

**HASTINGS HIGH SCHOOL  
ALUMNI ASSOCIATION INC.**

Est. 2000

**RONALD WILSON LINDEMANN  
ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME**



**2014 INDUCTION CEREMONY  
Saturday, September 20, 2014**

**WELCOME  
to the**

**RONALD WILSON LINDEMANN  
ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME**

**INDUCTION CEREMONY & DINNER  
Saturday, September 20, 2014**



Hastings Southside Social & Athletic Club  
Hastings-on-Hudson, New York 10706  
6:30pm - 10:30pm

**PROGRAM**

WELCOME  
INTRODUCTIONS  
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIENCE  
INVOCATION  
DINNER  
PRESENTATION OF AWARDS  
CLOSING REMARKS

Welcome Honorees, Hall of Fame Members, Alumni, Families and Friends. We are delighted to have you join us this evening to celebrate the induction of these outstanding former HHS athletes into the Ronald Wilson Lindemann Athletic Hall of Fame for 2014.

“Shoot for the moon. Even if you miss it you will land among the stars.”  
*-Les Brown*



**“COACH LINDY”**  
**COACH OF THE YEAR 1949**

**RONALD WILSON LINDEMANN**  
**"COACH LINDY"**

Born – May 12, 1901  
Died – June 21, 1970



Physical Education Teacher/ Coach/Administrator

HHS Football Coach: 1944–1957

61 Wins 29 Losses 8 Ties

3 Undefeated/Un-Tied Teams

1944 – 1946 – 1949

Coach of the Year 1949

THE HASTINGS HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION in grateful appreciation for his outstanding leadership, support and cheerful personality dedicated the HHS Athletic Hall of Fame in name and memory to Coach Ronald Wilson Lindemann on October 21, 2000.

Although there were many outstanding faculty members who in their own way gave tremendous direction and guidance during the '40s and '50s, Coach Lindy was involved not only with the athletes he coached but with all students he came in contact with during his tenure at HHS. As a teacher, coach and friend, Coach Lindy's encouragement and readiness to give of himself was an incredibly positive and lasting influence. He was an inspiration to all who were privileged to have known him.

It is our hope that the Ronald Wilson Lindemann Athletic Hall of Fame will serve well as his legacy and inspire each new generation of HHS athletes to become all that they can be.

Bernard O'Brien '50  
Founder, Director Emeritus

"A teacher affects eternity; he can never tell where his influence stops."

*-Henry Brooks Adams*

## **RONALD WILSON LINDEMANN ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME**

### **Nominating Guidelines for Induction**

\*Begins 5 years from date of graduation

An athlete must be nominated by a coach, teacher or former classmate.

An athlete must be a varsity letter winner in two sports for two years or more including his/her senior year.

Accomplishments at HHS are considered primary to induction;  
i.e. All-League, All-County, All-Section, Winged Foot Award, etc.

Any athlete who has participated in only one varsity sport for two years or more and is recognized as outstanding by his/her achievements may be given special consideration for induction.

Post high school accomplishments may be considered if remarkable or admirable.

In the event that a nominee is not elected in one bi-annual period they shall remain eligible for reconsideration in the next election period.



### **Winged Foot Award**

The Winged Foot was a distinction that rewarded women for their athletic abilities, sportsmanship and commitment to a given sport prior to the initiative known as Title IX in 1972, which transformed and revolutionized women's sports across the nation.

The award was created by Coach Ida Menne and conferred as follows:

- 1 - An athlete was awarded points for each sport played;
- 2 - Additional points were awarded if the athlete-
  - Played 3 sports in a given year,
  - Competed in an Honors Sport,
  - Captained any of the teams and exhibited leadership abilities.

Although points were cumulative from year to year, acquiring sufficient points to merit the award was not easily acquired, and in general the recipient did not achieve enough points to qualify for this honor until her senior year. In its time, the Winged Foot Award was the equivalent to the status of "All-League" for men.

