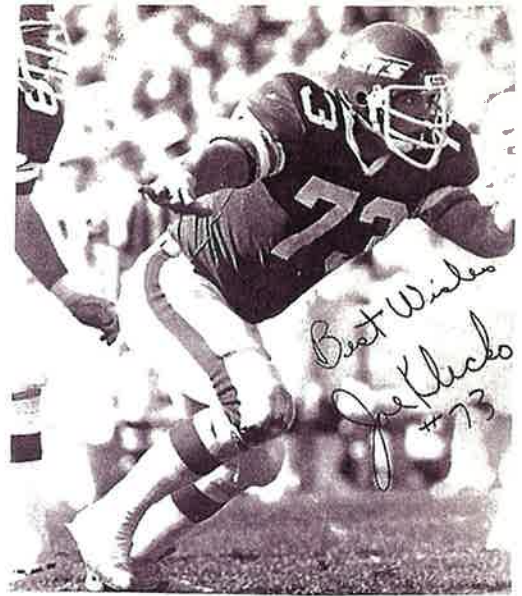
Athletic achievement awards were given to Eddystone's swimmer Don DeForrest, and All-Delco tackle Robert (Buzzy) Powell; Larry Pierce, All-Catholic end from St. James; Joe McNicholas, three-sport star at Ridley Township High; Jim Arrington, Lloyd A.C. boxer from St. James; Chester High's District I cross-country champion Don Fryer and track coach John P. Crawford.

The toastmaster for the 12th annual sports banquet, February 5, 1951, was again Pard Larkin. The principal speaker was Cy Perkins, bullpen coach for the Philadelphia Phillies. The highlight of the evening was a tribute to the Seaboard Baseball Team of the 1904-12 era. George Wallace, safety engineer at Penn Steel Castings Co., introduced the members of that team – Tipp Martin, Skeets Watson, Lenz Boulden, Willard Kerr, Harry Hanby, Ernie Vinson, Grover Lane, Dick Berry, Jukie Ford, Vernon Touchstone, Al Hillborn, Dock Smith, and Tinney Turner (who came from Ponca City, Oklahoma for the honor). After the tribute, Wallace presented a silver trophy to Tippy Martin, catcher for this team. Wallace had received the trophy when Seaboard won the championship of the Big Four League in 1911.

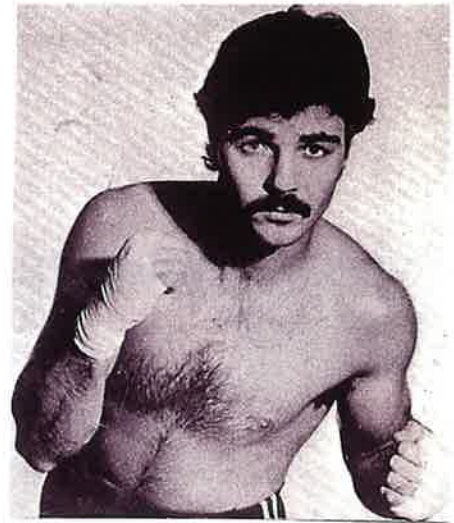
Otto Rosenblatt presented the Outstanding Sportsman award to Henry Fenza. William B. McClenachan, Jr., presented scrolls to local athletes Jimmy Lee, Chester High track; Stan Woerth, Media basketball; Jim Urey, five-sport star at Eddystone High; Jim Royer, All-Delco tackle at Ridley Township High; Jack Donnelly, St. James All-Delco and All-Catholic guard; Jody Ambrosino, three-sport star from Chester High; Ralph Whittaker, fullback on the undefeated Upper Chichester team; Tony Apichella, Upper Chichester High coach who also coached Marcus Hook A.A. to the S.M.F.C. championship.



John Rauch



Joe Klecko



Mike Picciotti



James "Baron" Dougherty



Al Atkinson



Bob Rigby



Sam Riddle



Frank Gallagher



Jack Ramsay

The 13th annual banquet was held on Wednesday, January 30, 1952. The main address was given by George Case, former Washington Senators outfielder, and baseball coach at Rutgers University. Case was introduced by a former Washington Senators teammate, Mickey Vernon. In his speech, Case said, "Softball and inept high school coaches are the reason for the disinterest in baseball today. TV and rookie bonuses are also contributors to modern day apathy in the sport." He praised little league baseball as the one bright feature of an otherwise dull baseball picture.

The Outstanding Sportsman trophy was presented to Fred Stott. Scrolls were presented to: Phil Marion, Ridley Township coach; Carl Blair, Ridley Township athlete; Bill Lynch, St. James; Bob Clayton and Jimmy Williams, Chester High; Dave Thompson and Sid Pinch, Media High; Marty Kennedy, Eddystone High; and George Panarello, Upper Chichester High.

A surprise presentation was made to Andy MacMurtrie by Turk Long, captain of the Sun Oil team that Andy managed.

Villanova's head football coach Art Raimo addressed the group at the 14th annual dinner, Wednesday, February 4, 1953. The members also heard a talk given by John G. Pew, Jr., YMCA Board Member.

Joseph H. Needleman was the recipient of the Most Outstanding Sportsman award. The following high school athletes were honored: Carmen Cella, Ridley Township; Elmer (Tink) Van Patton, Chester; Jordan Moat, Media; Bob Mahoney, St. James; Bill Curry, Upper Chichester; and Ed Walsh, Eddystone. Ed Murphy, a well-known blind sportsman, made a surprise appearance.

Norman A. Abrams, Assistant Postmaster General of the United States, was the main speaker at the 15th annual banquet. Three hundred people attended the dinner on Wednesday, January 20, 1954. Abrams, a former outstanding local athlete, described the playing field as the "*crucible*" which develops our real leaders.

The seventh annual presentation of Delaware County's Sportsman of the Year award went to Prospect Park's Frank P. Witmer, Jr., for his outstanding contribution to sports for the young athlete. A special award was given to General Chairman Dick MacDonald for his efforts in promoting the Old Timers, and for more than 50 years of work toward the advancement of sports.

Ed Murphy, who managed the great West End teams of the 1930s, who is now blind, was honored as the "most courageous contributor to county sports." Again, a trophy was presented to Mickey Vernon for leading the American League in hitting in 1953. The following members of the 1953 All-Delco football team were presented with scrolls: Dick Christy, Don Van Horn, Joe Pullekines, Henry Nacrelli and Tom DeFosse, all of St. James; Horace Hudnell and Dan Reid of Chester; Bob McElvey, Landsowne; Paul DiPangrazio of Clifton Heights; R. F. (Bob) Johnson of Nether Providence; and Billy Ashton, Collingdale.

The Honorable John V. Diggins, Associate Judge of Delaware County, delivered the main address at the 16th annual banquet, which was held Wednesday, January 19, 1955. George Faulkner of Trainer was named Sportsman of the Year. The Delco Baseball League made the following presentations: a trophy to Jim Weidner for leading Sun Village to a title; a trophy to Harry Miller for winning the batting championship; and three awards to Earl Hummel for most home runs, most runs batted in, and for being named the M.V.P.

Certificates of achievement went to Chester High basketball coach Bob Forwood, and PMC football coach George Hansell. Forwood coached Chester to the Eastern State title in 1954, and Hansell led the Cadets to their first undefeated season in the history of the school. A special "Courageous Sportsman" award was given to Bob Chestnut, the Ridley Township football player who was paralyzed following a football injury.

Chapter IV **The Inauguration of the Hall of Fame**

Chester High School Principal Karl E. Agan stole the show at the 17th annual banquet, held on Thursday, February 22, 1956. Agan's speech was certainly the greatest ever delivered at any of the previous events. When he was through speaking, the audience of 350 gave him a standing ovation.

The highlight of the awards that evening was the inauguration of a Hall of Fame, which was created by Walt Coppock. Those first 22 outstanding athletes inducted were: Louis Bueno, Ed F. McGinley, James Vance, Charles (Pard) Larkin, Robert Oglesby, and John Cullin for football; Bristol Lord, Lewis "Hack" Wilson, Joseph Cassidy, John Ogden, George Earnshaw and Ernest Vinson for baseball; George V. Smith, John J. Strain, John Kelley, Claud Alcutt and John Clowney, for basketball; and Frank (Home Run) Baker.

Each of the following sports had one inductee: horseback riding, Sameul Riddle; tennis, Andrew MacLaghlan, bowling, Frank Orobono Winters; track and field, James Edward (Ted) Meredith; and trapshooting, George (Doc) Crothers. Andrew W. MacMurtrie was inducted as a distinguished member.

The largest crowd ever (nearly 500) turned out for the 18th annual dinner on Tuesday, January 28, 1957. The banquet moved to a new location. It was held in the gymnasium of the new Central YMCA in Eyre Park.

The principal speaker was Edward F. McGinley, an All-American football player at the University of Pennsylvania in 1924. McGinley was a graduate of Chester High School.

Twenty-one athletes were inducted into the Hall of Fame, and Joseph Hughes of Eddystone received the Outstanding Sportsman award. For the first time, Dick MacDonald, under doctor's care, was unable to introduce the Old Timers individually.

The 19th Old Timers dinner, Wednesday, January 22, 1958, was the largest (500 attendees), and the longest in banquet history. The dinner began at 6:45 p.m. and didn't end until 10:30 p.m.

Danny Murtaugh, Manager of the Pittsburgh Pirates, was honored with a "This is Your Life" digest of his career. It was presented along the lines of the popular television show. The program reached its climax when Joe L. Brown, General Manager of the Pittsburgh club, made a surprise appearance.

Again, Pard Larkin was the toastmaster, and Pat Moran, coach of the Glendale Boys Club, was presented with the Outstanding Sportsman award.

Jimmy Dykes, with 40 years of major league baseball behind him, gave one of the funniest speeches ever, at the 20th annual banquet on Wednesday, January 14, 1959. At that time, Dykes was a coach for Murtaugh at Pittsburgh.

Nineteen local athletes were inducted into the Hall of Fame and Jimmy (Bananas) Weidner was the winner of the Delaware County Sportsman of the Year award.

One of the highlights of the night was an emotional talk by Dick MacDonald. As tears streaked down his cheeks, MacDonald said, *"My doctor told me not to sing tonight, but I sang. My doctor told me not to talk tonight, but I talked. You know, fellas, I don't have much farther to go, but I don't want to die. However, if I have to go, there is no better place I'd rather die than right here among my friends."*

The 21st annual banquet was sold out for several days before the event. Walt Coppock, chairman of the Hall of Fame Committee, said, "We have actually oversold our limits, and we are asking all members of the committee to report to the "Y" two hours before the starting time so they can eat at that time, and make room for the others." Five hundred and fifty persons turned out for that affair, on Wednesday, February 3, 1960 – the largest crowd ever.

One of the highlights of the evening was the presentation of the 13th annual Andrew W. MacMurtrie Award to Joseph (Apples) Najmola. At 29 years of age, Najmola became the youngest recipient of this award. Also honored were John (Skip) Gamble, a starting pitcher for the State championship Chester Suburban Little League team, and the youngest athlete ever honored; and Hughie Coakly, the Grand Old Man of Baseball, who was inducted into the Distinguished category of the Hall of Fame.

Main speaker was Frank Bettger who, at the time, was billed as "Mr. Enthusiasm." Bettger had played baseball locally with Bill Alexander's Media team and Frank Poth's old Chester Club. He also had a fling in minor league ball with the St. Louis Cardinals. At the age of 29, he became the amazement of the insurance business, and by the age of 41, Bettger was able to retire on the profits from his sales success.

The 22nd annual affair, Wednesday, February 1, 1961, was unprecedented in attendance (577 persons). The banquet was labeled "Pirates Night," because the Pirates' manager, Danny Murtaugh, and Pirates Coach Mickey Vernon, were saluted. There were also other professional athletes in attendance, including Phillies pitcher Robin Roberts; Kansas City A's scout Lewis B. Krausse, Jr.; Bobby Walston of the Philadelphia Eagles; and New York Yankees' batting practice pitcher Meredith (Spud) Murray.

The featured speaker was Pard Larkin, and Mike Thurstlic was the recipient of the Outstanding Sportsman award. However, for the first time in 22 years, Dick MacDonald was unable to perform. He did attend, but only for a few minutes. After receiving a standing ovation, the 80-year-old MacDonald walked out the door, and with him went the magic that he always contributed to the previous affairs.

A crowd of nearly 600 sports enthusiasts and toastmaster Pard Larkin attended the 23rd annual affair on Wednesday, January 31, 1962. Tom Blythe was the winner of the Outstanding Sportsman award. Tom has been a Board member since 1958.

The highlight of the evening was an inspirational address by principal speaker Danny Murtaugh, Manager of the Pittsburgh Pirates. Not since Dr. Karl E. Agan captured the crowd at the 17th annual banquet have the Old Timers heard such a powerful talk. Danny had the audience hanging on his every word as he recalled his childhood days in the City of Chester. He reminisced, "The greatest thing that happened to me was the formation of the Chester Boys Club. It took the kids off the streets and gave them an opportunity to indulge in competitive sports."

Mickey Vernon was honored by the Old Timers for the fourth time in his career. He was presented with a certificate of award, a special baseball cake (compliments of Ralph Grieco), plus a huge, framed oil painting of himself, painted by Sinclair draftsman Tommy Bernard.

Eighty-one-year-old Dick MacDonald passed out roses to the real Old Timers, and got a standing ovation after singing "When We Grow Too Old to Dream," the Old Timers' theme song.

Other speakers included Phillies pitcher Dallas Green, Philadelphia Eagles lineman Bob Pellegrini, and PMC Athletic Director and Head Football Coach George Hansell.

For the first time in this event's history, Dick MacDonald was unable to attend the dinner, 24th annual, held on Wednesday, January 23, 1963. He was living in Fair Acres Home in Lima; however, the Old Timers still awarded him a special trophy for his many years of service to the organization.

Two main speakers were Air Force Academy football coach Ben Martin, and the Academy's Assistant Director of Athletics E. E. (Rip) Miller. The Master of Ceremonies was again Pard Larkin. Danny Murtaugh and two honored guests, Bill Carpenter and James Dunn were unable to attend.

The Reverend Karl Agan led the group in prayer for four Old Timers who died during the past year - Jimmy Campbell, football; Bill McClanahan, tennis; distinguished member Andrew MacMurtrie; and Jimmy Burdsall.

Leo Klotz of Milmont Park received the Andrew MacMurtrie Memorial Award, presented to the Sportsman of the Year; and Fran McGovern, a physically handicapped athlete who played football for St. James with only one leg, was named Most Courageous Athlete.

Chapter V The Silver Anniversary

Pard Larkin served as toastmaster for the 24th time at the Silver Anniversary dinner, on Wednesday, January 16, 1964. The Reverend Karl E. Agan gave a special tribute in a prayer to Dick MacDonald, one of the originators of the Old Timers, who passed away during the past year. The main speaker was Harold (Pie) Traynor, a member of the National Baseball Hall of Fame.

