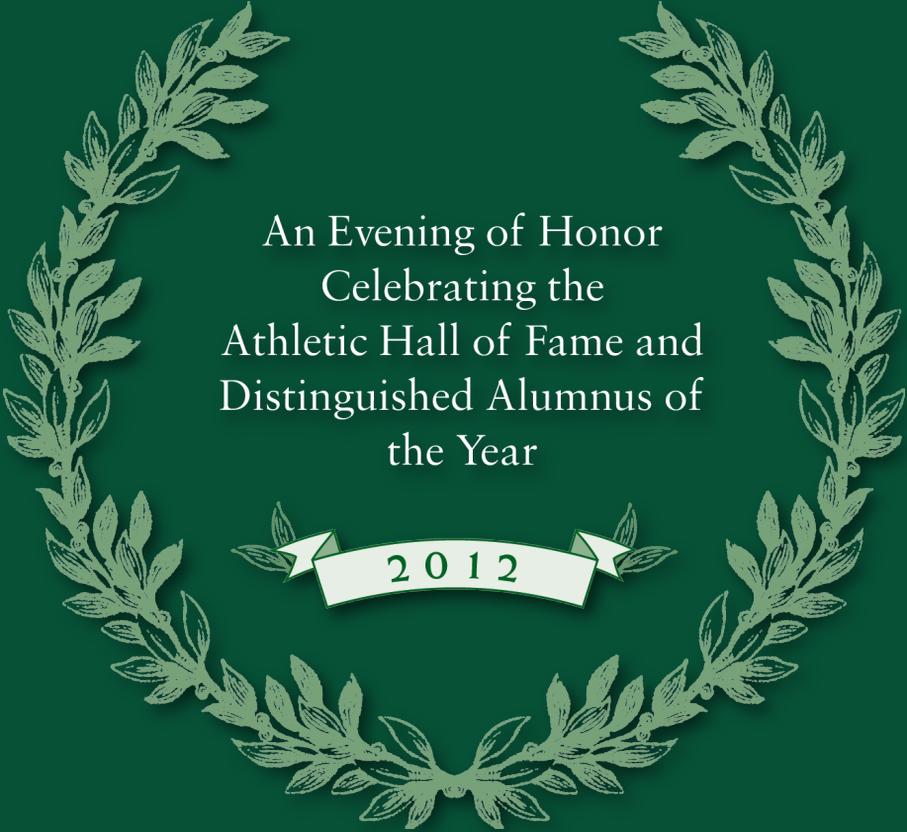


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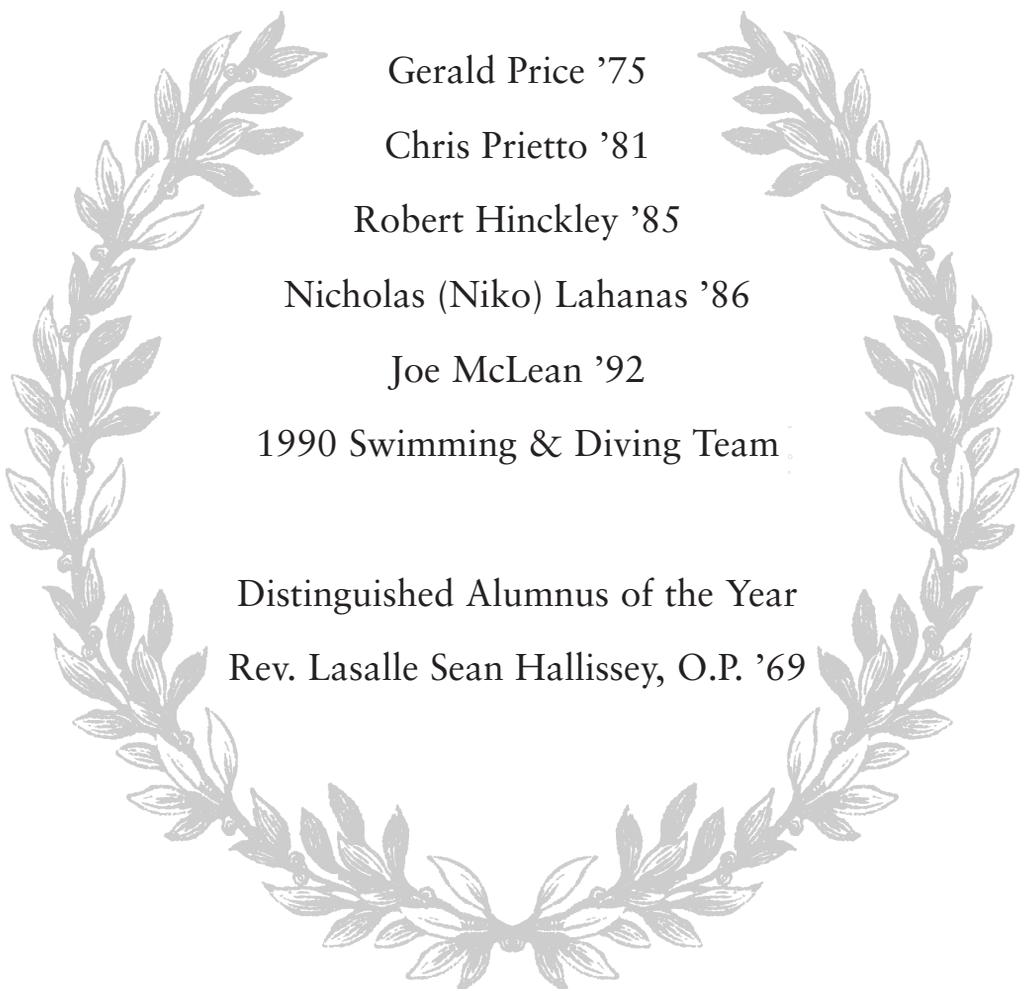
An Evening of Honor  
Celebrating the  
Athletic Hall of Fame and  
Distinguished Alumnus of  
the Year

2012

*Induction Ceremony*



# Inductees



Gerald Price '75

Chris Prietto '81

Robert Hinckley '85

Nicholas (Niko) Lahanas '86

Joe McLean '92

1990 Swimming & Diving Team

Distinguished Alumnus of the Year

Rev. Lasalle Sean Hallissey, O.P. '69

# A Message from the President

As President of De La Salle, and an alumnus, I feel a special regard for the men we honor today. From the Alumnus of the Year, to the Athletic Hall of Fame, these men have taken the gift that God has given them and they shared it with us. When they were young, they took on the challenge of what it means to be a Spartan. The challenge of not just being good and skilled, but of being responsible to their classmates and teammates, to their coaches and teachers, integrating their entire person into the process of a Catholic Lasallian education. We thank those people at the school during the time these inductees attended – those who helped these men to learn the values and build the character that would stand them in good stead in athletics and in life. We say that Spartans are Men of Faith, Integrity, and Scholarship. Tonight we also recognize them for the men they are and the contributions they have made. We welcome the inductees, who thrilled us with accomplishments in years past, and who truly honor us with their presence today. We are privileged to enshrine them in our Hall of Fame.



Mark DeMarco '78

*President*

# DLS Hall of Fame

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The De La Salle Athletic Hall of Fame seeks to mirror the whole history of the growth and maturation of sport at De La Salle by selecting the best of the best from all decades of the school's existence. Eligible for nomination are athletes, coaches, teams, members of the athletic staff, and supporters of De La Salle Athletics.

