

# ONTARIO BASKETBALL HALL OF FAME



## Marvin Pearl Builder

### BIOGRAPHY

- **1965-73:** Co-founder of Toronto's first major Basketball Clinic which ran from 1965 to 1973 featuring notable coaches Jack Donohue, Terry Thomson, Mike Katz, Bob Bain, Rev. Ed Visscher, Al McGuire, Jack Kraft, Bill Musselman, Johnny Orr, Frank Layden and Joe Degregorio
- **1967, 1972 and 1984:** Convener three times for TSSAA Basketball and devised a scheduling system which allowed teams to play each other in the second half of the season based on how they had fared in the first half.
- **1967-1998:** Organized and directed Ontario's most prestigious High School Basketball Tournament for 31 years, beginning in 1967. Consistently invited the top high school teams from across Ontario and the United States, including perennially ranked Long Island Lutheran.
- **1968-74:** OFSAA Basketball Chairman for four elected two-year terms; implemented school competition classifications based on populations and locations.
- **1969:** High school board liaison member of the founding executive of the National Basketball Association of Canada.
- **1970-72:** Organized OFSAA basketball sports camp seminars for teachers with notable clinicians Don McCrae, Wes Hicks, Brian O'Rourke, Dr. Paul Thomas, Mike Lavelle, Howard Lockhart, John Petrushchak and Dan Prendergast.
- **1971-2001:** Director of Metro Toronto Boys All-Star Game for 30 years. Teams from Michigan, Western New York State, Chicago and the GTA participated.
- **1977:** Started the first summer basketball sports skills program for the Toronto Board of Education; stayed as administrator and lead instructor for two years.
- **1988:** Recipient of the Jack Aymer Award for dedicated service in the TSSAA.
- **1990:** Recipient of the prestigious OFSAA Pete Beach Achievement Award for the TSSAA.
- **1990-93:** Basketball chair for Macabbi Ontario.
- **1994:** Member of the World Championships of Basketball (WCDOB) technical committee.
- **1995-96:** Organized public forums at Jarvis Collegiate involving the Raptors incoming president John Bitove in 1995; a press conference for the Raptors new general manager Isiah Thomas and hosted an NBA Stay-in School initiative involving the Raptors, the Grizzlies and the Federal Government.
- **1996 to the present:** Member of the MTBABO (Metro Toronto Board of Approved Basketball Officials).
- **1967- Present:** Sports consultant and coordinator for the CNE overseeing the implementation of dozens of sports programs and activities, including NCAA and Raptors basketball clinics, the Spalding 3 on 3 tournament; appearances by the Harlem Wizards; player appearances by the Harlem Globetrotters, and, more recently, the Raptors Jam Van clinic, Raptorball Competitions, a Prep Star All-Star tournament, a Parkdale Community Centre tournament and the NBA 3 on 3 Canadian Streetball Championships.