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CANDIDATES FOR INDUCTION ARE CONSIDERED FOR THEIR EFFORTS IN ONE OR MORE OF SEVEN CATEGORIES:

- EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP
- ATHLETIC LEADERSHIP
- FRIEND OF EDUCATION
- CONTRIBUTION TO EDUCATION
- CONTRIBUTION TO ATHLETICS
- SERVICE TO EDUCATION
- SERVICE TO ATHLETICS

Evening Program

OPENING REMARKS & HONOREE INTRODUCTIONS

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HALL OF HONOR INDUCTION

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INDUCTEES

BILL BARNEY
JAY KELLEHER
DR. GLADYS LABAS
TOM MALIN
PAUL MENGOLD
TONY MOSA
LEV TORGERSON

CLOSING REMARKS

DR. GLENN LUNGARINI

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Bill Barney

William Barney was born in Indianapolis, Indiana on August 28, 1942. He grew up in Stamford, CT with his parents, Betty and William Sr. and his two sisters, Patricia and Maureen. He attended the Stamford Public Schools, graduating from Stamford High School in 1960. While at Stamford High School, he lettered in golf. Bill attended the University of Connecticut, graduating with a BA in history and political science in 1964. He did graduate work at Fairfield University earning a MA in history and his certificate of advanced study in school administration. He did his doctoral work at the University of Bridgeport, completing his course work and passing all exams but did not complete his dissertation.

After a stint in the Peace Corps, he began his teaching career at Turn of River Junior High School in Stamford in 1965. He taught Civics and US History. While at Turn of River, Bill was advisor to the Student Council. In 1971, he transferred to the newly opened Westhill High School, teaching Western Civilization and Political Science. He was named the golf coach at Westhill. In 1974, he was named an Assistant Principal at Stamford High School, a position he held until 1977 when he was named a Housemaster at Stamford High School. In 1980, he transferred to Westhill as a Housemaster. He held the position until 1982 when he was named the Principal of Poughkeepsie (NY) High School. He returned to Connecticut after being named Social Studies Supervisor for the Windsor Public Schools. He left that position to become a House Principal at Naugatuck High School. In 1990, was named as the Principal of The Morgan School in Clinton, CT, a position he held until his retirement in 2009.

In 1974, on the advice of his mentor, Carmine Tosches, Bill volunteered to serve on the Golf Committee at CAS-CIAC. Thus began a 35-year relationship with CAS-CIAC. He served on numerous CAS and CIAC boards and committees during those 35 years. He served on the High School Board, chaired the Boys Tennis Committee for a number of years, served on the Girls Lacrosse Committee, as well as on the CAS Board of Directors. He served on the CIAC Board of Control for over a decade, chairing the Board for four years. He also undertook special assignments on behalf of CAS-CIAC when needed. In addition to his work for CAS-CIAC, he served the profession by serving the New England Association of Schools and Colleges for 25 years, chairing a dozen accreditation committees. He was a member of a Connecticut State Department of Education exchange program with Shandong Province China assisting the provincial education policy makers in finding ways to enrich the educational experience in the various schools in the province. Representatives of Provincial schools visited him in Clinton to observe school operations. In 2001, Bill was awarded a CAS Citation, the Association's highest honor.

