# RONALD WILSON LINDEMANN ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME



2018 INDUCTION CEREMONY September 22, 2018

## RONALD WILSON LINDEMANN "COACH LINDY"

May 12, 1901 - 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** 

Ronald Lindemann was a popular teacher and coach during the '40s and '50s. Affectionately known as "Coach Lindy" throughout the school and Hastings community, he was involved not only with the athletes he taught but also with all students he came in contact. His encouragement and readiness to give of himself was an incredibly positive and lasting influence. He mentored many young men of that era, and helped them find their way, and expand their possibilities.

On October 21, 2000, the HHSAA dedicated its newly created alumni sports organization, the RONALD WILSON LINDEMANN ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME, in tribute to this beloved coach and in grateful appreciation for his never-ending support, outstanding leadership and cheerful personality.

Although there were many remarkable faculty members who in their own way gave tremendous direction and guidance, Coach Lindy's influence was an inspiration to all who were privileged to have known him.

> Bernard "O-Bie" O'Brien '50 Founder HHSAA, Director Emeritus

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

—Henry Brooks Adams

## WELCOME to the

#### RONALD WILSON LINDEMANN ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME

INDUCTION CEREMONY & DINNER Saturday, September 22, 2018



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

#### **PROGRAM**

**WELCOME** 

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIENCE

INVOCATION

**INTRODUCTIONS** 

**DINNER** 

PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

**CLOSING REMARKS** 

Welcome honorees, Hall of Fame members, alumni, families and friends. We are pleased you have joined us to celebrate the induction of four former HHS athletes as they are officially inducted into the Ronald W. Lindemann Athletic Hall of Fame for 2018.

"Shoot for the moon. Even if you miss it you will land among the stars."

-Les Brown

#### RONALD WILSON LINDEMANN ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME

The purpose of this Hall of Fame is to honor and preserve the legacy of those who have excelled in the past and to inspire future generations of HHS athletes to achieve greatness of their own.

#### NOMINATING GUIDELINES FOR INDUCTION

\*CANDIDATES MERITING INDUCTION BEGINS 5 YEARS FROM DATE OF GRADUATION.

An athlete, living or deceased, can be nominated for induction by any HHS graduate, teacher or coach. \*No self-nominations.

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

Athletic accomplishments at HHS shall be the foundation for selection; 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.

The athlete must be approved by the HOF Selection Committee.

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.

#### HISTORY OF THE WINGED FOOT AWARD FOR WOMEN



The Winged Foot was an award created by former HHS coach, Ida Menne. It was designed to reward women athletes for the sports they played, leadership qualities and respect for fair play, during their four years in high school.

The award program was based on a point system beginning freshman year and cumulative each successive year. Acquiring the designated number of points to merit the

award was not easily achieved – typically, the recipient did not accrue enough points to qualify for this honor until her senior year. In its time, the Winged Foot was equivalent to the status of "All-League" for men and it was the only honor designated for women until 1972, when the initiative known as Title IX transformed and revolutionized women's sports across the nation.

<sup>&</sup>quot;The formula for success is simple; practice and concentration and then more practice and more concentration." -Babe Didrikson Zaharias

THE RONALD WILSON LINDEMANN ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME — \_\_\_\_\_\_ It all began with one man's vision.





Bernard "O-Bie" O'Brien Class of 1950

"O-Bie" O'Brien was raised in Hastings and graduated from HHS in 1950. With help from his high school coach, Ron Lindemann (who was like a father figure), O-Bie attended Brockport State Teachers College, where he was a multi-sport athlete.

O-Bie always felt strong ties to Hastings High and wanted to do something to give back to his dearly loved alma mater. In the late '90s, he set out to restore the defunct HS alumni association and restructure it as a not-for-profit organization with two main goals: to facilitate an ongoing communication among alumni members, and to offer yearly scholarships to support future generations of HHS grads. His plan was a work in progress for many years as he set out with a small group of fellow HHS grads to petition for contributions from alumni, friends and corporations. It was an exciting time in October 2000, when their efforts were realized and the redeveloped association, now identified as the HASTINGS HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION, INC., was formally incorporated as a nonprofit corporation under New York State law – and operating as an active, member supported organization.

