

Watertown City School District Distinguished Alumni Hall of Achievement Inductees for 2010

To recognize and celebrate the achievements of Watertown High School graduates who have attained a high level of distinction in their personal and/or professional lives and who represent positive role models for students of the district.



WILLIAM M. WOLF

Class of 1946

In addition to his academic accomplishments, Wolf co-founded and was the first President of the Association of Independent Software Companies (AISC). AISC was instrumental in creating an environment enabling the growth of the modern software industry and was also successful in its efforts to allow the patenting of computer software. Wolf also had a significant role in the development of Angel Networks, matching entrepreneurs with investors.

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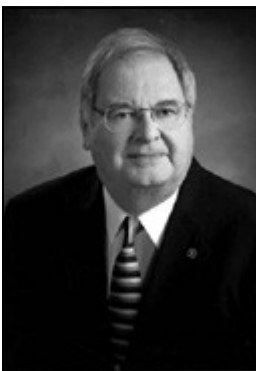


ARTHUR J. SEAMAN

Class of 1952

A highly decorated veteran of the Marine Corps, Lieutenant Colonel Seaman began his career as a Marine Private. Seaman served in Korea being awarded the Purple Heart. Seaman was later commissioned as a Second Lieutenant and continued his career as an Explosive Ordnance (EOD) expert serving in Vietnam, where he was twice decorated for valor. Seaman went on to become the first Marine EOD Officer promoted to the rank of Lieutenant Colonel.

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BRUCE E. RIPPETEAU

Class of 1963

A widely published research scientist, Dr. Rippeteau advanced the study of new world archaeology and nuclear chemistry for chronologies. Rippeteau's career has included University Directorship as well as being State Archaeologist for Colorado and South Carolina, leading both state agencies. He continues to receive accolades for scholarship and citizenship and is widely active in his professional and personal communities.

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KAREN L. MORRIS

Class of 1968

An educator and advocate, Judge Morris is in her fifth term as Brighton Town Judge. A Professor of Law at Monroe Community College, Morris was named a “Distinguished Professor” by the State University of New York and is the only teacher at her college to hold that rank. She is a published author and her service work has been recognized by the Monroe County Bar Association, having received their Humanitarian Award.

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STEVEN A. VAN SLYKE

Class of 1974

An inventor, author, and patent holder, Mr. Van Slyke is the co-inventor of Organic Light Emitting Diodes (OLEDs). This technology is found in a wide range of electronic products and is based on ultra-thin organic films. Van Slyke currently holds over 35 patents, is widely published, and has received numerous awards for his work, including the Eastman Innovation Award and the Jan Rajchman Prize.

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JEFFREY L. COUGLER

Class of 1975

A recognized graphic and environmental designer, Mr. Cougler developed an egress program which saved countless lives during the 2001 World Trade Center attack. He is an alumnus of the Italian Fulbright Commission Deafness Program and has developed interactive, computer-assisted instructional products designed to improve the finger spelling reception abilities for any student learning American Sign Language.

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ROGER A. GALLUP

Class of 1982

A decorated military physician and widely published researcher, Gallup’s career has included a broad range of clinical, research, and operational positions. He is board certified in internal and critical care medicine as well as pulmonary diseases. Colonel Gallup has served two combat tours including his most recent where he is Command Surgeon for United States Forces—Iraq.

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