

Steve Beck Class of 1979

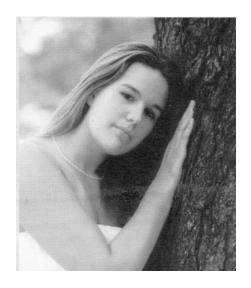


Stephen Beck, Class of 1979, was a multi-sport athlete at Clarence High School from 1975-1979. As an 8<sup>th</sup> grader, Steve competed with record times that qualified him to join the high school varsity team. As reported by the Buffalo News, the Clarence Central School Board approved unanimously his ability to compete at the high school varsity level and compete in the Section VI swimming competitions. As a sophomore, Steve competed in his first state championship in the 100 – yard breaststroke. He achieved numerous ECIC and Sectional wins.

As a senior, Steve was credited by coach Fred Compertore with "providing the winning thrust" in the 200 – yard medley relay, winning first place at the New York State Championships. He teamed with W. Perry Randall, Michael Grace, and Allen Kitto to achieve that honor. Steve topped of his senior season earning the White Letter award and was named All – American Honorable Mention.

In 1979, Steve was accepted to and swam for Virginia Tech in the NCAA Division I Atlantic Coast Conference.

Steve states that it was a privilege and honor to swim with such talented athletes and phenomenal coaching. "This was an era in Clarence swimming like no other that provided a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity. We had a dedicated coach in Fred Compertore and talented strategies provided by the legendary Charlie Cullinan that allowed the swim team to reach its full potential."



Mary Boller Class of 2003



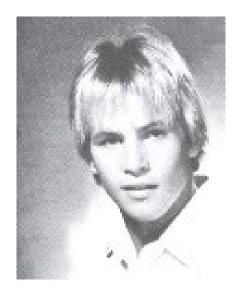
Mary Boller, Class of 2003, was a three-sport athlete at Clarence High School from 1999-2003. Throughout her tenure at Clarence, Mary earned eleven Varsity Red Letters in volleyball, basketball, and outdoor track. Mary was a four-year competitor on the volleyball and track varsity teams. She played varsity basketball for three years.

In volleyball, Mary excelled as a middle hitter and blocker. This would be the sport that she would continue to play while attending Canisius College. Her contributions there have placed her on the Canisius College Athletic Wall of Fame.

In basketball, Mary was a terrific defender, rebounder and scorer. In her junior year, the team placed second in the Section VI championships. When Mary was a senior the team was an A-1 Finalist. Mary excelled for four years in varsity track. As a freshman, she placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in shot put and 5<sup>th</sup> in the discus at the ECIC Championships. At the Section VI championship, she placed 4<sup>th</sup> in the shot put. As a junior Mary was the Section VI champion in the discus with a throw of 131′ 9″ which is a school record to date.

As a senior, Mary was the ECIC, Section VI and State champion in the discus. She was named MVP and the White Letter winner.

Mary capped of her career by being named the Female Athlete of the Year as a senior in 2003.



## Michael Grace Class of 1980



Michael Grace, Class of 1980, was a multi-sport athlete at Clarence High School from 1976 - 1980. Throughout his tenure at Clarence, Michael earned eight Varsity Red Letters in swimming and golf. Michael swam for the Clarence Junior High swim team and set the record in the 50-yard butterfly with a time of 28.8 seconds.

In swimming, Michael was a member of the varsity team for four years. As a sophomore Michael was a member of the 400-yard free relay that won the Section VI championship. In 1979, as a junior, Michael was the Section VI champion in the 100-yard free style. He was a member of the 200-yard medley relay, winning first place at the New York State Championships. Michael teamed with Stephen Beck, Allen Kitto, and W. Perry Randall to achieve that honor. As a senior, Michael was the co-captain of the team and swam in several events including the 400-yard free-style, the butterfly, and the 500-yard crescendo relay. He capped off his senior year by being a New York State medley relay qualifier.

Michael also excelled in golf. He competed on the varsity team for four years. As a junior, Michael was the ECIC Golf Champion and was named to the United States Junior Golf Amateur Championship Top 50. As a senior, Michael was the ECIC Golf Champion. For his efforts, he was honored with the White Letter.

Michael earned an Athletic Scholarship to the University of Tulsa for golf. He still competes in golf to this day.



