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*43rd Alumni Dinner
& Hall of Fame Induction
November 22, 2024*

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To All Our 2024 Inductees



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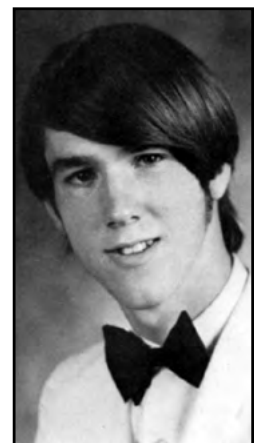
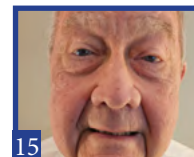


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Congratulations 2024 Inductees!



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Friday, November 22, 2023
The Mansion at Mountain Lakes

Program

**Cocktail Reception
& Open Buffett**



Hall of Fame Induction

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2024 Essex Catholic Hall of Fame Inductees

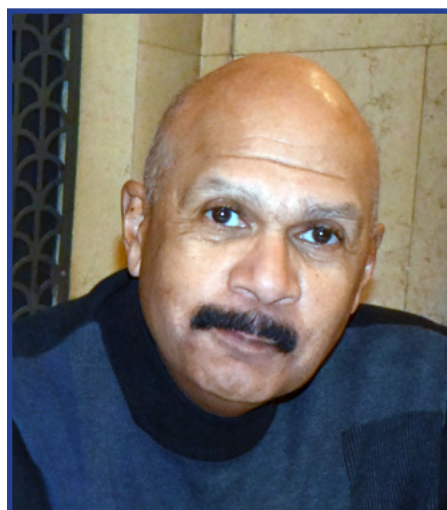
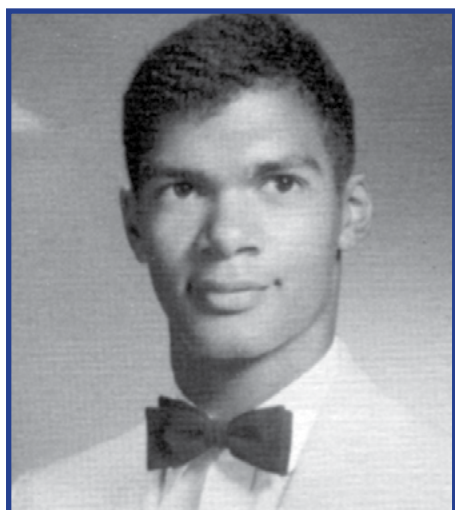
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To My Fellow Essex Catholic Alumni, Faculty and Friends;

The Essex Catholic High School Foundation is very pleased to present the 43rd Annual Alumni Dinner and Hall of Fame Induction.

We have been busy and active in 2024, committed to the Foundation's ongoing mission: "Providing alumni, faculty and friends with opportunities to gather, reminisce and reconnect; and providing scholarships to the descendants of Essex Catholic graduates."

Our Board of Trustees and Committees continue to meet regularly. Our website, www.essexcatholiceagles.com, augmented by Facebook, Twitter and LinkedIn social media postings as well as frequent email campaigns, is providing greatly improved access and communications for our alumni to keep abreast of events and stay connected. We continue to fund and grant scholarships to the descendants of Essex Catholic alumni following the successful inauguration of our *Century Club* in 2021 (see pages 7 and 9), awarding \$63,500 in scholarships over the course of four years. We continue to support Montclair Immaculate High School. We held a well-attended 300 Broadway Reception & Tour in January and Eagle Open in May, as well as an All-Classes Reunion at McGovern's and a summer luncheon at the Cloverleaf Tavern. We'll return to the Cloverleaf on Dec. 13 for our annual Christmas luncheon.

I want to thank the members of the Board, the Officers and the Committees for their time, commitment and hard work.

Congratulations to this year's inductees, honorees and scholarship recipients. Stay safe, healthy and involved.



Keith Krauss

Keith Krauss '71
Chairman and President
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Hall of Fame 2013

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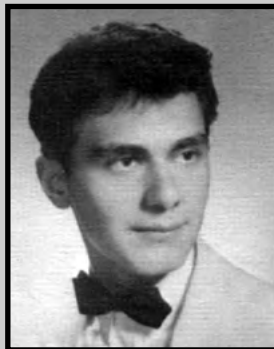
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To Our Alumni and the Greater Essex Catholic Community;

As you know, an important part of the Foundation's mission is to award scholarships to the descendants of Essex Catholic High School graduates.

In 2020, the Board of Trustees authorized creation of the *Century Club*, the intent of which is to have 100 Essex Catholic alumni donate a minimum of \$100 per year exclusively for scholarships, with the goal of raising at least \$10,000 annually. All Board of Trustee members committed to this goal and signed on as *Century Club* members.

The first four years of this program have been successful, and it is with great satisfaction that the Foundation awarded five scholarships in 2021, four in 2022, five in 2023, and eight in 2024 to the following students:

- John Brost, Jr., \$3,500 Henry Prata Memorial Scholarship to Morris Catholic High School
- Sofia Balsamo, \$3,000 to the University of Alabama
- Liam Reilly, \$3,000 to the College of New Jersey
- William Troiano, \$3,000 to Misericordia University
- Olivia Wolfe, \$3,000 to the University of Wisconsin
- Ethan Conway, \$1,500 to Mount St. Mary's University
- Kaison Edmonds, \$1,500 to Rutgers Preparatory School
- James Goodwin, \$1,500 to the University of Rhode Island

The total amount of scholarships awarded thus far, \$63,500 over the course of four years, would not have been possible without the generosity of those who supported our *Century Club*. This generosity has put meaning and substance into the Scholarship Fund, and we look forward to ongoing support of a minimum \$100 per year, which will continue to allow us to award meaningful scholarships on behalf of our beloved school.

The Board of Trustees recognizes the names of *Century Club* members in appreciation for their donations on our website, at www.essexcatholiceagles.com/scholarships, and in this Alumni Dinner Journal, on page 9. If you're not already participating, we ask that you consider committing to this project. If you haven't renewed your commitment, please do so as soon as possible.

All donations are tax-deductible, as the Foundation is a 501(c3) entity.

There are few endeavors more meaningful than helping to educate a student. Please send your donation checks, payable to "Essex Catholic High School Foundation Inc.," to:

Ed Gibney '75
Treasurer, Essex Catholic High School Foundation Inc.
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Please be sure to designate your check as "Scholarship Fund." The donation will be used exclusively for scholarships. Alternatively, you can donate through the website at <https://essexcatholiceagles.com/donations/>. Be sure to send a separate email to Ed Gibney at gibneyed@gmail.com to notify us that you've contributed to the *Century Club*.

Sincerely,

Roger Desiderio

ROGER J. DESIDERIO '67
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The E.C. Fencing Alumni, especially Lesly D'Ambola, Tom and Joe DePoto, Paul Martino, George LaTorre, along with The New Jersey Fencing Alliance congratulates Frank A. Mustilli, founder and head coach of NJFA on his induction into the Essex Catholic Hall of Fame. This prestigious Award recognizes his significant contributions, extraordinary dedication and commitment to his students and the fencing community.

