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MESSAGE

By Joe Vito



With the clinic season coming to an end, I hope you have re-energized during the off-season.

Our 13th Annual NYSHSFCA Clinic was a modest success.

By sending an Upstate Blizzard, Mother Nature tried to defeat us but couldn't. Nearly 500 coaches braved the treacherous weather to attend and the speakers were phenomenal again.

Our keynote speaker, Penn State's Bill O'Brien, was excellent explaining how he had to navigate through very difficult circumstances when he arrived in State College.

In a special appearance Doug Marrone, the former Syracuse head coach who is now the head coach of the Buffalo Bills, introduced O'Brien. Current Syracuse head coach Scott Shaver and his staff added their expertise to the clinic.

The NYSHSFCA is undertaking a new venture.

The Upstate-Downstate Classic is being replaced by the Rising Junior Game.

Matt Gallagher of NYS champion Maine-Endwell will coach the Upstate team while Bay Shore's Jim Giattino will coach the Downstate team. The game is scheduled for July 13th at Onondaga Community College.

A Nomination form is at the end of this issue.

Any deserving junior should be nominated. Forms can be found on the nyshsfca.org website or by contacting your Section Representative.

Part of the weekend's activities include the Underclassmen Combine held at locations throughout New York State. There will also be a banquet honoring players and coaches on Friday night before the game.

All NYSHSFCA member coaches will receive two tickets to the game, available at the Will Call window.

The main goal of the NYSHSFCA is to promote football. If you have any ideas please feel free to contact your Section Reps.

I just finished reading *Beyond The Game: A Coach's Influence*, by Grant Teaff. I recommend this book to ALL coaches, but especially young coaches just starting out in the business. It is a must for your coaching library.

I look forward to seeing you all at Onondaga Community College on July 13th.

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All's Well at Endwell

By Mark Adair

Matt Gallagher was named the New York State Class B Coach of the Year by the NYSHSFCFA at the recent coaching clinic held earlier this year.

Gallagher led Maine-Endwell (4) to a 13-0 record and won the Class B NYS title, the school's third NYS title in the last 10 years.

Maine-Endwell has now won 25 straight games, one of the longest current streaks in the state. Gallagher also led Maine-Endwell to the Class A state title in 2011, when the Spartans finished 12-0 and beat state-power Aquinas in the semifinals.

"That was pretty special," Gallagher said. "Especially knowing who we beat along the way. Aquinas is a marquee program."

This year's championship was extra special for Gallagher, as he was able to win the title with all three of his sons on the roster.

Gallagher's son Kyle, a junior, started at QB while his son Adam, a sophomore, started at WR and LB.

Gallagher's youngest son Drew, a freshman who started on the JV team, was called up at the end of the season and was in uniform at the Carrier Dome.

"Winning the state title is fantastic," Gallagher said, "but to have my kids be a part of it made it really special. I know state titles don't happen very often and to win one with all three of my kids with me is hard to even comprehend. That can never be taken away from any of us."

Gallagher says that no matter what happens with future teams, this title will always be special.

"I have been fortunate enough to coach them and see them grow," he said. "Seeing them work together with their teammates was fun, both as a coach and as a dad."

With three players in his house, Gallagher admits that

the talk is almost always about football.

"We talk football all the time," he said with a laugh. "We really have four coaches in the house. My wife Julie is a teacher and a high school principal. She is, obviously, a

big supporter of high school athletics."

After winning the Class A championship in 2011, NY State re-worked the enrollment numbers and announced that Maine-Endwell would be dropping down to Class B.

Gallagher had a loaded roster coming back. Of the 22 starters on the 2011 team, 18 returned to starting roles for 2012.

"Our goal was to win the state championship again," Gallagher said. "but we never felt that we were defending a championship. We just focused on this year."

It was widely assumed that the Spartans were going to be the favorite to win a second straight title.

"We knew we weren't sneaking up on anyone," Gallagher said. "We definitely had a target on our back."

Even the players in the Maine-Endwell program thought of themselves as the favorites.

"This group of kids had planned on it from

Day One," Gallagher said. "Their goal was to be state champs and nothing else would be acceptable to them."

Gallagher said his players started focusing on winning a second straight title even before the euphoria wore off from the 2011 championship.

"The were focused," he said. "They way they came into the off-season and the way they came into pre-season and the way they came into practice, I would never have bet against them."



Photo by Mark Adair

Maine-Endwell coach Matt Gallagher has led the Spartans to two straight NYS championships. Maine-Endwell will enter the 2013 season with a 25-game winning streak.

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Surprisingly, the Maine-Endwell program has flourished recently, despite having four head coaches in the last six years.

Longtime Section 4 coach Dick Russ, who was with the school for 8 seasons, left in 2003.

