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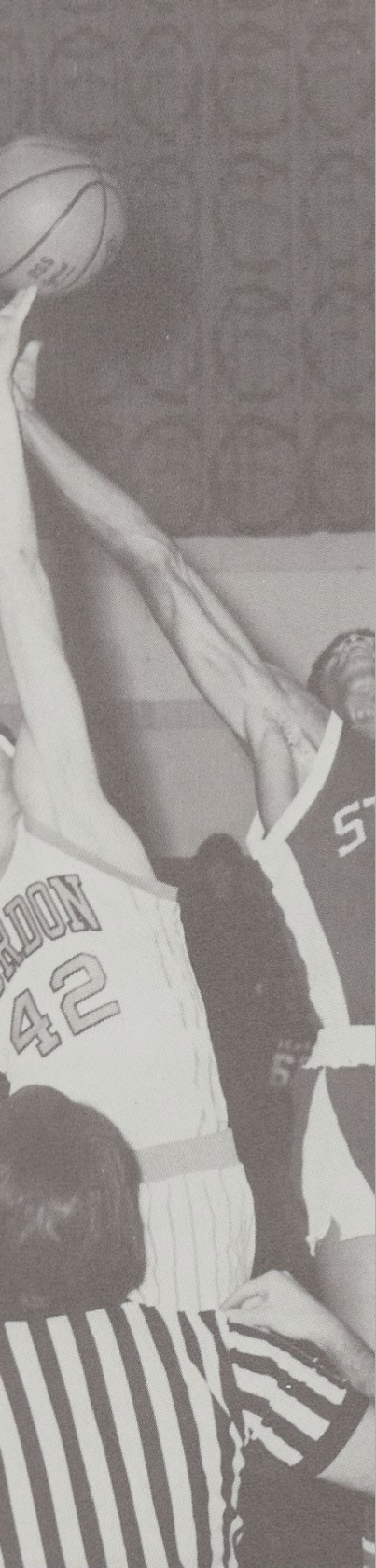
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# 2023 HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES

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MOUNT CARMEL

**MR. MICHAEL HAMPTON**  
MENDEL CATHOLIC

**MR. JOHN HODEL**  
ST. GEORGE

**MR. ROBERT JOHNSON**  
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## MR. CRAIG FERGUSON

Craig is a 1979 graduate of Mount Carmel after attending grade school at Incarnation in Palos Heights. He was a 4 year varsity hockey player for the Caravan under legendary coach John Deuran. He was a member of Mount Carmel's Kennedy Cup Championship teams his sophomore, junior and senior years and was on Mount Carmel hockey's first State Championship his senior year. He was All Chicago Catholic Hockey League his sophomore, junior and senior years and led the league in scoring as a junior. He was named the league's Most Valuable Player in his junior and senior years and was named to the Amateur Hockey Association of Illinois All State Team as a junior and senior. He is still Mount Carmel's all-time leading point scorer.

He served as an assistant coach for Mount Carmel for 6 seasons with the Caravan winning two Kennedy Cup Championships during that time. In 1994 he was named the head coach. He guided his teams to 4 consecutive Kennedy Cup Championships 1997-2000 and a State Runner up in 1998. He was forced to step away from coaching for health reasons after the 2000 season, Mount Carmel's last Kennedy Cup Championship team. In 2001 he was inducted into the Mount Carmel Hall of Fame.

After coaching youth hockey for 4 years, he was named the head coach of the St. Rita Mustangs in 2004. In his 9 seasons at St. Rita the Mustangs won 5 consecutive Kennedy Cup Championships 2008-2012 and won the State Championship in 2010 and 2012. His son Michael was a key player for St. Rita during the 2009, 2010 and 2011 Championship teams. The 2012 State Championship team is the last Chicago Catholic Hockey League team to win the State title. He was inducted into the St. Rita Hall of Fame in 2019.

For the last 10 years, he has been a staff member at Mount Carmel serving as the Alumni Director, Director of Admissions and currently works in the Development office as the Director of Planned Giving. Prior to that he was the Director of Admissions at St. Rita for 7 years.

Craig and his wife Darlene, who is a Special Education teacher, have five children. His son Michael and stepsons Jack and Luke are graduates of St. Rita. His daughter Katie is a Providence Catholic graduate and stepdaughter Madeline is a Mother McAuley graduate.

