

Current Members of the NYS Basketball Hall of Fame

Members are coaches unless noted. (January 16,2016)

Bill Aberer, La Salle Academy (CHSAA)

Coach Bill Aberer has won over 500 games at La Salle Academy. His teams have won two Catholic Archdiocesan and two City Catholic Titles. His 1997 team was ranked the # 2 team in the United States by USA Today. He is a member of the La Salle Academy Hall of Fame, the Five Star Basketball Camp Hall of Fame and the CHSAA Hall of Fame. He was named the NYC and Bronx-Manhattan Coach of the Year numerous times.

Ted Adams, Hempstead HS - (Section 8)

Coach Ted Adams recorded 393 wins in nineteen years as head coach with an 85% winning percentage. He guided his Hempstead HS team to Class A State Championships in 1989,1990 and 1993. He has also been the recipient of the Salvation Army's "Others Award," Who's Who Among America's Teachers, ESPN's Coach of the Month, Kodak Metropolitan Legend of Coaching Award, Hempstead Black Hero, Urban League, Teacher of the Year, and was a Frank McGuire Foundation honoree.

Mike Adey - Rome Catholic, New Hartford and New York Mills HS (Section 3)

Coach Mike Adey has led his teams to over 450 wins in 30 years, winning nearly 74% pct. of their games played. He led his teams to 18 league championships, 6 sectional titles, 2 regional championships and 1 Final Four appearance. Mike is heavily involved in charitable fund raising and served on the BCANY Board of Directors. He has been named Coach of the Year multiple times by the media and league. Mike is a member of the Rome Sports Hall of Fame.

Becky Ahart: Roscoe Central School - Livingston Manor/Roscoe, Downsville/Roscoe -Section IX

Led her teams to four Section 9 Titles and 5 League/Division Championships. Her teams have been in 17 Sectional Tournaments including nine Section 9 Championship Games. Between 1999 and 2003 her teams enjoyed a record of 73-17. She has twice been selected Coach of the Year by the BCANY and was the Cable Six Coach of the Year. She has contributed by serving on the Section 9 Basketball Committee, organizing and coaching several AAU teams, working at numerous basketball camps and organizing a basketball clinic at Roscoe. She has coached all levels of basketball from modified to varsity including summer league teams. A highlight of her career was having the opportunity to coach all 4 of her daughters and her oldest granddaughter.

Fred Ahart, Roscoe Central School, Section 9

Coach Fred Ahart has led Roscoe to 414 wins in 39 years at the smallest school in Section 9. His teams have won numerous League and Section Titles. At one time his team won 30 consecutive League games and compiled 29 consecutive home wins. He has served in many League and Section positions including League President and Basketball Chairman and Section President. He is a member of the Section Basketball Committee (Co-Chair), the NYSPHSAA

Basketball Committee, and the Section Athletic Council as well as being Chairman of the Eligibility Committee. He also serves as Roscoe's Athletic Director and coaches the Livingston Manor/Roscoe Football Team. He has won many honors and awards from local and State organizations.

Jack Agostino, Amityville H.S. (Section 11)

A legendary coach and role model, Jack Agostino has led his teams to over 350 wins. He has an 80% winning percentage. His teams have won fourteen consecutive league titles, ten Suffolk County and seven Section XI crowns. He guided his teams to four consecutive state championships. Jack has volunteered with CYO, Suffolk County Basketball Coaches Association, Suffolk Top 70 Camps, and Empire State teams. Jack has been named as Coach of the Year numerous times by many organizations as well as the media.

Martha Altmire, Olean H.S. (Section 6)

Coach Martha Altmire led her teams to nearly 500 wins over a thirty-five career. Her team won eighteen league and seven Sectional titles. From 1999-2005 her teams won 63 league games in a row. She was named Coach of the Year many times. She also received a Distinguished Achievement Award. The basketball court at Olean HS is dedicated to her and a Martha Altmire Day was held in Olean. She is a member of the Olean HS Wall of Fame and the Cattaraugus County Sports Hall of Fame. The *Olean Times* presents a "Martha Altmire - Player of the Year Award.

Anthony Alvaro – Clyde-Savannah HS, Romulus CS, Hobart College, DeSales HS (Section 5)

Coach Anthony Alvaro recorded 467 wins at several schools, making him the third winningest coach in Section 5. He had a 66% winning percentage. His teams won nine league and seven Section 5 championships. He received many Coach of the Year awards as well as Sportsmanship and Community Service awards. He is a member of the Section 5 Hall of Fame. The gym at Romulus CS is named in his honor. He was an exceptional teacher and coach.

David Archer - Contributor - BCANY Executive Director

Dave Archer is the Founder of the Basketball Coaches Association of New York, Inc. and has served as the Executive Director for over 30 years. Dave was instrumental in the implementation of BCANY's many activities and events. He was also a Co-Founder of the National High School Basketball Coaches Association and the first President of the organization. His visionary leadership created a national presence and influence for BCANY and the NHBSCA. He is a strong advocate and tireless worker for the game of basketball and basketball coaches. In addition to Dave's involvement in these organizations he was a successful high school and college basketball coach for over 25 years. Dave takes pride in being a lifetime educator both as a high school teacher and later as a college professor. He also supported his community serving as Mayor of the Village of Endicott. Dave has received various awards at the local, state, and national levels, some of the most notable including being inducted into the Seton

HS Hall of Fame, the National Court of Honor and being honored at Madison Square Garden by the National Pro-Am Organization.

Ralph Arietta -Westchester CC (Junior College)

Posted over 700 wins at Westchester Community College. In 1978-79, his team was ranked #1 in the Nation. Arietta was named the National Junior College Coach of the Year in 1984. Arietta also coached at the National Sports Festival and the World University Games.

Walter Bachman: Jericho HS (Section 8)

Wally Bachman directed the Varsity Basketball programs at Valley Stream North High School and Jericho High School for 36 years. He has won 406 games. He has led his Jericho teams to 6 Nassau County titles, 1 Long Island Championship and 8 conference titles. Wally has served as President of the Nassau County Basketball Coaches Association. He is presently the Section 8 Basketball coordinator for Nassau County. He has been involved with the Empire State games as well as Exceptional Senior Games. He has been the Director of the Top 100 Basketball program in Nassau County. He has been named Coach of the Year many times and has been inducted into the Jericho High School Hall of Fame. He has also been selected as All Long Island Coach of the Year in 2013. Wally has been the Athletic Director at Camp Pontiac in New York for the past 22 years.

Ralph Bacote, Bronx HS of Science, (NYC Public)

Coach Ralph Bacote guided his teams to 459 wins in twenty-five years at Bronx Science. He was named the New York City Coaches Association/United Federation of Teachers, Coach of the Year in 2001, and was inducted into the Brooklyn USA Hall of Fame. He is a founding member of the Courtsmen Athletic Association. He received his Ed D. from Columbia University.

Richard "Dick" Baldwin –Broome CC (Junior College)

In 42 years as a head basketball coach, mostly at Broome C.C. he had over 900 wins. He is winningest basketball coach in the U. S. on all levels. His teams won 20 or more games 26 times. He is a member of both the NJCAA Basketball Hall of Fame and the National Athletic Directors Hall of Fame.

Floyd Bank – Long Island City HS, Edison HS (NYC Public)

Coach Floyd Bank has the most wins of any Public School Athletic League Coach with a record of 550 wins and 241 losses. Most of his coaching career was spent as the Varsity Basketball coach for Long Island City High School (20 seasons) and Edison High School (15 seasons). He was an assistant coach at New York University and head coach at Queens College. He served as Director and Commissioner of the New York Knicks Basketball Camps and Owner and Director of the Long Island Basketball School.

Les Barton (Section 1), Pine Plain HS

After graduating from Ithaca College in 1939, Les Barton came to Pine Plains to teach and coach. In 1942, he left Pine Plains to serve his country during World War II, achieved the rank of major, and was the Headquarters Commandant of the 13th Armored

Division in George S. Patton's 3rd Army. The basketball teams coached by Les Barton between 1939 and 1966 won 380 games while losing only 89 games, an eighty percent winning percentage. His basketball teams won 17 league titles, 10 county championships and 6 Section 1 titles. His football teams from 1950-1963 went undefeated six times and won fourteen consecutive games during the 1962-1963 seasons. Coach Barton's baseball teams from 1939-1968 won twenty-one league and county championships. He started the Pine Plains Little League program and served as Little League coach for 16 years. Coach Barton is a member of the Ithaca College Sports Wall of Fame, the Dutchess County Sports Wall of Fame, and was the initial inductee onto the Pine Plains Sports Wall of Fame.

Russ Bastin – Uniondale HS (Section 8)

As the coach at Uniondale High School on Long Island, Coach Bastin has the distinction of being the winningest coach in Long Island basketball history. In 36 years of coaching, Coach Bastin compiled 548 wins. In 1988 Coach Bastin was selected as National High School Coach of the Year in Region I of the United States.

Dan Bazzani - Niagara CC, University of Buffalo, Niagara Falls HS

Coach Dan Bazzani had a remarkable coaching career at the high school, Junior College and College levels. Over 27 years his teams won 74% of their games. His teams won League, Section, Region and State titles. He received many awards and honors at many levels including USA Today National High School Coach of the Year. He is a member of the Greater Buffalo Sports Hall of Fame.

Randy Begeal, Wells HS (Section 7)

In thirty-one years, Coach Begeal led his teams to 483 wins. He has the most wins for a boys basketball coach in Section 7 history. His teams collected 9 league titles and 8 Sectional crowns. They also were North Country Regional Champs three times. Coach Begeal served on the Section 7 Basketball Committee. He was involved with youth programs and clinics. He was named Coach of the Year numerous times.

Burt Beagle - Media Director for New York City Catholic Leagues

Burt Beagle has served as the Media Director for the Catholic School leagues in New York City for over twenty years. He accurately did the rankings of all New York City schools, public and private for the NYS Sportswriters Association for over twenty-five years. He gathered the information on all New York City players while helping to compile the All-State teams. He probably has kept statistics for more high school games than any other person in the history of New York State as well as attended more games than anyone else.

Brian Beaury - Men's Coach - College of St. Rose

Coach Brian Beaury has led his teams to 501 wins in twenty-three years as the head coach at the College of St. Rose in Albany N. Y., and is still coaching. His teams have won nearly 80 percent of the games they've played and been a playoff team in each of his 23 seasons as head coach. He's led St. Rose to the NCAA Division II tournament eleven times including three "Elite Eight" appearances and one "Final Four" appearance. He has taken All Star teams to 9 different countries around the world. He achieved many honors including multiple "Coach of the Year" awards. He is currently the 9th all

time "winningest" coach in NCAA Division II history. Coach Beury is the founder of the NYS Basketball HOF.

Thomas F. Beauvais (Section 7), Westport HS

Coach Beauvais directed his boys and girls teams to 471 wins in 31 years. His teams won 18 conference titles and 17 sectional championships. His girls teams won 82% of their games with a 162 consecutive game streak with only one loss in 14 years of conference play, winning 14 league titles in a row, 8 North Country Regional and Section II Championships and twice went to the State Final Four Championship game. He served on the Section VII Basketball Committee for 20 years, conference chairman for 15, and was cofounder of the Lake Champlain Lakers AAU Basketball. He is a member of the Plattsburgh High School Hall of Fame and has received coach of the year, town, county and state resolution awards.

Clair Bee - Long Island University (College)

Commonly referred to as "The Coach of Coaches," Bee is one of the most recognized men in the history of basketball. He left permanent impressions on the game with his development of the three-second rule, the 1-3-1 zone and the box-and-one defense. During a 20-year tenure (1931-1951) at LIU, Bee compiled an unbelievable 357-79 record. Bee ended his career with a remarkable .827 lifetime winning percentage. He is member of the National Basketball Hall of Fame.