Jack Touhey took over in 2004 and led the Spartans to the NYS title that season. Touhey coached one more year before retiring.

Kevin Wagstaff took over the program but resigned after his second season with the team.

Gallagher, who had been coaching at the school for 20 years, finally stepped into the head job.

"I was on the JV staff at the time," he said. "Hopefully, I will be here for a few more seasons."

Gallagher says that he learned his coaching style from Regan Beers, who taught at Maine-Endwell for more than 30 years.

"I coached under him for 8 years at the modified and JV levels," Gallagher said. "I looked at him as a mentor. He was a classy guy who always did the right thing. He was a national champion wrestler and an All-American football player at Brockport and never told that to anyone."

Gallagher was also an outstanding athlete in high school.

He attended Minisink Valley in Section 9 and took 4th place in NYS in the 177-pound weight class. He went on to wrestle at East Stroudsburg (Pa.) State before transferring to Wagner College on Staten Island.

"My brother got the job as head wrestling coach at Wagner so I transferred to wrestle for him," Gallagher said.

Gallagher's older brother Kevin now coaches football and wrestling at Minisink Valley.

After graduating from Wagner College, Gallagher coached one season as an assistant for his brother. He then moved on to coach high school wrestling and football for a short time at Johnson City.

Kevin and Matt Gallagher were not the only coaches in the family.

"I have a huge family," he said. "There were seven of

us, four boys and three girls. We were all athletes. We loved sports."

Most of the Gallagher kids moved into teaching.

"At one point in time, six of us were teachers and five of us were coaches," he said. "It was a very big part of our family."

This season, Gallagher had the luxury of having two players on his roster that were named NYS Player of the Year in Class B.

The New York State Sportswriters Association named

lineman Jake Haddock and fullback Nick Sorrenti co-Players of the Year. The NYS Coaches Association named Haddock their player of the year.

Haddock, who started at C and DT, was just the second lineman to be named Player of the Year by the Coaches.

Haddock is 6-0 and 280 pounds and was heavily recruited by college programs in the Upstate Region.

"He'll be playing at Cornell next season," Gallagher said. "If he was 3 inches taller, he would have gone somewhere real big. But academics was a big part of it for him. He's a very good student and he's very happy to be playing Ivy League football."

Gallagher also had three players named first-team all-state and three more players named to the second team.

He also understands

that he will never have a roster this loaded again.

"That happens once in a career," he said. "These kids won together in youth football, modified football, JV and the varsity and won a lot of games."

However, the cupboard is hardly bare at Maine-Endwell. Gallagher will have 27 players back from the 2012 roster, although he will have just 5 starters on both offense and defense returning to starting roles.

"The week after the season ended we got back in the weight room," Gallagher said. "We have had 25 guys there every day. We would love to win another title and these kids are already working hard for it."



Photo by Mark Adair

Matt Gallagher's son Kyle, a junior, started at QB for the Spartans. Kyle Gallagher was named a first-team all-state player by the NYS Sportswriter's Association.

Keeping Up With Jones

Ron Jones was named Class C Coach of the Year for title

By Mark Adair

Hoosick Falls coach Ron Jones was named the Class C Coach of the Year at the recent NYSHSFCABanquet.

"Being recognized by your peers is probably the highest honor you could get," Jones said. "It was humbling and a pretty nice thing."

Jones led Hoosick Falls to a 13-0 record as the Panthers won the NYS Class C title. Hoosick Falls beat Hornell 34-21 in the Carrier Dome, ending the Raiders 51-game winning streak.

"Everyone was focused on Hornell and the 51-game streak," Jones said. "But our group that is graduating was 45-3 in that same time. We felt our kids were pretty good too."

While it was the school's first football title, the Panthers have come pretty close for quite some time now. Hoosick Falls has won four straight Section 2 titles and have won 40 straight games against Section 2 opponents.

The Panthers have lost two NYS semifinal games by a single point. Hoosick Falls lost 28-27 to Bronxville in 2009 and in 2011 lost to Dobbs Ferry 13-12.

In 2010 the Panthers lost in the East Regional to Saranac Lake 15-12 in overtime.

Hoosick Falls also lost the NYS championship game 26-20 to Cal-Mum in 2003.

"I was never worried about not winning a state title," Jones said. "I will never say that 11-1 is a bad season. We just didn't happen to win those games on that day."

This year, before the title game, Jones invited some of the members from the 2003 team to come back and talk to his players.

