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

Schenectady City School District
21st Annual
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 BRICOCCOLI

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 NYSPSA 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 NYSPSA Basketball Championship; also won the Big Ten title, Section II Championship, & Regional title; Finished 28-1, losing to Rice in the Federation Semi Finals; 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’d’y 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
SCHS 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 Union mile record
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
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
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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)

SCSD ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME ONLINE: http://www.schenectady.k12.ny.us/departments/patriot_athletics/athletic_hall_of_fame