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Niagara Track & Field
Hall of Fame

Press Release

Winners of the 2017 Annual Awards of the Niagara Track & Field Hall of Fame are announced

Rochester, NY: The Niagara Track & Field Hall of Fame of Fame is proud to announce the winners of its 2017 Annual Awards. These awards recognize performances and accomplishments made during the 2016-2017 school year.

The 2017 Niagara Track & Field Hall of Fame of Fame Annual Awards were presented in conjunction with the induction into the Niagara Track & Field Hall of Fame of our Class of 2015 (**Martin I. “Marty” Glickman**, 1936, Syracuse University) and **Harry M. “Hal” Jewett** (1890, University of Notre Dame), and Robert C. Mealey (1951, Cornell University); our Class of 2016 (**Edward B. Kirby** (1924, Cornell University) and Walter D. “Duke” Wood (1936, Cornell University)); and our Class of 2017 (**Jack Dianetti** (1951, Michigan State University), **R. Nathan Taylor**, coach at Cornell University from 1999 to 2015) **Herbert L. Trube** (1908, Cornell University), and **Linus Vere Windnagle** (1917, Cornell University)).

The three finalists for each of these awards were outstanding performers during the 2016-2017 school year. The very high quality of these finalists continues to be a hallmark of this awards program. While the three finalists for any one of these awards couldn't all be selected as the winner, any of the finalists would have been a well-deserved winner.

Samantha Watson of Rush Henrietta Sperry High School is our first three-time repeat winner of any award. She won the **Cynthia J. Wyatt Award** in 2015, 2016, and 2017.

There are two additional repeat winners from 2016 Annual Awards. **Rudy Winkler**, of Cornell University, is the second repeat winner of the **Donald J. Paige Award** and **Katherine Pitman**, of Ithaca College, is the second repeat winner of the **Jack Tupper Daniels Award**.

The Donald J. Paige Award was won by a thrower for the fifth consecutive year (5 of 6 times the award has been given).

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There has been at least one repeat winner since the second year of these awards (2013). Repeat winners are: **Sean Bernstein**, SUNY Oneonta (James D. Ulrich Award) in won in 2012 and 2013, **Rachel Sorna**, Cornell University (Doriane Lambelet Award), won in 2013 and 2014, **Amy Cymerman**, Grand Valley State University and St. Lawrence University (Jack Tupper Daniels Award), **Joseph Postwaite**, Lake Erie College (James D. Ulrich Award), and **Samuel R. Wray**, of Starpoint, High School (Trenton J. Jackson Award), won in 2015 and 2016. **Jonathan W. Jones**, University at Buffalo (Donald J. Paige Award) won in 2013 and 2015. **Rudy Winkler**, Cornell University (Donald J. Paige Award) **Katherine Pitman**, Ithaca College (Jack Tupper Daniels Award) won in 2016 and 2017. While **Samantha Watson**, Rush Henrietta Sperry High School (Cynthia J. Wyatt Award), won in 2015, 2016, and 2017

As of 2016, every award except for the Bob Ivory Award, had at least one repeat winner.

The winners of the 2017 Niagara Track & Field Hall of Fame Annual awards are:

Award	Name	School	Hometown	Event
Donald J. Paige Award	Rudy Winkler	Cornell University, Ithaca, NY	Sand Lake, NY / Averill Park HS	Hammer Throw
Doriane Lambelet Award	Madeline Kopp	Duke University, Raleigh, NC	Rochester, NY / Spencerport HS	Mid-Distance
James D. Ulrich Award	Jack Flood	SUNY Cortland, Cortland, NY	Blue Point, NY / Bayport-Blue Point HS	Heptathlon / Decathlon
Jack Tupper Daniels Award	Katherine Pitman	Ithaca College, Ithaca, NY	Swampscott, MA / Swampscott HS	Pole Vault
Trenton J. Jackson Award	Kevin Moshier	Corning HS, Corning, NY	Corning, NY	Distance
Cynthia J. Wyatt Award	Samantha Watson	Rush-Henrietta Sperry HS, Henrietta, NY	Henrietta, NY	Mid-Distance
Bob Ivory Award	Andrew Cartwright	Corning HS, Corning, NY	Elmira, NY	
Charles H. Moore Jr. Award	Women's Indoor Track & Field Team	Ithaca College, Ithaca, NY		

