## **Meriden Hall of Fame Association, Inc**

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## **NEWS RELEASE**

## MERIDEN HALL OF FAME 2024 NOMINEES ANNOUNCED

The Meriden Hall of Fame, unique in Connecticut, is pleased to announce the nominees for the 2024 election to be held in May. Nominees announced by the Board of Directors are Thomas F. Potter, Sr. in the category of Art; Wayne D'Amico, Joseph LaRosa, Leonardo Suzio, Business/Commerce; A. Lee Campione, Frank Ridley, Community Service; William Godburn, Frank Kowalski, Michael Rohde, Law/Gov't/Military; Edward Kochanowski, James Surowiecki, Eliot White, Media; Robert Redican, Frank Strangio, Performing Arts; and Rob Jachym, John Jenkins, Tom Ryan, Sports.

Eligible voters must be paid members of the Meriden Hall of Fame Association by April 1, 2024. The membership application is available on the Hall of Fame web site at <a href="http://www.MeridenHallofFame.org">www.MeridenHallofFame.org</a>. Membership dues are \$25 for an annual member, \$100 for a lifetime member, and \$5 for a student member.

After April 1, membership will close, and the balloting will begin. Paid members will be mailed the 2024 ballot including biographical information on each nominee and rules for voting. Completed ballots must be returned by June 1, 2024, to be tabulated. The 2024 inductees will be announced at the Meriden Hall of Fame Annual Meeting at Sans Souci Restaurant on June 11. The event is open to the public.

The Hall of Fame would like to recognize the students from Maloney High School who participated in the Meriden History Research Project 2024, designed to help students learn and practice the skills of being a historian. This collaboration resulted in students' submissions being included on the ballot and we thank all who participated.

The Meriden Hall of Fame congratulates the nominees for their inclusion on the 2024 ballot. Since 1975, 171 prominent Meriden citizens have been enshrined in the Meriden Hall of Fame. Plaques in their honor are on display at Meriden City Hall.

Respectfully Submitted, John Hogarth, Secretary Meriden Hall of Fame