

NYSAAA HALL OF FAME INDUCTION

2015

RICHARD BADER Cicero-N. Syracuse CSD, Section III Executive Director, Retired Liverpool, NY

- BS Ithaca College; MS Syracuse University
- Taught and coached at North Syracuse beginning 1956
- Appointed Director of PE for Cicero-N. Syracuse in 1971
- Onondaga HS League Baseball Chairman and President
- Section III President
- Appointed Executive Director of Section III in 1992
- Charter Member of NYSAAA
- Long Time Photographer for NYSAAA Conference
- Greater Syracuse Sports Hall of Fame (2007)
- N. Syracuse Man of the Year (1982)
- NYSAAA Chapter III Athletic Administrator Award (1985)
- NYSAAA Otis Sennett Award of Excellence (2005 1st Recipient)
- NYSPHSAA Hall of Fame (2012)





ROGER BROWN, CMAA Unatego CSD, Retired Gansevoort, NY & Largo, FL

- BS/MS from SUNY Cortland
- Taught and coached at Unatego CSD (1981-2007)
- President, NYSAAA Chapter 4
- Section IV Hall of Fame Committee (2006-present)
- NYSAAA Resolutions Committee Chair
- NYSAAA President (2003-04)
- NYSAAA Secretary (2005-present)
- NIAAA Certification Committee (2007-12)
- NYS Leadership Training Institute Instructor & CAA Test Administrator
- NYSAAA Apple Appreciation Award (2001)
- NYSAAA Chapter IV Athletic Administrator Award (1999)
- NIAAA State Award of Merit (2008)
- NYSPHSAA Section IV Hall of Fame (2009)
- Unatego HS Baseball Field Named the "Roger Brown Field" (2009)
- NIAAA Distinguished Service Award (2013)





JACK CASHMAN Binghamton City School District (Deceased)

- BS Ithaca College; MS Syracuse University
- Taught in Waterloo, Owego, Chenango Valley and Binghamton North
- Assistant to Hall of Fame Director, Joe Farrell at Binghamton
- Director of Health, PE & Athletics for Binghamton City Schools
- Program Chair for NYSAAA Annual Conference
- Trustee, NYS Council of Administrators of HPER
- South Central COA Zone Award (1988)
- Ithaca College Hall of Fame
- NYS Council of Administrators Director of the Year (1989)
- Charter Member of NYSAAA
- First Conference Exhibit Coordinator for NYSAAA
- NYSAAA Chapter IV Athletic Administrator Award (1991)
- NYS Apple Appreciation Award (2000)
- NIAAA State Award of Merit (1997)





DENNIS FRIES, CMAA West Irondequoit CSE, Retired Irondequoit, NY

- BSE SUNY Cortland; MSE & CAS SUNY Brockport
- Taught and coached at West Irondequoit (1969-1984)
- Director of PE & Athletics at W. Irondequoit (1984-2006)
- Chapter 5 Representative & President
- Section V President
- Monroe County League Treasurer & Executive Director
- Executive Director & Treasurer for Operation Offense
- NIAAA Publications Committee (1997-2003)
- NYSAAA Treasurer & President
- NIAAA Board of Directors (2002-06) & President (2005)
- NIAAA Hall of Fame, Strategic Planning Committees & State Liaison
- Chapter 5 Athletic Administrator & DSA Awards
 - NFHS Citation (2003) & NIAAA State Award of Merit (2000)
- NIAAA Distinguished Service Award (2009)





CATHERINE DOWNEY GALLAGHER, CAA Section XI Executive Director, Retired South Windsor, CT

- BS Springfield College; MS Stony Brook University
- Associate Director of Section XI (1974)
- Co-Founder of Long Island Football Championships
- NYSPHSAA Section Executive Directors Council, Officials Coordinating, Equity, and Appeals Committees
- Charter Member of the NYSAAA
- First NYSAAA Conference Registrar & Treasurer (1988-98)
- NYSAAA Apple Appreciation Award (1994, 1998)
- NYSAAA Chapter XI Athletic Administrator Award (1997)
- NIAAA State Award of Merit (1999)
- NYSPHSAA Special Recognition Award (2000)
- NYSPHSAA Hall of Fame (2004)
 - Suffolk County Sports Hall of Fame (2011)





TODD HEIMER, CMAA Section VIII Executive Director (Deceased)

- BS from Seton Hall Univ., 1977; MS from Long Island Univ. in 1988
- Attended Seton Hall on a Baseball scholarship; pitched five seasons in the Cleveland Indians Farm system
- North Shore HS Hall of Fame (inaugural class)
- Sea Cliff Volunteer Fire Department 22 years
- Taught Private School for eight years
- Hired in 1989 as Assistant Director at Nassau BOCES/Section VIII
- Appointed Executive Director for Interscholastic Athletics in 1993
- Member of NIAAA Credentials Committee for 6 years
- Chair NYSAAA Membership Committee
- NYSAAA Chapter 8 Athletic Administrator Award (2006)
- NYSAAA Apple Appreciation Award (2008)
 - NIAAA State Award of Merit (2011)





