



2023

Hall of Fame

Induction Ceremony

October 08, 2023

Devens Inn & Conference Center

Devens, MA

ASRHS Athletic Hall of Fame

Induction Dinner & Ceremony – October 08, 2023

4:00PM – 5:00PM

Cocktail Hour

5:00PM – 6:00PM

Buffet Dinner

6:00PM – 9:00PM

Induction Ceremony

Pledge of Allegiance

Welcome

Tony Casavecchia

Master of Ceremonies

Josh Dolan

Honorees

ASRHS Athletic Hall of Fame Board

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ASRHS Athletic Hall of Fame

Class of 2023

Athletes

Frank Callahan
Martha Norton
Robert Norton
Walter Parker
Eric Reardon
Janet Rowthorn
John Speidel

Benefactor

Ralph Winslow

Team

1970 Baseball Team
1971 Baseball Team

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Class of 2018

Athletes

Dianne Bacon Connor

Shawnn Gyles

General Lee Holman

Jamie Morris

Jamie Lamoreaux

Benefactor

Steve Fallon

Coach

Richard Molloy

Team

1981 Girls Basketball

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Class of 2016

Athletes

Lorna Briggs
Roderick "Roddy" Brooks
Shirley Woods
Larry Morris
Mike Morris
Neal Connor

Benefactor

Ken Blanchette

Coach

Jane Steinberg

Team

1979 Boys Track &
Field Team

Class of 2015

Athletes

Rita Briggs
Dr. Charles S. Brown
George Scullane
Joe Morris
Sue Heuman Nelsen
Shawn Murphy

Benefactor

Justin Lamoreaux

Coach

Joe Hickey

Team

1980 Football Team

1970 Baseball Team



Late Report: Ayer Panthers Win League Championship

AYER - Behind the fast-ball pitching of Mike Royal, the Ayer Panthers, champions of the Eastern Division of the Wachusett League, by defeating Oakmont, Western Division champions, won the Wachusett League Championship on Tuesday afternoon at Doyle Field. The score -- 3-1.

AYER HIGH BASEBALL SCHEDULE 1970

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| April 14 - Ayer at Notre Dame (3:15 p.m.). | (3:15 p.m.). |
| April 16 - St. Bernard's at Ayer (3:15 p.m.). | May 14 - Ayer at Nashoba (3:15 p.m.). |
| April 20 - Ayer at Lowell Trade (10 a.m. - Shedd Park). | May 15 - Notre Dame at Ayer (3:15 p.m.). |
| April 23 - Ayer at No. Middlesex (2 p.m. - Pepperell Field). | May 18 - Westford at Ayer (3:15 p.m.). |
| April 27 - Nashoba at Ayer (3:15 p.m.). | May 21 - Groton at Ayer (3:15 p.m.). |
| April 30 - Ayer at Westford (3:15 p.m.). | May 26 - Ayer at Tahanto (3:15 p.m.). |
| May 1 - Lowell Trade at Ayer (3:15 p.m.). | May 28 - Ayer at Littleton (3:15 p.m.). |
| May 4 - Ayer at Groton (3:15 p.m.). | May 29 - No. Middlesex at Ayer (7:30 p.m. at Ft. Devens). |
| May 7 - Tahanto at Ayer (3:15 p.m.). | J.V. team plays same league schedule with reversed home fields. |
| May 8 - Ayer at St. Bernard's (3:15 p.m.). | Underlined games are league games. |
| May 11 - Littleton at Ayer | Chit's softball schedule same as boy's league schedule. |



Wachusett Champions 1970
League Record of 8-2
Over-all 15-4

First League Championship in over a decade!

Defeating Oakmont Regional to win the Championship.

The support was said to be the biggest crowd ever, two bus loads of fans along with students and parents who made the trip by car.

1971 Baseball Team

21 AYER HIGH PANTHERS
WIN BASEBALL CROWN



school

This team was able to turn a early season loss to Groton into a positive drive to get better.

