

**RIDGEWOOD HIGH SCHOOL**

**ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME**

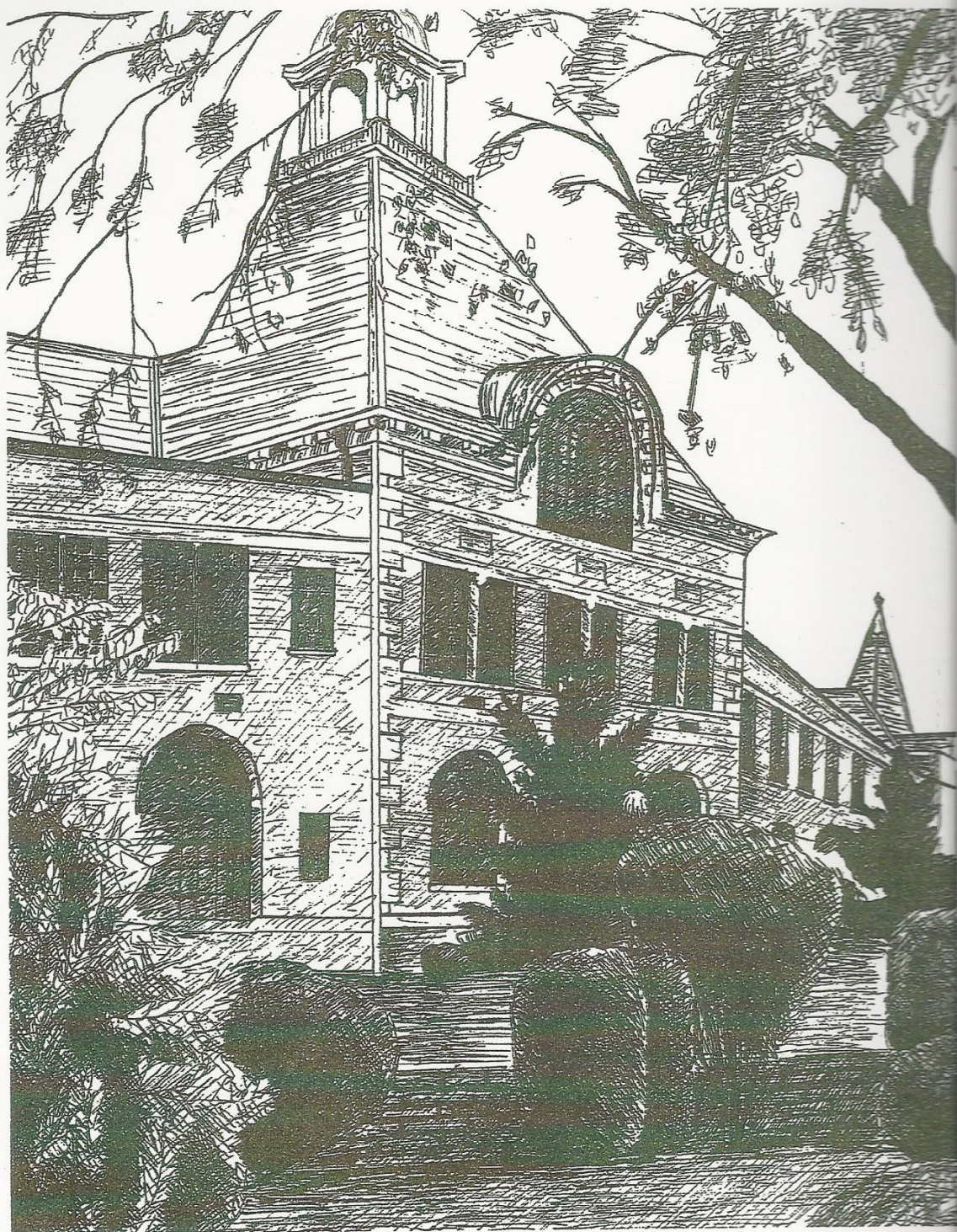
**CLASS OF 2014**



**INDUCTION DINNER**

**OCTOBER 25, 2014**





*Ridgewood High School*



## PROGRAM OF EVENTS

October 25, 2014

### Ridgewood High School Athletic Hall of Fame Induction Dinner

#### Class of 2014

BRICKHOUSE, Wyckoff, New Jersey

6:30 to 7:30 PM Social Hour, Meet and Greet (Cash Bar)

7:30 PM Seating, Main Banquet Room

Welcome.....Jeff Yearing (HOF Chairperson)  
Tom Thurston (Co-Chair, MOC)

Star Spangled Banner (National Anthem) .....RHS Acabellas

"Go Get 'Em, Ridgewood" .....Group Participation

Invited Guests: Dr. Daniel Fishbein, Superintendent, Ridgewood Public Schools; Dr. Tom Gorman, Principal, Ridgewood High School; Mr. Nick Scerbo, Athletic Director, Ridgewood High School

Ridgewood High School Alma Mater .....RHS Acabellas

Dinner Service Begins. Introduction of Hall of Fame Inductees proceeds during dinner service.

Presenters: Sam Cermack, Jim Stroker, Jacob Brown, Tom Thurston and Jeff Yearing.

#### Order of Presentation:

- **John Marshall**, Multi Sport Athlete, Class of 1971
- **Jim Bruni**, Head Boys Basketball Coach 1964-71
- **Mark Romeo**, Wrestling, Class of 2002
- **Jean Hughes**, Cross Country and Track & Field, Class of 1989
- **Chris VanNote**, Boys Soccer, Class of 1981
- **Nancy Hogan**, Multi Sport Athlete, Class of 1974
- **The Ridgewood Invincibles**, 1913 Football Team
- **Don Taylor**, Basketball, Class of 1961
- **Rachel Grygiel**, Girls Soccer, Class of 1993
- **John Cerf**, Boys Gymnastics, Class of 1976
- **Paul Tornatore**, Football, Class of 1987
- **Michele Marangi**, Girls Tennis, Class of 1984
- **The Streak of "44"**, Boys Lacrosse Teams of 1990-91-92

Closing Remarks.....Hall of Fame Committee Member

Post Banquet Social Gathering: 9:30 -? PM. All banquet attendees are encouraged to stay and share in the spirit of the "Maroon and White" with friendship and camaraderie.





# **RIDGEWOOD HIGH SCHOOL**

## **Athletic Hall of Fame**

Good Evening to All Attendees of the 2014 RHS HOF Induction Dinner,

The Ridgewood High School Athletic Hall of Fame Committee would like to express its congratulations to all of our inductees this evening and to thank everyone for supporting this special and important recognition of Ridgewood High School's "Tradition of Excellence."

The Hall of Fame Committee has been working hard at the task of providing the basis for this evening's ceremony for almost two years. It is through painstaking research and documentation of each inductee that decisions were made for selection to this year's Hall of Fame induction, Class of 2014.

The Ridgewood High School Athletic Hall of Fame was established in 2004 to honor the athletic achievements of Ridgewood High School student-athletes, coaches, teams and individuals who are deemed to have had a major and lasting Impact on the athletic program at RHS.

The purpose of this commemorative body is to unite the school's athletic history with the functions and goals of the present day school district. The Hall of Fame will attempt to promote sportsmanship and citizenship, as well as athletic and academic accomplishment, through the recognition and selection of deserving individuals and teams into the Ridgewood High School Athletic Hall of Fame.

Candidates must represent substantial accomplishment not only on the athletic field, but also show a responsible amount of accomplishment academically as a student-athlete during their days at RHS.

Candidates for the Hall of Fame must be recognized as having been outstanding in their sport/s at the league, county, state and if appropriate, national levels.



Coaches must have a proven and long tenured career whereby they are not only successful with regard to wins and losses, but have also had a noteworthy and well recognized influence on their student-athletes.

The Hall of Fame will not be limited to individuals only. In the years since competitive interscholastic athletics was introduced as an extracurricular event at Ridgewood High School for both boys and girls (research suggests around 1903-04), there have been many outstanding athletes, coaches and teams.

The Ridgewood High School Athletic Hall of Fame Committee reserves the right to recognize entire teams or parts of teams should it deem it appropriate.

The committee also reserves the right to recognize significant individuals or groups that are aligned with but not directly affiliated with the Ridgewood High School who have had a major positive impact on the quality of the athletic program at Ridgewood High School.

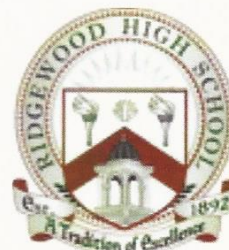
The RHS Hall of Fame Committee reserves the right to change or modify the criteria for induction into the Ridgewood High School Hall of Fame and it openly welcomes nominations and information supporting nomination of candidates for induction from all potential sources.

The Ridgewood Athletic Hall of Fame is affiliated with the Ridgewood Public Schools and acts as a representative body of Ridgewood High School as designated by the Ridgewood Board of Education. The Ridgewood High School Athletic Hall of Fame receives no financial support from publicly designated funds appropriated for use by the Ridgewood Public Schools.

Again, welcome to all! Enjoy this occasion to honor the sixth induction class, "The Class of 2014," into the Ridgewood High School Athletic Hall of Fame.

Warmest Greetings To All,

The Ridgewood High School  
Athletic Hall of Fame Committee





## Acknowledgements

The Ridgewood High School Athletic Hall of Fame Committee Chair would like to thank the following individuals for their tireless effort to help make this event a true reflection of our proud "Tradition of Excellence" at RHS.

"Thank You" to Lori Weil who used her amazing skills at the computer to format and layout the entire content of this year's banquet book, as well as the book for the class of 2012.

"Thank You" to Anthony Bussanich who has donated and coordinated, through his company, the printing of this year's banquet book, as well as the printing of the 2012 book.

"Thank You" to Al Johnson for his outstanding contribution of historical documents. It has enabled this committee to present a much clearer accounting of historical events that have been included in this book.

"Thank You" to the Ridgewood Public School's administration and Board of Education for their support of the Ridgewood High School Athletic Hall of Fame project.

"Thank You" to the tireless effort given by the members of this year's Hall of Fame Committee. It takes a team to be able to make a great event like this happen every two years and the people who comprise this group reflect the championship caliber performance that is embodied in this year's inductees!

**Jeff Yearing "66"**

**Committee Chair**

**Ridgewood High School Athletic Hall of Fame**





## **Meet Your Hall of Fame Committee's Former Maroon Standouts**

### **Jeff Yearling, Chairperson**

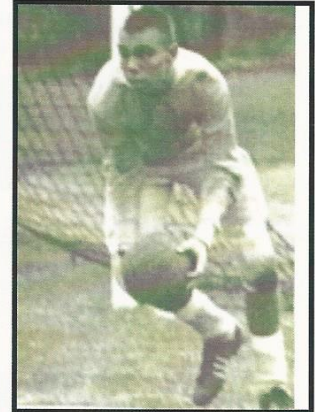
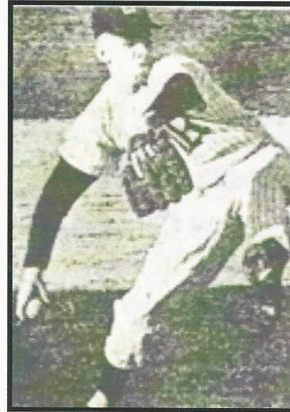
RHS Class of 1966

Soccer: Co-Captain, All League, County and State

Baseball: Co-Captain, All League, Suburban

Memphis State Univ.: Varsity Baseball, Club Soccer

Springfield College: Varsity Baseball



### **Tom Thurston, Co-Chairperson**

RHS Class of 1977

Football, Basketball

Track: Co-Captain, All League Suburban, County

Gettysburg College: Football and Track

All Mac Track \* 03 National Championships



### **Sam Cermack, Fund Raising**

RHS Class of 1977

Soccer

Franklin and Marshall College: Soccer All League

All Mac Soccer: Team Captain, Sophomore, Junior  
and Senior Year







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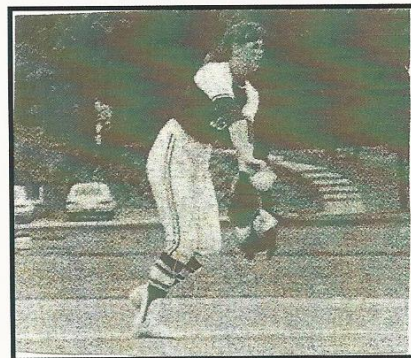
### **Donna O'Connell Skettini, HOF Facilities Committee**

RHS Class of 1984, HOF Inductee, 2006

Softball: All League, County, State, *The Record's* "All Century Team"

Bowling: All League, County, State

Trenton State College: Softball, All Conference and All American



### **Brian Corcoran, HOF Researcher**

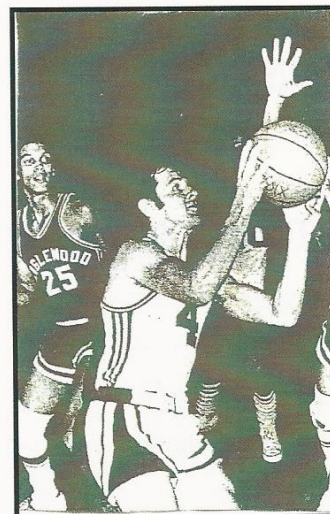
RHS Class of 1970

Basketball: Junior Captain, Senior Co-Captain  
All League, County, State

US Naval Academy: Basketball

St. Peter's College: Basketball

ABA Pittsburgh Condors: Professional Basketball

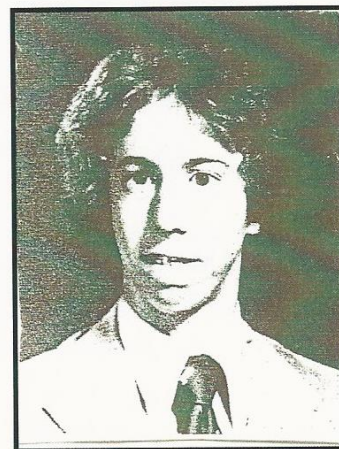


### **Bob Lasky, HOF Researcher**

RHS Class of 1979

Varsity Football, 1977 and 1978

Former President, Ridgewood Sports Council







## **. . . and Maroon and White Supporters on the Hall of Fame Committee**

### **Jane Reilly, HOF Technology Director**

Former Mayor of Ridgewood, 2000-04  
Village Council Member, 1996-2004  
Sports and Youth Council Liaison  
Board Member, RBSA and Maroons Soccer Club  
Coach, Youth Softball and Soccer  
U Mass, Amherst, Graduate  
Red Sox and Liverpool SC Fan!



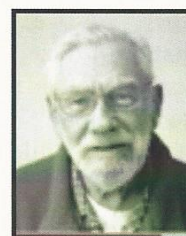
### **Brian Farrell, HOF Biographer**

Award Winning Sports Editor, North Jersey Media Group  
Midland Park High School, Class of 1967: Baseball and  
School Sports Editor  
King's College, Wilkes-Barre, PA, Graduate and Editor of  
School Newspaper Senior Year  
Brazilian Soccer and Travel is a Passion



### **Jim Jones, HOF Biographer and Researcher**

HOF Inductee 2008, Special Contributor  
*The Ridgewood News* Sports Editor, 1960-2000  
and Sports Editor Emeritus



### **Greg Tartaglia, HOF Biographer and Researcher**

Named Sports Editor of *The Ridgewood News*, 2014  
Covered all Sports for *The Ridgewood News* since 2006  
Joined *The Record's* "Varsity Aces", 2014  
Avid New York Jets Fan  
Boston College, Graduate 2001  
Grew up in Franklin Lakes and lives in Wanaque with wife, Nicole



### **Dave Vanderbush, HOF Researcher**

Athletic Director, Ridgewood High School, 1984-1999







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October 2014

Dear Ridgewood High School Athletic Hall of Fame Inductee:

On behalf of the Ridgewood Board of Education, I would like to congratulate you on being inducted into the Ridgewood High School Athletic Hall of Fame as part of the Class of 2014. We honor you today for your superior talent, your performances that thrilled the community and your commitment to the Village of Ridgewood.

Your legacy contributes to the excellent reputation of the athletic program at Ridgewood High School. Today our students participate in a wide variety of athletic programs and strive to continue the great tradition of excellence that was established by people like you.

The Board of Education and I would also like to thank the co-chairs, Jeff Yearing and Tom Thurston, as well as the Hall of Fame Committee, for your hard work and commitment to the Ridgewood Public Schools. Your dedication and commitment help us honor our past stellar student athletes while continuing to provide the best athletic program our current students enjoy.

Again, congratulations to the Hall of Fame Induction Class of 2014. Enjoy your celebration.

Sincerely yours,

Daniel Fishbein, Ed.D.  
Superintendent of Schools





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Thomas A. Gorman, Ed.D.  
*Principal*

Fall 2014

Dear Ridgewood Community,

The Ridgewood High School motto of a *Tradition of Excellence* is built upon the dedication and perseverance of its students. Although several years have passed since the honorees have walked the halls of RHS as students, this evening they are recognized for excellence in their sport.

As we gather today with family and friends, many stories will be shared. Names of teammates and coaches will be remembered, and accomplishments of teams and individuals will be relived. This is the beauty of sports - the lifetime of memories.

Athletics are an important aspect of the high school experience. In the midst of all the exciting matches, it is important to remember and emphasize that the athletes balance athletics with their academics. The lessons of the playing field and the academics of the classroom are a powerful combination, which can create a basis for true success in life. The combination makes for a well-developed individual. All of our honorees found that balance and truly are role models for our student-athletes today.

Congratulations to the Class of 2014 inductees. Your accomplishments speak for themselves but it is the impact you had and continue to have on those around you that warms our hearts and makes us proud to know you.

Finally, I would like to thank the members of the Hall of Fame committee for organizing this event. They have been working extremely hard these past two years to make this evening a success. We appreciate all your efforts.

Sincerely,

Thomas A. Gorman, Ed.D.

*A Tradition of Excellence*  
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Nick Scerbo  
Wellness/Athletic Director

2014 Hall of Fame Induction Attendees  
Ridgewood High School

Dear Hall of Fame Induction Attendees,

I am honored to join you in attending today's ceremony celebrating this year's Hall of Fame inductees.

Ridgewood High School's reputation of excellence in education and athletics is well known and well deserved. The accomplishments of previous Hall of Fame members are inspiring and serve as the foundation for the Ridgewood tradition of excellence. Similarly, today's honorees also represent those same levels of achievement, dedication, sportsmanship, and teamwork that are the hallmarks of Ridgewood Athletics. I extend my congratulations to this year's Honorees.

I would also like to express my gratitude to the Hall of Fame Committee for their year round efforts in establishing the Ridgewood Hall of Fame, researching and selecting the honorees, and organizing today's induction ceremony.

Sincerely,

Nick Scerbo  
Wellness / Athletic Director  
Ridgewood High School





## **“Go Get ‘Em Ridgewood”**

*(Ridgewood Fight Song)*

Go get ‘em Ridgewood

We’re out to see you win this game

Go get ‘em Ridgewood

We’re out to see you win us fame

Fight! Fight! Fight! For victory is near

and your praises loudly we will cheer



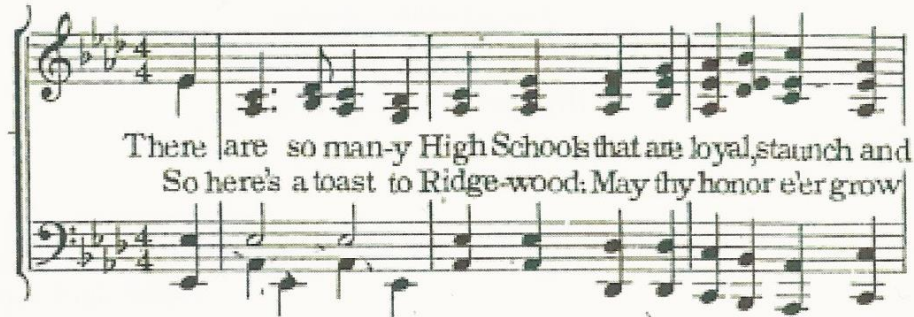
Go get ‘em Ridge - wood!

Go get ‘em, Go get ‘em NOW....

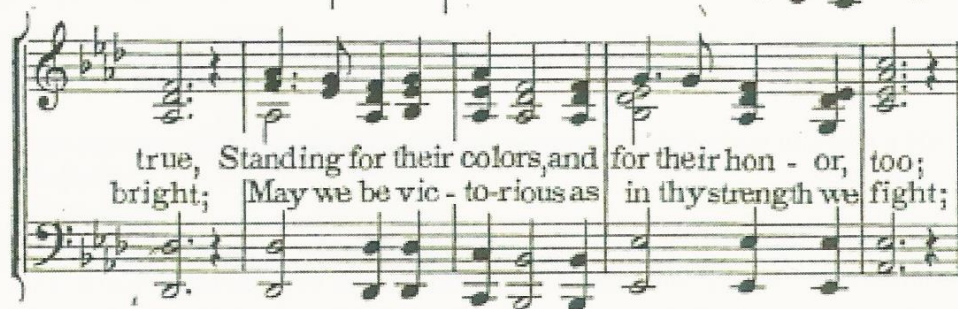


# Ridgewood High School Alma Mater

Words and Music  
By Percy C. Fisher '14



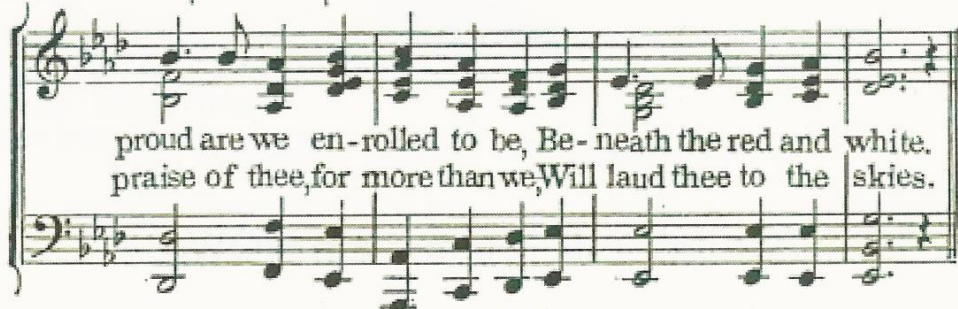
There are so man-y High Schools that are loyal, staunch and  
So here's a toast to Ridge-wood: May thy honor e'er grow



true, Standing for their colors, and for their hon - or, too;  
bright; May we be vic - to-rious as in thy strength we fight;



But we have a fair-er High School for which we will fight, And  
And with our A-lum-ni, may our voi-ces ev-er rise In



proud are we en-rolled to be, Be-neath the red and white.  
praise of thee, for more than we, Will laud thee to the skies.



# CHORUS

Once a-gain to thee, our Al-ma Ma-ter, Raise we songs on high;

Stand, boys, stand your ground, We'll win the fight or die. For-ev-er

hold-ing to our standard proud-ly, Loy-al-ly we'll try To

bright-en the fame and never put to shame The glory of Ridgewood High.

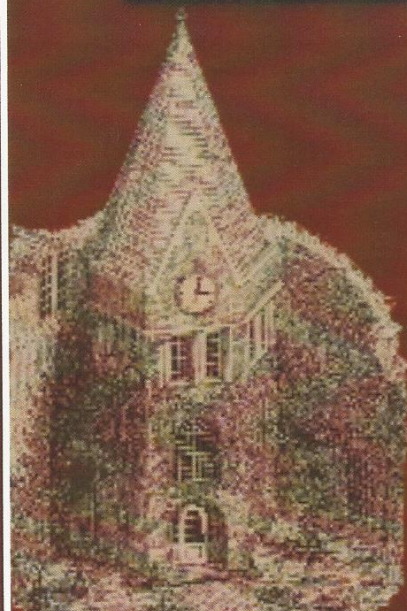
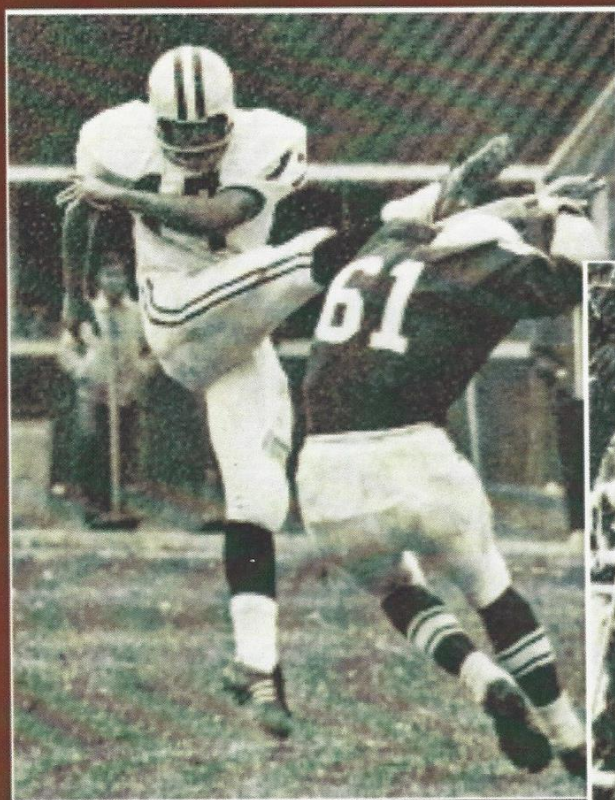
Note: In the original 1914 lyrics presented here, the school colors are referred to as Red and White. Research indicates that throughout early literature in reference to the school colors, the color red is interchanged with the color maroon on a regular basis. Earliest reference to Maroon and White as the school colors is found in the 1910 "Arrow". The RAA (Ridgewood Athletic Association) officially declared the high school colors as "Maroon and White" in their bylaws dated 1916.



