

MYNDERSE ACADEMY ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME NEWSLETTER

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The Class of 2016



Standing: Coach Mike Marriam, Ken Cook (for mother Jane),
Tony Petroccia (for Community Center)
Seated: Pete Wormuth, Sue Warrick (for brother Dana Dickson),
Jim Spina (for Community Center), Theresa Shipley, Steve Ritter

2016 INDUCTION In Review

The Mynderse Academy Athletic Hall of Fame Committee conducted its 7th annual induction ceremony on Sunday, October 9, 2016. If you weren't able to attend, we hope you watched the live broadcast on FingerLakes1.com. Overall, we estimate all of the events were appreciated and deemed successful.

The tour of Mynderse Academy, including visiting the permanent MAA HOF display and inspecting the new athletic fields was well received. This tour was open for any HOF member (current or past) and their family and friends. The HOF Committee has decided to offer this tour again next year on Saturday, October 7 at 5:00 PM starting in the Mynderse front foyer.

Once again, the gathering at the SMS Lodge attracted many of this year's inductees. Please remember that this gathering at the SMS is open to all HOF members and their families. We have scheduled the SMS for next year on Saturday, October 7 from 6:00-8:00 PM.

As always, the committee, again, wishes to thank the many sponsors who contributed to this year's event and hopes that these people and organizations will continue to do so in the future. If you would like to contribute, your check should be made out to MA Athletic Hall of Fame and sent to John Nicholson, 35 Mechanic Street, Seneca Falls, NY 13148. Donations of \$100+ are eligible for complimentary tickets to the 2017 Induction Ceremony.

MEMBERS SURVEY

The HOF Committee needs to hear from you. The Committee is evaluating their activities and functions. We have developed a short online survey. Please take the time to help us out by participating in this survey. Your input will guide us in the future. The address for this survey is...
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/MAAHOF>

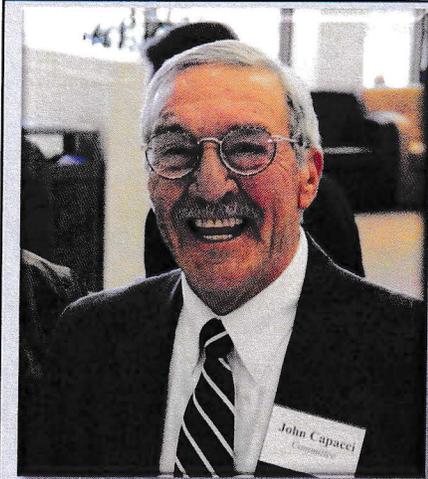
The survey will close on February 1, 2017
**PLEASE HELP US OUT AND COMPLETE
THE ONLINE SURVEY. THANK YOU.**

Hall of Fame Website

You're invited to check out the MA Athletic Hall of Fame on the Seneca Falls School District website. The website contains information and photos of every Hall of Fame member and team.

Go to the district website at
www.sfcs.k12.ny.us
and click on the "Athletics" tab. You should see the link for the Mynderse Academy

We Say Good-Bye to One of Our Members



Following this year's Induction Ceremony, John Capacci retired from the Mynderse Academy Athletic Hall of Fame Committee. John was one of the charter members of the committee providing his service for the past seven years. When Chairman, Rod Verkey, sought out initial members for the HOF Committee, John was one of the first Mynderse graduates he sought out. Over the years, John has provided valuable knowledge, a bubbling alumni spirit and an energetic lift to all aspects of committee work. John was a member of the Mynderse class of 1961. He was also an avid Mynderse athlete participating on some of Coach Davis' legendary football teams. The Hall of Fame committee wishes John and his wife, Karen, good fortune in the years to come. His presence on the HOF Committee will be sorely missed.

Can the Hall of Fame Committee Improve Upon the Induction Ceremony?

Each year the HOF Committee evaluates all activities during the induction weekend and this year was no exception. The Committee was pleased and honored to have many people, who attend the induction, compliment them on this year's event. However, the overall length of the ceremony on Sunday has become a topic of concern. Beginning this year, the Committee will set a goal of conducting a two hour induction (6:00-8:00 PM). These two hours would not include the cocktail or dining portion of the evening. There is a serious concern that our audience may be choosing to miss the induction or leaving during it due to the overall length. Plans are being developed by the HOF Committee that are designed to meet that two hour limit without curtailing the enthusiasm and pageantry of the ceremony. One thing that has not changed since our beginnings, and will not change, is the desire and commitment to produce an induction weekend that can truly celebrate great Mynderse athletes and their accomplishments.

