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Monday, September 8
at
Proctors, Schenectady

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PURPOSE

The purpose of the Athletic Hall of Fame is to honor those individuals who have made significant contributions to the history and tradition of sports in the 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	
Jim Barbieri	2003	★
Bill Kirvin	2003	
Dick Suprunowicz	2003	
Walt Suprunowicz	2003	
Mike Maietta	2004	
1954 Sch'dy Little League World Series Champions	2004	
Bob Czub	2005	
Joe DeMeo	2005	
Marty Servo	2005	
★ Don Blaha	2006	
Abe Feldman	2006	
Shirley Muldowney	2006	
Sidney Edwards	2007	
Bill Manikas	2007	
Ron Oyer	2007	
Peter Famiano	2008	
John Grabowski	2008	
Joe Loudis	2008	
Dick Bennett	2009	
Mike Meola	2009	
Warren Crow	2010	
Ray Trail	2010	
Armand Farina	2011	
Rhonda Phillips Scott	2011	
Joe Donato	2012	
Lou Jordan	2012	
Severino Popolizio	2012	
Ed Barnowski	2013	★
Bob DeLuca	2013	
Lee Wallard	2013	

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Annual

Schenectady City School District

Athletic Hall of Fame & Reunion Dinner



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2014 INDUCTEES

Murray Melton
Ron Page
Ed Rimkus

And a Special Tribute to Dick Lalla

MURRAY MELTON

- ◆ Graduated from Nott Terrace HS in 1957
- ◆ Played 3 yrs of varsity basketball at NT for Athletic Hall of Famer Walt Przybylo
- ◆ NT won Intersectional Championships in 1955 (18-2) & 1956 (18-1); reached semifinals of the 1957 Intersectional playoffs
- ◆ Led the Class "A" League in scoring as a jr & sr
- ◆ Set NT single game scoring record with 42 pts vs. Watertown (scored 17 in 3rd qtr & 30 in 2nd half); also scored 41 vs. Middletown
- ◆ Averaged nearly 29 ppg as a senior, first SCSD player to score over 500 pts in a season
- ◆ Most prolific scorer in NT basketball history (scored 997 career points)
- ◆ Gazette MVP as a senior; also won the Bill Mayotte Memorial Trophy as a senior
- ◆ Schenectady Junior Chamber of Commerce Winter Athlete of the Year (1956-57)
- ◆ Nominated for a berth on the North team in the U.S. All-Star game in Kentucky
- ◆ Considered by many to be one of the greatest shooters in local basketball history
- ◆ First baseman & undefeated pitcher on 3 NT baseball teams; league champions each year (coached by Walt Przybylo)
- ◆ Had a 5-0 pitching record for NT's undefeated baseball team (11-0) in 1957
- ◆ Also lettered in tennis at NT
- ◆ Played basketball at Columbia University
- ◆ Broke Chet Forte's freshmen scoring record at Columbia
- ◆ Led varsity with 18 ppg & was Hon. Mention All-Ivy League selection as a sophomore
- ◆ Ivy League "Player of the Week" after scoring 25 vs. Princeton & 30 vs. Penn
- ◆ Averaged 14.3 ppg as a junior; made over 82% of his free throws that year
- ◆ At one time, he was 3rd on Columbia's career points per game list; he is now 10th
- ◆ Pitched for the Columbia baseball team as a senior; finished with a 5-0 record, 3.07 ERA & 45 strikeouts in 41 innings
- ◆ Received an offer from the Dodgers
- ◆ 60-7 four-year pitching record with the Kral's in the Schenectady Twilight League

RON PAGE

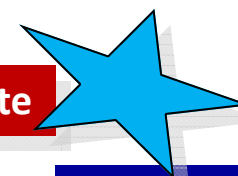
- ◆ Graduated from Mont Pleasant HS in 1969
- ◆ Lettered in three sports at MP
- ◆ Three-year varsity football player (coached by SCSD Athletic Hall of Famer Larry Mulvaney & Tony Parisi)
- ◆ Standout player on MP's undefeated 1967 football team (ranked #1 in NYS)
- ◆ 1967 Thom McAn Co-Player of the Year (with teammate Gale Knull)
- ◆ 1967 *Scholastic Coach* Honorable Mention All-American
- ◆ 1968 Thom McAn Co-Player of the Year
- ◆ Parade All-American Team (1968)
- ◆ Sunkist All-American Team (1968)
- ◆ First Team All-NYS Football selection in 1968
- ◆ Received the 1969 Glen Bennett Scholar-Athlete Award
- ◆ Four-year member of varsity track team at MP (Coached by SCSD AHOF member, Ray Vacca)
- ◆ Section II high & low hurdles champion in 1968
- ◆ Three-year varsity basketball player at MP
- ◆ Played football at Syracuse University
- ◆ Had a 50 yard touchdown run on his first varsity carry (vs. Holy Cross); also scored on his third carry (5 yards, vs. Holy Cross)
- ◆ Received the game ball for his performance in his first varsity game vs. Holy Cross
- ◆ Also scored touchdowns vs. Pittsburgh & Miami as a sophomore
- ◆ Second leading scorer on the 1971 Syracuse football team
- ◆ Scored a touchdown vs. Navy as a junior
- ◆ Won the 2008 Zunic Award (presented by the SU Football Club to the person who exemplifies courage, self-sacrifice & spirit)
- ◆ Inducted into the MPHS Sports Hall of Fame in 1976
- ◆ Inducted into the Capital Region Football Hall of Fame in 2012



ED RIMKUS

- ◆ Graduated from Mont Pleasant HS in 1932
- ◆ Multi-sport athlete at the original Schenectady HS & Mont Pleasant HS
- ◆ Played on Mont Pleasant's undefeated 1931 football team (coached by SCSD Athletic Hall of Fame member, Sig Makofski)
- ◆ Played football (lineman, blocking back & kicker) at St. Lawrence University
- ◆ Helped SLU upset Cornell in 1936
- ◆ St. Lawrence football captain
- ◆ Also was a track & field athlete at SLU
- ◆ Introduced to bobsledding in 1947
- ◆ His four-man bobsled finished second at the Olympic Trials in February 1947 on the course at Mount Van Hoevenberg, near Lake Placid (qualifying for the 1948 Winter Olympics)
- ◆ Won a gold medal as a member of the United States four-man bobsled team at the 1948 Winter Olympics in St. Moritz, Switzerland; other team members were Francis Tyler (driver), Bill D'Amico (brakeman) & Pat Martin
- ◆ 1948 Schenectady Athlete of the Year (Mont Pleasant Athletic Club)
- ◆ Member of the St. Lawrence University Athletic Hall of Fame
 - *Mr. Rimkus will be inducted posthumously

Special Tribute



Dick Lalla

- ◆ Head football coach at Linton from 1960-63
- ◆ His teams finished with a cumulative 27-5 record and won two Class "A" League championships
- ◆ No Section II opponent scored against his 1961 team
- ◆ Coached SCSD Athletic Hall of Fame members Ron Oyer, Pat Riley and Mike Meola