Previous Winners:

Donald J. Paige Award

2012 **Jarrett A. Eaton**, Syracuse University
 2013 **Jonathan W. Jones**, University at Buffalo
 2014 **Stephen Mozia**, Cornell University
 2015 **Jonathan W. Jones**, University at Buffalo

2016 **Rudy Winkler**, Cornell University

Doriane Lambelet Award

2012 **Melissa Kurzdorfer**, Penn State University
 2013 **Rachel Sorna**, Cornell University

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 2015 **Margo Malone** Syracuse University
 2016 **Shaina Harrison**, Syracuse University

James D. Ulrich Award

2012 **Sean Bernstein**, SUNY Oneonta
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 2014 **Joseph Postwaite**, Lake Erie College,
 Painesville, OH
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 2016 **Luis Rivera**, Nazareth College

Jack Tupper Daniels Award

2012 **Emma Dewart**, Ithaca College
 2013 **Sasha Henry**, Buffalo State College
 2014 **Amy Cymerman**, St. Lawrence University
 2015 **Amy Cymerman**, Grand Valley State
 University, Allendale, MI
 2016 **Katherine Pitman**, Ithaca College, Ithaca, NY

Trenton J. Jackson Award

2012 **Za'Von Watkins**, Liverpool HS
 2013 **Desmond Mobley**, Greece Olympia HS
 2014 **Devon Patterson**, Williamsville South HS
 2015 **Samuel R. Wray**, Starpoint, HS
 2016 **Samuel R. Wray**, Starpoint, HS

Cynthia J. Wyatt Award

2012 **Stephanie Izard**, Sweet Home HS
 2013 **Katie Lembo**, Penfield HS
 2014 **Jaskiran Dhaliwall**, Grand Island HS
 2015 **Samantha Watson**, Rush Henrietta Sperry HS
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Bob Ivory Award

2012 **William J. Aris**, Fayetteville-Manlius HS
 2013 **Walter McLaughlin**, East Aurora HS
 2014 **Raymond Lawson**, Corning High School
 2015 **Michael De May**, Rush Henrietta Sperry HS
 2016 Not awarded

Charles H. Moore Jr. Award

2012 **Fayetteville-Manlius HS** Girls Cross Country
 Team
 2013 **East Aurora HS** Girls Cross Country Team
 2014 **Cornell University** Men's Indoor Track and
 Field Team
 2015 **Syracuse University** Men's Cross Country
 Team
 2016 **Syracuse University** Men's Cross Country
 Team

To see the historical placings for the three finalists for these awards, view the Award Winners web page at http://www.niagaratrackhof.org/watch_lists/AwardWinners/award_winners.php and click on the name of each award.

Runners-up

The runners-up for the 2017 Niagara Track & Field Hall of Fame Annual awards are:

Award	Name	School	Hometown	Event
Donald J. Paige Award	Justyn Knight	Syracuse University, Syracuse, NY	Vaughan, ON / St. Michael's HS	Distance
Doriane Lambelet Award	Taysia Radoslav	Cornell University, Ithaca, NY	Stoney Creek, ON / Cardinal Newman HS	400m Hurdles
James D. Ulrich Award	Isaac Garcia-Cassani	SUNY Geneseo, Geneseo, NY	Holbrook, NY / Sachem North HS	Distance
Jack Tupper Daniels Award	Alexa Wandy	SUNY Geneseo, Geneseo, NY	La Grangeville, NY / Arlington HS	Long Jump / Triple Jump

Trenton J. Jackson Award	Paul Dellinger	Brighton HS, Brighton, NY	Brighton, NY	Distance
Cynthia J. Wyatt Award	Jessica Lawson	Corning HS, Corning, NY	Addison, NY	Distance
Bob Ivory Award	Michael Heitzenrater	Newfane HS, Newfane, NY	Amherst, NY	
Charles H. Moore Jr. Award	Men's Cross Country Team	Syracuse University, Syracuse, NY		

