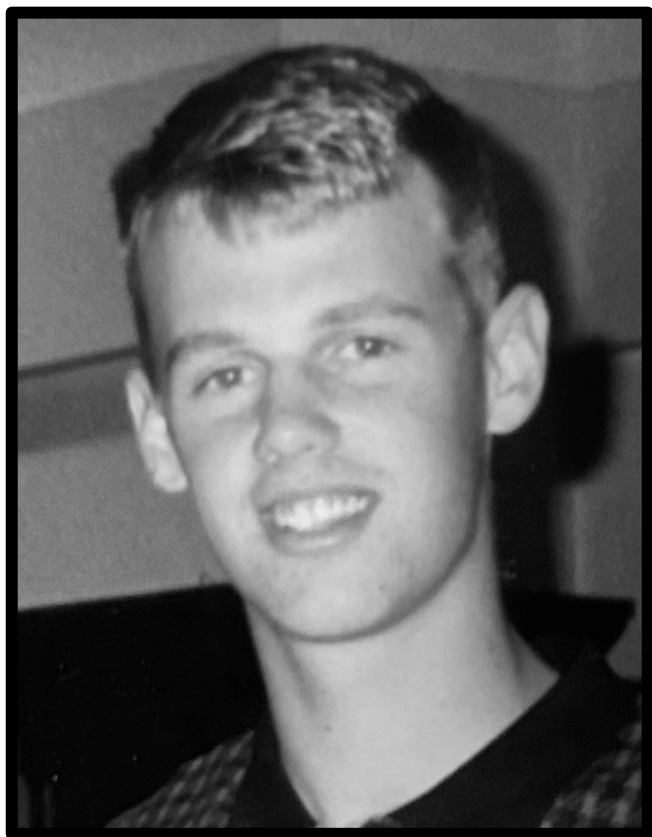


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JOSH BOWERS
Inducted September 25, 2026

Josh Bowers, Class of 1996, competed in basketball and baseball, earning six Varsity letters and three White letters. Josh has the distinction of being a member of the Varsity basketball program with forty-one wins, the most in school history.

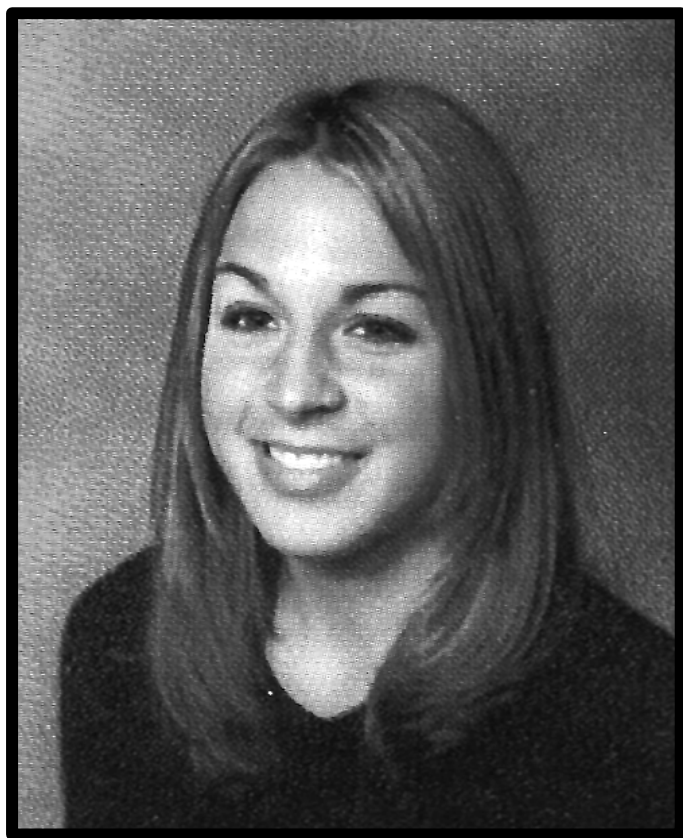
In the winter, Josh competed in basketball. During his career he shot fifty-nine percent from the field, making him the best shooter in Clarence history. In his senior year, Josh scored 506 points, made 132 free throws and shot fifty-eight percent from the field, all school records. He scored a career high forty-three points in a game against Amherst. He finished his career second in school history in points scored. Josh was voted to the ECIC Division II All-League Team his junior and senior years. In the 1995-1996 season, he was named the ECIC Division II Conference Player of the Year.