MOUNT  
CARMEL

CLASS OF '79



# MR. MICHAEL HAMPTON



Mike is a 1982 graduate of Mendel Catholic HS. He was a 3 year varsity starter on a team that went 75-17 in those 3 years. He was a vital part of 3 IHSA Regional titles, a sectional title, the Elmhurst Super-sectional title and a 2nd place finish in the 1982 IHSA State Finals. That team was named the All Chicagoland, Chicago Sun-Times, Chicago Tribune and Southtown Economist Team of the Year.

Mike was 1st team All-Tournament and the 2nd leading scorer at the 1982 IHSA State Tournament. Without question, his most noteworthy accomplishment was the "shot heard round the state." With less than 3 seconds to play, Mike's jump shot from the corner of the key ended Quincy's 65 game winning streak - a shot that to this day is one of the most memorable shots in IHSA basketball history. He was also named to every major All State team, the Catholic League All Star team and played in the City-Suburban All Star game. He played with many Mendel greats including CCL Hall of Famer Andre Banks.

Mike then played 2 years at Southeast Iowa Community College where he was All Conference both years. He finished his career at the prestigious HBCU Howard University where he was a 2 year starter and was named to the All-Conference team his senior year.

Legendary coach, Mike Flaherty said that Mike "is one of the most coachable, selfless, team oriented players I have ever coached."

Mike served in the United States Navy and now works for the Waste Management Company. He now resides in Minnesota with his significant other Rachel

MENDEL  
CATHOLIC

CLASS OF '82





## MR. JOHN HODEL

John Hodel graduated from St. George High School in Evanston and Norte Dame University. Because of his love of sports he began officiating in 1973. He currently officiates in basketball, football and baseball and is celebrating his 50th year of being an official. He joined the COA and was blessed by the instruction of many great Catholic League officials.

In basketball John has worked over 40 years of regionals, many sectionals and the IHSA finals in 1989, 1990 and 1991. He also worked the CPS Championship games in 1989 and 1991 in addition to many important Catholic League contests. He was inducted into both the Illinois Basketball Coaches Association and Chicago Public League Coaches Associations Hall of Fames.

John began working College Basketball in 1982 working many Division III games in the CCIW, Midwest Conference, CCAC and UAA. His career blossomed in 1993 when he became a Division I official for seven years working in conferences such as the Mid Continent, Missouri Valley, Horizon and Big Ten auxiliary staff. John worked several NCAA Division III playoff games over the period of ten years. He also worked the Illinois Junior College championship games many times culminating with the NJCAA Division I Championship in Hutchinson Kansas in 2000 and 2001.

In football John acted as a crew chief for the CPS and assigned over 40 games a year. He worked the IHSA playoffs and the Prep Bowl in 1988 and 2005. He continues to work approximately 20 high school games a year including many Catholic League contests and enjoys every minute of it. He also currently works Catholic League baseball.

John enjoyed serving on the COA Board of Directors and Basketball Committee for 24 years and his continued goal is to help newer officials develop their skills in officiating for the Catholic League in all sports.

John is very grateful for all of the opportunities and the many friendships that he has developed through the last 50 years with the Catholic League.

He is married to his wife Nada and still resides in Chicago Illinois.

SAINT  
GEORGE

CLASS OF '65



# MR. ROBERT JOHNSON

Rob Johnson was born and raised in Beverly on the Southwest side of Chicago with his four sisters. His football career began as member of the St. Barnabas Multi-Varsity program which gave public school attendees the opportunity to play youth football against many of the local in-house Catholic school programs. His Chicago Catholic League career began at St. Francis de Sales High School in 1987 where he played both football and baseball.

On the football field, Rob was a three year varsity letter winner and started at multiple positions on both offense and defense. Rarely leaving the field, Rob earned All-Catholic League honors as an offensive lineman in 1990 and was named to the Chicago Tribune All-Area Team. After graduating St. Francis de Sales in 1991, Rob earned a scholarship to play football at Northwestern University.

In 1995, Northwestern Football experienced what some consider the greatest one year turn around in the history of college football. After 24 straight losing seasons, including a then record 34 game losing streak, Northwestern finished the 1995 regular season ranked #3 in the polls with a 10-1 record and earned a trip to Pasadena to play in the Rose Bowl. The Rose Bowl marked Rob's 45th consecutive start at center, a Northwestern record at a position he never played until college. His 1995 honors included being named First Team All-Big Ten by the media and Second Team All-Big Ten selection by the coaches. That being said, the highest honor he received in 1995 was being elected a Captain by his teammates.

