

SAMANTHA BEDFORD

Samantha Bedford was an outstanding high school student athlete. She earned ten varsity letters. She was a three year letter winner in field hockey serving as Captain her senior year when she was selected an All State Player on Windsor's State Runner-up and Section IV Championship Team. As a three year softball player and senior captain she was chosen the 1st team Susquenango League Catcher in 2000. Her best sport was basketball where she was a four year starter and again team captain as a senior.

She was a three time All Susquenango All Star, 2nd team as a sophomore and First team as both a junior and senior. She was selected on the All Tournament Team at the John McCarthy M.S. Tournament as a junior and the Most Valuable Player as a sophomore and senior. She was also selected to the Binghamton Press & Sun Bulletin All Metro team as a senior in 2000. "Sam's" career ranking at Windsor includes 1st in Assist with 249, 1st in 3 point field goals made with 147, 2nd in FG% at 74.2%, 3rd in total points at 901 and 4th in steals at 250. She has single game records making six 3 point field goals in one game, 4 of 4 three point field goals in one game, and 6 of 6 field goals in the same game twice. She also has a season best 81 of 100 FGs in a season and a Section IV best 50% 3 point field goal percentage in her senior campaign. She was also selected by the NYSBCA as their scholarship winner in 2000. Samantha has continued her basketball career by coaching Junior Varsity basketball in Concord, North Carolina and as an assistant for the Adidas Elite National Girls 18 and under team.

ANDREA BOGART

Andrea was a dynamic player with impressive offensive and defensive skills and was always the primary concern of many Section IV opponents. She earned five varsity letters in basketball at Maine-Endwell Senior High School. Was the teams leading scorer for four seasons, guiding the squad to four STAC Division II titles and two overall STAC crowns. As a senior was named second team all New York Class B and third team as a junior. Voted to Binghamton Press and Sun Bulletin all metro first team and STAC first team twice, while leading STAC in scoring numerous times. She led the team to 93-10 record over five years.

Andrea's school records still remain for career points (1617), points in a season (525), points in a game (43), career steals (473), steals in a season (142), steals in a game (15), career assists (349), and assists in a game (11). Also was a 2 year varsity letter winner, winning the STAC crown in 1995, with a 17-2-1 record while earning STAC all-star honors. Andrea went on to earn a full athletic scholarship at Division One St. Mary's College, in Maryland where her basketball success continued.

BILL BRYANT

During Bill Bryant's tenure in athletics he has been a successful football and track and field coach at Spencer Van Etten high school ('80 – '87); the Athletic Director at Ithaca High School for 21 years; and has held a multitude of Section IV and New York State positions . Bill signed as a free agent for the Pittsburgh Steelers in 1976 and as a free agent for the Washington Redskins in 1977. Bill was the NY State Chairman for Modified Sports for 8 years; President for NYSAAA ('07-'08); He received the Skip Paridon Service Award for distinguished service to NYS Football in 1996 and the Chapter IV Director of the Year in 2001. Throughout all his many years in athletics Bill has consistently upheld his tenets of what athletic participation should be about. Through modeling honesty, a strong work ethic, support of sportsmanship and consistent class, Bill has maintained an unerring focus on putting the benefit of student-athletes above all else.

LINDA BURR

From 1979 until her retirement in 2010, Linda Burr was instrumental to the success of girls' athletics in the Delhi Central School District. Most notably, Linda coached the Lady Bulldogs Winter Varsity Volleyball squad to 24 League & Division titles, 13 Sectional titles and in 1989, a Regional Championship. Linda's volleyball teams amassed over 400 victories under her capable direction. In 1997 Delhi added Girls' Varsity Swimming. Linda coached the team for 13 seasons compiling multiple league and relay championships with undefeated seasons from 1998 - 2005. Not to be overlooked, Linda also coached Girls' Varsity Tennis from 1977 – 1984. Her tennis teams had five undefeated seasons.

MATTHEW CRAWFORD

Matt, a 1998 graduate of Moravia High School, excelled as a four year varsity starter for both football and baseball and a three year starter in basketball. He was a Section IV Conference first team all-star three times in football, a three time IAC first team all-star in baseball, and a two time IAC first team all-star in basketball, as well as a member of the 1995-96 Section IV Class C championship team. Matt was voted a member of the 1st team all-state football team by the NY Sportswriters Association in 1997, and was named the #8 prospect in New York State by Superprep. He was also named to the "Golden 50" squad of top players from NY and NJ that same year. In baseball, Matt put up career totals of 23 home runs and 106 RBI in 88 career games, and hit .611 his senior season.