Wachusett League Champs 1971.

Back to Back League Champs.

11-1 League Record.

13-5 Over-all.

11 Game Win Streak won the league by 3 games.

“Coach Casey was able to bring out the best in his players”

Ralph Winslow



Benefactor



Ralph & Roberta Winslow

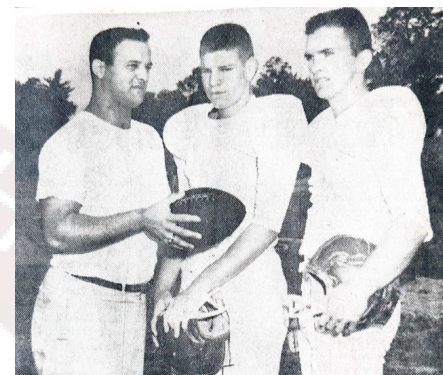


Ralph Winslow (1919-2016) - Ayer High School's Number 1 Fan! A lifelong resident of Ayer. Graduating from Ayer High School in 1937. Ayer High School sports was Ralph's passion, he was proclaimed AHS #1 fan and honorary Athletic Director. "We had good teams and we had bad teams, but it never mattered to Ralph. He was always positive and complimenting the player's effort and sportsmanship regardless of the outcome." Friend and former Ayer High School Principal Don Parker.

Frank Callahan



Class of 1962



3-Star Athlete: 4 Years Varsity Football, Basketball and Baseball.
1962 Senior Year

Co-Captain Football – Quarterback

Captain Basketball – Guard

Captain Baseball – Pitcher

24-5 Pitching Record over 4 years at AHS.

.375 Bating average and an earned run mark if .088.

1961 Wachusett League Eastern Division Champs.

Set a School record at the time for pitching the most consecutive
Innings at AHS: 17 innings, in his Senior year.

As a guard for the AHS Basketball, he averaged 21.6 PPG his Senior year.

Scored 48 Points vs Groton in his Senior year.

Part of the 1961 Wachusett League Eastern Division Championship.

Starting Quarterback Sophomore through Senior year.

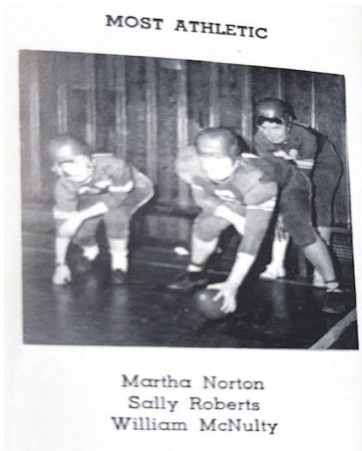
Signed to play Baseball with the Washington Senators in 1962: Playing in the
New York Penn League in Geneva NY.

Signed with the Atlantic Braves in 1965: Played in Waycross Georgia in the
Florida State League.

Martha Norton



Class of 1956



Coach Barbra Mountain

At 5' 11" entering Ayer Jr. High School, Martha caught the attention of a lot of folks playing basketball.

Martha Started all four years 1952-1956.

It was half court madness those days, lots of passing, restricted dribble and fast paced.

Coach by Barbra Mountain who was very successful in her tenure.
(pictured above)

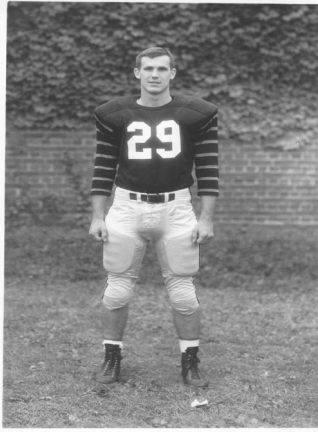
Winning League titles and the Littleton Tournament all four years.
Martha Averaged 40 points per game her junior year, scoring 56 points in one game.