Today's inductees join the distinguished roster of Hall of Fame members:

# Hall of Fame Members

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**Students:** Bernie Stenson '70 (swimming, soccer), Richard Kimball '74 (long distance running), Scott Molina '78 (cross country, track), Matt Castello '80 (baseball), Erik Johnson '83 (baseball), Jason Clark '85 (diving); Mark Panella '85 (football, baseball), Mike Vontoure '86 (track, baseball, basketball); Jon Barry '87 (basketball), Brent Barry '90 (basketball), Aaron Taylor '90 (football), Amani Toomer '92 (football); Patrick Walsh '93 (football), Aidan Brown '96 (water polo, soccer);

**Coaches:** Perry “PK” Kelly (teacher and coach), Joe Stocking (cross country, track and soccer coach); Frank Tamony (teacher, Dean of Students and coach)

**Teams:** The 1982 varsity football team; the 1985 varsity baseball team; the 1991 cross country team.

# The 1990 Swimming and Diving Team

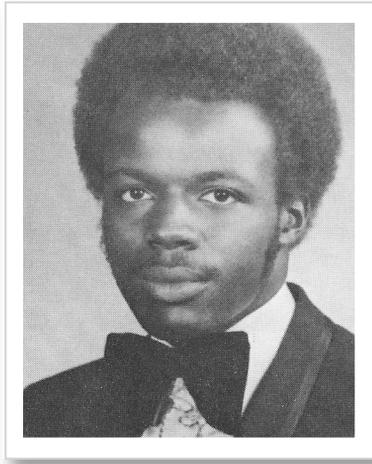
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The 1990 Swimming and Diving Team stands as evidence that the sum of the parts can bring greatness to the whole. This 23-man squad won the league championship in 1990 and went on to be the first aquatics team in school history to win the North Coast Section title. They did it without having a single first-place finisher in any NCS event, making this one of the great team accomplishments in De La Salle's great history.

# Gerald Price '75

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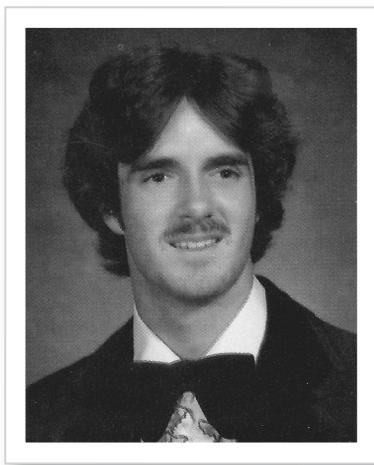


**Gerald Price '75**, an All-League and All-East Bay baseball player and outstanding basketball player, Gerald was named De La Salle Athlete of the Year in 1975. Named the MVP at Diablo Valley College, Gerald went on to USC, excelling in baseball as he earned a degree in Business Administration. Gerald was a member of the team that helped lead USC to a win in the College World Series before he was drafted twice to the major leagues following his selection to the USA College All Star Team.

Gerald is being presented by classmate Lt. Col. (retired) Michael Balog '75.

# Chris Prietto '81

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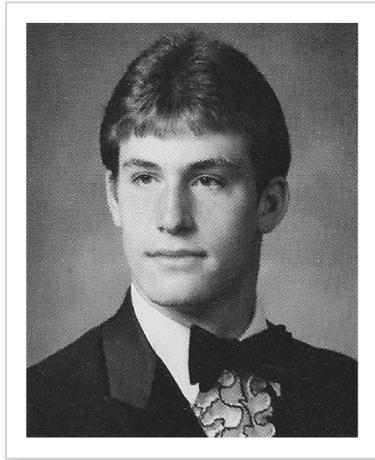


Chris Prietto '81, was a league champion and NCS champion sprinter who set a De La Salle school record of 47.3 seconds in the 400-meter run and went on to captain the UC Irvine track team. Chris was one of the first great sprinters to break through the southern California stronghold and placed in the state finals his junior and senior seasons. Thirty-one years later, Chris's 400-meter school record still stands strong.

Chris is being presented by former De La Salle track and field coach and fellow member of the Athletic Hall of Fame, Joe Stocking.