Allan Best – Greece Athena HS (Section 5)

Coach Allan Best has achieved a record of 387 wins and 151 losses. Coach Best has been the Girls Varsity Basketball coach at Greece Athena High School since 1988, following 10 years as the Girls Varsity Basketball coach at Greece Arcadia High School. His teams won 12 League Championships, 5 Sectional Championships, and 1 New York State Championship appearance. He coached in the Empire State Games, winning 6 bronze medals and 2 gold medals.

Jeff Bieder - (NYC), Long Island City HS, Murry Bergtraum HS, South Shore HS

Coach Jeff Bieder led his teams to well over 500 wins. His teams won 77% of the games played. Jeff is the only PSAL coach to win City Championships with both boys and girls teams. He also was a very successful coach at Hunter College winning 72% of games played. Over his career, he worked at many camps and spoke at clinics. He received many honors and awards over the years including being named Coach of the Year at the high school and college levels.

Dick Bihr, Buffalo State College

Dick Bihr is Buffalo State College's most successful men's head basketball coach leading his teams to a 449-211 record. Over twenty-five seasons, he led the Bengals to 11 State University of New York Athletic Conference titles and his teams advanced to the NCAA tournament 12 times. He is one of the most respected college coaches in New York State and was named SUNYAC Coach of the Year six times. In eight years as boys' high school basketball coach at St. Joseph's Collegiate Institute his teams won 121 games and the Marauders won two Buffalo Catholic High School Championships.

Coach Bihl is a member of the Greater Buffalo Sports Hall of Fame and the Buffalo State College Hall of Fame.

Bill Bilowus-Lackawanna HS (Section 6)

Coach Bill Bilowus recorded 329 wins over eighteen seasons at Lackawanna HS. His teams won 86% of the games they played, which is the best winning percentage of any western New York coach. He led his teams to seventeen consecutive league titles to go along with eight Section VI championships. His 1975-76 and 1976-77 teams were undefeated. Three of his teams were ranked # 1 in New York State. He is a member of the Western New York Greater Buffalo Sports Hall of Fame.

Tom Blackford - (Section 3) Hamilton HS, Fayetteville-Manlius HS

Coach Tom Blackford directed his teams to 417 wins in 29 years. His teams won 9 league titles, 5 sectional titles, 5 regional titles, and made 5 final four appearances, winning 2 state championships in 1994 and 2000, and state runner-up in 2001. Tom has worked and directed camps and has been a guest speaker at other camps and coaching clinics. He has won many Coach of the Year Awards and has been a friend and mentor to coaches in the CNY area. Tom is a member of the Section III Basketball committee and is a member of the Cazenovia HS and Hamilton HS Halls of Fame.

Ernest A. Blood -Coach

Blood was one of the earliest pioneers of the game. He started playing in 1892 and coaching in 1897. While at Potsdam High School from 1906 to 1915, his teams never lost to a high school opponent. His college career was 56 and 7 at West Point and Clarkson.

Jim Boeheim – Syracuse University

Boeheim was an All-State player at Lyons HS, and also Co-Captained Syracuse University to the 1966 NCAA Regional Finals. He became Head Coach at Syracuse in 1976. He developed Syracuse from a regional program to a regular spot in the nation's upper echelon. His 2003 Orangemen won the NCAA title.

Ronald Boyea - (Section 10), Chateaugay HS

Coach Ronald Boyea led his teams to 349 wins in twenty-one years as head coach at Chateaugay HS. He led his teams to 14 League and 8 Sectional titles, 6 of which were consecutive from 2006 through 2011. Coach Boyea's teams participated in five state Final Four's, winning the State title in 2007-2008. Ron expanded the youth program and started the AAU basketball program in the community. He received many coaching honors, including league Coach of the Year 12 times. He was the first coach in Section 10 history to win a Boys State Basketball Title

Harold Bradley, Hartwick College, Duke University and the University of Texas

Coach Harold Bradley led his teams to over 500 wins, recording numerous championships at both the high school and collegiate levels. He began his coaching career at Georgetown HS (NY) where he coached both the boys' and girls' teams. He went to Norwich HS (INY) in the 1940's and then to Hartwick College, where he is a member of their Hall of Fame. He was the head coach at Duke University when the ACC was formed and has one of the best winning percentages in ACC history. He completed his career at the University of Texas,. Coach Bradley was a member of the US Olympic Basketball Committee, the Board of Directors of the National Association of Basketball Coaches, and the UPI basketball rating board.

Roger Brown -Player

Brown graduated from Wingate HS in New York City in 1960, and was known as one of the greatest high school players in New York City history. Brown's nickname was "man of a thousand moves." Brown went on the Dayton University. In 1967 he joined the Indiana Pacers in the ABA. and was a key element in helping the Pacers to the best ABA record and the championship in 1970.

Jack Bruen – Colgate University, Catholic University (posthumously)

Coach Bruen led Colgate to three regular season Patriot League titles, two Patriot Tournaments, and two NCAA appearances in nine seasons. Previously Bruen led Catholic University to 110 wins in seven seasons. He received many honors and awards during his coaching career including Colgate's Howard Hartman Coaching Award. The Basketball Coaches Association of New York has named its Division I Men's Coach of the Year Award in his honor.

Dan Buckley – U.S. Merchant Marine Academy, LaSalle Academy (NYC)

Dan Buckley coached eleven years at the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy achieving a 126 + 62 slate. Previously he coached at LaSalle Academy in New York City for twenty-two years, notching 462 wins. He led LaSalle to thirteen championships. LaSalle was declared "National Catholic Champions" in 1967. His honors include NABC Award and the U.S.M.M.A. Sue McNulty Award for the Academy's Outstanding Teacher. Coach Buckley is a member of the following Halls of Fame: LaSalle Academy, Brooklyn Old Timers, U.S.M.M.A., Catholic HS AA, and the New York City.

Jim Burke - Prattsburgh HS, (Section 5)

Coach Jim Burke recorded 602 wins in twenty-five years as a boy's coach and ten years as a girl's coach at Prattsburgh HS. He simultaneously coached both the boys and the girl's teams for seven seasons. His boys' teams won eight consecutive league titles and his girls' teams won five consecutive crowns. He led his teams to ten Section V titles, and one state championship. He is the only

coach to win both a boy's and a girl's sectional title in the same year. He started an "Adopt a Senior Citizen Program" with his teams.

Jim Burr - Contributor as a Referee

Jim Burr started his officiating career in Section II. He is one of the original officials hired to do Big East games. He has officiated in Big East, Big 10, SEC, ACC, Big 12, Atlantic 10, Conference USA and the MAAC. Jim has worked games in sixteen, Men's Division I Final Fours.

Claude Byer – Amityville HS, (Section XI)

Coach Claude Byer coached the Girl's team at Amityville HS for over twenty years. He guided Amityville to 359 wins at over a 70% winning percentage. His teams won ten Sectional crowns. He initiated summer leagues, awards programs, clinics and camps for girls. He was a champion of girls' sports long before Title IX. He has been named Coach of the Year many times by the league and media and received numerous other awards from many organizations.

Lawrence Byrnes - Collegiate School, (New York City)

Coach Lawrence Byrnes teams won 577 games. He led his Collegiate School teams to 461 wins over 34 years. His teams won 75% of their games. He served as the Boys Basketball Coordinator of the NYSAISAA basketball championships. He worked at and ran basketball camps for over twenty years. He was a high school and collegiate referee for twenty years. He was named Coach of the Year six times by the NY Daily News. He is a member of the New York City Ivy Hall of Fame.

Jack Cahill -Official

Jack was an active official for over 30 years and served as Secretary/Treasurer of Board 36 for over 30 years. Jack also served as President and Secretary of NYSPHSAA Basketball Officials Association. In 1984 Jack Cahill was named as the 46th President of the International Association of Approved Basketball Officials. Jack is well known for being the individual responsible for negotiating the agreement in New York State between the Boards of the IAABO and the NYSPHSAA in the 1950's.

John Cahill - Contributor as a Referee

John Cahill started his officiating career in the early 1970's as a member of IAABO Board #36 in Section II at the urging of his father, Jack, who is also a member of the Hall of Fame. He has officiated at the college Division I level since 1981 and has officiated in the following conferences: Big East, ACC, SEC, A-10, MAAC, Ivy, Patriot and America East. In 2007, John received the prestigious Naismith Award, given to the top collegiate official. John has also officiated in ten Final Fours, including six national championship games.

Paul Callaghan (Section 3), Mexico HS

Paul Callaghan's coaching career of 40 years at Mexico Academy and SUNY at Oswego includes over 420 wins. Paul was named SUNYAC Coach of the Year in 1987 and Central New York Coach of the Year in 2005. Coach Callaghan's teams have won two Section III titles, one Regional Title that included being a state finalist. Paul has been the President of the Onondaga league and Section III representative for the past 35 years. Coach Callaghan's international experience includes coaching and clinics in South America and the West Indies.

John Carey (NYC Catholic), All Hallows HS

Coach John Carey mentored his team to 460 wins in 42 seasons. In addition to coaching high school teams he also had assistant coaching stints at the US Merchant Marine Academy and Fairfield University. Coach Carey won several Coach of the Year honors. He is a member the Catholic High School Athletic Association Hall of Fame and the All Hallows HS Hall of Fame. He directed the Shamrock Basketball Camp for 20 years.

Rich Castellano, Northport HS, Section 11

Coach Rich Castellano has over 500 wins in nearly 29 years of coaching the Northport High School Lady Tigers. His teams have won 21 league championships, 10 Suffolk County titles and 6 Long Island championships. Coach Castellano has recently been inducted to the Suffolk County Sports Hall of Fame. He has won numerous Daily News and Long Island Newsday Coach of the Year honors and has coached the Long Island Scholastic Girls Empire State Team for 3 years. He has served as President of the Suffolk County Women's Basketball Coaches Association for over 20 years. He helped to create the Suffolk Top 100 basketball showcase. He started the annual Long Island Basketball Exceptional Senior Games and has created scholarship awards for underclassmen. Coach Castellano has been teaching math at Northport High School for 33 years.

Vincent Cannizzaro, Christ the King HS, NYC Catholic League

Coach Vincent Cannizzaro coached his teams to over 450 wins in nineteen seasons. His teams won 90% of the games that they played. Cannizzaro led Christ The King to sixteen consecutive Brooklyn Diocesan titles in addition to twelve New York State Catholic HS and ten consecutive New York State Federation Championships. USA Today declared Christ The King National Champions three times under Cannizzaro and named him high school Coach of the Year twice. He has been named Coach of the Year numerous times by various media organizations. Coach Cannizzaro has been inducted into the Brooklyn Diocesan and Christ The King Hall of Fame.

Lou Carnesecca - St. John's University

Carnesecca led St. Johns to a 526-200 record, including eighteen 20-win seasons. "Louie" never failed to take St. Johns to a post-season tournament in his 24 years as Head Coach, including 18 NCAA trips and 6 NIT appearances. His commitment and passion to coaching was a model to all.

Peter Cerrone – Farmingdale HS (Section 8)

Coach Cerrone is the winningest girls basketball coach in Nassau County history with a record of 356 wins and 88 losses. In his 21 year career at Farmingdale High School, his teams won 15 Conference, 5 County, and 2 Long Island Championships. He was the founder and served as the First President of the Nassau County Girls Basketball Coaches Association. He coached Empire State Games and All Star teams. He is a member of the Farmingdale School District Sports Hall of Fame.

Rod Chando – Red Hook HS, (Section 9)

Coach Rod Chando has led the Boy's team at Red Hook HS to over 460 wins in thirty years. He has been named Coach of the Year eighteen times. Under his leadership, Red Hook has won seventeen Division, seven League, five Sectional, and one Regional championship, so far. Coach Chando also notched 38 wins at Ulster C.C. He has worked at a myriad of camps and clinics including volunteer clinics at the Kingston Children's Home, the Boys Club and the Fishkill Correctional Facility.