*Frank Mustilli with his EC Legendary Fencing Coach Dr. D'Ambola.
Frank named many Fencing Tournaments in Doc's name*

Essex Catholic Graduation 1969, Montclair University 1973 BA, FDU 1981 MBA
72/73 Started coaching at Montclair College HS - 74/5 Caldwell College
Columbia High School Fencing Team 1990-2022 (32 years)
Girls Teams won 18 STATE TITLES, Boys Teams won 9 STATE TITLES
Girls Teams won 35 DISTRICT TITLES, Boys Teams won 25 DISTRICT TITLES
SANTELLI TITLES Girls 19 TITLES, CETRULO TITLES Boys 9 TITLES
21 INDIVIDUAL STATE CHAMPIONS

2000-2022 New Jersey Fencing Alliance Largest Fencing Salle in the United States - Founder and Owner

Nicole Mustilli (Daughter) 2020 Team Member of the First Team in United States history to win a World Championship Gold Medal Budapest, Hungary 2020
2020 Air Force Athlete of the year, 2019 United States National Sabre Champion
2018 & 2019 NCAA 1st Team All American Sabre Notre Dame University
Marisa Mustilli (Daughter) Two Time NCAA All American, Team Member NCAA
St. John's University Team Championship, 1998 Under-9 US Junior Olympic National Sabre Champion, Two-time NJ State Silver Medalist FOIL

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2024 Paris Olympics - Team Gold Medalist
Numerous World Championship Foil Teams
Ibtihaj Muhammed - Columbia HS and NJFA Fencer
US Olympic Team -2016 - Olympic Bronze Medalist
Andrew Doddo - Columbia HS and NJFA Fencer
2023 Individual World Sabre Champion and member of numerous World Championship Sabre Teams

Professional Work Titles

Three Time Bank President 1991 to 2001
CFO of a major NJ Trucking & Rigging Company 2008 to 2021
Director of a NJ Child Care Center 2021 to Present
Frank has been married to his wife, Blanche since 1974

Top Row: George LaTorre, Tom DePoto, Paul Martino,
Bottom Row: Frank Mustilli Doctor D'Ambola, Patrick Arre



Frank Mustilli and EC 1970 Teammate Peter Westbrook, 6 Time Olympian, 13 Time National Champion, 1984 Olympic Bronze Medalist



Left
Nicholas
Franzi,
R.I.P. 2015,
Doc.
D'Ambola
Frank
Mustilli

Congratulations Patrick J. Arre, 2024 EC HOF,

From the E.C. Fencing Alumni, especially Lesly D'Ambola, Tom & Joe DePoto, Paul Martino, George LaTorre,

Pat was on the fencing team at Essex Catholic for four years, coached by Dr. Samuel D'Ambola. He was a key member of the 1972 State Championship Team. Pat helped lead Essex to the Sabre and Team State Title with a 10-0 individual record. Pat served on the EC Student Council.

After graduating from Essex, Pat attended West Point for a year, where he was appointed to the USMA 1972 Army fencing team. The following year, Pat attended Rutgers Newark and was a member of the Rutgers Fencing Team from 1973 to 1976. Upon graduating Rutgers, Pat attended Southwestern Law School where he received his Juris Doctor degree(J.D.)

In 1981, Pat was admitted to the N.J. Bar.

1st Law Assignment was as an attorney working for the office of C. Robert Sarcone. From 1984 to 1987, Pat was appointed as Assistant Essex County Prosecutor for the Special Prosecutions Unit . In 1987, Pat entered private practice again, becoming an associate with Horowitz and Imperial, continued a criminal practice conducting internal investigations and representing individuals that were victims of negligence in civil and medical malpractice cases, as well as individuals who were victims of sexual abuse by members of the clergy.

Pat has been a partner with both Waters McPherson McNeill and Chasan Leyner & Lamparello.

In 2011, Pat was appointed by Governor Chris Christie to the Superior Court of New Jersey as a Superior Court Judge. He served first in Hudson County and then in Essex County.

Upon reaching the age of seventy and mandatory retirement age, Pat was approved to serve on recall in the Criminal Division in Essex County

On a personal note, Pat has been married since 1978. He has three adult children. Pat had the honor of swearing in his oldest daughter as a Judge of the Superior Court in Morris County in 2023. His second daughter is an executive at a financial corporation. Pat had the honor of swearing in his son as the Assistant Union County Prosecutor in 2021.



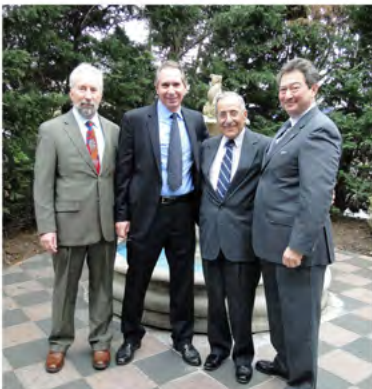
Top Picture, Patrick Arre 2nd from the right,



2nd picture Top Row 4th from the right



Pat is 5th from the right



Pat is on the far right

Far left, Paul Martino, Far right, Brian Smith, both EC Fencers and HOF Members



Frank Mustilli far left, Pat center, Tom DePoto Far Right



Brian Smith on the Left, Pat Center



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Frank Zeevalk '64



members Steve Sullivan, John Suminski, Chuck Provini and Mike Shannon. Commentaries from Craig Courter and Jerry Otskey are salient. Craig notes “how fortunate I was to have Frank tutor me in hitting. He was instructive and patient to this underclassman as he embraced me as a member of the team. Frank was a team player, competitive, with a winning attitude. His team leadership, skill level and competitiveness had

the respect of his teammates and coaches.”

Jerry Otskey adds, “Frank was a key contributor to the reputation of Essex Catholic baseball during its formative years. His excellent pitching and consistent hitting contributed greatly to the ECHS baseball team’s invitations to participate in the Greater Newark Tournament and State Tournament.”

Frank attended Montclair State University after graduating from Essex. His work history includes more than 40 years with the U.S. Postal Service, rising to Postmaster of Edgewater, N.J. He was on the Board of Directors for Holy Ascension Church in Clifton for 10 years, five of which he served as Financial Secretary. Frank also was a volunteer basketball, baseball and softball coach in West Caldwell, and volunteered as a baseball coach at Whippany Park High School for 13 years. He is also an exceptional golfer with a great touch around the greens.

Frank has been married for 53 years to his lovely wife, Nancy. They are the parents of a successful engineering son and biologist daughter, both of whom were outstanding athletes and honor students in college. Marc is a graduate of Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. He was a member of the baseball team. Kathleen, a graduate of Bucknell University, was a member of the softball team. Frank and Nancy’s granddaughter Lilla is an outstanding student athlete at her high school.

After retirement, Frank and Nancy moved to Little Egg Harbor into Sea Oaks, which surrounds LBI National Golf Course. He served on the Homeowner’s Recreation Committee for seven years and for the past 12 years has been on the Executive Committee of the Senior Men’s Golf Association.