"The formula for success is simple; practice and concentration and then more practice and more concentration." -*Babe Didrikson Zaharias*



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It started with one man's vision...



Bernard "OB" O'Brien  
Class of 1950

In the late '90s

Bernie O'Brien set his sights on resurrecting the long abandoned HHS Alumni Association. Bernie's idea was to restore the defunct association and redesign it as a non-profit, charitable organization with two clear-cut objectives. The first, to give each graduated class a way in which its alumni could stay connected; and moreover, to give back to the school and community that he so dearly loved.

His project was a work in progress for several years as he set out to raise contributions from alumni, friends and corporations to develop his plan. A new era arose in early 2000 when his efforts were realized and the redeveloped organization, known as the Hastings High School Alumni Association, Inc., was up and running.

**BUT THAT WAS JUST THE BEGINNING**

Bernie's next effort was to form a distinctive sports organization to recognize former athletes and coaches for their athletic achievements and participation in sports during their high school years at HHS. The organization would be a tribute to the coach he revered and felt had profoundly changed his life and that of so many others during the '40s and '50s, Coach Ron Lindy. On October 21, 2000, Bernie's plan came to fruition as 16 former HHS athletes were inducted into the sports association christened the "Ronald Wilson Lindemann Athletic Hall of Fame."

This celebrated organization has grown to include more than 165 members, whose achievements, determination, leadership and love of the game during high school were at the highest level.

*"A School Without a Past Has No History." -Bernie O'Brien '50*

On behalf of the HHS Alumni Association and the Lindemann Hall of Fame, THANKS BERNIE, for your efforts and determination in making your dream become a reality for all of us to share.

*The HHS Alumni Association*

## Honored Members of the Hastings High School

### RONALD WILSON LINDEMANN ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME

1931- Steven Lysak\*  
1932- John Antku  
1937- John Lysak  
1938- Stan Trypuc\*  
1939- Paul "Red" Angelovich\*  
1939- George Rusnack\*  
1940- William Lancaster  
1941- Harold Titus  
1942- Armond Carvalhov\*  
1942- John MacCallum  
1942- Dave Warner  
1943- Jimmy "Jada" Slavin\*  
1943- Clarence Carney  
1944- Julius Chemka\*  
1944- Tony Ravinsky\*  
1944- Gertha Schlichter Stelzl  
1945- Lou Santora  
1945- John Platenyk\*  
1945- Jesse Lee Pickett Casey  
1945- Doris Lee Fiedler Gilbert  
1945- Catherine Farmer Hosmer\*  
1945- George "Dee" DiChiara  
1946- Philip Klipp\*  
1946- Erling Anderson  
1946- Coral Jander Brown  
1947- Nelson MacCallum  
1947- Peter DiChiara  
1948- Louis Rapoli \*  
1948- Jeanne Fisher Henry  
1948- Paul "Pinkey" Velez  
1948- Ann Zelonka McLoughlin\*  
1948- Ronnie Seetoo  
1949- Paul Cardaci\*  
1949- William "Sonny" Kohl\*  
1949- William Parly  
1949- Ivy Molloy\*  
1949- Raymond "Red" Miller  
1949- Donald Jacobsen  
1949- Manuel "Manny" Riberio  
1949- Robert Breckles\*  
1950- Jack "Gondie" Carvalho\*  
1950- Steve "Terror" Ravinsky  
1950- John "Housie" Courtney\*  
1950- Sue Lindemann Staropoli  
1950- Bernard "OB" O'Brien  
1951- Ann Scully Liebers  
1952- Thomas Charton  
1952- Margaret Seman Kopchik  
1952- Ann Seman O'Leary  
1952- Robert Marsh  
1952- Constance Edgar Davis  
1953- Carol Lindemann Studley  
1953- Joe "Bud" Wenzel  
1953- Betty Eckels  
1954- Edward "Ed" Usher  
1954- John "Russ" Poli\*  
1955- Eugene Mignogna  
1955- Regina Rehack Lockwood  
1956- Joan Farrell Lee  
1956- Timothy Barnes  
1956- Michael "Mickey" Bless\*  
1957- William Neely  
1957- Wayne Landry  
1958- Richard Roman  
1958- Carlton Einsel  
1958- Eric "Tank" Kantor  
1959- Mike Haugh  
1959- Lucien Reeburg\*  
1959- Werner Kleeman  
1959- Karl J. Wiehe  
1959- Joseph Scaturro  
1960- Bern Richards  
1961- Arthur Fisher  
1961- Valerie Frye Harmon  
1961- Margery Jenkins Fisher  
1962- Peter Noyes  
1963- Richard Wiehe  
1963- Brian Davis  
1964- Lance Johnson  
1964- Steven Benchat\*  
1964- John Adams  
1964- Kenneth Aluisio  
1965- Joseph Kennedy  
1965- Beverly Rohlehr Colby  
1965- Donald W. Russell  
1965- William Cook  
1967- Andrea Porucznik Cleary  
1967- William Skibitsky  
1968- John Timmeny  
1968- MaryEllen Wright Forrest  
1969- Patrick "Patt" Burke  
1969- Stephen Cuppek Jr.