Robert Cimmino Jr. (Section 1), Mount Vernon HS

Coach Bob Cimmino has directed Mount Vernon to 380 (and counting) wins in 18 seasons. His teams have won 5 State Championships and 4 Federation Championships in addition to many Regional, Sectional, and league championships. Coach Cimmino is an active member of The Basketball Coaches' Association of New York and has served as President of BCANY. Bob was the head coach of the USA Nike Hoop Summit Team (2010), the McDonald's All-American Game (2011), the Jordan All-American Game (2006), and the New York/Chicago Challenge (2003) – and got the "W" in each of those games! However, his proudest accomplishment during his 18 year tenure is 94 out of 96 Mount Vernon Basketball seniors went on to college.

Bob Clark – Riverdale Country School (NYC Private)

Coach Clark has recorded 578 wins over his still active 39-year career. This makes him the 2nd winningest Private HS coach and places him 5th on the All-time wins list in the state. His teams have won multiple League Titles and 20 Tournament crowns. His 1994 team was a Class C, NYS Federation Semi-Finalist. He has been named Private School Coach of the Year in 1986 & 1994. He was instrumental in establishing the NYS Private High School Independent & Federation Tournaments.

Stan Cohen, SUNY Canton, Potsdam State

Coach Stan Cohen is in his 57th year as a college basketball coach. He has been associated with over 1000 wins -head coach Canton ATC men's team (238) and women's team(79) and for the past 41 years assistant coach at Potsdam State (691). He took the Canton ATC men's team to national prominence with several top 20 national rankings. At Potsdam State, he helped the Bears to many league, regional and national awards including two NCAA III National Championships in 1981 and 1986. He was Co-Captain of Hobart College's most successful basketball team in 1956. He is a member of the 2006 Potsdam State Sports Hall of Fame and the 2011 SUNY Canton Hall of Fame. His greatest legacy is his dedication to the game of basketball and his

special relationship with all his players and fellow coaches.

Tom Collins - Albertus Magnus HS, Sections 1 and 9, 1968-1992 (Pearl River HS 1992-2010)

Coach led his teams to 400 wins in 24 years, winning 74% of all games. He won numerous League and Sectional titles on the way to participation in three State Championships. Named Coach of the Year 11 times by the Journal News and twice by the NY Daily News. He was proud to have influenced over 100 players to become coaches on collegiate, high school, and youth program levels. Many of his athletes played college basketball. Upon ending his tenure at Albertus Magnus, the gym was named in his honor. Tom was named Man of the Year by the Catholic Youth Organization, 1983. He was inducted into two Halls of Fame, Albertus Magnus HS and Rockland County. He also received the Distinguished Service Award from his alma mater, Manhattan College, and was inducted into the Rockland County Historical Society as a notable member of the community. As he continued his career as AD of Pearl River School District, the school was honored with the 1st Section 1 NYSAA Sportsmanship Award. Tom was honored as NYSAA Athletic Director of 2010 and was bestowed the Lifetime Achievement Award 2011 by St Thomas Aquinas College.

John Costello, Hastings HS, Section 1

Coach Costello led his teams to 456 wins over a 34 year career. He is the fourth winningest Coach in Section 1 history. His teams have won numerous league and sectional titles. He has served as President of the Westchester County Basketball Coaches Association and was the Chairman of the conference. He has been twice honored as Coach of the Year. He is a member of the Hastings High School and the Westchester County Halls of Fame. The Hastings Holiday Tournament is named in his honor.

Larry Costello -Coach + Player

A graduate of East Syracuse-Minoa HS, Costello helped make Niagara University one of the top college programs in the early 1950's. He had a 12-year playing career in the NBA where he led the league in Free Throw Percentage two times. As a coach, he led the Milwaukee Bucks to the 1971 NBA title. He concluded his career coaching at Utica College.

Wilbur Crisp -Coach Legendary Little Falls coach Wilbur Crisp was an early basketball pioneer and innovator. From 1926-1959 his teams won almost 400 games, a NY State championship in 1929-30, 3 Iroquois League and a Section 3 championship. He was famous for inventions including wall-size basketball timers, basketball blinders, rebound/tap-in basket, adjustable baskets, backward-moving game clock, improved score book, and personal foul flip card indicators. He was inducted into the Greater Utica Hall of Fame, and the National High School Sports Hall of Fame. The Little Falls HS gym is named for Crisp.

Mickey Crowley (High School and College Referee) Contributor to the Game:

Mickey Crowley has officiated in the high school ranks in New York City. He has also officiated collegiately in the Big East, Atlantic 10, MAAC, Ivy, Patriot, leagues and the Sun Belt, SEC and ACC conferences. He has worked the pre-Olympic games. Mickey served as the Supervisor of Officials for Nassau County, JUCO, Atlantic 10, Patriot, Ivy Leagues. He officiated the NIT Finals ten times. He refereed in nineteen consecutive NCAA tournaments, doing the NCAA Final 4 twice. He was honored as the Naismith Official of the Year. He is a member of the LaSalle Academy (NYC) and NYC Catholic High School Athletic Association Halls of Fame.

Billy Cunningham –Player,Coach

He graduated from Erasmus Hall in NYC, and played college basketball under the tutelage of Dean Smith at the University of North Carolina. He was 3-time All-ACC selection and a 2-time All-American. He was a first round draft choice of the Philadelphia 76ers in 1965, In 1967 he, along with fellow Naismith Hall of Famers, Wilt Chamberlin and Hal Greer, led the 76ers to an N.B.A. title. He played in four N.B.A. All-Star Games. As a Head Coach, he led the 1983 Philadelphia 76ers to the N.B.A. title and was selected as one of the N.B.A.'s 50 Greatest Players in History in 1996.

Jack Curran - Archbishop Malloy HS (NYC Catholic)

The legendary mentor of perennial powerhouse Archbishop Malloy High School in Queens, Curran is the winningest high school coach in New York history with over 800 wins. His teams have won numerous New York City Crowns. Curran was named National High School Coach of the Year by the National High School Athletic Coaches Association in 1990.

Duane Davis, Bishop Burke HS, Gloversville (Section 2) Roosevelt HS, Hyde Park (Section 1) and Mt. St. Mary's College, Newburgh

Coach Davis has been coaching over 40 years. He served on the original Board of Directors of BCANY. He was the founder of the Dutchess County Basketball Coaches Association. He initiated an exceptional Senior Game, All-Academic team, All-County team, and the annual Dutchess County Holiday Tournament. He has guided his teams to over 400 wins. At Mt. St. Mary's College his teams have earned 5 ECAC post-season tournaments as well as 2 NCAA tournament bids.

Mike Deane: (College) SUNY Delhi, SUNY Oswego, Siena, Marquette, Lamar, Wagner.

Coach Mike Deane recorded over 500 collegiate wins during his career. He has taken three different Division I schools to the NCAA Tournament (Siena, Marquette, Lamar). He also led his teams to six NIT appearances including two quarter finals and two final fours, with one runner-up finish. He conducted coaching clinics in France and coached teams that competed internationally in Asia, Australia, and throughout Europe.

Bob DeBonis - East Meadow HS, NY Inst of Technology, Bellmore Kennedy HS and Freeport HS

Bob DeBonis has coached at the collegiate and high school level for 30 years. During his last 16 years at Freeport HS, Bob has taken his team to nine Final Four appearances and four Nassau County championship games. He has earned numerous Coach of the Year honors as well as Sportsmanship awards at both levels. At NY Tech his team won the Big Apple Conference title and a berth in the ECAC tournament. Bob has played and coached in the Empire State Games. Coach DeBonis is a member of the East Meadow HS and CW Post Athletic Halls of Fame as a basketball and baseball player. He has been married to his wife Maggie for 25 years and has two children, Bobby and Stephanie.

Mike DeVal – Alexander Hamilton HS (Section 1)

Coach DeVal coached for 38 years in Westchester County at Woodlands HS, Alexander Hamilton HS, and Rye HS. His teams won 514 games and he was the 1st Westchester Basketball Coach to win 500 games. His teams won 17 League, 9 Section 1, 3 Regional, and 3 Class D State Championships. His 1988 team finished undefeated. He was named Coach of the Year numerous times by various media and organizations. He is a member of the Westchester County Sports Hall of Fame.

Jack Donohue -Coach

Coach Donohue won a record 250 games in less than 300 games during his coaching tenure at two New York City Schools, Tolentine and Power Memorial. Coach Donohue then coached at Holy Cross College, and both the Canadian Men's and Women's National Basketball teams. He is a member of the Canadian Olympic Association, and of the City of Ottawa, Canada Basketball, Ontario Basketball, Catholic High Schools, New York City Coaches and New York City Basketball Halls of Fame.

Jack Dunlap, Johnstown HS, (Section 2)

In thirty-nine years as a head coach, Jack Dunlap led his team to 475 wins. Under his guidance his teams won fourteen league titles and two Sectional championships. Prior to his outstanding career at Johnstown, Jack coached at Franklin CS and West Canada Valley HS. He started youth basketball programs in Johnstown and spoke at many camps and clinics. Dunlap has served as chairman of league and Sectional basketball committees. He also served on the NYSPHSAA Tournament Committee.

Pat Donnelly - (Section 3), East Syracuse Minoa HS, Bishop Ludden HS

Coach Pat Donnelly has led his teams to over 450 wins. He led his teams to 11 league titles, 9 Section 3 titles, including 7 consecutive championships. His teams have three Final Four appearances and won two NYSPHSAA state championships. He has been named Coach of the Year by several organizations. He also was honored with the Believe to Achieve Award and John Arcaro Awards. He is a member of the Greater Syracuse Sports Hall of Fame.

Stan Evans - Contributor to the Game

Coach Stan Evans was Head Basketball Coach for 22 of 28 years at Rome Free Academy, earning three Central Oneida League titles and one Section III Championship. He was an Assistant Coach at Hamilton College, SUNYIT, and LeMoyne College, where he coached five All-Americans. He was a five-time Empire State Games Men's Scholastic Basketball coach, winning one medal each of gold, silver, and bronze; he also served for fifteen years as State Chairperson of Men's Basketball for the Games. He coached for thirty years at the prestigious Five-Star Camp. He has officiated high school basketball as well as high school and college football for fifty years. He is a member of the Rome Sports Hall of Fame, the Section III Basketball Coaches and SUNYIT 'Wildcat' Hall of Fames. He is a charter member of the BCANY Board of Directors. He has been a guest lecturer at numerous basketball camps and clinics throughout New York State. The Rome School System renamed the Strough school gymnasium the *Stan 'Buddy' Evans Court* in his honor.

Charles "Chuck" Folsom Jr. – Harrisville HS (Section 10)

Coach Folsom has achieved a record of 493 wins and 172 losses throughout his 30-year coaching career at Harrisville Central. This includes 14 League Titles and 9 Sectional Titles, as well as coaching two teams to the State Final 4. Coach Folsom's contributions to athletics include coaching girl's varsity soccer for the last 10 years, with appearances in the State Final 4 in three of the last five years.

Warren Fuller, Wyandanch HS, Section 11

Coach Warren Fuller, a Wyandanch HS graduate, has recorded over 525 wins in thirty years at Wyandanch HS. His teams have won 79% of the games played. He is the winningest girls' coach in Long Island history and ranks 2nd on the win list for girl's coaches in the state. He led his teams to nineteen League, seventeen Sectional, twelve Long Island, eight Southeast Regional, and four Eastern Regional championships. His teams also won three NYSPHSAA titles and two New York State Federation crowns. Coach Fuller has served over 25 years in many roles with the Suffolk County Women's Basketball Coaches Association and serves on the BCANY Board of Directors. He is a member of the Suffolk County Sports Hall of Fame and has been named Coach of the Year many times.