In the spring, Josh competed in Varsity baseball. He was the winning pitcher in the 1994 League Championship game as a sophomore. As a senior, Josh pitched an epic eight strikeout complete game win against Williamsville South in the 1996 playoffs. He was voted to the ECIC Division II All-League Team twice. He was a 1996 New Era All-Star and pitched in the All-Star game at Sahlen Field.

Josh was named the 1996 Male Athlete of the Year.

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LINDSEY JOCHUM DOKTOR
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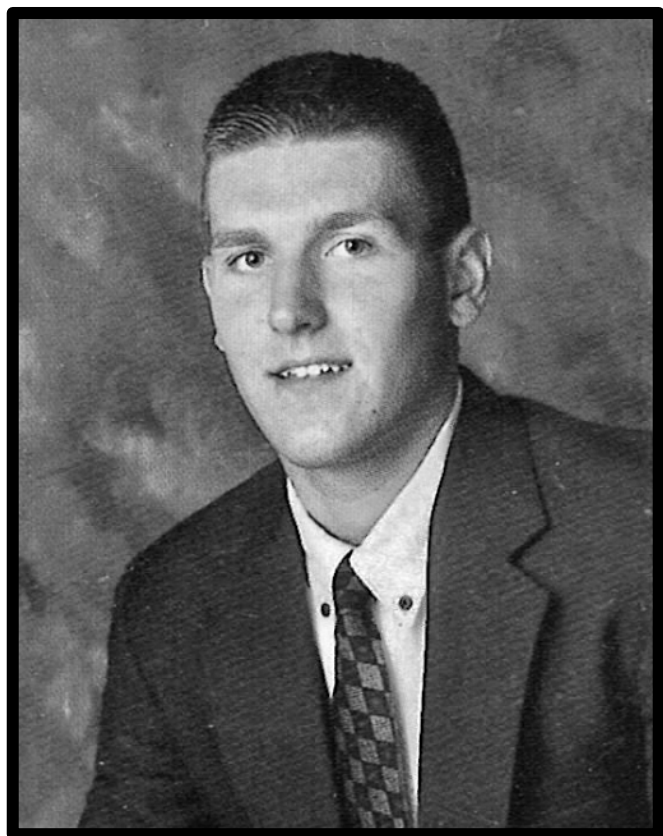
Lindsey Jochum Doktor, Class of 2000, was a three-sport athlete during her career at Clarence. She earned twelve Varsity Red letters and one White letter.

In the fall, Lindsey ran cross-country for four years. She was a member of the team that won the Section VI Team Championship all four years. Lindsey was an Individual Section VI Champion in 1996 and 1999. Her teams competed at States and placed second in 1998 and 1999. Lindsey ran indoor track during the winter. She was an Individual Section VI Champion in the 1000 meter-run in 1997. She placed second in the State and Federation Championships in 1997. Lindsey won a Sectional Championship in the 3000-meter run in 1999 and 2000. As a member of the 3200-meter relay, they won the Sectional Championship in 2000, and her 4x400-meter relay won the Sectional Championship in 1997. For her efforts she was named the Most Valuable Performer at the League Championships in 1997. She held records in the 1000-meter run, the 4x200 relay, and the 4x400 relay. Lindsey competed in the Indoor Track Nationals in 1999, placing 5th in the 3000-meter run and the Distance Medley Relay.

