2013 Inductees

Paul Josephson ’77
Ryan Cain ’07
Janet Hammstrom ’80
Megan Holmes ’05

Tony Masullo ’80
Jim Naughton ’96
Peter Perivolarakis ’93
Allison Wing ’04

Alma Mater
(Willard Hedlund ’10)

Dear Worcester Tech, our Worcester Tech,
Our praises ring to thee,
To alma mater, good and true,
We pledge our loyalty.

Long have we felt thy guiding hand,
Thy teachings broad and free,
With praises loud in every land
We’ll show our love for thee.

—Refrain—
Then here’s to good old Worcester Tech,
Come, fellows, join in our refrain,
Wave high the colors, Crimson and Gray,
For good old Worcester Tech.

As years roll on and changes bring
To all things great and small,
We still will thee in rev’rence hold
We’ll greet thee one and all.

In accents which no one may doubt
In terms so strong and bold
The world will know thy worth to us
Increases many fold

—Refrain—
Athletic Hall of Fame Banquet
Presented by WPI and the Poly Club

Homecoming Weekend
September 27, 2013 • 6:00 p.m. • Campus Center Odeum

Welcome
Brian Daly ‘91

Alma Mater
WPI Pep Band

Introduction of Inductees
Brian Daly

Dinner
Chartwells Food Service

Recognition of Hall of Famers
Tom Villani ‘82

Student Athlete Advisory Committee
Will Feraco ’14 and Megan Forti ’14, Co-chairs

Induction Ceremonies
presented by Brian Daly

1991 George Abdow ’53*
Orville Bailey ’85
Phillip Delphos ’26*
Robert Round Jr. ’64
Chiara Whalen Bubin ’84

1990 James Banks (Al Banx)*
Anne Marie Foreman ’80
Mark McCabe ’79
Peter Sifferlen ’84

1989 Alan Briggs ’76
Donald Ferrari ’59*
Edward Griffith Jr. ’69
Terese Kwiatkowski ’83
Philip Pierce ’31*
David Wilson ’80

1988 Arthur J. Knight ’07*
John McGrath Jr. ’64
Fred Pickwick Jr. ’22*
Leonard Polizotto ’70
Timothy Rooney ’71
Ralph White ’23*

1987 Roy Bourgault ’42*
Suzanne Call Margerum ’81
Richard Converse ’28*
Carmen Della Vecchia ’67
Joseph Guidi ’28*
Alan King
Harold Melden Jr. ’49*
Donald Putnam ’32*
Richard Zeleny ’53*

1986 William Asp ’32*
Peter Horstmann ’55*
Merl Norcross
Cary Palulis ’68
Michael Walker ’78

1985 Percy “Doc” Carpenter*
Fred DiPippo ’60
Richard Ferrari ’51*
John Korzick ’68*
Charles Schmit ’46*
Elmer Scott ’41*

1984 Ivan “Pete” Bigler*
Earl Bloom ’55
William Graham ’31*
Donald Lutz ’67
David McEwan ’39*
Morgan Rees ’61

1983 Thomas Berry ’24*
Edward Cannon ’68
Harry Dadmun 1891*
Raymond Forkey ’40*
Charles McNulty*
Henry Nowick ’56
Robert Pritchard*
Albert Raslavsky*

*Deceased
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The Webster native paced the NEWMAC with 19.5 points per game in his second year wearing Crimson and Gray and repeated the average in his senior campaign. As a junior, Cain posted an eye-popping 91.4 percent free-throw percentage, which was good for fifth among all Division III men’s basketball student-athletes.

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In the late 1970s and early 1980s, women's athletics was growing and expanding at WPI. Janet “Scoop” Hammarstrom played a large role in the successful development of the field hockey, women's basketball, and softball programs here at the university.

Arguably, Hammarstrom was at her best on the softball diamond. Her sophomore year of 1978 saw the program reach varsity status. The Engineers were 9-1 in the regular season and, with Hammarstrom’s bat in the middle of the lineup, registered 15.6 runs per game. The team finished third at the state tournament.