WERNER J. KLEEMANN Rush-Henrietta CSD, Retired Henrietta, NY (DECEASED)

- Taught & coached at Ilion CSD & Rush Henrietta CSD
- Univ. of Buffalo Line Coach
- Director of PE & Athletics, Sperry HS in Rush-Henrietta CSD
- Section V Football Hall of Fame (Inaugural Class)
- Bill Quinlan Award for Service in Ice Hockey
- Henrietta Community Service Award
- Section V Football Hall of Fame Committee
- NYSAAA Chapter V President 1993-95
- NYSAAA Apple Appreciation Award (1999)
- NYSAAA Annual Conference Wrap-up Speaker & Banquet Emcee
- NYSAAA Otis Sennett Award of Excellence (2011)





John M. McCleery Sleepy Hollow HS, Tarrytown Gainesville, FL

- BS Springfield College; MA Columbia Univ. Teachers College
- Director of PE & Athletics for Tarrytown Schools & Sleepy Hollow HS
- Instructor at Columbia University
- Certified Wrestling, Lacrosse & Softball Official
- Charter Member of the NYSAAA
- President of NYSAAA (1987-88)
- Chair of NIAAA Credentials Committee (1990-92); Member 6 years
- SEZ Council of Administrators President
- 1984 COA Athletic Director of the Year
- Twice served as Program Chair for NYSAAA Conference
- 1987 Chapter I Athletic Administrator Award
- 1994 National Federation Citation
- 1994 NIAAA State Award of Merit
- 2010 New Gymnasium at Sleepy Hollow HS dedicated in his name





LAURENCE "SPARKY" RECTOR Mexico CSD, Retired Mexico, NY

- Director of PE & Athletics at Mexico Academy (1956-85)
- Corporal, US Army (1942-45) 3 Battle Stars, 3 Amphibious Landings, Awarded the Purple Heart
- Outstanding Physical Educator in Central NY
- NYS Certified Wrestling & Soccer Official
- NFHS Coaches Association Distinguished Service Award (1986)
- Chair NYS Wrestling Committee 6 years
- Section III and National Wrestling Hall of Fame
- Charter Member of NYSAAA; Established NYSAAA Drop-In Center (later named in his honor by the NYSAAA)
- NIAAA Awards Committee
- NYSAAA Apple Appreciation Award (2000)
- NYSAAA Otis Sennett Award of Excellence (2006)
- Mexico Athletic Hall of Fame (2012)





THOMAS SKIDMORE Horseheads CSD, Retired Pinehurst, NC

- Taught & coached at Horseheads HS since 1963
- Director of PE at Horseheads (1974)
- Director of HE, PE & Athletics at Horseheads (1984-97)
- Developed & revised the NYSAAA Handbook for Athletic Administrators
- NYSAAA Workshop Presenter 7 times
- Opening General Session Speaker at NYSAAA Conference (1988)
- Opening Seminar Speaker at National Federation Conference in Las Vegas (1988)
- Established and Coached One of the Most Recognized Volleyball Programs in NYS with wife, Donna.
- Chapter 4 Representative to the NYSAAA
- Sullivan Trails League President
- President NYSAAA
- NYS Council of Administrators Director of the Year (1994)
- NYSAAA Chapter 4 Athletic Administrator Award (1989)
- NIAAA State Award of Merit (2006)
- NYSPHSAA Section IV Hall of Fame





MARTHA SLACK, CAA Massena CSD, Retired Massena, NY

- Director of PE & Athletics, Massena CSD (1978-2005)
- Assistant Principal, Massena HS (1997-2005)
- Coached Soccer, Swimming and Softball
- Section X Sports Administrator 15 Years in Ice Hockey, Swimming, Riflery, Golf and Lacrosse
- Section X Secretary 32 Years
- Founder and still member of Massena HS Hall of Fame
- NYSPHSAA Central Committee for 22 Years
- NYSAAA Secretary for 11 years
- NYS Council of Administrators Zone Award (1988)
- NYSAAA Chapter X Athletic Administrator Award (2002)
- NIAAA State Award of Merit (1985)
- NYSPHSAA Hall of Fame (2009)





RAYMOND WALDRON Saratoga Springs City Schools (Deceased)

- BS Ithaca College (1958); Post Graduate Albany & Plattsburgh State
 - Teacher, Coach, Administrator in Saratoga Springs (1960-1996)
 - Charter Member NYSAAA
- NYS AHPERD & COA Treasurer, VP and COA Trustee
- NYSAAA Site Chair, Planning Chair & Conference Chair 5 Years, Responsible for Bringing NYSAAA to Saratoga Springs in 1985
- Certified Wrestling Official
- President, Capital District Suburban Council Directors' Association
- Founded Pop Warner Football in Saratoga Springs
- COA Director of the Year (1989)
- NYSAAA Chapter 2 Athletic Administrator Award (1989)
- Saratoga Springs "Hometown Hero" Award (1996).
- NYSAAA Otis Sennett Award of Excellence (2009)
- Saratoga HS Hall of Fame Inaugural Class (2009)
 - Saratoga City Street Named In His Honor Waldron Way (2013)