Martha loved her coach, her teammates and she played for only one person, her father, Harold G. Norton!!

Robert Norton



Class of 1961



Earned 12 Varsity Letters and started on all those teams.
4 Co-Captains, 2 League Championships & 5 Division Titles.
Scored the first 51 point game in basketball against Groton.
Pitched a "no hitter" against Littleton to clinch a division title.

Played football at Princeton. 2 years at quarterback, Freshman year 7-1. Sophomore year playing junior varsity going undefeated.

Graduated Princeton University Cum Laude 1965.

Proctor & Gamble 1965 to 1966.

United States Marines 1966 to 1969.

Commissioned Second Lieutenant, Combat Decorated and a Captain at release from active duty in April 1969.

Pfizer, Inc. 1969 to 2004

From Regional Personnel Manager Northeast to Senior Vice President, Human Resources.

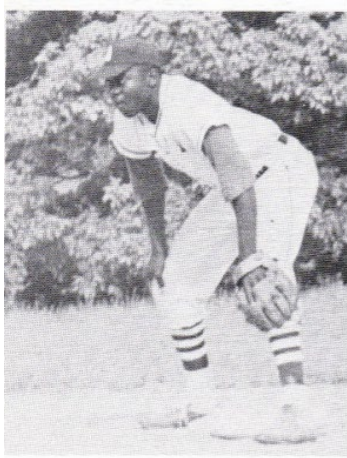
Overseas Schools Advisory Committee of US Dept. of State 17 yrs, Chairperson 6 yrs
Fisk University Board of Trustees for 20 yrs, Chairperson 6 yrs.

International YMCA Branch of New York board member 12 years, Chairperson 6 yrs.

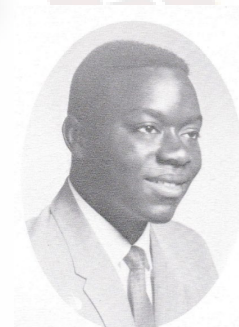
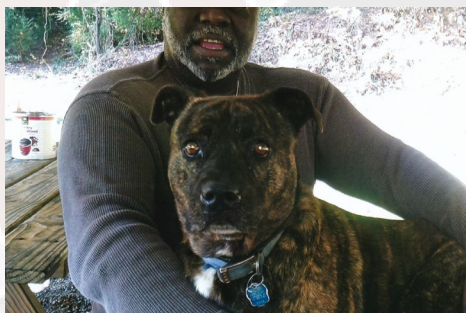
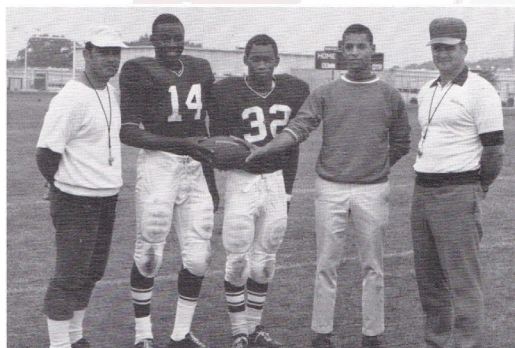
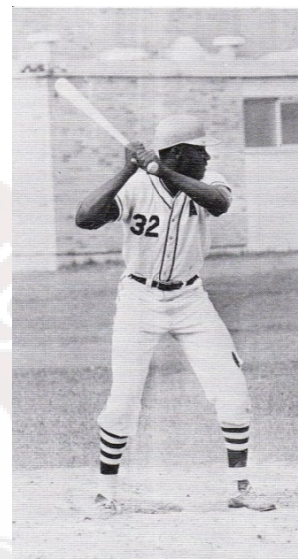
Walter Parker



Class of 1970



Kneeling L-R: G. Flores, G. Holman, T. Bowdick, W. Parker, N. Parker, J. Hiley, Managers, R. Camp and B. Barrill. Standing L-R: Statisticians, J. Burns and M. Robbins, S. Holder, M. Steele, F. Williams, J. Brennan, E. Baconer, Statistician M. Sedlaky, Manager, B. Page and Coach Hickey.