“Essex Catholic taught me perseverance and discipline, which helped shape my working career and my lifetime values,” Frank says. “I want to thank Brother Loftus, my baseball coach, who was very influential in my development not only as a player but as a person.”

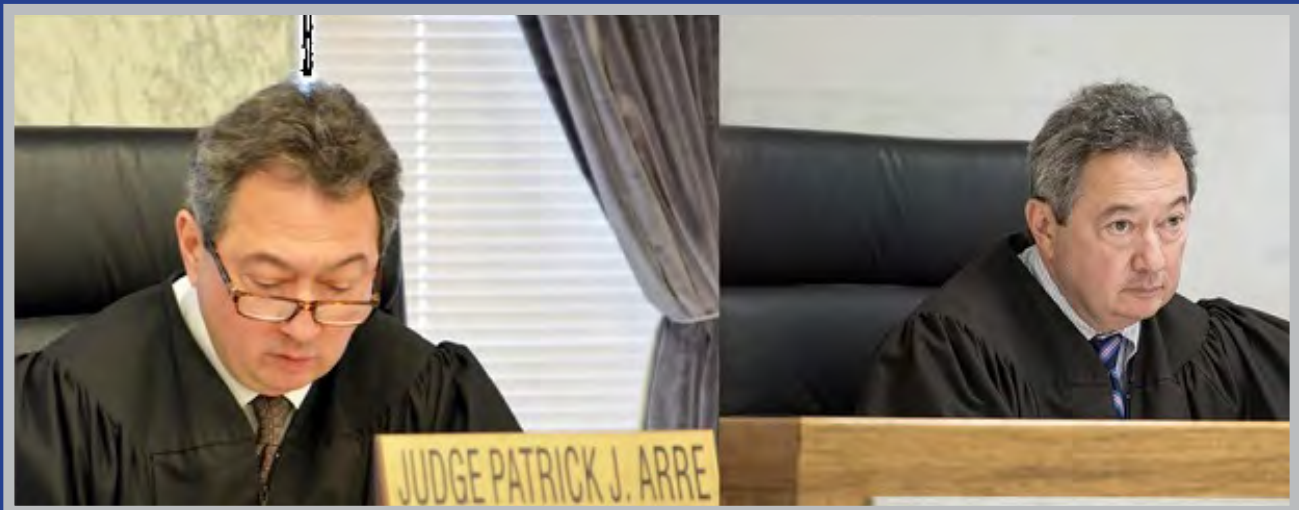
Frank Zeevalk '64 was an exceptional member of Eagles baseball and basketball teams. He was truly an outstanding baseball player. As a three-year varsity letter winner, Frank demonstrated strong hitting and outstanding pitching. He was honored for his skills in his Senior year by being selected All Essex County and All Parochial A by *The Star Ledger*. He was further honored at Essex as that year’s Outstanding Baseball Player.

Frank played on a baseball team with exceptional talent. Hall of Fame members on that team included Jerry Otskey, Vince Otskey, Craig Courter, Lonnie Moncelsi, Charles “Butch” Provini and Dennis Sasso. One of Frank’s more interesting baseball highlights is hitting three consecutive triples in one game. His most notable skill was his pitching. This was noticed by Major League scouts and he was invited to an “Open Tryout” after graduation.

Frank was also an exceptional basketball player. He was deadly accurate with a corner shot. He played on teams that include current HOF

CONGRATULATIONS!

The Honorable Patrick Arre '72, J.S.C.



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Essex Catholic Class of 1972 Alive!*



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Kevin Cooney '68



year record of 20-11, including winning the 1973 Midwest League Championship. In 1975, he returned to Montclair State and served as Clary Anderson's assistant coach for two years. The 1975 and 1976 teams reached the NCAA Division 2 and Division 3 World Series, respectively. Three years as head baseball coach at Watchung Hills and Mount Olive High Schools followed, with Mount Olive's first ever Sectional State

Title in 1981 and initial Conference Championship in 1982.

From 1984 to 1987, Kevin served as head coach at Montclair State, advancing to the Division 3 College World Series each year. The 1987 Indians won Montclair's first Baseball National Championship. In 1987, Kevin was named National Coach of the Year.

Kevin's next stop was a long one: 21 years at Division 1 Florida Atlantic University. During that time, FAU won 748 games and competed in eight NCAA Regionals, winning the 2002 Tuscaloosa Regional. Kevin's 1999 FAU team tied the Division 1 record for most consecutive wins, 34, a record that still stands. Those FAU teams produced 25 All Americans, 90 professional players and four Major Leaguers. Kevin was named to five Halls of Fame.

After leaving FAU in 2008, Kevin and his family moved to his wife Mary Beth's family farm in Loudon, Tenn. After running a business for six years, a true career blessing occurred. Kevin's home parish, St. Thomas the Apostle, selected him as Director of Youth Ministry. The result was the capstone to a life of teaching and coaching, except now his teams were made up of high school girls and boys struggling to find Jesus in a world that had gone in another direction. After two years, Kevin added middle school kids. Great adult helpers and especially the Holy Spirit led the Youth Ministry program to new heights.

In 2020, Kevin retired and spent time revitalizing the family farm. It now produces 80 acres of hay, and the Cooneys are in the process of acquiring beef cattle.

It is an understatement that God has smiled on this 1968 Essexman. But the biggest blessing has been his wife, Mary Beth, and the children they have raised: Jim Cooney and wife Betsy, Jeff Cooney and wife Ashley, Maggie Cooney and husband Steve Falsetti, and youngest Luke. Plus, there are three grandchildren, soon to be four. Essex Catholic got it all started. It's the honor of Kevin's life to be here tonight.

Kevin Cooney '68 grew up in Cedar Grove, N.J. During his time at Essex, he was a starting pitcher on the baseball team, where he was blessed to be coached by outstanding men such as Brother Bray, John Groh, Bill Battershall, Brother Dobbins and varsity coach Joe Garvey. These men provided an education in competitiveness, sportsmanship and compassion. Little did Kevin realize that they were laying the groundwork for the remainder of his life.

Kevin was a varsity letterman in 1967 and 1968, garnering All City, All County and Parochial A All State honors. His varsity won-loss record was 12-4, including a win over Union in the Greater Newark Tournament. Kevin was named MVP of the 1968 team. He was surrounded by great teammates such as Larry Iovino, Bobby Coppola, Artie Sharon, the late great Charlie Dowd, Norm Smith, Jack Venezia, Billy Otskey and former Major Leaguer Bob Molinaro.

From 300 Broadway, Kevin's path led to Montclair State University, playing three seasons for the legendary Clary Anderson. During Kevin's career, Montclair posted a record of 58-16, including in 1972 the nation's best regular season record of 22-2. That season Kevin had nine starts, nine complete games and nine wins. Kevin's career record of 18-3 is one of seven top-20 categories in the Montclair State record book.