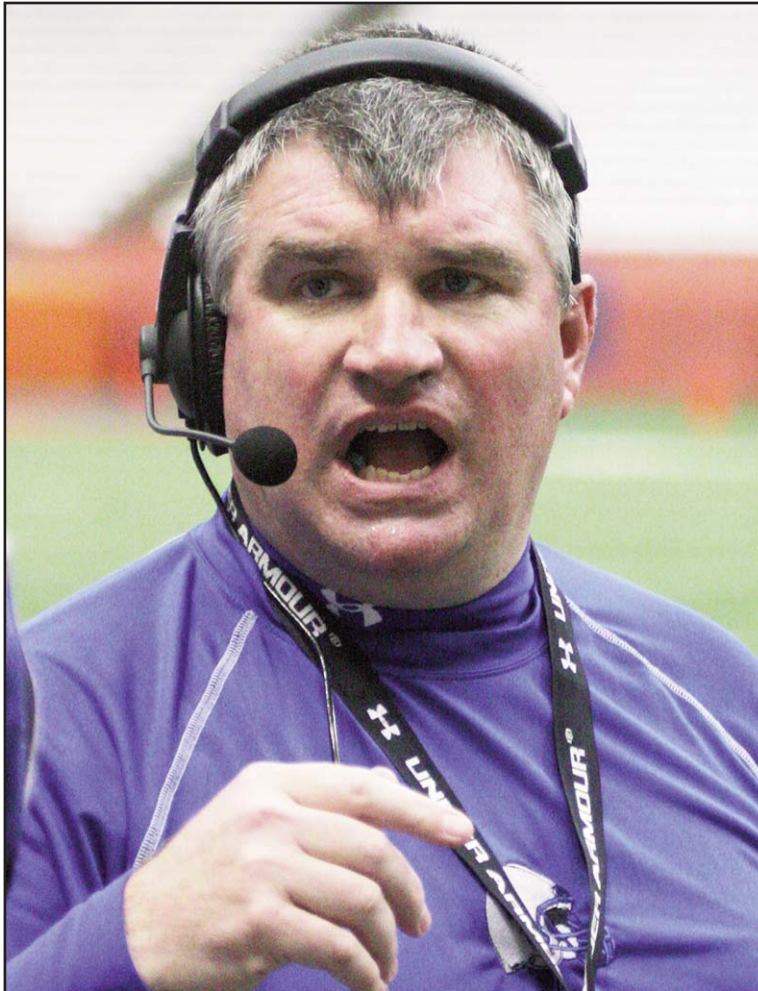


Photo by Mark Adair

Ron Jones led Hoosick Falls to the New York State Class C championship last fall. Jones has led the Panthers to a 45-3 record since the start of the 2009 season.

"That was a big help for our guys," Jones said. "Those kids came back and gave them a lot of advice. Things like 'Don't watch yourself on the Big Screen between plays; drink lots of water because it's such a warm environment. You can't get dehydrated.' Hearing from former players that have gone through it before really helped our guys."

The most impressive thing about the Panthers run through the state playoffs this year is the fact that they trailed in all three games before rallying to win.

In the quarterfinals, the Panthers trailed Saranac Lake 6-0 at the half but dominated the second half to win 28-6.

In the semifinal game, Hoosick Falls trailed O'Neill 21-7 in the second quarter. Worse, O'Neill had the ball on the Panthers' 5-yard line.

"We had a huge defensive stop," Jones said, "and then we drove 95 yards for a touchdown."

Hoosick Falls pulled away and won 43-21.

In the championship game, Hornell RB Luke Morgan ran 77 yards for a TD on the second play from scrimmage. Hoosick Falls trailed 7-0 just 21 seconds into the game.

"We knew at some point that we would face a moment of doubt," Jones said. "Against Hornell it came right off the bat. But the kids never flinched. They believed in each other and they stayed confident."

Hoosick Falls scored the next four touchdowns and led 27-7 at the half. In the locker room, Jones cautioned his team against a let down.

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"We see a lot of teams that will quit," Jones said. "but Hornell is a championship program. You can't ever let up because they will not quit."

Jones said that his players have been focused on winning the state title for a long time.

"Our kids were pretty confident," he said. "They honestly believed they were going to win the state title for about six years."

Jones grew up in Hoosick Falls and played QB and safety for the Panthers. He graduated in 1986 and then played at Cortland State.

"I was on the team at Cortland but I was hardly a great player," he said. "I went there as a quarterback but they moved me to safety. That was actually a huge help for my coaching career because I really learned both sides of the ball."

After graduating from Cortland, he became a coaching vagabond.

"I coached college football for six years," he said. "I was just about everywhere."

Jones served as a graduate assistant at Cortland during his final semester at the school. He then coached at Hamilton, East Stroudsburg, Central Connecticut, Norwich and back to East Stroudsburg.

"When you are a college assistant, you know you're going to be moving a lot," Jones said. "You just try to gather experience until you can land a good job."

Jones was paid part-time for most of his time in the college ranks.

"At that time, I was just hoping to get a cheap place to live and a meal card," he said. "I knew there wasn't going to be any money."

Every time he lost a job, it was never due to his own failure.