The Andrew W. MacMurtrie Award was presented posthumously to Clyde (Turk) Long. Long was killed in an airplane crash on December 8, 1963, while returning home from his vacation.

In recognition of his tireless efforts on behalf of the organization, the Old Timers dedicated their Silver Anniversary program book to William Price, Jr. Since 1918, Price had been active in local sports in one capacity or another.

There were three standing ovations at the 26th annual banquet, held on Saturday, January 30, 1965. The first was for Chester's 1964 World Champion Bidy Basketball players and coaches. The second ovation was for the main speaker, Captain William Busik, from the U. S. Naval Academy. And the third time the attendees stood up clapping was for the Sportsman of the Year Ernie Trosino.

Again Reverend Agan offered a prayer for departed members - Hughie Coakley, William Harkins, Howard Kinder, Edward Lewis, Bristol Lord, Warren Ogden, William Price, Jr., and Warren Pierce .

Some 400 Old Timers drove through a heavy snowstorm to attend the 27th annual banquet on January 25, 1966. However, the snow did keep many people away, including the main speaker, Richie Ashburn. Danny Murtaugh, a last minute replacement, kept the crowd laughing with his witty stories.

Dallas Green, the only scheduled speaker to attend, drove two hours to get to the affair. Green conducted a question and answer session in which he commented on the Phillies.

Old Timers at the 28th annual dinner witnessed two new induction categories. James (Baron) Dougherty was inducted into the Sports Promoters category, and John Ryan became the first inductee in the Sports Writers category.

Willie DeJarnette was named the Sportsman of the Year and carried home the Andrew W. MacMurtrie Memorial trophy.

Harold (Tubby) Raymond, head football coach at the University of Delaware, was the main speaker at the 29th annual banquet on Wednesday, February 1, 1968. For the 28th year, Pard Larkin served as toastmaster, and the Reverend I. Walter Nall gave the invocation.

Special guests included Chester Mayor John Nacrelli, Benny Bengough of the Phillies, Jocko Collins of the San Francisco Giants, and high school football Coach of the Year Chuck Leonard. Larry Murtaugh was selected as Delaware County's Sportsman of the Year.

Attendees at the 30th annual banquet, held January 30, 1969, experienced disappointment turned into delight. Disappointed upon learning that their main speaker Pete Carlesimo of Fordham University was stranded in Toronto, the crowd soon was delighted when the Reverend James T. Delaney stepped into the main speaker's role. With stories of his days as a schoolboy at St. James High in Chester, Delaney had the audience roaring from start to finish.

A tribute to Hall of Famers who died during the past year was given. They included Victor Boell, Alfred Zimmerman, Thomas Wood, Sr. Frederick Coe, Sr., Wilfred Coe, Harry Doran, Thomas S. Gay, Leo Lamin, Frank Peters, and John Boyle.

Ivan Malseed, a prominent figure in the Media Boys Club for over 20 years, received the Andrew W. MacMurtrie Award.

Eighteen athletes were inducted at the 31st annual banquet on Wednesday, January 7, 1970. The list included two athletes with national reputations, Emlen Tunnell and Horace Walker. Tunnell, the first black to be inducted into the Pro Football Hall of Fame, was a two-time All-Delco and All-Suburban halfback at Radnor High in 1941-42. He played pro football for 14 years with the New York Giants and Green Bay Packers. He retired in 1961, and not long after than Emlen was named safety on the All-NFL team, which covered the 50 years of the league.

Walker was one of the youngest ever to be inducted into the Delaware County Hall of Fame. The three seasons he played at Chester High were referred to as "The Walker Era." During that time, Chester had a record of 76-6 and played in two state championship games. At Michigan State, Horace was All-Big Ten twice and an All-American his senior year. In head-to-head battles, the 6'3" Walker out-rebounded 6'11" Walt Bellamy, 6'9" Jerry Lucas and 6'7" Terry Dischinger.

The 1971 banquet, on Wednesday, January 28, was "A Salute to Danny Murtaugh" night. He told the Old Timers that he had been many places, and received many awards, but there was nothing to compare with being honored by the folks at home.

Former Phillies broadcaster Bill Campbell was the main speaker, and Sharon Hill's Bob Wiederwax was named Sportsman of the Year.

Five hundred strong gathered at the Central YMCA for the Old Timers 33rd annual affair on Wednesday, January 26, 1972. John Podgajny, who went on to a 20-37 record as a major league pitcher, died during the past year, at the age of 50. Podgajny, Murtaugh and Mickey Vernon were back where they started. Danny had just recently retired as manager of the Pirates. After winning two World Championships, he was just as humble as he was in 1941. Mickey was managing the Manchester, New Hampshire, team in the Eastern League.

Pard Larkin was again the master of ceremonies and was quoted as saying, "I keep saying I'm going to give it up, but I just can't." Aston A.A. president, William (Butch) Ryan won the Andrew W. MacMurtrie Award.

Chapter VI **Outstanding High School Athlete Award**

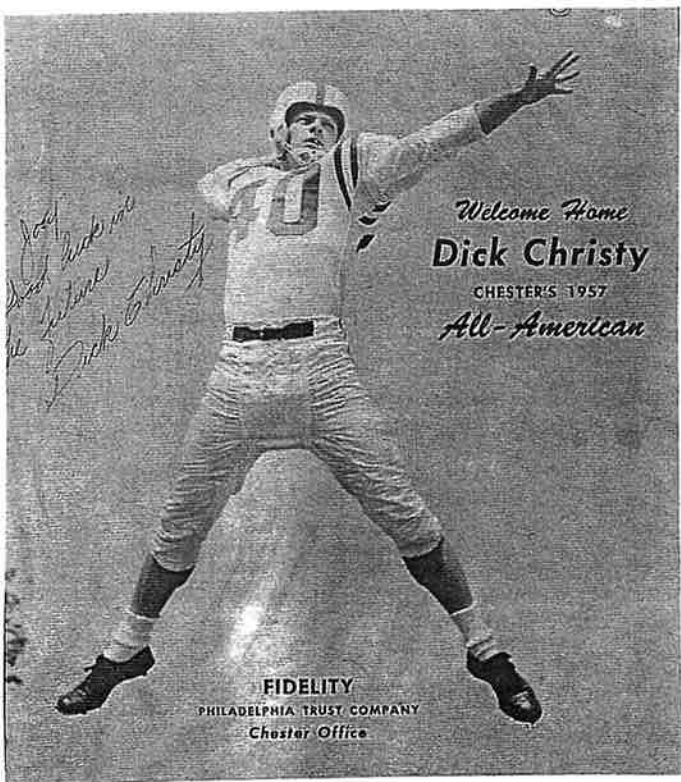
Five hundred Delaware County Old Timers gathered at Widener College for the 34th annual banquet, held on Wednesday, January 17, 1973. The inauguration of the William P. Hewlings Award for the Outstanding High School Athlete of the Year was given to Nether Providence student Billy Emper. Four other athletes were honored – Billy Johnson, Widener's All-American; Roger Mason and John Bush, University of Delaware football stars; and Tom Pierantozzi, West Chester State quarterback.



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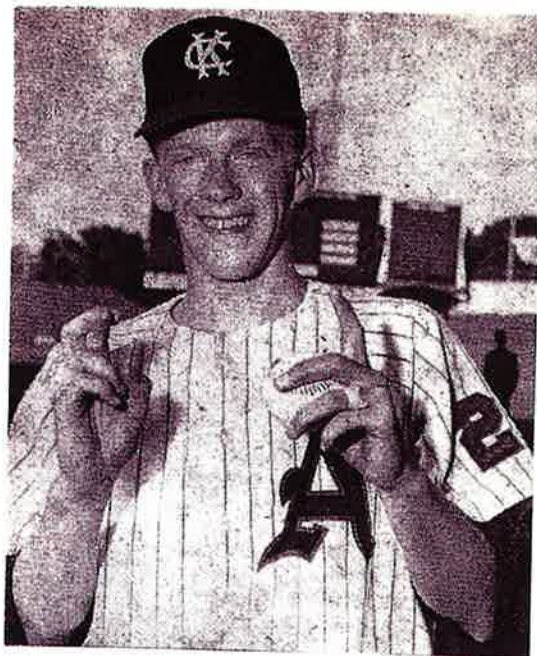
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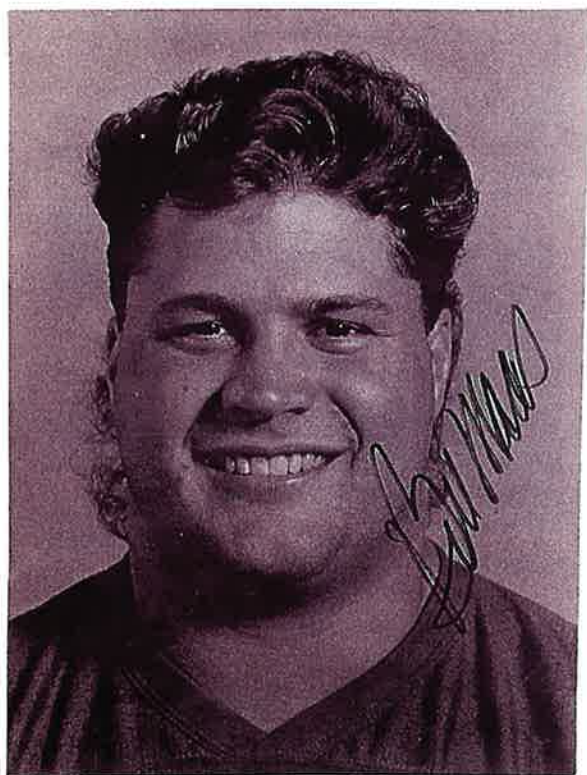
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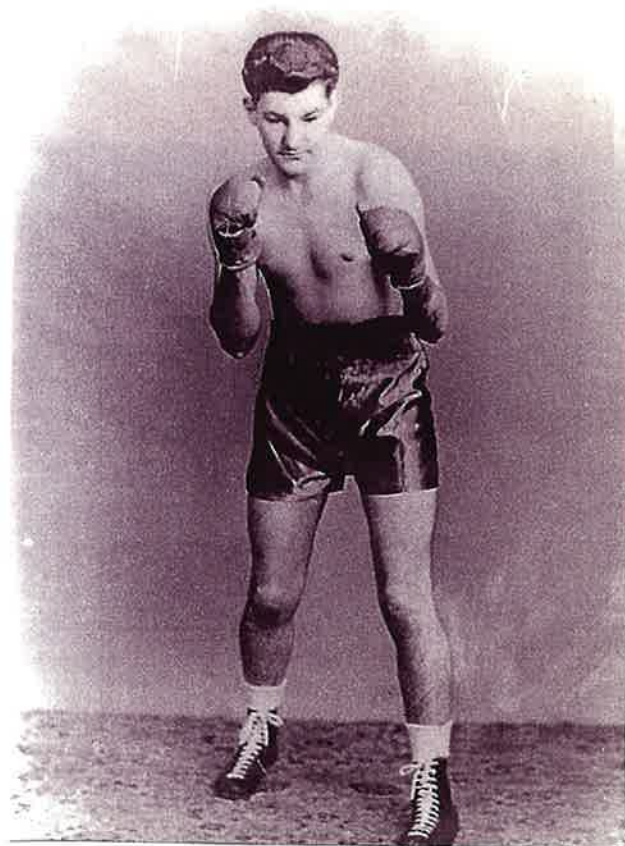
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Radnor High's Coach of the Year George Corner, and the coach of St. James 1972 City Football Champions Joe Logue were also honored. The principal speaker was the Reverend Eric A. Oesterle, former pastor of Emmanuel Baptist Church in Upland.

Fred Racine, Aston A.A. was recipient of the Andrew W. MacMurtrie Memorial Award at the 35th annual dinner on Wednesday, January 17, 1974. The 2nd annual William P. Hewlings Award was given to Sharon Hill's Herbert Orensky. Nick Catania was inducted into the Sports Promoters category of the Hall of Fame, while Henry (Shag) Crawford was inducted into the Officials category.

Bill Burk, who was scheduled to be the main speaker at the 36th annual affair, was in Good Samaritan Hospital recovering from a stroke. Burk was the former *Chester Times* sports editor.

More than 500 persons were present in Widener's MacMorland Center to witness a special tribute to John Ogden. Ogden was introduced by Dallas Green, Manager of the Philadelphia Phillies farm system.

Outstanding High School Athlete of the Year award was given to Paul Pollock, Chester High; and Parkside Boys Club President, Tony Cornacchia was named Sportsman of the Year. Also honored were the members of Chester High's 1936 and Ridley Township's 1948 undefeated football teams. Howard Painter announced that the Old Timers were sponsoring a member to the Dick MacDonald Memorial Scholarship.

Chapter VII

Inauguration of the Danny Murtaugh Memorial Award

The Danny Murtaugh Memorial Award for the Most Courageous High School athlete was inaugurated at the 38th annual banquet in 1977.

The award was established after the death of Murtaugh, and its first recipient was a deaf athlete by the name of Michael Paulone.

Mike, who lived in Parkside, was a star athlete at the Pennsylvania School for the Deaf. He was an All-City quarterback, and also played basketball and baseball.

When Mike's name was announced, the crowd of some 577 guests rose to their feet and gave him an unbelievable thundering applause. Mike could not hear the house's reaction, he could only see the warmth of the faces, because he has been deaf since birth.

At the podium, Mike said, "I've never considered my deafness a handicap. I just want deaf people like myself to be treated like anyone else. My goal is to teach handicapped kids. I want to open the doors of opportunity, which I found myself, even though I was deaf."

The guest speaker was Robin Roberts, who was just recently inducted into the Baseball Hall of Fame. He was flown in from Florida, where he had taken the job as baseball coach at the University of South Florida in Tampa.

Sharon Hill's John Szik was honored as the Sportsman of the Year, and Interboro High's Mark Cole received the Outstanding High School Athlete of the Year award.

Also honored were Coach John Wilson and his undefeated football squads of 1954-55-56 from Ridley Park High School.

Pard Larkin was again the toastmaster, and took his place at the head table for his 38th time.

Chapter VIII

The First Women Are Inducted

The 39th annual banquet was really special because it was the night that Virginia Allen and Helen Manchin became the first women inducted into the Hall of Fame.

Allen, who was inducted posthumously, helped introduce lacrosse to Delaware County after earning All-American honors at Temple University in 1935. While coaching lacrosse at Swarthmore High School, her teams accumulated a string of 27 undefeated seasons.

Manchin was one of the first basketball players ever to play in the Philadelphia Catholic League. She led Notre Dame to the Philadelphia Gold Medal Tournament championship, earning Most Valuable Player honors for the tournament and leading the tournament in scoring.

Former National League umpire Tom Gorman was the main speaker at this historic banquet, held Wednesday, January 11, 1978.