Drafted by the Minnesota Twins in the 11th round, Kevin had a two-



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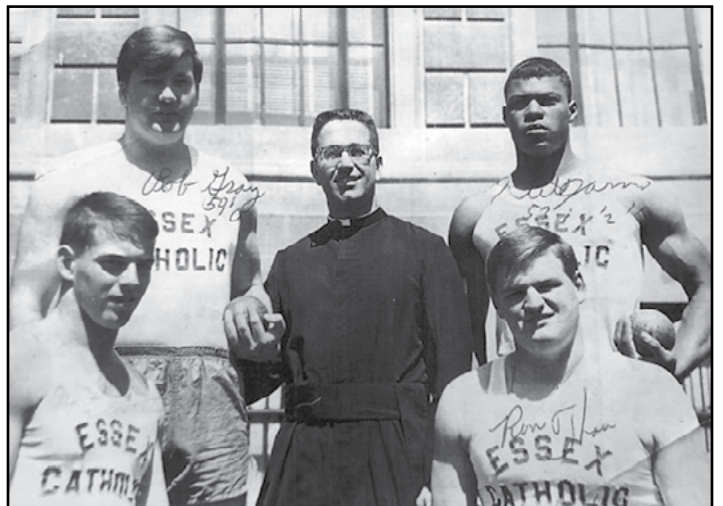


Following his graduation with a degree in Business Management, Bob embarked on an entrepreneurial journey. Alongside fellow Essex Catholic alumnus Mike Augustine '70, he founded a furniture delivery company. Starting with a single old truck and handling every aspect of the business themselves, they navigated numerous challenges and expanded

their operation to a 64,000-square-foot high-cube warehouse, serving major furniture retailers.

In 1997, Bob co-founded a new venture with Barry Meisel, a *New York Daily News* sportswriter. They established MeiGray Group, named by combining their last names. Under their leadership, MeiGray has become a leading authenticator of game-worn sports memorabilia. Notably, MeiGray Group authenticated two of the top-selling game-worn jerseys in history: Babe Ruth's New York Yankees "Called Shot" jersey, which sold for \$24.12 million, and Michael Jordan's Chicago Bulls "Last Dance" jersey, which fetched \$10.1 million. Today, MeiGray Group stands at the forefront of its field, renowned for its expertise and credibility in sports memorabilia authentication.

Bob is also a former member of the ECHS Foundation Board of Trustees.



Robert Gray '68's athletic journey began at Essex Catholic High School, where he claimed victory in the Easterns Indoor Shot-Put during his senior year. He also contributed to a four-man relay shot-put team that set a national record. In 1968, his longest outdoor throw was ranked fourth best in New Jersey and eleventh best all-time. His achievements earned him the title of "Most Valuable Field Man" and being voted "Foremost Essex Senior."

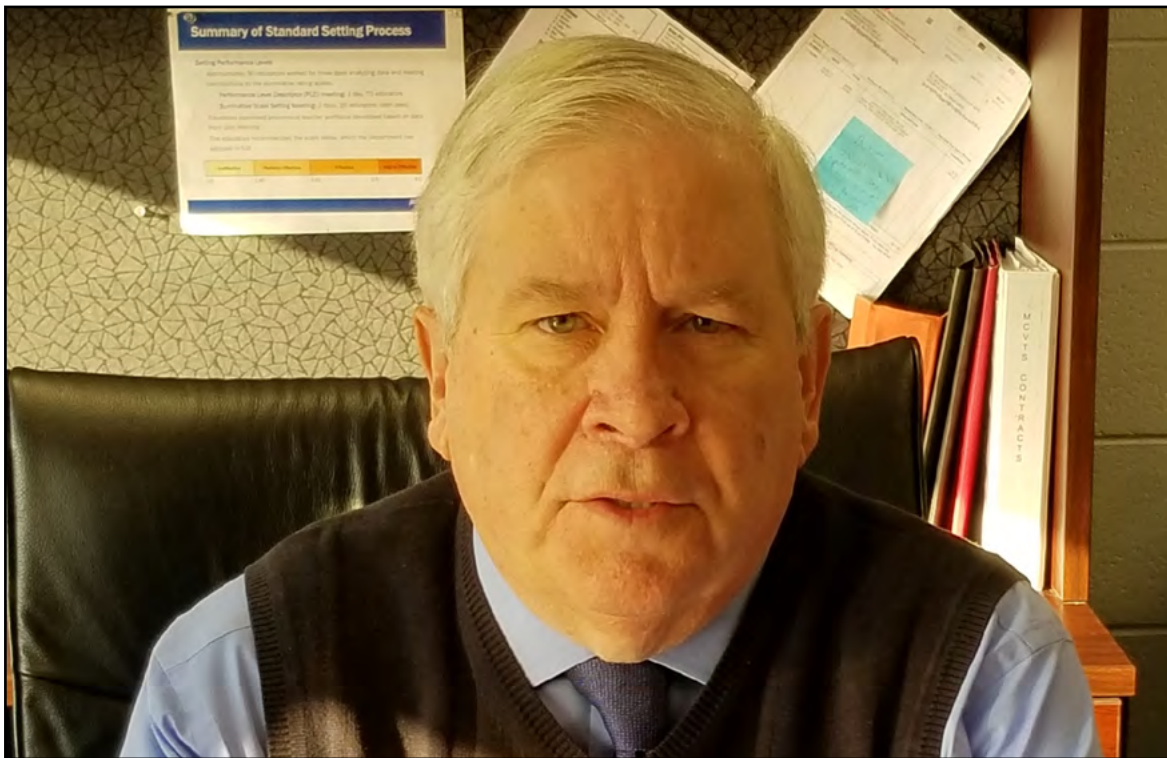
Upon graduating from Essex Catholic in 1968, Bob represented New Jersey at the U.S. Jaycees Junior Olympics in Eugene, Ore., further showcasing his talent in the shot-put. He continued to excel in track and field at Cornell University in Ithaca, N.Y., where he set a Cornell freshman record in the shot-put and earned a place as a varsity athlete for three years with the Big Red.

Thank You, Essex Catholic

It is a great honor to be in the Essex Catholic Hall of Fame with fellow Class of '67 members Vic Collucci, Bill Connell, Bob Coppola, Roger Desiderio, Charlie Dowd, Pete Flannery, Joe Fowlkes, Larry Iovino, Milton Irvin, Wayne Krause, Ed Kwasnik, Rev. Bob LaFerrara, John Lennon, Marty Liquori, Mark Murro, Frank Norton, Paul Schetelick, and the beloved and dearly missed Al Tobia and Ralph Vreeland.

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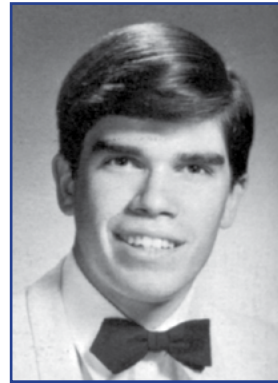
Joe Bakes '67 Hall of Fame 2022 Kathy Vreeland Bakes





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Richard Conniff '69



somehow surviving on a remnant of not-yet-developed land in the middle of Mumbai, India—and finding it.

At Essex Catholic, Richard ignited his passion for journalism when he joined the editorial staff of *The Eagle* and *The Talon*, where he served as Co-Editor-in-Chief for the 1969 yearbook. He was an honor roll student, a class officer—and

very bad at intramural sports.