Matt went on to play football at the University of Maryland, where he became a four year starter at Offensive Tackle, winning 2nd team freshmen All-American honors by The Sporting News, 2nd team all-ACC honors and the Brian Piccolo Award winner in his junior season. Matt graduated with a B.A. in Criminal Justice/Criminology in 2002 from the university.

GAIL C. DUBOIS

Gail was a Trailblazer in the area of officiating -- establishing Boards for Girls' basketball and soccer in Oneonta. Her "Firsts" include:

- First woman to officiate Sectional Finals, Intersectional, and Regional play-offs in Girls' Basketball.
- Officiated at 1st NY State Girls' Soccer Championships in 1983 and 3 other times.
- First female to officiate a boys' soccer game in Section IV.
- Officiated at 1st NCAA Women's Soccer Tournament and 1st NCAA Division III Women's Soccer Tournament.
- Officiated college Women and Men's Soccer for 14 years and was the 1st woman in NY state to referee the center of a Men's College game.
- In 1994, received the 1st "NY State Soccer Referee of the Year" award and in 2008, she received the NYSCOS Distinguished Service Award.

Gail was also a real leader in Officials' Contract negotiations and gained equal fees for boys' and girls' basketball games in Section IV.

THOMAS B. DYE

Tom was the consummate “all around” natural athlete in New Berlin. His accolades and honors testify. In his 3 seasons of Varsity Football, his team was 18-0; he led county in scoring and garnered 3 Tri-Valley Championships while being voted Evening Sun 1st team (85-87). His 3 Varsity Basketball seasons showed a 56-14 record; 2 sectional final appearances (1 title – 88); 1000 point scorer and Daily Star player of the year ('88). His 4 Varsity Baseball seasons were an enviable 83-8 record; 4 Tri-Valley championships; 2 State championships and Daily Star play of the year ('86-'88). Continuing baseball at Hartwick, he was an E.C.R.G. All Star from 89-92. Led Hartwick in batting in '91 & '92, batting .461 in '91 (9th in Nation).

TOBY FOSTER

Toby Foster was a standout athlete at Candor from 1996-99. His hard work and dedication to basketball are still talked about today. Toby led the Candor Boys Basketball Team to three IAC Divisional titles, two IAC Overall Championships, and three consecutive Section IV titles from 1997-99. Toby led Candor to a NYSPHSAA regional championship and a place in the NYSPHSAA semi-finals in Class D at Glens Falls in 1998. Toby finished his high school career as the number two Section IV all time boys individual scorer with over 2000 points. His senior year, Toby was named the IAC MVP, earned a place on the Binghamton Press and Ithaca Journal All Metro Team and was the NY Sportswriters Class C Player of the year. Toby went on to play Division I basketball at Canisius where he led the Golden Griffens in three point shooting throughout his career. Congratulations Toby.

JOHN E. FRIESER

As a Maine-Endwell athlete prior to 2000 graduation, John Frieser was All-Metro twice apiece in football and basketball, and also two-time Section 4 Lacrosse Conference lacrosse all-star. A two-way football performer, he was chosen first-team Class B all-state defensive end as a 1999 senior and second-team tight end as a junior on M-E's state finalists. Playing front-court positions in basketball, he became M-E's first boy to score 1,000 points.

At Colgate University, Frieser was the Patriot League's first-team tight end in two seasons, second-team in a third, tri-captain in the 2003 Raiders' 15 straight wins before beaten in the NCAA Div. 1-AA final. A year later, he helped the Steelers' Berlin Thunder achieve NFL Europe's regular-season record

Upon graduation, he received one of the National Football Foundation's 15 annual post-graduate scholarships -- among his 'classmates' Eli Manning.; using the \$18,000 to earn his Masters, John teaches middle-school social studies at M-E, while a varsity assistant in football and coaching modified lacrosse.

ROBERT “BOB” GAETA

Robert (Bob) Gaeta was an exceptional three-sport athlete at Windsor High School, Class of 1967. He was a three year letter winner in football, on combined teams with a 19-4-1 record. As a running back during his senior year in high school, he led the team with 747 yards rushing after only seven games. As a wrestler, he earned three varsity letters, was three time Susquenango Association Champion and finished as a Section IV 177 lb champion in his senior year in 1967. It was during the spring track season that Bob really made his mark. As a freshman in 1964, he was the Susquenango Association 220 yard dash champion a 23.1 seconds. His 880 and 440 relay teams set league records at 136.5 and 48.0 seconds. His shuttle relay team was Section IV Class B champion with a then Section IV record of 59.3 seconds. Windsor was also the team champion in the Class B Northern Zone meet where Bob's 880 yard relay team was 2nd with a time of 136.2.