Gorman, who umpired in five World Series and five All-Star games during a 26-year career, had the crowd howling with his baseball tales.

The second annual Most Courageous Athlete award was presented to Cardinal O'Hara's Jim Boyd, who overcame a serious knee operation to gain a position in the O'Hara lineup after being told he would never play football again.

Jeff Hewlings presented the William P. Hewlings Memorial award to Sun Valley's Jeff Owsley.

The main speaker at the 40th annual banquet was Jacques Beauchamp, editor-in-chief of the *Philadelphia Journal*. Beauchamp had spent 30 years in the newspaper business. He worked for years as the editor of the *Montreal Journal*, where he met Mickey Vernon and Danny Murtaugh.

Beauchamp said, "The Montreal Expos were founded in 1969, and Mickey is the best batting instructor the team has ever had."

Marple Newtown's Craig Wolf was presented with the Danny Murtaugh Memorial Award, and Ridley's Matt Grossi received the William P. Hewlings Memorial Award, presented by his grandson Jeff Hewlings.

Merritt K. Freeman, a Pennsylvania Dutch humorist, amused the audience with a variety of stories.

Harold "Tubby" Raymond was the main speaker at the 41st annual dinner, held on Saturday, February 2, 1980.

One of the highlights of the night was a salute to Delaware County boys who had played their college football at the University of Delaware.

Again, Pard Larkin was Master of Ceremonies, and Reverend Karl E. Agan gave a prayer for departed members.

Ed Gebhart presented the Sportsman of the Year award to John T. Tuohey III.

The Most Courageous High School Athlete award went to Sharon Hill High's William Hunsberger, while the William P. Hewlings Award was presented to A. J. DiPietro of Ridley High School.

Joe Saltzman led a salute to all Marcus Hook Old Time Athletes.

Some of the honored and invited guests included: Coach of the Year, Bob Ewing; Widener's head football coach, Bill Manlove; Temple's Steve Joachim; Heisman Trophy winner, John Cappelletti; and Joe Klecko of the New York Jets.

On Saturday, January 31, 1981, the guest speaker at the 42nd annual dinner was Jim Crowley. Crowley was one of the famous Four Horsemen at Notre Dame.

The high school awards went to Cardinal O'Hara's Marty Cull, who won the William P. Hewlings Memorial Award; and Penncrest's Barbara Jordan, who received the Most Courage Athlete award.

The Delco Youth Association sponsored the Sportsman of the Year award, and Ed Gebhart made the presentation to Bernie Miller of Chester.

Some of the guests in attendance were: Football Coach of the Year, Hal Bauer; Tom Toner, All-American from the University of Delaware; William Grimes, General Manager of B.P. Petroleum; and H. J. Schaefer, manager of B.P.

The program for the 43rd annual affair was dedicated to Joe Klecko, the former St. James football player who had just come off an All-Pro season with the New York Jets.

The main speaker was Pat Williams, Philadelphia 76ers general manager.

Ridley's Dennis Borcky received the William P. Hewlings Memorial Award; and Danny White took home the Danny Murtaugh Memorial Award.

Also honored was Bill Manlove and his 1981 Widener football team, which captured the Division III National Championship.

Reverend Karl E. Agan said a prayer for the following deceased members: Edison Bradshaw, Joseph DeBernardinis, Jr., Mickey McDade, James Faulkner, Sr., Walter H. Huntzinger, James Turk, and George Orobono Winters.

Ed Gebhart presented the Sportsman of the Year award to Joseph Cirilli for his work with the Delco Youth A.A. Joe has also been a member of the Delaware County Old Timers Board of Directors since 1973.

Chapter IX Delaware County Hall of Fame Club is Established

In 1983, Joseph Cirilli gave birth to the Delco Hall of Fame Club and, as a result, became its chairman.

The initial plans were to have a luncheon once a month and invite prominent sports figures as guest speakers, and develop an athletic scholarship for a deserving high school student.

According to Tom Blythe, club spokesman and Board Member since 1958, "It is the intent of the club to create an atmosphere of friendship and stimulate a sense of fellowship by sharing common interests in the world of athletics, along with developing the scholarship."

The first luncheon was held on April 13, and the guest speaker was Chris Wheeler of the Philadelphia Phillies.

The main speaker at the 44th annual dinner, on January 12, 1983, was Carl Peterson. Peterson was President and General Manager of the Philadelphia Stars of the U.S.F.L.

The 1957 undefeated Chichester football team was honored, along with Academy Park's football coach, Bill Cubit, and Marple Newtown's All-American George Schmitt.

The Sportsman of the Year award was presented to William Waldron of Resurrection C.C.

Both high school awards went to Ridley High students. Pat Randolph received the Most Courageous Athlete award, and Richard Deaver was named the Most Outstanding Athlete.

Some of the departed Old Timers were: John Valenti, John Imburgia, Percy Hall, Bernie Miller, George Lentz, Thomas Lykens, Tony Cornacchia and Pete Jaworski, Ralph Cella.

This would be the first banquet since 1940 that Pard Larkin would be absent from the head table. Due to his death, the duty of Master of Ceremonies was given to Ed Gebhart.

Former Eagles player Pete Retzlaff, and Eagles cornerback Randy Logan were the guest speakers at the 45th annual dinner, June 6, 1984.

Larry Murtaugh presented the Sportsman of the Year award to Lou Renzi, and Tim Murtaugh presented the Most Courageous Athlete award to Keith Jay of Penn Wood High.

Marple Newtown's Steve Coyne received the William P. Hewlings Memorial Award.

Tom Blythe and Howard Plummer, co-chairmen of the Hall of Fame Committee, honored the 20 new Hall of Fame members.

The following Old Timers passed from the scene this year: John L. Thomas, David Curry, Francis (Lap) Curry, Anthony Stalloni, Matthew Ramsey, Leo Klotz, Alfred (Babe) Buono, John P. Crawford, Sam (Firpo) Imburgia, John L. Kelly, Jr., and Francis Blizzard.

Chapter X

All-Time Great Pro Athlete Award

The 46th annual dinner saw the initiation of the All-Time Great Pro Athlete award. This award was established for the purpose of honoring pro athletes of the Delaware Valley area who were born or resided in the area, or played during their active years in sports with a local professional team.

The award was sponsored by the Delco Athletic Hall of Fame Club, and the first recipient was former Philadelphia Eagles great Steve Van Buren.

A special award was presented by Nick Catania to Ridley Township High School for their superior athletic achievements.

The guest speaker was Clifton Heights' Mickey Kwiatkowski. Mickey was head football coach at Hofstra University and a former All-Conference player at the University of Delaware.

Ridley's Kevin McNicholas and Cardinal O'Hara's Arthur Condodina shared the William P. Hewlings Memorial Award.

Richard Moore, Academy Park, received the Most Courage Athlete award, and Matt Zabittka presented the Andrew W. MacMurtrie Memorial Award to Ted Dugan.

The following members passed on during the year: Daniel E. Clendening, Cyril Beard, Jr., John H. Fryer, Alfie Hannum, Lou Renzi, and Anthony Tomasco.

The former Philadelphia Warrior's great, Paul Arizin, was the 2nd All-Time Great Pro Athlete honored at the 47th annual sports dinner, held April 10, 1986.

Charles Steinmetz, Penn Wood High, received the Most Outstanding High School Athlete award, while Toselli Silvestri, won the Danny Murtaugh Memorial Award.

Silvestri was a wrestler from Galludet College, which was founded in 1864, and is the only liberal arts college exclusively for deaf students.

Daniel Bunel received the Andrew W. MacMurtrie Memorial Award. Guest speaker, Dick Jackman of Sun Oil, was unable to attend. Daily Times writer, Bob Finucane filled in and had the crowd laughing until it hurt, recalling his two amateur fights.

The following Old Timers passed away in 1985: Edward Dodds, Sr., John A. Hulme, Carl A. Ranck, Joseph Barrett, Patsy Marziotti, Bobby Burman, Walter J. Luzak, E. R. Siegel, Michael Camillo, John Bentley, Frank "Lefty" Nye, Robert M. Wiederwax, Ruben Reed, Fred Bort, and Anthony "Chick" Kruszewski.

On November 12, 1986, the Delco Athletes Hall of Fame Club was incorporated by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania as a non-profit organization.

Marcus Hook's pride and joy, James Barton "Mickey" Vernon was selected as the All-Time Great Pro Athlete at the 48th annual banquet on April 9, 1987. Mickey, who retired at the age of 42, is one of fifteen major leaguers to have played in four different decades.

Also honored was Francis J. "Beans" Brennan, St. James' very first football coach. Brennan, an accomplished artist, respected educator, and outstanding football coach, received the Special Tribute Award in recognition of his dedication and contributions to high school football.

The high school Coach of the Year award was presented to Strath Haven's Betty Ann Cooper, coach of the girls' state championship gymnastics team. The award was presented by the *Delaware County Daily Times* Sports Editor, Chic Riebel.

The Most Outstanding High School Athlete award was, for the first time, given to a female. Nancy Carroll of Academy Park was the recipient. Also, this award was renamed the Mickey Vernon Award.

The Danny Murtaugh Award was given to Penncrest wrestler Garrett Wright, and the Sportsman of the Year was Eddie Wresneski.

Old Times who passed away this year were: Charles "Pard" Larkin, Joe Needleman, Frank Cutadean, Porter Charleston, Ivan B. Malseed, Karl E. Agan, Frederick "Ted" Westervelt, and Tom Morrison.

The Delco Athletes Hall of Fame Club presented their All-Time Great Pro Athlete Award to Bosh Pritchard at the 49th annual dinner, held on Thursday, April 7, 1988.

Pritchard was a running back with the Philadelphia Eagles from 1942 through 1951. He played in the Eagles backfield with Steve Van Buren, Joe Muha, and Tommy Thompson on the 1948 and 1949 World Championship teams.

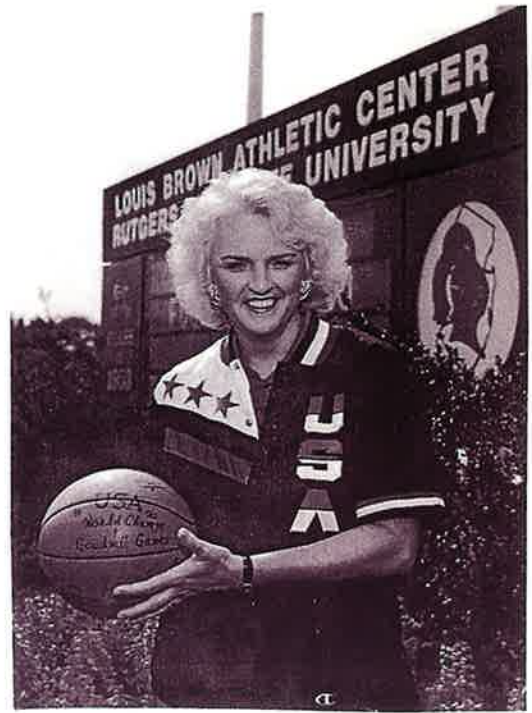
A Special Tribute Award was presented by Charles Tomasco, President of the Pennsylvania Hall of Fame, Delaware County Chapter, to the six Volpone brothers from Clifton Heights who all participated in Delaware County sports.

Todd Rucci of Upper Darby High won the Danny Murtaugh Memorial Award, while Chris Logan of the Delco Christian School took home the Mickey Vernon Award.

Ed Gebhart presented the Andrew W. MacMurtrie Memorial Award to both Gene and Camille DiSciullo.



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Theresa Greutz



FRANCIS "BEAN" BRENNAN



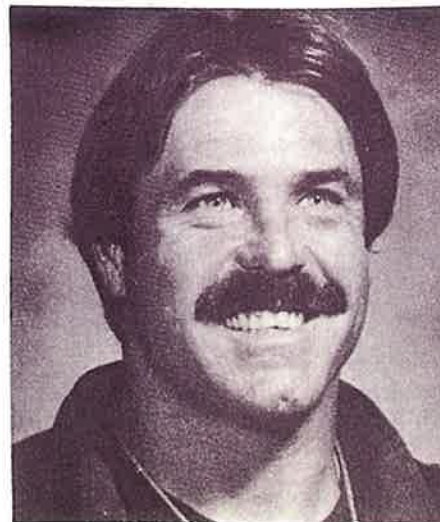
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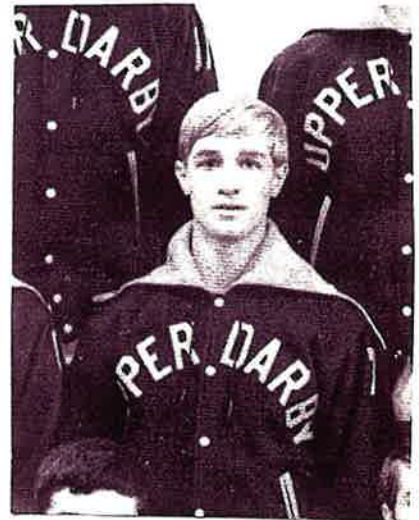
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Jean Shiley



Charles Gauer



Andy Matter



Jack McKinney



Bobby Barrett



Jack Klotz

A number of Old Timers did not make it through the year to experience the 50th Anniversary banquet. Those unfortunate members were: "Ducky" Van Horn, Robert L. Gibson, Jack McGillian, Joe Thunder, Samuel B. Pennington, Joe Breen, Joe "Apples" Najmola, Harry E. Roberts, Jr., James E. Gallagher, "Rube" ElPaso, and Thomas W. Wilkins.

The 50th Anniversary banquet was held on Thursday, April 13, 1989, at the Log Cabin Inn.

Jack Ferrante, who played football for seven seasons with the Philadelphia Eagles, was the recipient of the All-Time Pro Athlete Award.

Kristy Sipple of Sun Valley High School won the Mickey Vernon Award, while Academy Park's Hung Nguyen took home the Danny Murtaugh Memorial Award.

A "Special Tribute Award" was presented to Dom Marion and all Eddystone athletes. When Eddystone High closed in 1966, it closed the chapter on one of the proudest athletic traditions in the area. Coach Marion produced some outstanding teams and players during his 24 years at the school.

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Tragically, the evening's guest speaker and long-time Daily Times columnist Bob Finucane, collapsed and died just before finishing his speech. Bob was possibly the finest writer who ever worked for the *Times*. Charley shields wrote, "As a social commentator, Bob was in a class with other great naturals—Ring Lardner, Jimmie Cannon, Will Rogers. Not that he ever claimed such a distinction. He was content to write for his hometown paper about the people he knew best. And weren't we all lucky he did?"

In June 1989, an Old Timers Hall of Fame Committee was formed to induct former athletes and coaches who warranted Hall of Fame recognition, but had been overlooked during the years. This committee stipulated that these Old Timers had to be at least 60 years of age, but still were accorded the same honor as the April inductees. There were a variety of individuals who played prior to the 1950s who, unfortunately, for one reason or another, 'fell through the cracks.'