1969- Angelo Questo  
1969- Michael Kontos  
1970- Linda Forshaw  
1970- Edward "Ted" Crawford  
1970- Robert Bernarducci  
1970- Florence Brennan Audevard  
1971- Beverly Skultety LaBelle  
1972- George Capuano\*  
1972- Nancy Maleska  
1972- Julius "Butch" Chemka\*  
1974- Walter Brickowski  
1975- Charles "Chuck" Fleming\*  
1975- Karen Koblosh Flaherty  
1975- Kim Koblosh Thornton  
1975- Patricia "Pat" Sinatra  
1975- David Riggs  
1976- Mark Bingham  
1976- Maryanne Young McDevitt  
1979- Catherine Cardaci  
1980- Thomas Fleming  
1980- Bronwyn Eaton Wyrsh  
1980- Gina Drumm Frate  
1981- Mary Hurrell  
1983- Eleanor Frankel  
1983- Christine Vaccaro Teel  
1983- Mary Pat Lindner Baily  
1986- Stefanie Parrott  
1987- Lee R. Kaiser  
1987- Thomas Guglielmo  
1987- Lewis Lefkowitz  
1987- Brian Nyemchek  
1988- James Kennedy  
1988- Brian Morrissey  
1988- Sharon Oelkers

1990- Justin Hogan  
1992- Melissa Paretti  
1993- Kate Maggioletto Mehok  
1993- Kelly Moroch Duffy  
1994- Jennifer Ryan  
1994- Jordan Wolff  
1996- Kathryn Dekas  
1996- Michael Sassano  
1997- Denise Harrington  
1999- Kern D. Mojica  
1999- Farid Johnson  
2001- Lauren Martone  
2002- Kelly Flaherty Handrahan

#### COACHES/AD'S

Richard "Dick" Bub, Sr.  
John Costello  
Ida Menne\*  
Leroy Cochran\*  
John Dane\*  
Timothy Doyle\*  
Ronald Feaster  
Patricia Hicks\*  
Rosemary Eaton\*  
Elisabeth "Ibby" Rutherford  
Michael Eckelman  
Bruce Crandall

\*Known Deceased



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**SELECTION COMMITTEE – 2014**

Richard "Dick" Bub, Sr.	John Costello
Peter Westrell	Michael Eckelman
Ronald Feaster	Elisabeth "Ibby" Rutherford
John Morabito	Bruce Crandall

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**BOARD OF DIRECTORS – 2014**

Bernie O'Brien '50 - Founder, Director Emeritus  
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Cameron Virrill '75 - Director

*"It's hard to beat a person who never gives up." -Babe Ruth*

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Inductee Presentations  
September 20, 2014

On behalf of the Ronald W. Lindemann Athletic Hall of Fame members past and present, we applaud you on your noteworthy achievements during your years at HHS. The blending of your talent, sportsmanship and enthusiasm is what affirms you as a Hall of Famer!

