HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE

EDOARDO DUCHINI '61



Edoardo Duchini, from Our Lady of Sorrows Parish in Corona, entered Power Memorial Academy in September, 1957. When Ed first joined the track team in the beginning of his freshman year, no one could have predicted what lay ahead for him in the world of competitive running. Working hard and steadily improving with each race, at the end of the season, Ed won the CHSAA Freshman Cross Country Championship. Continuing to work and improve with each passing year, Ed established the National Junior High School record in the half mile run in 1960, with a time of 1:53.8

At the Penn Relays, in the spring of 1960, the Power Memorial relay team of Mike Radov, Alex Winogradoff, and John Doran, with Ed Duchini running the anchor leg, won the High School Championship of America in the Distance Medley Relay. Completing the circle in his last year at Power, Ed won the CHSAA Senior Cross Country Championship.

After graduating from Power in 1961, Ed attended Georgetown University where he continued his ascendency as a premier college runner. In 1963, he was a member of the Two Mile Relay Team that established the Indoor World Record with a time of 7:29 at the Mason-Dixon Games in Louisville, Kentucky. In both 1963 and 1965, Ed was the Outdoor Half Mile Champion at the Marine Corps Relays in Quantico, Virginia. Additionally, in 1965, Ed was a member of the Cross Country team that won the IC4A Championship at Van Cortlandt Park and he was the Indoor IC4A champion in the 600 yard dash.

After graduating from Georgetown in 1965 with a Bachelors Degree in Economics, Ed taught Algebra and Social Studies at Power while he attended Fordham University in the Bronx. After receiving his Master's degree in Economics in 1967, Ed went to work for the Central Intelligence Agency in Langley, Virginia as a Research Economic Analyst. Starting in 1970, Ed taught in the Paterson, New Jersey school system, retiring from teaching in 2000, after 30 years of service.

Ed, and his wife Eileen, currently reside in East Dennis, Massachusetts and between them are the parents of 5 daughters and the grandparents of 5 grandsons.

It is Ed's belief that should you be fortunate and blessed with God-given talent, and you use that talent to the best of your ability through discipline, determination and dedication, you will never have any regrets in your lifetime achievements.