"Three times there were budget cuts and my job was eliminated," he

said. "When I finally had a full-time job, it lasted just one year. There were budget cuts and I was back to earning \$4,000 a year again."

He had to take a number of part-time jobs while he was coaching in college.

"I was loading trucks at Roadway," he said. "I worked from 4:30 am until noon. Then I would go to practice from 2pm until 10 at night."

Finally, Jones landed a teaching job at his old school in Hoosick Falls.

"It was different," he said. "I went from working with college athletes to teaching K-through-6. They were small kids but I enjoyed it."

He coached at Hoosick Falls from 1996 until 1999.

"It was a huge turn-around project," he said. "There was a total lack of discipline when I first started. There were rules but they weren't applied. It was very difficult."

Laying the ground work for a program in such a state was almost impossible.

"We had to cancel our first game," Jones said. "We had so many guys academically ineligible we couldn't field a team. We kicked four players off the team and three of them were seniors. It was a

real mess."

The Panthers lost a lot of games during those early years.

"We won no games that first year," he said. "Then we won one game, two

games and three games. People told me to stick to it and hold my ground but after four years I was burned out."

So he returned to the college ranks and took a job as the offensive coordinator at Siena.

"I was a part-time coach but I stayed in teaching," Jones said.

However, as usual, the job didn't last long.

"The budget got cut again," he said. "Siena combined a couple of jobs and I was out again. So I went back to Hoosick Falls in 2001."

Jones has been on the sidelines at Hoosick Falls ever since.

He says that coaching high

school football is not much different than the college game.

"Obviously, there is a skill level difference from college football but it's not huge," Jones said. "The actual teaching of football to players is no different."

He also teaches Physical Education in a K-12 setting.

"It's an awesome job," he said. "Teaching and coaching is very different than coaching in college. You can really make an impact on someone's life at the younger level."

As the clock was winding down in the Carrier Dome, Jones said he never thought about any of the times he led his team close to the title but fell short.

"We don't have time to think about the past," he said. "This was a great year. Those other years were also great years."

Jones also had a message at the team's end-of-the-year banquet.

"Don't make this the highlight of your life," he told his players. "No one can ever take this away from any of us but you have way more important things coming up in your life."



Photo by Mark Adair

Hoosick Falls QB Billy Pine.



Photo by Mark Adair

Hoosick Falls is 45-3 since 2009.

'It Didn't Take His Heart'

Fulton senior overcomes cancer, blindness to return to the field

By Mark Adair

Tim Conners was named the recipient of the 12th Man Award at the recent NYSHSFC Banquet.

Conners, a senior at G Ray Bodley High School in Fulton (Section 3), overcame severe illness and, incredibly, returned to play football during his senior season.

Conners was on track to be a star player at Fulton while he was still in middle school.

"Tim has always been an over-achiever," his father, Mike Connors, said. "In the 9th grade, he could throw the discus 130 feet. He was going to be a very good player."

Tim started for the modified team at Fulton as a 7th grader and again as an 8th grader. He started for the JV team as a freshman and was named a team captain.

That winter, Tim had joined the wrestling team but things were not going well.

"I kept getting sinus infections," he said. "I would take medicine but it never quite went away. The doctors couldn't figure out what was causing them."

His family finally took Tim to a dentist to try and correct the problem.

"We thought it might be my wisdom teeth," he said. "We got them removed but it still didn't help."

After the surgery to remove his wisdom teeth, Conners was left Bell's Palsy, causing one side of his face to become weak and droop.

"We thought that was caused by the anesthesia," Tim said. "Finally, one Saturday morning, I was having a hard time breathing. I went to the doctor and he had us go right up to the hospital."

On April 3, 2010, Conners arrived at the hospital at noon and two hours later received a devastating diagnosis... he had T-Cell Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia.

"It's a cancer that attacks the healthy red blood cells in your system," he said. "I was shocked. I cried but I was so

sick at the time it never really hit me."

Later that night, Conners started chemo treatments.

"I had a tumor in my chest that was the size of a football," Conners said. "It was attacking my kidneys."

After receiving the chemo treatments, Conners cancer disappeared, which gave the family hope that the illness was behind them. Unfortunately, things would get worse.

"I started having problems with my vision," Tim said. "I didn't think much of it at first. I started to get a crescent in my left eye. Over time, it crossed from my left eye to my right eye."

On July 15th, Conners went back to the hospital.

"The leukemia had relapsed in my optic nerve," he said. "I had eye surgery to lance the cancer out of my eyes."

Tim had now battled cancer twice and he still had not started his junior year of high school.

"The cancer was in my central nervous system," Conners said. "The chemo I was on was not going to cure the cancer. They decided I need a bone marrow transplant."