Richard went on to earn his B.A. in English from Yale, and returned to Newark for his first job, as a reporter for *The Star-Ledger*. He is the prolific author of eleven books, countless feature articles, opinion pieces and television scripts, touching on such diverse topics as animal and human behavior, public health, the environment, travel and history. One favorite assignment had him buy a car and get behind the wheel in a demolition story. Another, reported from a Chicago tavern called The Green Mill, resulted in the first national publication about the birth of poetry slams. Richard has been a commentator on NPR's *Marketplace* and a contributing opinion writer for *The New York Times*.

Richard's latest book, "Ending Epidemics: A History of Escape from Contagion," tells the story behind "the mortality revolution," the dramatic transformation not just in our longevity, but in the character of childhood, family life and human society, so very timely and relevant because of our recent experience with the COVID-19 pandemic.

Richard is a past Guggenheim Fellow and has been recognized with a National Magazine Award for his work in *The Smithsonian*, and an Emmy nomination for distinguished script writing for a *National Geographic* show. He blogs at strangebehaviors.com.

Richard and his wife Karen live in Lyme, Conn. Each of their three children has recently given them a grandchild, for which they are deeply grateful. In addition to his writing, Richard rowed for many years with the Blood Street Sculls.

Richard continues to write, and—at the age of 72—became a volunteer ambulance driver and is pursuing becoming an emergency medical responder.

Richard Conniff '69 has spent much of his career writing about wildlife and other topics. His work has taken him all over the world for such magazines as *The Smithsonian*, *The Atlantic*, *Time* and *National Geographic*, as well as for his books and for television shows. Any random workday (like the one in the photo) could mean searching for a free-living leopard

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Co-Editors Beddes and Conniff

In one corner two typists batted out copy sheet after copy sheet. Closer to the door, a hairy-headed, pin-striped Co-Editor-in-Chief ranted madly about "gross incompetence" as he scratched out the scratch-outs on the torn and tattered write-up that was slowly becoming a football article. His taller, closer cropped confrere sat quietly studying a layout design. Suddenly, shattering the aura of creativity, a two-foot tall ball of organized incoherence streaked into the room, twice circled the table and dove, head first into the waste basket, vainly seeking idents for the Future Furnace Stokers of America, or some such organization.

As snowballs of crumpled paper whipped through the air, the two editors leapt up and shouted what has wisely been censured down to: "Get out, you organized ball of incoherence!"

In sudden fury, the hairier of the editors grabbed a small, black super ball from his desk and hurled it in the general direction of the intruder. The ball zinged off a wall, knocking out both typists on the rebound. Enraged by the attack, the visitor quickly retaliated. Seizing a box of elastic bands, he chose one and quickly drew a bead on the forehead of the wrong editor. He fired, and both editors scrambled for shelter. Soon the barrage of elastic bands blocked out the light in a thick cloud. One editor fell, as the lone assailant attacked with missile-like pencil stubs. The frenzy of the assault proved too strenuous for the remaining editor, and he, too, soon fell by his comrades.

Suddenly, from the hall, the short intruder perceived the sound of approaching footsteps. Wary of visiting moderators, he swiftly propped the two typists before their machines. The two editors remained motionless on the floor. Grabbing one by the forelock, and the other by the fog tag on his shirt back, he dragged them into sitting position.

A tall, ebony-clad moderator and his bespectacled assistant stepped through the door. As all seemed in order, the two soon departed; the lone intruder escaped through a window.

Hours later, his four victims slowly regained consciousness and taking their jackets, headed for home. Somehow, in between all this, they wrote a yearbook.

Richard Conniff '69



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Frank Mustilli '69



Title in the same year.

In addition to his unmatched high school and collegiate records, Frank has been the coach of two two-time Olympians who he coached from 9th grade all the way through their entry into the Olympics, one in the 2024 Paris Olympics. Another was selected to her second Olympic team.

Frank has two daughters who he taught fencing from a young age.

His oldest, Nicole (Mustilli) Lechner, became a team captain at Columbia HS and was a State Champion in both Foil and Sabre. She was MVP at Notre Dame in Epee, two-time NCAA Epee Champion, U.S. Air Force Athlete of the Year, 1999 U.S. National Sabre Champion, and two-time member of the U.S. National Sabre Team. Nicole was also a member of the Air Force ROTC, and was on the first team in U.S. history to win an Armed Forces World Championship in Women's Sabre, in Budapest, Hungary in 2000. She was a 2007 inductee into the Columbia HS Hall of Fame.

Frank's second daughter, Marisa (Mustilli) Freuler, was also a member of the Columbia HS team that won Santelli and State Championships. Marisa received a full fencing scholarship to St John's University, where she was a member of an NCAA Championship team. She was a two-time NCAA All American in Sabre with a Sophomore year 47-1 record, an Under-19 Women's Sabre National Champion and a Junior Olympics Women's Sabre Champion. Marisa was inducted into the Columbia HS Hall of Fame in 2015.

Frank founded one of the top fencing clubs in the nation in 2001, the New Jersey Fencing Alliance (NJFA). This club has helped fund various charities. In past years, he brought honor to Doc D'Ambola by hosting a major regional tournament in Doc's name, bringing together Doc and former Essex fencers from all over the world. Frank has been an officer and President of NJFA and is responsible for expanding the tournament schedule from 30 to 200 events, including the first wheelchair events ever held in the Mid-Atlantic Division.

Frank recently retired from his career as a bank president. Besides being the owner of NJFA, he has also worked as Chief Financial Officer of J. Supor & Son Trucking & Rigging, Kearny, N.J.

Frank Mustilli '69 has been a dedicated fencing coach, following Doc D'Ambola's program, concentrating his entire career in New Jersey. He was a member of the 1969 Essex Catholic State Championship team, where he fenced under Doc. In his earliest years at Essex, to reach his potential, Frank would board a PATH train from Harrison and with the money he earned doing part time jobs, take additional fencing lessons in New York City at the Santelli Fencing Club and New York Fencing Club.

Upon graduation from Essex, Frank attended Montclair State University, where he was chosen as team captain for all four years. The team included many Essex graduates, and became a State, Middle Atlantic and nationally ranked powerhouse. In his junior year, Frank captured the North Atlantic Fencing title. Following graduation, he started two fencing programs in Montclair and in the evening at Caldwell College. Frank received his MBA in taxation from Fairleigh Dickinson in 1981. In 1991, he began volunteering as a coach at Columbia High School.

Through the years, Frank's teams have won 18 State Titles. That includes 13 Santelli Championships and nine Cetrulo Championships. His teams have compiled a dual meet record of 205-18. Many times, Frank's boys and girls teams at Columbia each won the Overall State

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Ray Cruise '71



game vs. St. Joseph's Regional where they failed to convert a first down despite putting three different guards in to try and block him. Ray's defensive play earned him All City honors in 1970. He was a 1970 North Jersey Catholic League First Team lineman.