Mynderse Athletic Hall of Fame Committee Welcomes New Committee Members

The MAA HOF Committee is pleased and excited to welcome Wendy Caraher – 1988 and Mike Ferrara – 1975 as new HOF Committee members. In addition, Wendy and Mike are both HOF members.

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MYNDERSE ACADEMY ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME

MEMBERS

JERRY ANDERSON - 1992
JOSEPH AVVEDUTI - 1970
LISA CARACCILO ANDERSON - 1986
BETH ANNE BRADSHAW - 1993
BOB BUCHWALD - 1962
GARY BULLIS - 1979
GEORGE CAPACCI - 1971
DOM "CARTS" CARACCILO - 1952
DOMINIC CARACCILO - 1980
GENE CARACCILO - 1955
LINDSAY GOTHAM CORNUÉ - 2001
DANA DICKSON - 1978
CHRIS DRAGONE - 2002
COACH GEORGE DAVIS
COACH MIKE FERRARA - 1975
LARRY GIUSTI - 1971
LISA POLZINETTI GALVIN - 1982
COACH ALAN HENRY
LEE LETIZIA - 1948
KRISTA RUSCHAK LONG - 1997
KAREN LOUCKS - 1977
JEFFREY MANNING - 1977
COACH MIKE MARRIAM
DAVE MCNANEY - 1973
RICHARD "ABE" MEYERS - 1956
COACH JOHN NICHOLSON
JOHN PANNUCCI - 1953
FRAN PISCITELLI - 1966
MARK PISCITELLI - 1969
STEVE RITTER - 1967
LES ROBINSON - 1962
THERESA SHIPLEY - 1981
STEVE SIEGFRIED - 1982
BOB VALESENTE - 1958
GEORGE VALESENTE - 1962
ANDREW VERKEY - 1997
MATT VERKEY - 1992
ROD VERKEY - 1964
DAVE WORMUTH - 1959

LIFETIME CONTRIBUTORS

ART BAKER
JOHN BRACHT - 1903
PETER DEBOTTIS
BRUCE KNAPP, SR. - 1950
NICK NETTI
MICHAEL NOZZOLIO - 1969
DOM PARADISE - 1949
ANGE SUFFREDINI
DAVE BAKER
DR. J. STANLEY MARSHALL
ELIZABETH BECHT - 1970
WARREN "SPEED" WORMUTH
PETE WORMUTH
SENECA FALLS COMMUNITY CENTER

MYNDERSE TEAMS

1946 FOOTBALL TEAM
1938 FOOTBALL TEAM
1992 BOYS' BASKETBALL TEAM
1985 GIRLS' SOCCER TEAM
1994 GIRLS' BASKETBALL TEAM
1952, '53 & '54 BASEBALL TEAMS
1966 & 1967 WRESTLING TEAMS
1993 VOLLEYBALL TEAM

FORERUNNERS TO TITLE IX

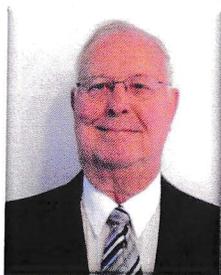
ANGIE BANTUVANIS
HAZEL REYNOLDS WESTFALL - 1958
BARRIE DOANE CLARK - 1946
DIANA PANNUCCI - 1957
1922-23 GIRLS' BASKETBALL TEAM
JANE COOK - 1941

Remembrance of Departed Members

We are sad to report that Lifetime Contributor Bruce Knapp, Sr. and Sam Scibona, member of the 1966 & 1967 honored wrestling teams, have passed away.

The Mynderse Academy Athletic Hall of Fame Committee

*Lisa Anderson, Liz Becht,
 Wendy Caraher, Mike Ferrara,
 Tony Ferrara, John Nicholson,
 Ted Novak, Rod Verkey
 and Pete Wormuth*



Bruce Knapp, Sr.



Sam Scibona

7th ANNUAL INDUCTION CEREMONY – October 2016

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MYNDERSE ACADEMY ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME

Inducts the 1993 Volleyball
Team

Seated: Jodie Campbell
Crawford, Veronica Masino
Haymore, Emily Ryan Markel,
Danielle Elias Costanza,
Kathleen Kelsey Sinicropi
Standing: Jodie Docteur Verkey,
Katrina Lorenzetti, Angela
Greene Rogers, Christina
Uticone, Elizabeth Giovannetti
Campbell, Coach Trish