As a sophomore in 1965, Windsor was the Section IV Class B team champion and Bob was the Section IV Class B 220 yard dash winner and member of the championship 880 relay team. In the Section IV Class B

relay meet, Windsor was also the team champion and Bob's shuttle relay and 880 relay teams won both competitions setting new meet records at 58.1 and 135.3. In 1966 as a junior, Bob's shuttle hurdle relay team was Section IV Class B champs and both his 880 and 440 relay teams placed 2nd as the Windsor team was again crowned champions. In 1967 as a senior, Windsor's team again won the Section IV Class B relays where Bob was a member of both the 1st place 440 and 880 relay squads. In the state qualifier that year, Bob finished 1st in the 120 yard high hurdles at 15.3 and the 180 yard low hurdles at 19.7. Bob Gaeta was a truly gifted and competitive high school athlete.

TED HULL

A prolific scorer for the Susquehanna Valley Sabers 1973-75 featuring long bank shots from the wing. Ted at 5'9" was a ballhandler & playmaker who could beat the pressure. He could play defense and always drew the other teams best guard. Ted led S.V. win over Section III's champs C.B.A of Syracuse in the 1974-75 season. That was the closest thing to a state championship in those days. He led STAC in scoring during his Jr. & Sr. years with 19.4 and 21.7 averages. He was named to the Press All-STAC teams in 1973-74 and 1974-75. Ted went on to a brilliant four years at SUNY Binghamton and was elected to their Athletic Hall of Fame.

AMANDA LAYTHAM LOPICCOLO

Amanda Laytham LoPiccolo was an outstanding student-athlete who became Unatego's only female state champion. In her one year running Cross Country, Amanda won Susquehanna Association and Section IV Class D championships. Amanda placed 5th in the state championship meet and 21st in the Federation meet. She won Section IV winter, spring Class C-D and State Qualifier track championships in the 1500 and 3000 meter races. Amanda went on to win the Class C-D 3000 meter race at the state championship meet. She also placed 4th in the 1500 meter race. Amanda had a highly successful running career at Ithaca College and currently works as a Doctor of Chiropractic.

KIRT MANWARING

Kirt was a two sport standout for the Horseheads Blue Raiders. He was a 1st Team All STC performer in both Baseball and Football in the early 1980's. Kirt started on the high school Baseball team since his sophomore year as well as football. In baseball he was the team MVP his senior year and the MVP of the Myrtle Beach Baseball Classic. Following his senior year at Horseheads, Kirt was selected in the 12th round by the Boston Red Sox in the 1983 MLB June draft. He opted to attend Coastal Carolina University on a full baseball scholarship where he continued to excel and was named to the NAIA World series 1st team in 1985. Following his junior year at Coastal Carolina Kirt was the 3rd player selected in the second round of the MLB June Draft and he sign with the San Francisco Giants of the National League. Kirt went on to play for 13 years in the major leagues, playing in the 1989 World Series, won the SF Giants Willie McCovey award and won the National League Gold Glove for catchers in 1993. Kirt is married to his wife Kim and has 3 children and he is currently working as a catching instructor for the San Francisco Giants organization.

GARRETT SCHOONOVER

Garrett lettered 3 years in varsity soccer, varsity basketball, and 4 years in baseball at Edmeston Central School. Garrett was an outstanding athlete in all 3 sports but really excelled in baseball. He had a career .346 batting avg., scored 106 runs, a .590 on base percentage and had 70 rbis batting leadoff or second in the lineup. His pitching record for 3 years was 10-0 with 107 Ks in 79 innings. He was the best shortstop I coached in 30 plus years. He made plays most high school players think about doing. During his 4 years, Edmeston was 86-11, went to the state finals in 1989 and the semi finals in 1990. Following high school, Garrett played at Mohawk Valley Community College and did an outstanding job. He is employed at Preferred Mutual Insurance Co. Garret was a Tri Valley All Star his junior and senior years in baseball. He was a Daily Star All Star his senior year. Garret was an All Star in varsity basketball and was an outstanding guard. He closed out his high school career by winning the coveted Terry Graves Sportsmanship Award. It was a pleasure to coach Garrett and see him grow and become the successful person he is today.