# JOHN MARSHALL

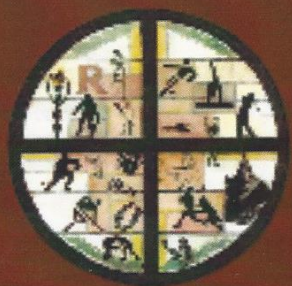
## OUTSTANDING CLASS ATHLETE

FOOTBALL • BASKETBALL • TRACK & FIELD



**CLASS OF 1971**  
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## JOHN MARSHALL, CLASS OF 1971

### FOOTBALL, BASKETBALL, and TRACK & FIELD

Competing for a high school known for athletic excellence and in an era of multi-sport athletes, John Marshall's accomplishments on the gridiron, hardwood and field events for Ridgewood High School makes him a worthy inductee into the Ridgewood H.S. Athletic Hall of Fame. A 1971 graduate of RHS, John excelled on the football field for 2012 Hall of Fame inductee Roger Sweeney. During the winter months John toiled for fellow 2014 Hall of Fame inductee Coach Jim Bruni and during the spring John displayed his talents out on the field competing in the shot put and discus for the RHS thin clads where he set school records that stood for decades.

John earned two varsity letters in football as a quarterback and running back. Coach Sweeney remembered John as, "A quarterback with good skills, but he would mean more to the team as a running back. John's speed, toughness and strong arm were assets for an outstanding tailback. He worked hard at his new-given task. His talent, work ethic and personality would lead him to be the best running back in the county." John was outstanding for a 7-2 Maroons squad that lost both games by a combined 5 points. John handled the punting, punt return, and kick return duties in his senior year and his 40+ yards per punt average was one of the best of his era. John was named first team All-Bergen County by the Bergen Record back when only 11 players were selected on each side of the ball. In basketball he was an outstanding "2" guard with a picture perfect and a deadly jump shot, a great man to man defender and one of the best foul shooters in North Jersey. He made second team all-NNJIL his senior year with a 16.1 points per game scoring average and was a leader of a team that was rebuilding following the outstanding 1969-1970 season.

During the spring track season, John was "a field guy", and what a field guy he was. Despite having the ability to compete on the track, he chose to concentrate on the shot and discus where he set school records in both events. His 51 foot shot put record stood until 1980 and his 157'11" discus record stood for 39 years until broken in 2010 with a 163'1" toss by Jack Simmons. John also jumped over 21' in the long jump showing his versatility. He helped lead his 1971 Maroons track team to a Co NNJIL Championship and a state group 4 sectional title. The true three sport athletes seem fewer and fewer today. John Marshall was a true three sport athlete. Never weighing more than 185lbs, he excelled on the football field in the legendary NNJIL of the 1970's. He competed on the basketball court for the Maroons in what some call the glory days of basketball in northern New Jersey, and even though he had the speed and quickness to compete on the track for Ridgewood, he chose to concentrate on events usually dominated by athletes much larger than him. His attention to detail and proper form allowed him to excel at three very different sports, and set records that stood for a very long time. Because of the uniqueness of his accomplishments in three sports and the demands for training and organization that that kind of involvement in sport demands, today's athletes and students can look to John's example of a life well lived through dedication to an ideal of excellence in multiple facets of his life. We are happy to bring John Marshall into the Ridgewood High School Athletic Hall of Fame with the Class of 2014 to serve as an example, to all, of diversified excellence in a world narrowed by specialization.

John is a resident of Ewing, N.J. today and works professionally as an Actuary in the insurance industry. But, sure to the diversified approach he took in his athletic life, he also is diversified in his later years by bringing hope through prison ministries throughout the state.

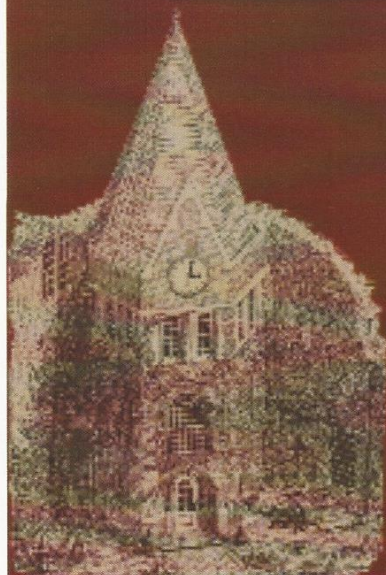
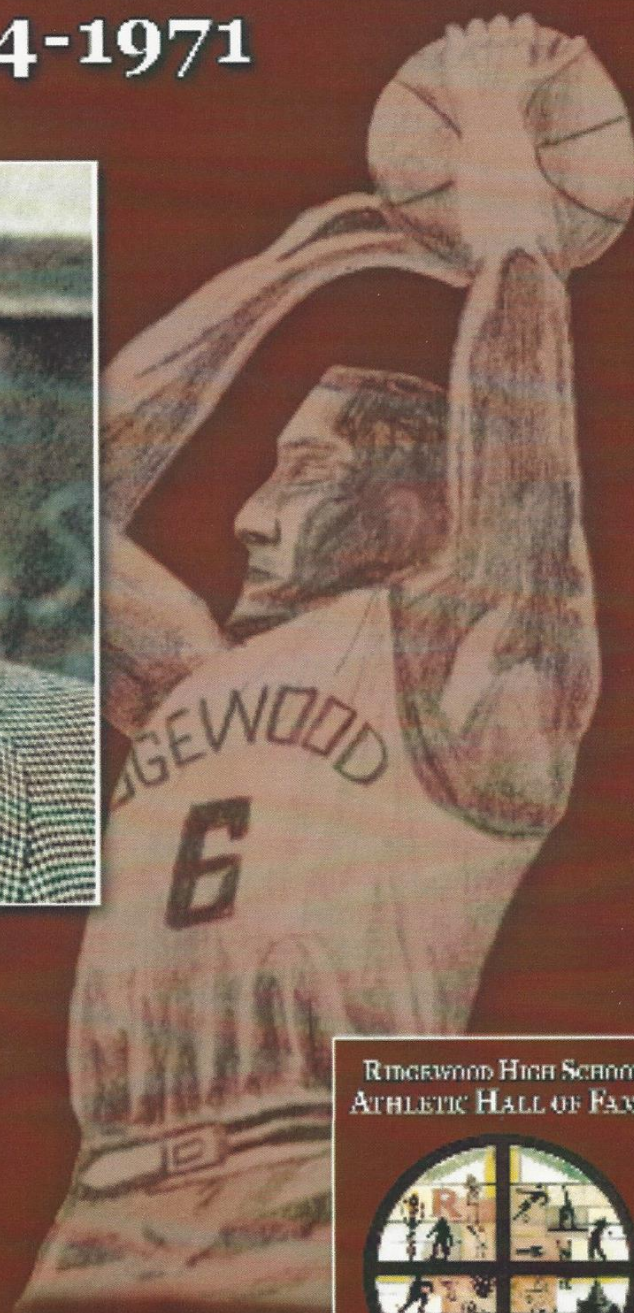
One friend describes John as "a quiet guy who needs to be recognized". It is our pleasure to recognize John's accomplishments with his induction into the Ridgewood High School Athletic Hall of Fame.



# **JIM BRUNI**

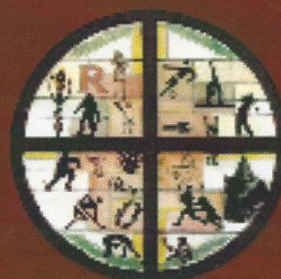
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### **1964-1971**



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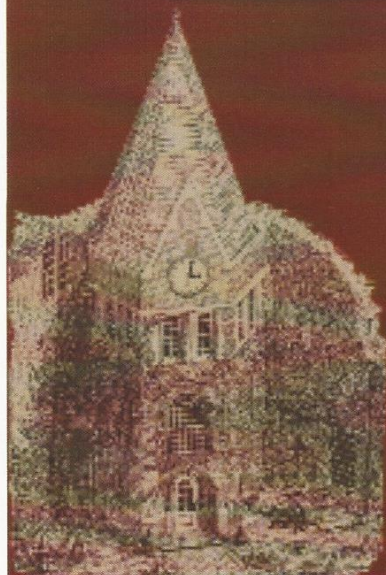
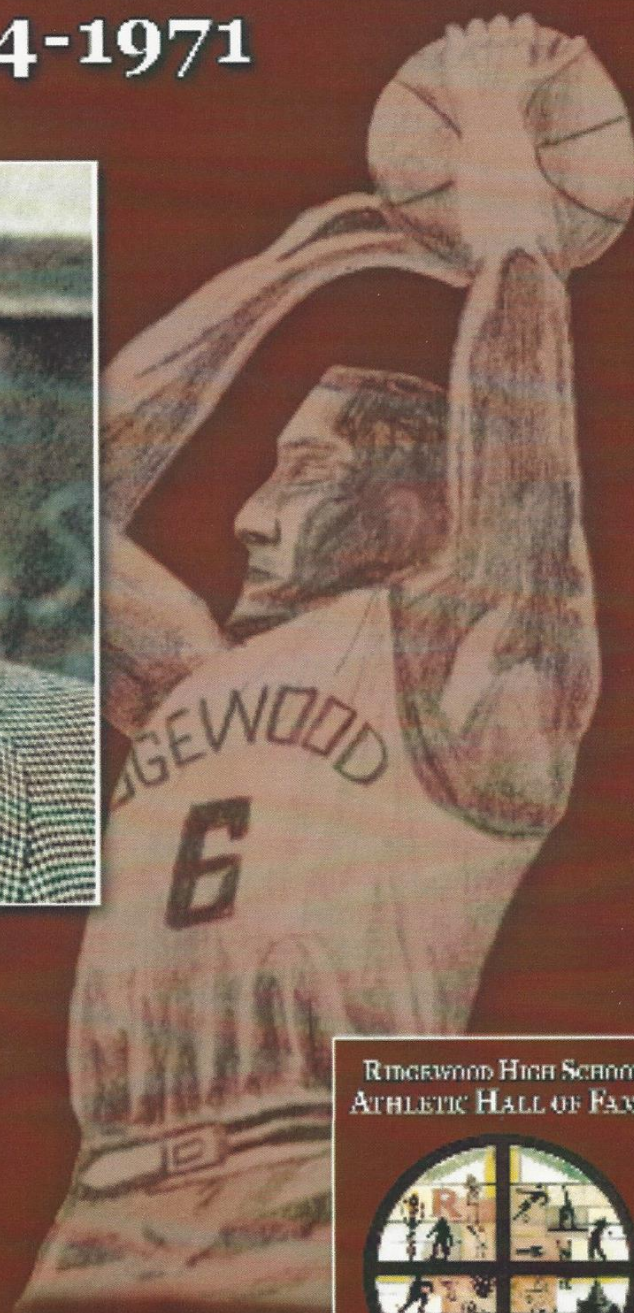




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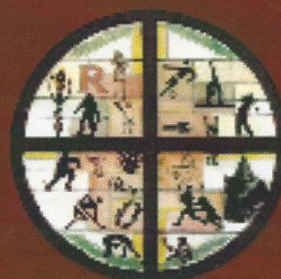
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## JIM BRUNI, 1964 - 1971

### HEAD BOYS BASKETBALL COACH

"Many describe Jim Bruni as a man and a coach who was loved by all of his student athletes."

- Brian Corcoran Class of 1970

Jim Bruni was more than a coach. He was a true leader who was capable of captivating his players as he taught them the fundamental skills of basketball and life. His approach not only improved the success of the individual but ultimately the Ridgewood High School teams as well. Jim's love of basketball had an immediate impact on his players when they walked on the court. But to his credit he instilled a lifelong appreciation of the game to each and everyone. Interestingly, with all his success Mr. Bruni was quite humble, at times even to a fault.

Coming to Ridgewood from Bogota, Jim brought a style of coaching that was ahead of his time. His understanding and ability to teach the fundamental aspects of basketball resulted in Ridgewood's best overall winning percentages of all time. Records starting from 1927 show that Jim's record of 110 wins vs. 54 losses, a winning percentage .671, is the highest in Ridgewood High School history. He is the only coach to have more than one season with a better than .800 winning percentage. In fact he had three, the three best! Inductee Frank Mozeleski 44-45 season was 15-3 .833, and John Smith's 80-81 season was 22-4 .846. However Bruni's 64-65 team 22-3 at .880 is the schools all time high. Jim continued his expertise with the 65-66 team a 20-4 and .833 then the 69-70 at 22-4 coming in at .846. One can only imagine if Jim Bruni remained at RHS how the basketball program wins would have accumulated. I think it is fair to say "There was not a better basketball coach at Ridgewood High before Jim Bruni and there has not been a better basketball coach since Jim's last day as Ridgewood's coach.

Jim had a unique talent to demonstrate a technique in its smallest terms. He would teach, literally, a step by step progression. His practices were detailed and thorough. He would segment the offense and defense into fine tuned periods that eliminated any wasted time. One of his sayings and a goal for his players was "STERLING". If players heard coach Bruni exclaim "sterling" they knew they had performed the offensive play or defensive denial to his satisfaction. However, Jim was more than just a fundamental coach. Jim had a unique ability to analyze opposing offenses and defenses and design a successful game plan often confusing other coaches. Often, coaches throughout the county would consult with Jim about basketball theory and techniques.

Lee Clark, long time Bergen County coach expressed these thoughts of Jim: "Jim Bruni was the best basketball mind I have ever come across. A coach could get more basketball knowledge from Jim than he could from major college clinics. He was a great coach and a better person." Additionally according to Lee, Coach Bruni had an opportunity to be a high school head coach in 1956. He passed on the position because Jim was more concerned about being properly prepared and not short changing his players than he was about being a head coach. Truly admirable!

Hubie Brown coached football, basketball and baseball at Fair Lawn High School. He coached numerous NNJIL contests against Jim and Ridgewood basketball. He then progressed to the collegiate level, first at William & Mary, then Duke and ultimately, to the NBA. A two time NBA Coach of the Year, Hubie is also enshrined in the National Basketball Hall of Fame in Springfield, Massachusetts. While at Fair Lawn he remembers Coach Bruni as a "brilliant" coach. On numerous occasions they would meet at Ridgewood's famous Al's and Harry's dinner and talk basketball. Brown commented "Jim Bruni was the best with X's and O's and was a great mentor to many. Jim Bruni was recognized, not just in Bergen County, but throughout the state as a brilliant basketball coach."

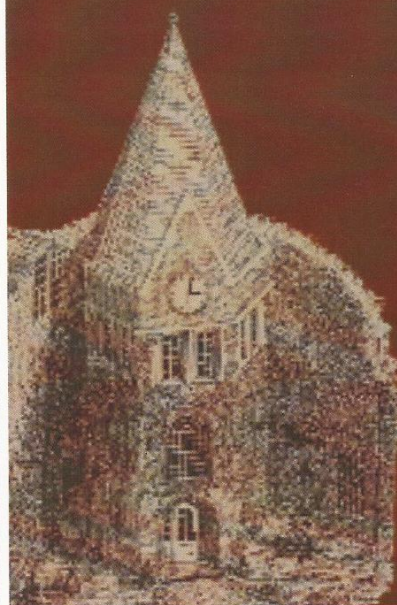
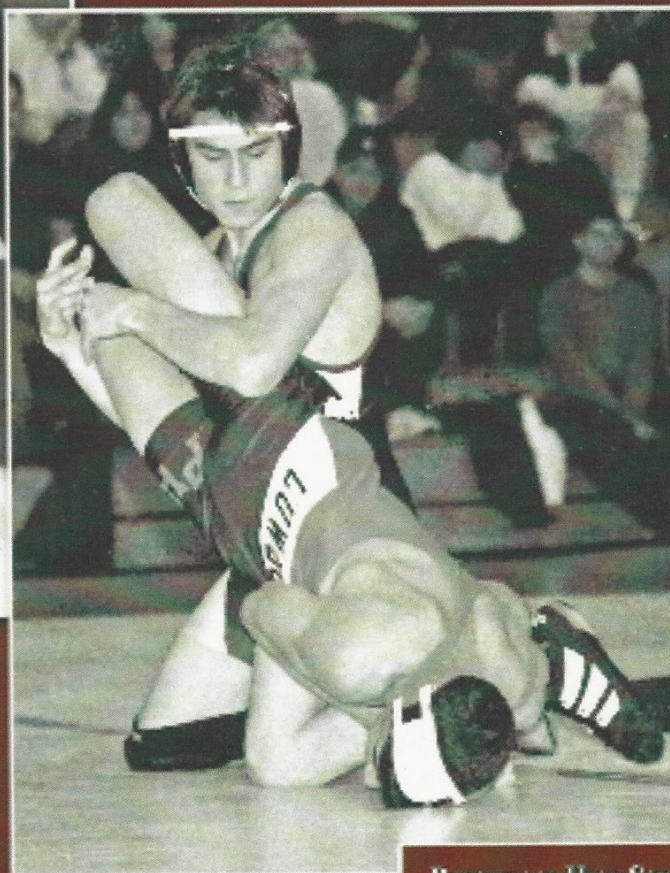
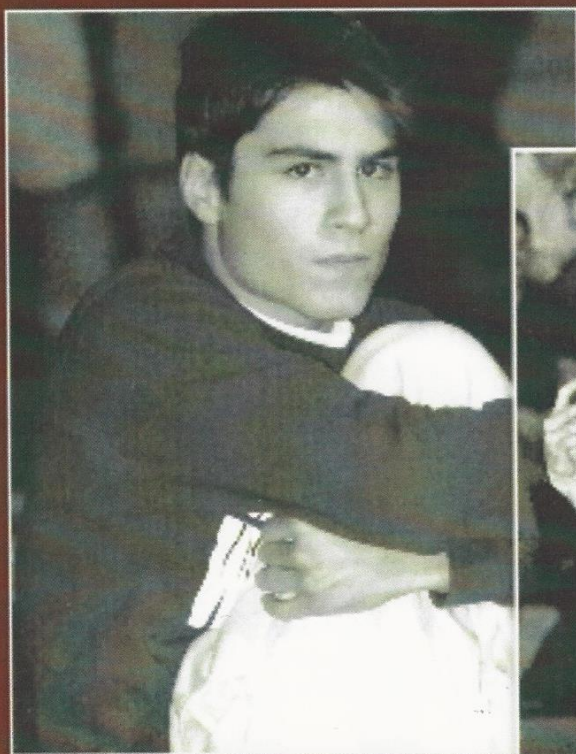
More importantly Coach Bruni was loved. He had a way about him, that caused students to seek him out and become mezzmerized listening to all he had to say. Extremely blunt and factual Jim was loved because everyone knew he sincerely cared. Students and athletes alike knew Coach Bruni leveled with you never being concerned about being politically correct. Whether a student, player, coach or official sought his advice, Jim Bruni laid it all on the line giving always giving his honest assessment. Jim cared about basketball and Jim cared about his player's deeply. As hard as he could be in demanding perfection in each of his charges, it was accepted because all knew Jim cared about bringing out the best in each individual.

Coach Bruni had a talent establishing goals for his players and instilling a personal pride of performance. This was a unique talent in the days before individual lesson plans and IEP's became a common element in the educational landscape. A testament to his effectiveness in coaching the individual was reflected in his players constant communication with him seeking his council. This occurred no matter how much distance lay between themselves and the coach physically, from a time perspective or both. Coach James (Jim) Bruni is certainly a worthy inductee to the Ridgewood High School Athletic Hall of Fame. He touched and changed hundreds of student's lives with his wisdom and insight in what may be considered a short, but exceptionally bright career at RHS. Coach Jim Bruni is a shining example for all that is good with the teaching and coaching professions and serves as an outstanding model for all who wish to follow in his footsteps as an educator, coach or mentor to others.



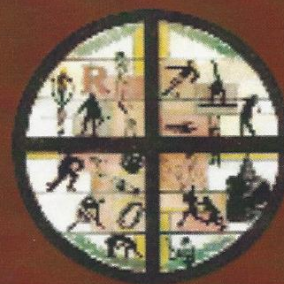
# MARK ROMEO

## WRESTLING



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## MARK ROMEO, CLASS OF 2002

### WRESTLING

Mark Romeo carved out Ridgewood High School's first 100-win career in varsity wrestling at a time when there were fewer matches each season in which to compete compared to today.

The four-year starter, who competed in the lower weights and never missed any appreciable time due to injury, finished with a record of 108-16. His win mark stood as the standard at Ridgewood High School until Brandon Giovanetti surpassed it in 2012 with 110 victories. This past season, 2014 graduate Joe Oliva became the Maroons' win kingpin, finishing his four-year career with 135 victories against 22 losses. When Romeo competed, there were no wrestle back rounds in the county, district, region or state tournaments.

Mark Romeo was a 2001 Bergen County champion after having placed second his junior year and third his sophomore year. He was the first Ridgewood wrestler to win a county title since 1984. Mark was a three-time District 5 champion (1999, 2001, 2002), the first Ridgewood wrestler to win three district titles, and a 2002 Region 2 champion, becoming only the third Ridgewood wrestler since 1965 to win a region title. He was also a four-time Mahwah High School Tournament champion, only the fourth wrestler to accomplish the feat in 36 years, and was twice named Most Outstanding Wrestler of the season-opening competition in December, receiving that recognition in 2001-02.

In 1998, he became the first Ridgewood wrestler to win a Bergen County Freshman Tournament championship. His senior year, Mark was named first team All-County and All-North Jersey Group 4 and second team All-North Jersey. He was named first team All-Suburban in The Ridgewood News three times, and, in 2000, he was the All-Suburban Sophomore of the Year. He was named first team All-League in 2001 and 2002 and second team All-League his first two seasons. Three times, he made honorable mention All-County.

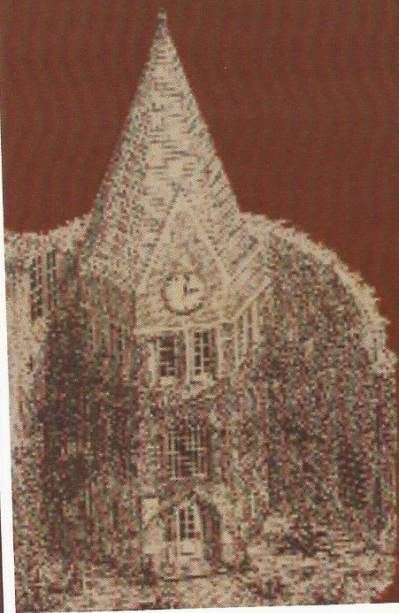
At the end of his career, Mark held the school records for most wins in a season (34) and a career (108), most pins (70) in a career and best winning percentage for a season (94%) and a career (87%). Mark served as a team captain his senior year, and, for his last three seasons; he was named the team's Most Valuable Wrestler and recorded the most pins.

Mark wrestled varsity at Trinity College for two seasons, earning two letters and finishing in the top five both years in the New England Wrestling Tournament. Today Mark has entered the corporate world and wrestles with business decisions from his home base in London England. Whether home or abroad Mark Romeo will always be a standard that other RHS athletes and students can look to as a beacon of inspiration as a member of the Ridgewood High School Athletic Hall of Fame's Class of 2014.



# JEAN HUGHES

## CROSS COUNTRY • TRACK & FIELD



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## JEAN HUGHES, CLASS OF 1989

### CROSS COUNTRY and TRACK & FIELD

Jean Hughes comes from a running family. Her brother was a star at Ridgewood High School as was her older sister. Jean was successful at an early age, having won the Ridgewood 5<sup>th</sup> grade Election Day run. However Jean's background and early interest was but a small for shadow to a great career in competitive running that was to unfold. In addition, she has been a great ambassador and role model for her team and the running community in general. Jean has had great impact from her first varsity team in high school to her mentoring young female runners today.

