

Dad's Awards Fete At Rye Neck Attracts 400

Top Athletes, Hasley Honored; Allie Sherman Guest Speaker

JACK HASLEY
with T.O. POSSELT

Trophies, plaques and honors were distributed with lavish hand last night at the Rye Neck Dad's Club held its 10th annual Sports Award Dinner in the Rye Neck High gymnasium.

About 400 students, parents, faculty members and guests were on hand to pay tribute to the 189 pupils who participated in the interscholastic sports program during the year, these included girls as well as boys teams and also members of the majorette and cheerleader squads.

Particular honor was paid to Coach Jack Hasley, athletic director and mentor of both the soccer and basketball teams who is retiring after 23 years of service in the school system.

Hasley received not only plaques but also a plaque presented by the Dad's Club through Norman Osach, president and a gift from other coaches on the physical education faculty. This presentation was made by Frank Stiadach, varsity track coach.

Scholarship Stressed

The major speaker at the event was Allie Sherman, coach of the New York Football Giants, who told the students that athletic scholarships to college are not merely up for grabs.

"You can't get by merely by being a star in a sport," Sherman said. "Colleges are not merely looking for sports figures, but also require scholastic ability."

"It's worth cracking the books if you feel that you have the ability for an athletic scholarship. As a matter of fact, it's a must in these days of competition to get into college."

Mr. Sherman also said that in the athletic field there is sometimes "too much concentration on being a winner."

Enjoy Sports

"Enjoy the sport, he told the students and "that doesn't mean that you've got to like being. Of course you don't like it — none of us do — but play to win and win or lose, enjoy the playing."

Sherman, who in comparison to the players he coaches, is a small man who "couldn't make my high school team," also emphasized that a "little guy" can do.

He did manage to play college football, despite his size, and then, before coaching, was

on to play professional football with the Philadelphia Eagles.

Place For Little Man

The "little man" whether or not he achieves instant recognition can make it, he stated.

"Some of you," he said, "have achieved high school recognition. Some have not. But for all of you there is a road and an opportunity ahead, even if you're little."

Following his talk Sherman answered questions from the floor which ranged all the way from "why did you trade Sam Huff" five years ago to "what will be the effect of the National and American Football League merger?"

With regard to the first query he said that it was felt that the Giants had representation for Huff and needed help in other positions. He parried the latter question with an honest "I don't know," and emphasized that a coach's job has nothing to do with such things as money which is the business of the team owners, but only with the players.

Awards

Awards presented ranged all the way from outstanding players in all sports to varsity athletes with the best scholastic record.

The Humphreys Award for the most valuable football player went to Bernie Marciniak, and the Knorr Trophy for the most improved football player was taken by Hugo Scappaticci.

Coach Hasley presented most valuable soccer trophies to Bob Balukowski and Frank Kabelebo, as well as most valuable basketball player prize to Bob Miles.

Coach Frank Braca presented the most valuable wrestling trophy to Avery Miller, and the Harbor Island Memorial Trophy for sportsmanship in baseball was given to Bill Riley with Les McArde, donor of the trophy, making the presentation.

Track, Tennis

In track it was Frank Macha who was the valuable and received his prize from Coach Snadack, while the I.A. Meyer MVP tennis prize went to two players, Toby Marion and Marc Levin, of whom received trophies.

Scholastic achievement was recognized when Fred Puritz of the track team received the Peter Down award for the varsity athlete with the highest scholastic record.

One of the major prizes, the

most outstanding athlete of the year, was made to Richard Curcio, and it was outstanding not only because of the honor but also because of the donor, Vincent "Whitey" Lanza.

Former Top Athlete

Lanza was a top athlete in former years but for several years has been down by illness. He came to the event in a wheel chair and was rolled in to congratulate the winner of his award.

Special trophies were given to the boys who won three or more varsity letters. These included Curcio, George Cole, Pete Mazza, Madia Miller, Eugene Silvestro, Marc Piccard, Mike Orlandino, Scappaticci, Slevan Yagou, Ken Dietz, Chuck Rindley, Paul Strunsky, and Rick Kibele.