Still, Ray played on both sides of the ball and was known to do some of his best work on offense. After the Notre Dame game in his senior

season, the referee told Coach Tag it was the best game he had ever seen an offensive lineman play. Coaches and teammates alike recall the story and have mentioned that in all their years around the game, they've never heard a referee make a similar comment about a player. Ray was best utilized as a quick-pulling guard where he made trap bait of defensive lineman and sealed off linebackers to spring many thankful running backs for touchdowns. Ray loved to pull and often spoke about it. His favorite was pulling around the end on sweeps, devastating defensive backs and other would-be tacklers with crushing cross-body blocks. Ray also enjoyed protecting some great quarterbacks, among them Essex Catholic Hall of Famer and former Major League Baseball player Rick Cerone.

Ray had so much heart and pure talent that when the University of Nebraska was recruiting NFL great and Essex Catholic Hall of Famer Stan Waldemore, they were impressed with Ray's game film. However, they decided he was too small, which ultimately kept him from playing NCAA Division 1 football. Eventually, Ray did enjoy a career at Lebanon Valley College, a Division 3 school in Annville, Pa. He showcased his talents by playing linebacker for Lebanon Valley until a couple of head injuries forced him to hang up the pads. Ray also enjoyed a year of playing baseball in his time at Lebanon Valley. He later transferred to Rutgers University Newark, where he finished his degree.

What Ray did love more than football was his family. He married his wife Denise in 1976 and they were married for 25-plus years until his untimely death in 2002 at 49. Together, Ray and Denise raised four loving children: Natalie, Jaelyn, Samantha and Jeff. Ray also enjoyed a 25-year career at the Essex County Division of Welfare, dedicating his life to helping others and making an impact in the community.

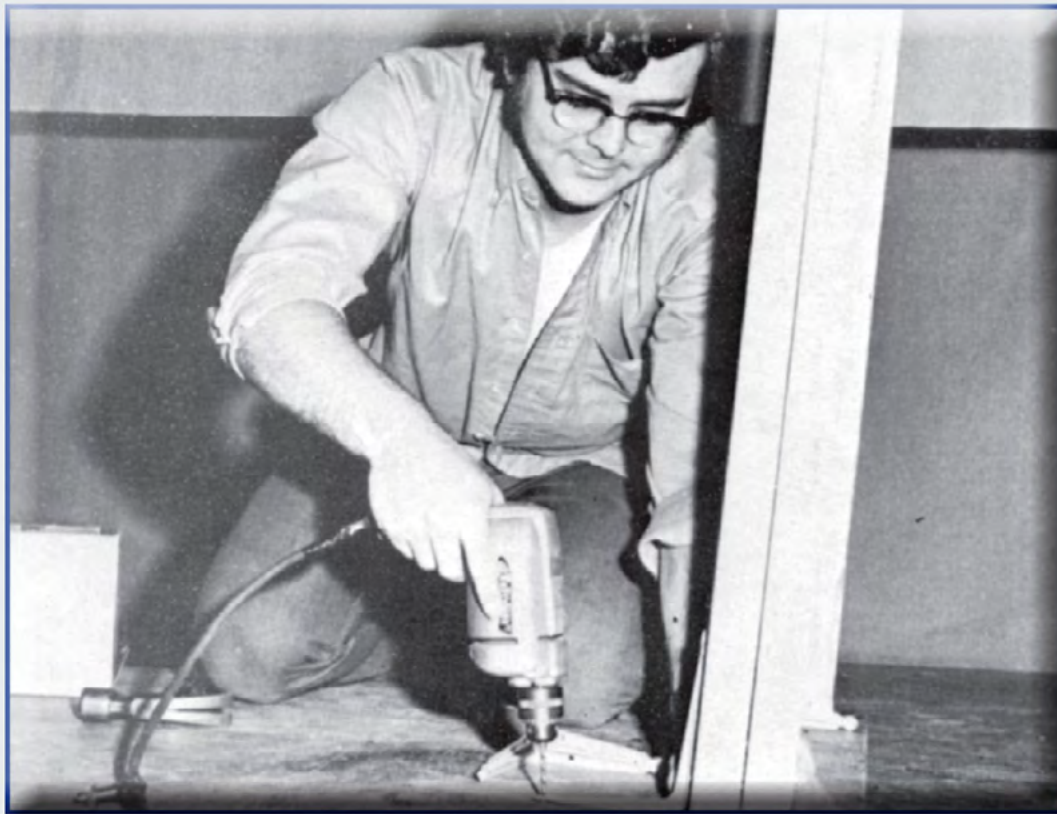
Ray Cruise '71 grew up loving sports with a special affinity for football. Without a youth football presence established yet in Essex County, Ray played on "street teams" in the Newark sandlots before establishing himself as a star at Essex Catholic High School. Ray was also a big Dallas Cowboys fan, which was cemented after the Giants traded his favorite player, Sam Huff, to the rival Washington Redskins in 1963. He grew up idolizing Cowboys Hall of Fame Defensive Tackle Bob Lilly and modeled much of his game after him.

At Essex Catholic, Ray was a two-year letterman in football and two-way starter for the Eagles in 1969 and 1970. He was best known as a gritty, undersized lineman who played the game with technical skill, quickness and intense passion. He was beloved by coaches and teammates, while respected by opponents. In return, Ray always spoke glowingly about the Eagles and Coach Taglieri. He often recalled tough practices in Branch Brook Park and had a fondness for Coach Tag's weekly trick play installation.

As a nose tackle on defense, Ray terrorized offenses and the interior lineman they set out to try and block him. He always recalled one

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Richard Gray
Essex Catholic Faculty, 1966-1972



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Pat Arre '72



sistant Essex County Prosecutor for the Special Prosecutions Unit, a position he held from 1984 to 1987. In 1987, he reentered private practice as an associate with Horowitz & Imperial, representing self-insured corporations in civil, insurance coverage and commercial matters, and defended legal malpractice cases. He continued in criminal practice, conducting internal investigations

and representing individuals who were victims of negligence in civil and medical malpractice cases. Pat also successfully represented individuals who were victims of sexual abuse by members of the clergy.

In 1990, Horowitz & Imperial merged with Waters McPherson McNeill. Pat was appointed partner with the firm, continuing his corporate and criminal practice. In 2008, he accepted a position as a partner with Chasan Leyner & Lamparello. Pat was the head of the firm's Personal Injury and Medical Malpractice Department.

Pat is a Certified Civil and Criminal Trial Attorney, one of approximately 50 attorneys in New Jersey to hold dual certifications. He is a member of the New Jersey State and American Bar Associations, Association of Trial Lawyers of America and Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers. Throughout his private and professional career, Pat also was the attorney for St. Lucy's Church in Newark and counsel to the late Rev. Joseph J. Granato for 30 years.

In 2011, Pat was appointed a Judge of the Superior Court of New Jersey by Governor Chris Christie. When first appointed, he served in Hudson County for the Vicinage 6 Superior Court, but was later reassigned to Vicinage 5, which serves Essex County, N.J. Upon reaching the age of 70 and mandatory retirement, Pat was approved to serve on recall in the Criminal Division in Essex County.