Jean earned 12 letters in Cross Country, Indoor Track, and Spring Track while leading Ridgewood Track to "team of the century status" in 1988 and Ridgewood Cross Country to Undefeated dual, country, and sectional championship seasons. Between her high school, collegiate, and post-collegiate athletic career, she is one of the most versatile and accomplished cross-country and track & field athletes in Ridgewood High School and Bergen County History. She competed in every event from 400m relays through 5000m runs. She had speed and endurance, but maybe more importantly had a competitive intensity that was an inspiration to her coaches and teammates.

In addition to all of the team championships she was part of at Ridgewood High School, Jean earned first team All-Bergen County honors 8 times, All-State honors, and had one of the fastest times in the country in the 3200 meters in 1988 (10:43.8). She competed in the National Junior Championships against the best in the nation that year.

Her accomplishments at Ridgewood High School led to her earning a full athletic scholarship at Providence College where she competed in cross country and track for all 4 years. At Providence, Jean earned 12 letters, captained her Cross Country team to top finishes at the NCAA Division-1 National Championship and earned 1<sup>st</sup> Team Cross Country All-American honors in 1992 by finishing 16<sup>th</sup> in the National Championship. She also earned All Big East honors in Track.

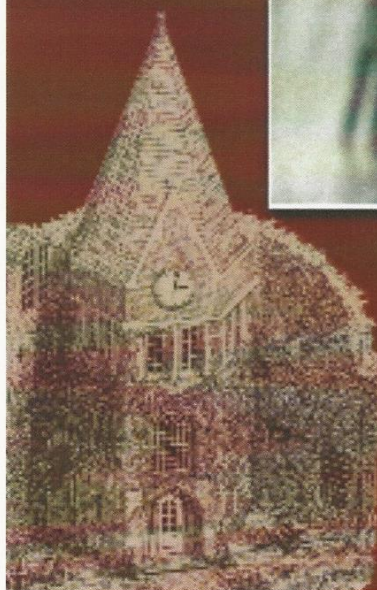
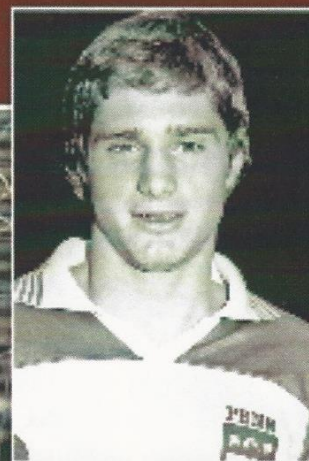
After college, Jean competed for the Nike Running Club and finished the 1996 New York City Marathon as the 99<sup>th</sup> overall female and the 57<sup>th</sup> American. She remained active in the competitive running scene for a number of years, coached cross country and track, and started a youth track and field summer camp. Today, she continues to promote running with all her spirit and energy.

Jean Hughes Buono is an accomplished runner and coach, a Collegiate All American, married to a track coach, a mom to three great kids, and a mentor to young runners. Ridgewood High School is proud to have her joining our Athletic Hall of Fame.



# CHRIS VAN NOTE

## SOCCER



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## **CHRIS VAN NOTE, CLASS OF 1981**

### **BOYS SOCCER**

The Ridgewood High School Athletic Hall of Fame is proud to induct Chris Van Note, class of 1981, for his accomplishments in the sport of soccer.

A three-year starter at center mid-field for Coach Dick Bennett from 1978 to 1980, Chris was a key member of teams that went 56-10-4, won two NNJIL league crowns, two Bergen County championships, and one Section 1, Group 4 State championship.

The consummate technician and playmaker, Chris' strengths were ball control and distribution, infused by a level of tenacity that opponents feared. Van Note's career statistics at RHS were 18 Goals scored and 24 Assists, with 17 assists doled out in his senior year. That total, at the time, set a school record.

Named Captain his senior year, Chris led the team to a 17-2-3 record, the league and county tournament championships, and was named first team all NNJIL, and first team All-County, contributing 9 Goals and 17 assists during the season. In his junior year, Chris was named second team all-league, and helped the Maroons to a 19-6 record, and a Section 1, Group 4 state championship.

In 1978, Chris' sophomore year, he made the starting line-up at midfield, a rarity at that time for Coach Bennett, and was a critical member of a team that finished 20-2-1 and won both the league and county championships. Chris registered the winning goal in the County final versus Ramapo.

Van Note went on to play soccer at the University of Pennsylvania, captaining the squad two seasons, and in his junior year was named to the All Ivy League team. Injury limited his playing time after his junior season, yet he was given the team's Most Courageous Player Award his senior year.

After college, Chris remained involved in the game, playing on competitive club teams, in the US and overseas. He also was a youth soccer coach to his three children, and follows the beautiful game regularly.

After many years in the corporate world Chris currently runs his own international consulting firm and does much of his work in Brazil as a civil engineer, the host of the 2014 World Cup, which he was able to enjoy front and center and in the language of the country. Chris is fluent in French, Spanish and Portuguese!

Home base for Chris now is Golden Colorado, but the world really is his home as it is for the game he loves. The Ridgewood High School Athletic Hall of Fame welcomes home Chris Van Note with induction to the class of 2014.

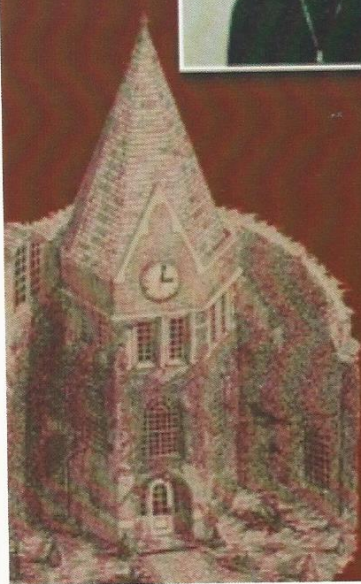
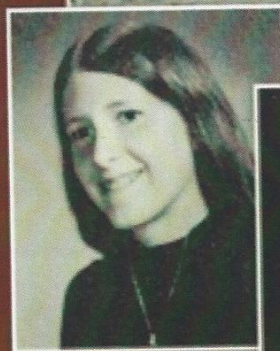
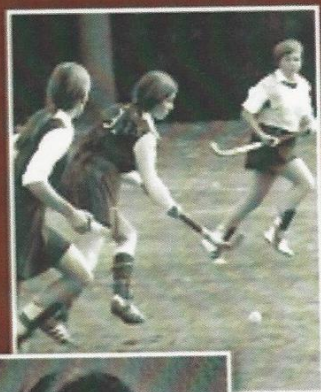


# NANCY HOGAN

1971-1974 FIRST FEMALE ATHLETE TO RECEIVE THE  
"RHS AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN ATHLETICS"

11 VARSITY LETTERS IN 3 YEARS

FIELD HOCKEY • VOLLEYBALL • BASKETBALL  
SOFTBALL • TRACK



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CLASS OF 1974  
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## NANCY HOGAN, CLASS OF 1974

### MULTIPLE SPORT ATHLETE

In January of 1993 a letter was received by the athletic department at Ridgewood High School nominating Nancy Hogan as a candidate for what was going to be the first class to the Ridgewood High School Athletic Hall of Fame. That class was never inducted and the hall of fame did not get officially organized until 2004, thirty years after the graduation of Nancy Hogan from Ridgewood High School. Hogan's nominator states "Nancy epitomizes the high standards of conduct and sportsmanship we look for in our Ridgewood students."

When one looks at what Nancy achieved as a student athlete and then what she achieved as a coach of student athletes, it's easy to see why the nominator in 1993 was able to make such a bold statement.

Nancy Hogan is a pioneer in the world of women's athletic endeavor, being one of the first of many generations of women to benefit from the passage of Title IX legislation by the Nixon administration on June 23, 1972. Like her female predecessors in the 1920's that benefited from varsity athletic competition at RHS, Nancy benefited from a forward looking school district that gave her the opportunity to compete before the forthcoming law demanded it.

While at RHS from 1971 through 1974, Nancy participated in five different sports recognized at the varsity level. Her sports were Field Hockey, Volleyball, Basketball, Softball and Track. She earned eleven varsity letters in those sports out of a possible twelve, started every game for each team in each sport she played her junior and senior seasons (RHS was a three year high school at the time) and was named Captain of the Field Hockey and Basketball teams her senior year. In June of her senior year at RHS, Nancy was named the first female recipient of the "Ridgewood High School Award for Excellence in Athletics" along with her male counterpart Bob Groat. This award is the highest recognition the RHS athletic department can give to an individual student and the award had been presented annually to each classes outstanding male athlete since 1904. Sixty years later Nancy finally broke the gender barrier.

Upon graduation from RHS in 1974, Nancy pursued her undergraduate education at Montclair State through 1976 and then transferred to Rutgers University in the fall of 1976. She graduated with a BS in Public Health Administration in 1978 and would go on to earn a Ed.M from Boston University in 1981.

While at Montclair Nancy was a member of the colleges Field Hockey, Basketball and Softball teams. Upon transferring to Rutgers she continued her collegiate athletic career concentrating on her number one game basketball, as a member of the Scarlet Knights varsity squad her junior and senior years 1976-78. Nancy played for the first full time female collegiate basketball coach in the country, Theresa Grentz, an All American herself from Immaculata. While at Rutgers, Nancy garnered the nickname "Century Hogan" having scored the one hundredth point all five times the Rutgers Women's basketball team broke the century mark during her two varsity seasons there.

Upon graduation from Rutgers, Nancy continued her passion for the game taking positions in the women's basketball coaching ranks with stops as an assistant coach at Boston University, Harvard University, UMass Amherst and Tufts University. She served as the head coach at Regis College for four years and was head coach for the Bay State Games North East Region women's collegiate team in 1987, 1988, 1992, 1993, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001 and 2002.

Nancy states that she felt her high school teams "were always a force to contend with and well coached" and her opportunity to "teach the game of basketball to her collegiate players, to give back as others had given to her and teach the meaning of teamwork first hand", as one of her greatest accomplishments and honors as a former athlete.

Today Nancy resides in Medford, Mass and is Vice President for Government relations for First Realty Management in Boston.

Nancy Hogan is a champion and leader in the development of women's athletics not only at Ridgewood High School, but nationally. Her passion and accomplishment as an athlete and coach certainly speak to her nominator's original statement in 1993. She does epitomize the best that Ridgewood has to offer. Always better late than never, the class of 2014 welcomes Nancy Hogan to the Ridgewood High School Athletic Hall of Fame.



# RIDGEWOOD HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL TEAM 1913

## "THE RIDGEWOOD INVINCIBLES"



RIDGEWOOD HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL TEAM 1913

Back row left to right: McCready, Wandless, Sloan, Abbott, Todd, Hubbard, Westerhoff, Pagano, Waddell. Second row left to right: Donnelly, Williams, Feeney, Runk, Earle Hopper (Capt.), Paul, Knowlton. Front row Mr. Elson, Hopper (Capt.), Wardell (Manager).



### TEAM MEMBERS:

PETER PAGANO, PETER WESTERHOFF, JAMES HUBBARD, STANLEY TODD, EDGAR KNOWLTON, JUNE PAUL, BENJAMIN SLOAT, JOHN MCKENZIE, WILLIAM RUNK, LOVETT KEYSER, PARNEIL FEENEY, LORNE WADDELL, WILLIAM ABBOTT, HAROLD WANDLESS, WILLIAM MCCREADY, WILLIAMS, EARLE HOPPER (CAPT.), HAROLD CHEEL (MGR.), STAN WARDELL (MGR.), MR. ELSON (COACH)

### TEAM RECORD:

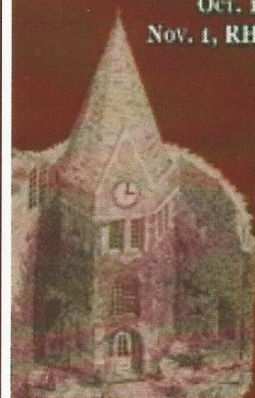
10-1-1, 226 POINTS SCORED, 33 POINTS SCORED AGAINST, 11 OPPONENTS SHUT OUT

### TEAM RESULTS:

OCT. 4, RHS 6-BLOOMFIELD 0; OCT. 11, RHS 6-PHI KAPPA SIGMA COLUMBIA 0; OCT. 15, RHS 24-BELLEVILLE 0;  
OCT. 18, RHS 45-RIDGEFIELD PARK 0; OCT. 22, RHS 12-PATERSON 0; OCT. 29, RHS 20-BLOOMFIELD 0;  
NOV. 1, RHS 32-ST. FRANCIS COLLEGE 0; NOV. 4, RHS 25-PATERSON 0; NOV. 7, RHS 35-ST. BENEDICT-NEWARK 0;  
NOV. 12, RHS 0-RUTHERFORD 33 (NNJ CHAMPIONSHIP); NOV. 27, RHS 0-RHS ALUMNI 0

### STARTING LINEUP:

PAGANO-LEFT END; WESTERHOFF-LEFT TACKLE; HUBBARD-LEFT GUARD;  
TODD-CENTRE; KNOWLTON-RIGHT GUARD; PAUL-RIGHT TACKLE;  
SLOAT-RIGHT END; RUNK-QUARTERBACK; KEYSER-RIGHT HALFBACK;  
FEENEY-LEFT HALFBACK; HOPPER (CAPT.)-FULLBACK



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## **"THE RIDGEWOOD INVINCIBLES"**

### **RIDGEWOOD HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL TEAM of 1913**

In the era of the "leather head" and the invention of the forward pass, there were few football teams in New Jersey that could match the ability of the Ridgewood gridiron standouts of 1913. Their story would become a legend amongst sports fans who followed the Maroons in those days and beyond. The newspapers called them "Ridgewood's Invincibles" and over the last century their story has been lost, but was brought to light again through coincidence, when the RHS gridiron squad of 2013 suffered almost to the day, 100 years later, the same fate as the stalwarts who in 1913 put on their pads and battled courageously for the glory and honor of Ridgewood High!

"The Arrow" fall quarterly for 1913 (published in the end of October) reported on the team. "Two hundred and six points! Just think of it! That is the total score which our record breaking football squad has rolled up in nine games already played. And better still they have won every game. Best of all they have not allowed an opponent to gain one single point. Considering we have played no teams which have been lighter in average weight, this is remarkable. Our team averages 144 lbs. to a man. This is very light compared with other elevens. Whatever disadvantage we have suffered by lightness in weight has been more than counterbalanced by excellent team work, fast playing and fearless line-bucking".

It was reported in the "Ridgewood Herald" that the secret to the team's success beyond their fast playing and excellent team work had been a volunteer coach, Mr. G. Foster Sanford, a Yale coach, who assisted the team during the first part of the season. Mr. Elson coached the team during the entire season. The structure of athletics during the period was very student oriented. The administration of the teams were put into the student managers hands and often times there would be a student coach or adult volunteer in charge. The managers would set the schedule for the team, usually a year in advance, and administer to the financial aspects involved with the running of the program. The athletic association at the time had adult season passes for sale for fifty cents and volunteer students would solicit the sales to support the team. Home games were scheduled on Saturdays and unlike today a second midweek game, usually scheduled away in Ridgewood's instance, would be played. The Arrow reported that: "Early in September at the first practice, over forty candidates contested for places on the first team. The number was diminished by careful selection as the time for the opening game approached. Only those who possessed the best physical development and showed endurance to stand the strain and endured to the end, made the team".

The football schedule for 1913 included eleven scheduled games beginning with a home opener vs. Bloomfield on October 4. It was reported that "a big crowd gathered on our new athletic grounds (the current East Ridgewood Avenue site) to witness what proved to be a very close contest. "The Bloomfield team was evenly matched with our boys in weight, but was unequal to the fast rushes of the back field". In the last quarter, Feeney (Parnell Feeney, Left Halfback) "after making large gains up the field rushed the ball over the line for a touch-down". The score, Ridgewood 6, Bloomfield 0. That would be the start of a glorious run of ten straight victories including two over college units from Phi Kappa Sigma of Columbia University 6-0 and St. Francis College of Brooklyn 32-0. The team would defeat Belleville 24-0, Ridgefield Park 45-0, Paterson twice 12-0 and 25-0 and Bloomfield a second time 20-0. A game against Stuyvesant (Jersey City) on October 25 was cancelled due to heavy rain. Victories versus St. Benedicts of Newark 35-0 and Hackensack 20-0 took the team to the brink of the Northern New Jersey championship. A championship game scheduled between Ridgewood and Rutherford, two high school juggernauts, would determine who would be the number one team that year.

Like the 2013 football team who lost their North 1 state championship bid to Montclair early in December 2013 by the score of 33-0, so did the amazing team of 1913 one hundred years earlier, succumbing by the same score of 33-0! Disappointment was evident and many felt that if team captain Earle Hopper were able to play (he suffered a leg injury falling down stairs a few days before the game) and if they could have had their regular line up available (evidently some of the other regulars were also missing) RHS would have easily beaten the Rutherford eleven at Rutherford's grounds November 22. Ridgewood would play its final game of the season against the RHS alumni November 27. Playing to a 0-0 tie, the team finished their amazing campaign 10-1-1, scoring 226 points while only giving up 33 with 11 shutouts.

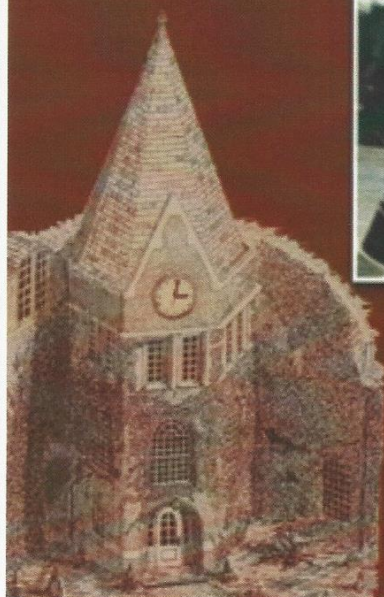
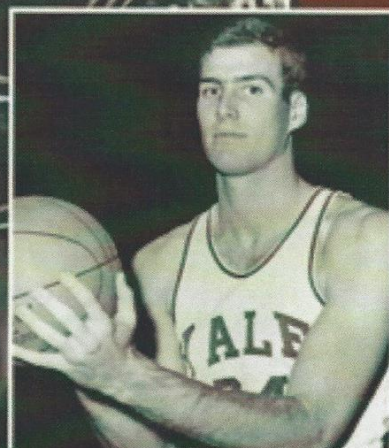
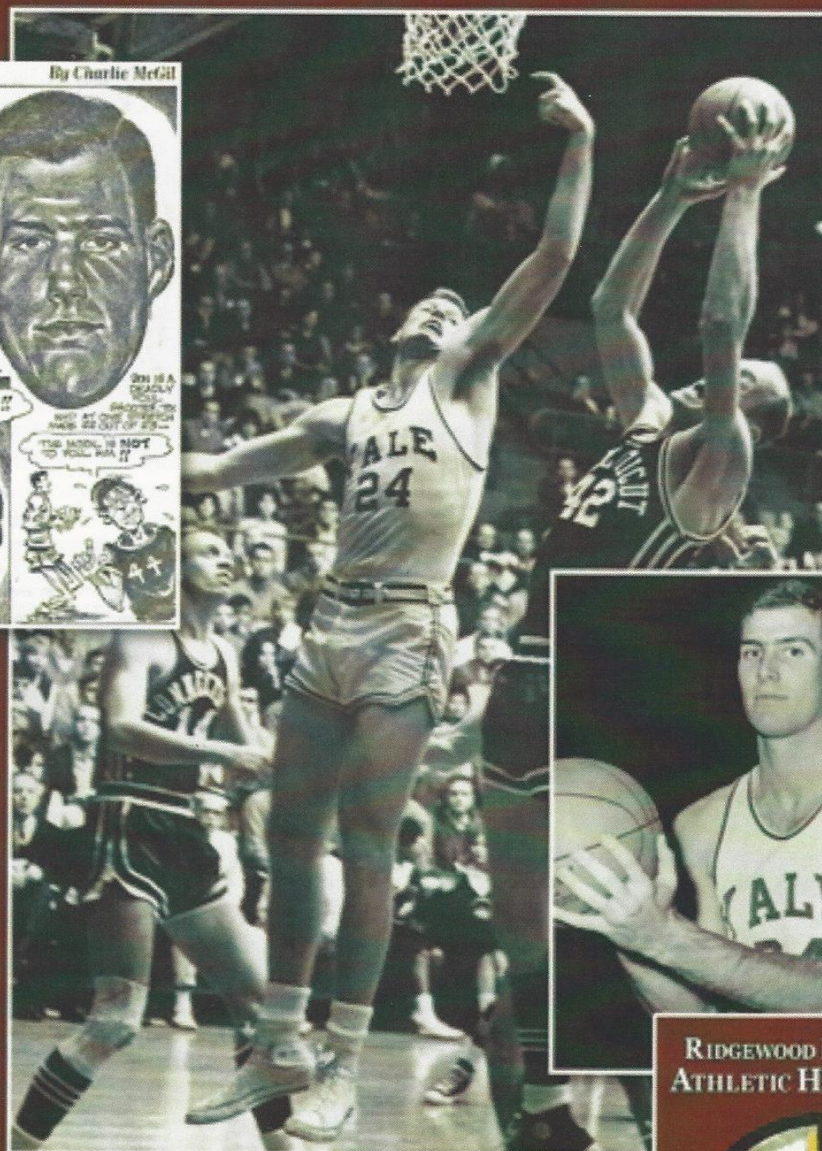
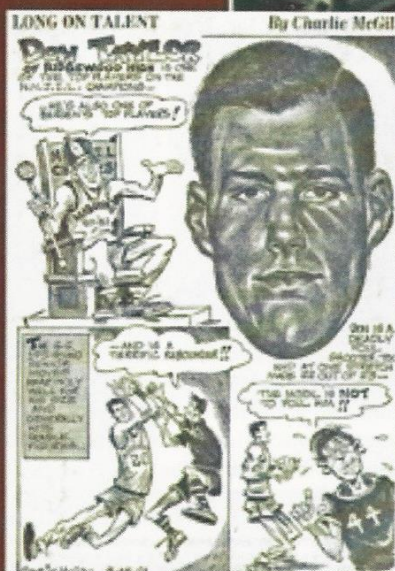
The names of the stars of the time were Earle Hopper (Capt) Fullback, Peter Pagano Left End, William Runk Quarterback and the afore mentioned Parnell Feeney at Left Halfback. The rest of the starting lineup included Peter Westerhoff at Left Tackle, James Hubbard at Left Guard, Stanley Todd at Centre, Edgar Knowlton at Right Guard, June Paul at Right Tackle, Benjamin Sloat at Right End and Lovett Keyser at Right Halfback. Substitutes were Williams, Edgar Knowlton, Benjamin Sloat, John McKensie, Lorne Waddell, Harold Wandless and William McCready. Harold Cheel and Stan Wardell were the team managers.

As quoted in the Ridgewood Herald "A better record than this has never been attained by a high school team of Ridgewood." For setting the standard of play as Ridgewood's finest athletic team of the time and for reflecting the willingness of spirit and character to achieve, which we now refer to as Ridgewood's "Tradition of Excellence", we proudly induct the 1913 Ridgewood High School Football Team into the Ridgewood High School Athletic Hall of Fame.

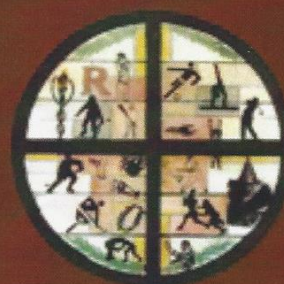


# DON TAYLOR

## BASKETBALL



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CLASS OF 1961  
INDUCTED 2014



## DONALD TAYLOR, CLASS OF 1961

### BASKETBALL

Ridgewood High School has long been known for its student athletes and the "Tradition of Excellence" they have created both academically and athletically. Donald Taylor is one of the special student athletes that walked the halls of RHS. He competed on the hardwood for the Maroons and went on to great athletic and academic success in college. Don then went on to a very successful business career. Being one of the best basketball players in RHS history has propelled him into the Ridgewood High School Athletic Hall of Fame,

A 1961 graduate of Ridgewood High, Taylor was one of the most accomplished basketball players in Maroon's history. A three-year starter for the Maroon's in an era where freshman did not play varsity, the 6'6" center led Ridgewood to the NNJIL Championship under Hall of Fame football coach Frank Mozeleski. This was Mozeleski's only basketball title at RHS. The Maroons finished 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Bergen County Jamboree in both Taylor's junior and senior years, including a tough 60-54 loss in OT to Bergenfield in the 1961 final.