Carlyle Gainey (Section 11) Wyandanch HS

Coach Carlyle Gainey has directed his teams to over 400 wins in twenty-nine years. He led his teams to 2 State Championships in addition to multiple league crowns and several Regional titles. Coach Gainey worked camps and was active in the Suffolk County Coaches Association. He received many Coach of the Year Awards and other honors. In 2012, the Wyandanch School District named the boy's side of the gym in his honor. He is a member of his Wilson HS, Florence, SC Hall of Fame.

Tom Galeazzi – C.W. Post College (College)

At C.W. Post College, Tom Galeazzi became the 15th active NCAA coach to win his 600th collegiate game. Tom was an All-City basketball player at North HS in

Syracuse and went on to Cortland State. He previously coached for 15 years in the Junior College ranks where he compiled a 308-107 record at Farmingdale and Suffolk Community colleges. His 300 wins at C. W. Post makes him the only active college coach with 300 wins at both Junior and Senior Colleges.

Howard Garfinkel, Five-Star Basketball Camp (Special Contributor)

Howard Garfinkel, along with Will Klein, co-founded the famous Five-Star Basketball Camp. During that time over 300 of their campers have competed in the NBA which includes ten winners of the coveted Naismith Award. Over 250 of their coaches have gone on to coach at the collegiate and/or NBA levels and over 5,000 of their campers have received basketball scholarships. Garfinkel coached the New York Nationals to 521 wins from 1955-1970. He established the prestigious HSBI Report in 1964 and co-founded the NYC Basketball Hall of Fame in 1990. He has been elected to three other Hall's of Fame: Basketball Old-Timers of America, Pro-Am and the Five-Star Basketball Camp.

Jim Gatto, St. John's Prep, NYC Catholic League

Coach Jim Gatto has achieved over 500 wins in nearly 40 years of high school coaching. His teams have won numerous New York City CHSAA Division and League titles. Coach Gatto has been honored by the Frank McGuire Foundation and the National Pro-Am Organization. He is a member of the New York City CHSAA Hall of Fame and the Old Timers Basketball Hall of Fame. He has coached in the Wheelchair Classic, and coached the NY-NJ All -Stars vs. the US All Stars in a summer classic. He has been named New York State Catholic School Coach of the Year and Coach of the Year by the league and media many times. His teams won three New York City titles.

Dave Gaylord, Remsen HS (Section 3)

Coach Dave Gaylord directed his teams to 426 wins over a 29 year career. He retired 2nd on the Section 3 career wins list. His teams won 12 league championships and 2 Section 3 championships. The Remsen basketball court is named the Dave Gaylord Court in his honor. Dave was named Section 3 Coach of the Year and New York State Coach of the Year by the National Federation of Interscholastic Coaches Association. He served on the Section 3 basketball committee, Athletic Council, and as the league basketball chairman. Dave is a member of the Section 3 Basketball Hall of Fame and a member of the Greater Utica Sports Hall of Fame.

Al Geppert – Waverly HS (Section 4)

Al Geppert was a star athlete at St. Lawrence University in both basketball and baseball. Coach Geppert's teams won 427 games during his 33-year coaching career, making him one of the most winning basketball coaches in New York State. His last 28 years were spent at Waverly High School where he led his teams to 10 League Championships, 12 Christmas Tournament Titles, and reached the Section IV final game 5 times. He was inducted into the Waverly HS and Section IV Halls of Fame.

Bob Giordano, Beaver River HS, Section 3

Coach Bob Giordano guided his teams to 416 wins in a career that stretched from 1957 to 1990. His teams won 12 regular season and 6 Section III titles. He

has been a guest speaker at camps and clinics. Bob was captain of the Colgate basketball team in 1957 and his son was captain of the Colgate team in 1982. (first in Colgate history) He is a member of the Bishop MaGinn HS and Section III Halls of Fame. The Beaver River HS gym is named in his honor.

Brian Giorgis - Our Lady of Lourdes HS and Marist College

Coach Brian Giorgis directed his teams to a 451-44 record in his 19 years at Our Lady of Lourdes High School. They won 19 league championships, 15 Section I championships and nine NYSPHSAA and nine NYS Federation titles. Brian then went to Marist College and won six MAAC titles in his first seven years and made five NCAA appearances, including the NCAA Sweet 16 in 2007. Coach Giorgis has won numerous Coach of the Year awards at the high school and college level.

Phil Gordon – Chittenango HS, (Section 3)

Phil Gordon coached for thirty-six years at Chittenango HS and two years at Canastota HS. He guided his teams to 411 wins. He is a six-time Coach of the Year honoree and his teams received eleven Tri-Valley and two Edward Kearney Section III Sportsmanship Awards. His many recognition and service awards include Who's Who of American High School Basketball Coaches and the John Arcaro Memorial Coaches Award presented by the Blind Men and Criers Marching and Chowder Society. He is a member of both the Golden Valley Sports Camp and Section III Halls of Fame.

Charles “Chuck” Granby, Andrew Jackson and Campus Magnet Schools (NYC)

During thirty-six years of coaching, Coach Granby's teams have won over 590 games. Coach Granby has won more games than any other coach in the New York City Public League history. He led his teams to twenty-one Divisional Championships and six Queens Championships. He was a co-coach of the New York City Empire State team, which won eight straight Gold Medals. He is a member of the Brooklyn USA Hall of Fame and has received the Pro Am Achievement Award. He is a living legend in the basketball community.

Jack Halloran - Whitney Point HS (Section 4)

Coach Jack Halloran led his Whitney Point teams to 630 wins! His teams won or shared 13 Susquenango Conference championships and 6 Sectional championships. His Whitney Point Eagles won the 1993 NYSPHSAA Class C Championship.

Victor Hanson -Player

Hanson graduated from Central HS in Syracuse and Syracuse University. A four-sport high school star, he led Central to the N. Y. State title in 1921. At Syracuse, Vic was a nine-letter man and three-sport captain in 1926-1927. He was also a Basketball All-American in 1925, 1926, and 1927. He led the Syracuse 1926 team to a national title. He was also a great pro with the Cleveland Rosenblums. He played baseball with the N.Y. Yankees and coached football at Syracuse.

Richard Harvey, Kenmore West HS, Section 6

Coach Richard Harvey coached his team to 446 wins over thirty-four seasons, winning 65% of the games played. His teams won nine League, four Sectional and one State

Western Conference titles. He also coached in the Empire State Games with the Western Region Scholastic Team, winning one gold, two silver and two bronze medals. He has lectured at many camps and clinics, and has written articles for coaching magazines, and has published two books. He is a member of the Kenmore West HS and the Greater Buffalo Sports Halls of Fame. He served on the BCANY Board of Directors, and has received the Town of Tonawanda Community Service Award. He has won many awards from various organizations, and the "Richard Harvey Tip-Off Tournament" is played annually at Kenmore West HS.

Connie Hawkins -Player

Hawkins played high school ball at Boys and Girls HS in NYC then went to Iowa. Connie's career included time with the Harlem Globetrotters and a career in the ABA and NBA. In 1967-68 Hawkins was named the league MVP and led the Pittsburgh Pipers to the first ABA championship. After two years in the ABA, Hawkins switched to the NBA where he played for three different NBA teams.

Bob Hettler – Amherst HS, (Section 6)

Starting in 1939-40 at Spencer Van Etten Coach Bob Hettler's career spanned thirty-four years. At Amherst HS, his teams won or tied for the championship in twenty-five of his thirty-two years. His squad won five Sectional titles. He led his teams to over 500 wins, and might have been the first coach in New York State to win 500 games. His stint at Amherst was interrupted by service in the Navy during WW II. He is a legendary coach in the Buffalo area. He is a member of the Town of Amherst, Amherst HS and Greater Buffalo Athletic Halls of Fame.

Bill Higgins - Contributor to the Game

Bill Higgins Coached Basketball at Muncy (Pa.)HS, Whitehall HS and Fonda-Fultonville HS. He led his teams to 7 League Titles, 3 Co-Championships and 2 Sectional Titles. He has worked at several Basketball Camps. He was a member of the Section 2 Basketball Committee (Chairman 8 years) and Executive Committee, Capital Region Scholar-Athlete Committee, Channel 13 All-Star Selection Committee and the NYSPHSAA Executive Committee (12 years). Bill has served as Chairman of the NYSPHSAA Boys Basketball Committee for 22 years.

Nat Holman - City College of New York

Homan was the longtime City College of New York Coach and the only coach to win both the N.I. T. and NCAA Championships in the same year. Holman combined his budding coaching career with a star-studded professional playing career as well. He was one of basketball's earliest superstars as a member of the highly successful original Celtics.

William "Red" Holzman -Coach New York Knicks

Holzman piloted the New York Knickerbockers to two world championships, 1969-70 and 1972-73. He compiled an overall record of 613 and 484. He led the

Knicks to three Eastern Conference Championships, and five 50+ wins per season in fourteen seasons as coach.

Jerry Hourihan –Canton HS, (Section 10)

Coach Jerry Hourihan was at the helm for twenty-seven years at Canton HS. He led his teams to 339 wins, including eleven Sectional and two Northern League titles. He served as the Sectional basketball chairman for eleven years. He was a member of the original state basketball tournament committee. He has garnered numerous Coach of the Year awards. A legendary coach in northern New York, he is a member of the Canton HS and the St. Lawrence CS Halls of Fame.

Francis “Dutch” Howlan - (Section 2), Amsterdam-St. Mary’s Institute, Bishop Scully HS.

“Dutch” Howlan was the legendary coach for 35 years at St. Mary’s Institute and Bishop Scully High School of Amsterdam. His team gained 468 victories while garnering multiple season and tournament championships. He received several "Coach of the Year" awards. He was the founder of the Amsterdam CYO Basketball Program and a member of the S.M.I. Hall of Fame. The gym at Bishop Scully was named in his honor, "Howlan Hall". Dutch's players always achieved their maximum potential

Ned Irish -Contributor

A former director of Madison Square Garden Enterprises, he played a major role in the creation of the N.B.A. in 1946 as the founder of the New York Knicks. He first gained prominence in New York's basketball circles in 1934 when, as basketball director at the Garden, he introduced the college basketball doubleheader to the multi-purpose arena. That move proved immensely popular and paved the way for the sport's entrance into larger venues across the country.

Jack Jones, Sidney HS, (Section 4)

Coach Jack Jones has a 79% winning percentage. He led Sidney HS to nine league and five Section IV titles. Additionally under his leadership Sidney won three Regional and one State championship. His teams recorded thirty-four straight wins and forty-six straight league wins. Remarkably, his squads won 112 of the last 116 games he coached!

He was named the Small School Coach of the Year by the NYS Sportswriters Association. He is a member of the Section IV Hall of Fame.

Phil Kahler – St. John Fisher College

In his 28-year career at St. John Fisher, Coach Kahler has led the Cardinals to 628-128 record. No coach in NCAA basketball history at any level has coached as long as Kahler and compiled a better winning percentage. With 27 straight winning seasons, his teams regularly are in post-season NYSWCAA and NCAA tournaments. He started the women’s athletics program at Fisher and also coached volleyball and served as Athletic Director. Coach Kahler has won

numerous awards over his career and has been named Coach of the Year by BCANY, WBCA and ECAC.

R. William Kalbaugh -Mechanicville HS –(Section 2) and RPI College

Bill Kalbaugh coached at Mechanicville HS for five years and RPI for thirty years. His Mechanicville squads won two Section II crowns. His "Whiz Kids" won 30 straight games. His RPI teams won seven league titles and qualified for the NCAA tournament four times. As a member of the National Association of Basketball Coaches he served on many committees. He was awarded the Howard Schoenfield Sportsmanship Award by the College Basketball Officials Association. He was honored as Dean of New York State College Basketball Coaches in 1983.