After graduating from Northwestern, Rob has never strayed far from the football field. He has volunteered the last 15 years with the Glen Ellyn Golden Eagles youth football program and currently serves as Board President. The Golden Eagles have over 600 local youth participating in flag and tackle football through 8th grade.

Rob currently resides in Glen Ellyn, IL with Nika, his wife of 20 years, and their three children Gwenyth, Braeden, and Rex. Rob respectfully receives this honor on behalf of his parents, youth and high school coaches, teachers, and former teammates.



ST. FRANCIS  
DE SALES

CLASS OF '91



# MR. MARK KLUTCHARCH

Mark Klutcharch (BR '82) grew up in Hometown and bled Brother Rice maroon and orange from an early age. His dad coached freshman football at Rice from 1965 until 1973 - when the Chicago Catholic League joined the IHSA.

Mark is the youngest of Frank and Joan's seven children. His oldest brother, Steve (BR '77), played for their dad in his final season. Steve also played basketball and baseball, his team winning the first ever CCL State Championship (baseball) in 1976. Mark's brother Chris (BR '79) also played football and basketball, his team winning a CCL basketball championship his sophomore year.

Watching his dad and brothers, Mark witnessed from a young age the tradition of the Catholic League. As a student, he played basketball freshman year and football all four years, playing for legends Tom Mitchell, Joe Johnston, Dennis Duffy, Ed Bara, and Bob Twardy. Mark's BR football teams won the CCL championship as sophomores, the Prep Bowl as juniors, and the 1981 State Championship as seniors, which he captained.

Mark continued his education at Elmhurst College where he was a four-year starter in football playing for Tom Beck, Bruce Hoffman, Tom Sulo, John Riehle, Dale Carlson, and Paul Maggiore. Teammates included Guy Maniscalco, Bob Sanfilippo, Joe Jozefiak, Chris Stevens, Pat Battistini, Dan Slayden, Mark Kuntz, Jim Heavey, Jim Dooley, Matt Walsh, Mike Wagner, and Steve Pocina.

In 1987, Coach "Klutch" began coaching football at Our Lady of Loretto with his friends Steve Nye and Tom Hart. Simultaneously, Coach Klutch started his high school career at De La Salle Institute teaching math and coaching football and basketball. What a remarkable place to work!

While at DLS, Mark worked with phenomenal men like Mike Ryan, Jim Tracy, John Dzurak, Jim Grannon, Jim Gay, Steve Hopkins, Kamaal Khazen, Jim Muring, Tony Rappold, Jerry Tokars, and Mike Hughes while coaching Meteors like Adam Chavarria, Mike Boehm, Renaldo Wynn, and Ed Murphy. One unforgettable memory was driving the activity van with the "General" Dennis Sheehan.

Although Coach loved DLS, he had an opportunity to return to Brother Rice in 1989. He returned home to work with such extraordinary Crusaders as Bob Alberts, Pat Richardson, Bill Gleeson, Br. Pat Hayes, Mark Donahue, Doc Mathius, Marty Grogan, Pat Neville, Jim Antos, Br. Mike Segevich, Tom Mitchell, Bob Twardy, Dennis Duffy, Dan Jacoby, George Sedlacek, Nick Markulin, Will Kellogg, Tony Hanrahan, Joe Bergmann, Al Filan, Dan Dwyer, Steve Nye, and Mike Ryan.

In 1992, Coach Klutcharch took the opportunity to be the head basketball coach at Andrew High School. While there, Mark worked with such outstanding men as Mike O'Neill, Mike Walaszek, and Doug Erickson. However, Brother Rice's maroon and orange never truly left him and he returned to the Crusaders in 1994 - where he has been ever since.

Klutch has been coaching football and basketball for 36 years. In his 22 years as a head basketball coach he has compiled a 371-174 record (350-143 at BR, 479-215 overall including assistant coaching) winning 8 CCL championships. In his 7 years as a head football coach he has compiled a 40-26-1 record (36-21-1 at BR, 158-111-1 overall) winning 3 championships. Mark owes his success to all the players and coaches that have touched his life.

Mark started dating his future wife, Holly, in 1980 when they were sophomores in high school and they have been happily married for 35 years. Throughout his entire career, he has been blessed to receive the love and support from his wife and their three wonderful children Brittany, Kristin, and Matt (BR '16).



