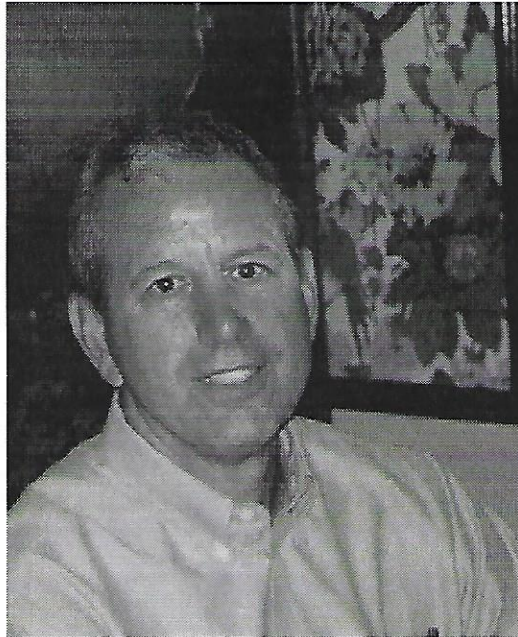


**2015
Hall of Fame Inductee**



**Wayne J. Finkbeiner
Central Bucks West -- Coach**

Wayne Finkbeiner's teaching and coaching career began after his graduation in 1966 earning a BS in Science from West Virginia's Davis and Elkins College. He received his permanent teaching certificate in 1968 through the Intern Teaching Program at Temple University. In 1972, he received his M.S. in Physics from Purdue University. Wayne became an instructor in the Modeling Physics Program at Arizona State University teaching physics education to teachers from around the world.

Prior to coaching at Central Bucks West, Wayne's first coaching assignment began at Central Bucks East where he coached the Boys' Junior Varsity Basketball team for eleven seasons. When East initiated its Girls' Softball Team he was their coach in 1977-1978. He also served as an Assistant Football Coach at Holicong and Lenape Middle Schools. As the Head Football Coach at Tamanend, in the 1975 season, Wayne compiled a 4-2 record.

In 1981 Wayne came to Central Bucks West as the Boys' Head Basketball Coach and Physics Teacher. He coached the Boys from 1981 to 1993. His overall coaching record was 134-160. His 1983-84 team won the Bux-Mont League Championship. During his thirteen-year tenure his teams entered District One Playoffs ten times.

In 1987 Wayne became CB West Girls' Head Softball Coach. Prior to that, for one season he was the Junior Varsity Coach. From 1987 thru to 2012 he was the Head Coach with an overall record of 311-208 that included five Suburban Colonial League Championships. The Girls entered the District Playoffs during nineteen of his twenty-five seasons and reached the quarterfinals once in the State Playoffs.

From 1996 to 2002, at the same time when Wayne was Head Coach to the West's Softball Team, he became Head Coach of the Girls' Basketball Program. His overall coaching record was 100-60 including two Suburban Colonial League Championships. During his six seasons the girls entered the District Playoffs each of those years, and once, competed in the State Playoffs.

During a two-year hiatus from coaching at West, Wayne was appointed the Head Boys' Basketball Coach at George School in Newtown. He compiled a 24-24 record. In the 1994-1995 season the team stopped Abington Friends' record of seventy-four consecutive victories.

Wayne was also instrumental in coaching the Science Olympics and Physics Olympics Teams at West. His Physics Olympics Team won the State Championship in 1986

Wayne retired from teaching in 2002, continuing to be a Long Term Substitute in numerous school districts, tutoring physics and mentoring physics teachers. Wayne and his wife Kathleen reside in New Britain. They have four children all of whom participated in athletics before graduating from West. His coaching career continues as he guides the athletic abilities of his twelve grandchildren.

Wayne feels very honored and blessed for the opportunity to have coached all those different teams, saluting all the players who participated under his coaching tenure and those who won individual awards.

When learning of his selection as a CB West Coach, Wayne remarked, "Being recognized by the West Hall of Fame is a tribute to the ability, dedication, and commitment of those West athletes and students I had the privilege to coach and teach."