Lindsey competed in track and field in the spring. She won the Section VI Team Championship in the 4x800 relay team in 1997. Lindsey earned a full scholarship at Division I Ohio University.

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ZACHARY POELMA
Inducted September 25, 2026

Zach Poelma, Class of 1999, was a three-sport athlete at Clarence High School. He competed in football, basketball, and baseball, earning eight Varsity Red letters while finishing academically in the top 10. Zach was awarded the Jack Hesslink Student Athlete Award. In the fall, Zach competed in football. As a senior, Zach started at quarterback and led his team to an undefeated regular season and a Section VI title. Behind a strong record-setting rushing backfield and balanced passing attack, this team set the record for most offensive plays in school history with 564 plays. For his efforts, he won the Coaches Award and was named to the Division II All-WNY Second Team.

In the winter, Zachary competed in varsity basketball for three years. As a junior, Zach led the team in scoring and rebounding. His team won the ECIC Division II Championship. For his efforts, he won the Red Devil Award and earned ECIC Second Team honors. Zach was a captain his senior year. He scored thirty points in a win against Lake Shore, including five three-pointers. Zach was named Honorable Mention to the ECIC Division All-Star Team.

Zach was a three-year Varsity letter winner in baseball. As a junior, he was named All-WNY Honorable Mention and First Team ECIC All-Star as a pitcher.

Upon graduation, Zachary attended the US Naval Academy, where he played Division I baseball.

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JENNIFER SANSANO
Inducted September 25, 2026

Jennifer Sansano, Class of 2010, was a four-year starter for the Varsity softball team during her tenure at Clarence High School. She is arguably one of the best pitchers in Clarence history.

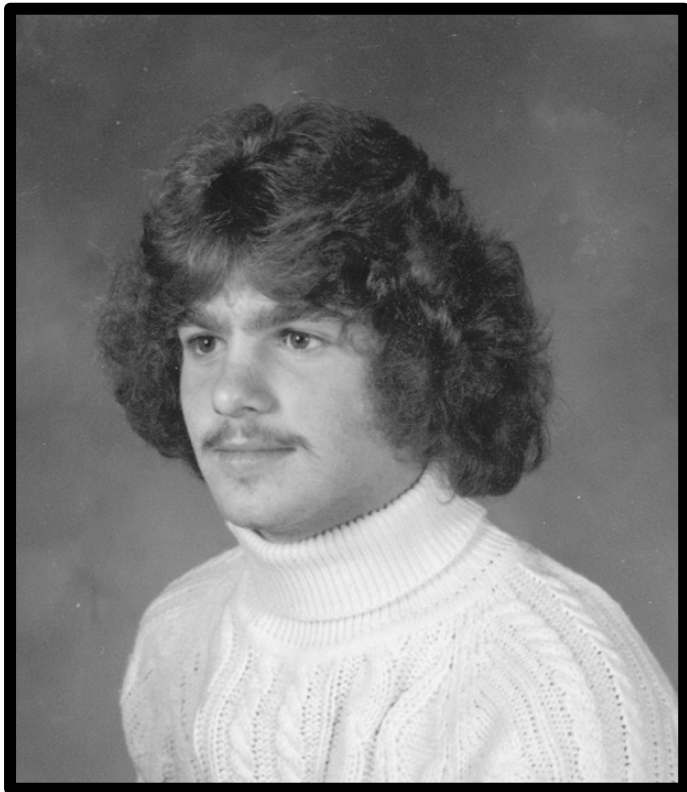
Jennifer achieved many accolades throughout her career. She was named to the All-WNY First Team three times from 2008 to 2010 and was the WNY Pitcher of the Year in 2008 and in 2010. Jennifer was a four-time ECIC First Team selection as a pitcher.