**BROTHER  
RICE**

**CLASS OF '82**



# MR. DAN LACOUNT

Dan LaCount grew up in downstate Jacksonville, Illinois where he attended Our Savior Grade School and Routt Catholic High School. While at Routt, Dan played four years of basketball and two years as an average relief pitcher for the baseball team. However, the highlight of his prep athletic career came as a 130 pound freshman, when he played 8 days of football before breaking his arm, providing an excuse to never play football again.

Following high school, Dan attended the Diocesan Seminary of the Immaculate Conception in Springfield, IL for two years, before continuing his studies his junior and senior year at Cardinal Glennon College Seminary in St. Louis, MO graduating with a B.S. in Philosophy. After graduation, he pursued graduate studies at The University of Saint Mary of the Lake in Mundelein, IL earning an MA in Theology.

Between 1985 and 1999, Dan served in a variety of ministerial roles in the Diocese of Springfield, including parish leadership, campus ministry at St. Teresa High School (where he also was an assistant basketball coach under Sean Taylor) and Millikin University, and on the faculty of Sacred Heart Griffin High School. Following those years in ministry, Dan left active ministry and moved to Chicago.

Dan joined Mount Carmel's Advancement Office in 1999, working under the strong leadership of David Lenti (HOF). During his ten years in advancement, he contributed to the success of several capital campaign projects, most notably the campus expansion project that resulted in the construction of the Cacciatore Athletic Center.

Following Dan's appointment as MC's Athletic Director in 2010, he managed a department that celebrated six state championships and four state final appearances, as well as multiple Catholic League championships in a variety of sports.

In 2019, after years of dreaming and planning, Dan led the effort that resulted in the construction of Barda-Dowling Stadium. This on-campus stadium became the Caravan's home for soccer, lacrosse and the greatest football program in the Chicago Catholic League. His past contributions to the Catholic League include serving as moderator of football and as a member of the subcommittee that orchestrated the CCL/ESCC merger for football. He currently is the moderator for wrestling and a member of the Parity Committee.

He is most grateful for his partner Chris Wolf, brothers David and Tom, and close friends who have supported him while enduring long hours of work as AD. Special thanks to the Mount Carmel coaches whose trust is essential, and to the supportive administration at Mount Carmel for creating a tremendous work environment.



MOUNT  
CARMEL



# MR. CLARENCE MCGEE

After graduating from Weber High School in 1983 and winning the Chicago Catholic League championship, Clarence received a full scholarship to THE ! OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY. He started at the center & power forward positions for most of his freshman and sophomore years. Clarence received 2nd team all Big Ten team honors his sophomore year averaging 13 points 9 rebounds per game for the Buckeyes. Clarence's junior year at Ohio State became quite difficult with the death of his mother at the beginning of the season and a career changing ankle injury. Clarence decided to sit out the following year and attend the University of Texas at San Antonio for his final collegiate year where he averaged 23 points and 12 rebounds per game. He led the Roadrunners to both their first NCAA division 1 conference championship and first men's division 1 tournament appearance. Clarence then went on to play professional basketball abroad in Italy, Spain, and Australia.

After playing for several years overseas, Clarence returned to the states and married his college sweetheart. His family began with the birth of his son Paris. With the later birth of his daughter Phoenix, Clarence decided to not play overseas anymore and pursued a career here in the United States with the NBA where he landed ten day contracts with multiple NBA teams over several years. The last contract being with the Los Angeles Clippers where he re-injured a previous ankle injury that would end his professional basketball career.

Clarence then joined a private security company and became a professional bodyguard in Los Angeles. Clarence worked with celebrities such as Sylvester Stallone, Jay Leno, and Madonna. After several years of working as a bodyguard, Clarence received the horrible news that his father had been diagnosed with lung cancer. Clarence immediately quit the security agency he was working for and moved back to Chicago with his family to take care of his critically ill father. Clarence Sr.'s health quickly deteriorated and he was soon moved into Clarence's home for hospice care.

After the death of his father, Clarence remained in Chicago and started his own Celebrity Private Security Company. He acquired private security contracts with such celebrities as Oprah Winfrey, Sammy Sosa, and Dennis Rodman. Clarence's security contract with Dennis Rodman brought him back to Los Angeles when Dennis ended up becoming a Los Angeles Laker after the disheartening dismantlement of the great Chicago Bulls dynasty. Clarence continued his celebrity bodyguard career in Los Angeles after his contract ended with Dennis.