Taylor was not best known for scoring, but for his rebounding, defense and ability to block shots. He was incredibly adept at using his size to create openings for other players as Ridgewood finished the regular season at 16-1 his senior year. At the conclusion of his senior year where he captained the Maroons, Taylor was named First Team all NNJIL, First Team all Bergen County and Honorable Mention All-State.

Taylor was recruited by Duke, West Point, and Navy before he chose to accept a full Navy ROTC scholarship to Yale. He played three varsity years for the Bulldogs where he was named captain of the team his senior year and finished with a 39-30 career record playing against some of the best teams in the country. Highlights of his Yale career include a Co-Ivy league championship with the Bill Bradley-led Princeton Tigers in 1964. Don also faced great competition while playing at Yale seeing the likes of a Cazzie Russell led Michigan squad, Rick Barry's University of Miami squad and UNC with Billy Cunningham with first year coach Dean Smith. Don also matched up against a strong UCLA team that included Walt Hazard, Gail Goodrich, and Keith Erickson, the year legendary coach John Wooden won his first NCAA title.

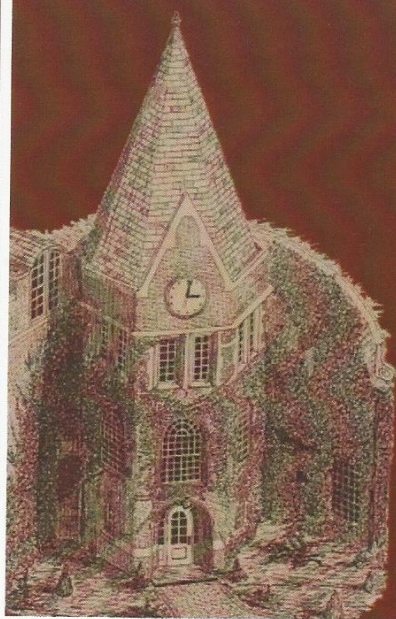
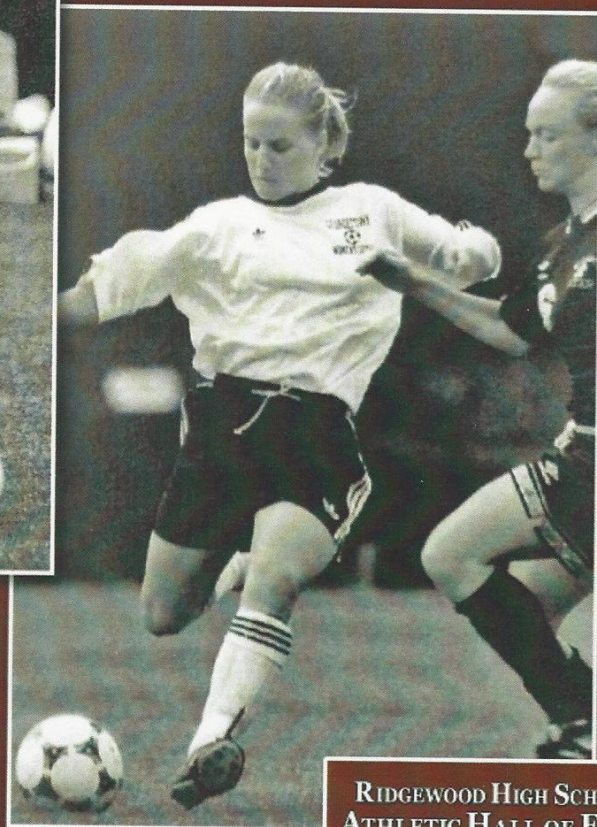
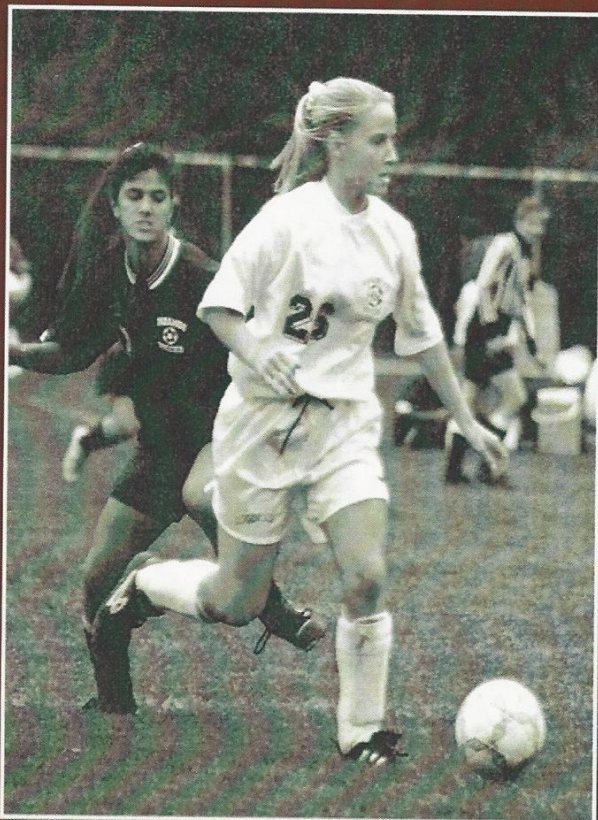
After graduating from Yale, Don was commissioned into the U.S. Marine Corps as a regular officer in the summer of 1965. During his time as a Marine he competed on the Quantico Marine basketball team, which was used as a recruiting tool for the Marine Corps. After being honorably discharged in 1969 as a Captain, Taylor attended Harvard Business School and gained his MBA in 1971. He accepted a job with commercial real estate development company, Trammel Crow, and spent his entire career there.

Over the years, Ridgewood High School has produced many great student athletes and many people who are very successful in their chosen profession. Don Taylor excelled in the classroom and on the hardwood for Ridgewood High School and Yale University. He honored his country with four years of service in the United States Marine Corps and he earned an MBA from Harvard Business School. It is alumni like Don Taylor who have made an everlasting mark on the academics and athletics at RHS. In conclusion, it is Don's kind of dedication to success in and out of the athletic arena that make us so proud of our well balanced "Tradition of Excellence" and make Donald Taylor very worthy of induction into the Ridgewood High School Athletic Hall of Fame.



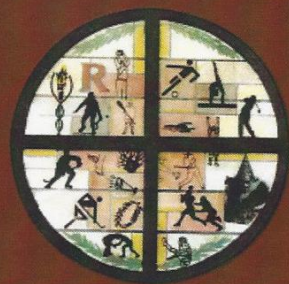
# RACHEL GRYGIEL

## SOCCER



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INDUCTED 2014**

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## RACHEL GRYGIEL, CLASS OF 1993

### WOMEN'S SOCCER

In 1992 Ridgewood High School head girls soccer coach Jeff Yearling stated for a newspaper article that "Rachel Grygiel is every coach's dream and every opponent's nightmare"! Truer words have never been spoken about an athlete that has been inducted into the RHS Athletic Hall of Fame or any hall of fame for that matter. Beyond her productivity on the pitch, Rachel Grygiel reflected the complete embodiment of the term student athlete. While her exploits on the field were being looked at in amazement, her desire to achieve academically and to serve her community reflected the same passion and desire she brought to the field each day.

Strong in stature and character, no one was going to beat Rachel physically nor would they be able to out think or finesse her. Rachel worked very hard to maximize her technique and skill on the ball and became a master strategist in applying her skill to the tactical situations she faced during competition. Rachel usually won her individual battles, but most importantly she used her individual capabilities to raise the level of her team's ability to win by raising the level of her teammates. She would do this by exerting a "never give in" attitude that presented itself through her gritty determination to find a way to succeed. To describe Rachel as being a coach's dream is meant to reflect her unselfish attitude about putting team above self. Rachel would play anywhere at any time if she felt it contributed to the teams capability to win.

Spending most of her playing time as a central midfielder and part time forward, Rachel in her senior season (after an injury to a key team member half way through the season) volunteered to move to central defense to help shore up the RHS back line. She emphatically embraced the teams' philosophy "that if your opponents can't score they can't win" With Rachel leading the charge, the 1992 team amassed 20 wins against 3 losses with 1 tie. They were league and state sectional champions, losing a trip to the county finals on a last second goal vs. Northern Highlands with 32 seconds remaining. The same kind of fate awaited the team in the state semi final loss to Westfield on a goal scored with six seconds remaining in overtime. That team which Rachel led as a co Capt. finished ranked #8 in the state and held the #17 ranking nationally during the season.

Over the course of Rachel's four varsity seasons at RHS the team became a prominent force in the Bergen County and New Jersey High School soccer scene. Rachel Grygiel helped four RHS varsity teams to four League (NNJIL) titles with an undefeated league record of 57-0-2 while amassing an overall record of 66-10-2. She contributed to Ridgewood's first state sectional championship in 1989 (a thrilling 1-0 victory vs. Kearny) and a second state sectional championship in 1992 with a significant 4-0 victory vs. Immaculate Heart Academy. The 1991 team reeled off 20 consecutive wins (still a record at RHS) before losing a heart breaking "first" county final 2-1 to Northern Highlands. In 78 matches played while Rachel was a member of the Maroons ladies soccer squad, the team outscored its opposition by over 400 goals with 444 scored for RHS and 40 scored against. The team compiled 54 shutouts in the 78 matches due in part to the team's defensive tenacity that Rachel helped engrain as a matter of pride. Never letting her personal ambitions over shadow the team, Rachel always showed complete humility when it came to her individual accolades. Over all Rachel is ranked #5 on the all time scoring list for Ridgewood with 71 goals scored to go along with 44 assists. She was named first team All NNJIL (when it was a twelve team league) three times, First team All Bergen County Twice in 1991 and 1992 as a midfielder, Named to the New Jersey Girls Soccer Coaches Association First team all state in 1991 and First team all North Jersey in 1992. She was named to the National Soccer Coaches Association of America Regional All American team in 1991 and selected in December of 1999 to the Bergen Records All 20<sup>th</sup> Century team as a midfielder.

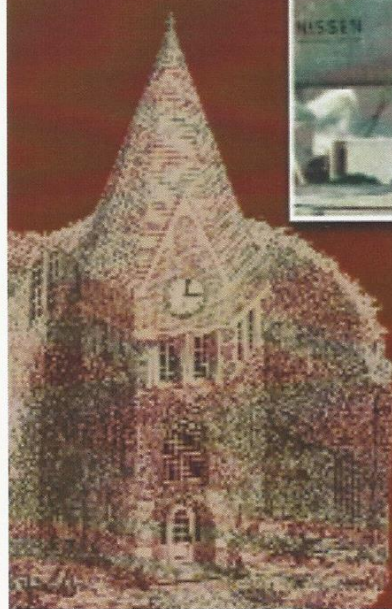
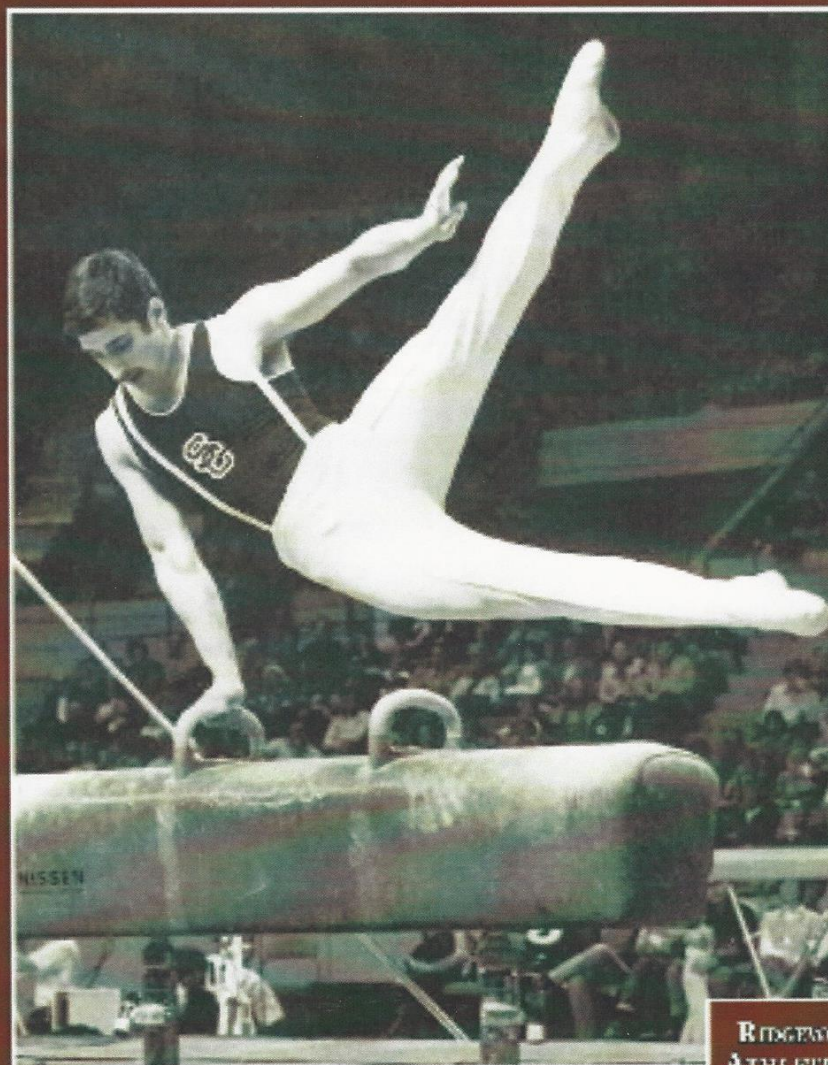
Upon graduation from RHS Rachel made her way to American University and then transferred to Georgetown University. She received her BA as a history major from their college of Arts and while at Georgetown she was a member of the women's Div 1 soccer team. She co captained that team during the 1996 season and was awarded the Big East's "Defensive Player of the Week Award" during that season. She continued her education at St. Peters College receiving her Masters Degree in Public School Administration. Rachel went on to work three seasons 2002-2005 as an asst. women's soccer coach at Stevens Institute of Technology, helping it gain its first NSCAA post season appearance. Like so many of our RHS Hall of Fame Inductees, Rachel has also been on the cutting edge of outstanding work experiences.

From June 1998 until February 2001, she was the production coordinator for ABC News Nightline with Ted Kopel. Starting in September 2001 Rachel began a professional career as a Social Studies teacher and Digital Media Coordinator at Hoboken High School in Hoboken New Jersey. In 2011 she was one of four teachers honored nationally by Princeton University for excellence in teaching. In conclusion, Rachel Grygiel is a winner and champion by every definition of those words and is, by example, a beacon for others to follow. She is a great example of Ridgewood's proud "Tradition of Excellence" and an outstanding addition to the Ridgewood High School Athletic Hall of Fame



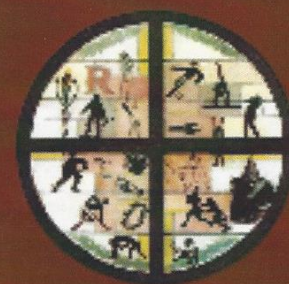
# JOHN CERF

## GYMNASTICS



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## JOHN CERF, CLASS OF 1976

### BOYS GYMNASTICS

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Not knowing if his son was going to get back on track or not, their worries were curtailed when John met Ridgewood Hall of Fame Gymnastics Coach Tony Napier. John recalls seeing Tony doing a handstand on top of some playground equipment was impressed by him, and recognized him when he showed up to run an after school gymnastics program at Ben Franklin High School. *Along with Coach Napier, John was influenced by his neighbor and son. The father was Dominic Nizza and his son, John, was very interested in gymnastics, especially the Pommel Horse.*

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Unfortunately just two years after John completed his great run as a gymnastics athlete at RHS, the program was dropped and shortly after, the sport was dropped by the state of New Jersey (NJSIAA) as a sport recognized for state championship recognition for boys. Today the girls gymnastics program still exists at RHS, but only a handful of schools continue to support the sport at the interscholastic level. John went on to Springfield College and competed on the gymnastics team his freshman year and was a member of the 1977 I Div II National Championship team at Springfield specializing on the pommel horse. Unfortunately an injury knocked John out of his sophomore season at Springfield and at the end of that year decided to take a break from the rigors of college life to become a New Jersey State Trooper!

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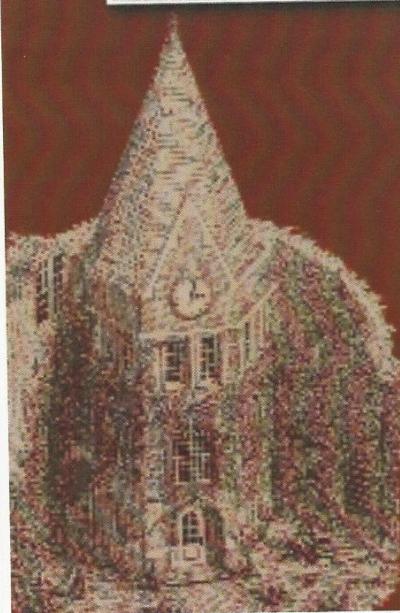
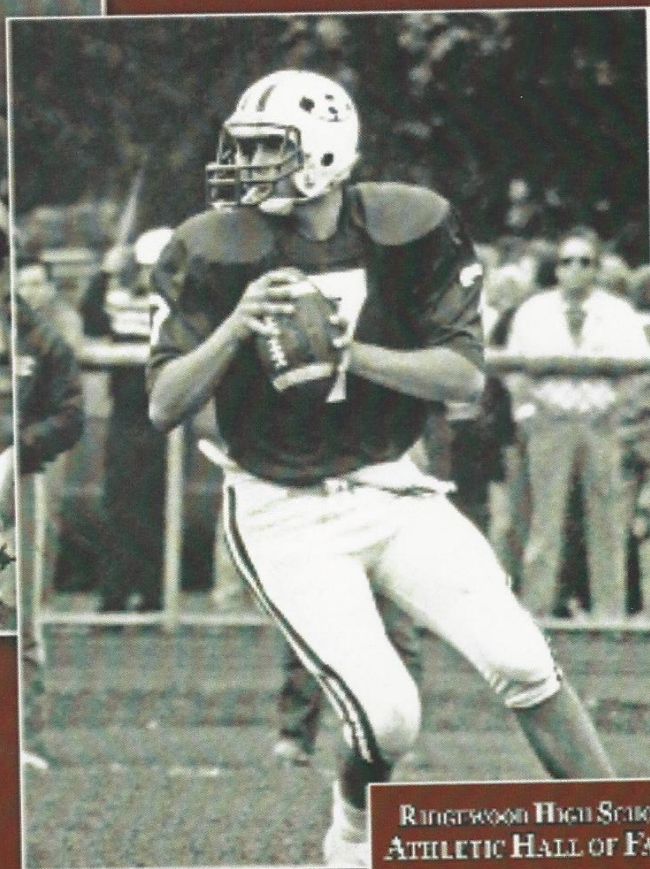
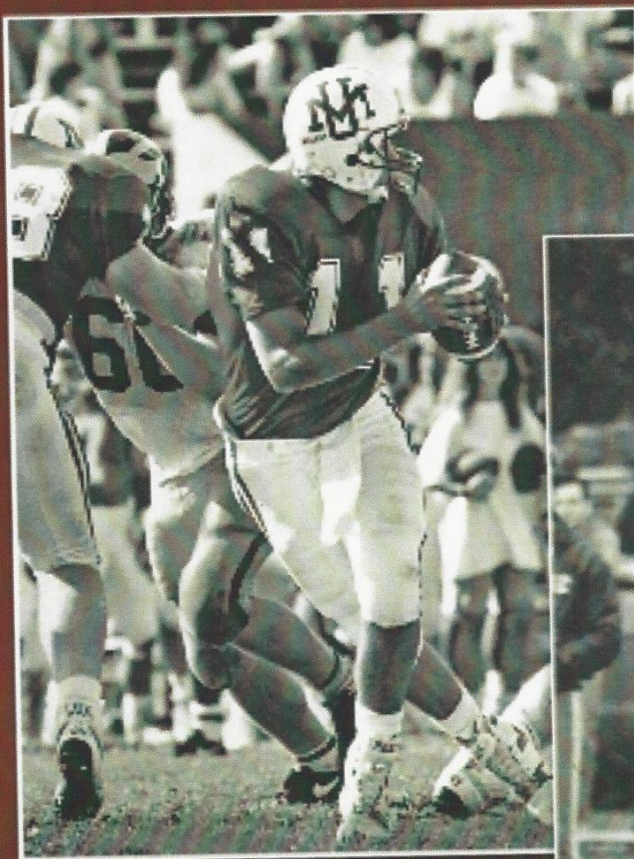
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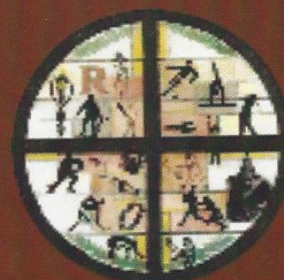
# PAUL TORNATORE

## FOOTBALL



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## PAUL TORNATORE, CLASS OF 1987

### FOOTBALL

Ridgewood High School has competed in the sport of football for over 100 years, having fielded its first team in 1908. In all of those years through all of those games, through wins and losses and the occasional tie, no one in RHS history has thrown the football for more yards or more touchdowns than Paul Tornatore. Competing for the Maroons in the mid 1980's, before the invention of spread offenses, the option read and rule changes that have turned the sport into something "old-timers" might not recognize, Tornatore put together the two greatest passing seasons in Ridgewood Football history. The fact that his records still stand today, over 25 years since they were set, is what makes Paul Tornatore such a worthy inductee into the Ridgewood H.S. Athletic Hall of Fame.

Tornatore took over the controls of the Ridgewood offense in the fall of 1985, his junior year, and completed 94 of 166 attempts for 1,483 yards and 18 touchdowns establishing a new single season passing standard for Maroon QB's. He followed up his record setting year with an even better senior season completing 113 of 196 attempts (57.7%) for 1,748 yards and 19 touchdowns as the Maroons finished the season 9-1. For his career, Tornatore threw for a total of 3,231 yards and 37 touchdowns which both still stand as school records as does his 362 passing attempts and his 207 career completions. His 58% career completion percentage puts him second on the All-Time List to Dan Burns and who guided the Maroons to a State Championship in 1991.

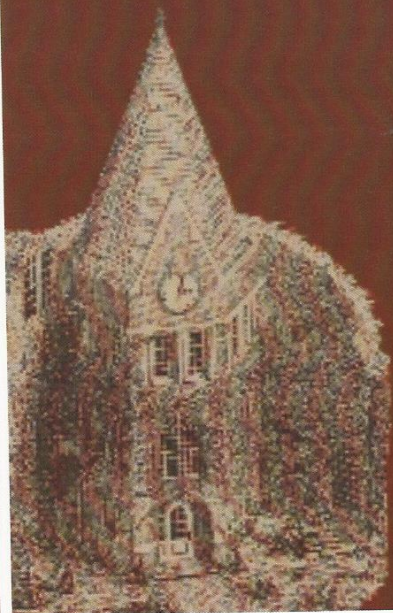
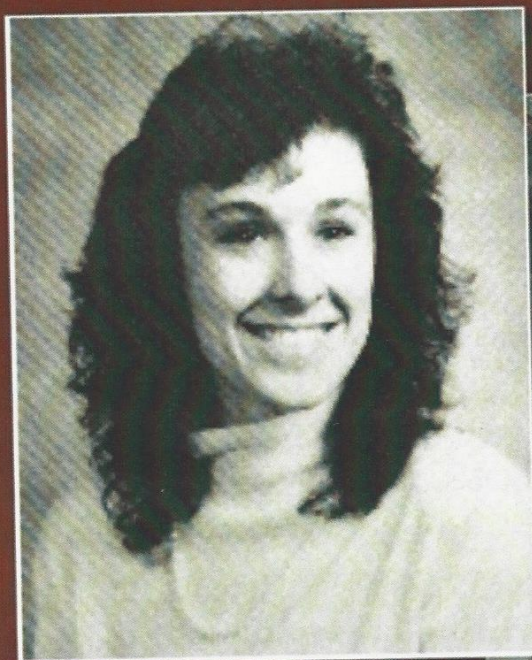
Tornatore's individual accomplishments helped lead Ridgewood to great heights as a team. An 8-2 record as a junior including big wins over Bergen Catholic, Paramus Catholic and Don Bosco garnered Ridgewood a playoff berth. His senior season was as spectacular for the Maroons as it was for him. The team finished the regular season 8-0 including what should seem to be impossible today; a second straight year of wins against the parochial high schools including a 17-14 win over St. Joseph's, and consecutive wins over Paramus Catholic, Bergen Catholic and Don Bosco by Scores of 37-7, 28-6, and 42-7 respectively. For his efforts and accomplishments the 6'1" 190lb Tornatore was voted First-Team All-NNJIL, First Team All-Bergen County, unanimous First Team All-Area, and First Team All-State Group IV by the Star Ledger. He was also honored by the Bergen Record as the "Athlete of the Week" for his games against Bergen Catholic and Don Bosco. A solid four year career at UMASS followed his career at Ridgewood High School and Tornatore has continued to be involved in the sport as a coach in the Ridgewood Junior Football Association.

