



# NYSAAA HALL OF FAME INDUCTION

2014

**DON DISTIN**  
**Fulton, NY & Avon Park, FL**  
**(Deceased)**

- Graduate of Ithaca College with BS, MS and SUNY Oswego in Administration
- Spent His Entire Career in Fulton Schools
- Started the Extremely Successful Wrestling Program in 1959
- Original Organizing Committee of the NYSAAA
- First Past-President 1981-83
- NIAAA State Delegate
- President – Section III, COA, CNY Cities League
- Speaker at Many State & National Conferences
- Fulton Athletic Complex Named in His Honor



# ROBERT DOUGLAS

Port Chester, NY  
(Deceased)

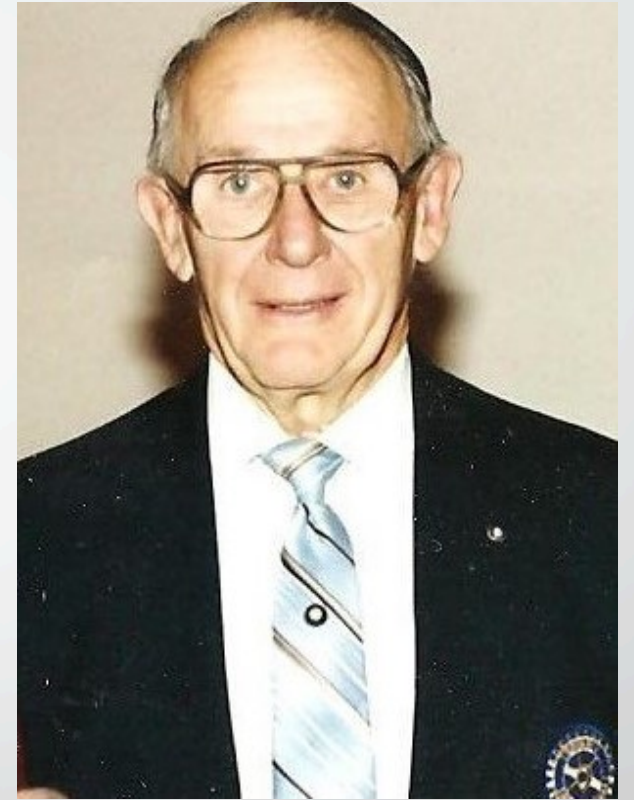
- Graduate of Springfield College
- Began Teaching PE & Coaching at Fox Lane, then Director of HPEA
- 1968 Appointed Section I Executive Director for Southern Westchester BOCES Until 1986 Retirement
- Original Organizing Committee in 1981, Finance Chair
- With Bernie O'Brien, Responsible for Getting Tax Exempt and Not-For-Profit Status for the Association
- Second President 1983-84, Conference at the Tarrytown Hilton
- NYSAAA Chapter One Award 1986
- NIAAA State Award of Merit 1988



# JOSEPH FARRELL

Binghamton, NY  
(Deceased)

- Graduate of East Stroudsburg University & Penn State University
- Stationed in the South Pacific During WW II
- Spent Entire Career in Binghamton City Schools, Promoted to Athletic Director in 1968-84
- A Leader in Southern Tier Athletic Conference, and Section IV Athletics
- Co-founded the Binghamton Football Coaches Clinic
- Original Organizing Committee of the NYSAAA
- Hosted The First "Official" Meeting in Binghamton
- Retired in 1984



DR. JOHN F. FOLEY, CAA  
East Setauket, NY  
(Deceased)

- Graduated From Manhattan College and NYU With BS & MS in PE & Health. Doctoral From Indiana U. in Physical Education
- Spent His Entire 35 year Career in the Three Village School District on Long Island
- Founded the Long Island Institute & Taught Graduate Courses at Indiana U, Stony Brook, NYU and Adelphi U.
- Leader in NYS AHPERD, AAHPERD, NYSPHSAA & Section XI
- National Publications Committee (NIAAA), Since 1982 Until His Death in 2009
- LTI National Faculty, Took Every Course Ever Offered & Taught Most at State & National Conferences
- NIAAA Award of Merit 2004, State Award of Merit 2004
- NYSPHSAA Hall of Fame 2008
- Will Be Inducted Into the NIAAA Hall of Fame in 2014



# ALAN MALLANDA, CMAA

## Corning (retired) & Lake Luzerne, NY

- Graduated SUNY Cortland BS & MS in Physical Education; CAS From SUNY New Paltz
- Taught & Coached in Brewster, Red Hook, Homer; Director of HPEA at Red Hook, Homer and Last 20 Years at Corning-Painted Post
- Charter Member of NIAAA 1978, Professional Development Chair, Chaired First NIAAA Strategic Planning/Operations Sub-committee
- Co-authored Three National Publications; Original LTI Committee & National Faculty; Co-writer of original LTC 501 & 590
- Original Organizing Committee of NYSAAA & First Secretary
- Fifth NYSAAA President 1993
- Second Executive Director of NYSAAA (2000 to present)
- Fourteenth NIAAA President, 2<sup>nd</sup> From NY
- NF Citation 1987; NIAAA Award of Merit 1991
- Section IV Hall of Fame & NIAAA Hall of Fame 3<sup>rd</sup> Class in 2011
- Co-founder of the National Executive Directors Council & Current Chair