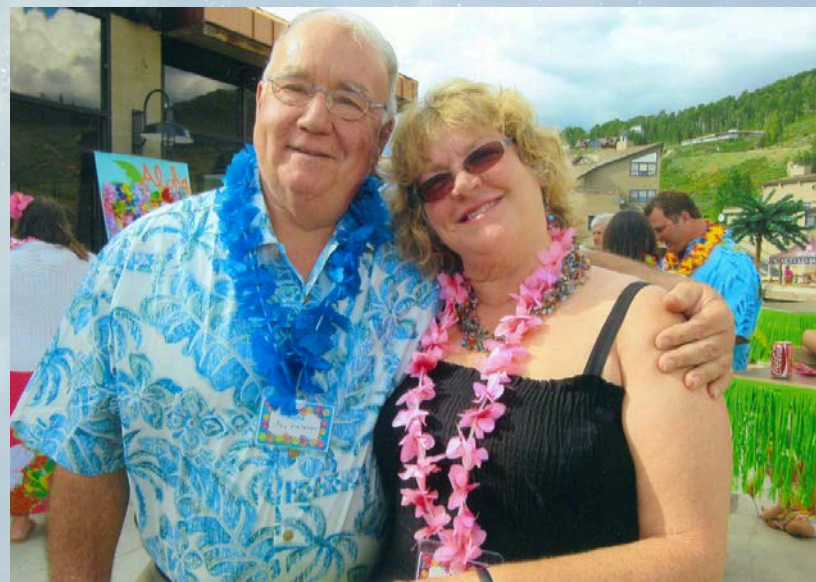
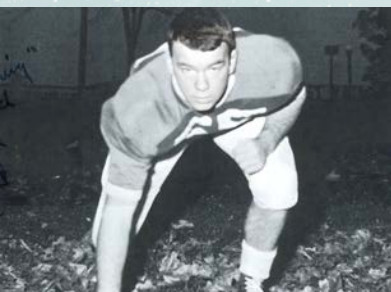
Bill also wrote articles for the NASSP Bulletin on matters related to school administration and wrote position papers for the Connecticut Association for Curriculum and Supervision. He was active in the American Historical Association, serving on its high school-college relations committee. He was a member of a community renewal team that worked at the Cheyenne River Lakota Reservation in La Plante, South Dakota.

Bill has two children, Jonathan who lives in Tacoma Park, MD and Isabel who lives in Union Vale, NY. He has five grandchildren. He and his wife Betsy have a blended family of five children and thirteen grandchildren. They live in East Haddam, CT. He has been active in his community. He was elected to the East Haddam Board of Education and has been elected and re-elected to the East Haddam Library Board of Trustees. He is presently a member of the East Haddam Board of Finance. He is on the Board of Trustees of the East Haddam Historical Society, an organization he also served as their Treasurer. He is an active member of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, serving in several positions as a part of the worship team as well as other lay positions. When his wife was active in the East Haddam Community Lions Club, he participated in numerous club activities and assisted in club activities as needed. He is active in local politics, serving as a member of the Republican Town Committee.

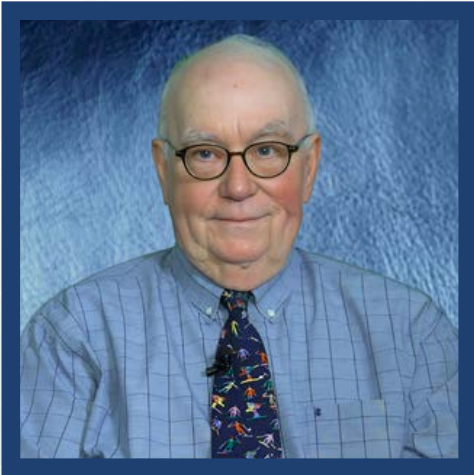
Bill Barney



Jay Kelleher



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Jay Kelleher

Two years removed from playing football for legendary Coach Frank Robinson at Hall High School in West Hartford, Jay Kelleher reconnected with the game in 1970 when he began officiating games in the West Hartford Boys Football League. It was the start of a hall of fame football officiating career that saw Kelleher become a fixture in the position of umpire, controlling many a game with his commanding presence and good humor that helped to make difficult situations easier to handle.

Kelleher began officiating high school football in 1974 with the Central Connecticut Association of Football Officials (Hartford Board). He officiated CT high school games until his retirement in 2016, including nine CIAC playoff games and two Governor's Cup games (CT vs. RI). He's been a committee member and leaders in many roles for CCAFO, including as President, and as an executive board member since 1999. He's also been a board member for the Connecticut Football Officials Association since 2008. Serving on the CIAC Officials Advisory Board since 2012, Jay has become a trusted, knowledgeable and go-to resource representing statewide officials.

For 12 seasons (1980-1992), Kelleher was a member of the Eastern Association of Intercollegiate Football Officials, Connecticut Chapter and brought that same presence and good humor to the collegiate game. In 2009, the Connecticut Football Officials Association presented Kelleher with the Vincent J. Reilly Distinguished Service Award. It was awarded in recognition of his outstanding contributions and dedication in promoting the highest standards of football officiating in the state of Connecticut. Three years later, in 2012, the CFOA inducted Jay into its hall of fame.