Many young men have played the role of signal caller for the Maroons over the years. Legendary names like Stroker, Van Yperen, and Hartung, as well as 1,000 yard passers like Strait, Biasi, and Bourke. Of course we also must recognize the recent young guns like Duran, Kaliades and Locke that have all stood behind center for Ridgewood, but none of the aforementioned came close to putting up the passing numbers of Paul Tornatore. It is those numbers and the success the Maroons enjoyed as a team during his time at quarterback for RHS football that makes Paul Tornatore a Ridgewood High School Hall of Fame Inductee class of 2014.



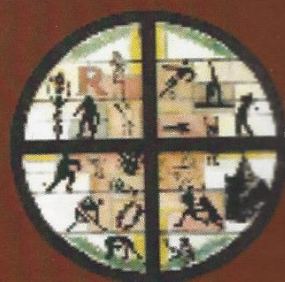
# MICHELE MARANGI

## TENNIS



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## **MICHELE MARANGI, CLASS OF 1984**

### **GIRLS TENNIS**

The Ridgewood High School girl's tennis program has a long and storied history of both individuals and teams leaving their marks in the RHS record books. Michele Marangi is an individual whose career set both individual and team records that have stood the test of time. A 1984 graduate of RHS, Michele was the leader of a program that won numerous championships as she compiled an individual 80-13 record over her four years competing for the Maroons.

During her freshman season in 1980-1981, she played First Team Doubles with Liz Luongo and in recognition of their efforts in helping Ridgewood win the NNJIL Championship they were voted First Team All-Bergen County at First Doubles.

Her sophomore year Michele jumped up to the very competitive First Singles slot and after competing against the very best singles players in the County and leading Ridgewood to an undefeated season in league play, she was voted Second Team All-Bergen County.

As a junior, Marangi led Ridgewood to the Group IV Section I State Championship from her First Singles position, won the William Paterson Tri-County Singles Tournament and was selected as the First Team All-Bergen County First Singles player.

She came back her senior year to captain the Maroons as they went undefeated in NNJIL play, and won the Group IV Section I Championship again, before losing in the New Jersey Group IV Finals. In recognition of her stellar season, she was once again selected for the First Team All-Bergen County tennis team at First Singles making her one of the few athletes in Bergen County history to be selected for the All-County Team four consecutive years.

After her graduation from Ridgewood High School and a year at Mary Washington, Michele transferred to Muhlenberg College where she competed for three years for the Mules. Her Muhlenberg career ended up being as impressive if not more impressive than her Ridgewood HS career as she compiled a 63-9 combined singles and doubles record including going 22-1 in 1986. She led Muhlenberg to three consecutive MAC Northeast Titles and MAC Northern Division Championships in 1986 and 1987. Marangi was the first player in program history to win an individual conference title including the MAC doubles crown in 1987 and the MAC singles title in 1988.

In recognition and in honor of her achievements, Michele was inducted into the Muhlenberg College Athletic Hall of Fame in 1996. Continuing a theme seen in many of the members of the Ridgewood High School Athletic Hall of Fame; Michele continues to be active in the sport of tennis as an instructor. Her many accomplishments on the tennis courts for RHS and Muhlenberg College, and her continued passion for her chosen sport of tennis make her a very worthy inductee into the Ridgewood High School Athletic Hall Of Fame in the Class of 2014.

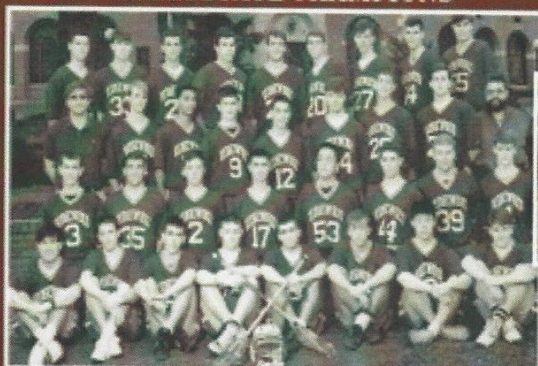


# RIDGEWOOD HIGH SCHOOL BOY'S LACROSSE

1990-1992

"STREAK OF 44"

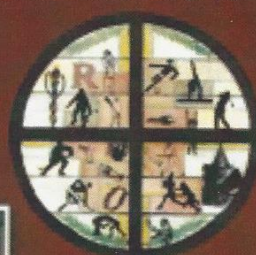
1990 • 16-1  
NJSIAA STATE CHAMPIONS



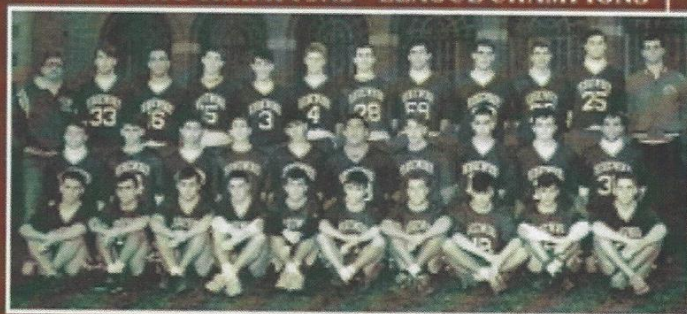
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1991 • 19-0  
NJSIAA STATE CHAMPIONS • LEAGUE CHAMPIONS

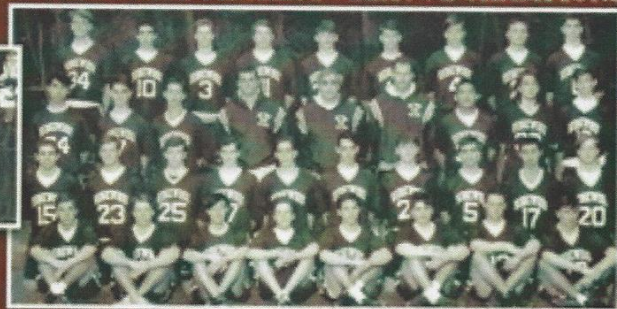


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1992 • 18-3  
NJSIAA STATE FINALIST • LEAGUE CHAMPIONS

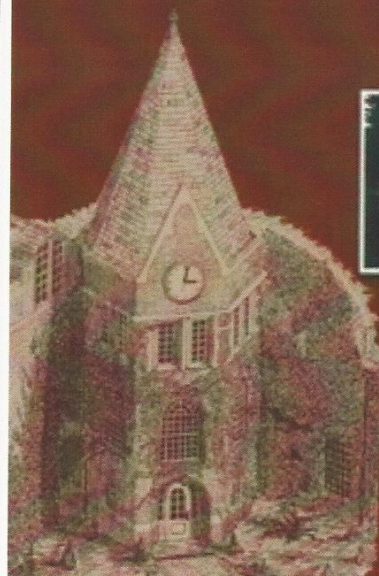


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## RIDGEWOOD HIGH SCHOOL BOYS LACROSSE of 1990-92

### "STREAK OF 44"

Seven Hundred and sixty five days. That's how long the Ridgewood High School Boys Lacrosse team went without a loss between 1990 and 1992. And in that span, a group of student-athletes, coaches and administrators made history and helped to change the athletic landscape in Ridgewood.

If people in Ridgewood were asked about the sport of lacrosse during the late 1980's, besides a host of blank stares, the best response might have been "Oh, is it that thing where kids run around throwing with butterfly nets?" But that was about to change.

In only its fifth year as a program, Ridgewood High School's lacrosse team showed signs of improvement. In 1989 the team was undefeated in the regular season and made the state playoffs for the first time. However, that was just the beginning of a rise to state and national recognition that would carry the reputation of Ridgewood High School lacrosse forward to the present day.

The 1990 team had high expectations for their season and going in to an early season match up with perennial state powerhouse Mountain Lakes, they would be tested. That afternoon Ridgewood was given a lacrosse lesson they would use as a means of inspiration, through humiliation, losing to Mountain Lakes 14-4. It was the last time Ridgewood would taste defeat for more than two years.

Over the next 25 months, the team would dominate the entire state, winning two league championships, two state championships and setting the record for most consecutive wins in the history of New Jersey lacrosse with a run of 44 victories in a row thereby creating what will ever be referred to in Ridgewood High School lacrosse history as the "The Streak of 44".

Head Coach Steve Jacobson and Assistant Coaches Bob Turco, Craig Chiesa and Bob Blakely built a powerhouse that won games over the course of the streak by an average score nearing 11 to 3. During "The Streak", the team scored 470 goals while only allowing 120. The team only trailed at half time once while never giving up double digit goals in any game. During "The Streak", Ridgewood produced 21 all-league players, 20 all-state players, 7 All-Americans and 2 New Jersey State players-of-the-year.

On May 3, 1992, when the streak finally came to an end, it wasn't just town or state news...it was national news with the *USA Today* reporting that the Ridgewood Boy's Lacrosse team had finally lost a game. But by that point, everyone in Ridgewood knew what lacrosse was and the rest of the state and the country knew what they would face whenever a Ridgewood lacrosse team stood across from them on a field in competition, a fierce desire to succeed and a burning desire for victory.

The 1990, 91 and 92 Teams would like to thank former Athletic Director Dave Vanderbush, past Ridgewood Junior Lacrosse Presidents Dave Fuhs, Mark Jackson, James Sullivan and former District Director of Health, Physical Education and Athletics Dave Marsh for their hard work and constant support.

The 1990-1992 RHS lacrosse teams embody what we recognize today as the Ridgewood High School "Tradition of Excellence" and rightly deserve their place as one of the great beacons of inspiration in the Ridgewood High School Athletic Hall of Fame.





# RHS HALL OF FAME CLASS OF 2004 INDUCTEES

**PAUL ARRIGONI**  
BASEBALL • FOOTBALL



CLASS OF 1933 • INDUCTED 2004

**PETE CAMPBELL**  
BASKETBALL



CLASS OF 1957 • INDUCTED 2004

**JACK VAN YPEREN**  
FOOTBALL • BASKETBALL • BASEBALL



CLASS OF 1968 • INDUCTED 2004

**OTIS GRENDLER**  
TENNIS COACH



1946 - 1963 • INDUCTED 2004

**GENE LINKS**  
FOOTBALL



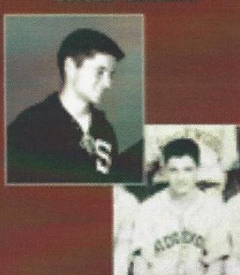
CLASS OF 1946 • INDUCTED 2004

**MARGARET SCUTRO**  
CROSS COUNTRY



CLASS OF 1985 • INDUCTED 2004

**TOM SIMOS**  
SOCCER • BASKETBALL



CLASS OF 1943 • INDUCTED 2004

**KAZBEK TAMBI**  
SOCCER



CLASS OF 1979 • INDUCTED 2004

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TRACK AND FIELD



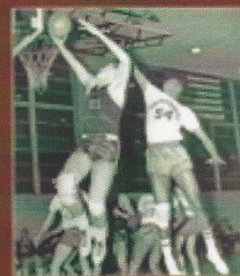
CLASS OF 1977 • INDUCTED 2004

**AIMEE MCGUIRE**  
BASKETBALL • SOCCER



CLASS OF 1994 • INDUCTED 2004

**DOUG COOK**  
BASKETBALL



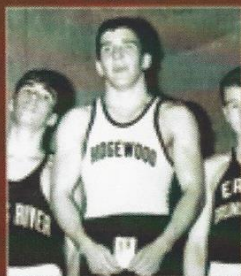
CLASS OF 1966 • INDUCTED 2004

**JODI HARTWIG**  
SOCCER



CLASS OF 1991 • INDUCTED 2004

**BOB WHITAKER**  
WRESTLING



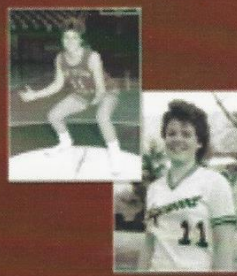
CLASS OF 1965 • INDUCTED 2004

**WALT PERDUE**  
FOOTBALL



CLASS OF 1949 • INDUCTED 2004

**DEBBIE O'CONNELL**  
BASKETBALL • SOFTBALL



CLASS OF 1985 • INDUCTED 2004





## RHS HALL OF FAME CLASS OF 2006 INDUCTEES

**BOB KEINO**

CROSS COUNTRY • TRACK & FIELD



CLASS OF 1994 • INDUCTED 2006

**CHARLES YENNIE**

COACH  
BASKETBALL • SOCCER • BASEBALL



1943-1950 • INDUCTED 2006

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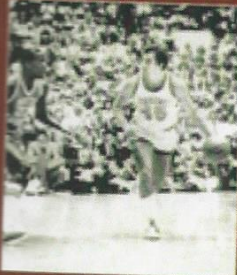
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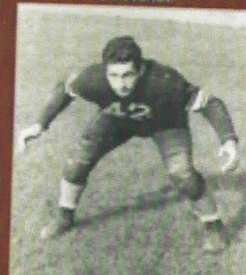
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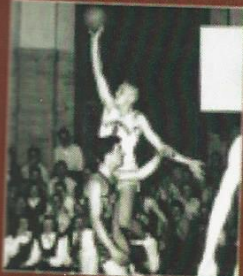
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BASKETBALL



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**CARIN CONE**

SWIMMING



CLASS OF 1938 • INDUCTED 2006

**DONNA O'CONNELL**

SOFTBALL • BOWLING



CLASS OF 1984 • INDUCTED 2006

**DON HALDYNE**

BASEBALL • BASKETBALL



CLASS OF 1942 • INDUCTED 2006





CLASS OF 1927 • ENROLLING 2008

CLASS OF 1981 • REQUESTED 2008

Class of 1976 • Inducted 2008

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**SPORTS WRITER • SPORTS EDITOR**  
 Pittsburgh Courier •  
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 Pittsburgh Evening News • 1974-1984  
 DIRECTOR 2008

Class of 1977 • Division 2000

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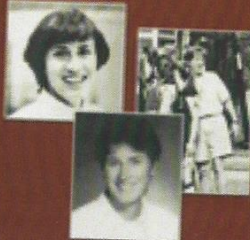
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BASKETBALL COACH 1936-1942



INDUCTED 2010

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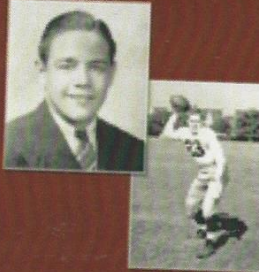
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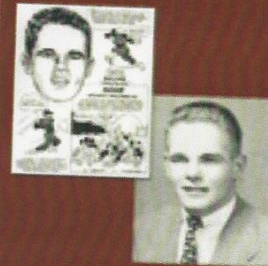
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CLASS OF 1939 • INDUCTED 2010

**BILL DUNNE**

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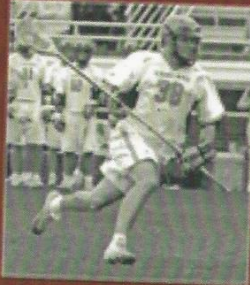
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CLASS OF 1995 • INDUCTED 2010

**MICHAEL CULVER**

LACROSSE



CLASS OF 2002 • INDUCTED 2010

**KEITH O'CONNOR**

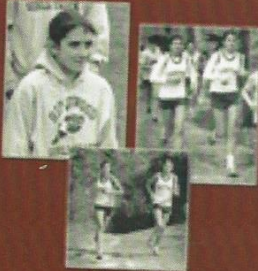
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CLASS OF 1994 • INDUCTED 2010

**PATTI MILESKI**

CROSS COUNTRY & TRACK



CLASS OF 1983 • INDUCTED 2010

**JOSH KAUK**

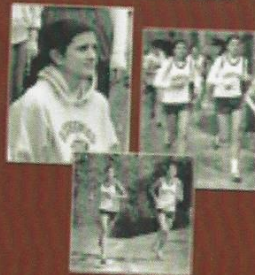
TRACK & FIELD



CLASS OF 2000 • INDUCTED 2010

**MARY ELLEN MILESKI**

CROSS COUNTRY & TRACK



CLASS OF 1983 • INDUCTED 2010





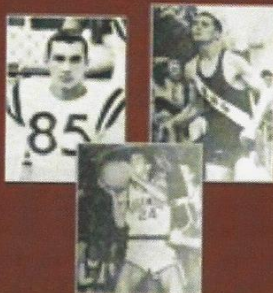
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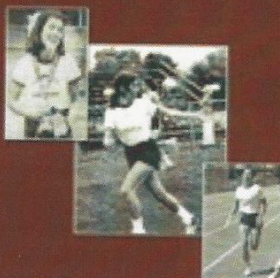
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FOOTBALL • BASKETBALL • TRACK



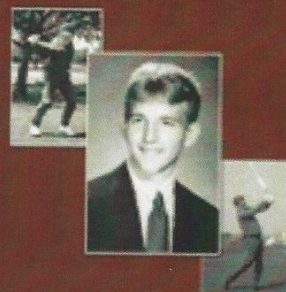
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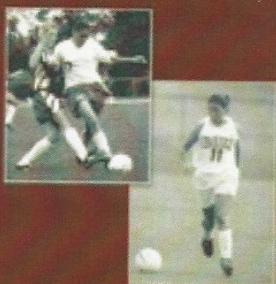
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GOLF



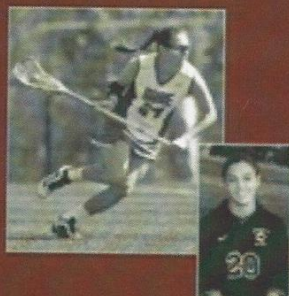
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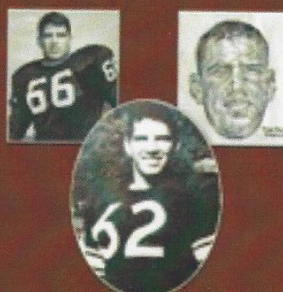
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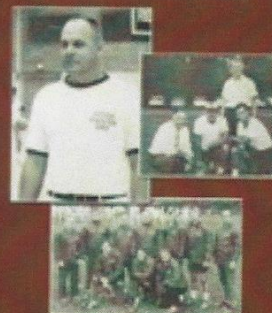
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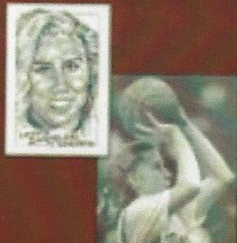
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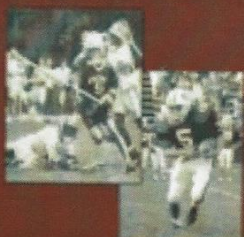
1959-1975 • INDUCTED 2012

**LINDA ZABIELSKI**  
BASKETBALL



CLASS OF 1981 • INDUCTED 2012

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LACROSSE • FOOTBALL



CLASS OF 1987 • INDUCTED 2012

**TRACK & FIELD**  
BEN, DOLY, OLIVER ERS 1954-1956



BENEFIT PAPER LEADERS CHAIRMAN  
1954-56

CLASS OF 1950 • INDUCTED 2012

**PATTY CAPASSO**  
GYMNASTICS



CLASS OF 1980 • INDUCTED 2012

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<b>1980 Lucia Cancelmo, Brian O'Callahan</b>	<b>1981 Cathy Crocco, Margaret Niemann, Gordon Young, Tom Hughes</b>	
<b>1982 Colleen Wright, William O'Leary</b>	<b>1983 Patricia Mileski, Mary Ellen Mileski, Robert Sullivan</b>	
<b>1984 Donna O'Connell, Roger Jones</b>	<b>1985 Debbie O'Connell, Margaret Scutro, Chris Sullivan</b>	
<b>1986 Kathy Brienza, Damian Ross</b>	<b>1987 Norine D'Arcy, David Herzig</b>	
<b>1988 Mary Ellen Foley, Scott McMurray</b>	<b>1989 Jennifer McDermott, Craig Halyard</b>	
<b>1990 Molly Hooper, TJ Crocker</b>	<b>1991 Jodi Hartwig, James Reilly</b>	
<b>1992 Sarah Grygiel, Dennis Sullivan</b>	<b>1993 Renee Pavelski, Mark Kossick</b>	
<b>1994 Aimee McGuire, Jenna Rogers, Bob Keino</b>	<b>1995 Kate Brunner, Kevin Brophy</b>	
<b>1996 Stephanie Doyle, Craig Myatt</b>	<b>1997 Jennifer Sielicki, Jamie Carifa</b>	
<b>1998 Celeste Sedo, Jay Landgraf</b>	<b>1999 Kate Ferguson, Meg McDermott, Tim McDonagh, James Ruhlen</b>	



## **Ridgewood High School Award for Excellence In Athletics - Continued**

2000 Kelly Behan, Andrew Clark	2001 Karen Seavers, Andrew Reenstra
2002 Clair Nowakowski, Tyler Rhoten	2003 Trisha McGowan, Rodolfo Crispin
2004 Justine Lupo, Jack Riley, Ari Zamir	2005 Paige Woodruff, Chuck Kaliades
2006 Ellen Seavers, Michael Cator, Byron Williams	2007 Cristina Law, Chelsea Steinberg, Randall DeFeo
2008 Elizabeth Donovan, Kate Michel, Nikola Mirkovic	
2009 Kelly Conheeneey, Kelly Hommen, John Freeman, Taizo Shigenobu	
2010 Samantha Cermack, Abby VanHorne, Thomas Devita	2011 Sarah Devita, Kyle Gibson, Insoo Hwang
2012 Courtney Tarleton, Kelci Smesko, Levi Jennings, Evan Bartlik	
2013 Lauren Beausoleil Noah Pounds	2014 Kelly Skettini, Jamal Locke



### **Hall of Fame Inductees who are also winners**

### **of the RHS Award for Excellence in Athletics**

(RECIPIENT WITH YEAR OF AWARD (GRADUATION) AND YEAR OF HOF INDUCTION)

**Earle Hopper, 1914-2014 and Peter Pagano, 1915-2014**  
 (Members of the "1913 Ridgewood Invincibles" Football Team)

<b>Henry Blauvelt, 1927-2008</b>	<b>Tom Dusel, 1962-2012</b>	<b>Margaret Scutro, 1985-2004</b>
<b>Paul Arrigone, 1933-2004</b>	<b>Jack VanYperen, 1968-2004</b>	<b>Damion Ross, 1986-2008</b>
<b>George Monro, 1939-2010</b>	<b>Renee DuFlon, 1976-2008</b>	<b>Jen McDermott, 1989-2008</b>
<b>Don Haldane, 1942-2006</b>	<b>Paul Ferraro, 1977-2006</b>	<b>Craig Halyard, 1989-2012</b>
<b>Tom Simos, 1943-2004</b>	<b>Amy Lyons, 1979-2010</b>	<b>Jodi Hartwig, 1991-2004</b>
<b>Gene Links, 1946-2004</b>	<b>Lucia Cancelmo, 1980-2008</b>	<b>Dennis Sullivan, 1992-2012</b>
<b>Bill Dunne, 1947-2010</b>	<b>Margaret Niemann, 1981-2008</b>	<b>Jenna Rogers, 1994-2006</b>
<b>Walt Purdue, 1949-2004</b>	<b>Pattie Mileski, 1983-2010</b>	<b>Aimee McGuire, 1994-2004</b>
<b>David Bain, 1956-2012</b>	<b>Mary Ellen Mileski, 1983-2010</b>	<b>Bob Kleino, 1994-2006</b>



# RIDGEWOOD HIGH SCHOOL

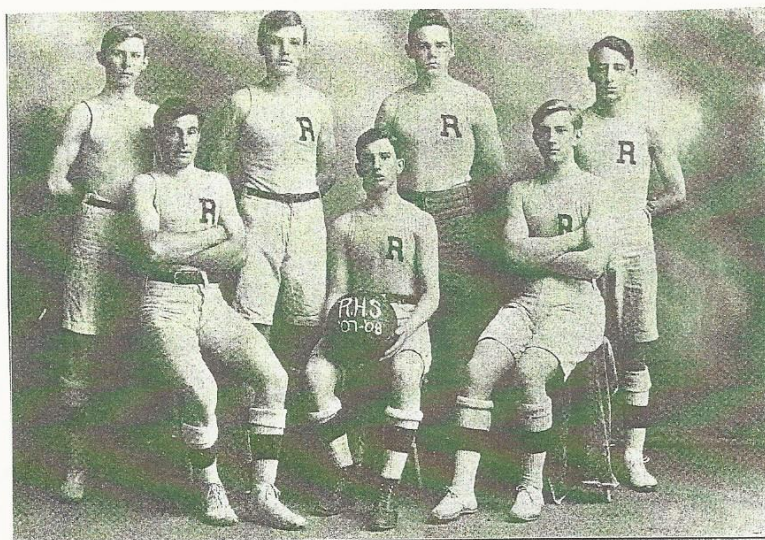
## BASEBALL TEAM, 1911



"For the first game, the Ridgewood team were faultlessly attired in their new suits which were cut decollete and up to date in every particular and so becoming!"