Katie Lancellotti Class of 2008

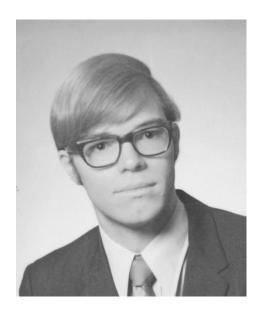


Katie Lancellotti, Class of 2008, was a three-sport athlete at Clarence High School from 2004-2008. Throughout her tenure at Clarence, Katie earned eleven Varsity Red Letters in soccer, basketball and softball. Katie was a four-year player on the varsity soccer and softball team and was a three-year player on the varsity basketball team.

In soccer, Katie earned 1st team ECIC honors during her senior year excelling in all phases of the game.

Katie competed in basketball, earning 2<sup>nd</sup> team ECIC in her sophomore and junior year. As a senior, she was named to the 1<sup>st</sup> team ECIC, the Girls All-Bee 1<sup>st</sup> team, and All-WNY Scholar athlete. Katie earned her first White Letter award as a senior.

Katie excelled in softball as well. She was a co-captain her junior and senior year. As a freshman, Katie earned 2<sup>nd</sup> team ECIC honors. Katie earned 1st team ECIC honors three times as a sophomore through her senior years. She had a lifetime .332 career batting average. In 2008 as a senior, her team made it to states winning the Section VI championship. Katie earned All-WNY and All-ECIC honors. She earned All-State honors as a junior and senior. Katie went on to win her second White Letter award as a senior. She capped off her senior year by being named Player WNY of the Year and the 1st Team All-State. For her efforts, Katie was named the Female Athlete of the Year in 2008.



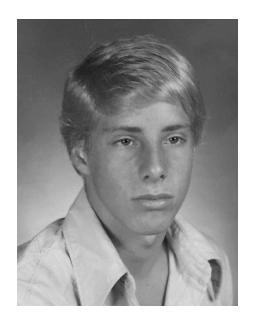
## Robert Neubauer Class of 1969/Coach



Robert Neubauer, Class of 1969, was a four-year competitor for the varsity rifle team. He would eventually be the coach of that same rifle team where he accumulated several honors. Robert also participated in track for three years, managed the varsity football team as a senior and was a member of the Varsity Club.

As an athlete, Robert was the co-captain of the rifle team his senior year. The team during his senior year was undefeated and established five league records. As a junior and senior, his teams were Section VI champions and placed 2<sup>nd</sup> at the NYS championships. In 1967, Robert finished in first place at the outdoor 50-yard NRA Smallbore regional competition with a score of 196/200. In February of 1969, he achieved the level of Distinguished Expert, the NRA's highest distinction for a junior shooter. He set a new ECIC record in the kneeling position with a score of 99/100 and was Regional champion of the Atlantic Region in an NRA sanctioned DeMolay junior rifle match. Robert coached many sports including volleyball, track and rifle, where he achieved many honors. He started the first before school rifle club. As the coach of the varsity rifle team, Robert had an overall record of 220 wins and 16 losses in eighteen seasons. His teams were Sectional Champions seven times (05', 06', 07', 08' 12' 14' and 19'). His teams won the State Regional Championships in 06' and 19' and were State runners-up's in 07', 08, 12' and 14'.

In 2018, he was awarded the Section VI Coaches Sportsmanship Award and in 2019 the Clarence Bee's Coach of the Year.



W. Perry Randall Class of 1979



W. Perry Randall, Class of 1979, was an outstanding swimmer and runner for Clarence High School in the 1978 – 1979 season. Having moved to Clarence in his senior year, W. Perry already had earned an award as a state champion while attending school at Williamsville South. W. Perry was a member of the 200 – yard medley relay that won first place at the New York State Championships. He teamed with Stephen Beck, Michael Grace and Allen Kitto to form the first relay team in Clarence history to earn state honors.

W. Perry also competed in the 100 – yard backstroke, winning that event at several meets. During his senior season, the team, coached by Fred Compertore and Jim Cavaretta went undefeated with a record of 12 wins and 0 losses, winning their fourth straight ECIC Division II title. W. Perry, an outstanding all-around athlete, was invited to compete in the United States Olympic Pentathlon Trials at Fort Sam Houston in San Antonio, Texas. This Olympic Pentathlon tests a competitor's skill in five athletic events: the 5000-meter cross-country horseback ride, 4000-meter cross-country run, 300-meter swim, foil fencing and pistol shooting.

W. Perry capped off his high school career by earning a Athletic Scholarship to the University of Wisconsin.