But that was just the beginning. O-Bie's next goal was to form a distinctive sports organization to recognize former HHS athletes and coaches for their outstanding athletic achievements during high school. The organization was a tribute to his former coach and mentor, Coach Ron Lindemann. On October 21, 2000, O-Bie's ambition came to fruition when the first ceremony was held, and 16 former HHS athletes were inducted into the sports organization christened, the RONALD WILSON LINDEMANN ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME.

NOTE: This sports organization has grown to include more than 180+ members whose achievements during high school were at the highest level.

"A school without a past has no history." –Bernard "O-Bie" O'Brien '50

# HONORED MEMBERS of the HASTINGS HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION'S RONALD WILSON LINDEMANN ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME

1931- Steven Lysak*	1950- Jack "Gondie" Carvalho*
1932- John Antku*	1950- Steve "Terror" Ravinsky
1937- John Lysak	1950- John "Housie" Courtney*
1938- Stan Trypuc*	1950- Sue Lindemann Staropoli
1939- Paul "Red" Angelovich*	1950- Bernard "O-Bie" O'Brien
1939- George Rusnack*	1951- Ann Scully Liebers
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1940- William Lancaster1952- Thomas Charlton1941- Harold Titus1952- Margaret Seman Kopchik1942- Armond Carvalhov\*1952- Ann Seman O'Leary1942- John MacCallum1952- Robert Marsh

1942- Dave Warner 1952- Constance Edgar Davis

1943- Jimmy "Jada" Slavin\* 1952- John T. Kane

1943- Clarence Carney
1944- Julius Chemka\*
1953- Joe "Bud" Wenzel
1944- Tony Ravinsky\*
1953- Betty Eckels
1944- Gertha Schlicter Stelzl
1945- Lou Santora
1954- John "Russ" Poli\*
1945- John Platenyk\*
1955- Eugene Mignogna

1945- Jesse Lee Pickett Casey 1955- Regina Rehack Lockwood

1945- Doris Lee Fiedler Gilbert
 1945- Catherine Farmer Hosmer\*
 1956- Joan Farrell Lee
 1956- Timothy Barnes
 1945- George "Dee" DiChiara
 1956- Michael "Mickey" Bless\*

1946- Philip Klipp\*
1946- Erling Anderson
1946- Coral Jander Brown
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1946- Coral Jander Brown
1958- Richard Roman
1947- Malagan MacCallum\*

1947- Nelson MacCallum\*
1947- Peter DiChiara
1948- Louis Rapoli \*
1948- Jeanne Fisher Henry
1948- Paul "Pinkey" Velez
1958- Carlton Einsel
1958- Carlton Einsel
1958- Carlton Einsel
1959- Mike Haugh
1959- Lucien Reeburg\*
1959- Werner Kleeman

1948- Ann Zelonka McLoughlin\*
1959- Karl J. Wiehe
1948- Ronnie Seetoo
1959- Joseph Scaturro
1949- Paul Cardaci\*
1960- Bern Richards
1949- William "Sonny" Kohl\*
1961- Arthur Fisher\*

1949- William Pardy 1961- Valerie Frye Harmon 1949- Ivy Molloy\* 1961- Margery Jenkins Fisher

1949- Raymond "Red" Miller1962- Peter Noyes1949- Donald Jacobsen1963- Richard Wiehe1949- Manuel "Manny" Riberio1963- Brian Davis1949- Robert Breckles\*1964- Lance Johnson

1964- Steven Benchat*	1987- Lee R. Kaiser
1964- John Adams	1987- Thomas Guglielmo
1964- Kenneth Aluisio	1987- Lewis Lefkowitz
1964- Robert Zabaronick	1987- Brian Nyemchek
1965- Joseph Kennedy	1988- James Kennedy
1965- Beverly Rohlehr Colby	1988- Brian Morrissey
1965- Donald W. Russell	1988- Sharon Oelkers
1965- William Cook*	1989 Michael C. McElroy
1967- Andrea Porucznik Cleary	1990- Justin Hogan
1967- William Skibitsky	1992- Melissa Paretti
1968- John Timmeny	1993- Kate Maggiotto Mehok
1968- MaryEllen Wright Forrest	1993- Kelly Moroch Duffy
1969- Patrick "Patt" Burke	1994- Jennifer Ryan
1969- Stephen Cuppek Jr.	1994- Jordan Wolff
1969- Angelo Questo	1996- Kathryn Dekas
1969- Michael "Toaster" Kontos	1996- Michael Sassano
1970- Linda Forshaw	1997- Denise Harrington
1970- Edward "Ted" Crawford	1997- Corey Borowitz
1970- Robert Bernarducci	1997- Peter Deitz
1970- Florence Brennan Audevard	1999- Kern D. Mojica
1971- Beverly Skultety LaBelle	1999- Farid Johnson
1972- George Capuano*	2001- Lauren Martone

