

**Monday, September 17**

Glen Sanders Mansion

**Tickets are \$55**

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Tribute



**Chuck Abba**

- ◆ Graduated from Mont Pleasant HS in 1944
- ◆ Played on the undefeated 1942 MPHS football team; co-captain of the 1943 MPHS team
- ◆ Served in the Army Air Corps (1944-46)
- ◆ Lineman on the undefeated 1949 Union College football team
- ◆ Respected teacher at Nott Terrace HS in the 1950s
- ◆ Assistant football coach at NTHS; also coached JV basketball & JV baseball; coached with Athletic Hall of Fame members Pete Shulha & Walt Przybylo
- ◆ Later became an administrator & superintendent of schools in the Schenectady CSD
- ◆ Received a Union College Alumni Gold Medal in 1980
- ◆ A member of the Schenectady CSD Hall of Fame (honoring graduates who have distinguished themselves in their career & commitment to their communities)
- ◆ Guest speaker at the first SCSD Athletic Hall of Fame & Reunion Dinner (1998)
- ◆ Passed away in 2017

**1998**

Bill Eddy  
Sig Makofski  
Larry Mulvaney  
Walt Przybylo  
Ray Vacca

**1999**

Barry Kramer  
Bill Leonard  
Tony Parisi  
Pete Shulha

**2000**

Ed Catino  
Bill Rapavy  
Pat Riley

**2001**

Tommy Brennan  
Billy Connors  
Mack Suprunowicz

**2002**

Dom Denio  
Al DeSantis  
Norm Kitching  
Steve Szumachowski

**2003**

Jim Barbieri  
Bill Kirvin  
Dick Suprunowicz  
Walt Suprunowicz

**2004**

Mike Maietta  
1954 Sch'dy Little  
League World  
Series Champions

**2005**

Bob Czub  
Joe DeMeo  
Marty Servo

**2006**

Don Blaha  
Abe Feldman  
Shirley Muldowney

**2007**

Sidney Edwards  
Bill Manikas  
Ron Oyer

**2008**

Peter Famiano  
John Grabowski  
Joe Loudis

**2009**

Dick Bennett  
Mike Meola

**2010**

Warren Crow  
Ray Trail

**2011**

Armand Farina  
Rhonda Phillips  
Scott

**2012**

Joe Donato  
Lou Jordan  
Severino Popolizio

**2013**

Ed Barnowski  
Bob DeLuca  
Lee Wallard

**2014**

Murray Melton  
Ron Page  
Ed Rimkus

**2015**

Rick DiCamillo  
Tom Mossey  
Dot Hoyt Nebel

**2016**

Art Allen  
Randy Cross  
Jack Meader

**2017**

Paul Della Villa  
John Maurycy  
Mechelle Smith

**ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME**

21st Annual



**Schenectady**

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**Athletic Hall of Fame  
and Reunion Dinner**



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**2018 INDUCTEES**

**Paul Bricoccoli**

**Gary DiNola**

**John Parillo**

**Tribute honoring Chuck Abba (MP '44)**

## PAUL BRICOCOLI

- ◆ 1962 graduate of Linton High School
- ◆ Played varsity football (quarterback) at Linton (1959-1961)
- ◆ Threw 8 touchdown passes & ran for 5 touchdowns in 1960
- ◆ Threw 3 touchdown passes in a 27-0 victory over LaSalle in 1961
- ◆ Started on a defensive unit that was unscored upon vs. Section II opponents in 1961
- ◆ Helped Linton finish 7-1 in both 1960 & 1961 (coached by Dick Lalla)
- ◆ Class "A" League Champions in 1961; only loss was to powerful Easton HS (PA)
- ◆ All-County quarterback in 1960 & 1961
- ◆ All-Class "A" League Football Team as a junior & senior
- ◆ 1961 honorable mention selection on the Wigwam Wiseman Scholastic All-American Football Team
- ◆ Also played 3 yrs. of varsity baseball at Linton (coached by AHOF member Dom Denio)
- ◆ All-County baseball pitcher in 1962
- ◆ Played football at the University of Rhode Island (Yankee Conference); starting quarterback from 1963 to 1965
- ◆ Threw 2 TD passes in URI's 14-6 upset of Brown in 1965
- ◆ Glens Falls HS varsity football coach from 1973 to 1999; finished with a cumulative record of 149-80-3; won 8 league championships & 3 Sectional titles; won the 1993 NYS Regional Championship; 4-time Coach of the Year
- ◆ Also coached varsity baseball, tennis, bowling & girls track & field at Glens Falls HS
- ◆ Member of the Glens Fall HS Athletic Hall of Fame
- ◆ 2017 Capital Region Football Hall of Fame inductee
- ◆ Presented the Service to Football Award by the Capital District Chapter of the National Football Foundation in 2017