This committee selected five individuals to be inducted at their monthly luncheon on October 18, 1989. That inaugural group included: Gustave "Gus" Chew and Charles "Lefty" McCullough for baseball; longtime Ridley Park coach Sam O. Godfrey; football star John "Cy" Imburgia; and baseball player and Olympian Carson Thompson.

Chapter XI

The First Annual Bob Finucane Memorial Achievement Award

On Thursday, April 19, 1990 the crowd at the 51st annual dinner cheered as the Reverend Charles O'Hara accepted the first Bob Finucane Memorial Achievement Award.

O'Hara played football at St. James High School and Notre Dame University before beginning a coaching career at Archbishop McDevitt. Later, he became the counseling pastor at Villa St. John's in Downingtown.

O'Hara commented, "Bob Finucane was a man of character and, in that regard, I am proud to receive this award from this group."

A "Special Tribute Award" was also presented to the alumni, students and faculty of St. James High School, who were celebrating their 50th Anniversary.

The Mickey Vernon Award was given to Penn Wood's Rap Curry, a three-time All-Delco basketball player.

Penn Wood's Keith Novak was presented with the Danny Murtaugh Memorial Award for battling back from severe knife wounds. Novak was an All-Delco football player and wrestler.

Some other special honors given at the 51st annual dinner were Coach of the Year, Rick Taylor of Springfield High School; and All-Time Pro Athlete Award, Umpire Shag Crawford.

Also, sports writer Bob Tennant honored Emmett C. Brennan with the Sportsman of the Year Award.

The Old Timers who passed away during the past year included: Pete Melnick, Hank Sweeney, "Tink" Van Patton, Bernard Gorman, Joe Hayes, Edward Bartlett, Howard "Fats" Burke, Robert "Bob" Finucane, Ken L. Michael, Ralph Grieco, Vince Mallon and Eddie Morrel.

Chapter XII First Old Timers Induction Dinner is Held

On Wednesday, October 18, 1990 the Delaware County Athletes hall of Fame held their first Old Timers Induction Dinner.

The previous year, the committee had inducted five individuals at their monthly luncheon. However, this year it was decided to hold the induction ceremonies in the evening so family and friends could have the opportunity to attend.

The list of inductees was doubled to ten, and included: Ellis Dwyer, Ellwood J. Smith, Carl DeMarcantonio, Albert DeMarcantonio, Robert Curry, John Curry, James Berry, Daniel L. Bunel, Sr., Edward S. Gormley, and Edward M. Humphreys.

Lewis "Jumbo" Johnson received the Sportsman of the Year Award, and the Media Youth Center was honored at the 52nd annual banquet on Thursday, April 18, 1991.

It all started in the middle 1940s when Media's Chief of Police Malcolm Laughead arrested three juveniles for theft. A group of local citizens joined Chief Laughead in the formation of a boys club to provide supervised sports activities for the youth of Media. Since then, it has provided athletic, social, and cultural activities for the young people of Media and surrounding communities.

Allen Sack, an outstanding all-around athlete at Chichester High School, received the second annual Bob Finucane Award. Allen played defensive end on Ara Parseghian's 1966 National Championship football team at Notre Dame, and is currently Professor of Sociology at the University of New Haven, CT.

Other awards presented that night were: Coach of the Year, Ridley's Joe McNicholas; Outstanding High School Athlete, Rebecca Grube of Upper Darby High; and Courageous Athlete, Springfield's Matt Joseph.

The following individuals passed away during the year: Louis Bonder, Bill Boyer, Don DeForest, Jimmy Hayes, Frank Holland, George Horan, Edwin Humphereys, Louis Kapelski, Charles Maloney, Herman Sweeney, Jr., Joseph "Chopper" Sweeney, and Carson Thompson.

Chapter XIII The First Annual Humanitarian Award

The second annual Old Timers Hall of Fame dinner was held on Wednesday, October 16, 1991 at the Log Cabin Inn.

That night, the first annual Humanitarian Award was presented to James Balk of Radnor High School. Balk, who taught and coached baseball at Radnor for 28 years, was honored for his dedication to young athletes, and for his unselfish community endeavors.

The Phillies Art Mahaffey was the recipient of the seventh annual All-Time Pro Athlete Award.

Stanley Sanocki received the "Sportsman of the Year" award, and the Upland Athletic Club was honored at the 53rd Anniversary dinner on Thursday, April 23, 1992. The club, established in 1963, has sponsored athletic programs for thousands of area youth for many years.

The third annual Finucane Award was given to Rutgers University women's basketball coach Theresa (Shank) Grentz. Grentz, an All-Delco performer at Cardinal O'Hara, and an All-American at Immaculata College, was selected to coach the women's team at the 1992 Olympics in Barcelona, Spain.

Kim Fisher, a track athlete from Sun Valley, was presented the Most Outstanding High School Athlete award; Marple Newtown's Robert Jacobs was named the Most Courageous Athlete.

Sal Oropollo, football coach at Academy Park, was honored as the Coach of the Year.

The Hall of Fame lost the following Old Timers during the year: Anthony Bondroski, Samuel "Hap" Evans, Chris Jones, Henry "Greenie" Grucela, "Tarz" Jefferies, "Reds" Larkin, "Cakey" Dougherty, Andy Nacrelli, Paul McKinney, and Bill Mitchell.

Faye Teal, a race car driver who raised over \$10,000 for the National Multiple Sclerosis Society, was the recipient of the Humanitarian Award at the third annual Old Timers Hall of Fame banquet on Thursday, October 22, 1992.

With the dinner now being held at the Ramada Inn, the Hall of Fame made a special presentation to Jean Shiley Newhouse, former gold medal winner from Haverford High School. An outstanding athlete in high school, Newhouse competed in the high jump at both the 1928 and 1932 Olympic Games. At the Games in Los Angeles, she defeated the great Babe Didricksen for the gold.

Also, a Special Tribute Award was given to Kathy Rush, former coach of the "Mighty Macs" of Immaculata College. Compiling a lifetime record of 149-15, Rush led the women's basketball team to three consecutive national championships (1972-74).

An achievement award was presented to Eddie's 'Over 50' softball team for winning the league title five straight years (1988-92).

Chapter XIV **The First Annual Jean Shiley Newhouse Award**

Held at the Ramada Inn for the first time, the 54th anniversary dinner took place on Thursday, April 22, 1993.

The Sportsman of the Year award was given to James Labor, and a Special Tribute award was presented to the Aston Athletic Association.

In 1959, Jake Potts and William "Butch" Ryan gave birth to the Aston Athletic Association, which has become one of Delaware County's most active athletic organizations.

The first Jean Shiley Newhouse Award, for the most outstanding high school female athlete, was presented to Cardinal O'Hara basketball player Chrissie Donahue.

Track star Brendon Benner, of Monsignor Bonner, received the Most Outstanding High School Male Athlete award, and Ridley's Danielle Little was the recipient of the Most Courageous High School Athlete award.

Alonzo Lewis received the Coach of the Year award for guiding Chester High's basketball team to another outstanding season.

The fourth annual Bob Finucane Memorial Award was presented to Nick Trainer. After an outstanding athletic career at St. James and P.M.C., Trainer became a nationally recognized football official, and President of Sartomer Industries, a chemical corporation in West Chester.

Again, the Hall of Fame unfortunately lost many of its members during the past year. They included: Francis "Bean" Brennan, James "Harp" Dougherty, Dan Bunel, William "Billy" Kilby, James "Soup" Maloney, William McCandless, Gus Chew, Dick Millichap, William Slezak, and John Szymanski.

The fourth annual Old Timers dinner was held at Septembers Place on Wednesday, October 13, 1993.

Dr. John Vaul, former superintendent of the Chester-Upland School District, introduced Stacie Stanfenberg as the winner of the Humanitarian Award. Stanfenberg, an Arco employee, had been involved in many of her company's charitable projects, including helping raise funds for the Chester Boys and Girls Club.

The Sportsman of the Year award went to the former Delco Senior Babe Ruth Baseball League coach, Rich Merchant, who was introduced by the league's former president, Tom Burke. Burke told the crowd of the nine Senior Babe Ruth titles Merchant's teams won in an eleven-year stretch.

Burke said, "But the important thing was that the other people who coached in the league would call Merchant if some of their players needed help getting into college, and he didn't care if they were his opponents, he'd be happy to help them."

The Chester High basketball team was given a Special Tribute at the 55th annual dinner on Thursday, April 21, 1994.

The Clippers, under coach Alonzo Lewis, won the Pennsylvania State Championship in March of that year.

William Crowell was given the Sportsman of the Year award, and the Springfield Athletic Association was presented with a Special Tribute award.

The Springfield Athletic Association, which began in 1944 with a group of 21 young boys wishing to play instructional baseball, is today an organization that provides baseball, softball, wrestling, bowling, soccer, basketball, field hockey, and lacrosse for thousands of youngsters.

Upper Darby's Chris Rickards received the Outstanding High School Athlete award, and Laura Robinson of Strath Haven was the Most Courageous Athlete.

Frank Dunphy, University of Pennsylvania basketball coach, was named Coach of the Year.

The fifth annual Bob Finucane Memorial Award was given to Reverend John Cartwright. A graduate of Sharon Hill, John was a star quarterback at the Naval Academy, where he broke many of Roger Staubach's records.

Later, he founded the Calvary Independent Baptist Church, which today also consists of an academy with grades kindergarten through 12.

Unfortunately, the Hall of Fame lost the following members during the year: John "Buck" Bucci, Sam Godfrey, Howard Plummer, Michael Thurstlic, and James Mack.

A Special Tribute award was presented to Howard T. Painter, Sr., at the Old Timers dinner on Thursday, November 10, 1994. The tribute was given to Howard in recognition of his fifty years of dedicated service and personal commitment to the success of the Delaware County Old Timers Association.

Jim Murray received the Humanitarian Award for his dedicated personal commitment to the promotion and success of the Ronald McDonald Houses.

A Special Tribute award was presented to the Leinberger brothers at the 56th annual banquet at Septembers Place, on Thursday, April 20, 1995.

The brothers, Peter, Gary, Chris, Bruce and Jeff are the sons of Mrs. Helen Leinberger and the later Fred Leinberger of Drexel Hill.

All five boys were three-lettermen in football, wrestling and track while students at Upper Darby High School. They garnered 40 varsity letters among themselves, and were outstanding in all sports, especially wrestling. As wrestlers, all were district and regional champions, and two were also sectional champions.

Sharon Hill was well represented that night, as Don Freda, a 1969 graduate of Sharon Hill High took home the Bob Finucane Award. Freda, an All-Delco football player and track star, launched Vector Marketing Corporation, which became a multi-million dollar company with 200 offices, and sales of \$65 million in 1994.

Widener's head football coach, Bill Cubit, a former Sharon Hill great and University of Delaware All-American, was the recipient of the Coach of the Year award.

Finally, Tom Hauer, Jr., the son of another outstanding Sharon Hill athlete, Tom Hauer, Sr., was named the Outstanding High School Athlete.

Brenda Smerigan was named Sportsperson of the Year, and Dan Collins of Penncrest High was named Most Courageous Athlete.

The Hall of Fame also began the Channel Swim Fund, which was a campaign to raise money for Hall of Fame member Dr. Eddie Coyle, who was attempting to swim the English Channel that summer.

As always, time took its toll by the passing of seven members during the year. The list included: R. Erv Cox, Bob Forwood, Joe Patterson, William C. Rhoades, Tony Coma, Harry Ponci and Myron Sawicki.

Nicholas A. Sciocchetti was the Sportsman of the Year at the Sixth Annual Old Timers dinner on Thursday, October 12, 1995.

Sciocchetto's promotion of sports in the borough led him to be know as the Godfather of Marcus Hook athletics. He was a major force in organizing the Marcus Hook Athletic Association in the late 1940s. He also coached and managed football and basketball teams in the 1940s and 1950s, and women's softball until the 1970s.

The fifth annual Humanitarian Award was given to James J. Costello. Costello was an all-around athlete at St. John's High School and Seton Hall University before moving to the Delaware County area. He served as president of the Cardinal O'Hara High School athletic fund-raising committee for 25 years. He also ran fund-raising projects for DeLaSalle, Knights of Columbus for 35 years, Fly for Leukemia (1977-81), Children's Hospital and the Hero Bowl.



Doris Abrams



John Vaul



Phil Marion



Pat Duffy



John Ogden



Bill Reynolds

Honored Guests



Jim Christy (baseball), a graduate of St. James High School. Attended South Carolina State in 1955. Played baseball at Thomasville, Georgia, in 1956, a Brooklyn Dodgers farm team. Played with Tincum A.C. in the Delaware County League in 1962-1963. Batted .427, was RBI and home run king of the league. Jim is also an outstanding back in football with Tincum A.C. He recently tried out with the New York Jets. He is employed at the Post Office in Chester.



Paul Arizin (basketball), born and raised in South Philadelphia. Graduate of LaSalle High School in Philadelphia. Graduated from Villanova University in 1950, where he starred in basketball. Paul also was one of the outstanding players on the Warriors team of the N.B.A. League for 10 years. The old number 11 stood out in their games. He is now playing with Camden on weekends. Paul and his family reside on Lewis Road in Springfield Township, Delaware County.



John Ketchell (boxing), boxed over 300 fights in 11 years. Boxed 3 times in one week. Boxed such men as Sammy Baker, Joe Dundee, Baby (Face) Joe Gans, Frankie Nelson, Vince Dundee, Aggie Campbell, Jack Ketchell, Billy Angelo. Resident of the 5th Ward in Chester, he is presently a detective in the Chester Police Department.



Jack Messick (football), played with Media High School in 1940. They were Del. Co. Champions. All Del. Co. center in 1940 at Media. Went to Delaware University 1941-1942. Played at Penn under the Naval Program as center in 1944. Little All-American at Delaware in 1946-1947. Also was captain of the team in 1947. Delaware had a 33-game winning streak under Coach Bill Murray. He coached a 90 lb. team in the Bert Bell Conference in 1963. Jack is also president of the Media Boys Club, and owner of the Rose Tree Inn.



Chas. "Pud" Sweeny (bowling), born and raised in Chester. Graduate of Eddystone High School. Employed at the Atlantic Steel Castings Co. Outstanding bowler of this area. Pud is Secretary of the Chester Bowling Association. Bowls in Wilmington and Philadelphia Majors. Single games of 299 with an average of 202. He holds a record of 824 with a 246-299-279.

A Special Tribute Award was presented to the Cardinal O'Hara girls' basketball team at the 57th Annual Sports Dinner on Thursday, April 18, 1996. The team won the Philadelphia Catholic championship and was ranked fifth in the nation by USA Today.

J. Greg Driscoll was the recipient of the seventh annual Bob Finucane Award. Driscoll, a graduate of St. James, played baseball for John Mooney, and later in the Delco Baseball League. In 1994, he was named one of five senior vice presidents for Sun Company.