Girls' Prizes

The Anita Award for the top girl athlete was won by Marianne Mellelo and it was presented by Jack Pabinowitz, donor. Top majorette was not named who took the Strauch Trophy presented by Mrs. Amette Davis in the absence of Coach Strauch, and Connie Battista Memorial prize for the outstanding cheerleader prize went to Anne Silvestro and the Stevenson was made by Gal Streven.

Special Dad's Club awards to the girl best in sportsmanship went to Diane Goldsmith, and for girls on three or more letters to Miss Goldsmith, Joanne Humphreys, Martha Long, and Jeanne Stockman.

Fred Mackay of the Dad's Club was chairman for the event.

Ladies Golf At Hampshire Begins Play

The first round match play for the ladies at Hampshire Country Club was played yesterday for the Hampshire Trophy in A and B classes.

Results in the A Class: Mrs. Stephen Moore defeated Jack Heller; Mrs. Murray Westcott drew a bye; Lawrence Levy defeated Mrs. Irving Rubin; Mrs. Michael Roberts drew a bye; Mrs. Jack Eberlyman defeated Mrs. Jerome Siegel; Mrs. Jerry Wein drew a bye; Mrs. Ann Wein defeated Mrs. Matthew Manes, and Mrs. Joseph Lavon drew a bye.

In Class B, Mrs. Dave Pusfeld defeated Mrs. Robert May; Mrs. Ed Fishman won by default; Mrs. Arnold Blye defeated Mrs. Irving Botiner; Mrs. Lester Rombin defeated Mrs. Leo Benson; Mrs. Morton Herman defeated Mrs. Nathan Schifrin; Mrs. Gerry Wessinger defeated Mrs. Lester Koeh; Mrs. Akum Shobano defeated Mrs. Irving Kottner; and Mrs. Harry Fishbein defeated Mrs. Julius Lerner.

In the Class C, 18 holes, medal play with full handicap, Mrs. Jane Silverman won on a blind draw over Mrs. Julius Lerner. Both had net 77 scores. Mrs. Silverman drew a 53-56, 107 less 32 handicap. For her 77, and Mrs. Lerner shot 74-90, 107 less 30 handicap.

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AMONG THE TOP athletes and coaches at the Rye Neck Dad's Club held its 10th annual Sports Award Dinner in the high school gym were, from left, Frank Kabelebo, Bernie Marciniak, the top girl athlete, basketball MVP, Marianne Mellelo who won the award for the most outstanding of the school's athletes; and Avery Miller who was named the best wrestler. — Staff Photo by Paul Byrne.



UNCLE CARL'S nipped Engine Co. No. 1 by a 21 score in a game last night at Flint Park, Larchmont Softball League. The firemen scored first with a run in the top of the fourth, but Uncle Carl's came back with a run in the same frame and another in the bottom of the sixth for their margin of victory. John Ward led the firemen with two hits, but the big blow for the team was smashed by John Ward who banged out a triple in the fourth inning. The team got seven safeties.

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Senators Draft Nick Furlong; He'll Ask Awful Lot Of Money

By BARRY HORN

"Have 17," asked Nick Furlong.

"Yes, we're very happy he was chosen by Kansas City," said Gene Tassone Sr., speaking for his son, Joe.

The reactions to the drafting of two more Westchester players — for a total of three — by the Major Leagues Wednesday brought varying replies when phone calls were made to their homes last night.

For Furlong, Iona Prep's outstanding pitcher who now pitches twice, this reporter's call brought surprise. He did not know he had been picked by Washington Senators Wednesday, the second and final day of the selection.

"On Tuesday, Gene Spatz of Elmford was drafted by the Detroit Tigers."

"As far as I know I'm a free agent," Furlong said. "I was long said, repeating his words of the night before at the Con Ed Banquet."