*Congratulations*

**INDUCTEES**

Bruce Crandall

Justin Hogan '90

Farid Johnson '99

Florence Brennan Audevard '70

Beverly Skultety LaBelle '71

David Riggs '75

Julius "Butch" Chemka\* '72

**PRESENTERS**

Michael Eckelman

Thomas Drake

Kern Mojica

Peter Westrell

Nancy Gagliardi

John Costello

John Costello

\*Posthumously

"Every game is an opportunity to measure yourself against your own potential." -*Bud Wilkinson*

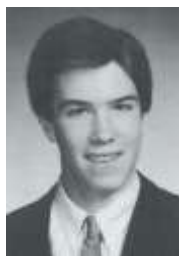
## JUSTIN HOGAN – Class of 1990

### Tennis, Basketball



Upon his graduation from HHS in 1990, Justin earned a Division-I Tennis Scholarship at Rice University in Houston, Texas, where he was a key member of several Top 20 nationally ranked teams; a Four Year Letterman; and won the Smith Barney Scholar Athlete Award for high achievement on the field and in the classroom.

He graduated from Rice University with his B.A. in Political Science, and then returned to New York to embark upon a career in investment banking at Lehman Brothers. In 2008, as the bubble burst and the financial markets collapsed, Justin made a career move from Wall Street into High Tech, working in business development for LinkedIn, an Internet company based in Silicon Valley.



Justin and his fiancé, Dr. Carolyn Bevan, a neurologist specializing in patients' neurological brain disorders, reside in San Francisco where they enjoy the California lifestyle, warm winters, living on the Bay, Lake Tahoe, and Napa Valley.

Varsity Tennis '85-'90 (7th-12th grade)

All-League 1986 \*As an 8th grader

All-County & All-Section -'87, '88, '89, '90

Played #1 Singles 9th -12th grade

52 Wins/4 Losses

MVP - '87, '88, '89 & '90

Team Captain -'87, '88, '89, '90

DIV-I College Scholarship to Rice University

Varsity Basketball - '89 & '90

All-League - '89

All-County & All-Section - '90

Mary Lou Pickenson Scholar Athlete Award - '90

Team MVP - '90

Team Captain - '90

Con Edison Award - '90

## **FARID JOHNSON** – Class of 1999

### **Basketball, Baseball**



Farid graduated from Manhattanville College with his first master's degree in Education. He received his second master's degree in leadership from Bank Street College.

Farid taught and was a dean in the Bronx for seven years. He was an assistant principal at PS 555 in the Bronx for two years.

In 2009, he married Rachel Burke. They have two beautiful girls; Aubrey is 3 years old and Skylar is 4-1/2 months old.

Farid still plays basketball competitively at least twice a week and tries to work out as much as possible. He will assume his newest role, that of assistant principal of the Hillside Elementary School in September 2014.



#### Varsity Basketball - '98 & '99

All-League - '98 & '99

Player of the Year '99 \*Highest Vote Getter

All-County & All-Section 1st Team - '99

All-State Small School 1st Team - '99

MVP - Hastings Holiday Tournament -'99

MVP -Westlake Tournament - '99

Section-I Tournament at County Center Leading Scorer - '99

MVP - Section Championship County Center

League Championship Game Scored 40 Pts

Golden Hoops All Star - 2nd Leading Scorer - '99

Scholar Athlete - '99

HHS Most Outstanding Player - '99

Runner-Up Mr. Basketball of Westchester County

#### Varsity Football - '98 & '99

Most Valuable End

Post High School: Competed for four years college basketball at Manhattanville College scoring 1,416 points making him the 9th All-Time Scoring Leader. He remains in the TOP 10 All-Time in career rebounds, scoring average, rebounding average and field goal percentage.