Success continued in her junior campaign as she led the team with a .405 batting average and an 11-3 record and a second-place finish in the season-ending MIAW Tournament. The winning continued as a senior in 1980, as the Crimson and Gray emerged victorious in 10-of-13 outings that spring Hammarstrom hit at a .326 clip.

On the basketball court, Hammarstrom was a four-year letter-winner at center. She played on the first varsity team in 1976-77 and helped the Engineers defeat the likes of Assumption, Brandeis, and Bryant en route to an 11-4 debut mark. After defeating Stonehill in the MIAW quarterfinals, the Crimson and Gray fell to Mount Holyoke in the semifinals, 45-42.

WPI was 12-3 the following year with another MIAW semifinal appearance. The next two seasons saw Hammarstrom continue to start, with the defensive-minded center averaging seven points per game during her senior year of 1979-80.

"Janet was a gifted athlete who could play any sport she wanted to—and she did for WPI," says her Hall of Fame Coach Sue Chapman. "Her dedication and commitment was instrumental in laying the groundwork for the women’s athletic program of today."

Hammarstrom was at the forefront in helping to form the first field hockey team at WPI. Field hockey did not become a varsity program until after she graduated, but she was a valuable piece of the club teams that led to the formation of the varsity squad.

"Janet was a very strong, dependable athlete who excelled on and off the field at WPI," says Hall of Fame teammate Michele (Giard) Hanly. "As her nickname will attest, she was always "scooping" up the ball either for a basket or an out, or to defend our goal. She was the kind of player that anyone would want as a teammate. Fortunately for WPI, her dedication and loyalty to the women's athletics program at WPI continues today."

A native of Worcester, Janet earned three degrees in chemical engineering from WPI, a BS with high distinction in 1980, an MS in 1982, and a PhD in 1987. She has worked at Saint-Gobain (formerly Norton Co.) for 27 years, holding various engineering positions in R&D and, more recently, in abrasives manufacturing as a senior project engineer. She holds several patents in abrasive technology. In her free time, she remains dedicated to physical fitness and sports, and enjoys working out, running, water skiing, and kayaking, among other activities.
WPI Women's Soccer has seen great successes in its first two decades as a varsity program. This evening we celebrate its rise as we proudly induct its first student-athlete into the Hall of Fame: Megan Holmes.

Holmes tallied a career-best four goals in her debut season to lead the 11-7-1 Engineers with 10 helpers and ranked second on the team with 18 points.

"When Meg arrived at WPI as a freshman I knew instantly we had someone special," says coach Stephanie Carlson. "She was a game changer from the first time she stepped onto the field. Despite shifting from midfield to back, Holmes's production did not drop off. She led the team with 12 assists and 18 points en route to the first of three All-NEWMAC accolades as well as the Carolyn McCabe Award as a sophomore.

The Poly Club Award winner notched a trio of goals to go along with five helpers for 11 points in her junior year, which translated into a .500 season in conference play for the second time in three campaigns.

Holmes capped her career pacing the Boynton Hillers to their first winning season in conference play for the second time in four years. For her efforts Holmes was named a Varsity Club and the ECAC tournament for the second time in four years. She also left the program as the eighth leader with 33 assists for 59 points as WPI Women's Soccer career record book, but she was national All-Academic team honoree and added an ECAC Player of the Week selection to her resume as she finished as high as 12th in steals in her final campaign.

"This is a well-deserved honor for a very special player and person," remarks head coach Cherise Galasso. "I knew from the first minute I saw Ali compete, she would be sitting here one day. For me, as her coach, the thing I loved about Ali— not only was she our best player, but she was our hardest worker and toughest competitor. As a point guard, she could drop 30 points and 5 assists, and get 4 steals in a game, but the next day she was back in the gym trying to get better and working to make her teammates better."

