



Henry Brodowski Contributor

Henry Brodowski volunteered for the Clarence Football program for over 30 years. Henry was a member of the Football Fathers Club that ultimately became the Clarence Football Booster Club.

From 1984 to 2015 Henry was the voice of Clarence Football as the announcer for modified, freshman, junior varsity, and varsity football at Clarence High School. Henry was very reliable and such a consummate professional that he could be seen before every game, clipboard in hand, conferring with coaches to verify the correct pronunciation of each player's name on their rosters as well as to gather pertinent information that he would use throughout the game.

In 1980, Henry received a special tribute from the Clarence Football Booster Club for his many years of service to the town's young athletes. In 2007, he was named Citizen of the Year in the Town of Clarence. In 2009, the Town of Clarence also formally recognized his volunteer service and dedication to the youth of Clarence.

Henry is a lifelong Western New Yorker, born in Sloan and living in Clarence since 1969. Henry and his late wife, Gerry, have two sons, a daughter, and six grandchildren.



Marisa Gallo Class of 1995

Marisa Gallo was a three-sport athlete for Clarence High School. She competed in volleyball, basketball, and softball. Overall, Marisa earned 11 varsity letters, 7 team MVP awards, and 2 White Letters. She capped off her high school career in 1995 by winning the Female Athlete of the Year.

Marisa competed in volleyball during the fall season. As a sophomore she earned 1st Team ECIC Division II All-Star honors. In her junior year, Marisa was named MVP and was again awarded 1st Team ECIC Division II All-Star honors. As a senior, she was captain, MVP, White Letter winner and was named to her third consecutive 1st Team ECIC Division II All-Star team.

During the winter season, Marisa competed in basketball. She played varsity for four years in high school. As a sophomore, Marisa was named MVP as well as earning 1st Team ECIC Division II honors. She also earned 2nd Team All-Bee honors. In her junior year, Marisa was captain, MVP, All-Bee 2nd team, All-ECIC 2nd team, and All-WNY 4th team. As a senior, Marisa was captain, MVP, White Letter winner, All-Bee 1st team, All-ECIC 1st team, All-WNY 3rd team, and All-NYS 4th team.

Marisa competed for three years on varsity softball during the spring season. As a freshman she started as a catcher and was named to the 2nd Team in ECIC Division II. In her sophomore year, she was named MVP and earned 1st Team ECIC Division II honors. During her senior season, Marisa was named MVP and was awarded 1st Team ECIC Division II honors.



Michelle Rogers Iduate Class of 2005

Michelle Rogers was a three-sport athlete for Clarence from 2001 to 2005, excelling in soccer, basketball, and softball. Michelle won the White Letter Award for each sport during her senior year and once during her junior year in basketball. She was named Female Athlete of the Year in both her junior and senior years.

Michelle was a four-year varsity starter in softball as a catcher. During her junior year she led her team to the League Championship, Sectional Championship, and the State Finals. That year she was named to the All-WNY Coaches & All-WNY *Buffalo News* All-Star teams as well as the All-ECIC Division I 1st Team All-Star team, which she also earned her senior year. During her senior year, Michelle was team captain, won the White Letter award and was named to the All-WNY and All-Academic 1st Teams as she led the team to another Sectional Championship.

Michelle was a three-year varsity player in basketball as a guard, where she led her team to the Section VI finals her sophomore and junior seasons. She earned the White Letter Award in both her junior and senior seasons and was a team captain her senior season. She was named 1st team All-Area and 2nd team All-County her junior year and led her team to a League and Sectional Championship as a senior.

Michelle was a three-year varsity player in soccer, earning a White Letter Award her senior season as a team captain. She was named the team's most valuable defender and ECIC All-Star 2nd team her junior season. Her teams won the League Championship when she was a sophomore and League and Sectional Championships as a senior.

After high school, Michelle graduated from Union College (Schenectady, NY) in 2009 with a BS in Mechanical Engineering and was a four-year starter on varsity basketball as a forward and as a shortstop in softball.



Mark Turner Class of 1969

Mark Turner was a two-sport athlete at Clarence High School. He competed in baseball and football while earning 5 varsity letters. Mark also competed in basketball for a local Catholic Youth Organization.

In 1968 as a junior, Mark played varsity football and was a starting cornerback on defense and played halfback on offense for a team that went undefeated. During his senior year, as a captain, Mark helped guide the football team to a second consecutive undefeated season. He was the starting halfback on offense and starting cornerback on defense. Mark scored 13 touchdowns and carried the ball 100 times for 742 yards. Defensively, he intercepted 8 passes and returned two for touchdowns. He was selected as the Most Valuable Player and Most Valuable Defensive Back. Mark was named 1st team ECIC II All-Star for his efforts.

Mark played varsity baseball for three years as a pitcher, outfielder, and third baseman. He was a captain for two years. In his junior year he was recognized for his efforts by winning the first of three MVP awards. As a senior, Mark received his third MVP for his outstanding pitching. He was selected as a 1st team ECIC II All-Star.

Mark enjoyed remarkable success participating in athletic competition at Clarence. His talents and skill were honed and helped propel him to success off the field as well in the field of education where he was an Elementary Principal and Director of Curriculum.



Jack Yanno Coach

Jack Yanno coached varsity baseball from 1985 to 2003. He was instrumental in building the outstanding baseball program at Clarence. He took a program that had very little history, direction, or foundation and helped turn it into a solid baseball program. In 1985 when the varsity position opened up at Clarence, Jack was the perfect fit. By 1987, he led the team to their first ever divisional title.

Jack would be the first to tell you that he had help, but baseball in Clarence today has a lot to do with Jack Yanno. He was named to the Town of Clarence Youth Baseball Wall of Fame for all of his work over 30 plus years of dedication. Travel baseball in Clarence, as we know it now, was formed thanks to Jack. The Town of Clarence officially declared Jack Yanno Day on July 25, 2003.

Jack's overall record was 274 wins and 161 losses. His teams won division titles in 1987, 1994, and 1999. Many of his teams qualified for the NYS Scholar Athlete program and in 1992, the team won the New York State Scholar Athlete Championship.

The best tribute that Jack can receive are the countless athletes who have come back to say that he was the driving force to their success.