Finding a bone-marrow donor at all is usually a miracle - yet Tim found a match right in his own family.

"My brother Michael was a perfect match," Tim said. "He was just about to start college at Oswego."

A bone marrow transplant is difficult to go through, for both the patient and the person donating.

Tim and Mike were sent to the hospital in Boston, Massachusetts.

"I had a total body radiation and chemo treatment to kill all the cells in my body," Conners said. "On September 10th I got the bone marrow transplant. After the transplant, my body was so weak that I ended up in ICU."

Tim's heart, lungs and kidneys had all started to fail.



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Tim Conners overcame Lukemia and then blindness to make a return to the football field. He saw action as a center in Fulton's 7th game of the season.

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"The doctors said that my procedures had a 50 percent survival rate," he said. "They called my family to come and say goodbye but, all of a sudden, things started to rebound. I came home in December after 100 days in the hospital."

Tim would not be allowed to go anywhere outside of his own house because his immune system was so weak. He was also not allowed visitors to come in.

"I had to spend a year in isolation," he said. "The only thing I was allowed to do was put on a mask and sit on my porch."

Tim had survived... but he was also blind.

"I had to learn how to do everything differently," he said.

In September, Tim will be cancer-free for three years. However, there is little hope of regaining his sight.

"There is no hope for right now," he said. "But in the course of my life, they might be able to come up with something to get my sight back. You never know what will happen in the future."

Tim slowly adapted to being blind.

"It's the new normal for me," he said. "You learn to accept things. But sometimes I wish I could do things like I used to. It's really hard when I talk to people because I can't pick up facial cues."

After his junior year of high school, Tim began to get the itch to get back into a football uniform.

"I was actually on the team in my junior year," he said, "but I was so weak that I only made it to a couple of games and some practices. They let me wear a jersey but I wanted to do more than that."

His parents were dubious when Tim announced that he was going to play football again.

"They wanted me to try wrestling," he said, "Someone who is visually impaired could wrestle but I really wanted to play football again."

Tim's father, Mike, had been the head coach at Fulton for 15 years, but had taken a new job as the Athletic Director at arch-rival Oswego.

"A lot of Tim's physical skills were taken away," Mike Conners said, "but it didn't take his heart. Still, we were shocked when he said he wanted to play football again. We never thought they would ever let him play."

However, Fulton's new head coach Jeff Rothrock was completely in favor of the idea.

"Coach Rothrock told me he didn't want me to just be someone on the sidelines," Tim said. "He said he wanted to use my mind and really get involved. He thought I could help the team."



Photo Submitted

Tim Conners was supposed to be a long-snapper for Fulton. Instead, he went in on offense and helped the team to a 60-yard drive.

Tim did not miss a single practice all season.

Unbelievably, he also got into a game. In the 4th quarter of Fulton's game against Nottingham, Rothrock sent Tim in to play center.

"We had talked about me snapping for extra points," Tim said, "because you can't hit the center. But he sent me in on offense."

One of Conners teammates would line him up over the ball, and the rest of the team would line up after Tim got into position.

"I'm not allowed to have any contact so I didn't have to block anyone," Tim said. "The team picked up for me and I didn't have to do any blocking."

Incredibly, with a blind player at center, Fulton went on a 60-yard drive. Even more incredibly, Tim was 3-for-3 in shotgun snaps. Every fan at the game was standing and screaming.

"I was so excited," he said. "Words can't describe it. Nottingham's bleachers were standing, our bleachers were

standing. My team was so excited that I got in. I will never forget how much support I had."

Conners is a High Honor Roll student with a 98 academic average. He is a member of the National Honor Society and ranked 8th in his class.

He also says that he will try and attend college after graduating this June.

"I have a lot of work to do before I can go to college," he said. "I plan on going to a program before college where I can learn the skills I'll need to live on my own. I need to learn to take my medicines and my eye drops all on my own. I need the technology to go to class and take notes. I'm still learning with a Braille typewriter."

Tim says he still gets depressed on occasion... but it doesn't stay for long.

"Sometimes I think 'Why Me?' but that's not very productive," he said. "My goal now is to inspire other people. It's exciting when I can do that."