Professionally, Kelleher spent half a century in the food service industry, including 40 years with direct responsibility for sales of all food service purchases for the Greater Hartford Open / Travelers Championship PGA golf tournaments. For 35 years, Jay has been a licensed ski instructor at Okemo Mountain in Vermont, and a supervisor the last 20 years. Jay and his wife Sue have been married for 52 years. They have two daughters, Erica and Jessica.

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Dr. Gladys Labas

Dr. Gladys Barbosa Labas was an urban administrator for 35 years, including a long tenure as principal of Meriden's Maloney High School. In 1992 she received the prestigious National Milken Educator

Known as "La Mardina" (The Godmother) of bilingual education in Connecticut, Dr. Labas helped author Connecticut's Bilingual Law (1978). Connecticut was the third state in the country to have a Bilingual Law that provides English language learners with equal access to curriculum. In 2015, Labas helped revise the law.

Dr. Labas began active involvement with Connecticut Association of Schools in 1989. She focused on urban education reform and supporting urban school leaders. Highlights of her work with the association include establishing and chairing the Urban High Schools Principals Committee, serving as the CAS Rep on the National Association of Secondary Principals' (NASPP) Urban Schools Roundtable and the New England Association of Schools and Colleges' (NEASC) Commission on Public Schools, and serving on the CAS Board of Directors from 1996-2000 and again from 2016 to present day. In 2001, she was honored with a CAS Letter of Commendation for her dedicated service.

She later became the co-chair of the Achievement Task Force for English Language Learners for the State of Connecticut under then Connecticut Commissioner of Education Dr. Miguel Cardona (her former student in Meriden).

She is currently an Associate Professor in the Educational Leadership and Policy Studies Department at Southern Connecticut State University and Co-Chair of the Minority Recruitment and Retention Committee for the university. Previously she served as Director of Equity and Language at the Connecticut State Department of Education and was an adjunct professor at the University of Connecticut's Neag School of Education.

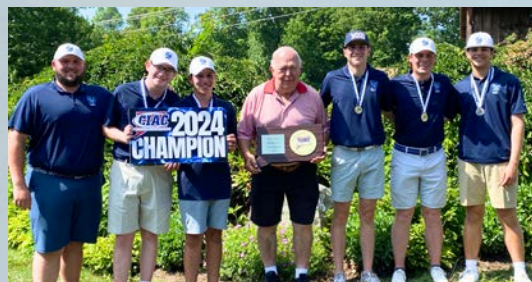
She also works in professional development plans on bilingual and ESL programs; effective first and second language instruction; teachers' learning communities; and parent/family involvement practices. Her research interests, publications, and teaching include teacher education, leadership, literacy, bilingual program development and implementation, and discourse analysis of bilinguals. Dr. Labas has received the Connecticut Association of Latinos Administrators and Superintendents Recognition Award for service to the Latino community.

She is involved with state and national accreditation institutions; her contributions include NEASC Board Member for 8 years, 20 years of chairing high school accreditations committees and chair for College and University visits for the State of Connecticut. She is a member of the Association of Curriculum Development (ASCD), (NASPP), Connecticut Association of Schools (CAS), Connecticut Association of Latinos in Higher Education (CALAHE) and Connecticut Association of Latinos Administrators and Superintendents. She received the prestigious National Milken Leadership Award in 1992.

Dr. Gladys Labas



Tom Malin



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Tom Malin

For decades, Tom Malin has made extraordinary contributions at the local, state and national levels as an educator, athletic administrator and coach. His passion for sports and education traces back to his student days at East Catholic High School; a member of the school's first graduating class in 1965, Tom captained the Class M State Champion Boys Basketball team. Next, he played basketball for Assumption College, earning the "Greyhound Cup" for his contributions and participation in college athletics. After graduation, he taught History at East Catholic, served in the Air Force and returned to his alma mater for the remainder of his career, ultimately earning his master's degree from Central Connecticut State University. In 1980, he

was appointed East Catholic's Athletic Director, a role he thrived in and relished until his retirement in 2016. Throughout his tenure, he has also served as Boys Soccer Coach for 40 years (retired with a record of 369-255-70 and two state championships) and Boys Golf Coach for 43 years (active with 617 victories and 12 state championships to date). Inducted into East Catholic's Hall of Fame in 1995, his legacy within the school's community is remarkable.