Chester High's Jamar Kinder won the Most Courageous Athlete award, and Robert Lythgoe of Bonner received the Outstanding High School Athlete award.

Delaware County Hall of Fame Historian Richard Pagano presented the Coach of the Year awards to Joseph Gallagher, Haverford High School head football coach, and Debbie Schnellenbach, Ridley High School girls' field hockey coach.

The Andrew W. MacMurtrie Memorial Award was presented by Matt Zabitka to Anthony "Tony" Iacone.

Unfortunately, 14 Hall of Famers passed away during the year. They included: William "Hock" Greaves, William Kriebel, Robert "Pappy" Crawford, Raymond Worrall, Paul "Skinny" McBride, Nicholas Sciocchetti, James F. Begley, Carl Fagioli, Joseph Diggins, Sr., Joseph Seber, Douglas "Bud" Larkin, Carl Mike, Oscar "Beck" Benson and Donald E. Robertshaw.

Chichester principal, Robert DiNicola, presented a Special Tribute award to the entire Borcky family at the Old Timers' banquet on Wednesday, October 1996. Grandfather, Emanuel Borcky, a boxer, is a member of the Delco Hall of Fame class of 1960. Richard Borcky, Sr., Emanuel's son, is a member of the class of 1992, football category.

The following accomplishments are credited to Richard Sr.'s sons: Richard, Jr. was an honorable mention All-Delco in basketball; Dennis and Tim were All-Delco and All-State in football, and received scholarships to play at Memphis State. Kevin, an honorable mention All-Delco in football, also received a scholarship to Memphis State. Paul, another All-Delco football player, won a scholarship to Syracuse University.

Borcky's daughters, Ann and Patti, were All-Delco in basketball, and received scholarships to Holy Cross and Wilmington College.

John McNichol, Jr. took home the Sportsman of the Year award at the 58th annual dinner on Thursday, April 17, 1997. McNichol was one of the founders of the Ridley Park Boys Club, and coached football and baseball from 1962 to 1986, winning numerous championships.

The Swarthmorewood Athletic Association, on behalf of its presidents, Kate Schmidt and William Driadon, accepted a Special Tribute award. The club was founded in 1962 by Bill Rayer and Vic Maggette, and has serviced thousands of boys and girls continuously for over 40 years. Today, it sponsors over 15 baseball and softball teams, and six football teams with cheerleaders.

The high school awards went to Kristen Clement of Cardinal O'Hara, Outstanding Athlete; and Marple Newtown's Patrick "Pat" Curry, Most Courageous.

Daily Times sports reporter Jack McCaffery presented the Coach of the Year award to Michael Barr, Strath Haven High School boys' soccer coach.

The eighth annual Bob Finucane Award was presented to Tom Wynne. A three-sport star athlete at St. James, Tom attended St. Joseph's University, where he was All-Big 5, All-State, and a member of the Hawks three NCAA teams from 1961-63.

Presently, he is the President and Chief Operating Officer for L.C.I. International. It is now a New York Stock Exchange Company, with a market capital of \$2 billion.

The head table was full of special guests such as Bill Swaan, head football coach at Widener University; NFL official Bill Reynolds; Ralph Batty, head football coach of Ridley High; Stephanie Gaitley, women's basketball coach at St. Joseph's University; and, of course, the regulars, Mickey Vernon and Senator Clarence Bell.

Again, a long list of members who died during the past year included: Joseph Hess, J. Kenneth Doherty, James Ettomer, Daniel Faverio, Frank Agatone, Dora Plummer, Richard Maley, Lee Garling, Fred Zinck, Jesse Brewster, Frank Martin, George Bobonand and Edward Gill.

Former Philadelphia Eagle Vince Papale received the All-Time Pro Athlete award at the eighth Annual Old Timers banquet on Thursday, October 23, 1997. Vince began his football career at the Glenolden Boys Club in 1953. He later played for Interboro, then starred on the track team at St. Joseph's College. After college, he played semi-pro football for the Aston Knights, and then pro football for the Philadelphia Bell.

In 1976, Vince joined the Eagles and had an outstanding career as a special teams player until 1981.

That same evening, Jack Klotz was the recipient of the Humanitarian Award. Jack, an outstanding all-around athlete at PMC Prep and PMC, played professional football for the New York Titans, New York Jets, and Houston Oilers.

Jack, for the past ten years, had dedicated his life to the rehabilitation to those addicted to alcohol and drugs. He is presently involved with Cityteam Mission, in the City of Chester, where homeless people are granted food, shelter, and counseling.

The ninth annual Bob Finucane Award was given to John A. Yannacone at the 59th annual dinner on Thursday, April 16, 1998. John, a member of the 1953 St. James High School Catholic League Championship football team, was an active business and community leader, and a member of numerous professional and civic organizations.

For his extensive service to the community, he received the *March of Dimes Humanitarian Award* and the *Distinguished Small Businessperson of the Year Award*.

The Most Courageous Athlete was Dhafir Smith of Upper Darby High School. Coach of the Year honors went to Andy Talley, Villanova University football coach.

Hall of Fame Historian Richard Pagano presented the Sportsman of the Year award to Max Segich. Max, owner of Maximillian's Restaurant n' Tavern, sponsored teams in Delaware County for 30 years. His girls' fast-pitch softball team won the State title in 1991 and 1992, and made it all the way to the Nationals.

This year, the following individuals passed from the scene—Charles Bonner, Robert B. Curry, Donald S. Waite, Albert De Marcantonio, Albert "Cappy" Hill, Sandy Miller, Paul Ewaka, Richard Borcky, and George Mattson.

Former Philadelphia Eagle William Mackrides was the recipient of the all-Pro Award at the ninth annual Old Timers' dinner on Thursday, October 15, 1998. Mackrides was a quarterback for the Eagles from 1946 to 1950. He later became the head coach of Springfield High School's football team and remained in that position for over 25 years.

The Humanitarian Awards went to James Laird and Joan Novino, the commissioner of the women's division of the Daily Times/Budweiser Champs 'n Charity Classic, which has raised more than \$140,000 for the Delco Unit of the American Cancer Society.

It is anticipated that, as we celebrate the 60th Anniversary, the writer and researcher of the future will record the highlights of tonight's banquet and future banquets.

What will he find during the 100th Anniversary in 2039? Hopefully, he will find an organization that still bridges the understanding of the athletes of today and the athletes of yesterday.

May the writer of the future record accurately, so those who follow can build upon the rich heritage of the past.



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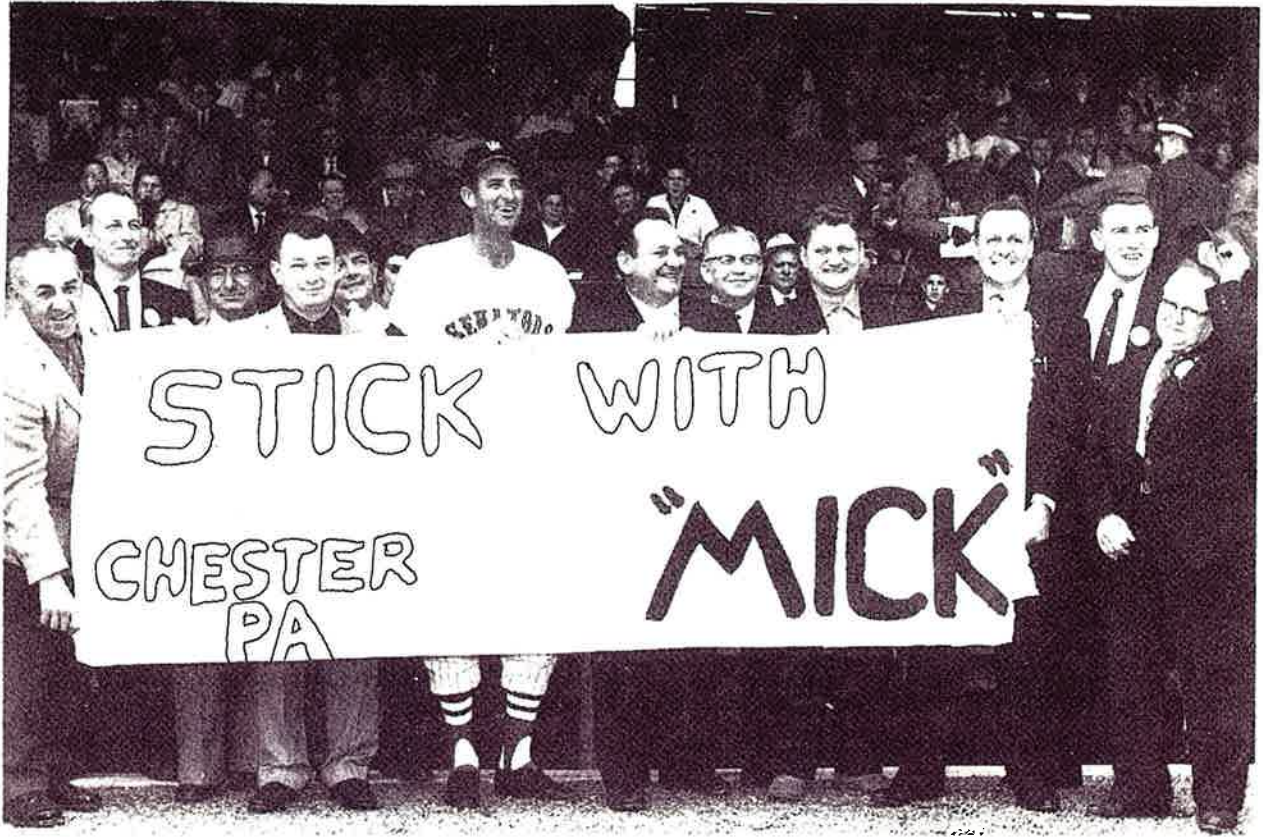
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"OLD TIMERS" SALUTES MICKEY VERNON - APRIL, 1961

Left to Right: JIM "BANABAS" WEIDNER, BILL ARMSTRONG, VINCE LATUREO, JOE CIRILLI, MICKEY VERNON, "CLANK" MINGIOA, JOE NEEDLEMAN, JOHN "JACK" NACRELLI, TOM BLYTHE, BILL POWELSON, ALEX MELLING



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Board of Directors

Name	Office	Years of Service
Howard T. Painter	Secretary/Treasurer/President	1939-1989
Charles (Pard) Larkin	Master of Ceremonies	1939-1982
L. B. (Dick) MacDonald	President	1939-1963
William Maitland		1939-1960
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John Bergdoll		1939-1950
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Bob Smith		1953-1970
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Jack Crawford		1955-1972
Ed Morrell	Secretary	1955-1971
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Bert Hughes		1955-1969
Luke Howard		1955-1967
William Price	President/Chairman	1955-1965
Charles Pennington		1955-1968
George Smith		1955-1964
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Joseph Cirilli	Exec. Director/Treasurer	1973-Present
John Miller		1974-1988
Hock Greaves		1976-1989
Frank Pardusky	President	1982-1998
Joseph Sweeney		1983-1989
Frank Agatone		1983-1989
Joseph Diggins		1983-1989
Howard Plummer		1983-1989
Frank Holland		1983-1989
Mike Feddic		1983-1989
Cholly McKeone		1995-1997
Frank Hashorva		1988-1995

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Board of Directors

Name	Office	Years of Service
Patricia Mescanti	Secretary	1988-Present
Richard Pagano	Historian	1988-Present
Joseph Volpone	President	1988-Present
William McCray		1988-Present
Robert Urban		1988-1998
Edward Coyle		1995-Present
Harry Chaykun		1995-Present
Art McCall		1996-Present
Bill Chester		1997-Present
Brenda Smerigan		1999-

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Bob Finucane Memorial Achievement Award

This award was created by the Delco Athletes Hall of Fame Association in 1990. Bob was a Delaware County sports writer and editor. The award is presented annually to a Delaware County athlete, or sports oriented individual, who has excelled in his/her profession other than sports participation.

Year	Recipient
1990	Reverend Charles O'Hara
1991	Dr. Allen Sack
1992	Theresa Grentz
1993	Nick Trainer
1994	Reverend John B. Cartwright
1995	Don Freda
1996	Greg Driscoll
1997	Thomas J. Wynne
1998	John Yannacone
1999	Dr. William D. Emper

All Time Pro Athlete Award

This award was established in 1985 for the purpose of honoring professional athletes who were born or resided in the Delaware Valley area, or played with a local professional team during their active years in sports. Also included are athletes who have performed on an individual basis in a professional sport.

Year	Recipient	Organization
1985	Steve VanBuren	Philadelphia Eagles
1986	Paul Arizin	Philadelphia Warriors
1987	Mickey Vernon	Washington Senators
1988	Bosh Pritchard	Philadelphia Eagles
1989	Jack Ferrante	Philadelphia Eagles
1990	Henry C. "Shag" Crawford	National League Umpire
1996	Vince Papale	Philadelphia Eagles
1998	Bill Mackrides	Philadelphia Eagles

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Mickey Vernon Award

Most Outstanding High School Athlete

Year	Recipient	High School
1973	William Emper	Nether Providence
1974	Herbert Orensky	Sharon Hill
1975	Paul Pollock	Chester
1976	Bruce Gordon	Ridley
1977	Mark Cole	Interboro
1978	Jeff Owsley	Sun Valley
1979	Matt Grossi	Ridley
1980	A. J. Di Pietro	Ridley
1981	Marty Cull	Cardinal O'Hara
1982	Dennis Borcky	Cardinal O'Hara
1983	Richard Deaver	Ridley
1984	Steve Coyne	Marple-Newtown
1985	Arthur Condodina Kevin McNicholas	Cardinal O'Hara Ridley
1986	Charles Steinmetz	Penn Wood
1987	Nancy Carroll	Academy Park
1988	Chris Logan	Delaware County Christian Academy
1989	Kristy Sipple	Sun Valley
1990	Rap Curry	Penn Wood
1991	Rebecca Grube	Upper Darby
1992	Kim Fisher	Sun Valley
1993	Brendan Benner	Monsignor Bonner
1994	Chris Richards	Upper Darby
1995	Tom Hauer	Sun Valley
1996	Robert Lythgoe	Monsignor Bonner
1997	Kristen Clement	Cardinal O'Hara
1998	Najeeb Rasheed	Chester
1999	Michael Grube	Upper Darby

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Danny Murtaugh Memorial Award