Players of the Year



Class AA

Tyler Rouse - Baldwinsville (3)

Class A

Joe Capobianco - Lawrence (8)

Class B

Jake Haddock - Maine Endwell (4)

Class C

Bradley Burns - Hoosick Falls (2)

Zach Bacon - Hornell (5)

Class D

Tyler Spires - Tioga (4)



Haddock



Burns



Spires

Coaches of the Year

Class AA

Danny Landberg - Erasmus Hall (NYC)

Class A

Matt Shell - Burnt Hills-Ballston lake (2)

Class B

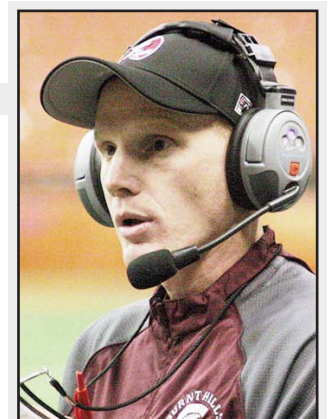
Matt Gallagher - Maine-Endwell (4)

Class C

Ron Jones - Hoosick Falls (2)

Class D

Pat Slater - Randolph (6)



Landberg



Gallagher



Jones

12th Man Award

Tim Conners - Fulton (3)

2012 Scholar Athletes

Class AA

Thomas Capone, Oceanside HS (8)



Tom Capone

Toussaint Helm, Newburgh Free Academy (9)

Chad Tomassetti, Farmingdale (8)

Denis Donovan, Farmingdale (8)

Benjamin Haye, Brooklyn Tech (12)

Tyler Dougherty, Brooklyn Tech (12)

Colton Kells, Fairport (5)

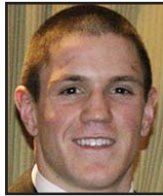
Jack Sanna, Fairport (5)

Thomas Galli, St. Joseph By The Sea (12)

Kenneth Bertosen, St. Joseph By The Sea (12)

Class A

Stephen Loder, East Syracuse-Minoa (3)



Stephen Loder

Christopher Infantino, Valley Stream South (8)

John McCauley, Queensbury (2)

Greg Martino, Wayne (5)

Cody Dick, Fulton (3)

Pat Fink, Fulton (3)

Class B

Dylan Keyer, Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk (2)



Dylan Keyer

Conner Zeoli, Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk (2)

Matt Blair, Newark (5)

Class C

Brandon Passalacqua, Mynderse Academy (5)

Ben Vallimaescu, Dalton (12)

Dylan Johnson, Leroy (5)



Jake Remington

Class D

Jake Remington, Letchworth (5)

Matthew Skinner, Red Jacket (5)

Hunter Low Media Award

James Allen, Times-Union Sports Editor



James Allen

Skip Paridon Service Award

Mark Crane, CEO, Mark's Pizzeria

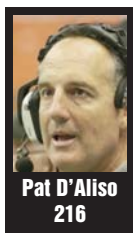
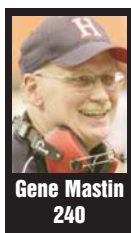
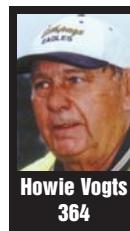


Mark Crane

Coaching Victories

entering the 2013 season

Wins... Coach... School... Retired (2012 wins)