Equally impressive are the contributions Tom has made as an athletic administrator beyond East Catholic. At the state level, he has served as secretary, first vice president and president of the Connecticut Association of Athletic Directors (CAAD), and he has also been a member of various committees of the Connecticut Interscholastic Athletic Conference (CIAC): Ice Hockey, Boys Soccer, Boys Golf, Sportsmanship and Board of Control. He has also served as CIAC Boys Golf Tournament Director and Boys/Girls Soccer Tournament Director and has offered East Catholic as the site for many CIAC tournaments over the years. Within the Central Connecticut Conference (CCC), he has been an Awards Committee member, Golf North/Blue Division representative and Ice Hockey Athletic Director chair. On the national level, Tom has served as an emergency network contact for Connecticut as part of the National Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association (NIAAA), a state delegate for the National Federation Conference for Athletic Directors, and a four-year member of the Soccer Rules Committee of the National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS).

Tom's official accolades and honors underscore his professional accomplishments and incalculable influence on the students and athletes he has inspired throughout his career. First, he has been inducted numerous times as a Hall of Fame member; in addition to East Catholic (1995), the City of Manchester, CT (1997 and 2016), the CT High School Coaches Association (2011), the National High School Athletic Coaches Association (2016) and the CAAD (2019) have each honored Tom in this way. Also, he has been recognized by the Connecticut Association of Schools with its Letter of Commendation in (2015); the Connecticut High School Coaches Association as Outstanding Coach in Boys Soccer (1997) and Boys Golf (2006), and Contributor and Distinguished service awards; the CAAD Past President and Distinguished Service Awards; the National Soccer Coaches Association of American State coach of the Year Award (twice); and numerous other awards for distinguished service, leadership and merit in athletics.

Tom and his wife Barbara have been married for 54 years, and enjoy time with their daughter Terri and her husband Michael, and son Jeff, daughter-in-law Jennifer and grandson Connor. Tom also enjoys travel and sports, with loyalty to Boston, UConn and Notre Dame teams.

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Paul Mengold

Paul Mengold was a three sport student athlete at Masuk High School. He went on to play basketball and baseball at Sacred Heart University and received his Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration in 1974. He worked as the Program Director for the North End Boys Club in Bridgeport for two years before becoming a Business Education teacher at Amity High School. Paul continued to teach at Amity for 24 years. He also coached boys/girls basketball and softball. In 1982 Paul received his masters degree in education and his sixth year degree in administration in 1988 from Southern Connecticut State University. Paul was named the Amity Regional School District Teacher of the Year in 1989.

In 1984, Paul was named Amity's Athletic Director, a position he would hold for 30 years. During his career, Paul expanded the athletic department from 35 teams to 85 teams and implemented a Unified Sports program. He also increased the athletic coaching staff to over 120 positions including a full time Athletic Trainer position. Paul initiated the complete renovations of all the indoor and outdoor athletic facilities in 1995, 1999 and 2007. Under Paul's leadership, Amity's Athletic Program was recognized for overall excellence by receiving the Michael's Cup in 1991 and 2005 and placed in the top three ten times. Paul was named a Certified Athletic Administrator by the NIAAA in 1990.

As a founding member of the Southern Connecticut Conference, Paul served in several positions including President from 2004 to 2005. He was Chair of the Boys Basketball, Boys and Girls Cross Country, Boys and Girls Track and Field, and Boys Volleyball.

At the state level, Paul held various positions on the CAAD Board of Control including Unified Sports Consultant and from 2002 to 2004, President. He was a New AD Program Instructor from 2004 to 2014 and CAA Test Coordinator from 1993 to 2014. Paul was a member of the Statewide Teaching Faculty for Coaching Education and Certification from 1999 to 2014 and the Strategic Planning Committee from 2009 to 2014. He has been a Conference Speaker and Moderator at several State Conferences. Paul was a consultant on the CIAC Board of Control from 2005 to 2014. He has been a consultant on the Boys Basketball and Boys Cross Country Committees. After his retirement from Amity in 2014, Paul was the CIAC Associate Director of Unified Sports until his retirement in 2023.