# DAVID MARTENS

## Fairport, NY

### (Deceased)

- Graduate of Springfield College & Inducted Into HOF in 1999, Served Athletics for 52 yrs.
- All New England Baseball Player & Played in 1955 College World Series, Then the Milwaukee Braves in 1958
- Began Career in Rushford, NY, Brockport, Then Fairport (1973-91)
- Original Organizing Committee of the NYSAAA and First President (1981-83)
- NYS Athletic Director of the Year 1981 and 1998; State Award of Merit 1990
- Fifth NIAAA President – First from NYS 1984
- Founded and Directed the NIAAA National Emergency Network since 1994; NYSAAA Liaison to NIAAA from 1981 Until His Death in 2010
- NIAAA Distinguished Service Award 1986; NFHS Citation 2004
- Rochester Sports Legends 2002; NIAAA Award of Merit 2007
- NIAAA Hall of Fame – Inaugural Class 2009; NYSPHSAA Hall of Fame 2011
- Annual NYSAAA Awards Luncheon Named in His Honor & Annual Judy Martens Secretarial Award Named for His Wife and Secretary, Judy



# MASON MORENUS

## Cortland & Homer, NY

- Taught & Coached at Cortland High School 1968-98
- CHS Athletic Director 1979-98
- Onondaga High School League President 1991-93
- Executive Secretary/Treasurer for Interscholastic Athletic Conference of Section IV 1999-2003
- Original NYSAAA Organizing Committee 1981
- NYSAAA Conference Presenter & Planner
- NYSAAA Chapter 3 Representative for Seven Years
- NIAAA State Delegate, MC of Numerous NYSAAA Conference Luncheons & Banquets
- NYSAAA Chapter 3 Award & Section 3 Outstanding Service Award 1997; NYSAAA Apple Appreciation Award 1999
- Otis Sennett Award of Excellence 2008





**BERNIE O'BRIEN**  
**Rockville Centre, NY**  
(DECEASED)

- Graduate of SUNY Brockport, BS in Health & Physical Education, Secondary Administrative Degree From New York University
- US Army Medical Corps 1954-56 in Berlin, Germany
- Taught, Coached at Valley Stream Since 1956; Appointed Chair of PE and AD in 1959; 1978-80 District Director of HPER at Rockville Centre
- Appointed Executive Director of Section VIII (Nassau County) in 1980
- Original NYSAAA Organizing Committee 1981 and First Treasurer Until 1997
- Along with Bob Douglas Was Responsible for Securing NYSAAA Tax Exempt and Non-Profit Status
- NYSAAA Chapter VIII Award 1984
- NIAAA State Award of Merit 1993
- NYSPHSAA Hall of Fame 2009



# ROY O'NEILL

## Mamaroneck & Worcester, NY

### (Deceased)

- Originally from Newark, NJ and Inducted Into the NJ State Sports Hall of Fame For Winning 64 Consecutive Games
- US Army Veteran of Korean Conflict
- Played Baseball in the Minors With the NY Giant Organization
- Graduated From Seton Hall University, Then Taught & Coached at Rye Neck High School
- District Director of Physical Education & Athletics in Mamaroneck School District
- Very Involved with Special Olympics and NYS APHERD
- Conference Planner for 2<sup>nd</sup> President, Bob Douglas in Tarrytown, NY
- Fourth NYSAAA President 1986
- Upon Retirement in 1987 Became First Executive Director of NYSAAA – 15 years Until 2000
- NYSAAA Chapter I Award 1985
- NIAAA State Award of Merit 1992
- Annual Roy O'Neill Awards Banquet Dedicated in His Honor in 1999



# OTIS SENNETT

## Baldwinsville, NY

### (Deceased)

- Graduated from SUNY Cortland and Inducted Into The "C" Club Hall of Fame in 1986
- Taught, Coached Six Sports, Athletic Director at Baldwinsville CSD for 29 Years
- Retired 1983 and Appointed Section III Executive Director Until 1992
- Credited With Development of Girls Sports Programs in Baldwinsville and Throughout NYS
- Original Organizing Committee, Served a First Conference Chair – Organized and Ran First Conference in 1983, Liverpool, NY
- Past President of Onondaga High School League
- Charter Member of NIAAA 1978; Served on NFHS Athletic Directors Advisory Committee 1985-89; Two Time Program Presenter at National Conference & Wrote Several Articles for IAA Magazine
- NFHS Citation 1979; NIAAA Distinguished Service Award 1985; NIAAA Thomas E. Frederick Award of Excellence 1991
- NYSPHSAA Hall of Fame 2007; NIAAA State Award of Merit 1989
- NIAAA Hall of Fame – 2<sup>nd</sup> Class 2010
- NYSAAA Named the Otis Sennett Award of Excellence in His Honor 2007