Most Courageous High School Athlete

Year	Recipient	High School
1977	Mike Paulone	Pennsylvania School for the Deaf
1978	James Boyd	Cardinal O'Hara
1979	Craig Wolf	Marple-Newtown
1980	William Hunsberger	Sharon Hill
1981	Barbara Jordan	Penncrest
1982	Danny White	Upper Darby
1983	Patrick Randolph	Ridley
1984	Keith Jan	Penn Wood
1985	Richard Moore	Academy Park
1986	Toselli Silvestri	Pennsylvania School for the Deaf
1987	Garrett Wright	Penncrest
1988	Todd Rucci	Upper Darby
1989	Jung Nguyen	Academy Park
1990	Keith Novak	Penn Wood
1991	Matthew Joseph	Springfield
1992	Robert Jacobs	Marple-Newtown
1993	Danielle Little	Ridley
1994	Laura Robinson	Strath Haven
1995	Dan Collins	Penncrest
1996	Jamar Kinder	Chester
1997	Pat Curry	Marple-Newtown
1998	Dahfir Smith	Upper Darby
1999	DeAnne Cole	Penn Wood High

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Scholar-Athlete Award

Recipient	High School
Kelly Barnes	Radnor
Sherri Bermel	Sun Valley
Matt Bludin	Ridley
Alexander Bradley	Upper Darby
Thomas Burke	Monsignor Bonner
Matt Caia	St. James
Matt Cella	St. James
Brian Campbell	Monsignor Bonner
Chris Carr	Upper Darby
Robert Cox	Garnet Valley
Glenn Davis	Malvern Prep
John DeFruscio	Monsignor Bonner
Kim Dickerson	Springfield
Scott Donald	Sun Valley
Christopher Dormer	Cardinal O'Hara
Michal Dzik	Archbishop Carrol
Jo-Ann Epstein	Marple Newtown
Michael Grube	Upper Darby
Rebecca Grube	Upper Darby
Zip Greto	St. James
Kenny Hull	Strath Haven
Jeff Hill	Glen Mills
Rachel Hixson	Penncrest
Jeff Hoffman	Strath Haven
Dan Johnson	Chichester
Kraig Kaufhold	Penncrest
Matthew Lindeman	Penn Wood
Carolyn Lehman	Springfield
Barbara J. Lucey	Springfield
Jill Lynch	Sun Valley
Joe Miller	St. James
Fran Nascelli	Ridley
Johathan Nazigan	Christian Academy
Mike O'Hara	Cardinal O'Hara
Kevin Osborne	Penncrest

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Scholar-Athlete Award

Recipient	High School
Gwen Peirce	Interboro
Kevin Silva	Haverford
Kristy Sipple	Sun Valley
Joel Smith	Garnet Valley
Wendy Smith	Interboro
James Strandberg	Monsignor Bonner
Rex Storch	Strath Haven
Chad Tarr	Garnet Valley
Kelly Thornton	Marple Newtown
Jeffery Toal	Cardinal O'Hara
Aimee Turner	Ridley
Roosevelt Turner	Chester
Brent VanKoski	Strath Haven
Andrea Waliem	Radnor
Steve Warren	Strath Haven
Ron Withelder	Sun Valley
Hayden Woodworth	Garnet Valley
Ted Woolery	Strath Haven

Scholar Athlete Scholarship Award

In honor of its 60th Anniversary, the Delaware County (PA) Hall of Fame has initiated a high school student Scholar/Athlete Scholarship Award. The first recipient is

Jonathan Mungan

Penn Wood High School

Delaware County Athletes Hall of Fame

Sportsperson of the Month

Recipient	Recipient
William Bevin	Steve Lawley
Buck Boettger	James McGraw
Paul Bogosian	Paul R. Martin
Richard Bush	Howard McKee
George Carter	Clyde Mingis
Topper Corcoran	John Molettieri
James Durkin	Dickie Noles
Gene Ferraiolo	Robert Nugent
William Ford	Tom Patterson
Rick Fuller	Ernie Pietropola
Norman Guyer	Max Segich
Bill Henderson	Rev. James L. Shelton
Charles Hewlings	Frank Spaide
William (Mr. K) Karavassily	Dr. John Vaul
Thomas Kincade	Carl Walling
Rick Koehler	Don and Barbara Warrington
James (Boog) Laird	Charles J. Wieners

Delaware County Athletes Hall of Fame
Sports Dinner Programs

Date	Program/Honoree(s)
1939-1940	Father-Son Affair
February 6, 1941	Bill Dwyer, Sportscaster
March 24, 1942	Ellis Dwyer/William J. Burke
February 10, 1943	Ralph Swarts
February 21, 1944	Albert McDade
February 5, 1945	Alfred G. Hill/Victor Boell
February 7, 1946	Arthur E. Ehlers
January 28, 1947	William B McClenahan
February 9, 1948	Ira Thomas, Athletics
January 25, 1949	George Earnshaw
January 31, 1950	Benny Bengough
February 5, 1951	Cy Perkins
January 30, 1952	George Case
February 4, 1953	Art Raimo
January 20, 1954	Norman Abrams
January 19, 1955	Hon. John V. Diggins
February 22, 1956	Karl Agan
January 29, 1957	Ed McGinley
January 22, 1958	Karl Agan
February 3, 1960	Frank Boettger
February 1, 1961	Charles P. Larkin
January 31, 1962	Danny Murtaugh
January 25, 1963	Ben Martin/Rip Miller
January 15, 1964	Harold (Pie) Traynor
January 30, 1965	Capt. William S. Busik
January 26, 1966	Danny Murtaugh/Dallas Green/Jack Mulvena
February 1, 1967	Elmer Valo
January 31, 1968	Tubby Raymond
January 29, 1969	Rev. James T. Delaney
January 7, 1970	Peter A. Carlesimo
January 27, 1971	Bill Campbell
January 26, 1972	Danny Murtaugh/ Mickey Vernon
January 24, 1973	Rev. Eric A. Oesterle
January 6, 1974	Hon. John V. Diggins
January 22, 1975	Charles P. Larkin, Jr.
January 14, 1976	William (Reds) Burke
January 5, 1977	Robin Roberts

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Sports Dinner Programs

Date	Program/Honoree(s)
January 11, 1978	Tom D. Gorman
January 10, 1979	Jacques Beauchamp
February 2, 1980	Tubby Raymond
January 31, 1981	James Crowley
January 8, 1982	Pat Williams
January 12, 1983	Joe Pendry
June 6, 1984	Pete Retzlaff/Randy Logan
March 9, 1985	Mickey Kwiatkowski, Hofstra U.
April 10, 1986	Robert Finucane
April 9, 1987	Beans Brennan
April 7, 1988	Bosh Pritchard
April 13, 1989	Robert Finucane
October 18, 1989	Old Timers Induction Dinner
April 19, 1990	St. James High School - Special Tribute
October 18, 1990	Old Timers Induction Dinner
April 18, 1991	Media Youth Center - Special Tribute
October 16, 1991	Old Timers Induction Dinner
April 23, 1992	Upland A.C. - Special Tribute Cathy Rush - Special Tribute
October 22, 1992	Eddie's Over 50 Softball Team
April 22, 1993	Aston A.A. - Special Tribute
October 13, 1993	Stacie M. Staufenberg - Special Tribute
April 21, 1994	Springfield A.A. - Special Tribute
November 10, 1994	Jim Murray - Special Tribute
April 20, 1995	Nicholas Sciocchetti - Special Tribute
October 12, 1995	James J. Costello - Humanitarian
April 18, 1996	Cardinal O'Hara Girls Basketball Tm - Special Tribute J. Greg Driscoll - Special Tribute
October 30, 1996	Emanuel Borcky Family Special Tribute
April 17, 1997	Swarthmorewood A.A. - Special Tribute
October 24, 1997	Jack Klotz - Humanitarian Award Vince Papale - All Pro Award
April 18, 1998	Andy Talley, Coach of the Year
October 15, 1998	William Mackrides - All Pro Award

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Luncheon Programs

Date	Program/Honoree(s)
1989 April 19 September 20 November 15 December 20	Frank Hashorva George Bennett/Lou Soscia, Villanova Baseball Coaches Kevin McBurney, President, Delco Baseball League Theresa Grentz
1990 January 17 February 21 March 21 September 19 November 21 December 19	Edward Medzarentz, National Awareness Foundation Henry Steve Lawley, Special Olympics Dr. Tony Coma James "Boog" Laird, Delco Times Softball Tourney Harry Chaykun, PIAA Chester Chapter Officials Assn. Richard Groff, Treasurer, U.S. Soccer Federation
1991 January 16 February 13 March 20 May 15 September 18 November 20 December 18	Kit Crissey, Society of American Baseball Research Bill Reynolds, NFL Official Bill Giles, President, Philadelphia Phillies Bob Ewing, O'Hara Football Coach Gerry Feehery Pat Duffy, Boxing Advocate Tom Feerick/Mickey Vernon, Washington Senators Film Rich Wescott, Phillies Report Magazine Pete Forjohn, Athletic Director, Glen Mills School
1992 January 15 February 19 March 18 June 3 September 16 November 18 December 16	Ray Gionta, St. James Football Coach Gene Benson, Negro Baseball League Bill Cubit, Widener University Football Coach Tom Brookshier, Philadelphia Eagles Dan Baker, Phila. Sports Writers Assn. Bill "Speedy" Morris, LaSalle University Football Coach Dickie Noles, Philadelphia Phillies
1993 January 20 February 17 March 18 May 26 September 15 November 17 December 15	Don DiJulia, Athletic Director, St. Joseph's University Dave Tiberi, Boxing Program Chris Kemple, General Mgr., Wilmington Blue Rocks St. James Tribute Buck Boettger, Delco West Babe Ruth Champions Bruce Bryde, Athletic Director, Widener University Greg Gross, Baseball Coach, Malvern Prep
1994 February 16 April 6 May 18 September 21 October 13	Marty Stern, Coach, Villanova Girls' Track Dick Vermeil Mickey Vernon/Danny Murtaugh-Baseball Hall of Fame Bob Rigby, Soccer Program Maje McDonnell, Scout, Philadelphia Phillies

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Luncheon Programs

Date	Program/Honoree(s)
1995 January 15 March 15 September 20 November 15	Andy Carr, Boxing Program Joe Miller/Jim VanKoski Delaware Seagulls Jody Ambrosino John Bonder, Basketball Coach
1996 March 20 September 14 November 19	Boxing Program Hall of Fame Site Dedication Steve Joachim
1997 March 18 May 21 September 17 November 19	Boxing Program Joe McNicholas Tribute Bill Reynolds Tribnute Comcast Sports Network
1998 March 18 May 19 September 16 November 18	Boxing Program Phil Martelli, Coach, St. Joseph's University Joe Valerio Gerry Feehery

Some Thoughts from Ed Gebhart



I attended my first Old Timers' banquet in 1954. I was fresh out of the service and had been hired by Chester Times sports editor Bob Finucane the previous December. The Old Timers was my first "banquet assignment." The affair was held at the old Chester YMCA (or was it the YWCA?), and 300 people were in attendance.

Back then, the entire sports department consisted of Finucane, Matt Zabitka and me. We covered 24 high schools in Delaware County, not to mention dozens of baseball and semipro basketball leagues. Softball teams, except for the church leagues, were a rarity. Girls' sports were largely ignored, probably because Harry Chaykun hadn't been born yet. Amateur boxing was still pretty big.

The "big names" in the Older Timers back then were Gordon "Dick" MacDonald, Walter Coppock, Howard Painter, Luke Howard, Bill Hewlings, Hughie Coakley of the Chester Boys Club, and Bill Maitland, a county detective. Mr. Painter probably will be here tonight. "Pard" Larkin, a prominent attorney and a real class act, was always master of ceremonies. I never dreamed I would one day hold that job as long as Mr. Larkin did.

I always was fascinated by a Chinese gentleman named Buck Lai who came down from New York each year. In his youth, he had played baseball in the county frequently. I always regretted that I never had seen him play.

Danny Murtaugh and Mickey Vernon were still active in pro ball. They never missed an Old Timers' banquet. Mickey will be here tonight, too. I wonder if Mickey, Mr. Painter and I are the only ones here tonight who also attended the 1954 affair.

I was, and still am, a hero worshipper. I couldn't believe I was sitting at the same table with Vernon and Murtaugh. I was amazed that they were just regular guys, the way they kidded with men they had played ball with and against as youngsters. I was too shy to ask for an autograph.

Some days later, I tracked down Vernon, who was working during the off season at a place near 8th and Sproul Streets called the Surplus Store. They sold war surplus items. I had a photographer buddy from the Times, George Nelson, take a picture of Mick shaking hands with me.

I looked at the photo the other day. It was really scary. Today, Mickey doesn't look a whole lot older.

Me? I look like someone who attended his first Old Timers' banquet in 1954!

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By **BOB TENNANT**
Times Sports Editor

The Delco Athletes Hall of Fame turned 60 this year, which, according to its own by-laws, means it's going to have to wait until the October dinner, the oldtimers recognition dinner, to be properly honored for what it is.

What the Delco Athletes Hall of Fame is, is people. Sportspeople. Delco Sportspeople. And for that alone, the Hall can be excused if it makes an exception and honors itself right here, right now. So, as it enters its 61st year, we all should take a moment this evening and offer a toast to the Delco Athletes Hall of Fame and its curators, led by the one man whose mission it is to see that Delco's athletes carry their proper due into posterity, Hall of Fame chairman **Joe Cirilli**.

Look through the pages of this commemorative program and you'll see the names which have seen Delaware County - just a garnish on the full plate of sports activity which is the Greater Philadelphia area - produce second and third helpings of athletic achievement. The very attempt of starting a list of names means some will be omitted, so at that risk, let us dare another suburban county to produce the likes of **Mickey Vernon**, **Danny Murtaugh** - and how in heaven's name can the veterans committee continue to ignore them for baseball's Hall of Fame? - **Lew Krausse**, **Sam Riddle**, **Leroy Burrell**, **Dick Christy**, **Emlen Tunnell**, **Phil Marion**, **Joe McNicholas**, **Horace Walker**, **Dave Batton** and **Geoff Petrie**.

They are among the most accomplished athletes and sportspeople in Delco history.

And, in its first 60 years, they have all become members of the Delco Athletes Hall of Fame. There are probably some deserving sportspeople who, in that first 60 years, have been overlooked. There can't be many. There are more qualified Delco sports historians than I - **Ed Gebhart**, whose column appears elsewhere in this program; **Matt Zabitka**; my Daily Times colleague and friend **Harry Chaylum** (whose photographic memory of Delco people and places never ceases to amaze us in the office); and **Joe Cirilli** and his committees come immediately to mind - to comment on those times and those athletes.

As for me, let me just suggest that the Delco Athletes Hall of Fame has a lot more work to do, honoring athletes whose time has come to be honored. They are the athletes and sportspeople of the 1960s, and later. The athletes that myself and my generation - hardly spring chickens anymore - remember.

At the same risk of leaving off deserving names, those athletes are the likes of **Todd Rucci**, **Chris Arnold**, **Don Clune**, **Mike Scioscia**, **Pete Filson** and **Bob Gibson**, all of whom made it to the NFL or the major leagues, none of whom is in the Delco Athletes Hall of Fame. Yet.

