

Slate picked for Bedford Hall of Fame

BEDFORD TOWNSHIP — The Bedford High School Alumni Association Hall of Fame ceremonies and banquet will begin at 6 p.m. Sept. 12 at Bedford High School.

This year's honorees are Bill (Marty) Hammerstein, Terri (Blok) Bosman, Tony Gill, Steve Danforth, Matthew Bell, the late Phyllis McMacken-Maschke and the BHS football team of 1966.

Tickets are \$25 a person. Reservations are due Wednesday.

People ordering banquet tickets are asked to make the checks payable to Bedford High School Alumni Association, indicate whether they want tickets mailed to them or will pick them up at the banquet. Orders are to be mailed to Lisa Pickard at Bedford High School, 8285 Jackman Rd., Temperance 48182. Tickets also can be purchased in person at the high school office. For additional information, call Ms.

Pickard at 850-6105.

Sponsorships are \$200. Donors will be recognized in the Hall of Fame program and bricks identifying the donors will be placed in the Alumni Plaza at Bedford Community Stadium. For information about sponsorships, call Laura Collins at 854-2926.

Proceeds from the banquet go toward reducing the debt on the loan for Bedford Community Stadium, which is about \$280,000 on a \$1 million note.

The Hall of Fame inductees also will be introduced during halftime ceremonies of Friday's football game against Ann Arbor Huron High School.

For information, visit www.bedford.k12.mi.us/alumni_assoc.html, contact Gene Stock at 847-6358 or e-mail stockportsinc@yahoo.com.

THIS YEAR'S HONOREES

MATTHEW BELL

Matthew Bell is a 1991 graduate of Bedford High School. He participated in symphonic band, marching band and pep band and was a four-time All-State Band member and the Michigan representative to the 1991 McDonald's All-American High School Band.

He wrestled for a season, ran track two seasons, was the single Bedford High School National Merit Scholar his senior year and graduated fourth in his class.

He graduated in 1995 from Michigan State University, East Lansing, with honors in chemical engineering and was a member of the MSU marching band for five seasons. After graduation, he took a job with DuPont in Orange, Texas.

He spent two years in Guatemala doing missionary work with his wife, Dr. Heidi Bell.

Matt was nominated by his high school band director, Ron Koch.



TERRI (BLOK) BOSMAN

Terri (Blok) Bosman is a 1977 graduate of Bedford High School. She was nominated based on her outstanding contribution to the growth of girls' athletics at Bedford.

While in high school, she earned eight varsity letters in three years playing basketball, volleyball and softball. In volleyball, she was a two-time All-Region player and had 122 serving points in 1976. As a member of the 1977

softball team, she earned All-Region honors and had a .458 batting average on a team that won a regional championship and finished ranked third in Michigan.

Mrs. Bosman's strongest sport was basketball. She was a two-time All-Region point champion with a 17.8 points-a-game average in 1975 and 22.5 points in 1976.

She was the team MVP in 1974, 1975 and 1976. She was also selected Monroe County Region Player of the Year in 1976 and was a

high school All-American. She received a basketball scholarship to Eastern Michigan University, Ypsilanti, graduating in 1982.

Mrs. Bosman lives in Snellville, Ga., with her husband, Harry. They have two sons, Brian and David.

She was nominated by friend and former teammate Phyllis Reese Boehm.



STEVE DANFORTH

Steve Danforth is a 1969 graduate of Bedford High School, where he ran track and cross country. He holds the record for the 1,600 meter, with a time of 4:16.8 set in 1969. Steve was also a state champion in the mile run in 1969.

After high school, he attended Bowling Green State University, Bowling Green, Ohio, where he was a member of the track and

cross country teams. At BGSU, he was named All-American in 1970 as a member of the 4-mile relay team and in 1973 was a member of the 4-mile relay team that set the American record. In 1972, he was an All-American in cross country. He graduated in 1973 with a degree in accounting.

Steve has worked as a certified health-care consultant, certified financial planner and certified public accountant. He is retired from

the PM Group, a business consulting and accounting firm specializing in working for physicians and dentists.

Mr. Danforth lives in Sylvania, Ohio, with his wife, Amy. They have two children, Justin and Lindsey.

He was nominated by fellow runner and friend Joe Caruso.



TONY GILL

Tony Gill was a 1991 graduate of Bedford High School. He earned nine varsity letters (four for baseball, three for football and two for basketball). In football, he was a member of the 1990 Great Lakes League championship team. He also was All-Region and All-Monroe County in 1990.

Mr. Gill excelled as a member of the Mules baseball program, where he was Most Valuable Player in 1990 and 1991, All-Great Lakes League second team in 1990 and first team in 1991 and All-Region and All-Monroe County in

1990 and 1991. He was named to the Michigan All-State second team in 1991 and was the first Bedford player to be selected to play in the Michigan High School Baseball Coaches Association All-Star Game at Tiger Stadium.

