

Program Schedule

Social Time...
6:00-6:30 p.m.

Dinner
6:30 p.m.

Opening Remarks

Chuck Faller, BHS Alumni Association President

Selection Committee Remarks

Kevin Wexler, Selection Committee Chairman

Introduction of Presenters

Kevin Wexler

Individual Presentations & Hall of Fame Inductions

Closing Remarks

Chuck Faller

*Special "Thanks" to the members of this year's
Selection Committee which consisted of...*

Kevin Wexler, Chuck Faller, Paul Whitman, Jim Gasiorowski, Jerry Bodette, Etta Mae Chapman, Mary Lou Zaums, Craig Trychel, Meg Smith, Dave Tolly, Jim Goebel, Jerry Kish, Charlie Holmes, Debbie Tingley, Bill Ryan Sr.

Bedford High School Alumni Association



Third Annual

Hall of Fame

Banquet and Induction Ceremony

November 1, 2002

2002 B.H.S. Hall of Fame Inductees

Mr. Ron Boehme

Ron is a 1955 graduate of Bedford High School. He was an outstanding athlete, participating in football, baseball, basketball, and on the track team. A graduate of the University of Toledo, Ron entered the U.S. Army, served two tours in Vietnam, and was awarded two purple hearts defending our country. Ron retired from the Army with the rank of Lt. Colonel, and his accomplishments in life make us all proud that he graduated from Bedford High School. Ron, welcome to the Bedford High School Hall of Fame.

Mr. Tom Gannon

Tom is a 1952 graduate of Bedford High School. Tom was another outstanding athlete, playing four sports during his career. He was best remembered as an outstanding running back, with three touchdown runs during his career of 95 yards or more. In 1951, Tom scored thirteen touchdowns, as the Mules went 7-1 that year. We thank you Tom, and welcome to the Bedford High School Hall of Fame.

Mr. James P. McHugh

Jim began his career with Bedford Public Schools as a teacher at Bedford High School in 1961. He taught History, Government and English, and has his Masters degree in Guidance and Counseling. In 1965, Bedford realized his potential and promoted him to Principal of the Junior High School. He remained in that position until his retirement in 1991. Preparing Junior High School Students for High School is by no means an easy task, but thanks to Jim's watchful eye, they always made the transition with ease. Thank you Jim, and welcome to the Bedford High School Hall of Fame.

Mr. Paul Swy

Paul is a 1949 graduate of Bedford High School. He was a gifted athlete, playing baseball, basketball, football and track for all four years. He graduated from the University of Toledo in 1953 with a Bachelors degree in education. In 1955 Paul and his friend Dean Curtis started a business in a barn on Dean Road that was known as

Michigan Tube Swagers. When Mr. Curtis passed away, Paul bought his partner's shares from his family, and at that point owned the company entirely. Over time the company changed, as did its name, the company is now known as MTS Seating, and now employs over 300 people, the vast majority of which live in Bedford township. Paul served on the Bedford Board of Education from 1967-1980, and served on the Monroe County Intermediate School District as well. For his leadership both on the Bedford High School athletic fields, and in our Community, we are pleased to welcome Paul to the Bedford High School Hall of Fame.

Mrs. Oyce Whitesell

Oyce was a wonderful person and business teacher who had a long and happy career at Bedford High School. She was a teacher who not only taught typing, shorthand, and other secretarial skills, but also common sense practices as well. She emphasized that a good secretary didn't chew gum, cross their legs, and that they should always use the dictionary when in doubt. Oyce was active in the Bedford Education Association, served as class advisor, and upon passing away many of her students felt that they lost a good friend. We are proud to welcome Oyce to the Bedford High School Hall of Fame.

Mr. Jerry Wing

Jerry came to Bedford Public Schools as our first Community Education director in 1970, and was with us until 1985 when he went to Whiteford to be their Superintendent of Education. From 1991 -1999, Jerry was the Superintendent of the Monroe County Intermediate School District, and led the charge for the only successful technology millage in the State of Michigan. The technology millage that the students of Bedford High School benefit from today, and the Community Education programs that they also enjoy, are possible because of Jerry Wing's efforts throughout his career. Thank you Jerry, and welcome to the Bedford High School Hall of Fame.