- *The Arrow*, 1911

## BASKETBALL TEAM, 1907-1908



Reading from the left, those standing are:

DeGarmo, sub, R. Iserman, r. f., J. Merrihew, sub, A. Nathan, l. g.

Those seated are: R. DeRichmond, r. g., W. Ransom, Captain, l. f., W. Coyle, c.





## **DID YOU KNOW ?**

### **Some RHS ATHLETIC HISTORY - Continued**

the written constitution of the Ridgewood High School Athletic Association (RAA) which was formed by the student body in 1913. The constitution was written sometime between 1913 and 1916. Article VIII Insignia Section 1 states "The colors of the Ridgewood High School are Maroon and White." Section 2 goes on to explain "The insignia of the Ridgewood High School are the letters R.H.S. maroon and white; the letter R. in white."

Interestingly our tradition of giving a star for second, third, and now fourth year varsity letters was formulated in the original RAA constitution.

Section 4 under Article VIII states: "Only one letter shall be awarded to any student during the course for any one sport. For each additional year in which it services the requirements of the insignia as heretofore stated, shall be awarded a star."

In 1911 a baseball team was formed for the first time since 1906. As stated in the "Arrow" 1911 spring quarterly "For the first game the Ridgewood team were faultlessly attired in their new suits which were cut décolleté and up to date in every particular and so becoming! However this fact did not help them on to victory for they met with a glorious defeat at the hands of the Ridgefield Park High School - which the score of 7-2 will show. This is not discouraging for with the able assistance of their new coach Dr. Whitney, and the enthusiasm the national game always inspires, and the necessary practice, they expect to reach satisfactory results in games that are scheduled for the future".

The first track meet was held at RHS June 6, 1913 which became an annual interclass (intramural) competition. There was a call to organize an interscholastic team for 1914. Records show that in the spring of 1914 a banner was won by RHS for defeating Paterson in a dual meet with each school having won a leg of a three meet competition, the next winner would be eligible to keep the banner.

A group of RHS athletes went to the Thirteenth Regimental Armory in Brooklyn on January 5, 1915 to compete for the Eastern Scholastic Championship. Practices were carried out through the winter months "In order to prepare for this and various other track meets". Further, "This practice will be for everybody because of the coming Interclass Meet and the Badge contest."

The first recorded soccer match at RHS took place October 27, 1918 with the freshman class defeating the sophomore class 2-0. The junior and senior classes also played, but no record of a score has been found. The elementary and intermediate schools competed in a highly organized inter school soccer league as far back as 1912, according to articles found in the Ridgewood Herald. They were divided into junior and senior levels of competition.





## **DID YOU KNOW ?**

### **Some RHS ATHLETIC HISTORY - Continued**

The Ridgewood Herald of December 17, 1914 reported that the Harrison Avenue School won the public school soccer championship at both the senior and junior levels. They were followed in the standings by the combined team (junior and senior level) of Beech Street & Union Street Schools then Kenilworth School and Monroe Street School. The Erie Avenue School did not participate because of low enrollment.

The March 19, 1914 edition of the Ridgewood Herald reported that money for a new soccer ball for the public school league was donated to Principal Brooks by a "spirited citizen" who saw the principal on the way to the train station, noting he had heard of the need for a new ball. The citizen wanted to remain anonymous for his kind deed.

After many years playing as a minor sport, soccer became a varsity sport in the fall of 1927. The sport was given major sport status after much discussion and an election by the RAA committee. As stated in the 1927 "Arrow" "The fine spirit of the squad certainly deserves this reward."

The first cross country meet at RHS was run on November 22, 1918. It was an interclass competition over a two and one half mile course with the finish on the football field (now located at RHS) before the crowd that had gathered to watch the home gridiron battle with Marist High School.

In 1915 the students of RHS had an intense fund raising campaign to complete the refurbishing of the new athletic field at RHS which is now the new field turf stadium. They surpassed their goal of raising \$1,500.00 reaching nearly \$1,600.00. The fund raising total was kept on a giant board resembling a thermometer in a location that is now Wilsey Square. The athletic field was purchased in 1913 and has been used ever since for Ridgewood High School Athletic contests. The first RHS team to use it was the football team for the 1913 season, even though RHS would not be open to students until May of 1919. It is clear at this time that the athletic field property, currently our high school stadium complex, was purchased as part of the property secured on East Ridgewood Avenue by the Board of Education in 1913 in hopes of constructing a new high school in the not too distant future. The property, not including the Stevens field site, was purchased from Captain Edwards at a cost of \$30,000.00.

Prior to the purchase of the athletic field location that is now on the west side of the high school, a large field was often used for athletics which was owned by the Masons and located approximately where the Masonic Temple is now, just off of South Maple Avenue. The Masons also owned a large field space across from the old golf club grounds, now present day Veterans Field, which was also used for sporting events. The old YMCA grounds and White Star AC grounds were often used for RHS athletic contests also.



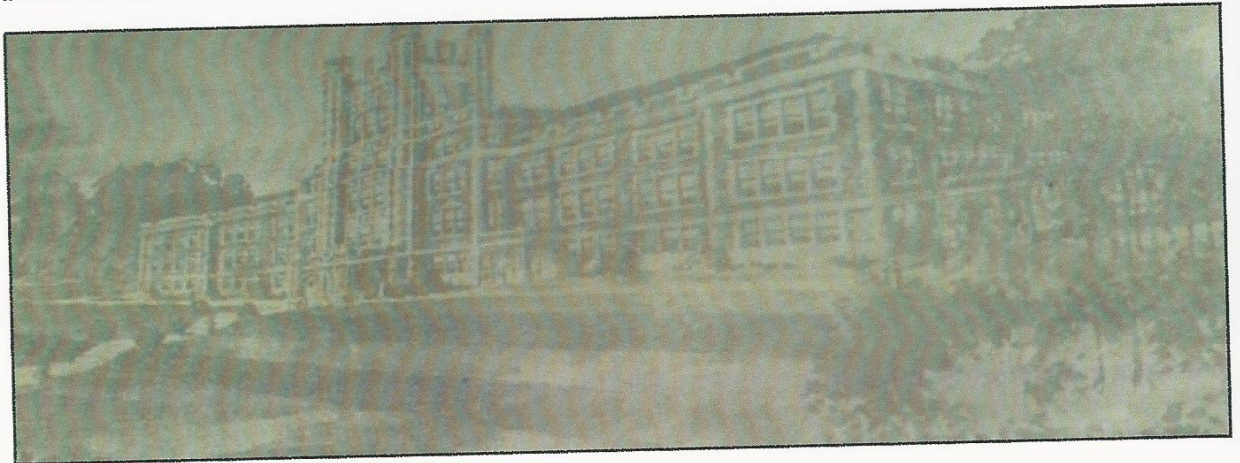


## THE RIDGEWOOD HIGH SCHOOL THAT NEVER WAS!

In March of 1915 it was proposed by the Ridgewood Board of Education to build a new Ridgewood High School on the property acquired by the Board of Education from a Captain Edwards in 1913. The Board had spent \$30,000 in purchasing the land "on the hill" that is now home to RHS bordering on East Ridgewood Avenue. The cost of the new high school structure would be \$225,000 to construct and promised to be a spectacular facility to bring great educational opportunity to all of the children of the village and the surrounding communities. (Ridgewood had students from Glen Rock, Paramus, Midland Park, HoHoKus, and beyond). The old high school (the current Ed Center) was becoming highly overcrowded and according to some, unsanitary. Portable classrooms were brought in, (much the same as we have done in the 1970's, 80's and 90's) and many in town argued that this was enough to solve the problem and wished to be spared the expense of having to spend for any new construction. Ridgewood was facing some significant financial burdens at the time.

Another faction argued that the Edwards property was unsuitable and pushed to have a vote on the acquisition of a new site called the "DeMund-Mastin option." That option would have put Ridgewood High School closer to the center of town with the high school property being bordered on the North by East Ridgewood Avenue, the South by Dayton Street and the West by Oak Street. To the East were the lands of David D. Zabriskie and the estate of John McCroden, putting the high school essentially on the site that once was the acreage that made up the old Archibald-Vroom farmstead. The asking price was \$62,000. In an editorial that appeared in the Ridgewood Herald dated November 18, 1915, EB Lilly, arguing in favor for the Edwards site, stated, "It has more over in the contiguity of a fine athletic field, one of the most potent factors in fostering that school spirit which is so important to the development of any high school or college." Debate raged for months when finally a committee of town leaders and the women of the community brought the issue to a head in January of 1916. In one of the largest turn outs for a vote in the town's history to that point, the proposal to purchase the DeMund-Mastin tract was defeated by a total of over 1,100 against to 70 for. The Edwards's property purchased in 1913 was declared the site that the new high school would be built on.

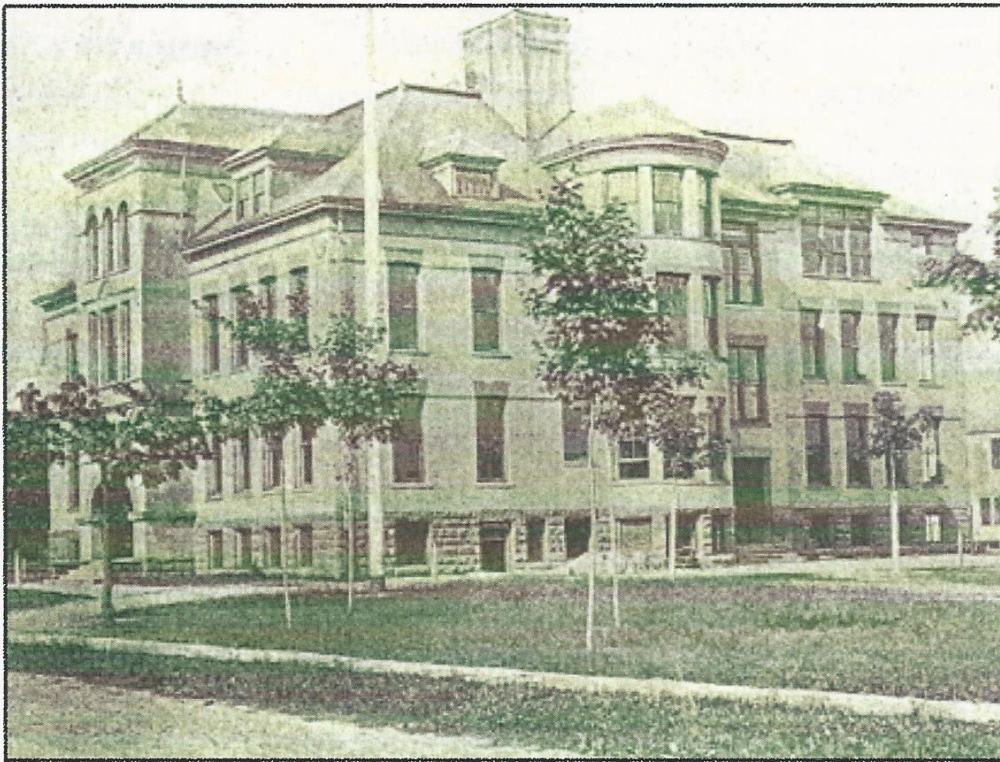
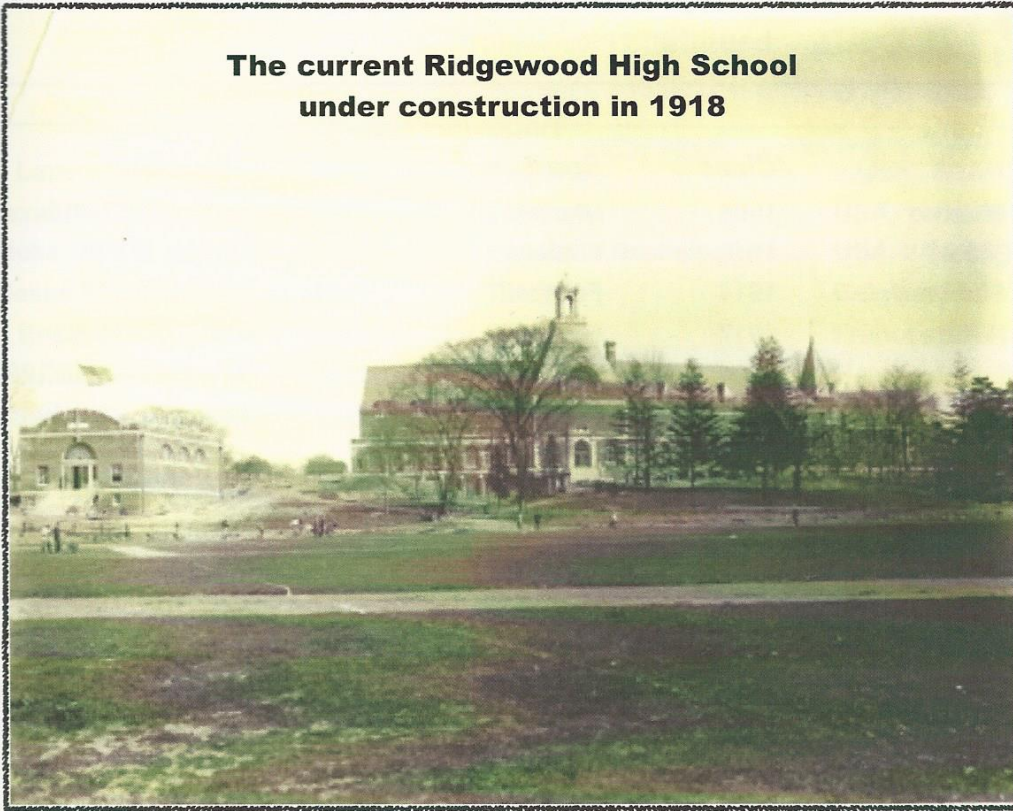
In a vote that followed a few weeks later, the plan to build a new high school passed by nearly a 4 to 1 ratio. A new architectural firm was chosen from over forty submissions. The firm of Tracey L. Swartwout of New York was awarded the job. The firm had recently designed the plans for the new state capitol building in Missouri. An amount equal to the original proposal to build the high school, \$225,000, was approved for the project by the Board of Education and the building we now know with its classic lines, tower, and large cupola was born. Classes began to occupy the new building in May of 1919.



Picture of Proposed Ridgewood High School from "The Ridgewood Herald " dated March 18, 1915

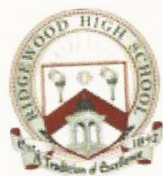


**The current Ridgewood High School  
under construction in 1918**



**The old Ridgewood High School (current Ed Center)**





## RIDGEWOOD HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS

### Supreme Roll of Honor

<i>Name</i>	<i>Class</i>	<i>Sport</i>	<i>Died</i>
Lindley deGarmo	1908	Basketball	England, 2/16/18
Peter W. Ebbert	1913	Football	France, 8/7/18
James R. Hubbard	1914	Football	USA, 12/23/18
Ulmont A. White	1917	Football	USA, 9/28/18
Stephen K. Roos	1924	Soccer	New Guinea, 10/12/43
George T. Starck	1925	Track, Football, Basketball (Captain)	Australia, 9/23/43
Walter W. Jackson	1929	Basketball	USA, 7/8/43
Joseph E. Bowen	1930	Soccer, Track	Germany, 11/23/44
Howard Holmes Ford, Jr.	1930	Tennis	France, 7/10/44
Richard A. Dwenger	1931	Tennis, Track, Soccer	Italy, 10/10/43
William Todd Campbell	1934	Football, Track	Buka Pass, 1/8/44
Albert Montick	1935	Baseball	England, 12/29/44
Robert D. Stockbower	1935	Football, Golf, Track, Wrestling, Swimming	USA, 11/18/43
David Ellsworth Himadi	1936	Track	Japan, 8/20/44
Howard Anthony Smith, Jr. (3)	1936	Football (Captain), Track, Golf	Italy, 11/1/43
Edward A. Taylor	1936	Track, Baseball	Germany, 2/7/45
Edward Leonard Vanderbeck	1936	Soccer	Wakde Island, 5/14/44
Charles McDermott	1937	Basketball	North Sea, 7/28/43
William M. Smyser	1937	Soccer, Baseball	Italy, 12/19/43
William G. Bavin	1938	Football (Captain)	Holland, 9/18/44
Charles J. Haeberle (2)	1938	Baseball	Italy, 3/18/44
Frank Hamilton	1938	Soccer	Germany, 11/30/44
Christopher Lambert	1938	Track	USA, 10/7/42
Harley Benton Lewis, Jr.	1938	Track	USA, 10/7/43
William Sprague	1938	Football, Track	USA, 7/18/46
Walter F. Livingston, III	1939	Football (Captain)	Guam, 7/21/44
Donald W. Maddox	1939	Soccer	Germany, 11/30/44
John Mansfield Mason	1939	Track, Football	Burma, 8/15/45
Charles Victor McHenry	1939	Track	Okinawa, 6/16/45
George Cotton Munroe, Jr.	1939	Track	Germany, 4/6/45
Alan R. Clarke	1940	Football, Track, Golf	N. Atlantic, 3/2/43
Davis H. Dunn	1940	Soccer	Pacific, 6/18/44
Elwood H. Hearne	1940	Track, Soccer	Philippines, 4/28/45



## RIDGEWOOD HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS

### Supreme Roll of Honor - Continued

<i>Name</i>	<i>Class</i>	<i>Sport</i>	<i>Died</i>
Richard S. Lane	1940	Football	Japan, 8/15/45
George Alexander Tatosian	1940	Football	USA, 11/19/43
Betty Jo Hicks	1941	Baseball, Basketball	USA, 8/25/46
Walter J. Neske	1941	Track	Belgium, 9/13/44
Richard K. Robb (5)	1941	Football	France, 10/8/44
William R. Burnett	1942	Soccer, Tennis	Hawaii, 4/03/44
William R. Estell	1942	Baseball, Basketball, Soccer (Captain)	USA, 5/17/53
William Ralph Francis	1942	Football	USA, 9/27/44
Donald C. Haldane (4) (photo below)	1942	Baseball (Captain), Soccer Basketball (Captain)	USA, 7/3/44
Thomas L. Hawkins	1942	Football, Track	Italy, 3/7/44
Jeremy Leonard	1942	Football, Track	Germany, 11/16/44
John James Brickell	1943	Golf	Germany, 2/20/45
Richard H. Condo (6)	1943	Football, Baseball,	Italy, 4/14/45
Frank J. Roehrenbeck, Jr.	1943	Track	At sea, 7/18/50
David James Gunster	1944	Football	Vietnam, 6/6/68
Donald B. Koukol	1944	Track	Italy, 4/22/45
Lansing P. Shield	1947	Tennis	USA, 11/1/48
Jack Neil Moore	1948	Football, Track	USA, 5/28/54
William Ward Nichols, Jr.	1955	Track	Vietnam, 10/4/65
Peter Fransson Russell	1958	Football, Swimming	Vietnam, 5/23/69
Jay Julius Schmid	1960	Soccer	Vietnam, 12/7/68
Charles "Ken" Harvey	1962	Soccer	Puerto Rico, 12/18/68
Jon H. Holley	1963	Track	Germany, 8/4/68
Gerald T. Ramsdell	1981	Track (Captain, Soccer	Persian Gulf, 11/11/88



Don Haldane, US Navy Pilot  
RHS Class of 1942  
Hall of Fame Inductee, 2006

- 1) Team captains are mentioned above.
- 2) Charles Haeberle ('38) also pitched well in the service.
- 3) Howard Smith ('36) also was on the high school Polo team.
- 4) Donald Haldane ('42) was scouted by the New York Giants baseball team.
- 5) RHS still presents the Richard Robb ('41) Trophy to the best Senior lineman. *See article on following page.*
- 6) Dick Condo ('43) is said to have punted a football 70 yards. For many years after the war, the Dick Condo Trophy was presented to the winner of the annual Turkey Day game against Fair Lawn.



# 'The epitome of all good virtues'

BY CHRISTOPHER STOUT  
Correspondent

As football season at Ridgewood High School gets under way, take a moment to read about an RHS football star from 73 years ago whose name comes back year after year.

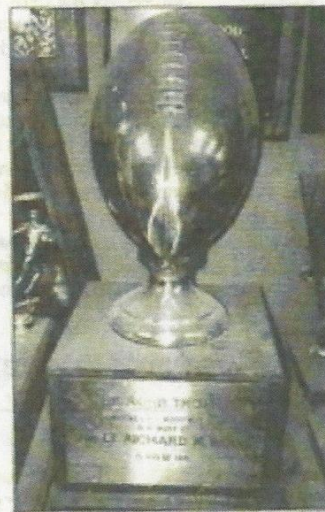
A few of Ridgewood's 113 Honored Dead have been memorialized by friends and family so that even to this day we recognize their gifts and their sacrifice. One such memorial was created in the name of Richard Robb and is valued to this day.

Sometimes known as Roscoe, Robb lived at 12 E. Ridgewood Ave. and 334 Prospect St. His only brother died in 1934. He attended elementary school in Ridgewood, was a Boy Scout and was active in the High School League at West Side Presbyterian Church. He also worked an afternoon job at a local Texaco Station.

Before graduating from RHS in 1941 he was in the Willow Club, played the trumpet in the swing band, acted in the junior play and was on the music committee for the senior prom.

A lineman on the football team, his football coach later said, "Richie was the epitome of all good virtues. He was an aggressive football player who ran like a deer."

Roscoe went to Virginia Tech and later to Lafayette College to study engineering. While there, he was a member of Phi Delta Theta fraternity. He joined the service and received his aerial gunner's wings at Ellington Field in Laredo, Texas in October 1943 and his commission at



The Robb Football Trophy at Ridgewood High School, named after Second Lt. Richard Robb (far left), is presented to the outstanding varsity lineman upon the player's graduation in June.

PHOTOS COURTESY OF CHRISTOPHER STOUT

the Bombardier Quadrangle School in Childress, Texas on Feb. 26, 1944.

He was then assigned to Barksdale Field in Shreveport, La. Two months later, on April 15, 1944, he married June Gorham, his RHS classmate, in the Post Chapel at Barksdale Field. Three months later, he was best man at the marriage of another eventual Ridgewood casualty, Ronnie Helps.

As a member of the 584th Bomber Squadron, 394th Bomb Group Medium (9th AAF), he moved overseas in late August 1944. Flying the B-26 "Marauder" and the Douglas A-26 "Invader," the 394th hit strong points at Brest and then began to operate against targets in Germany. Robb's "Marauder" was powered by two 2,000HP engines, manned by a crew of six, carried a bomb load of up to 5,200 pounds and was cus-

tomarily armed with 10 30- and 50-caliber machine guns.

In October 1944, a revised interdiction program targeted rail lines further to the east and required attacks by all 4 Tactical

Air Commands of the 9th AF, with support from the British 2nd Tactical AF. More than 300 B-26s and A-20s, with fighter

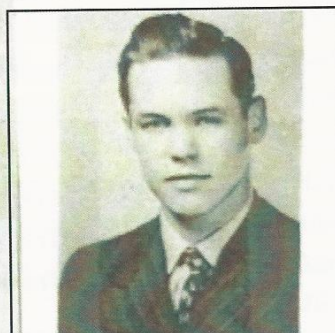
escort, hit strong points and bridges over wide areas of Eastern France and Western Germany.

Robb was engaged in low level bombing of railroad bridges and yards in the Rhine River Valley on their 138th mission. Flying out of Cambrai/Niergnies, France, Robb was killed Sunday, Oct. 8, 1944, when his B-26 col-

lided with another plane while landing upon return from a mission against the railroad bridge at Ahrweiler.

In 1983, his friends created the Robb Football Trophy at RHS, which is still presented to the outstanding varsity lineman upon the player's graduation in June. Roscoe is buried in Plot B, Row 20, Grave 71 at Epinal American Cemetery, Epinal, France.

At death, he was 21 years old.



RICHARD K. ROBB College Richie

Football Squad, 3; Varsity, 4; Willow Club, 3; 4; Capt. Junior Play; Music Committee, Senior Prom.