Jack Kaminer – Scarsdale HS, Wingate HS, Truman HS (NYC Public)

Coach Kaminer finished his 32-year high school (Scarsdale,Wingate Truman) and college (City College of NY) coaching career in 1997. The majority of his career was at Scarsdale High School where he coached his teams to 4 League Titles, 2 State Quarter Final appearances, and 1 State Finalist season. At Wingate HS, he guided his team to an undefeated New York City Public School title. He led his City College team to 2 League titles. In addition to being inducted to the Westchester County Sports Hall of Fame, Coach Kaminer has been named "Coach of the Year" fourteen times by various organizations.

Gerald (Jerry) Kaplan – Highland Falls James I O'Neill HS (Section 9)

Kaplan graduated from Ellenville High School in 1953 and Brockport State in 1957. Jerry was the basketball coach at Highland Falls-O'Neill High School for 34 years. He recorded over 560 wins. His teams won 19 Orange County League Championships, 10 Section 9 Championships and his teams appeared at the State Championships in 1986 and 1991.

Donald Kent - Christ the King HS, Msgr. McClancy Memorial HS, (NYC Catholic)

Coach Don Kent has led his teams to over 400 wins in his 39 years of coaching. He has worked at prestigious basketball camps in the US as well as in Australia and New Zealand. Don was a guest speaker at clinics throughout the country. He has been named Coach of the Year numerous times by the media. He has been recognized multiple times with Sportsmanship Awards. Don has also been honored by the Pro-Am Cities Leagues. He is a member of the CHSAA and Msgr. McClancy Memorial HS Halls of Fame. He successfully coached the NYC Boys team in the Empire State Games. Don is a long time member of the BCANY Board of Directors.

Doug Kenyon: Boys State Tournament Director-Contributor

A career educator, coach, and administrator, Doug Kenyon became Director of the NYSPHSAA Boys Basketball Championships in 1990, and 2014 marks 25 years of his leadership. He concurrently was Director of the State Federation Tournament of Champions until 2011. He worked unsparingly to enhance and enrich the experiences of Tournament participants and spectators, endeavoring to assure that each Tournament was special. His vision and energy produced sustained success, growth, and accolades for the events. As a long-time Athletic Director and Assistant Principal at Glens Falls High School, he worked to

enhance and broaden pupil opportunities. Earlier in his career, he was a teacher and varsity basketball coach at Hudson Falls, claiming over 100 wins during his tenure.

Neil Kerr – New York State Sportswriters Association (Special Contributor)

Neil Kerr is the Editor and Publisher of the New York State Sportswriters Association News. He initiated the rankings of high school basketball teams in New York State. He has published the state rankings for boys' teams since 1969. Kerr's efforts had a huge impact in restarting the state basketball tournament. Kerr's work generates remarkable interest. He is probably the most influential sportswriter for basketball in New York State. He also has been doing high school football rankings since 1969. He has been inducted into the New York Wrestling Hall of Fame.

George Khoury – Warrensburg HS (Section 2)

Khoury coached Warrensburg High School for 37 years compiling an astonishing 518-237 record. Coach Khoury won 13 League championships and four Sectional championships. Coach Khoury currently ranks among the top ten winningest coaches in New York State history.

Lew Kibling - (Section 3), Lowville HS, Watertown HS

Coach Lew Kibling directed his teams to 332 wins over 28 years. His teams won 66% of their games played. His teams won six league titles and two playoff championships. His 1964 Lowville team won the Section III title, the only in school history. Coach Kibling worked many basketball camps throughout the state. He also coached Cross Country and Baseball teams to Sectional titles. He is a member of Section III Basketball Coaches Hall of Fame.

Will Klein, Five-Star Basketball Camp (Special Contributor)

Will Klein, along with Howie Garfinkel co-founded the famous Five-Star Basketball Camp. During that time, over 300 of their campers have gone on to compete in the NBA. Over 250 of their coaches have gone on to coach at the collegiate or NBA level. Klein coached at Christopher Columbus HS. He is a retired principal of Evander Childs HS in the Bronx where he was the first in New York to install metal detectors. He received the National City Leagues Pro-Am Achievement Award and was inducted into the Old Timers Basketball Hall of Fame.

Al Knapp, Brookfield H.S., Vernon-Verona-Sherrill H.S. (Section 3)

Coach Al Knapp is the winningest active coach and currently second overall in Section 3. In twenty-nine years he led his teams to over 500 wins. He has a 74% winning percentage. While coaching Brookfield HS, he led them to the State Title in 1983. Al has operated a College Exposure Shoot-Out each Fall as well as numerous summer camps. He also organizes a Golf Tournament to benefit Coaches vs. Cancer. Al is a friend, peer, mentor, and confidant to an innumerable number of Section 3 coaches. He has won many Coach of the Year awards and other honors throughout his career.

John Kuhn – Red Hook HS, (Section 9)

John Kuhn has coached the Red Hook Lady Raiders for over thirty years. He was the first girls' basketball coach in New York State to reach 500 wins. His teams have won 19 Division, 14 League, and 10 Sectional championships. The Lady Raiders reached the Final Four and were NYS Class B Championship Finalists in 1998. He has served on and chaired numerous League, Section IX, State, and Federation committees. He has organized and worked many basketball camps and youth programs; he also directs the Town of Red Hook's recreation program.

Nick Lambros – Hartwick College

Coach Nick Lambros recorded 353 wins in twenty-one years at Hartwick College. He has nearly a 65% winning percentage. His Hartwick squads made seven NCAA appearances reaching the Final Four in 1988. He also led his team to seven appearances in the ECAC Post Season Tournament. The National Association of Basketball Coaches and other organizations including BCANY have named him as the Coach of the Year. An energetic speaker, he has made presentations at many camps and clinics.

Donald Landrio – Gloversville HS, Canajoharie HS (Section 2)

Coach Don Landrio led his teams to 410 wins over twenty-six years, winning 71% of their games. His teams won eleven League titles, two Sectional crowns and two Regional Championships which led to two trips to the NYSPHSAA State Tournament. Don served as League Chairman and on the Section II Basketball Committee. He chaired the Section II Officials Committee and served on the State Basketball Officials Committee. He was named Coach of the Year by the league and media. He received other honors from various organizations. He is a member of the Capital District Basketball Hall of Fame.

Bob Lanier -Player

Lanier played at Buffalo's Bennett High School and was a three time All-American selection at St. Bonaventure where he led his team to the school's first ever appearance in the NCAA Final Four in 1970. Lanier was the first player taken in the 1970 NBA draft by the Detroit Pistons where he was an 8 time NBA All-Star selection. He was also the 1974 NBA All-Star Game's MVP.

Joe Lapchick - St. John's University

Lapchick coached St. John's University and the New York Knick's. He spent twenty seasons with St. Johns compiling a 334-120 record that included four prestigious NIT championships. As the Knick's coach, Lapchick coached nine seasons and posted a 326-247 mark including three trips to the NBA finals.

John Lauro, Tuxedo HS, Pace University, North Salem HS, Sleepy Hollow HS, John Jay HS and Greely HS, Section 1

In Coach Lauro's thirty year coaching career his teams achieved over 425 wins. His teams won fourteen League and ten Sectional championships. He led four of his teams to NYSPHSAA state crowns. He led Pace University to post-season play four straight years. He coached both the Hudson Valley Scholastic and Open women's teams in the Empire State Games. He was named Coach of the Year by the league eleven times and was New York State Coach of the Year in 1985. Coach Lauro served as a League Representative and the Section 9 Girls Basketball Chairman.

Tim Leary, St. Francis Prep, NYC Catholic

Coach Tim Leary led his teams to 566 wins over thirty-nine years. His teams won seven Division titles and reached the New York City Final Four 4 times with 1 NYC title. He directed several camps and was a guest speaker at many others. He has been named Coach of the Year numerous times by the CHSAA, as well as various newspapers. He is a member of three Halls of Fame: St. Francis Prep, NYC Catholic HS Athletic Association and the Basketball Old Timers of America. He has coached in numerous All Star Games throughout the country and been honored by the National Pro-Am organization.

Joe Lettera, Roslyn HS, Section 8

Joe Lettera directed the Varsity Basketball Program at Roslyn High School for 30 years and won 405 games from 1958 to 1989. He was selected by the New York Daily News as Nassau County "Coach of the Year" in 1973. Joe was two time President of the Nassau County Basketball Coaches Association and received two "Sportsmanship Awards" from the Long Island Basketball Officials Association. Coach Lettera won the North Shore Championship two times. Roslyn was twice a Nassau County Basketball Finalist. His teams won 7 Division Championships and had 28 of 30 winning seasons. Joe served for many years on the Section 8 Basketball Tournament Committee.

Mike Lilac – Stillwater HS (Section 2)

Coach Lilac won 450 games in his 35-year career at Stillwater High School. His teams won 9 League, 3 Sectional, 3 Regional, 1 State Semi-Final. He also led his team to a State Title. He served on the Section 2 Boys Basketball Committee for 20 years (12 years as Chairman), started the Capital Region Basketball Scholar-Athlete Committee and worked on the State Tournament. Coach Lilac

has been recognized as Coach of the Year numerous times by various organizations.

Doug Loffler, Lisbon HS (Section 10)

Coach Doug Loffler guided his teams to nearly 400 wins over 31 years. His teams won multiple league titles and seven Sectional crowns. Coach Loffler was active working many summer camps and founded the very successful Lisbon summer basketball camp . He started the James Darcy Memorial Tournament. He had a multi-sport coaching career compiling over 1000 victories. He coached the JV and varsity teams for 10 years. He has been named Coach of the Year many times and is a member of the Lisbon High School Hall of Fame.

Joe Loudis, Cohoes HS, Mechanicville HS, Section 2

Coach Loudis led his teams to 415 victories, winning 64 % of their games. He has coached in each of the last five decades. His teams won seven League and seven Sectional titles. His teams made back to back appearances in the State Tournament Final Four in 1995 and 1996. Coach Loudis served as the league chairman for twenty-five years. Also, he was a Section 2 committee member for twenty-five years. He was a guest speaker at numerous camps, clinics and programs. He has been named Coach of the Year many times by the media.

Bernard "Putt" La May -Coach, Contributor

La May a Glens Falls resident, is a past president of the NYSPHSAA and former director of the New York State Federation Boys' Basketball Tournament. He is the man responsible for developing the state basketball tournament format, as it's known today. During a 20-year basketball coaching career, divided between high schools in Glens Falls, Fort Edward and Saratoga Springs, La May guided his teams to a .725 winning percentage.

Anthony (Tony) Luciano – Hudson Falls HS (Section 2)

A graduate of Hudson Falls HS Luciano was involved with high school basketball for over 50 years. During his 25 years as the basketball coach at Hudson Falls, he amassed 335 wins. His teams won 7 Northern Conference titles, and reached the Section II finals 7 times. He was also an active basketball referee for 24 years and is a lifetime member of the I.A.B.B.O. Basketball Hall of Fame.

Paul Lyons - Albany High School (Section 2)

Coach Paul Lyons led his teams to 515 wins over his 31 year career. His winning percentage was 75%. His teams won eight Section 2 and two Regional titles. He coached in the Empire State Games and worked many camps. He received the Christian Brothers Academy Service and Dedication Award as well as the Albany HS Coaching Achievement Award. He is a member of the Cardinal McClosky HS Hall of Fame.