Wing averaged 5.0 helpers over her four-year career and led the Crimson and Gray in the category all four years. She also left the program as the eighth leading scorer in program history, with 1,171 points. Currently the Brewer, Maine, native sits 10th while holding the record for career steals with 306—including 11 in a game in 2000-01 for the single-game mark. She remains in the top six in five other categories: career assists, assists in a season, average assists per game, points in a game, and steals in a season.

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"Ali and I came to WPI in the same year and I think that helped create the strong bond we formed," continues Galasso. "We both brought that same desire to win and we built that culture together. She made it okay for her teammates to want to win. When they saw her playing with such passion every day, they knew anything was possible with her on our side." Since graduation, Allison has pursued her love for the outdoors. She currently spends her summers in northern Maine managing a rafting company on the Penobscot River. During the winter she lives and works at Sunday River, a ski resort in western Maine, as a ski patrol. She spends her free time backcountry skiing, rafting across the country, and skydiving.

In all, Holmes scored 13 goals and is the career leader with 33 assists for 59 points as Women's Soccer won a program-best 37 contests including three winning seasons. As a graduate student, she scored four goals and 10 points to go along with a pair of assists to pace the field hockey squad.

Holmes was the recipient of the 2002 Ellen Knott Award in recognition of academic excellence, athletic prowess, and significant community involvement through the service fraternity Alpha Phi Omega. She also was given the 2004 Marietta E. Anderson Award for superior academic record in addition to having been a work-study student, a volunteer for college-sponsored activities, and a participant in recognized extracurricular activities.

A native of Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, Holmes graduated from WPI in 2005 with a BS in biomedical engineering and in 2006 earned an MS in the same field. She began working at Mitralign, a start-up medical device company, in Tewksbury, Mass., where she now is a senior research and development engineering working on a novel catheter system to treat mitral valve regurgitation in the heart.

Meg lives in Nashua, N.H., with her wife, Tiffany (Warrington) Holmes '07, and their son, Cooper. She stays active and continues to play in recreational soccer leagues, among other sports, and has enjoyed coaching middle school soccer players.

In basketball, point guards are generally known for one of three skills—passing, scoring, or defense. Allison Wing is outstanding at all three.

Not only does Wing repeatedly appear in the WPI Women's Basketball career record book, but she was nationally ranked in her sophomore, junior, and senior seasons for assists. She finished as high as 12th with 5.7 per game in her second season, while climbing to 12th in steals in her final campaign.

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Football has seen its share of offensive players from the great run in the early 1990’s selected to the Hall of Fame. Now the defensive side of the ball has an inductee in Peter Perivolarakis.

Perivolarakis wasted no time in making his presence felt on the defensive line. The freshman registered 30 tackles including 2.5 sacks on a team that finished 8-2 with wins over RPI, Amherst, and Bowdoin. The following season, he was third on the team in tackles (61) and topped the squad with seven sacks for 43 yards. He proved his versatility by recovering a fumble and deflecting three passes and the Engineers posted an undefeated season (8-0-1).

He emerged as a legitimate superstar during his junior campaign in 1991. He was selected first team All-New England after tallying 91 tackles and notching a jaw-dropping 12 sacks for 65 yards. He tacked on seven additional tackles for loss, recovered two fumbles, and recorded a safety as the Crimson and Gray finished 7-3.

“Peter was every opposing coach’s nightmare,” says head coach Jack Siedlecki. “He was unblockable. His quickness off the ball disrupted opposing offenses, week in and week out. Rarely is an interior defensive lineman as influential in the outcome of games as Peter was.”

Perivolarakis served as team captain as a senior during the dream season of 1992 that saw WPI go 9-1 in the regular season, capture the inaugural Freedom Football Conference championship and become the only team in school history to participate in the NCAA Championships. He was a first-team FFC all-conference selection and a repeat first-team All-New England performer. He collected a career-best 94 tackles to go along with nine sacks (40 yards) and an additional 9 tackles-for-loss. He also tallied 6 pass deflections, 3 blocked kicks with a forced and recovered a fumble.