"As becomes a noble knight, was gracious to all ladies."



JUNE GORHAM

Undecided

Girls' Club, 2, 3, 4; Golf Club, 2; Decoration Committee, Junior Prom; Scenery Committee, Junior Play; Chairman, Decoration Committee, Senior Prom; Scenery Committee, Senior Play; Sewing Exhibit, 2, 3; Cabaret, 4.

"Always happy, full of fun,  
She's not disliked by anyone."



# 1940 FOOTBALL

Given very little chance at the outset of the 1940 season, the R.H.S. football team proved its mettle by becoming one of the best to represent the Maroon in recent years. Teamwork and good spirit marked its efforts in all games and lack of weight was more than overcome by its speed and aggressiveness.

Led by Co-captains Bill Moore, tackle, and Pete Brown, back, the Maroon went through six straight before suffering its first set-back. Leonia was defeated 13-7 in the opener in a game which showed the versatility of the veteran "pony" backfield. The following week, Hackensack was defeated for the first time since 1936 by the score of 13-0. In the third game, Ridgewood was forced to come from behind in the last five minutes in order to tie Lodi 6-6. The Maroon continued its unbeaten way in its fourth encounter with Hawthorne 18-0 but was again forced to come from behind in its game with Lyndhurst, which finally ended 6-6. On Election Day, Passaic Valley, a new opponent, was soundly trounced 39-0. Pompton Lakes brought the undefeated string to an end by decisively trimming the Maroon 27-7,

but some prestige was retained as this was the first touchdown ever scored by Ridgewood against Pompton. Ridgewood continued its slump against Clifford Scott and lost 31-13. Some consolation may be had over these defeats since both teams which defeated Ridgewood were later awarded State Championships. The annual Thanksgiving Day game ended the season successfully as Westfield was defeated 18-0.

Pete Brown, Frank Bradley, Don McCullough and Bob Crandall composed Ridgewood's pony backfield with Frank handling the bulk of the passing attack which was a big factor in the success of the team. On the line, Bill Moore, Dick Simpson, and Stan Frank were stand-outs. Dick Casey, Paul Cook, Don Coyle, Rex Gearon, George Henry, Roger Probert and Richie Robb were other Senior letter winners.

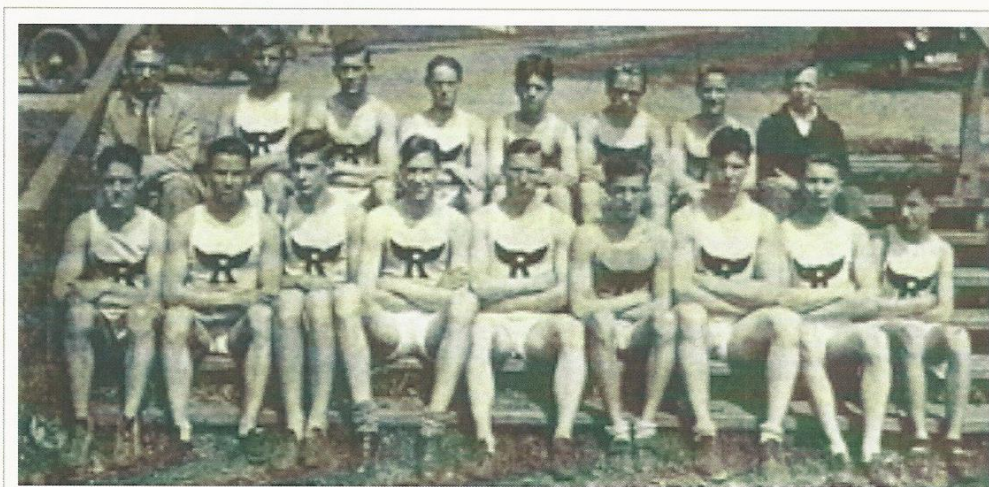
With six letter-men from the Junior Class, two from the Sophomore Class and several promising prospects from among the numeral winners as a nucleus for the team next fall, it is hoped that R.H.S. will carry on from where it left off last November.







**RHS Football Team, 1925-1926**



**RHS Track Team, 1925-1926**



**RHS Baseball Team, 1925-26**



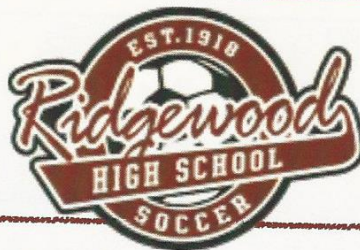
**Ridgewood High School Girls Basketball Team, 1909 - 1910**



**Ridgewood High School Girls Hockey Team, 1926**





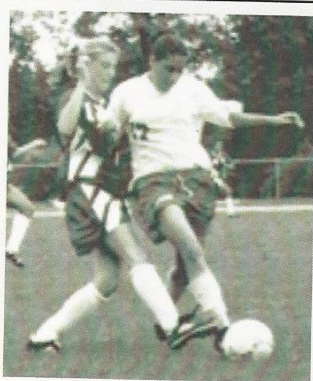


## The RHS Women's Soccer Program Wishes to Congratulate our SIX Hall of Fame Inductees!

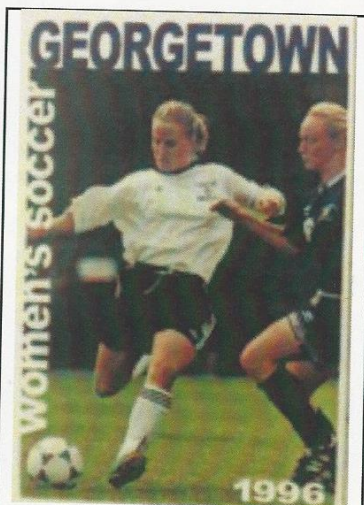
Jodi Hartwig '91 HOF '04 \* Wendy Hartwig '94 HOF '06 \* Aimee McGuire '94 HOF '04

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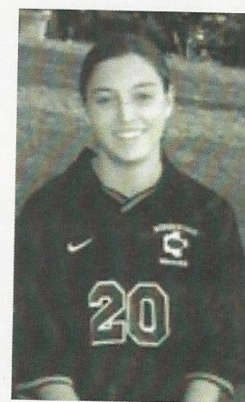
and our NEWEST RHS HOF member ..... Rachel Grygiel '93" RHS HOF '14



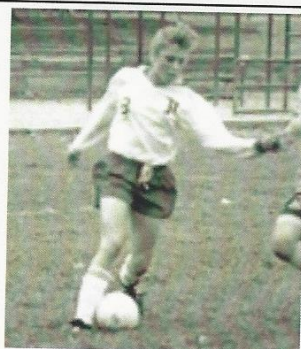
Tricia Pappalardo  
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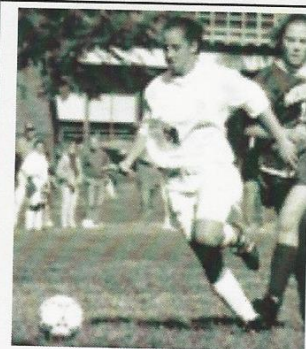
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Jodi Hartwig  
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Wendy Hartwig  
RHS Class of 1994

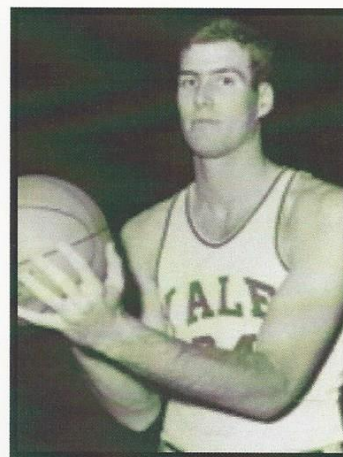
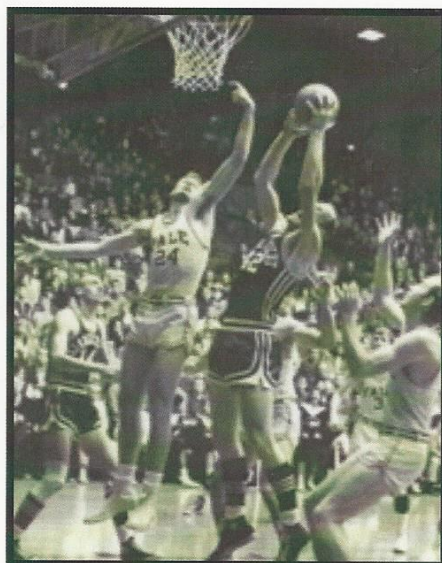
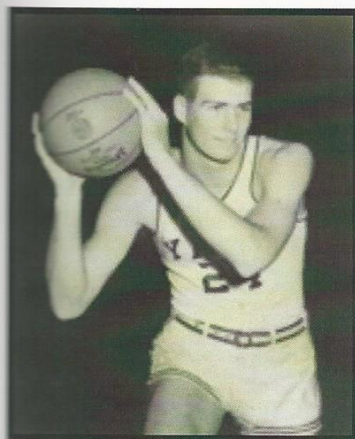


Aimee McGuire  
RHS Class of 1994

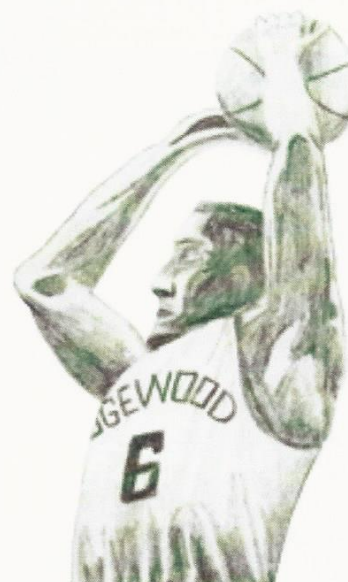


**The BACKCOURT CLUB Supports  
RHS MEN'S BASKETBALL AND THE  
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**Congratulations to the HOF Class of 2014  
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**And to  
Jim Bruni,  
Head Boys  
Basketball  
Coach,  
1964 - 1971**



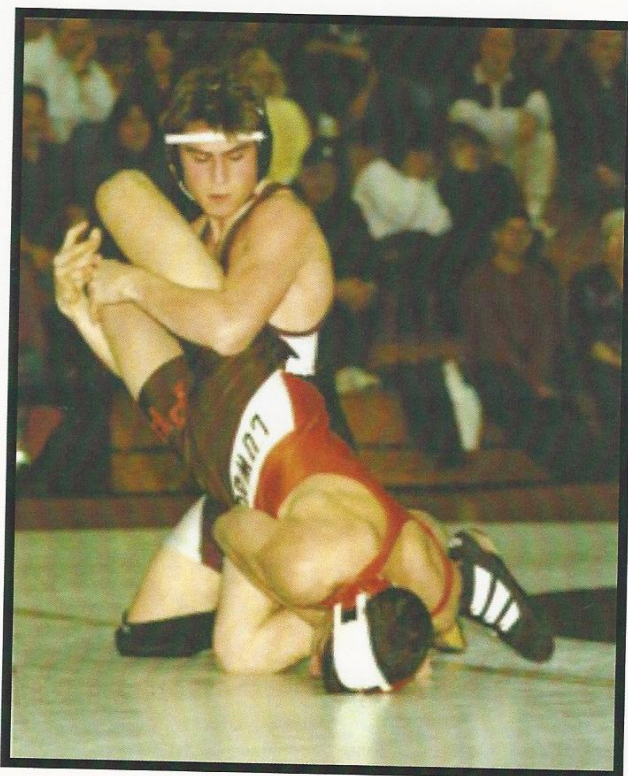


# **RIDGEWOOD HIGH SCHOOL WRESTLING**

**WISHES TO CONGRATULATE ALL OF THE 2014 HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES!**

**WE ARE PROUD TO CONGRATULATE 2002 GRADUATE,  
MARK ROMEO, FOR HIS ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

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**THREE-TIME RHS MVP**

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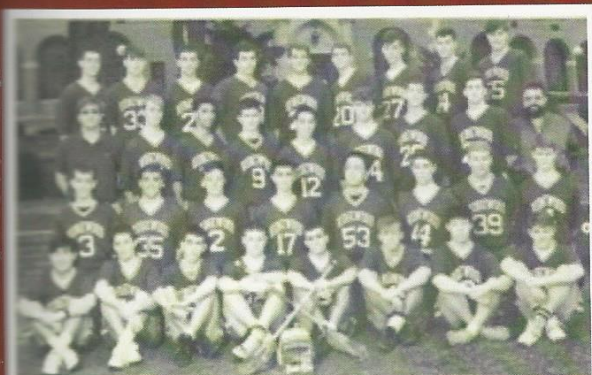
# Ridgewood Junior Lacrosse

salutes the

**Streak of "44"** and the

rest of the inductees to the

## RHS Athletic Hall of Fame Class of 2014



RHS Boys Lacrosse Team, 1990

First Row: Joe Lee, Dave Slade, Tom Miller, Joe Turco, Dennis Sullivan, Scott Jenkins, Shaoki India, Matt Jacobson. Second Row: Ted Coyle, Greg St. Pierre, Terry Knapp, Vince Fortunato, John Tait, James Kennedy, Jeremy Kilham, Ryan Fox. Third Row: Coach Jacobson, Mark Tucker, Seth Holton, Neil Blaney, Tony Miller, Pat Jackson, Dan Burns, Pat O'Connor, Coach Turco. Fourth Row: Kieran McCabe, Tim Sumner, Colin Higgins, Kevin Pedicini, Eric Benedict, Dan Surgen, William McGuire, Alex Hase, Josh Shannon.



RHS Boys Lacrosse Team, 1991

Sitting (Left to Right) Pete McGeath, Marc Jenkins, Jay Wee, Jeff Patrick, James Montegari, Pat Yannarelli, Joe Turco, Alan Fick. 2ND ROW: Matt Goldstein, Brian Cain, John O'Connor, Ed Troy, Phil O'Leary, Tom Miller, Ryan McWilliams, Dennis Sullivan, Vincent Fortunato, Ethan Dunsford, 3RD ROW: Pat Miller, Matt Troy, Ryan Giuliani, Craig Chiesa, Steve Jacobson, John Dolan, Ed Kim, Luke Brackett, Rob Norton, STANDING: Matt Capell, Matt Penhill, Mike Cassidy, Adam White, Ryan Quinn, Brett Sowers, Brett Deutsch, Chris Williams, John Cronin



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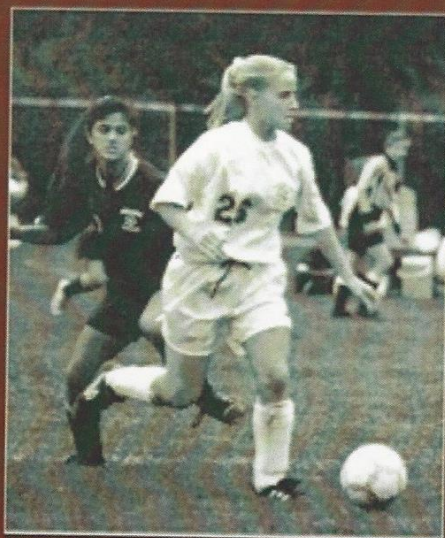
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**Especially this year's two Soccer Inductees,**



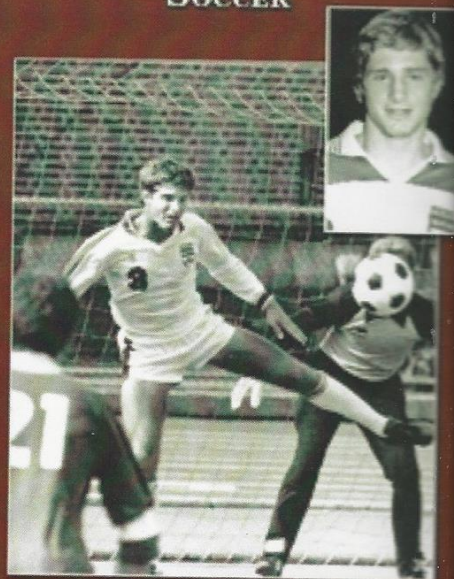
**Rachel Grygiel and Chris Van Note**

**RACHEL GRYGIEL**  
SOCCER



**CLASS OF 1993 • INDUCTED 2014**

**CHRIS VAN NOTE**  
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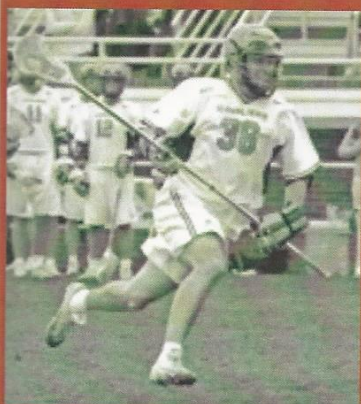


## **Tom and Bonnie Smith**

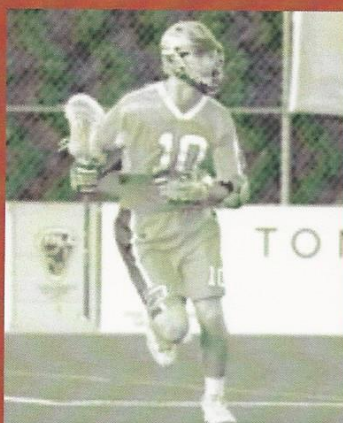
**Send Congratulations to all of the inductees of the  
RHS Athletic Hall of Fame, past and present.**

**You serve as a beacon of inspiration for others to follow!**

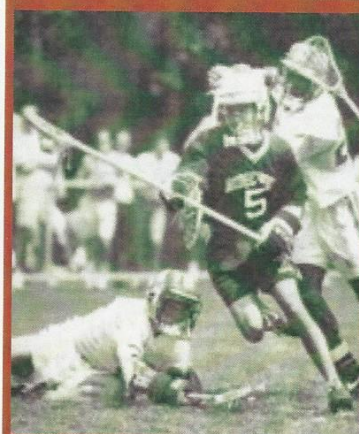
**a special congratulations to the Lacrosse teams of 1990 - 1992 and the  
great players that served as models of excellence for all to follow!**



**MICHAEL CULVER, RHS 2002  
RHS HALL OF FAME 2010**



**MIKE SPRINGER, RHS 1998  
RHS HALL OF FAME 2008**

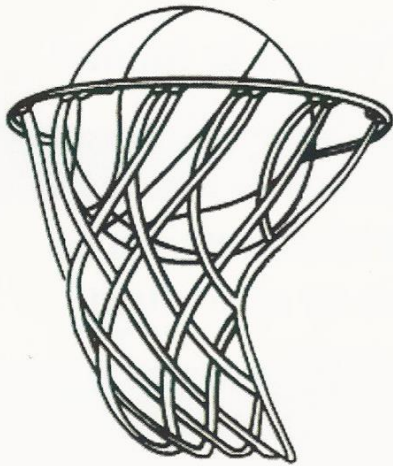


**DENNIS SULLIVAN, RHS 1992  
RHS HALL OF FAME 2012**



# **Ridgewood Biddy Basketball**

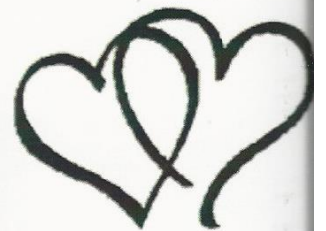
## **salutes the inductees of the RHS HALL OF FAME CLASS of 2014**



**We also wish to give special thanks to  
Nick and Dottie Capasso**

**for so many years of service to the  
youth of Ridgewood**

**"ALWAYS in our HEARTS,"  
we will miss you, Dottie!**



### **NICK & DOTTIE CAPASSO SPECIAL CONTRIBUTORS**



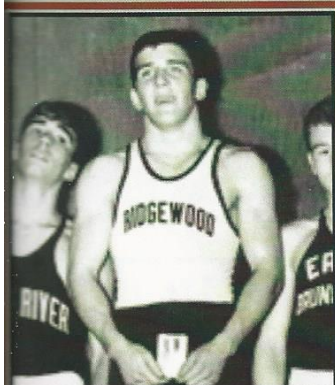
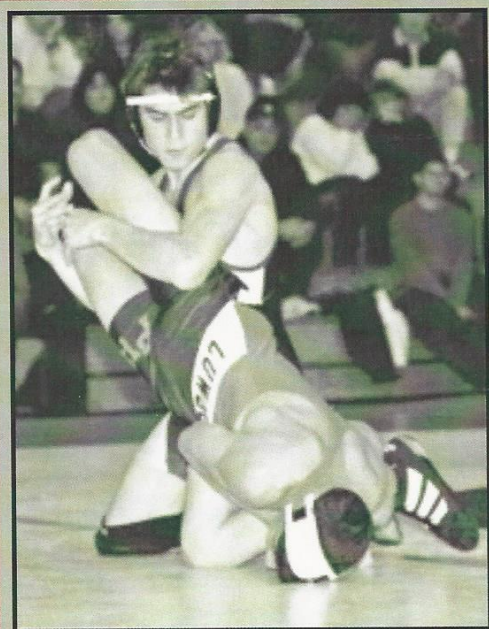
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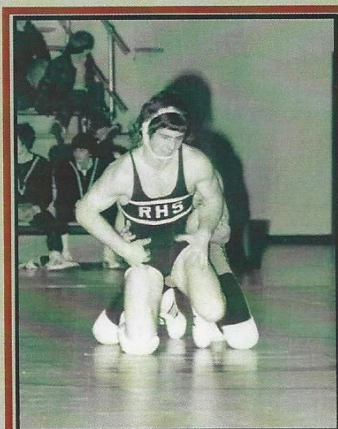
# RIDGEWOOD JUNIOR WRESTLING

SENDS CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OF THE INDUCTEES OF THE  
RHS ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME CLASS OF 2014!  
MAY THE FORCE BE WITH YOU!

