

BEACON HIGH SCHOOL HALL OF FAME

1963 and 1964 Boys Basketball Teams

The 1962-1963 boys basketball team had the first undefeated season (20-0) in Beacon High School basketball history. They won the DCSL, Section One Class B and Section One B-C Open championships. The team also set records for most consecutive wins and most wins in season (20) plus best record. No opponent scored more than 60 points in a game. After completing an undefeated regular season, the Bulldogs opened the sectionals with a 55-33 win over Horace Greeley. In the sectional championship game, they defeated Valhalla 65-41 and then completed their record-setting season by defeating Dobbs Ferry in the B-C Open. The Bulldogs were a well balanced team with no superstars

The 1963-1964 team went undefeated in the DCSL(10-0) and the regular season (17-0). They won the Oneonta Christmas Tournament. By winning their first sectional game against Lakeland 59-54, the Bulldogs set a school record by winning their 38th consecutive game before losing to Sleepy Hollow in the sectional semi finals. The team was led by DCSL and Oneonta tournament MVP and 1st team All-DCSL star Ed Zwinscher. Joining him on the first team All-DCSL were Bob Pulliam, Mickey Reed and Curt Stewart. The team averaged 75.74 points per game while surrendering only 53.47.

1962-63 Team

Ralph Valentine Bob King, Curt Stewart, Al Milligan, Gary Groza, Mickey Reed, Ed Zwinscher, Mike McCray, Murray Milligan, Ed Pickens, Robert Pulliam, Head Coach Tom Winterbottom, Assistant Coach Dick DiBiaso

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Al Milligan, Curt Stewart, Dave Mason, Ty Quill, Ed Pickens, Pee Wee Jones, Herb Williamson, John Archimede, Glenn Morgan, Terry Christopher, Mickey Reed, Chris Lane, Bob Pulliam, Ed Zwinscher, Mike McCray, Coach: Tom Winterbottom, Assistant Coach Dick DiBiaso

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**George Coughlin
Class of 1963**

George Coughlin is being inducted into the Hall of Fame as a football player. He was a three year starter on the varsity team from 1960 to 1962. George played positions on the line that were not glamorous with statistics. As a bruising guard on the offensive line, he was recognized for his ability to open gaping holes for the running backs and was a key player on the defense that arguably was one of the best in the league.

George was named to the Dutchess County Scholastic League (DCSL) football team for three straight years and All- County in his junior and senior years.

After graduating high school, George continued to be active in football by officiating high school games for 32 years and was recognized as one of the top officials in the Hudson Valley. In 1993, he was selected to officiate the NYSPHSAA Championship game at the Carrier Dome in Syracuse. George also served as a member of the Beacon Recreation Commission for fourteen years and was a founding member of the Beacon Soccer Club.

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**Jasmine Simmons
Class of 2007**

Jasmine Simmons qualified for the New York State championships in two different sports, gymnastics and track and field.

In gymnastics, Jasmine qualified for the state championships as a freshman and sophomore. As a freshman she was a state runner up, only to be edged out of a championship by .3 points in the all around event. Jasmine set a Section One record at the sectional meet by scoring a 9.9 in the all-around event. During Jasmine's junior year, she tore her ACL and could not compete in gymnastics any longer. It was then that Jasmine went out for spring track and learned to long and triple jump. As a senior, Jasmine joined an elite group of Beacon athletes by winning a 2007 New York State Championship in the triple jump.

As a collegiate athlete, Jasmine was a two time Junior College National Champion in the long and triple jumps at Barton Community College, in Kansas. Jasmine went on to have a stellar track career at the University of Oklahoma, where she was a two time All-American and earned All- Big 12 Conference honors in the triple and long jumps.

Jasmine was truly an amazing all-around athlete at the high school and collegiate levels.

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**"Werner" Joseph Franzenberg
Soccer Coach**

Joe Franzenberg is being inducted into the Hall of Fame as a soccer coach, who arguably is considered to be the pioneer of high school soccer in Beacon. Joe was very instrumental in the development and success of the program during formative years. He brought a European style of soccer to Beacon that included fundamentals, conditioning and discipline.

In 1986, Joe started and developed the girls' varsity soccer team which went on to win a league championship, followed by league championships in 1987 and 1988. In 1988, the girls team won its' first and only Section One Championship by defeating John Jay CR 3-2 in overtime. The 1988 team currently holds the school record of 102 goals in a season. His boy's teams won a league championship in 1985 and were a Section One runner up in 1985 and 1986.

Joe was a three time Poughkeepsie Journal Coach of the Year as a boys and girls coach. He was awarded the City of Beacon's "Most Outstanding Citizen Award" in 1985. Joe had an tremendous influence on soccer and the players he coached as evidenced by Beacon High School Hall of Fame Inductees Sharyn Seaman, Stacey McKeon, Nicole Petrie and the 1988 girls soccer team. Joe has also touched the lives of so many other individuals in Beacon including current high school coaches Craig Seaman and Bill Fiege and many of the current coaches in the Beacon soccer community today. His legacy as a soccer coach still lives on.

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**Mike "Tanker" Tancredi
Class of 1975**

Mike Tancredi played varsity basketball, football and baseball during his high school career. He is being inducted for his achievements in baseball.

Mike played three and a half years of varsity baseball. He was an All-DCSL first team shortstop who hit .424 his junior season and led the team with six home runs. As a senior, he hit .367 and led the team with four home runs.

He played three seasons at Mansfield State University and was an All-Conference pitcher and first baseman. Mike was drafted by the New York Mets in the 18th round of the Major League Baseball draft; becoming the first Beacon Bulldog to be drafted. He played two years of minor league baseball for the Little Falls Mets.

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Sean Lucas Class of 2007

Sean Lucas is being inducted for his achievements in baseball. Sean earned three varsity letters, 2005-2007, and was captain in 2007. During his senior season, Sean led the Bulldogs to a section best 20-5 record as he finished the season with a 6-3 record and a 1.21 ERA. He tied the school record for strikeouts in a season with 106, a record that still stands. For his record breaking season, Sean garnered the following honors; All-County and County Pitcher of the Year, All-League and League Pitcher of the Year, All-Section, All-State 1st team, Poughkeepsie Journal Pitcher of the Year and All American.

Sean became only the second Bulldog baseball player to be named All-American. Sean received a baseball scholarship to the University of Virginia where he was a member of the Cavalier team that went to the NCAA College World Series. He completed his collegiate career on scholarship at SUNY Albany, where in 2012 he was a 25th round draft choice of the Cincinnati Reds. He started his minor league career in Billings, Montana and has been promoted to Dayton, Ohio and Bakersfield, California.