After, the sudden and unexpected death of his beautiful wife Elisha Justice McGee, Clarence rejoined Dennis's security detail in Las Vegas a few years later when Dennis retired from the NBA and had briefly moved to Las Vegas. When Clarence moved to Las Vegas to work for Dennis, he decided to make it his home for the next 20 years and established the top Las Vegas private security company, Las Vegas Executive Protection. He established security contracts with many of the Las Vegas high rollers and some of the top celebrities in the entertainment and professional sports industry, such as Shaquille O'Neal, Floyd "Money" Mayweather, Paris Hilton, and Jami Foxx.

With the detrimental impact of a global pandemic, especially on the entertainment industry, Clarence decided to move to Charlotte, North Carolina where he now resides. He also came to NC to be closer to his family and three beautiful and amazing children Paris, Phoenix, and Dallas McGee. He is blessed to be in close company to his two amazing grandchildren Julián and "Baby" Paris McGee as well. Clarence is also a successful music recording artist by the name of Kah\$ino. His music is available on all music platforms including but not limited to Spotify, iTunes/Apple Music, Amazon Music, and YouTube Music.



ARCHBISHOP  
WEBER

CLASS OF '83



## MR. JOHN NEE

John is a proud 1993 graduate of St. Rita High School.

While a Mustang, John was a two-time All-Catholic League and All-Area football and baseball player under Chicago Catholic League Hall of Fame coaches Jim Prunty and Todd Wernet.

After graduation, he attended St. Francis University in Joliet where he played football and baseball under legendary coach Gordie Gillespie.

He began his coaching career at St. Rita in 1998 as an assistant varsity football and baseball coach under CCL Hall of Famers Todd Kuska and Mike Zunica. In his 25 years coaching the offensive line for the Mustangs, St. Rita won the 2006 Class 7A state championship, ten CCL titles, four Prep Bowl titles, while also appearing in the Class 5A state championship game in 2019 and the Class 7A state championship game in 2021.

In his 20 years as an assistant to Zunica, the Mustang baseball team made 6 state finals appearances while finishing runner-up in Class 4A in 2009, 2010, and 2014. St. Rita also won 3 summer state championships and 5 CCL titles during that time.

In 2017, Nee was named head baseball coach at St. Rita and immediately led the Mustangs to the 2017 summer state championship. During his 4 seasons as head coach, the Mustangs have won two CCL Blue titles, two IHSA regional championships, and finished 3rd in Class 4A state tournament in 2019.

This past December, Nee was named offensive coordinator for the Mustang varsity football team under new head coach Martin Hopkins.

Currently, John is an English teachers at St. Rita, a role he has held for 25 years.



SAINT  
RITA

CLASS OF '93



# MR. MARK O'HARE

Mark O'Hare graduated from Mendel Catholic in 1972. He was an outstanding student and was recognized with the Mendel Medal of Honor. His junior and senior years he served as class president and his senior year was student council president. Mark also earned seven varsity letters in three different sports: football, wrestling, and track. In 1971, he was named All-American by USA Today for football. He was an outstanding tackle who was also named All-State and All-Catholic. In wrestling, he was a Chicago City champion as a junior.

Mark holds a bachelor of science degree from the US Naval Academy at Annapolis and a master's degree in mechanical engineering from Naval Post Graduate School. He also attended Northwestern University Kellogg Graduate School of Management, the University of Virginia Darden Graduate School and graduated from the US Defense Systems Management College.

Mark served his country for 26 years retiring at the rank of captain. Among his many posts in the Navy, Mark was in charge of the US Navy's \$25 Billion Aircraft Carrier Program. He has earned numerous military awards including 2 Meritorious Service Awards, 2 Legions of Merit, 4 Navy Commendations and 2 Navy Achievement Awards. He also received the Kennedy Award from the Society of Naval Architects and Marine Engineers.

Mark has been founder, president and CEO of several technology companies served as chairman of DRC computer company which is involved in accelerating super computers and data systems. He is currently president and CEO of CONQ, an artificial intelligence (AI) company. He has co-authored over 300 lifetime patents in the areas of data security, data in motion, data at rest for the internet, data connectivity, the science of polymers as well as patents in AI. He has lectured at numerous technical, academic and business conferences.

Mark sits on many advisory boards including his present position since 2018 on the Board of Trustees for the US Naval Academy ASP committee.



MENDEL  
CATHOLIC

CLASS OF '72



## MR. CURTIS PRICE

Curtis grew up on the southside of Chicago and attended Francis Parkman grammar school before attending St. Rita High School.