# Robert Hinckley '85

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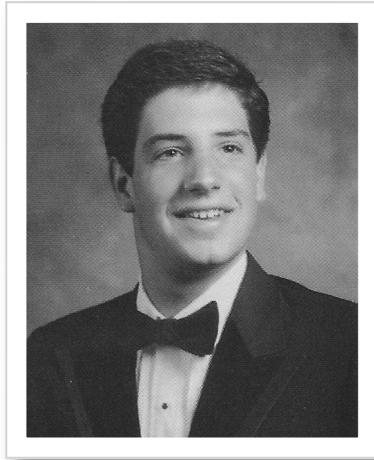


**Robert Hinckley '85**, a linebacker and lineman, was an all-everything football player for the Spartans, leading them through two NCS championship games. For his efforts, Rob was named the 1984 football team MVP and was named De La Salle Athlete of the Year in 1985. He also competed in track and field during his time at De La Salle. Rob went on to Stanford where as a linebacker for the Cardinal, he was an All-American and played in the East-West Shrine Game before being drafted by the Detroit Lions. He has a B.A. in Communications, a M.A. in sociology, and a MBA from Northwestern University.

Rob is being presented today by religious studies teacher and football coach, Bob Ladouceur.

# Nicholas (Niko) Lahanas '86

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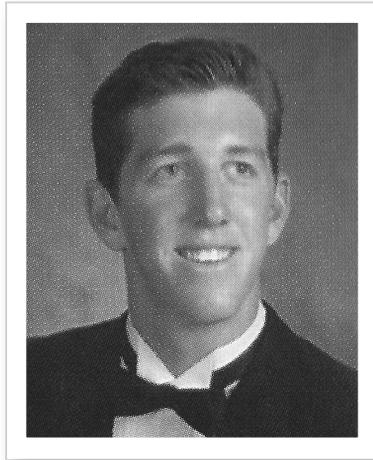


**Nicholas (Niko) Lahanas '86**, swam his way to multiple league and section titles, was a 3-time league champion, 2-time NCS Champion and a 3-time High School All-American. At age 16, he set a United States record for his age group in the backstroke and was recognized as one of the fastest teenagers in the U.S. Regarded as one of the best swimmers to ever swim for De La Salle High School, Niko went on to a successful academic and athletic career at UC Berkeley and was a member of the Olympic team representing Greece.

Niko is being presented by former coach and current President of De La Salle, Mark DeMarco '78.

# Joe McLean '92

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**Joe McLean '92**, was a 3-year starter on the Spartan varsity basketball team and was De La Salle MVP while earning All-League, All-East Bay and All Nor-Cal honors. Heavily recruited by colleges across the country, Joe was a scholarship player at the University of Arizona, where he was in three NCAA basketball tournaments and played professionally in Europe. Still willing to take it to the net, Joe is a regular competitor, taking on his younger Spartan brothers in the annual Alumni Basketball Game.

Joe is being presented by fellow Hall of Famer, former De La Salle basketball head coach and current San Jose State head coach, George Nessman '77.

# Alumnus of the Year Award Recipients

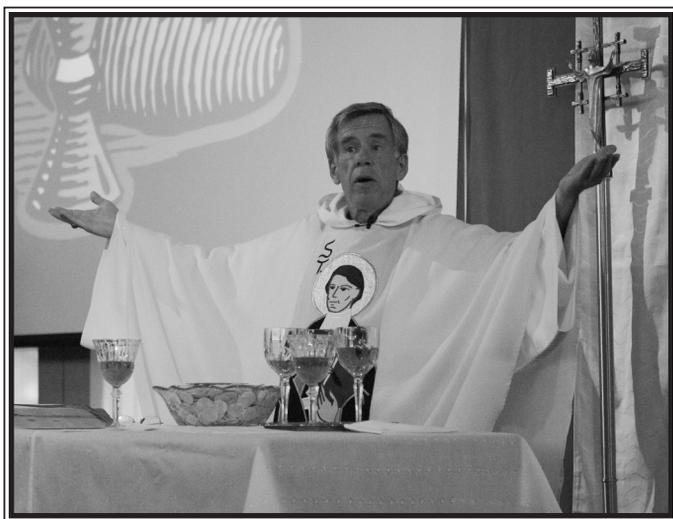
Each year, De La Salle High School celebrates and recognizes a Spartan alumnus for his efforts to live out the meaning of our ESLRs – to be a Man of Faith, a Man of Scholarship and a Man of Integrity. In putting out the call for nominations, our Alumni Association seeks to identify an alumnus, who during his years after graduation has continued to these core values at the center of his life and who lives a life that exemplifies the spirit of our founder, Saint John Baptist de La Salle.