JENNIFER L. STRICKLAND

Jennifer L. Strickland was a three sport athlete at Candor from 1986-90. She is most known for her exploits on the basketball court and the softball diamond. In basketball, she set the school record for points scored, 1,177. During her career, she helped lead Candor to a 67-18 record, two IAC Division and Overall titles, three Section IV semifinals. Individually she was an IAC All Star for three year, IAC MVP and Binghamton Press All Metro Team her senior year. In softball, she played shortstop and pitcher. As a pitcher her junior and senior years she compiled a 43-6 record, with a 1.029 ERA. She helped Candor to four consecutive IAC Division and Overall titles and advance to the Section IV semifinals twice. Congratulations on earning a spot in the Hall of Fame.

JAMES WAITKAVICZ

Jim at 6'4" was a tremendous rebounder, great with the outlet pass and scored with a soft touch around the basket. Jim always defended the other teams best big man. He helped to lead S.V. over Section III champs C.B.A. in the 1974-75 season. Jim was selected to the Press All STAC teams in 1973-74 and 1974-75 seasons. He also averaged 16.2 and 17.1 points in his Jr. and Sr. years. He and his running mate, Ted Hull, were known as Batman and Robin. Jim went on to play at Broome Community College and Ithaca College.

D. RONALD WHIPPLE

Ron Whipple joined the Men's Basketball Official Board #46 when he was teaching at the Bainbridge-Guilford school in 1969. By 1985 he had joined the Women's Basketball Officials Board. He served as Section IV Representative and State Official Coordination Federation from 1986-1995. Ron's refereeing ability secured 8 Section IV finals (Men), 6 Finals (Women) and several regional and intersectional's over his 40 year career of officiating basketball.

He also served as the announcer for Section IV Hall of Fame Induction Ceremonies from 1988-2008. He was named NY Basketball Coaches Association Section IV Official of the Year 1993-1994, named Board #46 Men Official of the Year – 1993 and served as President of Delaware League for one year.

KEITH WHITE

Keith White was a three sport standout at Windsor High School. In track and field Keith was on the Section IV small school 4 X 110 championship relay team and the Susquenango Association 4 X 220 relay championship squad in 1981. His relay teams also won both championships at the Section IV relay meet. As a basketball player Keith was a two year starter on back to back Susquenango Championship teams in 1980 and 1981 and his senior year team was the Section IV Class B champions. These two squads had a combined 138 and 9 record. He averaged 14.8 points and 5.6 rebounds per game, plus added 139 steals, 90 assists and shot 48.5 percent from field goal range over those two seasons as a guard. Keith was also selected at 1st team All Susquenango Association as a senior. Keith was a three year starter in football where his teams were a combined 20-7 with back to back Susquenango West championships in 1979 (8-1) and 1980 (9-1). As a defensive back Keith had a career 188 tackles including an astonishing 99 stops as a senior which is 10th all time for Windsor and the highest total ever for a defensive back.

He returned 36 kickoffs for a 16.7 yards/return and caught 12 passes for an average of 22.7 yards per catch, scoring two touchdowns and 3 PATS as a senior. Keith was selected as 1st team All League and 4th team All State defensive back as a junior and 1st team All League and 2nd team All State as both a defensive back and tight end as a senior. Keith attended and graduated from Northeastern University in Boston on a football scholarship after high school.

KRISTIN ZEH

Kristin Zeh led Oneonta High School Girls Basketball team to two NYSPHSAA Championships and one Federation Championship in 1997 & 1998. During her junior and senior years Oneonta won a record 53 straight games and her 4 year record was 94-6. They won 3 Section IV Championships, and 3 Susquenango League titles.

She was 3 times named to the First Team All New York State Class B Team, and in 1998 was named NYS Class B Player of the year in Basketball. Kristin scored 1698 points which is a record at OHS for girls or boys. In Soccer she was first team All State in 1998-99, and her girls soccer team won 3 Section IV Class B titles. She was Binghamton Press and Sun All Metro 4 times and Daily Star Player of the year 4 times in Basketball.

Kristin played basketball 4 years at The College of Saint Rose, and scored 947 career points. Let St. Rose to 3 NCAA Division II appearances and the Final 8 in 2000. She is now an elementary teacher in the Orlando, Florida area.