Robert MacKinnon - Canisius HS, Canisius College, Buffalo Braves, Boston Celtics, New Jersey Nets (Section 6)

Coach Bob MacKinnon led Canisius HS to Western NY high school championships in 1956 and 1957. He coached Canisius College to the National Invitation Tournament finals. He coached the St. Louis Spirits (ABA), the New Jersey Nets and the Buffalo Braves. He was a member of the NIT Committee and NCAA All-American Selection Committee. He founded the Canisius College Camp and Erie County Summer league. He earned many Coach of the Year honors He is a member of the Canisius College, Buffalo Public Schools Harvard Cup and Greater Buffalo Halls of Fame. He was also named the Canisius College Coach of the Century.

Gina Maher - Irvington HS, Section 1

Coach Gina Maher has recorded 500 wins during thirty-four years of coaching, with her teams winning more than 70 percent of their games. She has coached her teams to 14 League Championships, seven Section 1 titles, three Regional crowns, and 1 State and Federation Championship. Coach Maher has served as a Representative to the Section Committee for twenty-five years, organized and administers local summer leagues for high school girls, and has received numerous honors, including induction into the Westchester County Sports Hall of Fame in 2003. In 2007 the Irvington School District named the Irvington High School gym in her honor.

Sigmond "Sig" Makofski - Mount Pleasant HS (Section 2)

At Mount Pleasant HS in Schenectady Makofski had a 461 and 35 record. His teams had win streaks of 116,42,39, and 36 games. He was also a First Team All-American at Union college in 1926.

George Mardigan, Watervliet H.S. (Section 2)

Coach George Mardigan has over 500 wins in his twenty-nine seasons as a coach. His teams win over 78% of their games. He has the most wins in Section 2 history. Watervliet had a 43 game win streak and won eight league titles in a row. He led his teams to twelve Section 2 and five Regional titles. He led his squad to the tournament in Glens Falls many times including a NYSPHSAA and Federation state championships. He operates a golf tournament for charity. He received many honors over his career. He is a member of the Hudson Valley C.C. Hall of Fame. The basketball court at Watervliet HS is "George Mardigan Court."

Dudley Maxim - Trinity School (NYC Private)

With 619 career wins, Maxim ranks on the all time New York State High School Coach's win list. Dudley coached at the Trinity School in Manhattan for 53 years. His victory total does not include nearly 100 wins in games played against prep schools and college freshman teams.

Greg Mayerhofer - Maria Regina and Floral Park Memorial HS - Section 8

Coach Greg Mayerhofer led his teams to 394 victories over a twenty-five year span at Maria Regina and Floral Park Memorial High Schools. His teams won 74 percent of their games, including two Catholic League Championships, one

Catholic State Championship, eleven Conference Championships, and four Sectional Championships. Coach Mayerhofer was President of the Nassau County Girl's Basketball Coaches Association and has served as a member of the BCANY Board of Directors. He was named Coach of the Year many times.

Kevin McCarthy - SUNY Cobleskill

Coach Kevin McCarthy coached high school and college teams to 434 wins, In sixteen seasons at SUNY Cobleskill his teams won 74 percent of their games. He led his team to several league and regional titles. His team played in National Junior College Final Four twice. His Cobleskill teams posted fourteen consecutive 20 plus win seasons. Coach McCarthy started and worked at many camps. He was named Coach of the Year by the League, Region and BCANY. He was bestowed by the National Association of Collegiate Basketball Coaches the prestigious "Guardian of the Game" Pillar Award. He also received the NJCAA Ethics, Integrity and Service Award.

Jimmy McDermott, LaSalle Academy (NYC), Iona College

Coach Jimmy McDermott notched 569 wins in forty years of coaching at LaSalle Academy and then Iona College. Coach McDermott is a member of the following Hall of Fames: LaSalle Academy, Iona College, CHSAA, Helms Foundation, NIT, Old Timers, Westchester County, National Association of College Directors of Athletics and New York City. He is the founding Commissioner of the Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference.

Jim "Duke" McGrath - Skaneateles, Jamesville-DeWitt and Nottingham HS (Section 3)

Coach Jim "Duke" McGrath began his career at Skaneateles HS followed by successful stints at Jamesville-DeWitt and Nottingham high schools. His teams recorded 359 wins, while winning 75% of their games. He led his teams to twelve League and seven Sectional titles. He is a member of the following Halls of Fame: Greater Syracuse, LeMoyne College and Section III. His honors include numerous Coach of the Year, National HS Coaching, many times. He also coached in the Empire State Games. He is the co-author of a book "The Winning Edge."

Frank McGuire - St. John's University, North Carolina University, South Carolina University

McGuire is the only coach in America to win 100 games at three different colleges, St. Johns, North Carolina and South Carolina. He guided his teams to 15 post-season tournaments. His undefeated 1957 National Champion North Carolina team is rated as one of the all-time best college teams.

John Meehan, Kerhonkson HS, Rondout Valley HS, Marlboro HS, Section 9

Coach John Meehan notched 297 wins in a career that stretched from 1950 thru 1972 as well as coming out of retirement for the 1981-82 season. His teams won 75% of their games. His teams won or were tied for first place in their League eleven times. He led his teams to Sectional and Regional Championships as well as being an Eastern

Finalist - as there was no State Tournament during his tenure. Coach Meehan was President of the league numerous times and also served as Section Chairman. He was involved with the inception of the Empire State Games. He coached his team to seventeen consecutive winning seasons, being named Coach of the Year many times. Rondout Valley's Football Field was named for him (he was also the football coach) and he was inducted into the Syracuse Sports Hall of Fame in 2001.

Bill Merna, Ogdensburg Free Academy, Section 10

Coach Bill Merna has a 574-259 record in thirty-seven years of high school coaching. He led Ogdensburg Free Academy to 16 Section 10 crowns and 8 overall Section 10 titles. They made four trips to the State Final Four and played in one Championship game. He has been named Coach of the Year many times. He started the Section 10 Boys All Northern Academic Awards. He has been a BCANY Board member for over 25 years. He served as BCANY Scholarship Chair for over 20 years and served as Section 10 Boys Basketball Chair. He has worked numerous camps including 37 years at SUNY Potsdam where he played collegiately. In high school he captained the undefeated '65-'66 team at ND of Utica.

Patrick Monti, LaSalle HS (Section 6)

Coach Pat Monti made his mark in twenty-five years as the coach at LaSalle HS in Niagara Falls. He is currently the coach at Niagara Catholic HS. In twenty-seven years Monti's teams won over 450 games. His squads won thirteen league, eleven Sectional, three NYSPHSAA State crowns and one Federation championship. He holds the record as the coach with the most wins in the history of Niagara Falls sports. He has received many honors including being named Niagara Falls Chamber of Commerce 'Hometown Hero.'

Ambrose "Fox" Moran –New Hyde Park HS (Section 8)

Coach Moran spent more than 50 years coaching and working with youth, achieving 426 wins while coaching basketball at New Hyde Park High School. He was inducted into the Sewanhaka Hall of Fame, Ithaca College Hall of Fame, and the Eisenhower Park Baseball Hall of Fame. He was named Coach of the Year many times, and received the Nassau County Basketball Coaches Association Distinguished Award, NYS Health, PE and Recreation Award, and the Long Island March of Dimes Golden Apple Teacher of the Year Award.

John Moriello - Contributor (Media), NY State Sportswriters Association.

John Moriello has chronicled sports for over 30 years, still blogging frequently on high school news and issues as well as advocating for scholastic sports. As president of the NYSSWA since 1999, he oversees the popular weekly rankings and records data maintained by the organization as well as selection of the authoritative New York all-state teams. Since leaving the newspaper industry, he has continued to write and edit for several national sports outlets and has overseen the successful move of the NYSSWA to an online-only presence.

Jane Morris, Cardinal Spellman HS (CHSAA)

Coach Jane Morris has an incredible record of 725-218 over her forty plus years at Cardinal Spellman HS. Her teams have won 20 Division Titles, 5 Archdiocesan Championships, 3 CHSAA State Titles and a Federation Title in 1999. Coach Morris has served on the NYS Catholic High School Athletic Association Executive Committee for more than 25 years and as basketball chairperson for her section for 35 years. She is a member of the Girls CHSAA Hall of Fame. She was co-founder of the CHSAA girls' division in the late 1970's. Coach Morris was honored by the NYSAAA in 2013 and has been named Coach of the Year by the New York Daily News, The New York Post and the Bronx Times on multiple occasions. Coach Morris has had many student athletes compete at the Collegiate level and is most proud to have coached so many fine young women over the years.

Harry "Jammy" Moskowitz – James Madison HS (NYC Public)

Moskowitz's career spanned 4 decades at James Madison High School in NYC where his teams won 541 games. Moskowitz's teams were undefeated in 1938 and 1939. James Madison was the PSAL Champions in 1939 and 1943. His "Wonder Five" team of 1939 had 6 players who went on to play professional basketball.

Judy Mottola- SS Seward HS and Minisink HS, Section 9

Judy Mottola has coached her teams to 402 wins over 25 seasons for an 80 percent winning percentage. Coach Mottola has led her teams to 20 Division titles and 7 Sectional titles, advancing to 7 Regional finals and 3 State Final Fours. Her teams were recognized for outstanding sportsmanship on several occasions including the Bertha Caswell Van Zandt Sportsmanship Award presented at the state tournament. Coach Mottola started scholastic and AAU programs in Orange County and ran Special Olympic basketball clinics for disabled individuals as well as clinics for youth. She has received many honors during her distinguished career.

Lorraine Moylan - Albertus Magnus HS, Pearl River HS, (Section 1),

Coach Lorraine Moylan has won over 500 games in twenty eight years as a coach. Her teams win an amazing 79% of the games they play. She is the winningest coach (Boys or Girls) in Rockland County. She also is a gold medal winning coach in the Empire State games. She has guided her teams to 17 League,5 Sectional, 4 Regional, 2 State and 2 Federation Titles. She has been named coach of the year numerous times by league and media. She has served on many committees at the Local and County level and has received many honors during her distinguished career.

Tom Murphy – Hamilton College

As Head Coach at Hamilton College in Clinton, New York, Murphy lands in the top 10 Active Coaches in Division III Basketball. His 1990-91 team was the No.1 ranked team in the final NCAA Division III Poll and they finished the season with

a 26-4 overall record. He was named the National Association of Basketball Coaches' "Coach of the Year for Division III" in 1978-79 and 1990-91. He also coached at Bellville (NY) High School where his "" teams registered a national record 83 consecutive victories.

Tom Murray, Cardinal Hayes HS (NYC Catholic)

Tom Murray has coached for forty years in the New York City Catholic League. He has notched over 500 victories. Coach Murray has been recognized as the Bronx-Manhattan Daily News Coach of the Year several times. He was recognized at the Downtown Athletic Club as a Kodak Legend of Coaching. He is a member of the CHSAA Hall of Fame and the Brooklyn Old Timers. He directed the John V. Mara CYO Camp for twenty-one summers and presently assists his son with his camps.

Ben Nelson, Contributor

Ben has shown outstanding leadership and consistent effort for the sport of basketball. He is an original member of the BCANY Board of Directors continuing to serve as Assistant Executive Director. Ben initiated and led BCANY's Team New York vs Chicago in a 7 year series and has been a tireless worker for nationally recognized Binghamton's STOP DWI tourney. He has been a representative to the National HSBCA and a member of the NABC for 43 years. As a player, Ben started for two sectional championship teams at Bainbridge HS and went on to play at Colgate and Louisiana College. In 1965 Ben spent the year in Germany as Player-Coach of the Hannover Division 2 CVYM Team. He coached both HS boys' and girls' sectional championship teams at Oxford Academy and was Assistant Men's' coach at SUNY Plattsburgh and Assistant Women's coach at Colgate University. Ben has been associated with Camp Dudley since 1950 and is currently the Executive Director of Section IV of the NYSPHSAA.