He set 16 Mules football and nine baseball records, some of which he still holds today. He holds the state record for most interceptions in one game (five against Northview in 1990).

Upon graduation, Mr. Gill received a baseball scholarship to Bowling Green State University, Bowling Green, Ohio. He was a four-year starter and he served as captain of the 1995

team that captured the Mid-American Conference Championship.

After graduation, he worked in the front office of three minor league hockey teams (Birmingham, Peoria and Toledo) and a baseball team in west Michigan.

Mr. Gill is a pilot for Mesaba Airlines and lives in Temperance with his wife, Keri, and daughters Britony and Kerigan.

He was nominated by fellow Bedford athlete Brent DuKate.



BILL (MARTY) HAMMERSTEIN

Bill (Marty) Hammerstein was a 1959 graduate of Bedford High School. He won eight varsity letters as a member of the football, basketball and track teams. He was a running back and place kicker on the 1958 and 1959 Mules football teams.

In his junior year, he tied for second in the high jump at the state meet, giving the Mules their only points. His senior season, he was a

double winner in every track meet except for the state finals. In the conference meet, he placed first in the mile run and high jump and set league and school records. At the regional meet, he set the Class B half-mile record.

He became Bedford's first state champion in any sport when he ran the half-mile in less than two minutes and took the fastest time of all half-milers in all classes at the state meet. At the Champion of Champions meet in Kalamazoo, he ran the half mile in 1:57.3 to beat a record set in 1938.

He attended the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, and later Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo.

After graduating from WMU, he coached at Delton and Adrian. He is the owner of MH Pump & Supply and lives in Adrian with his wife, Mary. They have four children, Angela, Julie, Sally and Kimberly.

He was nominated by Edd Bankowski.



PHYLLIS McMACKEN-MASCHKE

Phyllis McMacken-Maschke was a teacher with the Bedford Public Schools from 1962 until her retirement in 1984.

She taught home economics, biology, general science and math. She was one of the first women in the state to be certified as a driver's training instructor. She was the cheerleader adviser for many years and served as adviser for the Classes of 1967 and 1973. She was activities director and Student Council adviser during the 1970s until her

retirement in 1984.

She was married to Jack McMacken, who died in 1999, for 54 years. They had four children, James, Chris, Ellen and Karen. She later married former Bedford High School teacher, coach and principal Art Maschke in 2000. He died in 2005; she died in December, 2005.

Mrs. McMacken-Maschke was nominated by her daughters, Ellen Bacon and Karen Adamski.



1966 FOOTBALL TEAM

The 1966 Bedford High School football team won the first Great Lakes League Championship in football and first championship for Bedford in football since 1958. The Mules went 3-6 in 1965, losing three games by seven points or less before blanking Whitmer 6-0 in the final game of the season.

Coach Ray Kwiatkowski later recalled the Whitmer game gave the players a winning attitude and the necessary confidence. There were only 33 players on the varsity level that year. Because jobs overlapped and contributions were considered equal, this award is considered deserving to the team in its entirety.

The team members that year, as listed in the end-of-the-season banquet program, were:



Team Captains: Dave Long and Chris McMacken.

All Great Lakes League Team:

First Team: Dave Long, Tom Johnson, Bill Wingate, Mike Ferguson, Wayne Rumble

Second Team: Chris McMacken, Joe Urbaniak, Fred Warren, Darrell Mossburg, Jerry Brescol

Honorable Mention: Pat Leonhardt, Gary Sherman, Doug Dold, Bruce Gamby, Paul Preketes,

Blaine Geer, Dennis Hubbard.

Team Members:

Seniors: Roy Butler, Dave Covell, Doug Dold, Mike Ferguson, Bruce Gamby, Dennis Hubbard, Tom Johnson, Dick Kindle, Pat Leonhardt, Dave Long, Chris McMacken, Chuck Meader, Mike Milano, Kinsley Renshaw, Wayne Rumble, Guy Seymour, Joe Urbaniak, Fred Warren, Bill Wingate, Jim Bacon.

Juniors: Jerry Brescol, Thomas

Dusseau, Rob Edgington, Tim Fitzmorris, Robert Hudson, Darrell Mossburg, Paul Preketes, Mark Sherer, Gary Sherman, Norm Shinkle, Tom Towne.

Sophomores: Roger Brown, Blaine Geer.

Coaching staff: Ray Kwiatkowski, Al Studer, Jerry Berndt, Bill Regnier, Larry Skeldon, Bob Ritz, Tom Swan.

Managers: Phil Covell, Bruce Dull, Tom Hendrix.