



Our Mission

The Town of Billerica Community Hall of Fame is established to honor individuals having lived in, worked in, served, or volunteered for the Town of Billerica, whose exceptional contributions have substantially enhanced the lives of its citizens or its community values.

Inaugural Induction Class of 2022

June 2022

3rd

BMHS
Graduation
6:30 p.m.

4th

Induction
Ceremony
3 p.m.

5th

Alumni
Banquet
Noon

TOWNWIDE WEEKEND CELEBRATION!

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INAUGURAL INDUCTION CLASS OF 2022



Howe High/BMHS
Alumni Association

**Doug Dooley
&
Jack Fay**



Howe High/BMHS
Athletic HOF

**Re-enshrinement
of previous
113 inductees**



Howe High/BMHS
Educators HOF

**Barbara
Hagan**



Billerica Civic
Hall of Fame

**Thomas
Ditson &
Helen Potter**

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COMMUNITY HALL OF FAME

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Doug Dooley

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Alumni Association



A 1961 graduate of BMHS and a continued supporter of the Alumni Association, Doug Dooley and his wife, Gayle (McGurn), have donated toward scholarship awards for graduating seniors for many years. His continued support of the Alumni Association

has been unsurmountable, and we are proud to have him recognized for his contributions.

Doug grew up in the Nutting Lake area of meager means. He graduated from BMHS and through his hard-working ethic established himself as a well-respected businessman in Dracut. Doug has two daughters, Robin and Leslie, and seven grandchildren.



Jack Fay

A 1953 graduate of Howe High School having completed an outstanding athletic career, Jack Fay is also a member of the high school Athletic Hall of Fame. Jack is an U.S. Air Force veteran and owner of Learnina Shoe USA, which provides



adult education courses online. Jack established an athletic achievement award for graduating seniors, annually honoring an exceptional male and female student-athlete from BMHS. These awards are issued through the Alumni Association and voted on by the varsity coaches.

The Howe High/BMHS Alumni Association is proud to recognize Jack for his continued support of both the Billerica Memorial High School seniors and the association.

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Bill Alteri
 Paul Ames
 Dennis Baniewicz
 Kelly Barker
 Stephen Battcock
 Janet Bean
 Gary Bishop
 Bobby Brown
 Barrie Bruce
 Helen Bunney
 Dorothy Burke
 Craig J. Burns
 Walter Cataldo
 Jean M. Colton
 Steve Connolly
 Peter Coppinger
 Dale Crandall
 Jeff Cullinane
 Sande Cullinane
 Kevin Durtin
 John M. Dangora
 James T. Dangora Jr.
 Ray Demers
 Eric Dempsey
 Duke Diaz
 Gary DiSarcina

Glenn DiSarcina
 Dave Dunham
 Jack Fay
 Jim Fielding
 Walker Finnagan
 John Filey
 Mark Gallison
 Jeff Gallison
 Debra Ann Gifford
 Fred Glavine
 Tom Glavin
 Francis Glavin
 John Glavin
 Michael Glavine
 George Gracie
 Gina Gualtieri
 Joe Gualtieri
 Ralph Hallenborg
 John Henderson
 Steve Henderson
 Barbara Hood
 Debra Houghton
 Stephen Iadarola
 Ed James
 Allen Jenkins
 Mark Jenkins

Howe High/BMHS
 Athletic Hall of Fame



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 113 inductees

Gail Jenkins
 Ed Jenkins
 Chuck Lampson
 Rick Latham
 William Lavery
 Robert Loragner
 Beth Love
 Dr. Frank Luciano
 Claire Luciano

Bob Lungo
 George MacArthur
 Frank MacKenzie
 Gayle MacLennan-Bird
 Adam Manoli
 Karyn Marmiani
 Amy Lynne Masters
 Mike Mastullo
 Mike Mastullo
 Sue Mastullo
 Lillian Matthews
 Jennifer McBride
 Tim McCaffery
 Kevin McDermott
 Bonnie McDonough
 Dick McElhinny
 Michael McElligott
 Tm McElligott
 Karen McNulty
 Patricia Minishak
 Ed Minishak
 Bob Mitchell
 Julie Mitza
 Kristina Morey
 Jim Murphy
 Dick Myles

Harry Newman
 Steven Norman
 Bob O'Conner
 Danielle Ouellette
 Paul G. Pickowicz
 Roger Richard
 Stephen Ried
 Lauraine Riel
 Billy Robbins
 Bill Russell
 Eilleen Rayn
 Roger Samson
 Sean Elmore Memorial Fund
 Veronica Shafer
 Jon Sidorovich
 Gus Silva
 Patricia Smith
 Rita Stone
 William Sullivan
 Bill Theriault
 Otis Tholander
 Matthew Tholander
 Tom Turco
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 Grant Whiteway
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Educators HOF



Barbara Hagan

Barbara Hagan is a lifelong resident of Billerica. Upon graduation, she attended Dean Junior College and Merrimack College where she earned her Bachelor of Arts degree in English. She began her teaching career at Billerica Memorial High school in 1967 and supported the children of Billerica for 38 years until her retirement in 2005.

During her distinguished career, Mrs. Hagan instilled a love of literature and the English language to her students while fostering lifelong friendships with her colleagues and students.

Upon her retirement in 2005, Mrs. Hagan left an indelible mark upon her students, inspiring countless numbers of them to pursue their dream of becoming a teacher and paying forward the positive impact they had received in their high school English class. Most notably was her three sons, who all became educators, two of them in the Billerica School system.



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Helen Potter



A lifelong Billerica resident, Helen has given her time and efforts to numerous cultural arts projects throughout the town. In the early 1970s, her primary concern—children—was that the town's library was too small.

The 30-year Billerica Schools art teacher asked her father-in-law Stuart Potter, a town selectman, "Why haven't the selectman built a larger town library?" He stated, "In a democracy, YOU are responsible for things that need to be done." For the next decade, summoning the help of U.S. Senator Paul Tsongas, Billerica Selectmen Thomas Conway and her father-in-law, to name a few, Helen led a committee that secured the funding so that a new public library was built at no cost to the town, opening in 1980.

Billerica Civic
Hall of Fame



Thomas Ditson

Billerica's official recognition as "America's Yankee Doodle Town" is thanks to the heroic—if not untimely—ordeals of Thomas Ditson Jr., in March 1775. The 33-year-old was a Billerica farmer eager



to become a minuteman for the town's militia as the American colonies were on the brink of war. Traveling to Boston to purchase a firearm from a British soldier, he was captured, tarred and feathered, and paraded through the streets. The chiding soldiers jeeringly sang "Yankee Doodle," playing it on their fifes and drums. The incident reportedly inspired outrage among the colonists, and the mocking "Yankee Doodle" verse was adapted into an anthem of American pride during the Revolutionary War. Soon after, Ditson took up arms with the Billerica Minutemen in Concord.

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