- 364... Howie Vogts... Bethpage-8.... Died, Aug. 2010
332... Vin O'Connor... St. Francis Prep... Active (7 wins in 2012)
318... Brent Steuerwald... Shenendehowa-2... Retired, 2011
302... Tony DeMatteo... Roosevelt, Somers-1... Active (10)
293... Jim Hoover... Walton-4... Active (4)
287... Johnny Barnes... Canisius-MMA... Retired, 1973
271... Jerry Walczak... Dolgeville, Waterville-3... Retired, 2004
269... Dave Kelly... Delhi-4... Active (4)
255... Joe Casarella... North Rockland-1... Retired, 2010
258... Dino Garr... Westlake, Rye-1... **Active (5)**
252... Steve Fisher... General Brown, Alexandria Bay, Thousand Islands-3... Active (0)
248... Gene Masters... Brocton, Grand Island-6... Retired, 2000
247... Frank Bertino... Riverdale School-AIS... Retired, 1983
246... Tom Flatley... Garden City-8... Active (11)
242... Dick Diminuco... Albion, Alden-6... Retired, 2012 (11)
240... Gene Mastin... Hornell-5... Retired, 2011
237... Don Snyder... Farmingdale-8... Retired, 1992
236... Tom Schoen... Whitesboro-3... Active (6)
232... Jim Haggerty... Tioga-4... Retired, 1995
227... Frank Violante... Somers, Dobbs Ferry-1... Retired, 2004
223... Blaise Iuliano... Saratoga Springs-2... Retired, 2007
220... Rich Conklin... Nanuet-1... Retired, 2010
219... Rich Reichert... St. Anthony's-CHSFL... Active (8)
217... Brian Walsh... Brewster, John Jay EF-1... Active (5)
216... Fran Angeline... Union-Endicott, Johnson City-4... Retired, 1992
216... Pat D'Aliso... Pulaski-3, Monroe-Woodbury-9... Retired as head coach 2011
213... Al Paturzo... Susan Wagner-PSAL... Active (0)
213... Pat Slater... Randolph-6... Retired, 2012 (11)
211... Joe Cipp... Bellport-11... Retired, 2010
210... Tom Hoke... Rome Free Academy-3... Retired, 2000
210... Al Merola... Solvay-3... Retired, 2003
209... Tom Cassese... Comsewogue-11... Retired, 2007
208... Carmine Colasanto... Lehman-PSAL... Retired, 2008
207... Mike D'Aloisio... Elmira Notre Dame-4... Active (5)
207... Robert Pickert... Hackley School-AIS... Retired, 2010
206... Don Santini... LeRoy, Fairport-5... Retired, 1992
205... Tom Pugh... Holy Cross-CHSFL... Active (5)
202... Harold Cobb... Union-Endicott-4... Retired, 1958
202... Moe Finklestein... Jefferson-PSAL... Retired, 1986
202... Fred Smith... Friends Academy, Cold Spring Harbor, Locust Valley-8... Retired, 1998
200... Joe Shifflet... Sweet Home, Tonawanda, Niagara Falls, Williamsville East-6... Retired, 2009
199... Mike Foster... Olean-6, Canandaigua-5... Retired, 2001
196... Joe Grasso... Vincentian Institute, Bishop Maginn-2... Active (1)
195... John Millett... Granville, Whitehall-2... Retired, 2010
194... George Vetter... North Tonawanda-6... Retired, 1971
194... Joe Viglione... Warwick, Port Jervis-9... Retired, 1991
193... Dave Whitcomb... Avon, Midlakes, Aquinas, Geneva, Fairport-5... Active (3)
193... Ron O'Connell... Deposit-4... Retired, 1996
193... Dick Senko... Elmira Free Academy-4... Retired, 2003
192... Mike Nicholas... Massena-10... Retired, 1978
192... Nick Der Cola... Clyde-Savannah-5... Retired, 1984
192... Fred Fusaro... Sachem-11... Retired, 2002
191... John Faller... Sweet Home-6... Active (12)
191... Art Troilo Jr... Harrison-1... Active (8)
191... Dick Rote... Pleasantville-1... Retired, 2003
190... Mario Valentini... Mt. St. Michael-CHSFL... Active (3)
190... Bob Gould... Groton-4, Gloversville-2... Retired, 2003
189... Ben Sarullo... Monsignor Farrell-CHSFL... Retired, 2010
187... Larry Ewald... Peru-7... Retired, 2010
187... Russ Cellan... Freeport-8... Active (0)
187... Gary VanDerzee... Ravena-2... Active (7)
186... Bob Krenzer... Gowanda, Pine Valley, Sherman-6... Active (6)
186... Cliff Lehman... Albany CBA-2... Retired, 1994
186... Mike Beauvais... Peru-7... Retired, 1987
186... Mike Monacelli... Caledonia-Mumford... Retired, 2010
185... Brian Moran... LeRoy-5... Active (8)
182... Dick Hoover... Vestal-4... Retired, 1976
182... Elmer Morgan... Herkimer-3... Retired, 1955
181... Ernie Craumer... Corning Free-4... Retired, 1953