## Previous individual recipients of this award include:

- ~ Bob Montgomery '70
- ~ Hon. Dan O'Malley '74
- ~ Christopher Bruni '76
- ~ Phillip Donahue '78
- ~ Rev. Mark Wiesner '81
- ~ Kelly Trevethan '81
- ~ Nels "Dan" Niemi, '81
- ~ Steve Abreu '83
- ~ Stephen Lilly '93
- ~ Captain John Louis Hallett III '97
- ~ De La Salle Alumni faculty honored in 2005:
  - Justin Alumbaugh '95
  - Brett Anderson '97
  - Lou Ascatigno '74
  - Matt Castello '80
  - Christian Curry '89
  - Rick Graham '90
  - Bob Guelld '81
  - Scott Hirsch '82
  - Jim Karas '95
  - Leo Lopoz '94
  - Jim Olwell '76
  - John Pelster '87
  - Kevin Selby '91

# Distinguished Alumnus of the Year '12 Rev. Lasalle Hallissey, O.P.'69

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A freshman at De La Salle on its opening day in 1965, and a proud member of its first graduating class, Sean Hallissey entered religious life after high school, taking the name “Lasalle,” and after some years with the Christian Brothers, he discerned his vocation as a priest and was ordained to the Dominican order in 1979. Father Sean spent his many years in service to the church in pastoral ministry in Los Angeles and most recently as an associate pastor at St. Dominic’s Parish in Benicia. As a lifelong loyal Spartan, Father Lasalle will return home to Winton Drive in the fall to serve his alma mater as chaplain beginning with the 2012 school year.

# Our Master of Ceremonies

## Sean Farnham '96

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Sean Farnham '96 was captain of the Spartan basketball team that won the school's first NorCal title. He played four years of basketball for the UCLA Bruins and was team captain in 2000. Since 2001, Sean has been a radio and TV analyst covering college and professional basketball, and currently broadcasts for ESPN covering games across ESPN, ESPN2 and ESPNU from various conferences, including the Big 12 and West Coast-Conference.

During the summer of 2011, Sean developed a nonprofit charity, Hoops from Home, which provides basketball camps and academic scholarships to service member's children.

# SPARTAN SPORTS 2011-2012



A recap of the year's accomplishments  
by our Hall-of-Famers-in-training:

## **Cross Country**

EBAL 3rd Place  
NCS Champions

## **Football**

EBAL Champions  
NCS Champions  
State Open Division  
Champions

## **Water Polo**

EBAL 2nd Place  
NCS Semifinalists

## **Basketball**

EBAL Champions  
NCS Champions  
NorCal Semifinalist

## **Soccer**

EBAL Champions  
NCS Champions

## **Wrestling**

EBAL Champions  
NCS Champions  
State Championships 4th

## **Baseball**

EBAL Champions  
NCS Finals TBD

## **Lacrosse**

EBAL 2nd place  
NCS 2nd place

## **Golf**

EBAL 2nd place  
NCS 4th place

## **Swimming and Diving**

NCS TBD

## **Tennis**

EBAL Doubles  
Champions

## **Track and Field**

EBAL Champions

## **Volleyball**

EBAL Champions  
NCS Champions



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