1972- Nancy Maleska 2002- Kelly Flaherty Handrahan

1972- Julius "Butch" Chemka\* 2003- Joseph E. Flaherty 1974- Walter Brickowski

#### HHS COACHES/AD'S

2002- Richard "Dick" Bub Sr

2002- John Costello\* 2002- Ida Menne\* 2002- Leroy Cochran\* 2003- John Dane\*

2003- Timothy Doyle\* 2004- Ronald Feaster\* 2008- Patricia Hicks\* 2008- Rosemary Eaton\*

2010- Elisabeth "Ibby" Rutherford

2010- Michael Eckelman 2014- Bruce Crandall 2016- Robert Nelson

\*Known Deceased

1976- Maryanne Young McDevitt

1975- Charles "Chuck" Fleming\*

1975- Karen Koblosh Flaherty

1979- Catherine Cardaci 1980- Thomas Fleming 1980- Bronwyn Eaton Wyrsch

1980- Gina Drumm Frate

1981- Mary Hurrell 1983- Eleanor Frankel 1983- Christine Vaccaro Teel

1983- Mary Pat Lindner Baily

1986- Stefanie Parrott

<sup>1975-</sup> Kim Koblosh Thornton 1975- Patricia "Pat" Sinatra 1975- David Riggs 1976- Mark Bingham 1976- George Tino

<sup>&</sup>quot;I love the winning, I can take the losing, but most of all I love to play." -Boris Becker

#### RONALD WILSON LINDEMANN ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME

#### **HOF SELECTION COMMITTEE - 2018**

Richard "Dick" Bub Sr. Pete Westrell
Michael Eckelman John Morabito

Bruce Crandall Elisabeth "Ibby" Rutherford



### HASTINGS HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION, INC. Est. 2000

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS - 2018**

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

## RONALD WILSON LINDEMANN ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME



#### INDUCTEE PRESENTATIONS SEPTEMBER 22, 2018

On behalf of the Hastings High School Alumni Association and the members of the Ronald W. Lindemann Athletic Hall of Fame, past and present, we applaud you on your significant achievements during high school and beyond. The blending of your athletic talent, sportsmanship and passion for the game is what makes you a true Hall of Famer!

## Congratulations Athletes!

INDUCTEE	PRESENTER
TARA FLAHERTY RYAN	MICHAEL FLAHERTY
JOSEPH VACCARO	KERN MOJICA '99 HOF MEMBER – 2014 NANCY GAGLIARDI '75 JEN SCHNIBBE '97
CHARLES BINGHAM*	DAVE MAHER '73
WILLIAM OTIVICH	ED MCKERNAN '66
*Posthumously	

<sup>&</sup>quot;Every game is an opportunity to measure yourself against your own potential." –Bud Wilkinson

#### TARA FLAHERTY RYAN - Class of 2006

Swimming, Basketball, Softball

NOMINATED BY HOF MEMBERS: KAREN KOBLOSH FLAHERTY '75, KELLY FLAHERTY HANDRAHAN '02 & JOE FLAHERTY '03

Tara's mother Karen said, "Tara was a natural athlete who loved all sports and had the talent to be the best at everything she played. She is the best female athlete I ever saw."



After graduation from HHS in 2006, Tara attended Fairfield University on a full basketball scholarship, earning a B.A. degree in communications. She was named team captain in her senior year. In 2010, Tara traveled abroad to play basketball professionally for two seasons in Pula, Croatia and Heidelberg, Germany, respectively. When Tara returned home in 2012, she began her master's in physical education at Manhattanville College, graduating in May 2017. While in school, Tara was the White Plains Varsity Girls Basketball Head

Coach for 4 years, JV Softball Coach at Dobbs Ferry for 2 years and Bryam Hills Swim Coach for 3 years. August 2017 was a busy time for Tara – she got married, bought a house, and started her first year as a Physical Education Teacher at Byram Hills Middle School. She continues to coach Byram's Varsity Swim Team and is now their Head Varsity Basketball and Softball Coach as well. In her free time, Tara enjoys golf, cross-fit, running, sprint-triathlons, playing in softball and basketball leagues.

traveling and spending time with her family.