While at St. Rita, Curtis was a four-year member of the varsity basketball team. He was a three-year all-conference performer, an all-area performer for two seasons and a member of the Class AA All-State team as a senior. Curtis led the Catholic League in rebounding and blocked shots for three years. He scored 1,411 points, grabbed 1,404 rebounds, and blocked 325 shots during his career, averaging 17 points, 14 rebounds and three blocked shots per game. Curtis was inducted into the Illinois Basketball Coaches Association Hall of Fame in 2006. St. Rita inducted Curtis into their Hall of Fame in 2008.

Curtis earned a full scholarship to DePaul University where he was a four-year letterman and three-year starter. He averaged five points and six rebounds per game during his career. He helped the Blue Demons to three NCAA Tournament appearance and one NIT appearance.

After his playing career ended, Curtis worked as a trade checker at the Chicago Board of Trade in the 5-year Treasury Note Pit. He also worked as a broker assistant and traded as a local trader and broker during night trading. While working at the CBOT, Curtis began his coaching career as an assistant coach for boys basketball at Marian Central Catholic High School in 1997. He served three years as their assistant coach before moving on to become the head coach for girls' basketball at Harvard High School in 2000.

In 2007, Curtis returned to Marian Central Catholic High School as their head boys' basketball coach. He directed his team to 3 regional championships in a 5-year span and was voted the Northwest Herald Coach of the Year twice.

Curtis began his athletic administration career as the assistant athletic director at Marian Central Catholic High School in 2014. He would later become their athletic director in 2016. He worked as the athletic director at Marian Central for 6 years.

Curtis currently resides in Woodstock, IL. with his wife Michelle. The couple has three children: Curtis Jordan (CJ), 30, Alivia, 21 and Madelyn, 19.



SAINT  
RITA

CLASS OF '88



## MR. TIM STRINGER

Tim was born and raised in Dolton, Illinois to parents Phil and Linda Stringer. As a youth he played football, baseball and he wrestled. Tim graduated from De La Salle Institute in 1993 where he excelled in baseball and wrestling. He played baseball all 4 years and team captain his senior year.

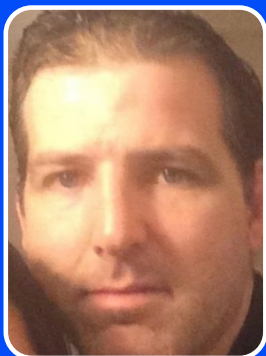
As a wrestler he was a two-time Chicago Catholic League Champion. His junior year he went 37-2 while finishing 4th in state. His senior year he qualified for state again, but this time he capped it off with a state championship and a final record of 39-1. He was De La Salle's first individual wrestling state champion.

After high school, Tim wrestled at the University of Michigan and Eastern Illinois University. He was a division national qualifier and was ranked in the top 10 in the country. Tim was also a member of the Lassen College national championship team.

Since college, Tim has coached for the last 23 years at the grammar school, high school and college levels.

He has coached numerous national qualifiers and All-Americans.

Currently, Tim runs the IKWF Junior wrestling program out of Fenton H.S. in Bensenville. Tim resides in Villa Park with his loving and supportive wife, Gianna. Tim is very proud of his son Ryan and his three stepsons Eddy, Angelo and Colton.



DE LA SALLE

CLASS OF '93



# CHICAGO CATHOLIC LEAGUE

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## HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES

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GEORGE BADKE\*  
FRED BAER\*  
JAMIE BAISLEY  
BOB BAGGOT\*  
DAN BAGLEY\*  
WILLIAM BAMRICK\*  
CAS BANASZEK  
ANDRE BANKS  
HENRY "BABE" BARANOWSKI\*  
WALT BARNES  
TONY BARONE\*  
BILL BARRETT\*  
JUDGE NORMAN BARRY\*  
MIKE BARRY  
SCOTT BAUM  
TAYLOR BELL  
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# CHICAGO CATHOLIC LEAGUE

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## HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES



