## NICK BOONSTRA CLASS OF 1949 "MR. STATS"

Nick is an honorary inductee for his contributions as a statistician and historian for the BHS football and basketball teams and the athletic department. Nick did the stats for the varsity football team for twenty five years: from 1948-1950 and upon returning from the service from 1955-mid seventies. He did stats for varsity basketball from 1948-1950 and then from 1955 until 1968. Inspired by Hall of Fame coach Dick Dibiaso, Nick traced the history of BHS football and basketball to their origins and provided the data to the Beacon athletic department. Nick copyrighted forms to keep statistics for football, baseball and basketball. Nick played one year of varsity baseball for Hall of Fame coach Jim Guariloff in 1949.He continued to be involved in athletics as he was the stat man and secretary for the semi-pro baseball teams Beacon Bears/Braves from 1980-1994. He served as assistant commissioner and commissioner of the Hudson Valley Rookie League and as a result was inducted into the Dutchess County Baseball Hall of Fame in the 1990's.

# Robert Resek Class of 1972

Robert "Bob" Resek is being inducted into Hall of Fame for his accomplishments in Skiing.

Bob was a member of ski teams that won four consecutive league and sectional championships from 1969 to 1972. He qualified for the New York State Public High School Skiing Championships for three consecutive years (1970 -72).

In 1972 Bob placed 5<sup>th</sup> in the slalom and 4<sup>th</sup> in the Giant Slalom in the Sate championships. In 1970 he was one of five skiers that represented Beacon in the state championships and led Section One to a 3<sup>rd</sup> Place finish. At the 72' state championships, Bob placed 5<sup>th</sup> in the Giant Slalom and 6<sup>th</sup> and the Downhill race.

Bob Resek's passion for skiing helped bring the history of Beacon skiing to the forefront. He supplied the Hall of Fame committee with some truly amazing stories of Mt. Beacon and Beacon High School skiing.

#### 1969 – 1972 Ski Teams

The Dutchess Ski Area was once a prospering ski slope on Mount Beacon. It was also the home slope for the Beacon High School Ski team which won four consecutive league and sectional championships from 1969 to 1972. No other team in Beacon High School history has won four straight sectional championships. The team was also undefeated three of those four years while only losing once.

In 1970 five members of the ski team represented Beacon at the New York State Championships. Warren Palmer, Robert Resek, Bob Glebe, Bob Cunningham and Dave Fredrick led Section One to a third place finish in the state championships. Bob Glebe and Robert Resek placed 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> in the slalom and giant slalom.

In 1972 Warren Palmer and Robert Resek placed first and third in the Section One championships. Warren, Robert and Bob Cunningham represented Beacon in the state championships where Robert once again placed 4<sup>th</sup> in slalom and 5<sup>th</sup> in the giant slalom.

Beacon was well represented at the state championships in 1969 and 71 - Alan Mortenson (69) and Warren Palmer, Robert Resek and Bob Cunningham (71).

Once the Dutchess Ski Area on Mt. Beacon went out of business in the mid 70's, Beacon High School canceled the ski program. The 1969 -72 Ski Teams will be the first and last Ski teams to be inducted into the Hall of Fame.

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	<u>Ski Team Members</u>	
Robert Resek	Warren Palmer	Bob Gelba
Alan Mortenson	Dave Fredrick	Jack Streit
Bob Cunningham	Keith Wiand	Jeff Robbillard
Steve Dvorsak	John Supple	Greg Chuisano
Larry Fredrick	Doug Carey	Ronald Cashin

Coaches: Larry Zuckerman (69) Elmer Wilday (70), and Gene Klein(71 & 72)

# Vito P. Dicesare Administrator

Vito Dicesare is an honoree inductee into the Hall Fame. Vito was the principal at Sargent Elementary School from 1970 to 1994 and the Superintendent of Schools from 1994 until his retirement in 2006.

With Vito's support as Superintendent, the athletic program grew from nineteen teams in 1994 to fifty two teams in 2006. Vito is best remembered for building new Beacon High School and all its wonderful athletics facilities.

Vito represented Dutchess County as a member of the governing body of Section One for 12 years. He represented Section One as a member of the New York State Public High School Athletic Association Executive Committee for 10 years. As a member of that committee, he was instrumental in several initiatives including the restructuring of the state playoff system, school classifications and starting dates, the placement of private and parochial schools to a higher classification and the recognition of cheerleading as a sport. In 2006, Vito was recognized by the New York State Athletic Administrators for distinguished service to athletics.

As an athlete, Vito is an avid runner who has won numerous awards nationally as well as in the New York State Empire Games. In 2005, Vito was responsible for bringing the Empire State Games to Beacon.

Beacon is proud of the new high school, all of the athletic facilities and the athletic program. This all could not be possible without the support Mr. D.

## Warren Palmer Class of 1972

Warren Palmer is being inducted into the Hall of Fame for his accomplishments in Skiing. In the early 1970's, Warren could be seen racing the slopes of Mt Beacon. Today he is a recognized high school and college coach in Vermont.

Warren was a member of ski teams that won four consecutive league and sectional championships from 1969 to 1972. Warren qualified for the New York State Skiing championships three consecutive years (1970 - 72) and in 1970 was a Section One Champion.

For the past fifteen years Warren coached skiing at Mansfield High School in Vermont where he earned numerous regional Coach of the Year Awards and coached several top level college skiers, including Karl and Eric Johnson. For the past four years he has been the head coach at St. Michaels College in Vermont.

Warren Palmer was a tremendous skier at Beacon High School and through out his adult life he has continued to race, coach and give back to the sport he has loved.

# Andrea Way – Davis Class of 1994

Andrea Way- Davis is being inducted into the Hall Fame for her accomplishments as a Varsity Girls Soccer player from 1991 to 1994.

As a forward on the Girl's Soccer team, Andrea led the offensive attack for the "Bulldogs". In 1994 Andrea led the league and county in goals scored with 26 to help Beacon win a league championship.

In 1991 Andrea earned All Section honorable mention. The next four years she earned first team honors as All Section. In 1993 and 1994 Andrea earned as All League honors and was selected as a Poughkeepsie Journal All Star.

Andrea Way-Davis was a Most Valuable Player for the "Bulldogs" and was a member of the National Honor Society.

# EMILY LOPEZ CLASS OF 2000

Emily becomes the first girl's tennis player inducted into the Beacon High School Hall of Fame. She set the standard by which future tennis players will be compared. She was a five time All-League and two time All-Section selection. She was a league doubles champion four consecutive years with three different partners and also was team MVP three times. She still holds the career record for most singles victories with 34 and total victories with 59. She was a first team Poughkeepsie Journal selection three times: twice for doubles and once for singles. Emily was the backbone of the girl's tennis team's first two league championships in 1995 and 1996. In her junior and senior seasons, she played doubles and became part of the only Beacon girl's tennis players to advance to the sectional tournament. Emily also started for five years on the girl's soccer team where she was named All-League and All-Section.