Ed Nietopski, Bishop Kearney HS (Section 5)

In forty years of coaching, Ed Nietopski's teams have won over 520 games while coaching at Brockport HS, Cardinal Mooney HS and Bishop Kearney HS. His teams won five Diocesan and five Catholic League championships. Additionally they won five Sectional titles, reaching the state Final Four three times. He is a member of the Section V and National High School Athletic Coaches Association Hall's of Fame and the SUNY Brockport Hall of Heritage. The facility at his school is named the Ed Nietopski Gym in his honor.

Richard "Dick" O'Neill, Monticello HS (Section 9)

Dick O'Neill has over 340 wins in his stellar twenty-two year career, currently at Monticello HS, previously at Burke Catholic HS. Dick has served as President of the Orange County Coaches Association and of BCANY. He is the organizer and chairman of the BCANY All Star Games. He has been named Coach of the Year nine times by the media and selected as the best coach in Section 9 by fellow

coaches. He also coached in the Empire State Games. He served as the Co-Director of Big Guy and Tall Gal Basketball Camps.

Mel Palano – Bishop TimonHS (Section 6)

Coach Palano achieved a 544 win and 202 loss record in his 37 year coaching career, which concluded in 1989. He coached his teams to 17 League titles and 8 Manhattan Cup Playoff Championships. Coach Palano also coached baseball and cross county, as well as serving as athletic director at Bishop Timon – St. Jude High School. He is a member of both the Greater Buffalo Sports Hall of Fame and the Bishop Timon Hall of Fame. Other honors Coach Palano received include State Coach of the Year in 1988 and a nomination for the National Coach of the Year.

Mauro Panaggio – SUNY Brockport, (College, Pro)

Mauro Panaggio notched 811 wins in over thirty years of coaching. As a high school coach his teams won 85% of their games and won eleven league and two Sectional titles.

He then guided Brockport State to 160 wins and 4 SUNYAC titles. His teams won two NCAA Eastern Regional Championships and reached 2 Final Fours. He coached professional basketball for sixteen years, mostly in the Continental Basketball Association where his teams won five Division and two League titles. He is a member of the SUNY Brockport and Section 5 Hall of Fame.

Louis Panzanaro Jr. - Peekskill HS (Section 1)

Coach Lou Panzanaro has led his teams to 409 wins. His teams win 75% of their games. He coached Peekskill to eight Section 1 crowns and four Regional titles. He is the only coach in NYS Public High School history to win three state titles in three different classes. He has served as President of Westchester Putnam Basketball Coaches Association. He founded the Red Devil Basketball Camp and along with Elton Brand started Camp, Inc. to provide free tutoring to all Peekskill public school students. He has been named Coach of the Year numerous times. He was also named Club Man of the Year by the Rotary and Elks Club. He was a Frank McGuire Award winner.

Sr. Maria Pares, Buffalo Academy of the Sacred Heart and Canisius College

In her 26 years at Buffalo Academy of the Sacred Heart (1973-96 and 1999-present), Coach Pares directed her teams to a combined record of 479-70 including 127 straight wins. She has made six NYS appearances, won fifteen Diocesan championships, the NYSCHAA championship and the NYS Federation championship. At Canisius College (1981-86), Sr. Maria had a record of 108-39. They were the AIAW State Champions and made an appearance in the Division II NCAA Quarter Finals (1982). A member of the Sisters of St. Francis of Penance and Christian Charity, Sr. Maria is a member of the Greater Buffalo Sports Hall of Fame, the Canisius College Hall of Fame and the Sacred Heart Academy Hall of Fame.

Edward Petrie –Coach (Long Island)

A graduate of Bellows HS in 1951. He led his school team to 2 county championships in 1950 and 1951 and was a 2-time All County Player. At Seton Hall University he was captain of the team in 1956 and played in two N.I. T. Tournaments. He was drafted by the New York Knicks in 1956. He has 599 wins as a high school coach. His 1989 team won the Class B State Championship at Glens Falls.

Dave Powers, Nanuet H.S., Tuxedo H.S. (Section 9)

Coach Dave Powers has well over 350 wins over twenty-two seasons. His teams win over 70% of their games. He has led teams to Sectional titles at two different schools and led two different schools to the state semi-finals. He has been honored as Coach of the Year by the league, county, media and BCANY. He was one of the co-founders of the Rockland County Basketball Coaches Association. He started the Section 9 Girls Basketball Coaches Association. In addition to coaching in the Empire State Games he has also coordinated the girls portion of the BCANY All Star Games. He coached his sister Norinne who was Miss NY Basketball in 1989 at Nanuet H.S.

Raymond Preston—Charlotte Valley HS, (Section 4)

Coach Pay Preston has led his teams to nearly 600 wins in 32 years at the helm. His teams won nearly 80% of the games they played. He led his teams to 25 League, 8 Section IV and 5 Regional championships. Ray has been a guest speaker at many events and served on numerous committees. He has been honored as Coach of the Year at the local, Section and State levels. He is a member of the Section IV Hall of Fame. The holiday tournament at Charlotte Valley is now named the Ray Preston Girls Basketball Holiday Tournament.

Walter Przybylo – Schenectady Linton HS (Section 2),

Coach Walt Przybylo's teams won nearly 75% of the games they played. He died at the young age of 49, but in nineteen seasons his teams won 270 games. At one point his teams won 46 games in a row. They won several Inter-sectional titles prior to the re-starting of the state tournament. He started the Schenectady Holiday Festival, which hosted powerful out of area high school teams. His '69-'70 team finished 22-0, ranked # 1 in the state. He is a member of the Schenectady City School District Hall of Fame and the SUNY Cortland Hall of Fame.

Mike Quick - Contributor (Media)

Mike Quick is a leading voice for high school sports in New York State, with an emphasis in down state areas. His weekly television program (MSG) and call in show are extremely popular. Mike has always been a strong advocate for scholastic sports. He has won awards such as Media Person of the Year and Heisman Contributor Award. Mike has been a reporter and producer, including documentaries. Mike loves to tell people, he has the second greatest job in the

world... the best job is that of a high school coach and placing second behind a coach is an honor.

Jack Ringel, Grady H.S. (NYC Public Schools)

Coach Jack Ringel directed his teams to 450 wins over twenty-three years. His teams won 77% of their games. He led his teams to three New York City Public High School titles and one New York State Federation State Championship. Coach Ringel was a volunteer coach for the Annual Wheelchair Classic Charities as well as the New York /Long Island 9/11 Charity Classic. Coach Ringel has been honored as Coach of the Year many times by the media. He currently serves as a volunteer coach for the JCC of Western Monmouth Maccabi basketball team.

Frank Romeo: Comsewogue HS, (Section 11), Suffolk C.C. (Region 15)

Coach Frank Romeo led his teams to over 400 wins in 31 seasons. His 24 teams at Comsewogue won 8 league titles and 1 Large School Section 11 Championship. From 1989-91 his teams won 62 of 67 games. Frank served as a Coaches Assoc. Officer and helped organize and work at the Suffolk Top 100 Camps and the Suffolk HS Basketball Clinics. He founded the Town of Brookhaven Summer Camp. He was head coach of the Newsday Classic and also coached in the Empire State Games and Junior Olympics. Coach Romeo was Section 11 Coach of the Year 4 times and League Coach of the Year 8 times. At Suffolk CC his 7 teams won 20+ games in each of 6 seasons and in 1993 Region 15 Coach of the Year. He was the 1st recipient of the Stony Brook U. Service Award and received numerous sportsmanship awards. In 1988 he was NY Daily News Coach of the Year. Frank is a member of both the Massena HS and Comsewogue HS Halls of Fame. The Section 11 Large School Tournament MVP Trophy was named after him. In 1997 the Comsewogue HS Gymnasium was dedicated in his name.

Richard "Doc" Sauers – State University at Albany (College)

Sauers was the coach at the State University at Albany for 38 years. "Doc" led his teams to 702 wins, granting him the distinction of being the winningest Division III Coach in the nation. He was National Coach of the Year in 1985 and was East Regional Coach of the Year three times. He was Chairman of the NCAA Men's Rules Committee and during his six tenure on the committee played a key role in getting the three point shot in the rule book. Sauers is a member of the Slippery Rock (his alma mater), University at Albany, and Capital District Halls of Fame.

Dolph Schayes –Player,Coach

Schayes played high school ball at Dewitt Clinton HS in NYC and entered NYU when he was only 16 and became an All-American. At NYU, as a freshman, he led his team to the NCAA Final Four. He joined the Syracuse Nationals of the NBA in 1948. Dolph was an NBA All-Star 12 times and led the Syracuse Nationals to the 1955 Championship. He coached the Philadelphia 76ers and the Buffalo Braves. He was the NBA Coach of the Year with the 76ers in 1965-66.

Dean Schott, Lyons HS, Section 5

Coach Dean Schott directed his teams to 417 victories, winning 80% of their games. His teams won 9 Section 5 titles along with 3 Regional crowns. He led Lyons to the public school final game three times winning the NYSPHAA and NYS Federation Championships in 1988-1989. He was a BCANY Officer for over twenty-five years and served as chair of committees. Dean has been named league and Section 5 Coach of the Year several times, along with All Greater Rochester Coach of the Year in 1982 and BCANY High School Coach of the Year in 1989.

William Schutz, Schuylerville HS (Section 2)

William Schutz coached at Schuylerville HS for twenty-eight years. His squads won over 300 games. He led his teams to seven league, three Section II, sectional, and two Regional championships. His 1977-78 team won the State title. He served as Athletic Director for Schuylerville CSD, where he helped develop the girls program. Basketball officials, the Village and County governments, the State Assembly, the Governor's Office and the NYS Sportswriters Association, have honored him.

Art Sharpsteen - Waverly HS, Binghamton HS, Chenango Valley HS (Section 4)

Coach Art Sharpsteen coached over three decades, beginning in 1935. His teams won 70% of their games. His teams won many league and Section IV titles. (There were no regional nor state tournaments at the time). He started intramural and youth leagues to promote basketball. He co-founded the first basketball camp in Broome County. He served on League and Sectional committees. He also was a basketball official from 1939-1965. He was named Coach of the Year many times by the League and newspaper. He is a member of the Waverly HS and Section 4 Halls of Fame and was a Navy LT in World War II.

John "Prof" Skvorak, coach, teacher and administrator at Weedsport Central

During Prof's basketball coaching career (1927-1952), his teams (boys and girls) had 417 wins, a 69% record. In those 26 years his teams won 8 League Pennants, 12 County Championships and won the Section 4 State Championship with an 18-0 record (1942). He also coached baseball, football and soccer. Prof taught HS sciences and was recognized as an Outstanding Teacher by the NYS Dept. of Ed. He was a referee (a member of NAABO) and was a member of various community organizations. Awards / Honors: County Coach of the Century, first inductee into the Weedsport Sports Hall of Fame. In 1953, the athletic teams were named after him, the "Johnny Greens". He believed in teaching his players the fundamentals and sportsmanship.

Chester Slaybaugh, Jr. Horace Mann School (NYC Private)

Chet Slaybaugh guided his teams to a record of 398-161, a .712 winning percentage with 9 Ivy Prep League championships. Coach Slaybaugh served on

many committees, being the chair of several. He served as a co-chair of an annual charity event benefiting the March of Dimes. Chet also refereed for many years. His greatest satisfaction came in the visits from former players and the fact that "Coach" never received a technical foul in his 36 years of coaching.

Wiletta Spease – Nottingham HS (Section 3)

Spease, coach at Nottingham HS was the first woman inducted into the Hall of Fame. Wiletta's recorded over 400 wins. She is the leader in wins for women coaches in New York State. Her team's 5 NY State High School Championships is unequaled. She was named "Coach of the Year" by BCANY in 1990 and 1991, and was a finalist in 1990 for National Coach of the Year.