Second Runners-up

The second runners-up for the 2017 Niagara Track & Field Hall of Fame Annual awards are:

Award	Name	School	Hometown	Event
Donald J. Paige Award	Michael J. (MJ) Erb	University of Mississippi, University, MS	Victor, NY / Victor HS	Distance
Doriane Lambelet Award	Paige Stoner	Syracuse University, Syracuse, NY	Pottsville, PA / Lipscomb HS	Steeplechase
James D. Ulrich Award	Peter Girardi	St. John Fisher College, Pittsford, NY	Cicero, NY / Cicero-North Syracuse HS	400m Hurdles
Jack Tupper Daniels Award	Taryn Cordani	Ithaca College, Ithaca, NY	Douglas, MA / Douglas HS	Distance
Trenton J. Jackson Award	Benjamin Bulkeley	Fairport HS, Fairport, NY	Fairport, NY	Mid-Distance
Cynthia J. Wyatt Award	Lanae-Tava Thomas	Rush Henrietta Sperry HS, Henrietta, NY	Henrietta, NY	Long Jump / Sprints
Bob Ivory Award	Emilio Mancino	West Seneca West HS, West Seneca, NY	West Seneca, NY	
Charles H. Moore Jr. Award	Women's Outdoor Track & Field Team	Ithaca College, Ithaca, NY		

The Niagara Track & Field Hall of Fame congratulates winners of our 2017 annual awards. These award winners continue set the standard against which excellence in Athletics is measured in this region. The eight 2017 award winners have indeed achieved at a very high standard.

Nominations for next year's annual awards are being accepted now. Any member of the public may submit a nomination. Self-nominations are welcome.

About the eight annual awards:

- **Donald J. Paige Award:** Presented annually by the Niagara Track & Field Hall of Fame to the outstanding NCAA Division 1 Male Athlete of the Year in or from the Niagara Association.
- **Doriane Lambelet Award:** Presented annually by the Niagara Track & Field Hall of Fame to the outstanding NCAA Division 1 Female Athlete of the Year in or from the Niagara Association.
- **James D. Ulrich Award:** Presented annually by the Niagara Track & Field Hall of Fame to the outstanding Male College Athlete of the Year from other than NCAA Division I Colleges in or from the Niagara Association.
- **Jack Tupper Daniels Award:** Presented annually by the Niagara Track & Field Hall of Fame to the outstanding Female College Athlete of the Year from other than NCAA Division I Colleges in or from the Niagara Association.
- **Trenton J. Jackson Award:** Presented annually by the Niagara Track & Field Hall of Fame to the outstanding Male High School Athlete of the Year in the Niagara Association.
- **Cynthia J. Wyatt Award:** Presented annually by the Niagara Track & Field Hall of Fame to the outstanding Female High School Athlete of the Year in the Niagara Association.
- **Bob Ivory Award:** Presented annually by the Niagara Track & Field Hall of Fame to the outstanding High School Coach of the Year in the Niagara Association.
- **Charles H. Moore, Jr. Award:** Presented annually by the Niagara Track & Field Hall of Fame to the outstanding Cross Country Running, Indoor Track and Field, or Outdoor Track and Field High School or College Team of the Year in the Niagara Association.

For more information About the Hall of Fame members for whom the awards are named see: [Annual Awards Announcement Press Release](#).

About the Niagara Track & Field Hall of Fame:

Niagara Track & Field Hall of Fame is provisionally chartered by the Regents of the University of the State of New York. The purpose of the Niagara Track & Field Hall of Fame is to recognize those individuals who made significant and outstanding contributions to the Sport of Athletics (including Track & Field, Long Distance Running, Race Walking, and Cross Country Running) while living within the geographic boundaries (New York State West of and including the counties of Oswego, Onondaga, Cortland, and Broome) of the Niagara Association as athletes (including Masters), coaches, and/or administrators (including Competition Officials).

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