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White Plains High School to Hold Athletics Hall of Fame Inductions on Friday evening, Nov. 4

WHITE PLAINS, NY (September 2016) --- The White Plains High School Athletics Hall of Fame, with a roster of 17 outstanding individuals along with a national record-setting relay quartet, will hold its second annual Induction Event on Friday evening, November 4, in the Media Center at the high school.

The ceremonies begin at 6 pm and are open to all: family, friends, interested persons and groups. There is no charge to attend the event, which includes a reception beginning at 5 pm prior to the inductions and a buffet dinner after the presentations.

The roster of honorees for 2016: Tom DePaso, Manson Donaghey, Alan Egler, Whitney Ford, Otis Hill, Aaron Hopkins, Charlie Jenkins, Ed Kehe, Oscar Moore, Frank Navarro, George Rooks Sr., Don Salls, Art Schult, Carl Waite, Bruce Weinstein, Brant Wintersteen, Sal Yvars, 1966 WPHS 880 & One Mile Relay teams (Dave Jackson, Carl Reed, Larry James, Otis Hill). The lineup includes nine members of the Westchester County Sports Hall of Fame.

In 2015, the first WPHS Athletics Hall of Fame class comprised: Nicole Boykin, Frank Briante, Mal Graham, Larry James, Harry Jefferson, Grover Jones, Dean Loucks, Glenn Loucks, Dr. Anthony "Champ" Marano, Craig Masback, Art Monk, Dick Nolan, Dr. Jason Parker, Jay Saldi, Len Watters.

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Here is a capsule look at the induction class for 2016:

1966 880 & Mile Relay Teams: This quartet ---which set long-standing U.S. scholastic records at both distances --- comprises **Dave Jackson** and the late **Carl Reed, Larry James** and **Otis Hill**, and was part of what many consider one of the greatest high school track and field teams of all time. Their times of 1:25.4 for 880 yards and 3:12.7 for the mile relay are still New York State records (converted to meters) some 50 years later.

Tom DePaso: Graduated 1974. All-County quarterback/linebacker as a senior in football, a three-year starter at linebacker for Penn State and Cincinnati Bengals draft pick in 1978. Works as general counsel for the NFL Players Association. Member of the Westchester Sports Hall of Fame (2015).

Manson Donaghey: A standout high school athlete in his native New Hampshire, former White Plains principal was a co-founder of the Loucks Track and Field Games at WPHS, a meet --- looking forward to its 50th edition in 2017 --- which has grown into one of the largest independent on-campus invitationals in the nation.

Alan Egler: Graduated 1947. Football and basketball star in high school, and All-East/All-American halfback at Colgate who is still considered one of the best running backs in Red Raiders' history. Drafted by the Los Angeles Rams. A former Union Carbide division president and member of the Westchester Sports Hall of Fame (1987).

Whitney Ford: Graduated 2006. New York State triple jump champion and State qualifier in diving, Ford went on to All-America status in triple jump, long jump and sprints at Boston University.

Otis Hill: Graduated 1966. All-County running back and receiver in football, and individual state champion sprinter in track along with relay laurels. Set then-indoor national record in 1965 of 32.1 for 300-yard dash which is still the Section 1 mark.

Aaron Hopkins: Graduated 1964. All-County forward in basketball; high jump, long jump and triple jump in track & field; former Mount Vernon HS track coach. School and NCAA record-setting champion jumper at University of Toledo.

Charlie Jenkins: Graduated 1962. Football, basketball and track standout, and one of White Plains' most versatile and accomplished high school athletes. Football star for three seasons at University of Idaho.

Ed Kehe: Former track coach and athletics director; co-founder and former meet director of the Loucks Games; former Section 1 and New York State track and field chairman. Coached numerous high school track and field champion individuals and teams, including the nationally-acclaimed 1966 Tigers track team. Member Westchester Sports Hall of Fame (1989).

Oscar Moore: Graduated 1956. Accomplished distance runner in track at Southern Illinois University and for the U.S. in international meets, including the 1964 Olympics. Set numerous school records and won various NCAA titles in college. As a coach at Glassboro/Rowan College, his athletes won numerous NCAA Division III individual and team titles, and he was named NCAA coach of the year five times.

Frank Navarro: Graduated 1949. All-County lineman in football at WPHS, three-year standout at University of Maryland and accomplished collegiate head coach at Williams, Columbia, Wabash and Princeton. At Williams he first served as an assistant to former White Plains coach and Athletics Hall of Famer Len Watters. Member of Westchester Sports Hall of Fame (1983).

George Rooks Sr. Graduated 1947. All-County running back for the Tigers and a Black College All-American at Morgan State. Averaged 9.2 yards per carry as a junior in college. Signed contracts and had tryouts with the Green Bay Packers and Baltimore Colts in the NFL, and played briefly with the Toronto Argonauts in the CFL. Became the first African-American captain in the White Plains police department. Passed away in 1984. Member Westchester Sports Hall of Fame (1988).

Don Salls: Graduated 1938. Quarterback and captain of the football Tigers, and fullback/linebacker for national champion University of Alabama (1941) which won the 1942 Cotton Bowl game. Successful

football coach at Jacksonville (Ala.) State (97-57-11), which won several conference titles; inducted into the Alabama Sports Hall of Fame. Member Westchester Sports Hall of Fame (1993). At age 97, lives in Fairhope, Ala.

Art Schult: Graduated 1946. Four-sport athlete (football, basketball, baseball, track) in high school, including All-County in football and among top scorers in basketball. An outfielder/first baseman, he played pro baseball for the New York Yankees, Cincinnati Reds, Washington Senators, Chicago Cubs. Member Westchester Sports Hall of Fame (1993).

Carl “Rusty” Waite: Graduated 1921. Running back in football who once scored eight touchdowns in a single game for the Tigers; played in college at Rutgers and Georgetown. Three seasons in the National Football League with Frankford Yellow Jackets, Orange Tornadoes, Newark Tornadoes. Became commissioner of recreation and parks for the City of White Plains, and PA announcer for New York Football Giants and White Plains High School. Member Westchester Sports Hall of Fame (1977).

Bruce Weinstein: Graduated 1965. Multiple All-County honors in high school as a tight end in football, and Parade Magazine All-American. All Ivy League and All East captain at Yale University, drafted by Miami Dolphins, played for Bridgeport Jets.

Brant Wintersteen: Native of Chappaqua, N.Y., who formerly coached football, wrestling, bowling and golf at White Plains High School. Named coach of the year at times in all four sports. Produced 15 consecutive winning seasons in football, including three undefeated seasons, nine league titles and four Section 1 championships. Overall record at WPHS of 100-27-1. Captain of football team at Springfield College. Member Westchester Sports Hall of Fame (1995).

Sal Yvars: Graduated 1942. Played end in football, guard in basketball and shortstop in baseball for Tigers. Made his mark in pro baseball as a catcher, including eight seasons in the National League with New York Giants and St. Louis Cardinals. Led the Giants in batting (.317) as backup to catcher in 1951, the year the Giants defeated the Dodgers in a three-game playoff and went on to play the Yankees in the World Series. Member Westchester Sports Hall of Fame. (1997).

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