



Saint Mary's  
University

## Sport Hall of Fame and Heritage Centre

*In celebration of the rich tradition and heritage of sport and recreation at Saint Mary's University, the Sport Hall of Fame and Heritage Centre was founded in 1995.*

*For close to two hundred years, students, faculty and staff have shared a sport tradition as athletes, builders and teams. The Santamarians, the Times, and the Journal record vivid and exciting chapters of this aspect of university life.*

*This past year two legends were included in the builder category. In 1996, the first student - athlete, the first team and one of the founding fathers of Saint Mary's University Athletics are to be inducted.*

*Share our pleasure as we celebrate the 2nd Annual Saint Mary's University Sport Hall Of Fame & Heritage Centre Induction Ceremony.*

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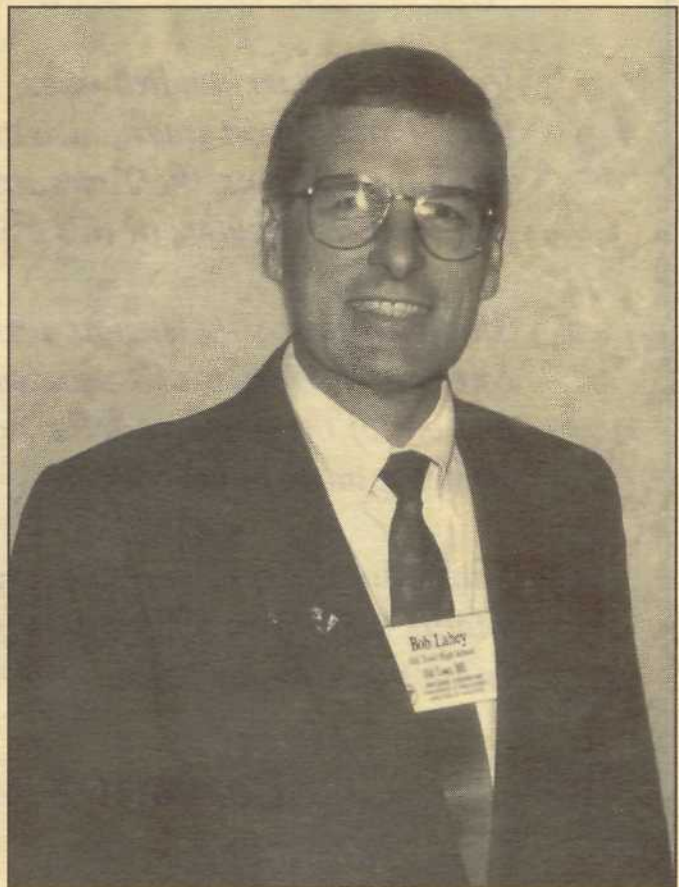
This Induction Ceremony and Homecoming game are dedicated to the memory of Dave White for his courage and leadership as a truly great Huskie.

# Sport Hall of Fame

## 1996 Inductees

### Robert (Bob) Lahey

A native of Portland, Maine, Bob Lahey came to Saint Mary's in the fall of 1958 to begin a student-athlete career that would establish him as one of the most prolific athletes in the history of this University. A fine student and keen athletic competitor, Bob went on to win national recognition by virtually rewriting the CIAU basketball records of the time. One of his most memorable achievements



was setting a single game scoring record of 60 points. His consummate skills and dedication earned him the honour of being named the top basketball player in the country by the Canadian Intercollegiate News. After a distinguished career as athletics director at Old Town Maine High School from 1972 until his death in 1994, Bob Lahey left a legacy of performance in life that will remain deeply rooted at Saint Mary's University.

## Father Michael O'Donnell, S.J.



**T**he great athletic successes of Saint Mary's University athletes and teams over the last 30 years can be directly traced to the early inspirations and dedication of Father Michael (Buck) O'Donnell, S.J. the legendary padre of many hats within the University. Father O'Donnell served as Professor of English, Latin and Theology; Dean of Men; Alumni Moderator; and Director of Athletics which was most

dear to him. He presided over what was initially a mostly intramural programme and directed its growth into one of the strongest university athletic powers in the nation. He believed implicitly in the correlation of fine athletes and good students which has become the hallmark of Saint Mary's successes. Under Father O'Donnell's direction, the athletic program developed correspondingly with the growth and development of the University.

## 1973 Saint Mary's Basketball Huskies

*S*aint Mary's can boast of many athletic successes over the last quarter century, but none more historic, exciting or dramatic than that of the 1972-73 National Basketball Championship Huskies. This team, under young coach Brian Heaney, was not regarded as a factor in the CIAU pre-season, but rather a collection of eager but inexperienced players destined for development status.

*T*he Huskies broke from the gate quickly that season, compiled a 7-1 record by Christmas then won 15 of their last 17 games for a season total of 22 wins. In their final 11 games, the Huskies averaged an incredible 86 points a game. During that stretch, they unseated Acadia Axemen as AIAA conference champions; knocked off Windsor Lancers 91-84 in CIAU semifinal overtime; then defeated Lakehead 79-67 to give Saint Mary's its first-ever national championship.



*A*n incredible accomplishment for coach Heaney, players Mickey Fox, Don Gallagher, John Gallinaugh, Peter Halpin, Bob Taboski, Lee Thomas, Brian Burgess, Art Waters, Otha Johnson, Fred Perry, Greig Redding, and managers, Terry O'Neill, John Landry and Peter MacAllister.