Coaching Victories

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Curt Fischer
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Bob O'Connor
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- 180... John Castellano... Nyack-1... Retired, 2010
- 179... Frank Constantino... Depew-6... Retired, 1987
- 178... Al Northrup... Elmira Heights-4... Retired, 1966
- 177... Don Quinn... East Rochester -5... Retired, 1988
- 176... Henry Read... Seton Hall-CHSFL... Retired, 1972
- 174... Bill Race... Falconer-6... Retired, 1995
- 174... Carl Sanfilippo... Baldwinsville-3... Active (8)
- 174... Tom Neidl... Cazenovia-3... Active (9)
- 174... Dick Cole... Lowville-3... Retired, 2007
- 173... Carl Ferraro... Pawling-1... Active (5)
- 172... John Raymond... Saranac Lake-7... Retired, 1998
- 170... Curt Fischer... Maple Grove-6... Active (9)
- 170... Fred Olivieri... Staten Island Curtis-PSAL... Retired, 2008
- 170... Joe Sanfilippo... Salamanca, Jamestown-6... Retired, 1982
- 169... Pete Dyer... Dobbs Ferry, Pearl River-1... Retired, 1988
- 168... Alex Mancini... Mohawk-3, Fonda-Fultonville-2... Retired, 2006
- 167... Gino Alberici... Port Byron-3... Retired, 1993
- 167... George Whitcher... Salamanca-6... Retired, 1998
- 167... Jerry Horowitz... Bronx JFK-PSAL... Retired, 2003
- 167... Dick Russ... Chenango Forks, Maine-Endwell-4... Retired, 2003
- 165... Sal Ciampi... East Islip-11... Retired, 2000
- 165... George Mangicaro... Bishop Grimes, Liverpool-3... Retired, 2002
- 165... Jud Blanchard... Binghamton North, Seton Catholic, Susquehanna Valley-4... Retired, 2003
- 162... Bob O'Connor... Mt. St. Joseph-MMA... Retired, 2009
- 161... Dom Vitticore... Red Jacket-5... Retired, 2000
- 161... Paul Fitzpatrick... Bishop Timon-MMA... Retired, 2006
- 161... Bob Corvino... Port Jervis-9... Retired, 2008
- 161... Jay Iaquina... St. Agnes, Lynbrook, Hewlett-8... Active (4)
- 161... Tim Bergan... Ellicottville-6... Active (7)
- 161... Gene Tundo... Orchard Park-6... Active (11)
- 160... Art Serotte... Buffalo Grover Cleveland-6... Retired, 1992
- 159... Howie Smith... Mt. St. Michael-CHSFL... Retired, 1967
- 159... George Seiler... New Berlin, South New Berlin-4... Retired
- 159... Nick Balitsos... Letvittown Memorial, MacArthur-8... Retired, 1977
- 159... Wally Huckno... Jamestown-6... Retired, 2003
- 158... Joe Knoll... Sewanhaka, Lynbrook, Locust Valley, Oyster Bay-8... Active (1)
- 158... Chris Tussing... Tonawanda-6... Retired, 1946
- 157... Allen Frey... Whitesboro-3... Retired, 1948
- 157... Len Colavito... Newark-5... Retired, 1994
- 157... Steve Leahy... Unatego-4... Retired, 2003
- 155... Joe Moresco... Ithaca-4... Retired, 1983
- 155... Ron Bauer... Jeff-Youngsville, Delaware Valley, Sullivan West-9... Active (6)
- 155... Rich Lipani... Greece Arcadia, Hilton-5... Active (7)
- 154... Sal Somma... New Dorp-PSAL... Retired, 1977
- 154... Nill McAlee... Elk (Pa.), Caledonia-Mumford-5... Retired, 1987
- 154... Jack Keeney... Panama-6... Retired, 1994
- 154... Gerry Keevens... Mahopac-1... Retired, 2003
- 154... Steve Peretzman... Port Richmond-PSAL... Retired, 2006
- 153... Merritt Klumpp... Windsor-4... Retired, 1965
- 152... Howard McMullin... Clymer-6... Retired, 2003
- 151... Ken Baker... Hoosick Falls, Cambridge-2... Retired, 1995
- 151... Tony DiCocco... Scotia-Glenville-2... Retired, 2006
- 150... Doug Luke... Hoosick Falls, Cambridge-2... Active (8)
- 150... Carl Bjork... Jamesville-DeWitt-3... Retired, 1981
- 150... Dorie Jackson... Greenport-11... Retired, 1978
- 150... Armond Cacciatore... Niagara-Wheatfield-6... Retired, 1998
- 150... Vincent Laino... Fort Hamilton-PSAL... Retired, 2009
- 149... Lou Martini... Williamsville North-6... Retired, 1987
- 149... Don Zuhlke... Mount Markham-3... Retired, 1992
- 149... Paul Bricoccoli... Glens Falls-2... Retired, 1999
- 147... Wayne Carroll... Romulus, Bath-5... Active (5)
- 146... Terry Coffman... Carthage-3... Retired, 1999
- 145... Mick Nugent... Springville-6... Retired, 1988
- 144... Dave Ball... Clymer, Brocton, Fredonia-6... Retired, 1999
- 143... Ernie Steck... Albany Academy-2... Retired, 1982
- 143... Lou Andre... Massapequa, Lawrence-8... Retired, 2009
- 143... Len Jankiewicz... Lancaster-6... Retired, 2011
- 142... Warren King... Garden City-8... Retired, 1980
- 142... Dick Wolslayer... Middletown-9... Retired, 1995
- 141... Mike Norris... Homer-3... Retired, 1984
- 141... John Taglione... Mechanicville-2... Retired, 2004
- 140... George Craig... Baldwin-8... Retired, 1958



Gene Tundo
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Art Serotte
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Upstate vs. Downstate Rising Senior Football Game

Player Nomination Form 2013

(Nominate Juniors who are Graduating Class of 2014)

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY!

Players Name _____ School (Section) _____

Players Email _____ Player's Cell Phone: _____

Positions: Offense _____ Defense: _____ Special Teams _____

Height _____ Weight _____

Home Address _____

City / Zip _____

Home phone _____

Coach: _____ **Coach Phone:** _____

Coach E-Mail: _____ **Coach Cell:** _____

Has this player been offered a Scholarship?: _____

List Schools _____

If no, Please list Schools that Have Expressed Interest:

List below any additional information that the selection committee should be aware of including non-qualifier status, state or local awards and special circumstances:

Must be Returned before May 17, 2013 to:



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