“I think the 13 years I had the pleasure of playing football growing up, never have I had the pleasure of playing or witnessing such a dominant defensive force such as Peter Perivolarakis,” says Hall of Fame teammate Jason Wooley. “Peter’s passion, drive and commitment to dominating the line of scrimmage were unrelenting and unparalleled. It’s not the norm that the offense would come off the field and talk over adjustments from the previous possession as quickly as possible just so we could all get to witness what Pete was going to do next.”

A native of Framingham, Mass., Peter graduated in 1993 with a degree in mechanical engineering. Since then he was a mechanical engineer at General Dynamics and a manager of a CAE consulting firm before joining General Electric in 2006, where he is the manager of structural analysis. Peter and his wife, Eleni, live in Swampscott, Mass.

Back in the 1970s, New England college baseball was a pitcher’s game and Shrewsbury native Paul Josephson gave the Engineers a bonafide ace.

The right hander played for the Crimson and Gray all four of his years at WPI. As a junior, he registered complete games in all seven of his starts. He posted a 3-4 record with a 2.52 ERA and collected 47 strikeouts in 60 2/3 innings.

Josephson was a team captain his senior season. He continued to be a workhorse, notching four complete games, including a shutout, in his eight starts. The Engineers’ offense struggled but Josephson kept them in every game, posting a 2.77 ERA.

After graduating from WPI with a degree in civil engineering, he couldn’t shake the baseball bug and, thanks to former major leaguer Larry Bearnarth, he was drafted by the Montreal Expos in the 10th round (197th overall) of the 1978 winter draft.

“When Paul was on the mound, WPI could compete with any team in New England,” said teammate Tom McBride. “The fact that he was drafted and was playing professional baseball really went a long way to legitimize our program and make us all proud.”

He spent four years in the Expos system, making stops with the Jamestown Expos of the New York-Penn League and the West Palm Beach Expos of the Florida State League, where Josephson was voted pitcher of the month in August of 1980. He was rewarded with a promotion to the Memphis Chicks of the AA Southern League.

The next year during spring training, Josephson’s contract was acquired by the Detroit Tigers organization where he played with the Lakeland Tigers and the Double AA Birmingham Barons. The following season he was with the Oakland Athletics organization and won a league championship with the Modesto A’s, where he led the team with the most saves and a 1.97 ERA.

The next year he was back in New England and compiled a 6-0 record with the Albany A’s of the Double AA Eastern League. Josephson closed out his professional career with the Durham Bulls, where he played a game for then-Atlanta Braves manager Joe Torre, in front of a crowd of 24,000.

“What comes to mind what I think of Paul is his determination to succeed,” says teammate Don Maki. “He craftily hit his spots consistently with his heavy fastball and a curve. Not only did opponents notice his skills, so did the Montreal Expos, who drafted him. I had professional aspirations like Paul so I considered him a role model, an engineer who could meet the rigorous academic requirements at WPI and eventually play baseball professionally.”

At the young age of 28, Josephson decided to put his WPI degree to use. He currently operates his own civil engineering and land surveying business as a licensed Professional Engineer. Paul has been married for 23 years to his wife, Theresa. The couple have two sons, Matthew, 16, and David, 10, both of whom excel at hockey.
Anthony A. Masullo ’80

Of all the great wrestlers that graced the Alumni Gym mat, only 15 achieved All-New England four times. Tony Masullo was one of two who accomplished the feat first.

Masullo began his career at 126 pounds. As a freshman he posted a record of 12-3-1 in dual meets with three pins, and began his string of All-New England performances with a fifth-place showing at the conference meet. A year later he registered 13 wins and a draw in 15 dual bouts and improved his All-New England finish by a spot.