## GARY DINOLA

- ◆ Played basketball & baseball at Mont Pleasant HS
- ◆ Played basketball & lacrosse at Fairleigh Dickinson University
- ◆ Coached varsity boys' basketball, baseball, golf, girls' track & field and softball at MPHS
- ◆ Won a Big Ten softball title
- ◆ His 1986-87 MP basketball team won the Section II Class "B" title; won the Regional title, advancing to the NYSPHSAA Semifinals
- ◆ His 1987-88 MP basketball team won the Big Ten title; advanced to the Class "B" Sectional championship game (finished 20-3)
- ◆ MP basketball coaching record: 78-61 (1983-89)
- ◆ Schenectady HS varsity boys basketball coach (1994-98); SHS record: 66-30
- ◆ 1997-98 team won the NYSPHSAA Basketball Championship; also won the Big Ten title, Section II Championship, & Regional title; Finished 28-1, losing to Rice in the Federation Semifinals; this team is often mentioned as one of the greatest in Section II history.
- ◆ Had players go on to play Division I basketball, including Willie Deane (Boston Coll. & Purdue), James Thomas (Texas) & Jason McKrieth (Rice)
- ◆ Named Coach of the Year in 1987, 1988 & 1998
- ◆ Founded & directed the MP Basketball Academy & Youth Sponsorship Program, Sch'dy Summer Basketball Academy & Youth Scholarship & Sponsorship Program
- ◆ Teacher, administrator & athletic director in the Schenectady CSD
- ◆ Asst. basketball coach under Doc Sauers at SUNY Albany (1989-1994); 3 NCAA Tournament berths; Elite Eight appearance in 1994; 1993-94 team was inducted into U-Albany Athletic Hall of Fame
- ◆ Coached lacrosse in the Empire State Games
- ◆ Lacrosse coach at Albany Academy; won 2 Section II titles; 1999 team was nationally ranked
- ◆ Assistant lacrosse coach at RPI (4 seasons)
- ◆ 2016 Upstate NY Basketball HOF inductee
- ◆ SCSD Teacher of the Year (1986 & 1998)
- ◆ Recipient of numerous awards for distinguished & outstanding service to youth

## JOHN PARILLO

- ◆ Ran cross-country & track (indoor & outdoor) for Pete Shulha & Bill Leonard
- ◆ Finished 4th in the 1950 Sectional Cross-Country Meet; 9th in 1950 NYS Class "A" Intersectional Cross-Country Championship
- ◆ 2nd place finishes: NYU Run (1951 & 1952), St. John's U. Interscholastic Run (1951) & Fordham U. Scholastic Run (1951 & 1952)
- ◆ 1952 NYS Cross-Country champion (easily broke the existing course record); finished 13th in 1951
- ◆ Won the 1952 Proctor Cross-Country Run (record time); finished 3rd in 1951
- ◆ Broke existing Grout Run record in 1952, but finished 2nd (losing by 1 second); also finished 2nd in 1951
- ◆ Won the 1952 Vestal Invitational Cross-Country Meet
- ◆ "One of the east's best schoolboy harriers" - Union Star (10/27/52)
- ◆ Set the NTHS Indoor Mile record
- ◆ 3rd in 1951 Sectional mile; beaten by Rick DiCamillo for the 1953 mile championship
- ◆ Led NT's 2-mile relay team to victory in the 1952 Sch'dy Interscholastic Sports Carnival
- ◆ Recruited by Notre Dame, Penn State, Syracuse & Northwestern
- ◆ Ran cross-country & track at Union Coll.; team capt.
- ◆ Undefeated in 1955 & 1956 at Union in 13 dual & triangular cross-country meets; set cross-country records at Union, Alfred, Colgate, Vermont & Hamilton
- ◆ Won the 1955 NYS Small Colleges Cross-Country Championship (new course record); two-mile winner at the 1956 NYS Collegiate Track & Field Assn. Championships; mile champ at the 1957 NYS Small College Track & Field Championships (record time)
- ◆ Competing against runners from all collegiate levels, he finished 18th in the 1956 IC4A Cross-Country Championship in NYC & 24th in the 1956 NCAA Cross-Country Championships at Michigan State
- ◆ Set the Union mile record
- ◆ Union College Athletics Hall of Fame member
- ◆ Ran several marathons including, Boston, London, Lake Placid & Fukuoka (Japan)
- ◆ Air Force flight surgeon (2 years); Urologist for 55 years (solo physician)