The likes of **Lamont Ferrell**, a district basketball scoring record-holder for many years; **Zain Shaw**, still a record-holder; **Chucky Robinson**, **Marty Brown** and **Pat Randolph**, all rushing record-holders; **Earle Mosley**, **Ted Cottrell** and **Bill Cottrell**, all coaching in the NFL. All are African-American. None is in the Delco Athletes Hall of Fame. Yet.

The likes of **Rebecca Grube**, perhaps the best all-around high school athlete in Delco in the past 20 years; **Kristen Clement**, a national champion at Tennessee; **Kathleen Gelger**, a national lacrosse team player year after year; Olympian **Kate Fonshell**; basketball coaches **Rene Portland** in Division I and **Linda McDonald** in the WNBA. All are women. None is in the Delco Athletes Hall. Yet.

They are *not* too young; nor their accomplishments too recent. It is their time.

And there are more on the way. There are three swimmers in high school right now - Haverford's **Brendan Hansen**, Upper Darby's **Mike Grube** and Garnet Valley's **Eugene Botes** - who may well be in the 2000 Olympics in Sydney. There are many others, taking place right now.

The 1900s will soon be yielding, inevitably, to the 2000s. No one can stop it. Similarly, change - proper change - is on the way for the Delco Athletes Hall of Fame. It will become younger, and more diverse. It will, because it will - as it always has - reflect the greatness of Delaware County sports.

And the same thing that has made the Delco Athletes Hall of Fame great for its first 60 years will make it even greater in the years that come: A willingness, a mission, to put Delco's athletes on a pedestal, even as the athletes put Delaware County on a pedestal.

The times have changed. The sports have changed. The athletes, and what they look like, have changed.

The recognition of that, inevitably, will be next.



Delaware County (PA) Athletes Hall of Fame

Enshrined in the Delco Athletes Hall of Fame are 944 athletes and sports promoters...there also 944 stories.

Inducted are doctors, lawyers, pro athletes, olympians, outstanding coaches, and successful business men and women. All attest, sports was a predominate factor in their quest for success.

If we were to trace the journey of any one of these individuals on their way to the Hall of Fame, we find many reached their goal due to their God given talent. Some considered themselves fortunate to be at the right place at the right time, while others had to overcome physical hardships.

For sixty years we have kept Delaware County sports alive by honoring past and present athletes. To perpetuate their achievements, their names and sport have been recorded in the Delco Athletes Hall of Fame. Their records shall stand as a challenge for all those who follow, that they too may participate, excel and achieve.

DISTINGUISHED MEMBERS

Andrew W. MacMurtrie	1956
Gordon (Dick) MacDonald	1957
John C. Bergdoll	1958
Charles Bonner	1959
Hughie Coakley	1960
Charles Pennington	1962
James Gallagher	1962
John (Al) Duffy	1963
William A. Price Jr.	1965
John Ketrick Sr.	1969
Timothy Gill	1971
Donald W. Griffin	1971
William (Sonny) Wiggins Sr.	1971
Louis Kapelski	1972
John E. Bosacco	1985
Malcolm B. Petrikin	1985
Frank Staus	1986
Ron and Betty D'Anjolell	1987
William (Bill) McCray	1988
William Hiddeman	1988
Robert Nugent	1989
John E. DuPont	1990
Daniel E. Bunel Sr.	1990
Joyce and Bill Theriot	1991
Earl Blazynski	1992
Frank Pardusky	1992
Tom Burke	1993
William Colby	1994
Senator Clarence Bell	1995
Rosa Gatti	1997
Arthur Spieller	1997
Louis W. Scott, III	1997
Terry R. Taylor	1998
Edward Crawford	1998

SPORTS

James (Baron) Dougherty	1967
Edward Wresneski	1973
Nicholas Catania	1974
Joseph Cirilli	1975
Thomas Blythe	1978
Nicholas Sciocchetti	1979
William Wiggins	1983
James Greenhalgh	1983
William Armstrong	1984
Robert Urban	1985
Joseph (Chopper) Sweeney	1986
Samuel (Sonny) May	1986
Charles Roston	1987
James J. Dougherty	1988
William (Butch) Ryan	1989
Howard Dougherty	1990
Edward M. Humphreys	1990

PROMOTERS

Francis (Pat) Duffy	1991
Richard Pagano	1991
Philip Damiani	1992
Robert G. Bunce	1993
Emmett Brennan	1994
Robert DiNicola	1995
Al Griffin	1995
William Davidson	1997
Willie DeJarnette	1998
Jack Nilon	1998

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR

John J. Dougherty	1983
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AUTO RACING

Mark Donohue	1976
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BASEBALL

Frank "Home Run" Baker	1956
Bristol Lord	1956
Lewis "Hack" Wilson	1956
Joseph Cassidy	1956
John Ogden	1956
George Earnshaw	1956
Ernest Vinson	1956
Vernon Touchstone	1957
Howard Lohr	1957
Warren Ogden	1957
Charles Turner	1957
Maurice (Bill) Maitland	1957
Percy Hall	1958
William Hewlings	1958
Samuel (Skeeter) Watson	1958
Albert Hilborn	1958
Everett Sproul	1958
Curtis Weigand, Sr.	1959
Grover Lane	1959
Edward (Reds) McGuire	1959
John McCullough	1959
Harry Hanby	1959
William Haefner	1959
William Serad	1960
Joseph (Greenback) Hickey	1960
James Keeley	1960
Rev. Joseph (Doc) Dougherty	1960
William (Buck) Lai	1960
Benjamin (Benny) Lister	1961
James Eberts	1961
William (Tippy) Martin	1961
Martin (Rip) Taylor	1962
Jacob Munch	1962
Theodore Cather	1962
Allie McWilliams	1962
Lewis (Lew) Krausse, Sr.	1963
George Gordon	1963

Patrick Ahearn	1963	Alfred Williams	1978
Charles (Press) Cruthers	1963	Frank Nye	1979
Walter Cantwell	1964	Richard Casey	1979
Arnold (Lefty) Vann	1964	Jack Williams	1979
Steward Young	1964	James Christy	1980
Earl Fullerton	1965	James Masticola	1980
Alfred (Bert) Pizzano	1965	Steven Palma	1980
Samuel (Nate) Warren	1965	Peter Giampalmi	1981
Leonard (Ditty) Hartine	1965	Frank (Toad) Snyder	1981
William Meehan	1966	Frank Schoen	1981
Clarence (Dick) Millichap	1966	Lewis (Lou) Krausse, Jr.	1981
Daniel (Danny) Murtaugh	1966	Mike Feddic	1982
Fred Stott	1966	James (Pants) Flanagan	1982
James (Mickey) Vernon	1966	Cyril Beard	1982
John Podgajny	1967	Michael Camillo	1982
Matthew Ramsey	1967	Thomas Jasinski	1983
Clayton Touchstone	1967	James Snow	1983
George Smith	1967	Pearle Johnson	1983
John Greenhalgh	1968	Robert Gibson	1983
Francis Malseed	1968	Angelo Tiburzi	1983
Reuben (Rube) Reed	1968	Charles (Fats) Baldwin	1983
Jesse (Hal) Brewster	1969	Earl Lowery	1983
Richard Clayton	1969	Charles Borcky	1983
Frank (Lefty) Toole	1969	George McClelland	1983
Richard Worrall	1969	Jerris Pierce	1983
John Burke	1970	William Diviney	1983
Porter Charleston	1970	Donald Robertshaw	1983
Edward (Blackcat) Dwyer	1970	Raymond Johnson	1983
Anthony (Tony) Grieco	1970	James (Ringo) Warrington	1984
Frank Martin	1970	Andrew Jarusinski	1984
William Johnson	1971	Alexander Johnson	1984
John (Ducky) Schofield	1971	Bob Seaman	1985
Charles (Home Run) Johnson	1971	John Hollis	1985
William (Bill) Burke	1971	Joseph (Chief) Iacono	1985
Michael Bohinck	1972	John (Cakey) Dougherty	1986
John (Snapper) Ryan	1972	Ted Westervelt	1986
Larry File	1972	Al Brancato	1987
John Long	1973	Frank Holland	1987
William (Bill) McCandless	1973	John (Jack) McGillian	1987
Norman (Dutch) Johnson	1973	Jack Ketrick Jr.	1988
Albert (Buddy) Behrends	1974	Bill Snyder	1989
Steven (Teedy) Ryan	1974	Robert Crawford	1989
William Shillingford	1974	Gustave E. Chew	1990
Robert Baker	1974	Charles McCullough	1990
Jody Ambrosino	1975	Carson Thompson	1990
James Ettner	1975	John Pfander	1990
Daniel (W) Jeffries, Jr.	1975	Merith "Spud" Murray	1990
Harry Seaman	1975	James Berry	1990
Jack Daniels	1976	John Curry	1990
Larry Sheffield	1976	Robert Curry	1990
John Peters	1976	Albert DeMarcantonio	1990
Louis (Lou) Soscia	1976	Michael Flanagan	1991
James Faulkner	1977	Anthony S. Coma	1991
Edward (Reds) Larkin	1977	Nicholas (Nick) Drulick	1991
Harry Morris	1977	Raymond B. Worrall, Jr.	1991
Rev. Eric Oesterle	1977	Anthony Stracchione	1992
Francis Bennett	1978	Carl 'Kikey' McElwee	1992
Jacob (Jake) Chazin	1978	Harry Ponci	1992
Joseph Diggins	1978	Floyd Furniss	1993
Charles Kress	1978	John Duke Keeth	1993

Bill Sinton	1993
Tony (Hoager) Greto	1994
Earl Eggers	1994
Joe Grace	1994
Lloyd Yarnell	1995
Donald Waite	1995
Edward James Donnelly Jr.	1995
Edward (Jabbie) Logan	1995
Charles (Cougar) Johnson	1996
James Clark	1996
Benny Gartside	1996
Harry Smedley	1997
Robert (Bumps) Hall	1997
Fred Frieze, Sr.	1997
Harry (Ace) Bell	1997
Sam Greto	1998
John "Bud" Lowry	1998
Vito Greto	1998
George "Sparky" Wright	1999

BASEBALL MANAGER

James (Bananas) Weidner	1969
James (Pop) McClintock	1973
Robert Hannum	1974
John M. Fletcher	1984
Henry (Greenie) Grucela	1985
John Mooney	1991
James (Jumbo) Faulkner	1992
Ralph Naimoli	1993
Joe Giampalmi	1994
Edward (Eddie) Dodds	1995
Henry Baraldi	1996
Rich Merchant	1997
William Henderson	1997

BASKETBALL

George V. Smith	1956
John J. Strain	1956
John Kelley	1956
Claude Alcutt	1956
John Clowney	1956
Elmer S. Lukens	1957
Frank H. Griffin	1957
Harry Abbott	1957
Alexander (Lex) Gillespie	1957
Frank G. Paxson	1957
John Faulkner	1958
John Sutton	1958
Edward Evans	1958
Charles Ewald	1958
William McGowan	1958
Victor Boell	1959
William Nuttall	1959
Charles (Barney) Mullin	1959
Leslie McIntyre	1959
Fred J. Coe, Sr.	1959
Robert I. Smith	1960

Jesse Francis	1960
James (Soup) Maloney	1960
Paul (Skinny) McBride	1960
Robert Reid	1961
Harry C. Gaukner	1961
James Grace	1961
Oliver E. Robinson, Jr.	1962
James J. Mack	1962
Sol S. Saltzman	1962
Thomas S. Gay	1963
Bartram T. Vance	1963
Harvey Martin	1963
Daniel Hayes	1964
Robert Keating	1964
John A. (Jack) Hulme	1965
Earl Tonge	1965
Kenneth C. Yarnell	1965
Harry A. Coppock	1966
Andrew (Midge) Kimber	1966
James B. Luttrell	1966
Arthur Wheatly	1967
George W. Lentz	1967
Warren A. Pierce	1967
Clarence Roth	1967
Walter J. Carroll, Sr.	1968
Howard Heisner	1968
John L. Kelly, Jr.	1968
David Curry	1969
Michael Peculich	1969
Dr. Earl H. Wentzel	1969
Stanley (Stosh) Janicki	1970
Charles Siegel, Sr.	1970
Horace Walker	1970
Joseph (Indian) Barrett	1971
Carl Ranck	1971
Richard Wright	1971
Frank (Pat) Weichowski	1971
Charles Marenko	1972
Elmer (Tink) Van Patton	1972
Curtis Fromal	1972
Douglas Kistler	1973
Arthur Nazigian	1973
Robert Yurko	1973
James Brangan	1974
Thomas Wynne	1974
Lee Logan	1974
William (Reds) Burk	1975
Major James Bower	1975
James R. Hayes	1975
Dr. Joseph Tuckerman	1976
Albert (Rube) Hall	1976
James Ritchie	1976
James (Ox) Mewha	1977
Joseph Howley	1977
Joseph Seber	1977
John Miller	1978
James J. Dougherty	1978
Jack Amis	1978
Steve Courtin	1979
Isadore Blumensewig	1979

Edward Barrett	1979
Michael Hauer	1980
Robert (Unk) Ewing	1980
John Lastowka	1980
Frank Levy	1981
Jack Bentley	1981
Arthur English	1981
Paul Kelso	1982
Ronald Herbster	1982
Arthur Sherrer	1983
Walter Luzak	1983
Joseph Saltzman	1984
Robert (Bob) Donato	1984
Chester (Kozak) Koslowski	1985
Walter Udovich	1985
Paul Arizin	1986
Jeff Petrie	1986
Franny Gallagher	1987
Walter A. Lenz	1988
Carl Erickson	1989
Samuel O. Godfrey	1990
John Laszek	1990
James Begley	1991
William Lynch	1991
Alex Bradson	1992
Warren Lentz	1992
Angelo Musi	1992
David Batton	1992
Tom Ingelsby	1993
Tom Hauer	1994
George Glatts	1994
Herman Harris	1995
Edward Corcoran	1996
Brent Kitching	1997
Robert Giampalmi	1997
Rev. Daniel J. Bartkow	1998
Tom Galia	1998

BASKETBALL (WOMEN)

Helen Manchin	1978
Theresa Grentz	1979
Betty Bessinger	1980
Marianne Crawford Stanley	1981
Dutchy Gillen Zmijewski	1981
Vera Egner	1982
Doris Harrington Abrams	1983
Kathy Rush	1990
Sandy Miller	1992
Theresa Dunbar	1992
Rene Portland	1999

BASKETBALL COACH

Jack McKinney	1986
Jack Ramsey	1987
Frank May	1989
John Abrams	1990
Ellis Dwyer	1990
Robert Forwood	1991
Ray "Mopes" McLaughlin	1991
William Foster	1992
Hugh Wynne	1996
C.Allen Rowe	1996
Hal Blitman	1998
John Naegeli	1998