## **BRUCE CRANDALL – HHS Coach**

### **Cross-Country, Track & Field**



Bruce had a long teaching career in the Hastings School District before retiring from Farragut Middle School in June 2001.

He enlisted in the Westchester Track & Field and Cross Country Officials Association to get, as he puts it, “better educated” on the rules of the sport. Bruce officiated in New York State’s Section IX and eventually added work on the college level at the U.S. Military Academy at West Point.

In 2005, Bruce and his wife, Jean, moved from Yonkers to Goshen, NY to be close to their son, daughter-in-law and soon-to-be third grandchild.

Besides track & field, Bruce is active in the Sons Of Veterans of the Civil War which is dedicated to maintaining Civil War memorials, preserving veteran’s burial sites and educating the public on the Civil War. He assists in the music program of the 1st Presbyterian Church in Goshen.



Bruce says, “being the family pool boy and lawn boy takes up the rest of his time.”

**Cross Country: 1990–2000**

Combined Boys/Girls Dual Meet Record 1991–2000; 108W – 68L  
62 Athletes Honored as All-League or Honorable Mention;  
5 Athletes Named to All-County teams; 9 NYS Scholar Athlete Team Awards.

**Indoor Track & Field: 1990–1995**

13 Athletes Earned All-League or Honorable Mention;  
1 Athlete Earned All-County Honorable Mention.

**Outdoor Track & Field: 1989-2001**

57 Athletes Honored as All-League or Honorable Mention;  
6 Athletes Earned All-County & AC Honorable Mention; 10 HHS Records Set Out of 41 Categories; 2 NYS Scholars Athlete Teams

Recipient of the 20th Dick Lacey Award for his contribution to track & field and cross country.

**Officiating 2001 - Present: 5 Indoor National Championships, 2 Northeast Regional Junior Olympic Meets, a NYS Special Olympics Meet and 19 College Meets at the U.S. Military Academy at West Point. Since 2009, Bruce has also been training and certifying officials for cross country and track & field.**

## **BEVERLY SKULTETY LABELLE – Class of 1971**

### **Volleyball, Basketball, Track & Field**



Since graduation from HHS, Beverly has led a very active life taking her in two directions. She moved to Ashfield, MA., with her husband, John, and raised two children, son Eben and daughter Andrea.

She pursued her degree in education, which helped her meet the challenges of multiple fields. She was a police officer for the Town of Ashfield for 15 years and also worked as a special educator in her school district. She holds a

Massachusetts real estate license. Beverly and her husband owned the Elegant Farmer Catering Business and several convenience stores.

The second part of Beverly's life adventure has led her to marrying again, to a beautiful woman, Janet Rogers, who has two teenage sons, Tylor and Trevor. When she is not traveling the world with Janet, or enjoying her grandsons, Christopher age 7 and Joei age 2, you will find Beverly on the golf course.



Honor Volleyball – '68, '69, '70, '71  
Varsity Letter

Honor Basketball – '68, '69, '70, '71  
Varsity Letter  
High Scorer – 32 points

Track & Field – '68, '69, '70, '71  
Varsity Letter  
Held Shotput Record for Over 20 Years

Softball – '68, '69, '70, '71

## **JULIUS “BUTCH” CHEMKA – Class of 1972**

### **Baseball, Basketball, Football**



Butch's interest in sports and coaching started as a junior in high school when he joined the recreation department and began coaching Pop Warner football and the recreation department basketball team.

After graduating from HHS in 1972, Butch attended Manhattan College earning a Bachelor of Science degree in physical education. He continued his work at the Hastings pool as a lifeguard, eventually becoming the director.

After college, Butch joined the staff of Horace Mann-Barnard Elementary School where he taught physical education for five years. He left Horace Mann to return to Hastings in the position of Superintendent of Parks & Recreation until 1983, when illness forced him to resign from his job.