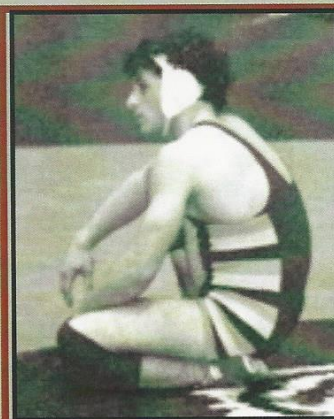
Mark Romeo, RHS Class of 2002, RHS HOF Class of 2014



Bob "Okie" Whitiker  
RHS HOF 2004  
RHS Class of 1965



Paul Ferraro  
RHS HOF 2006  
RHS Class of 1977

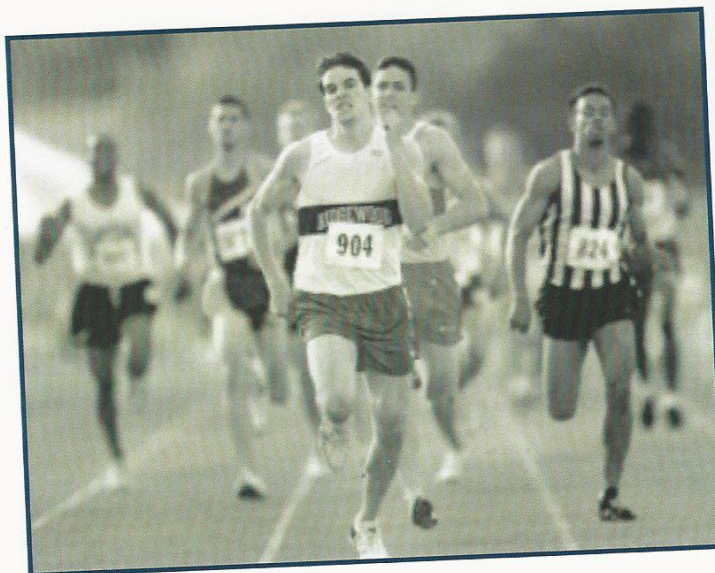


Damion Ross  
RHS HOF 2008  
RHS Class of 1986



# SANDLER O'NEILL + PARTNERS, L.P.

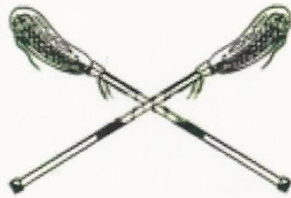
Congratulates all of the Inductees into the  
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Class of 2014



WHEN IT IS TIME TO RUN YOUR FINANCIAL RACE,  
YOU CAN COUNT ON US TO BRING YOU ACROSS  
THE FINISH LINE IN FIRST PLACE



# RIDGEWOOD HIGH SCHOOL BOY'S LACROSSE





**WANTS TO CONGRATULATE ALL  
OF THE INDUCTEES INTO THE**

**RHS ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME  
CLASS OF 2014!**


**WE WISH TO GIVE  
SPECIAL RECOGNITION  
TO THE PLAYERS AND  
COACHING STAFF,  
WHO IN 1990-92,  
SET THE STANDARD  
FOR ALL TO FOLLOW  
WITH THE  
"STREAK OF 44"**

**RIDGEWOOD HIGH SCHOOL BOY'S LACROSSE**  
1990-1992  
"STREAK OF 44"



1990 • 16-1  
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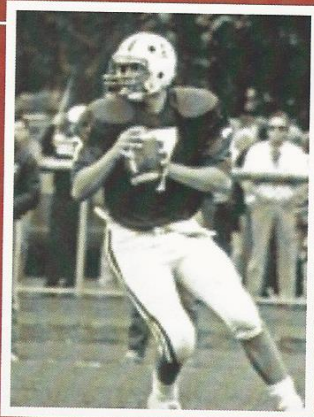
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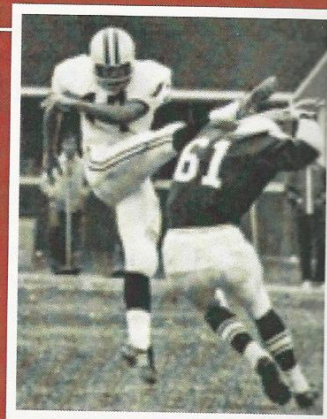
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**THE RIDGEWOOD HIGH SCHOOL  
FOOTBALL SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE  
SENDS CONGRATULATIONS TO THE  
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AND OUR NEW FOOTBALL INDUCTEES...**



Paul Tornatore, RHS Class of 1987



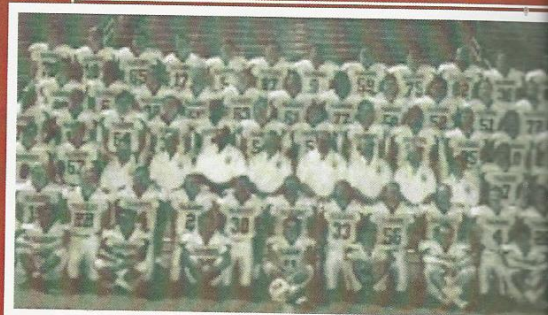
John Marshall, RHS Class of 1971

**AND THE RIDGEWOOD "INVINCIBLES"**

**1913 FOOTBALL TEAM !!**



Team Photo 1913



Team Photo 2013

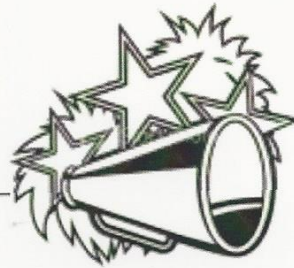
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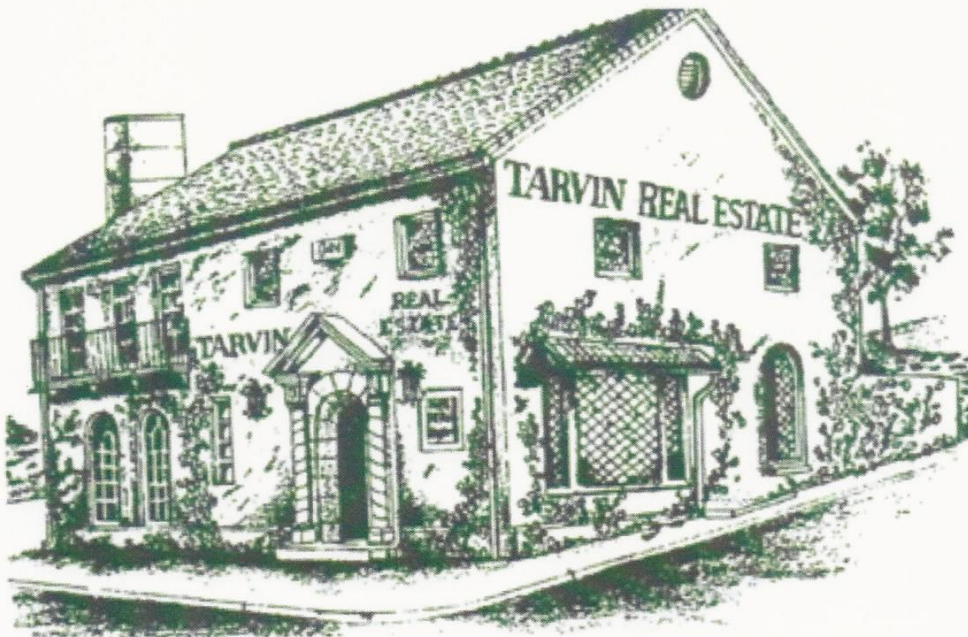
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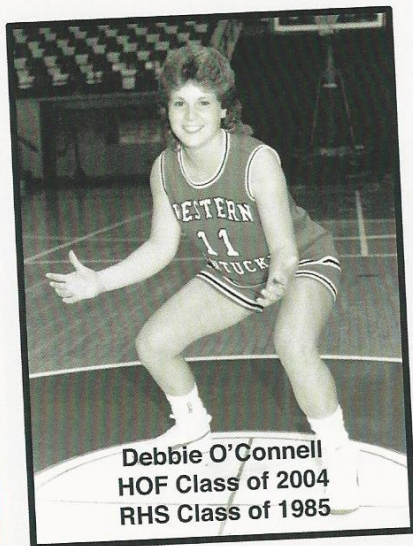


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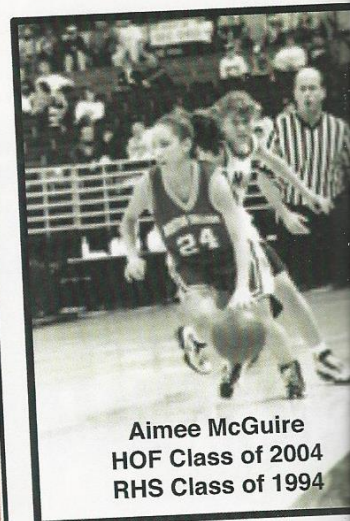
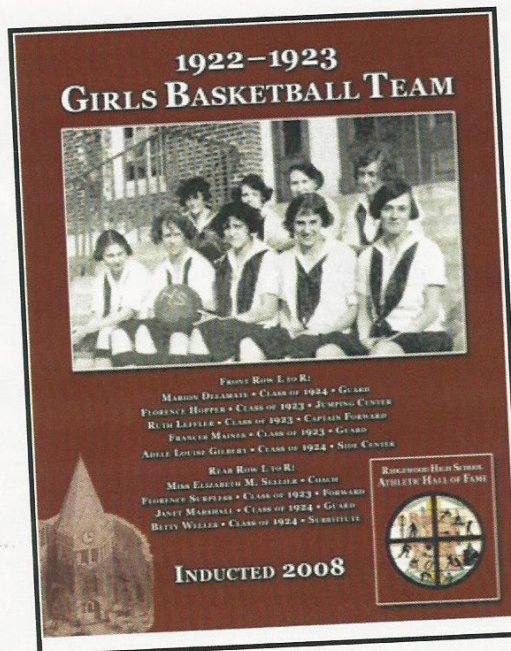


# Ridgewood Women's Basketball Salutes The RHS Hall of Fame Class of 2014

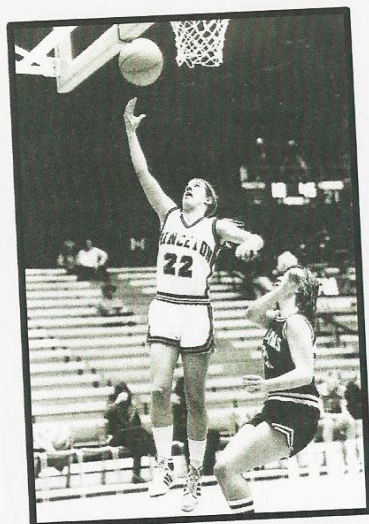
## Congratulations!



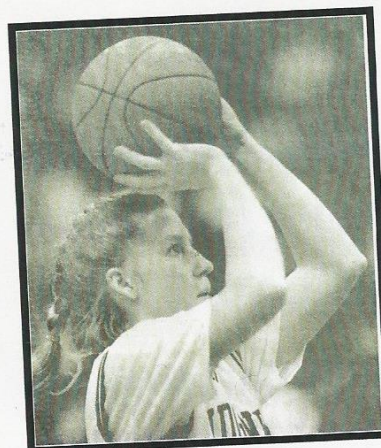
**Debbie O'Connell**  
HOF Class of 2004  
RHS Class of 1985



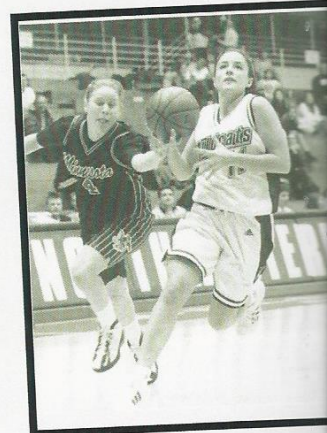
**Aimee McGuire**  
HOF Class of 2004  
RHS Class of 1994



**Margaret Nieman**  
HOF Class of 2008  
RHS Class of 1981



**Linda Zabielski**  
HOF Class of 2012  
RHS Class of 1991



**Shannon McGarrigle**  
HOF Class of 2008  
RHS Class of 1994



THE FERRARO FAMILY WISHES TO  
CONGRATULATE ALL OF THE NEW RHS  
HOF INDUCTEES FOR THE CLASS OF 2014  
IN MEMORIAM

**MARIO FERRARO**  
**FOOTBALL**



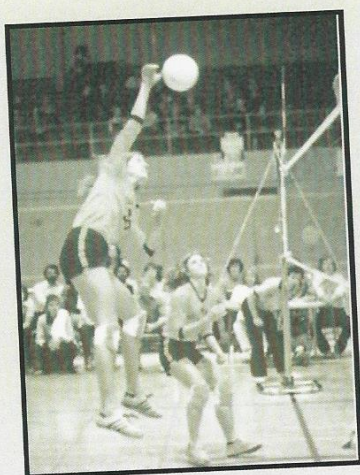
**CLASS OF 1945 • INDUCTED 2006**





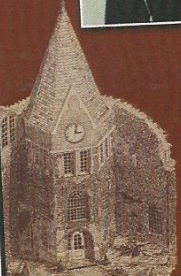
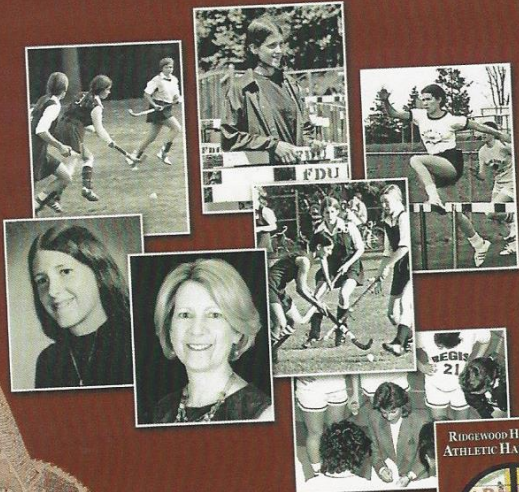
# Ridgewood High School Women's Volleyball

is Proud of Pioneer Volleyball Player  
Nancy Hogan and the  
RHS Athletic Hall of Fame Class of 2014

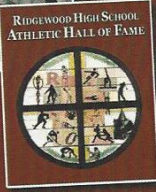


**Renee DuFlon**  
RHS Class of 1975  
Hall of Fame Class of 2008

**NANCY HOGAN**  
1971-1974 FIRST FEMALE ATHLETE TO RECEIVE THE  
"RHS AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN ATHLETICS"  
11 VARSITY LETTERS IN 3 YEARS  
FIELD HOCKEY • VOLLEYBALL • BASKETBALL  
SOFTBALL • TRACK



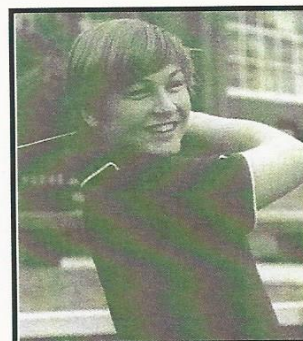
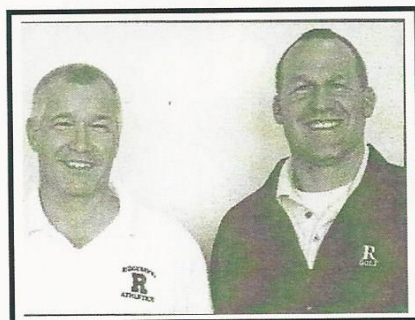
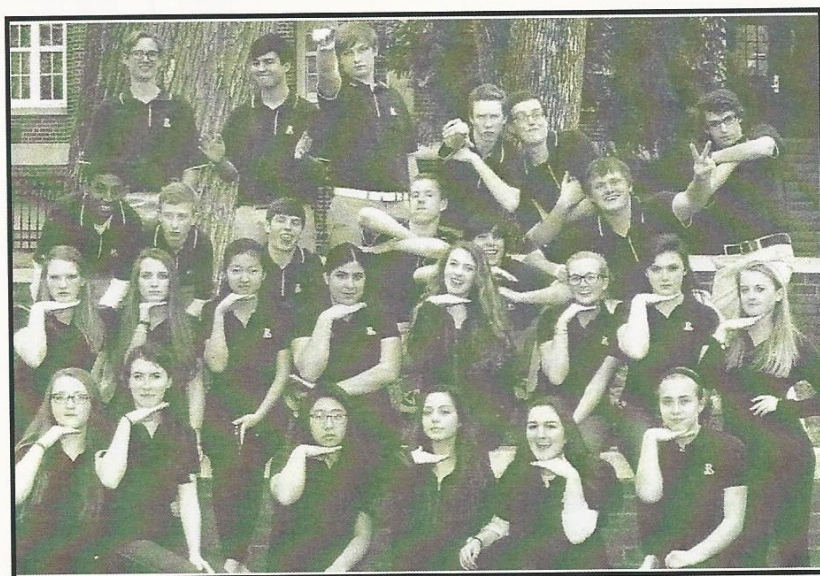
**CLASS OF 1974  
INDUCTED 2014**





THE RIDGEWOOD HIGH SCHOOL GOLF TEAMS  
SEND CONGRATULATIONS STRAIGHT DOWN  
THE FAIRWAY TO THE  
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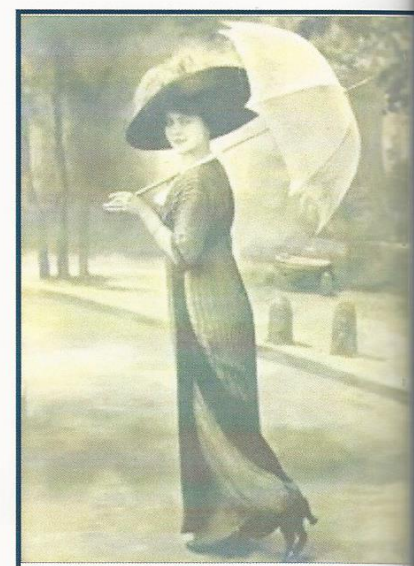
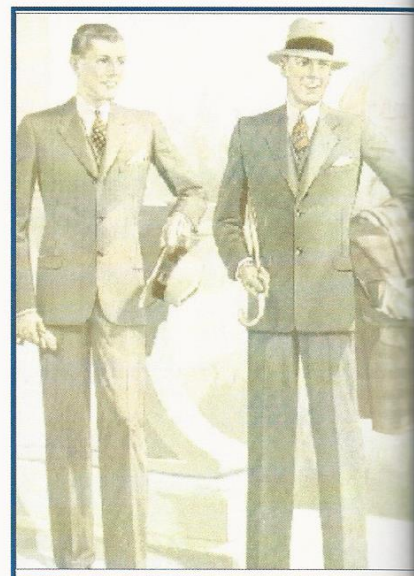
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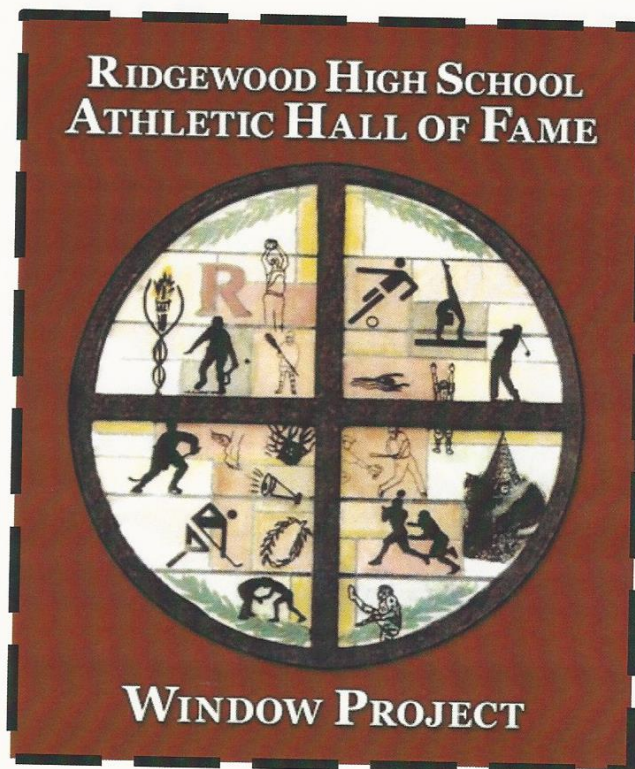
All baking of Cakes is done in The Wigwam to assure freshness.





# Ridgewood High School Athletic Hall of Fame Recognition Atrium

Stained Glass Window designed by Pattie Walker, Class of '66  
for a west-facing window in the New Athletic Facility  
to illuminate the site of the plaques of the Hall of Fame Inductees



## Design Elements:

**Laurel:** A symbol of victory and excellence crown the top  
**Building Blocks:** Representing the building and a metaphor for the strength, endurance, and focus required to produce excellent athletes

**Sports in Silhouette:** A collage of many sports played by students of RHS, representing a sense of movement and action inherent in sport

**Clock Tower:** A historic distinguishing feature of RHS

**The "R"**

**Torch:** From the school insignia, the flame symbolizes the creative spirit, the sense of timelessness and the passing along of traditions and training in sport

The technique is traditional leaded stained glass: colored glass cut and joined together with lead. Details of the laurels will be acid etched. Figures will be painted and fired. Details of the flame in silver stain.



## RIDGEWOOD HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME PROJECT

Dear Alumni and Friends of RHS,

Ridgewood High School has a long tradition in both academic excellence and athletic success. In recent years, a formal committee has been established to honor those Ridgewood High School student---athletes who excelled on the high school playing fields and courts, while students at RHS. These individuals exemplify the virtues of participation in sport as part of a well---rounded, holistic educational experience. We wish to recognize these individuals' accomplishments as beacons to others, that they may clearly see and be inspired by the outcomes of lives lived in *love of sport and competition*.

In this regard, the athletic program at RHS would like to also recognize that one does not need to be a star athlete to enjoy the values and benefits offered through an educationally based athletic program. Many thousands of Ridgewood High School graduates can point to lessons learned through their coaches and teachers that have prepared them for life beyond our doors.

To honor all student---athletes past, present and future at Ridgewood High School, the Hall of Fame Committee has commissioned RHS graduate, Pattie Walker (Class of '66), to create a visual centerpiece for our athletic recognition area that will reflect the endeavors and qualities attained by all who participate on Ridgewood High School Athletic teams. Pattie is an outstanding stained glass artist who now lives in Toronto, Canada. She does many prominent works, both in Canada and the US, and has created an incredibly beautiful and inspirational piece for RHS.

**To make this window a reality, we need your help.** This project must be funded by outside resources. We are counting on all those who have worn the "Maroon and White" in athletic competition, have been friends and parents of Ridgewood High School athletes, or individuals who have a deep regard for RHS and its rich traditions, to raise the **thirty five thousand dollars** to make this dream a reality. Business or corporate sponsorships will be gladly accepted.

I sincerely hope you can help. As a former RHS athlete and co---captain of two sports (soccer and baseball), I have looked back many times to the camaraderie and time spent with others on our playing fields as building blocks of my life. If you wish to make this project a reality, please make checks payable to:

**"RHS ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME,"** and forward your donation  
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Ridgewood High School  
627 East Ridgewood Ave.  
Ridgewood, NJ 07450

Our most sincere thanks to you for your help with this important project.  
"Go get 'em, Ridgewood"

Regards,

**Jeffrey L. Yearing '66**  
Chair RHS Hall of Fame Committee

\_\_\_\_ I am not an alumnus of RHS but wish to donate to the RHS Hall of Fame Project

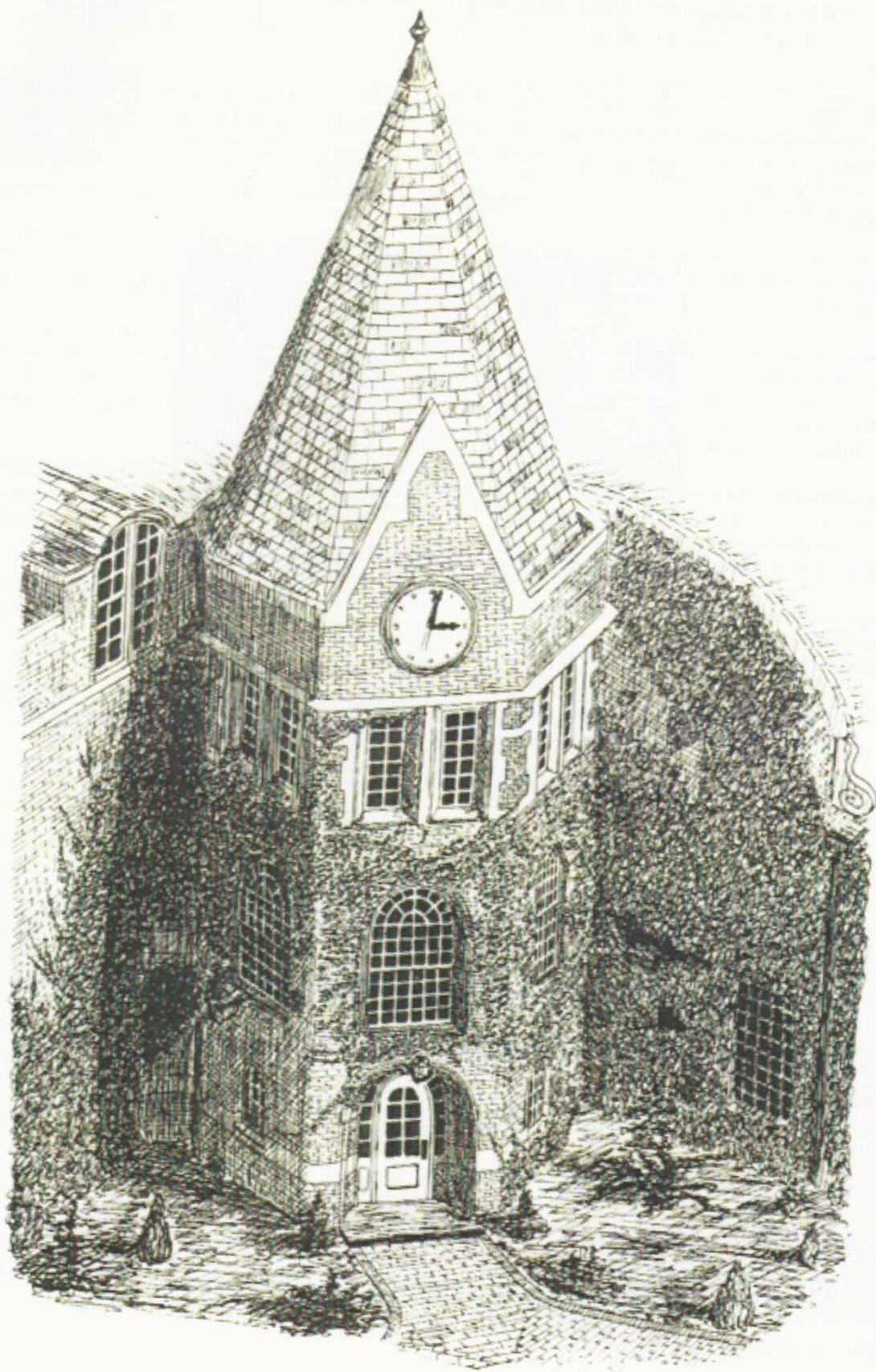
\_\_\_\_ I am an alumnus of RHS (Class of \_\_\_\_\_, Sport(s) Played \_\_\_\_\_)

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**WE ARE FROM**  
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# RIDGEWOOD HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME



## WINDOW PROJECT