BOXING

Robert Barrett	1957
John Ketchell	1958
Robert Burman	1959
Robert (Buddy) Burke	1960
Fred (Freddie) Sammons	1960
William (Billy) Ritchie	1961
Lewis Mutzel	1962
William Angelo	1962
John Traub	1963
Thomas (Spike) Hemlock	1963
John (Snakes) Boyle	1964
Jack Ketchell	1965
Samuel (Firpo) Imburgia	1966
James Carr	1967
Michael Shultz	1967
Thomas Latch	1968
Edward Connors	1969
John Fry	1969
John Leon Szymurski	1970
Anthony (Patsy) Marziotti	1971
Charles Burley	1971
George (Rube) ElPaso	1971
Peter (Bassie) Bocchino	1972
John King	1973
Joseph Aurillo	1974
Jack Carr	1975
Harry Broomall	1976
Joseph Fletcher	1977
William Collins	1978
Anthony Arcomone	1979
Fred (Rocky) Jones	1980
James Moore	1981
Harry Moore	1982
Jack McCauly	1983
Timothy Lawrence	1983
Peter Ward	1983
Anthony (Pete) Tomasco	1984
George Bobon	1985
Edward Devine Johnson	1986
Bill Boyer	1987
Frank Martin	1988
Frank Arcus	1989
Willie (Irish Billy) Smith	1990

Charles Howley	1991
Willie Alexander	1992
Joe McNiff	1992
Marty Capasso	1993
Joe Fratt Tront	1993
Augie Pantellas	1994
Pete Bufala	1994
Chris Panarello	1995
Michael Cerasara	1995
Joey O'Donnell	1996
Eddie Boden	1996
Billy Wyatt	1996
Michael Picciotti	1997
Marty Feldman	1997
Ray Jeffreris	1998
Edwin W. Jefferis	1998
Richie Bennett	1999

BOWLING

Frank Orobono Winters	1956
Brooke WorriLOW	1957
Andrew W. MacMurtrie	1957
Charles Mercandante	1958
James Evans	1959
Newt Meyers	1960
Griff Roberts, Sr.	1961
Robert C. Vandever	1962
Charles (Pud) Sweeny	1963
Albert H. Hughes, Jr.	1963
Edward H. Dickerson	1964
James Hannum, Sr.	1965
Jack Reed	1965
John (Sap) Taylor	1966
Edison J. Bradshaw	1966
John Casey	1967
Robert S. Brooks	1967
Harold Messick	1968
Nicholas Francis, Jr.	1968
John Guarente	1969
Edward Rosenberg	1969
Samuel (Hap) Evans	1969
Frank Schnaitman	1970
Edwin (Shay) Siekierski	1971
Henry Lipp	1971
Elmer Fraim	1971
Nicholas Francis, Sr.	1971
Charles (Chick) Sweeney	1972
Audie Atkins	1973
Henry Schnaitman	1974
Ebert Smith, Sr.	1975
Russel Meeder	1976
Erv Cox	1977
Kenneth Speer	1978
Joseph Orobono	1978
Wade Newman	1979
Norris Gibson	1980
Michael Russo	1981
George Orobono Winters	1982
Albert (Shay) Siekierski	1983

Norman Durbano	1984
Mitchell Perski	1984
Paul Ewaka	1985
Ronald Shive	1986
Eugene (Jim) Vershinski	1987
Thomas Shive	1988
Raymond Link	1992
Walter Regetto	1993
James Burnett	1995
Charles (Bud) Sweeny	1998

BOWLING (WOMEN)

Cecelia Moreland	1983
Sadie Dixon Waters	1984
Patricia R. Mescanti	1988
Hope Ewing	1989

CROSS COUNTRY

Charles G. Giles	1961
Henry Siegel	1962
L. Henry Hill	1963

FIELD HOCKEY (WOMEN)

Agnes Stegmuller	1980
Vonnie Gros	1981
Edna Hoffman	1982
Nada McBreaty	1981
Dora Plummer	1986
Anna (Jackie) Westervelt	1986
Mabel Mosteller Bullock	1991
Christine Larson	1992

FIELD HOCKEY COACH (WOMEN)

Jane Brusch	1980
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FOOTBALL

Edward F. McGinley	1956	Joseph Pullekines	1972
James Vance	1956	Donald Miller	1972
Charles (Pard) Larkin	1956	Albert (Cappy) Hill	1973
Robert Oglesby	1956	William Kurlish	1973
Louis Bueno	1956	Edward King	1973
John Cullen	1956	George Cannon	1974
William Lykens	1957	Colonel Walter Layer	1974
Col. Harry Baxter	1957	John (Yommie) Costello	1974
Martin (Marty) Brill	1957	Lewis J. Korn	1974
Joseph Green	1957	Edmond Wilcox	1974
Lawrence Dolan	1958	William Salerno	1975
William Adams	1958	Fred Zinck	1975
Phillip (Phil) Marion	1958	Jack Klotz	1975
Lewis (Luke) Howard	1958	Norbert Werner	1975
David Cluelow	1959	Abe Soifer	1976
James Lukens, Sr.	1959	Anthony Stalloni	1976
Paul J. McKinney	1960	James Lober	1976
Arthur (Stickey) McMaster	1960	Willard Hunter	1976
William Lord	1960	Harry Miller	1977
Walter Coppock	1960	Mariano Stalloni	1977
Howard (Fats) Burke	1961	Dr. Isadore Ginburg	1977
Howard T. Painter, Sr.	1961	Rev. John Cartwright	1978
John Rauch	1962	Joseph Tiburzi	1978
Francis (Lapper) X. Curry	1962	Richard Hoot	1978
John Stetser	1962	Harry Roberts	1978
Benjamin (Ben) J. Martin	1963	J. J. (Harp) Dougherty	1979
James Campbell	1963	Dwight Speaker	1979
Louis (Lou) Ferry	1963	Joseph Howanski	1980
James L. Desmond	1963	James Cox	1980
Christopher (Kip) Crook	1964	West Fitzgerald	1980
Alfred (Babe) Buono	1964	Silvio (Babe) D'Ignazio	1981
Weston Overholt	1964	Howard Plummer	1981
Charles (Kidda) Gray	1965	Andrew Nacrelli	1981
James Turk	1965	Louis Sorrentino	1981
Cameron C.D. Donato	1966	Charles Hall	1982
Joseph Glenn	1966	Stanley Stress	1982
Anthony (Rabbit) Lenzi	1966	Joseph (Chubby) Imburgia	1982
Albert Fullerton	1967	James Lykens	1982
Harry (Hash) Rosenberg	1967	Billy Kilby	1982
Richard (Dick) Christy	1967	William Mackrides	1983
John Valenti	1967	Anthony Caia	1983
Frank Facciolo	1968	Arthur (Art) Raimo	1983
Carl Fagioli	1968	Carmen Zizza	1983
Jack Messick	1968	Anthony Kruez	1983
Edward Ryan	1968	James (Rock) Royer	1984
Donald (Dinny) Clare	1969	Anthony Sala	1984
Theodore Dean	1969	Joseph McNicholas	1984
Dominic J. Marion	1969	Leo Broadhurst	1985
Theodore Varano	1969	Carmen Cella	1985
John Imburgia	1970	Al Atkinson	1986
Martin (Crash) McKinney	1970	Thomas Pierantozzi	1986
Herman Sweeney, Sr.	1970	Jack Ferrante	1987
Emlen Tunnel	1970	Frank Gallagher	1987
Thomas Hall	1971	James Donato	1987
Joseph Ward	1971	Robert (Bob) Mahoney	1988
Jack Calderone	1971	John Orobono	1988
Gen. William (Bill) Carpenter	1971	Charles (Sam) Singley	1988
Col. Michael Sorrentino	1972	Vincent Papale	1988
		Barney Dougherty	1988
		John Cappelletti	1989

John Waller	1989
James Urey	1989
John (Cy) Imburgia	1990
Henry (Hank) Nacrelli	1990
Ellwood J. Smith	1990
William (Bill) Adams	1991
Donald(Ducky)VanHorn	1991
Noah "Slick" Gethers	1992
Richard Borcky	1992
Frank Silvestri	1992
Gino Silvestri	1992
Billy "White Shoes" Johnson	1993
Frank Ryan	1993
Rocky Palermo	1993
William Rhodes	1993
Randy Grossman	1994
Ron Withelder	1994
Mike Greenday	1994
George Panarello	1994
Brian Mulhern	1995
Carl Gersbach	1995
Edwin Thompson	1995
Mickey Lobb	1995
Sidney Young	1995
James Lukens, Jr.	1995
Joseph Iacone	1996
Charlie Gauer	1996
Joseph Baker	1996
Steve Joachim	1997
Joe Klecko	1997
Allen Haley	1997
William Doherty	1998
Gerald Feehery	1998
Robert Adam	1998
Emilio J. DeVico	1998
James Mewha, Jr.	1999
Mike Evans	1999
Pat Evans	1999

FOOTBALL COACH

Francis (Beans) Brennan	1961
Harry Taylor	1983
Anthony Apichella	1984
John Oberg	1984
Charles Tomasco	1985
Joseph (Lover) Logue	1985
Millard Robinson	1986
Bill Slezak	1987
William (Bill) Ziegenfus	1988
John J. Furlow	1991
Raymond Spafford	1991
Robert Ewing	1992
Carmen Liberatore	1992
William "Doc" Cornog	1993
John "Sam" Dermigny	1995
Bob Fithian	1996
Ben Coren	1997
Edward Medzarentz	1998
Ray Stengel	1998
John Wilson	1999

GOLF

William McIntire	1959
Joseph Hayes	1961
Anthony Brown	1967
Joseph DeBernardinis	1968
Joseph (Chink) Dougherty	1969
Robert Dunn	1970
John S. MacIntyre	1971
Joseph A. Bissinger	1972
Will Gunn, Jr.	1973
Robert Deviney	1974
Leo Palin	1975
Midge Kupsick	1976
Frank Agatone	1977
John Dorhan	1978
Charles Jester	1979
Joseph Hess	1989
Edward Dougherty	1991
Chris Panarello	1998

HANDBALL

Reginald T. Clare	1975
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HORSE RACING

Samuel Riddle	1956
Pat Scavicchio	1992

ICE HOCKEY

Robert Nilon	1972
Lee Tilton	1973
Richard B. Maley	1975

LACROSSE

Porter H. Waite	1963
Henry C. Ford	1965
Thomas Sproul	1966
Avery F. Blake Jr.	1985

WOMEN'S LACROSSE

Virginia Allen	1978
Alice Putman Willetts	1978
Barbara Doran	1981
Joann Harper	1982
Margery Johnston Watson	1984
Merle (Mike) Werley	1994

LACROSSE COACH

Avery F. Blake Sr.	1985
Sue Scheetz	1998

MULTIPLE SPORTS

Bill Curry	1992
Ernest Prudente	1992
Lee and Bill Garling	1993
Vincent Filliben	1995
Robert (Buzzy) Powell	1995

OFFICIALS

Clement Morgan, Sr.	1964
John (Jack) Crawford	1965
John (Tank) Highberger	1966
Nicholas Robinson	1967
Louis (Lou) Bonder	1967
John W. Stevens	1968
LeRoy F. Gilbert	1969
Edwin Minnick	1969
Peter Jaworsky	1970
Elmer News	1971
Michael Thurstlic	1972
Stephen Juenger	1973
Henry (Shag) Crawford	1974
William (Hock) Greaves	1975
Herman Hampton	1976
George M. Myers	1977
Phillip Atwood	1978
William (Bill) Delaney	1979
James (Stickey) McMaster	1980
William Rollinson	1981
Angelo Tiburzi	1982
Joseph (Indian) Barrett	1983
Frank Hashorva	1983
George Reigner	1984
Robert Hannum	1985
Leonard Heller	1986
Joseph (Thunder) Wrzesniewski	1987
Daniel (Dan) Faverio	1988
Nicholas Trainer	1989
Joseph Volpone	1990
Sonny Pompilli	1990
Carl DeMarcantonio	1990
Jake O'Donnell	1992
Bill Reynolds	1993
Jack Ruffino	1993
John C. Greer	1993
Norb Cadden	1994
Joseph Cleary	1994
Jack Peoples	1995
Herm Solar	1997
Robert Donato	1999
James McClain	1999

OLYMPICS

Dr. Edward J. Coyle (weightlifting)	1991
James McCarter	1991
Jean Shiley Newhouse (track & field)	1992
Bruce Harlan (diving)	1993
Charlene Morett (field hockey)	1993
Carl Robie (swimming)	1994
Jane Barkman (swimming)	1994
Karen Shelton (field hockey)	1996
Irv Mondschieen	1996
Frank Keefe (Swimming Coach)	1996
Mike Teti (Rowing)	1997
George Mattson (Rowing)	1997
Michael Gostigian (Pentathlon)	1998
Jeffery Kirk (Track and Field)	1998
Tim McKee (Swimming)	1999

POLO

Newton Wyman	1966
Elmer Putt	1976
Charles W. Maloney	1989

ROWING

Irv Miller	1996
Mike Teti	1997

SOCCER

Leo LeMin	1959
Frank Robinson	1962
John Laird	1964
Charles (Chisel) Grace	1969
Basil Clare	1978
Richard Bond	1979
James Murphy	1983
Jack Preston	1987
Christopher B. Jones	1988
Robert Rigby	1989
James D. Ross	1990
Hal Heffelfinger	1991
Joseph "Pat" Patterson	1991
John Toutkaldjian	1992

Skip Roderick	1993
Rocco Montano	1993
William H. Killen	1994
William Wolfe	1994
Nick Fiore	1995
Joseph Elwell	1996
Randy May	1997
Joseph Tatta	1997
Jason Luzak	1998
Robert Aiken	1998
Kim Maslin-Kammer Deiner	1999

SOFTBALL

Fred Bort, Sr.	1971
William (Billy) Kilby	1972
George Faulkner	1973
Russell Kline	1974
Billy (Icy) Woodard	1975
Donny Westbrook	1976
Ralph Cella	1978
Donald Nash	1978
Charles Catania	1979
George Ricci	1979
George Lupi	1980
Theodore Baynes, Sr.	1981
Anthony (Gook) Dallessio	1981
Martin (Marty) Kennedy	1982
Gene McSweeney	1983
Hugh Clifford	1983
William (Billy) O'Donnell	1984
William Glessner	1985
John McKenna	1986
Joseph Newman	1987
Robert (Bob) Johonett	1988
James (Butch) McClintock	1989
Edward S. Gormley	1990
Daniel Murray	1990
Albert "Scrappy" Georgini	1991
Bobby Walker	1991
William Mitchell	1991
Richard "Snooky" Crawford	1993
Oscar Beck Benson	1993
Pete Caniglia	1993
Jim DiCave	1994
Phillip Masusock	1994
Bill Chester	1994
Samuel Ferrante	1995
Robert Helms	1995
Edward Pierce	1996
Elwood Tribbett	1996
Vincent (Moose) MacDonald	1997
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