Ken Strube, Shenendehowa High School, Girls Basketball, Section 2

Coach Ken Strube, in 29+ years of coaching, has led Shenendehowa to 525 victories, winning 78% of their games. His teams have won 21 Suburban Council Championships, 9 Section 2 Championships, 8 Regional Championships and 4 Class AA State Championships. Ken served as Suburban Council Chairman and was a member of the Section 2 Girls Basketball Committee for 17 years. He has been named "Coach of the Year" by the Suburban Council, Section 2, the New York State Sportswriters Association and the BCANY multiple times. Coach Strube was honored as the 2008 District 2 and Northeast Region National "Coach of the Year" by the Women's Basketball Coaches Association and was selected to coach in the WBCA's High School All-American Game in Tampa, Florida.

Charles "Charlie" Tarricone, Union-Endicott HS (Section 4)

Charlie Tarricone's teams won 323 games over a twenty-five year span. He completed his career at Union-Endicott HS after having coached at Endicott-Seton Catholic HS. He led his teams to nine Divisional, seven League and eight Sectional championships. His teams also won four Regional crowns. He is a charter member and former President of BCANY. He wrote a book *Winning Basketball with Organization and Defense*. He served as the Director of the very successful Broome County Stop DWI Holiday Basketball Classic and was Director at Golden Valley Camp.

Ken Thomas, Haldane HS, Poughkeepsie-Lourdes HS, Millbrook HS, Section 1

Coach Ken Thomas led his team to 347 victories, with an 84% winning percentage. His teams won fourteen League and Sectional titles. His team made twelve Final Four appearances in the NYSPHSAA State Tournament, winning the State Championship four times. He started and was the Director of the Philipstown Recreation Basketball Program. He was also an AAU coach and spoke at many clinics. He was named Coach of the Year numerous times, including three times as Class D State Coach of the Year by the NYS Sportswriters Association.

Michele Tidick, Vestal HS, Johnson City HS, Section 4

Coach Michele Tidick led her teams to 404 wins over her thirty-two year career. Her teams' 65% winning percentage led to six League and eight Sectional crowns. Her 1984-85 Johnson City team won the Class B NYSPHSAA title. She was a twenty-eight year Empire State Games volunteer serving as a coach, Regional and State Chairperson. Coach Tidick was the first woman to serve as President of the Basketball Coaches Association of NY. She was the league chairperson for women's basketball for seventeen years. She created and directed the first summer league for girls basketball in the Southern Tier. Michele is also a member of the Section 4 Hall of Fame.

Robert Turner - (Section 9), Pine Bush HS, Burke Catholic HS,

In 25 years of coaching girls high school basketball, Bob Turner has compiled 361 wins. After taking over the program that went winless the previous season, his teams went on to claim 14 league titles, 9 sectional championships, 2 regional championships, and a NYS and Federation title. He has also participated as a clinician and coach at numerous basketball camps throughout Section 9 and New York State. He has also run his own basketball camp for elementary school players for 17 years. He has received numerous Coach of the Year honors both locally and state wide.

Bill VanGundy – Genesee CC, SUNY Brockport (Junior College, College)

Coach VanGundy has won over 600 games in his 42 year coaching career. For the last 15 years of his career, Coach VanGundy notched a 305 & 142 record at Genesee Community College. He had successful coaching stints at Brockport State, St. Mary's College, California State University at Hayward, and four California high schools. He coached and taught at various basketball camps and clinics. He published several articles and 2 books. He has been named Coach of the Year in various conferences including the NJCAA, Region III. He earned his B.A., M.A. and Ed D. degrees at the University of California.

John B. Volpe – Keveny HS, Gorton HS, Maritime College and Sacred Heart HS

John has been a head coach for 46 years and is presently at Sacred Heart H.S. He has coached his teams to over 500 victories, fourteen Yonkers City championships, eight Section I titles and two Regional crowns. He is a charter member of the Westchester Basketball Coaches Association and former President. He was a member of IAABO Board # 52. In 1976 he coached the U.S. All Stars in the McDonalds Classic (Kentucky Derby festival) in Louisville, Kentucky. John is a member of the following Sports Halls of Fame: Westchester County, City of Yonkers and Sacred Heart HS.

Edward A. Wachter -Player

Wachter began playing basketball in 1895 and was considered as the greatest center of the game's barnstorming era. His career included 1800 games as a force in the middle as a player and over 20 years as a coach. Ed and his brother, Lew, led the Schenectady Company E. team to the unofficial national title in 1905. Ed coached at Harvard and was elected into the Naismith Hall of Fame in 1962.

Cecil Watkins, National Pro Am Cities League, Contributor to the Game

Cecil Watkins is a great contributor to basketball in New York State, creating basketball and community programs for many organizations including NYC Parks & Recreation, Elmcot, PAL and the NBA. Having worked for the NBA in several capacities, he is currently President/CEO of National Pro-Am City Leagues Association. Mr. Watkins is a board member of USA Basketball and Governor for the NY Metropolitan AAU. In 2007 he received an honorary Doctorate of Laws from Adelphi University and was a finalist for the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame's *The Mannie Jackson - Basketball's Human Spirit Award*. In addition, Mr. Watkins is a member of the Hall of Fame for NYC Basketball, Elmcot and Adelphi University.

Jeff Weiss- Lawrence Woodmere Academy

Coach Jeff Weiss has led his teams at Lawrence Woodmere Academy to over 400 wins, 14 league championships and 5 NYS Association of Independent School titles since 1988. Coach Weiss guided LWA to Federation Championships in 1999 and 2002. He has been named league Coach of the Year 12 times, BCANY section Coach of the Year 6 times, and was named Newsday Long Island Coach of the Year in 2006. Coach Weiss serves as a member of the BCANY Board of Directors. In recognition of his 300th win, the basketball court at LWA was renamed in his honor.

Jerry Welsh – Postdam State (College)

In over 30 years Welsh has amassed all amazing record as a high school and college coach, with an overall record of 670 wins and 199 losses. He has a resume that includes two NCAA Division III National Championships, nine Eastern Region championships, three trips to the Division III finals, a 60 game winning streak and two undefeated seasons. He is a member of the Ithaca College, Massena High School, and Potsdam State Hall of Fame.

Gerald Wilcox - Bishop Ludden HS , West Genesee HS, Liverpool HS (Section 3)

Coach Gerald Wilcox coached his teams to 411 wins over twenty-seven years. His squads won eight Section 3 titles and three Regional crowns. He was the first Central NY Empire State Games coach. Member Greater Syracuse Hall of Fame. Founded A.C.T.I.O.N. (Activities Central to Improving Our Neighborhoods) to break down tensions between ethnic/religious and political groups. He has been a Coach/Administrator/Director of the NY State Fair Sports Program. He has received the Monsignor Taylor Award and is a member of the Bishop Ludden Hall of Fame.

Robert Williams, Jefferson CC '68-'95, Newark Valley HS '66-'68, Charlotte Valley HS '64-'66

Bob coached at Jefferson CC for 27 years, winning 359 games. He earned Region III Coach of the Year Honors in 1982 and 1990. Serving in leadership roles in Region III of the NJCAA, Bob was instrumental in the development of the Mid-State Athletic Conference. During his coaching career, he was honored by various organizations. While at Jefferson, three of his players earned All-American honors. As a player, Bob was named to the NJCAA Basketball All-American First Team in 1961. Coach Williams is member of the inaugural class '09 of the Jefferson CC Athletic Hall of Fame.

Hank Williams, Malverne HS (Section 8) (Posthumously)

Under Coach Hank Williams, Malverne HS won over twenty Conference, four Regional, and nine Nassau County titles. He guided his teams to over 450 wins in his twenty –seven year coaching career. His teams won the State Championships in 1979 and 1981. He served on the New York State Committee on Boys' Basketball and was the Nassau County Boys' Basketball Coordinator. He was a tutor, mentor, leader and role model for his players. The Malverne HS Gymnasium is named in Hank's memory.

Buddy Wleklinski, Syracuse Christian Brothers Academy (Section 3)

Coach Buddy Wleklinski has coached for more than thirty years with his teams winning over 445 games. During his tenure, the Brothers have won nine league and six Section III championships, advanced to the Final Four three times, and captured the NYSPHSAA State Championship in 1997. He has been honored as Coach of the Year at the local, Section and State levels. In 1996 and 1997 he coached the Central Scholastic Basketball team to back to back gold medals in the Empire State Games and then served as the ESG State Chairman of Scholastic Mens' Basketball from 1998 – 2010. He is currently a member of the BCANY Board of Directors, a coordinator of the BCANY Summer Hoops Festival, and directs the New York State All Star game held at the State Fair. Buddy is also the school's director of athletics and is active on many league, sectional, and state committees. He was inducted into the Christian Brothers Academy Athletic Hall of Fame in 2004 and, in 2008, the school's basketball court was officially named Buddy Wleklinski Court.

Richard Wrase - Eastport HS, Westhampton HS, Suffolk Community College (Section 11)

Coach Rich Wrase led his teams to 351 wins at the scholastic and collegiate levels. His winning percentage is 76%. His teams won three county and four Sectional titles. His Westhampton HS team won the NYSPHSAA and Federation titles in 1998. His Suffolk CC teams won two NJCAA National Championships with a combined record of 66+1. He started a youth basketball program in Eastport as well as working at many basketball camps. He has served as the President of the Suffolk County Basketball Coaches Association. He coached in the Empire State Games. He was named Coach of the Year numerous times by the league and media.

Risa Zander, Sachem HS (Section 11)

Risa Zander, long time coach at Sachem and Commack High Schools, is the first ever Suffolk County women's coach to be inducted into the Hall of Fame. In over twenty-one years of coaching she has won 338 games including nine league, four Sectional, two Regional and one state title. She has been involved with the Maccabiah Games, the Women's Basketball Coaches Association of which she is a co-founder and past president, and BCANY. She has coached in the Empire State Games winning Gold, Silver and Bronze medals. Risa is also a co-founder of the Suffolk 100 Basketball Clinic.

Bob Zeh, Oneonta HS, Section 4

Coach Bob Zeh has been coaching basketball for 43 years and counting. He began as a JV coach for 2 years with a 30-3 record. He then coached boys varsity teams for twenty-eight years to a 366-214 record, 6 league titles and 4 sectional titles. He has coached the girls varsity team for 8 years to 2 league titles and 2 sectional titles, and a record of 116-58. He was the Mens Assistant Coach at Hartwick College for 3 years and SUNY Oneonta for 2 years. He has received numerous Coach of the Year awards from the league, section and the media. He is a member of the Section 4 Hall of Fame.

Paul Zintel – Jeffersonville-Youngsville HS (Section 9)

Coach Paul Zintel coached twenty-five years at Jeffersonville-Youngsville HS and two years at Sullivan C.C. He guided his teams to 348 wins at a .734% winning percentage. His teams won eight League, six Sectional and one Regional championship. He was the Section 9 Basketball Chairman for 25 years. He was on the NYS Basketball Committee member for 25 years. He was the Founder and organizer of IAABO in Sullivan County. He is a member of East Stroudsburg, Northeastern Pennsylvania and Sullivan County Halls of Fame. He retired to Alabama where he now is a volunteer coach.

James Zullo - Little Falls HS, Shenendehowa HS, Broadalbin-Perth HS (Section 2)

Coach Jim Zullo led his teams to 469 wins over his thirty-one year coaching career. His teams won twelve league and seven Section 2 crowns. His '86-'87 Shenendehowa team won the NYSPHSAA and Federation State Championship titles. He helped start the High Five and Low Five Summer Camps. He started the Uncas Holiday Tournament and was co-founder of the Greg Koubek Basketball camp. He coached in the Empire State Games. In retirement he volunteers as an assistant coach. He has received many honors and awards. He was named Coach of the Year numerous times by the league and media.