Throughout his career, Butch was a member of Protection Engine Company No. 1, and a captain of the Ambulance Corps. He officiated soccer and was an IAABO basketball official for seven years.



The main event of the 1984 pool season was the rededication of Hillside Park Pool as the Julius M. “Butch” Chemka Pool. It has become a lasting memorial to someone who gave so much of his time to the community during his short life.

Varsity Baseball - '71 & '72  
All-League  
325 Batting Average

Varsity Football - '71 & '72

Varsity Basketball - '71 & '72  
Averaged 15points per game

**FLORENCE BRENNAN AUDEVARD – Class of 1970**  
**Basketball, Field Hockey, Volleyball**



Flo received her B.S. in Behavioral Science from Mercy College, her M.S. in Early Childhood from Lehman College and a Montessori Certification, CMTE, at The College of New Rochelle. She was an elementary school teacher in the Yonkers Public School system for 27 years before retiring in June 2014.

Flo has been an active member of the Irvington Parks & Recreation for over two decades and in that time has been an Irvington Youth Baseball Director, rallied to revive the Irvington Sunnysiders, and helped form the Youth Girls Softball program. She coached the Irvington High School varsity softball and volleyball teams; and in 2002, was named Class-C softball coach of the year.

Flo and husband, Richard, reside in Irvington. Her son Erik, is an Irvington Police Officer, he and his wife, Noelle, have three sons; Erik, 10, Dillon, 8, and Ryan, 5.



These days her passion is thoroughbred horses and she is a founding partner in Backstretch Friends Stable and a thoroughbred horse racing owner. In her own words Flo says “she is alive and happy.”

Honor Hockey - '67, '68, '69, '70

Honor Volleyball - '69 & '70  
Varsity Letter

Honor Basketball - '66, '67, '68, '69, '70

Post HS: Irvington Parks & Recreation Youth Baseball Director  
Sunnysiders Youth Football Director & Coach  
Irvington HS Varsity Softball Coach  
Irvington HS JV & Varsity Volleyball Coach  
Class-C Softball Coach of the Year - 2002



## **DAVID RIGGS – Class of 1975**

### **Basketball, Football**

Dave has been employed as a Facility Engineer by the Triboro Bridge & Tunnel Authority for the last 24 years. Outside of work, Dave coaches CYO Basketball, AYSO Soccer and Lacrosse in Westchester County, NY. He is also a member of the Westchester boys & girls basketball, soccer and lacrosse boards.



Varsity Basketball - '73, '74, '75

All-League - '75

All-Section - '75

All-State Honorable Mention - '75

All-Section Tournament Team - '75

MVP - Hastings Holiday Tournament - '75

Two-Year Leading Scorer/Playmaker - 644 points

County Center "B" Champions - '75

Con-Ed Award - '75

Football - '72

Dear Alumni,

**The Hastings High School Alumni Association, Inc. (HHSAA)** is a tax exempt charitable organization, incorporated under the New York State Not-For-Profit Corporation Law.

Our all-volunteer organization is supported entirely by yearly dues and generous donations. Our mission is two-fold; to provide a means for all HHS alumni to stay connected and as importantly, to Pay It Forward. We accomplish the latter by donating all of the funds we receive by awarding several year-end scholarships to outstanding and deserving HHS seniors. In addition, through the Ronald Wilson Lindemann Athletic Hall of Fame, we recognize the athletic achievements of HHS graduates and acknowledge the coaches who inspired and guided those athletes to excellence.

If you are not a member of the HHSAA please join us and help us by spreading the word to other alumni about our organization.

Thank you for participating in this wonderful celebration with us.

*With regards,  
Steve, Bernie and the Board of Directors*

STAY CONNECTED



[www.HOHALUMNI.ORG](http://www.HOHALUMNI.ORG)

“The greatest thing this generation can do is to lay a few stepping stones for the next generation.” -*Charles F. Kettering*



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