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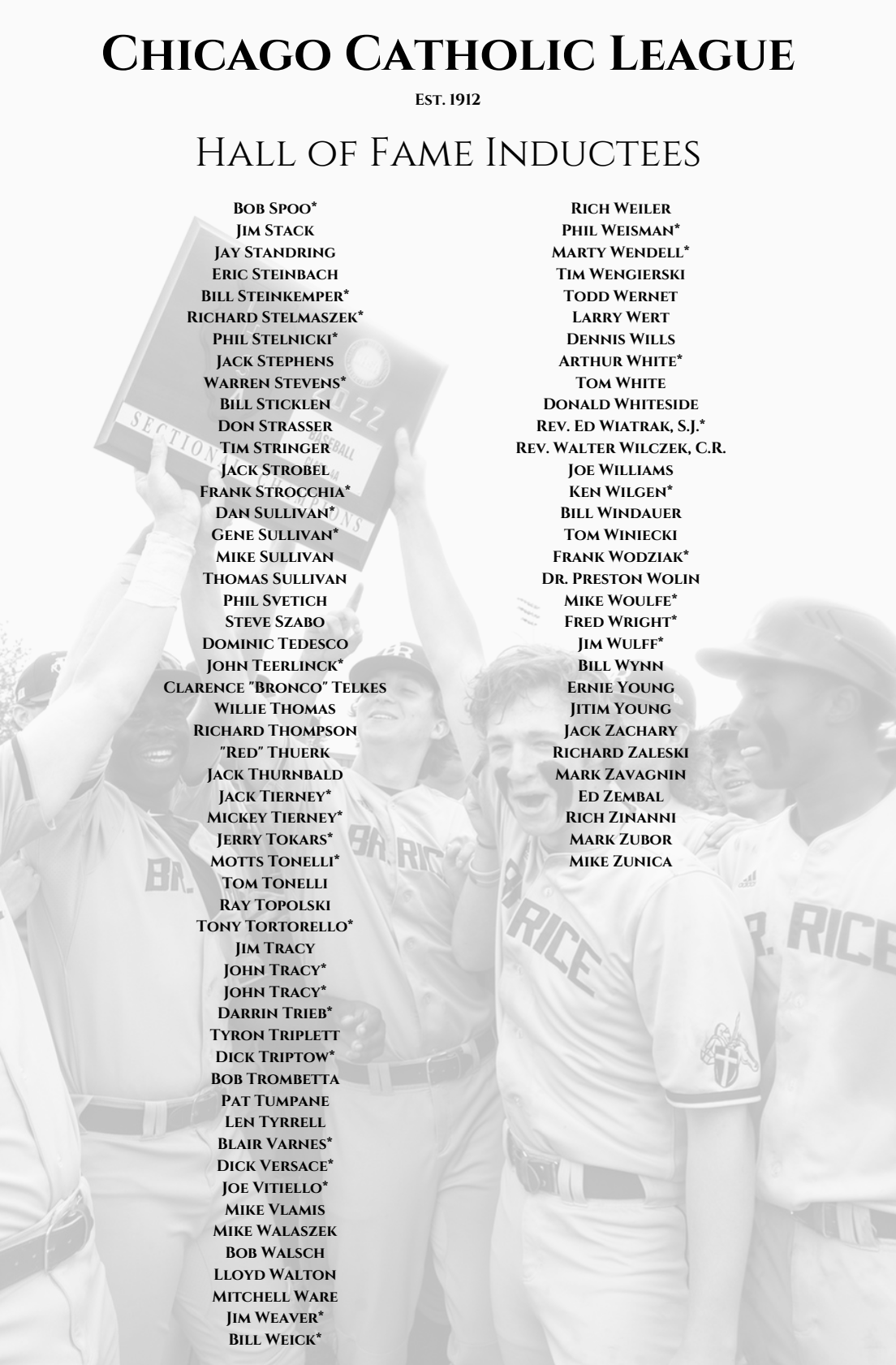
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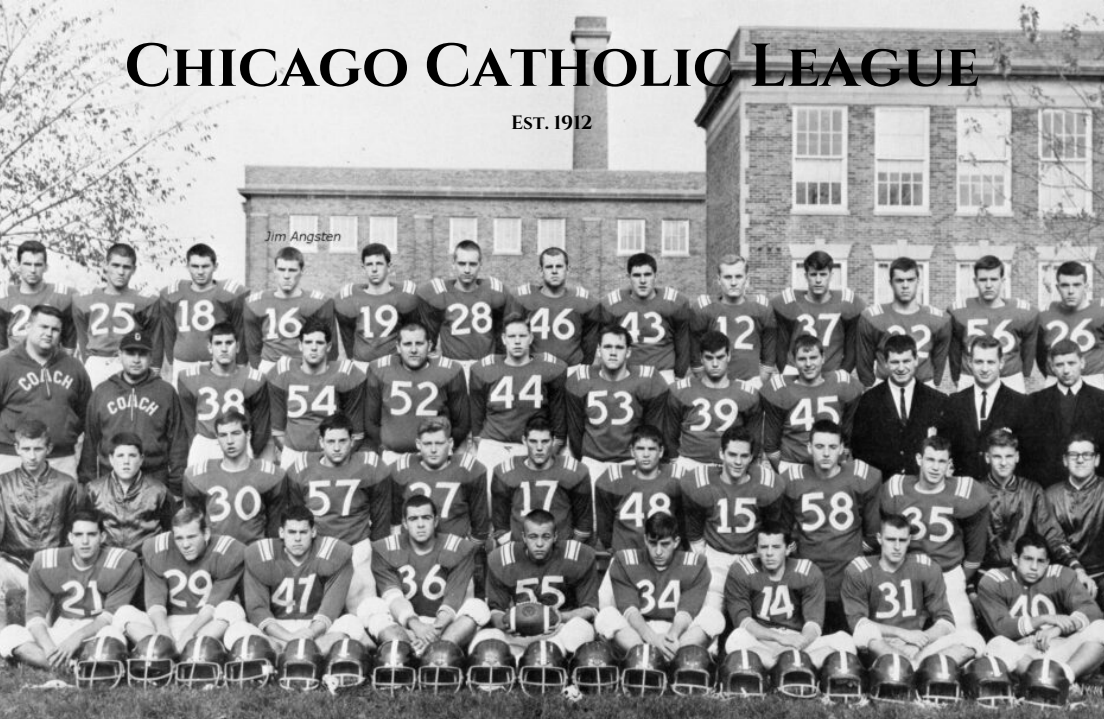