3 year Starter in Football, Basketball and Baseball
Football Captain
Basketball Captain
Baseball Captain
1970 Wachusett League Baseball Championship Baseball
Senior Class President

Eric Reardon



Class of 1985



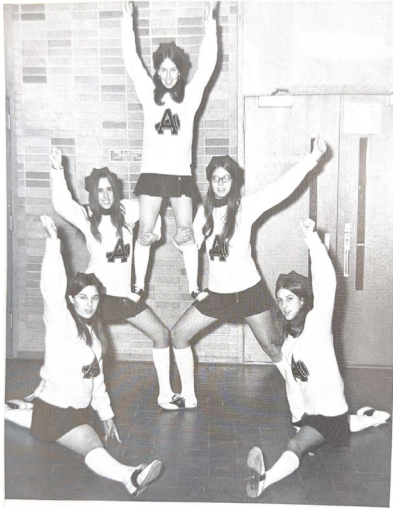
Lowell Sun All Star in Baseball 1985
Team Captain his Senior Year
Lowell Sun All Star Basketball 1985
Team Captain Junior and Senior Year
Part of the 1985 Wachusett League Championship Team going 15-1
Lead the League in scoring in 1985
Named League MVP in 1985

Achievements

- Played semipro baseball in Seattle , WA
- Played collegiate baseball and basketball at Springfield College and Salem State
- 2nd in ERA in MASCAC 1989

Janet Rowthorn

Class of 1971

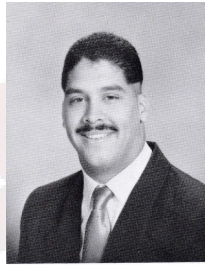
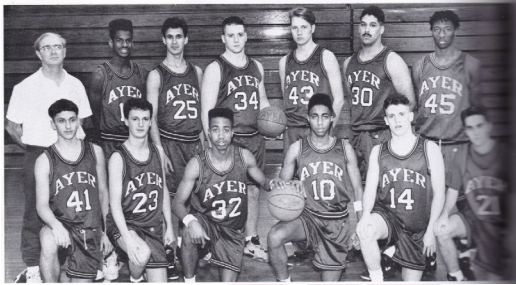


4 Years Varsity Softball (Outfield, Pitcher & Shortstop)
3 Years Varsity Field Hockey (Left Wing)
Cheer Leading 4 Years
Student Council and Class President
National Honor Society
DAR Good Citizen Award
BS in Physical Education Concentration in Dance at the University
of Massachusetts
DanceArt & Chameleon of Boston (Dancer)
New Jersey Center Dance Collective (Dancer, Choreographer &
Artistic Director)
Georgia Ballet (Dancer/Choreographer)

John Speidel



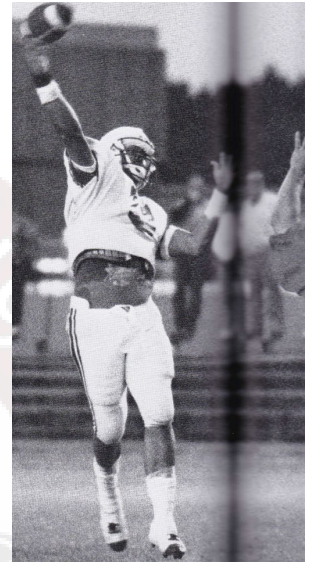
Class of 1992



Unbelievable Athletes



The students of Ayer High School would like to recognize John Speidel as an eleven-letter Varsity athlete. In four years at Ayer High, John has participated in Varsity football, baseball, and three years of basketball. Playing under the instruction of coaches ranging from Justin Lamoreaux to Gregg Piccucci, he has shown persistence and devotion to the athletic program. He has proved to be a valuable athlete and asset to the Ayer athletic legacy.