As a sophomore, her team was a Section VI Class AA finalist. Jennifer's teams went on to win the Section VI Class AA Championship in 2008, 2009, and 2010. Those teams were New York State Semi-finalists in 2008 and 2010. Jennifer was the Super 7 Athlete of the Week as a sophomore, pitched a perfect game vs. Hamburg as a junior, and was named to the NFCA All-Region First Team. As a senior she earned 21 wins, 319 strikeouts, 14 shutouts with a .2 earned run average in 174 innings and earned the White Letter Award. For her career, Jennifer had a 67-16 record with 583 innings pitched, 892 strikeouts, and a .55 earned run average with 36 shutouts. These are all school records.

Jennifer was named to the All-NYS First Team three times from 2008 – 2010. She went on to pitch at St. Bonaventure and Niagara. Jennifer was inducted into the NYS High School Softball Hall of Fame in 2025.

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BRIAN SCHMIDT
Inducted September 25, 2026

Brian Schmidt, Class of 1978 was a three-sport athlete at Clarence. He participated in football, basketball, and track earning two Varsity letters in each sport.

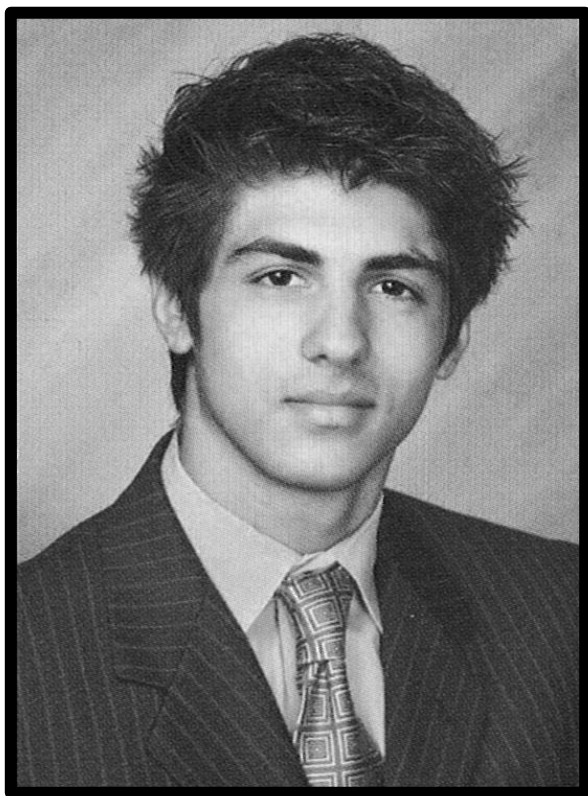
In the fall, Brian competed in Varsity football for two years. As a junior, he started at free safety and earned Most Valuable Defensive Back honors. For his efforts, Brian was named to the ECIC All-Star Second Team. As a senior, he was a starter at quarterback, safety, punter, kicker, and punt returner while being a captain. One of his highlights was being named ECIC Player of the Week. In that game, Brian ran for one TD, threw for one TD, had two interceptions, a punting average of forty-seven yards, and every one of his kick-offs went through the endzone for touchbacks. He was named Most Valuable Special Teams Player and was selected to the ECIC All-Star First Team as a safety. Dick Gallagher, a prominent WNY Athletic Journalist, named Brian to his All-70's Team at free safety.

In the winter Brian competed in Varsity basketball for two years. As a junior he started at point guard and led the team in steals and was second in scoring. Brian was named to the ECIC All-Star Second Team. As a senior he played the point and shooting guard positions. Brian led the team in scoring and steals. For his efforts he earned Most Valuable Player and the White Letter honors. He was named to the ECIC All-Star First Team.

Upon graduating from Clarence, Brian went on to the University of Buffalo where he played football starting at free safety. He also competed in basketball.

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ALEXANDER SIEDLECKI
Inducted September 25, 2026

Alexander Siedlecki, Class of 2006, established himself as one of the premier wrestlers in New York State. He attended Canisius High School from 2002-2004 before transferring to Clarence High School, where he competed on the Varsity wrestling team for two years.