Varsity Swimming - 7-12; Captain '05 All League 6 yrs — All Section 4 yrs 50 Free Sectional Champion -2002 State Team Captain - 2005

Varsity Basketball - 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006; Captain '06 All League 3 yrs, All Section 3 yrs, All State 2 yrs All-time leading scorer with 1,305 points Most points season 519 Rivertown's Girls Basketball Player of the Year - 2006 *Journal News* first team – Section 1 – 2006

Varsity Softball - 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006; Captain senior year All league 3 yrs, All Section 3 yrs Dickenson Memorial Award & Con Edison Award - 2006.

## JOSEPH VACCARO – Class of 1980 Football, Baseball, Wrestling

NOMINATED BY NANCY SKULTETY GAGLIARDI '75

Nancy said, "Joe played ball for Hastings and after graduation came back to HHS to become one of the most successful coaches in HHS history."



After graduation, Joe attended SUNY Albany and graduated in 1984 with a B.S. in biology/chemistry. In 1985, he began his full-time teaching career at Msgr. Scanlon High School in the Bronx, NY. In 1986, he graduated from Manhattanville College with a MAT in science education. Joe's coaching career at Hastings High started in 1984 when he was hired as an Assistant Football Coach. In 1987, he took over as the Varsity Softball Coach and coached for 17 seasons.

In 1988, Joe became the Head Football Coach at HHS and held this position for 24 years, including 6 seasons as the merged Dobbs/Hastings Head Coach. In 1990, Joe was hired to teach 8th grade science at Farragut Middle School, and he

continues to do so today.

Joe married Suzanne Jenkins (HHS '89) in 2005, and they currently live in Hartsdale with their 11-year-old triplets, Grace, Alex and Sofia.

Varsity Football – 1978, 1979, 1980 All-League '80; Co-Captain '80 Varsity Baseball – 1979, 1980 Wrestling – 1980

#### POST HIGH SCHOOL EXPERIENCE:

Varsity Football Assistant Coach – 4 seasons Head Football Coach for 24 years – 1987-2011

Oversaw a successful merger of Hastings & Dobbs Ferry football

programs for 6 seasons: 1993-1998 (27-19-3)

2 time League Coach of the Year

1 Section Final; Section-1 Semifinalist 3 times; 3 Bowl Wins

4 League Titles (2000 was 1st Hastings league title since 1963)

Overall Career Record: 1988-2011 (99-95-6); Post-Merger Record: 1999-2011 (57-45)

Softball Coach for 17 seasons; Most wins in school history

4 League Championships: 1 Section Final

3 time League Coach of the Year 17 Seasons Record: 180-145

#### CHARLES "CHIP" BINGHAM\* - Class of 1973

(\*1955-2011)

#### Basketball, Baseball

NOMINATED BY LORRIE BASS KARAM '73 & HOF MEMBER MARK BINGHAM '76 Mark wrote, "In my opinion, Chip was the best athlete. As a freshman, Chip played both varsity basketball and varsity baseball. In baseball, he started every game and not only hit well but pitched a no-hitter."



Chip made both varsity baseball and varsity basketball as a freshman and played varsity ball for all four years. His talent on the playing field got him recognition as an All-County Athlete in baseball in his junior year.

Chip graduated from Hastings High in 1973, later graduating from Elizabeth Seton College with a degree in radio. At the time of his death, he was working in production for NBA.com

He had an encyclopedic mind for music, with a collection of more than 10,000 CDs and, of course, a love of sports, with a particular fondness for the San Francisco Giants.

Varsity Basketball – 1970, 1971, 1972, 1973 Varsity Baseball – 1970, 1971, 1972, 1973 All-County 1972 Harlowe Award – 1972 & 1973

#### WILLIAM "OTTO" OTIVICH - Class of 1966

#### Basketball, Baseball, Cross Country

NOMINATED BY ED MCKERNAN '66

Ed wrote, "Otto has led by example his entire life. He has dedicated his life to teaching young boys to become men through athletics."



"Optimistic, Outgoing Otto." Not much changed for Otto, as he was described in his high school yearbook in 1966.