Pat has been married since 1978. He has three adult children. He had the honor of swearing in his oldest daughter as a Judge of the Superior Court in Morris County in 2023. His second daughter is an executive at a financial corporation. Pat had the honor of swearing in his son as an Assistant Union County Prosecutor in 2021.

Pat Arre '72 was on the fencing team at Essex Catholic for four years, coached by Dr. Samuel D'Ambola. He was a key member of the 1972 State Championship team. Pat helped lead Essex to the Sabre and Team State title with a 10-0 record. While at Essex, Pat also served on the Student Council.

After graduating from Essex, Pat attended West Point for a year, where he was appointed to the 1972 United States Military Academy Army fencing team. The following year, he attended Rutgers Newark. He was there from 1973 to 1976 and was a member of the fencing team. Upon graduating from Rutgers, Pat attended Southwestern Law School where he received his Juris Doctor.

In 1981, Pat was admitted to the New Jersey Bar Association. His first job as an attorney was working for the office of C. Robert Sarcone. After his tenure there, Pat was appointed as As-

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Bob Heugle '71 • Hall of Fame 2017



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Art Semler '73



with the Sophomore and JV teams. Then as a Sophomore he played both JV and Varsity as a fullback and linebacker. In his Junior and Senior years, Art was a major contributor to the team's undefeated season and conference championships.

Art's success on the football field led to numerous scholarship offers, and he ultimately decided to attend the University of Nebraska, where

he continued his football career alongside two other Essex Catholic alumni, Stan Waldemore and John Minnetti. Unfortunately, Art suffered a herniated disc in his lower back during winter workouts. He restarted his football career at Villanova University after undergoing back surgery, where he continued to play football and graduated with a B.S. in Business Administration within three years.

After college, Art spent 36 years in the trucking industry, starting as a management trainee in operations and eventually moving into sales. He was highly sought after for his sales skills, leadership abilities, reputation for team building and ability to work closely with the Teamsters Union. Art's leadership and turnaround skills were demonstrated when he was asked to manage a failing Yellow Freight Distribution Center in Elizabeth, N.J., which he was able to transform into one of the company's model facilities.

Art's success continued when he became an officer and vice president at TNT Bestway in Phoenix, Ariz., a company that was on the verge of closing. Through his leadership, reorganization of the sales force and strategic focus, he was able to grow the company and set profitable records. Art's expertise in operations and sales led to a role as Vice President at Central Freight Lines, Waco, Tex., where he was responsible for right-sizing the company. Within 18 months his marketing plan produced double-digit growth and profitability.

In addition to his corporate career, Art and his wife Vickie were successful real estate entrepreneurs, operating a family-owned company as licensed realtors for 19 years in Scottsdale, Ariz. Art and Vickie have been married for 43 years and have three successful children and eight grandchildren. After 28 years in Scottsdale, they are retired and reside in Pennsylvania, where Art spends his time enjoying life and visiting family on both coasts.

Art Semler '73 grew up in Newark, N.J. as one of eight children, seven boys and one girl, in a close-knit extended family. As the middle child he looked up to his older siblings. His father and mother were strong role models and mentors who instilled family values, a strong work ethic, faith and the importance of pursuing a college education.

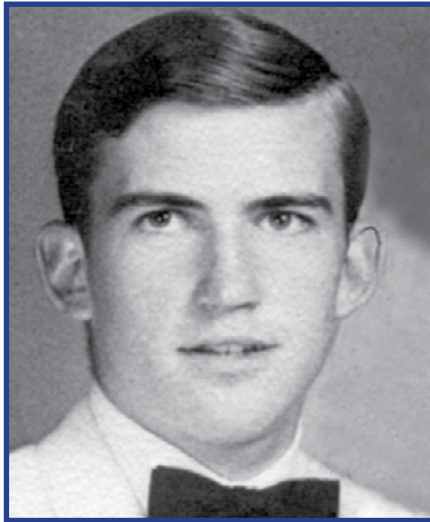
From a young age, Art was actively involved in sports, playing for the North Ward Little League Baseball Team, Pop Warner Football League, and in pickup basketball games at local playgrounds. Even before attending Essex Catholic High School, Art would visit the school on weekends when the Brothers would open the gym for the local kids to play basketball. Essex felt like an extension of his family, and he was fortunate to have teachers and coaches like Brother Nick, Brother Brennan, Mr. Zarro, Mr. D'Alessandro, Mr. "Z" and especially Coach Taglieri, who all helped instill the values and traditions of Essex Catholic.

Coach Taglieri had a major impact on developing Art's character, winning spirit, team concept and desire to excel through dedication, focus and hard work. Art was part of the school's Indoor and Outdoor Track and Field teams and enjoyed weightlifting in the field locker room and the Vault.

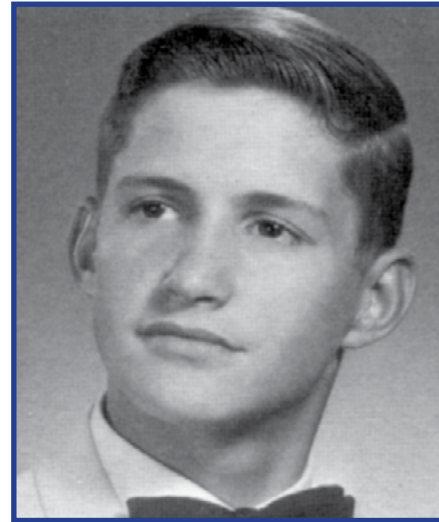
Football, however, was Art's true passion. As a Freshman he played

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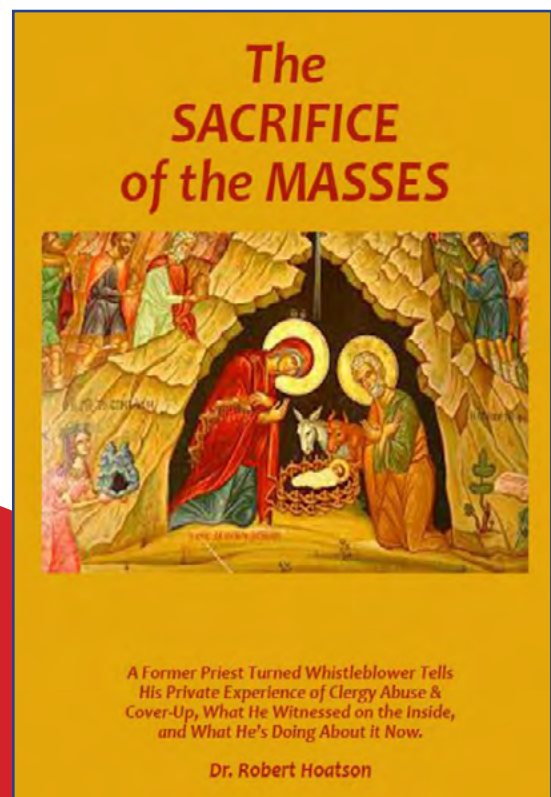
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Stanley Golon '74



two practices during that time, and the boys team compiled a record of 110-25-5.

