

Please join us
Thursday
September 18th
at the Hall of Springs
Saratoga Springs, N.Y.

Tickets are \$37

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More Information Call
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Guest Speaker: Don Blaha

- Graduated from M.P. in 1959
- Earned six varsity letters at M.P.
- NYS High Jump champion in h.s.
- Also played baseball and basketball
- Earned six varsity letters at NYU where he was an outstanding baseball pitcher
- Played on two NYU basketball teams that reached the "Sweet Sixteen" of the NCAA tournament
- Coached basketball at Bishop Gibbons where he won 3 Diocesan League championships ('64, '65, '67)
- Player-coach for the Wedekind Pros basketball team during their first yr.
- Held golf course records at Willows Country Club (7-under par 66 in 1981) & at Stadium Golf Club (4-under par 67 in 1992)

Schenectady City School District Athletic Hall of Fame Members

Bill Eddy	1998
Sig Makofski	1998
Larry Mulvaney	1998
Walt Przybylo	1998
Ray Vacca	1998
Barry Kramer	1999
Bill Leonard	1999
Tony Parisi	1999
Pete Shulha	1999
Ed Catino	2000
Bill Rapavy	2000
Pat Riley	2000
Tommy Brennan	2001
Billy Connors	2001
Mack Suprunowicz	2001
Dom Denio	2002
Al DeSantis	2002
Norm Kitching	2002
Steve Szumachowski	2002

The purpose of the Athletic Hall of Fame is to honor those individuals who have made significant contributions to the history & tradition of sports in the Schenectady City School District.

Please visit the lobby just outside the gymnasium at the Pat Riley Sports Center at Schenectady High School to view the Athletic Hall of Fame Wall. The wall is adorned with bronze plaques honoring each member of the Hall of Fame. The trophy cases throughout the hallway contain Hall of Fame collages and memorabilia.

The Sixth Annual

**Schenectady City
School District**

ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME & REUNION DINNER



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2003 Inductees
Jim Barbieri
Bill Kirvin
Dick Suprunowicz
Walt Suprunowicz

Jim Barbieri

Linton High School 1959

- Member of the Schenectady Little League team that finished second in the 1953 Little League World Series
- Member of the Schenectady Little League team that won the 1954 Little League World Series (team captain)
- Threw out the first ball at the first game of the 1954 Major League World Series (Giants vs. Indians)
- Played three years of varsity baseball at Linton:
1957-undefeated (11-0) batted .384
1958-(11-1) - batted .500
1959-(10-2) - batted .424
- Won Class A League championship all three years
- All-County third baseman in 1959
- Signed with the Dodgers following high school
- Batted nearly .280 in eight Triple A seasons
- Batted .280 with the L.A. Dodgers in 1966
- Played in the 1966 World Series vs. Orioles
- Played in the Dodgers' Organization for 10 years
- Made minor league all star teams in three leagues: Alabama-Florida League (1960), Northwest League (1961) & Pacific Coast League (1969)
- Only player to win the Little League World Series (1954) and play in the Major League World Series (1966)
- Mont Pleasant Athletic Club Co-Athlete of the Year in 1966 (shared honor with Pat Riley)
- Played professional baseball in Japan (1970)

Bill Kirvin

Mont Pleasant High School 1958

- Varsity baseball starter at M.P. for three years
- Varsity basketball starter at M.P. for three years

- Led M.P. to Class A League championship in 1958
- All-County Basketball team member as a junior & a senior (Gazette & Union Star)
- Basketball Player of the Year as a senior (Union Star)
- Class A League All-Star team as a junior & a senior
- Averaged 20.5 ppg (jr.) & 22.5 ppg. (sr.)
- Held the career scoring record at M.P.
- Set individual game scoring record at M.P. with 37 pts
- Member of M.P.H.S. Sports Booster Club Hall of Fame
- Received full athletic scholarship to Xavier University
- Three year letter winner at Xavier; started every game except one (due to injury)
- Team captain as a junior and senior
- Member of the 1,000 Point Club (1,088 career points)
- Two-time Catholic Digest All American
- All Midwest Sectional Team—Dell Magazine (w/ J. Lucas, J. Havlicek, D. DeBusschere & T. Dischinger)
- A.P. Honorable Mention All American (1961 & 1962)
- Soph. foul shooting percentage (87%) - best in U.S.
- Played in 1961 NCAA Tournament
- Finished his career at Xavier with six school records : Career foul shooting percentage (82%), Career field goal percentage (48%), Career total assists, Single season assists, Single game assists (13), Consecutive free throws made (30)
- Inducted into Xavier U. Basketball Hall of Fame
- Inducted into Xavier U. Athletic Hall of Fame
- Drafted by the Philadelphia Warriors of the NBA in 1962 (74th pick)
- Also drafted by the K.C. Steers of the ABL in 1962
- Mont Pleasant Athletic Club Athlete of the Year in 1962
- Varsity Basketball coach at Bishop Gibbons (1962-63)
- Coach & player on the All Army Basketball Team (1963-65)
- Armed Forces All Star Team (1963-65)
- Participated in the 1964 Olympic Basketball trials
- Member of the very successful semi-pro Wedekind Pros/Schaefer Brewers basketball team (1965-67)
- Former member of Bob McNamara's Channel 13 All Star Girls Basketball selection committee

Dick Suprunowicz

Graduate of Mont Pleasant H. S.

- Played basketball for Sig Makofski at M.P.
- Lost just one game in 3 years as a starter (1944-47)
- Undefeated during last 2 yrs. (Won last 40 games)
- Received a full scholarship to Syracuse University where he was a three year varsity starter (1948-51).
- Defensive standout on SU teams that finished with a combined record of 55-25
- Selected as "Athlete of the Week" by the Syracuse Daily Orange for his outstanding play vs. Bob Cousy of Holy Cross
- Played in 1950 NIT at Madison Square Garden
- SU won the 1951 Nat'l Campus Basketball Tournament
- Named to the Polish All-American basketball team in 1950 (with brother Mack)
- Starter for Bainbridge Commodores, winning the 5th Naval District Championship
- Taught for C.P., M.P., and Linton
- Assistant Principal at Linton
- Coached basketball at M.P. for six years and won the Class A League championship in 1958
- Also coached bowling, tennis and golf

Walt Suprunowicz

Graduate of Mont Pleasant H.S.

- Played basketball for Sig Makofski at M.P.
- Lost one game in three varsity seasons (1947-50)
- Won last 41 games of his high school career
- Received a full scholarship to Holy Cross
- Four-Year letterman at Holy Cross
- 1952—played in the NIT @ Madison Square Garden
1953—played in the NCAA Tournament
1954—won the NIT @ Madison Square Garden (Finished 26-2 & ranked 3rd in nation)
1955—played in the NIT @ Madison Square Garden
- Had a high game of 32 points as a senior
- Named to LOOK Magazine's District 1 All-American team as a sr. (along with teammate Tom Heinsohn)
- Taught Social Studies at M.P.
- Coached varsity basketball & tennis at M.P.