Throughout his career, Alexander competed at the 119, 130, 145, and 152-pound weight classes. While at Canisius, he achieved many honors in the Monsignor Martin League and the NYS Catholic Athletic Association State Championships.

As a junior, Alexander placed third at the ECIC Section VI Championships. He competed at the Section VI Wrestling Championship and was crowned the champion at 145 pounds. At the State competition, Alexander placed third. While at States, he also competed in the Folkstyle event at 145 pounds, where he was a medalist and placed sixth.

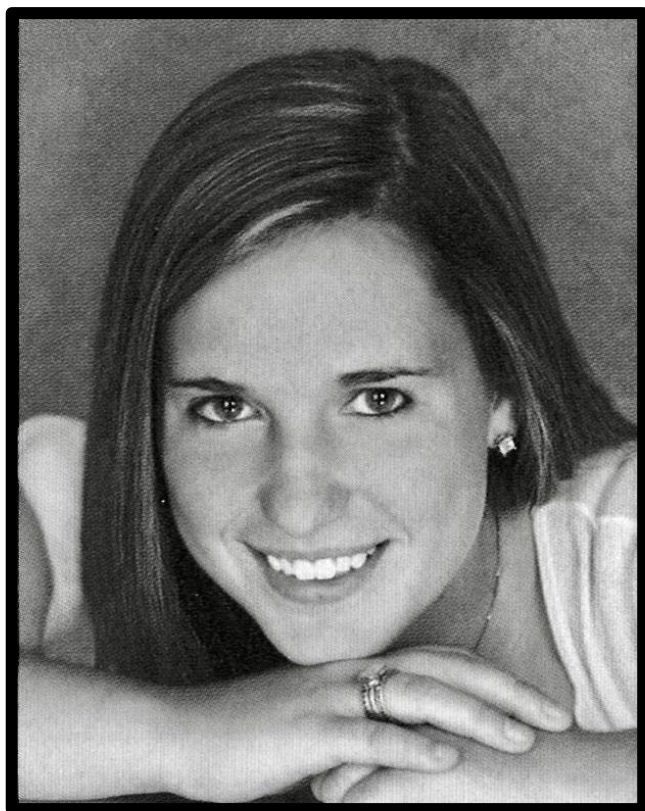
When Alexander became a senior, he wrestled at the 152-pound weight class. At the ECIC Championship, he was again crowned champion. Alexander would go on to win the Section VI 152-pound Wrestling Championship as well as the Section VI 4A Championship. At that meet, he was named the Most Outstanding Wrestler.

Alexander was named the Illio DiPaolo Award Winner, which is Western New York's most prestigious award recognizing outstanding athletic achievement and character.

He carried his competitive career to Division I Brown University in the Ivy League.

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KRISTEN M. STONE
Inducted September 25, 2026

Kristen M. Stone, Class of 2009, was a three-sport athlete at Clarence. She participated in volleyball, indoor track, and lacrosse.

Her exceptional accomplishments both on and off the field culminated in her being recognized as the 2009 Clarence High School Female Athlete of the Year, as well as receiving recognition from the Buffalo News. Kristen was the first recipient of the Clarence Bee's Female Athlete of the Year.

In the fall, Kristen competed in Varsity volleyball. She excelled as a libero and defensive specialist, developing leadership under legendary coach Robin Shifflet while serving as a respected team captain.

Lacrosse was Kristen's number one sport. One of the original leaders in the lacrosse program, she achieved several accolades. Kristen was a two-time captain and earned four Varsity Red Letters. She was named team MVP in her junior and senior seasons.

Her outstanding play earned her All-WNY, All-ECIC, and Section VI All-Star honors, establishing herself as one of Western New York's premier players. Kristen received NYS National Team honors as well as Academic All-American honors.

Kristen was recruited to play both volleyball and lacrosse at the collegiate level; she ultimately chose to attend Binghamton University, where she continued to pursue both her academic ambitions in STEM and her dream of competing in NCAA Division I athletics.