In 2000, Stanley was named Head Coach of the Jefferson Forest High School girls team, leading the Lady Cavaliers to a record of 19-2-1 and a trip to the Virginia State Athletic Association final match, a grueling 3-3 draw settled after 30 penalty kicks. The girls repeated a final

four appearance the following year, only to be defeated in the semifinals 1-0. Stanley continued with his girls through 2015, finally stepping down with a truly wonderful group of seniors. Throughout his tenure there were a multitude of trophies, including district, district tournament, region, conference and state as well as Coach of the Year awards.

In 2017, Stanley's longtime assistant finally broke through, winning the Virginia State Championship, which he dedicated to all the former teams that came so close. A few weeks later, a Jefferson Forest High School Virginia State Championship ring arrived in the mail with Stanley's name on it. He couldn't have been prouder of all the hard work that went into achieving this status.

"If my coaching career, my passion, my dream could not have been any better, it sure was in 2014 when Gatorade informed me that Jefferson Forest High School had the Best Girls Soccer Player in the United States," Stanley recalls. "The award was presented by Ali Krieger, formerly of the United States Women's Soccer Team, to Katie Cousins, who now plays professionally in Iceland. Katie led us to the state final that year. She scored twice in the match, made all her penalty kicks—and sent me to my knees when she hit the goal post in sudden death overtime."

Stanley's dream of becoming a high school coach did indeed come to fruition and bore plenty of fruit, including a high team GPA, because his players always were student athletes.

Stanley retired in 2016 and with wife Maureen and children Laura and Erica headed west to Colorado. They now have four grandchildren: Vaughn, Lucy, Bruce and Roy. Stanley and Maureen have been married 41 years.

Stanley Golon '74 joined the Essex Catholic soccer team his sophomore year after hearing the soccer stories of classmates Bill Sweeney and John Carey in Brother Germain's Religion class. He captained the Junior Varsity during his junior year under coach Brother Fahy. Upon graduation, he continued to play soccer in adult leagues. In 1975, Stanley dedicated himself to a career as a civil servant in the United States Postal Service, employed at the New York Bulk & Foreign Mail Center, Jersey City, N.J. In 1988, he transferred to Lynchburg, Va.

Upon relocation to Virginia, Stanley quickly involved himself in the Forest Youth Athletic Association, beginning a long and fruitful relationship with local youth and Jefferson Forest High School. It was here that a chance meeting made a dream of his come true—coaching a high school soccer team. He volunteered for the next eight years, missing only

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Essex Catholic 1973 Varsity Wrestling Co-Captains, left to right: Jim Mullin, Baggio Uricoli, and Ken Villano.

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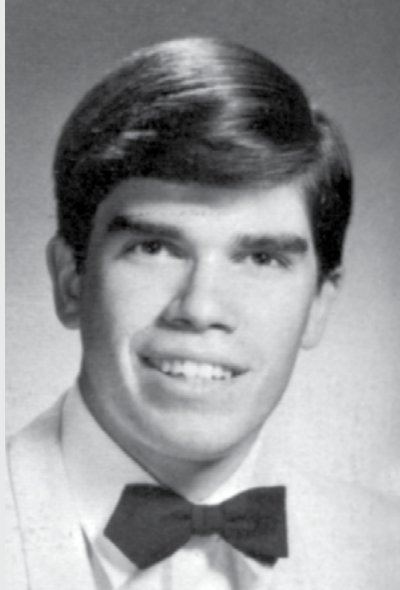
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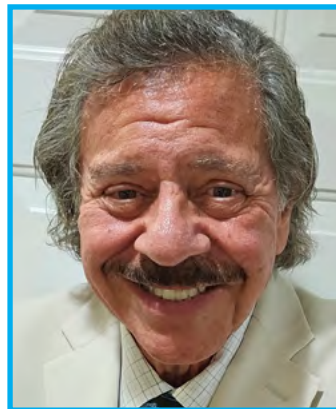
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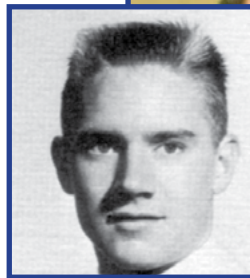
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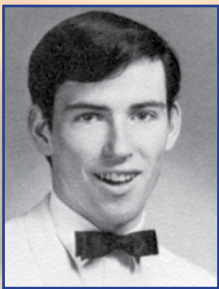


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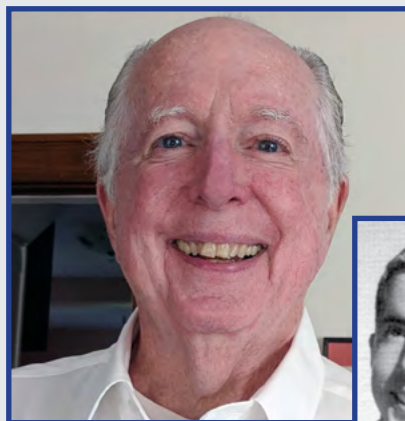
Bob Dent '62, Hall of Fame 2022

DEEPEST CONDOLENCES AND SYMPATHIES TO MY
ESSEX CATHOLIC CLASSMATE, JOHN TAGUE '70,
AND HIS ENTIRE FAMILY ON THE PASSING OF HIS
BELOVED WIFE, EILEEN (DALY) TAGUE, APRIL 20,
2024. MAY HER MEMORY BE A BLESSING AND MAY
SHE REST FOREVER IN PEACE.



Sincerely
Bob Hoatson '70

CONGRATULATIONS! 2024 Hall of Fame Inductees



Steve McCabe '64
Hall of Fame 2014
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A special shout-out to all the Century Club members who have made such a major impact on our scholarship program!

Congratulations Pat Arre!

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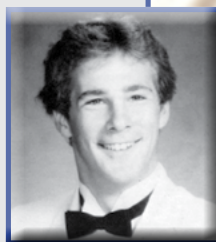
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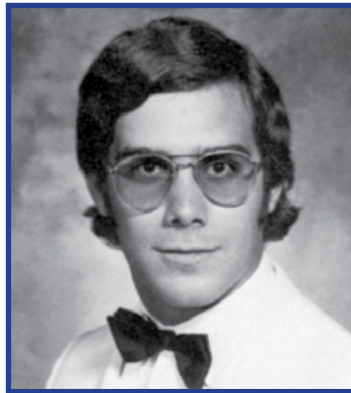
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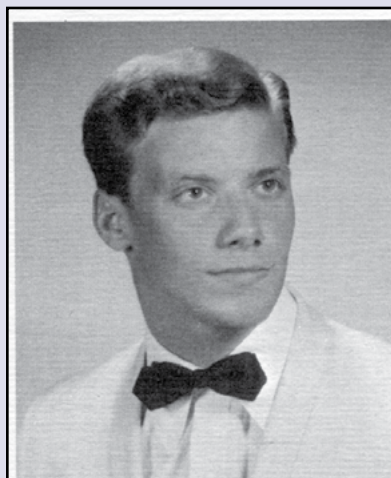
God Bless!



Stephen J. Tobia '71

In Memoriam

Al Tobia '67 • 1949-2020 • Hall of Fame 1990



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