Furlong, who also plays quarterback, has a full scholarship to Notre Dame, and he told this to all 20 of the majors' representatives he talked to. This may have brightened some teams' offer and led to the late drafting.

The 17-year-old, however, does have a plan.

"I'm going to ask for an awful lot of money," Furlong said. "I'll sign, if not I'll go to school. But it will have to be a pretty good offer for me to accept."

While a number of clubs, notably the Atlanta Braves, are known to covet the hard-throwing right-hander, Nick realizes he will need considerable work before reaching the Big Time.

"I have to learn to field my position better, and also develop a change of pace," Furlong said. "Now I throw only a fast ball, curve and slider, but they (major leaguers) eat that stuff up."

The change can be taught, Nick has the rest of the equipment — leading fastball, sharp-breaking curve that, when it's working right, acts as though it's falling off a table, and a quick-breaking slider.

Actually, Furlong revealed, he would like to play for the Yankees, his favorite team. He doesn't like the new draft (in his second year) because "it limits your choice of teams."

"Scouts tell you what they can offer but you can't make any plans because you don't know if they'll draft you."

Tassone, Port Chester High's catcher who is expected to be named shortly to his fourth consecutive All County baseball squad, expects to sign with the Kansas City Athletics, although he, too, has yet to be contacted.

During the golden age of Babylon, King Hammurabi engaged stargazers to decide the most auspicious time to collect taxes.

For Tassone the decision is easier.

"I'm an average student and had a chance to go to college, but his mind is made up to play ball," his father said.

The six-foot, 175-pounder batted .333 for the Rams this year, stole 24 bases and has an outstanding throwing arm.

"He's not exceptionally fast," the proud father said, "but he studies the pitchers and gets a good lead. That's how he stole all those bases."

Joe's biggest asset is his rifle arm, which commands the respect of would-be base-stealers.

Tassone started his son catching at the age of seven, and has kept at it through Little League, Babe Ruth, American Legion and high school ball.

The third Westchesterer to be chosen — Alexander Hamilton shortstop—David Beermann Spatz — was tabbed by the Tigers for Class AA Montgomery, Ala., farm club.

Spatz, who batted .453 and hits the long ball, has been informed that he will be contacted within the next two weeks. And, if the offer is a fair one, he's said he will probably sign.

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Little Loop Contest Won By Panthers

The Panthers, trailing by three runs after three innings, came on with a roar the rest of the way to nip the Lions, 9-8, in an extra inning Larchmont Little League contest at Cargill Park.

The victors scored four runs in the fourth, two in the sixth, and three more in the seventh, the overtime frame.

Big gun for the Lions was Chip Guasino who hit a two-run homer in the sixth.

The leasers scored a run in the second on an error which was followed by a hit by Joe Ucci and another error on Ucci's single.

In the third, the Lions scored three times on three hits. It was the last time the team enjoyed a three-run inning.

In the top of the fourth, the Panthers came alive with four runs on doubles by Satoroff and Carr and singles by Cannick and Ferrer.

The Panthers came back with a run in the fifth, but two more scores in the sixth, which were matched by the Lions and the three in the seventh, led the Panthers.

The Panthers, however, were hard pressed to preserve their victory as the Lions came up with two runs in the bottom of the extra inning but fell one short of tying the game again.

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PANTHERS

AB	R	H	E
Shorelli	2	2	0
Satoroff	2	2	0
Thomasson	0	0	0
Payson	0	0	0
Canick	0	0	0
Ucci	0	0	0
Merrill	2	1	0
Ferrer	2	1	0
Carr	2	1	0
Merrill	2	1	0
Total	12	9	3

LIONS

AB	R	H	E
Burns	4	2	0
Guasino	4	2	0
Ucci	4	2	0
Canick	4	2	0
Ferrer	4	2	0
Carr	4	2	0
Merrill	4	2	0
Total	28	16	0

Score by Innings
Panthers 000 412 1-8

SPORTS CALENDAR

FRIDAY
Softball
Town Police vs. Larchmont League, Flint Park, 6:30 p.m.

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