Nationally, Paul served on the NIAAA Membership/Services Committee from 1990 to 1995, the Awards Committee from 1998 to 2003 and on the 2nd Strategic Planning Committee from 2004 to 2006. He was a speaker at the 1994 and 2012 National Athletic Directors Conference and a Conference Moderator at the 1986 and 1990 conferences. Paul was published twice in the Interscholastic Athletic Administrators (IAA) magazine. He has been a member of the Leadership Training Course National Teaching Faculty since 2002.

Throughout his career, Paul has been recognized for his excellence and dedication to education based athletics. He received the CAAD Distinguished Service Award in 1998; the NIAAA Distinguished Service Award in 2007 and NFHS Citation Award in 2011. Paul was named Athletic Director of the Year by the Connecticut High School Coaches Association in 2006; by the IAABO Board #10 in 2007; and was a finalist for the National High School Coaches Association National Athletic Director of Year in 2009. He is a member of the New Haven Tap Off Club Basketball Hall of Fame, the Amity Regional High School Hall of Fame, the New Haven Grid Iron Hall of Fame and the Connecticut High School Coaches Association Hall of Fame.

Paul has been married to his wife, Francie, for 38 years. They have two daughters, Kelly and Jessi, who were three-sport student athletes, and two grandchildren.

Paul Mengold



Tony Mosa



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Tony Mosa

Upon his appointment to the CAS-CIAC central office staff in August 1994, Tony assumed the unenviable task of overseeing 22 sports committees as well as a half dozen miscellaneous CIAC committees and managed them with diligence and skill. The direct result of his efforts can be seen in the expansion of CIAC sponsored sports from 22 in 1994 to 27 today!

Tony joined the central office staff following a distinguished career in school administration, the last 18 of which were spent as principal of Plainville High School. He attended the College of the Holy Cross and graduated from Kansas State University (BS Kinesiology). He earned prep school and college athletic letters in football, swimming, and track- eventually coaching them at the high school level.

He holds two master's degrees from the University of Hartford and a Certificate of Leadership from Harvard. Following college Tony served in the US Army - 386th Combat Engineer Regiment.

As a school administrator, Tony served the CIAC in many capacities, including member and Chair, of the Boys and Girls Swimming Committees, member CIAC Football Committee, Chair CIAC Sports Medicine Committee, and Chair CIAC Board of Control.

Tony served as a member and president of the New England Athletic Council for 8 years; as a member of the National High School Swimming and Diving Rules Committee for 4 years; as a member of the Western CT Swimming Officials Association for 10 years; and as president of the Plainville YMCA.

Tony was awarded the CAS Letter of Commendation in 1983 and a CAS Citation, the association's highest honor, in 1988.

Tony's commitment to community consists of membership in the Shoreline Men's Club, Westbrook Elks Lodge # 1784, Our Lady of Sorrows Church, Essex, Past Grand Knight, Knights of Columbus Council 12113, and member of the Essex Parks and Recreation Committee. A longtime member of the National Senior Games Association, he continues to compete in New England track and swimming events. But he is most proud of the accomplishments of his late wife Lillian, and his grown children, Tony Jr, and Mary Ann both of whom participated in CIAC sports during their high school days at Bristol Central High School.

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Lev Torgerson

Lev Torgerson raised in East Haven, attended St. Francis Grammar School in New Haven and graduated from Notre Dame-West Haven in 1966.

His lifelong interest in hockey began as a youngster playing in the Greater New Haven Pee Wee Hockey Association and continued thru college playing club hockey at Quinnipiac University. Upon graduating from college, Lev enlisted for 6 years in the US Army Reserve and began a career in sales with the National Biscuit Company. While living in West Haven with his late wife Lynn and son Lev, he began coaching in the local youth hockey program in 1972. At the same time, he began officiating youth games which started a fifty year plus avocation.

In 1974 Lev became a member of the Connecticut Chapter of the National Ice Hockey Officials Association and began working CIAC and prep games throughout the state. He also made a career change that year, and was hired by the Procter & Gamble Distributing Company of Cincinnati as a sales account manager, where he remained until retiring in 2003.