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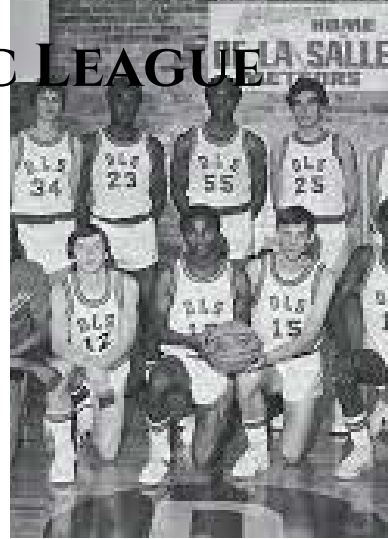
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## HISTORY OF THE CHICAGO CATHOLIC LEAGUE

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Though not the oldest high school athletic conference in the state of Illinois (the former Suburban League holds that distinction), the Chicago Catholic League has been in operation longer than any other. It all began on October 3, 1912 when representatives of eight parochial schools met in Chicago's Great Northern Hotel (demolished in 1992) to found the Catholic League. Those charter members were Loyola Academy, St. Cyril (Mt Carmel), DePaul Academy, St. Philip, St. Ignatius, De La Salle, Cathedral and St. Stanislaus. In that very first year of its existence, the League sponsored only basketball and indoor baseball. Football competition was to follow in the 1913-14 school year, track in 1916-17, swimming, golf, and tennis in 1923-24, cross country in 1946-47, wrestling in 1964-65, water polo in 1965-66, soccer in 1967 and volleyball in 1993. Baseball was dropped after the 1930 season but was reinstated in the 1957-58 season.

For the first 71 years of its existence, the Chicago Catholic League operated independently of the Illinois High School Association (IHSA). The League's renown, especially in football and basketball, was recognized nationwide. But, during the late 1960's and early 1970's, as the need developed for a wider base of competition especially in such sports as swimming, track, wrestling, golf, tennis and baseball, the principals of the League's schools began to consider the possibility of joining the IHSA. After much discussion, many arguments over pros and cons, and several meetings with the IHSA staff, the Catholic League's Principals voted 11-1 in favor of joining the State Association. Though the momentous vote was taken on January 30, 1973, the actual entrance into the IHSA did not take place until June 10, 1974. The reason for the 18-month wait was to give the League a full year of athletic competition during which it could make the transition to those rules and practices of the IHSA which differed from those current at the time in the Catholic League. Though there was a multitude of objections from many in the Catholic League about the decision to join IHSA, the benefits that have accrued to the Catholic League schools and students since 1974 have far outweighed the original objections.