This lifelong Hastings resident has never strayed too far from home. After graduating in 1970 from Manhattan College in Riverdale, NY, Otto began his teaching career at Irvington High School, where he taught physical education for 33 years. His extensive coaching career included 18

years as the Irvington Varsity Boys Basketball coach and 30 years as the Irvington Youth Basketball Director. His entire life has been about sports and kids as his lengthy and broad coaching career clearly demonstrates. Otto credits Jim Harmon and John Costello with getting him started.

In 1973, Bill married Patti Lemischak (HHS '69). They have four adult children, Billy, Melissa, James and Tracey, and six grandchildren. Bill retired in 2003, but this hard-working man shows no signs of slowing down. He remains an active member of the Hastings Southside Social & Athletic Club, where he was a past president for 4 years, the Hastings Little League, where he served as president for 8 years, and the Hastings American Legion.

Varsity Cross Country – 1965, 1966 Varsity Basketball – 1965, 1966; Captain & leading scorer sr. year Varsity Baseball – 1963, 1964, 1965, 1966; Captain sr. year

#### POST HIGH SCHOOL EXPERIENCE:

Irvington High School Physical Education Teacher (1970-2003)
Irvington Varsity Boys Basketball Coach – 18 years
Irvington J.V. Boys Basketball Coach – 3 years
Irvington J.V. Boys Baseball Coach – 9 years
Irvington Varsity Boys Soccer – 7 years
Irvington J.V. Boys Soccer – 4 years
Irvington High School Athletic Director – 5 years
Irvington Youth Basketball Director – 30 years
High School & College Softball Umpire – 38 years
USSSA Softball Umpire – 28 years

#### THE DEDICATION OF JOHN COSTELLO COURT







The late John Costello, "Coach Cos," as he was affectionately known, was a teacher and coach at HHS for more than 40 years. During his time as the Varsity Basketball Coach, his career accomplishments were considerable. He was selected Section-1 Coach of the Year in 1969 &1987 and compiled a career record of 457-255; winning four Sectional-1 titles (1969, 1975, 1980 1987), and one Regional Championship.

In 1963, Coach Cos began an annual HHS Holiday Basketball Tournament, which hosted contending junior varsity and varsity basketball teams from Westchester and Rockland Counties. He ran the event effectively for 28 years, until his retirement in 1991. When the tournament successfully celebrated its 50th year in 2013, it was renamed, "The Annual John Costello Holiday Basketball Tournament."

Cos was inducted into the Westchester Hall of Fame in 1997 and in 2002 in to the Ronald Lindeman Athletic Hall of Fame. In 2014, he was instated in to the NY State Basketball Coaches Association Hall of Fame – an honor reserved for coaches who have significantly improved basketball and serve as glowing examples in the sport.

John Costello passed away in December 2017. His name is synonymous with HHS basketball, and his accomplishments go well beyond the basketball court. His easy-going nature made him a truly exceptional individual – inspiring many student athletes to follow in his footsteps to become future educators and coaches.

To all those who had known him, and the athletes that had the advantage of being coached by him, will be pleased to learn in January 2018 Hastings High School honored this beloved coach by naming the basketball court in the Cochran Gymnasium, "The John Costello Court."

Dear Alumni and Friends,

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. The all-volunteer organization is supported wholly by annual dues and generous donations from our alumni and friends.

Our mission is many-sided. We provide a means for all HHS grads to stay connected, recognize the outstanding former HHS athletes and coaches through the Ronald W. Lindemann Athletic Hall of Fame, acknowledge the post high school accomplishments of HHS grads through the HHS Hall of Excellence, and Pay It Forward for future generations of HHS grads through the HHSAA Scholarship Program. Every cent of the money we receive is funneled into these many efforts and more. This past June, the HHSAA presented 15 scholarships totaling \$26,500 in scholarship money to 18 outstanding and deserving HHS seniors. We couldn't be more proud of our generous alumni for their support! If you are not a member, please consider joining and help us continue our mission and keep up the winning traditions of HHS.

Thanks for joining us this evening for the Ronald W. Lindemann Athletic Hall of Fame 2018. Congratulations inductees and a great big round of applause to everyone who had a hand in making this wonderful event possible. We hope to see you again in 2020 – at the next HOF induction ceremony.

#### Regards,

The HHSAA Board of Directors and HOF Selection Committee



Visit our website at: **wwwHOHALUMNI.ORG** to learn more about the HHSAA and how you can help support the HHSAA Scholarship Program.

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