“Tony, coupled with teammate Dave Wilson, made an immediate impact on the WPI wrestling team,” recalls Hall of Fame Coach Phil Grebinsar. “Their success and leadership was the turning point in creating the success of WPI wrestling.”

Victories continued to follow him as he moved to 134 pounds during his final two years on Boynton Hill. He amassed a record of 14-3 as a junior during the 1978-79 campaign and placed third at the New England Division III basketball but he was as talented as there was, nationally,” comments Hall of Fame teammate Chris Dunn. “He was a pleasure to have as a four-year teammate and I will treasure our friendship for a lifetime.”

Despite tremendous accomplishments by dozens of outstanding wrestlers since, Masullo’s name still stands prominently in the WPI record book. He is fourth all-time in wins with 54 and he amassed the third-highest point total in program history with 252.

During his four years at WPI, Tony may have been the inventor of time management,” continues Grebinsar. “You could set your watch by Tony’s rigorous schedule as a chemical engineering major. From his daily morning runs and weight lifting, to his time in class, along with his work study job in the equipment room with Jan B., to the daily wrestling practices, he may have been the most structured WPI wrestler ever. This supreme work effort made Tony both an outstanding student and an outstanding wrestler.

Tony graduated from WPI with a degree in chemical engineering and in 1985 received an MBA from Rensselaer. He has spent his career with Pfizer, where he currently serves as director of enterprise resource planning. He and his wife, Ann, reside in Mystic, Conn., and are the proud parents of Stephen, Cara, and Andrea.

Jim Naughton ’96

A great scorer and rebounder, Jim Naughton tonight joins the Hall of Fame as one of the greatest basketball players in WPI history.

The third all-time leading scorer behind 1991 Hall of Fame inductee Orville Bailey and fellow inductee Ryan Cain, Naughton totaled 1,543 points, 493 rebounds, 177 assists, 113 blocks, and 164 steals.

As a freshman, he played in all 27 games with 11 starts on a team that defeated Clark at the Worcester Centrum and went 9-of-12 down the stretch before falling to Coast Guard in the CAC semifinals.

Naughton became the team’s leading rebounder in his sophomore season and was the top scorer in three of the last six games, including 24 points in a victory over Western New England. He also hauled in 15 boards against Worcester State in the City Finals.

Jim was one of the premier big men not just in New England Division III basketball but he was as talented as there was, nationally,” comments Hall of Fame teammate Chris Dunn. “Being able to score from anywhere on the court made him an absolute match-up nightmare. Averaging 20 points and 12 rebounds per game for three seasons is a testament to just how good Jim was. This is an honor he truly deserves for all of his accomplishments on the court as well as in the classroom.”

In his junior season, Naughton finished second to Dunn in scoring while he led the team in rebounds—a career-best 11.2 per game to go along with 42 blocks. For his efforts he was tabbed All-CAC for the first of two times in his career. The 1994-95 WPI squad knocked off Clark and Worcester State for the Worcester City Championship and posted a 19-9 ledger for the program’s second-best record at the time, just behind the 1985 national quarterfinalist team.

The CAC 1995-96 Player of the Year and first-team selection topped the charts with career highs of 21.5 points per game and 56 steals. His 53 assists ranked second on the team in his final season on Boynton Hill.

“Jim Naughton was one of the best all-around big man we ever had,” quipped his Hall of Fame coach Ken Kaufman. “He could score inside and outside, and he was a great rebounder. It was a pleasure to coach this academically ranked No.1 student in his class at WPI.”

Jim graduated from WPI in 1996 with a degree in mathematics, management and economics & technology. He worked in the Boston area for 10 years, primarily in consulting, before returning to graduate school. He earned a JD from Harvard Law School in 2010 and a doctorate in business administration from Harvard Business School in 2011.

He is currently a professor of business administration at the Kellogg School of Management. He and his wife, Alyson, live in Wilmette, Ill., with their children, Finn and Seamus.