He and his family moved to East Haven in 1977 where he began coaching in the local youth hockey program and served on their board of directors for 8 years. He also served on the Town of East Haven Recreation Commission from 1986-2001.

During the years as a member of the Connecticut Chapter of NIHOA, Lev held leadership positions as a Director, President, Referee in Chief, state rules interpreter, and state tournament assignor. In 1982 he was privileged to work my first of 7 CIAC championships. He also was assigned 3 New England prep finals. In 2013, he was elected to serve as a member of the NIHOA national board for 8 years including 2 years as President 2008-2009. At the 2014 CIAC DI championship game, he was recognized as an Honoree by the CIAC Ice Hockey Committee.

For thirty years ('78-'08) Lev officiated collegiate hockey for ECAC, MAAC Hockey League, and HEA. Since 1972 he has been a registered USA Hockey official and served as a seminar instructor ('88-'03), and the evaluation coordinator for Connecticut ('93-'00).

In 2004, he became the Ice Hockey representative on the CIAC Officials Advisory Board. From 2015-2019 he had the honor to be a member of the NFHS Ice Hockey Rules Committee. Lev has also refereed CIAC soccer and volleyball.

After stepping down as an on-ice college official in 2008, Lev joined the ECAC Hockey staff as a supervisor of officials to observe, coach, and evaluate officials. During his tenure, he had the opportunity to be on the Hobey Baker Memorial Award Selection Committee for 6 years.

Since retiring, Lev has worked as a seasonal tax preparer and consultant. He enjoys traveling – having attended 37 college hockey Frozen Fours and visited 26 Major League Baseball parks. He resides at Turtle Bay in Branford with his wife Ellen. His son Lev and daughter-in-law Melinda are nearby in Northford along with grandson Lev IV and granddaughter Mary-Kate. Lev enjoys going to Nashville to visit Ellen's daughter Jen (Dan) and son Brian (Nicole) and their children Alexander, Christopher, Reylee, and Ryan.

Lev Torgerson



**Congratulations
Class of 2024-2025
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PAST HALL OF HONOR INDUCTEES

2015-2016



Rose Marie Carlucci



Robert F. Carroll



Suzi D'Annolfo



Timothy S. Doyle



Robert Duncanson



John Fontana



Don Gates



Ann Malafronte

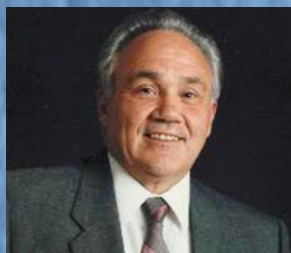


Michael H. Savage

2016-2017



Katharine Bishop



Robert Cecchini



Alvah R. Cramer



Raymond Faustich



Thomas R. Monahan



Charles Sharos



Ivan L. Wood

2017-2018



Michael F. Buckley



Beau Doherty



Joseph Fontana



David Leete



Larry McHugh

PAST HALL OF HONOR INDUCTEES

2018-2019



Jerry Auclair



William H. Baron



Alan Bookman



Jean Kenney Daly



John Daly



George J. Ford



J. Robert Ford



Paul R. Hoey



Pat Llodra



Barbara J. Startup

2019-2020



Earle G. Bidwell



D. Harold Goldberg



Arthur Kohs



Tom Murray



Armand Regalbuti



George Synnott



Margaret Williamson

PAST HALL OF HONOR INDUCTEES

2022-2023



Armond Fabbri



Dr. Robert Lehr



Dr. Karissa Niehoff



Louis Pear



Michael Rafferty



Joseph Tonelli

2023-2024



Joseph Canzanella



Dave Johnson



Dr. V. Everett Lyons Jr.



Dave Maloney



Dr. RoseAnne
O'Brien Vojtek



Dr. Steven Wysowski

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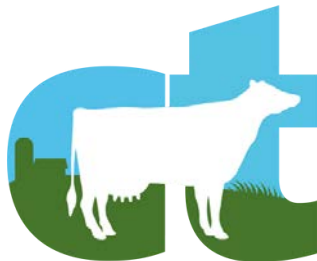
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