Played Baseball, Football and Basketball for the Panthers.
Named as a League and Lowell Sun All Star in Football & Baseball.
ECAC player of the week at UMASS Lowell for Football.
Played Colligate Baseball at Flagler College.
Played Professional Baseball for the Independent Nashua Hawks.
Multiple All Star Selections for Semi Pro Football.
2002 National Offensive Player of the year.
New England Football League HoF 2013
American Football Association Hof 2015

Thank You

The Ayer Shirley High School Athletic Hall of Fame Board congratulates the inductees and their families and thanks them for attending this year's ceremony.

Thank you to all of the members of the Ayer Shirley community for coming out to support!

Thank you to the Devens Inn & Conference Center for hosting us once again.

A huge thank you to all of the sponsors in this year's program!

We would like to thank the ASRSD for allowing us to meet at the High School to organize our event.



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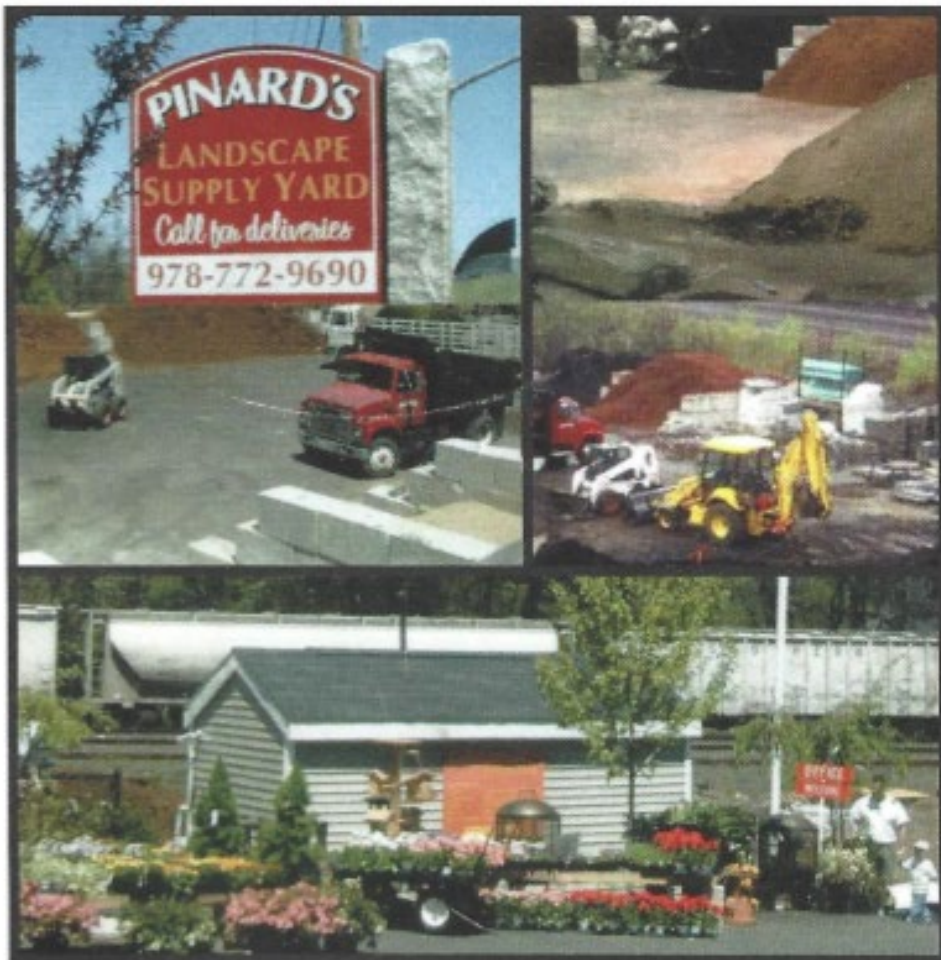
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