

MSGR. MARTIN CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

PLAYOFFS



MANHATTAN COLLEGE CUP 1968



ERIE COUNTY TECHNICAL INSTITUTE

MARCH 1st



CANISIUS HIGH SCHOOL

MARCH 3rd, 8th and 9th



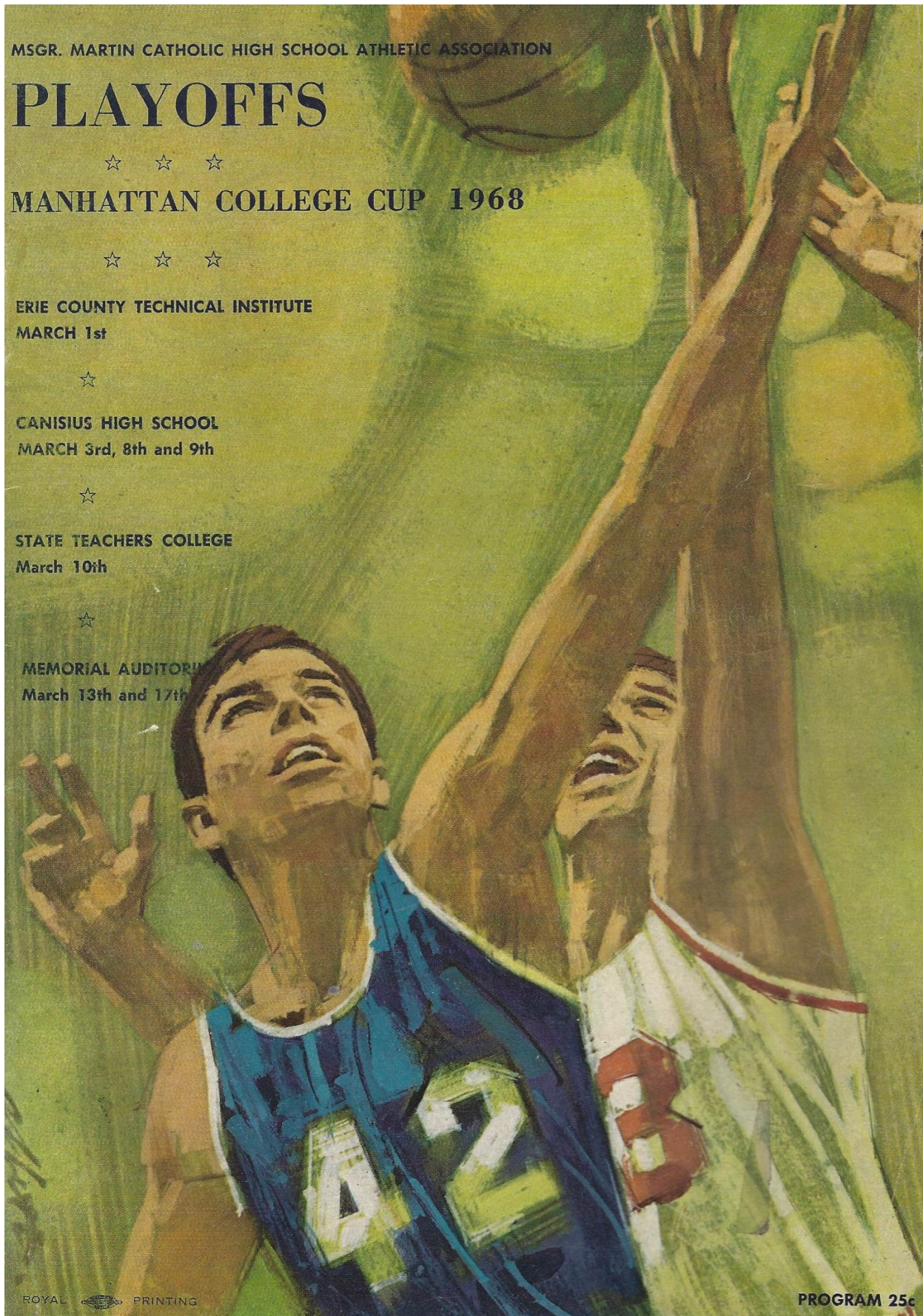
STATE TEACHERS COLLEGE

March 10th



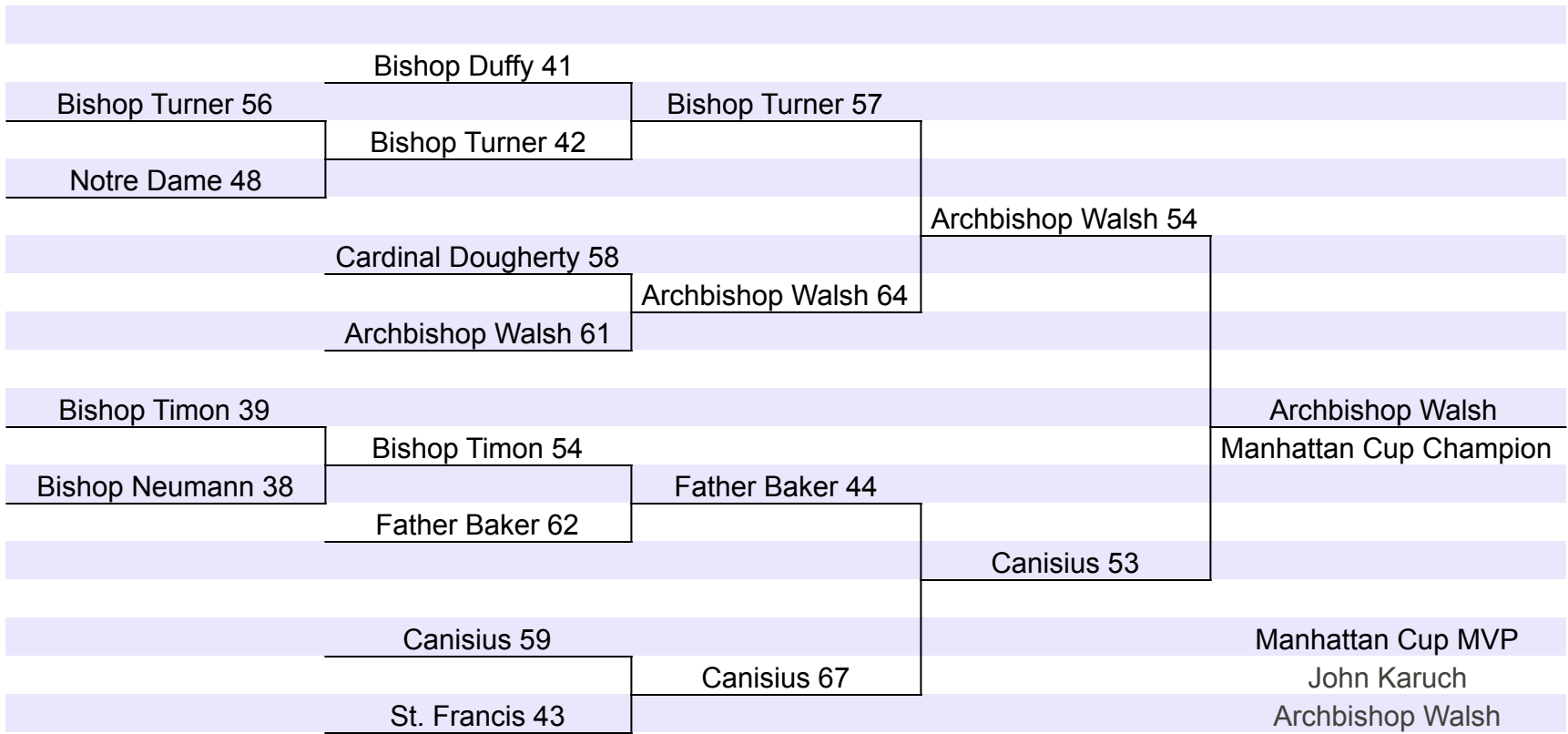
MEMORIAL AUDITORIUM

March 13th and 17th



1967-1968

Bishop Burke League	W	L	Coach
Canisius	17	1	Connie McGillicuddy
Bishop Duffy	14	4	Robert Laurrie
Cardinal Dougherty	14	4	Frank Switak
Bishop Neumann	11	7	John McCarthy
Bishop Turner	9	9	Phil Coyle
Bishop Timon	8	10	Mel Palano
Cardinal O'Hara	8	10	Richard Meyers
St. Joe's	3	15	Robert Miller
Bishop Ryan	3	15	Joe Niland
Bishop Fallon	3	15	Mort O'Sullivan
Bishop Smith League			
Division 1			
Father Baker	10	3	Joe Corey
St. Francis	6	7	Dick Wojciechoski
Diocesan Prep Sem	6	7	Rev. M. Piszcatoski
St. Mary's	5	8	James MacKinnon
DeSales	0	13	Ted Attea
Division 2			
Archbishop Walsh	13	0	Edward McGuire
Notre Dame	10	3	Jack flowers
Cardinal Mindszenty	9	4	Bob Muscato
St. Mary's (Deaf)	5	8	Lee Murphy
Bishop Gibbons	1	12	Hank Lewis
x Division 1 Champions	xx League & Division 2 Champions		



All-Catholic Teams

Burke Division

Dave	Anderson	Cardinal Dougherty	
Bill	Coppola	Canisius	12
Bill	Greeley	Canisius	12
Paul	Wrobel	Duffy	12
Ken	Zak	Turner	12

Smith Division

Pete	Aiello	Walsh	12
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Dennis	Berrigan	St. Mary's for the Deaf	
Jim	Gestwicki	Mindszenty	
Dan	Metzler	Walsh	12
Jim	Tucker	Baker	12

Dedication to . . .



RICHARD MYERS

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR

CARDINAL O'HARA HIGH SCHOOL

This year the Manhattan Cup program has been dedicated to Dick Myers, head basketball coach at Cardinal O'Hara High School. Dick, who is in his third year at O'Hara, will be leaving to serve his country in the very near future. The ensuing article will present a resume' of his extremely active life.

Dick's high school years were spent at Canisius. Here under coach Connie McGillicuddy he played three years of varsity basketball. During his Junior and Senior years he led his teams to league championships, and also, in his senior year, a Manhattan Cup Title. It was during this tournament that Myers climaxed his high school career by being voted the Most Valuable Player of the tournament.

RICHARD MYERS

However, his talents were not limited to basketball as he also played baseball and football. In baseball he received an All-Catholic award and led the league in hitting. Although he played only one year of football he received second team All-Catholic honors.

Connie McGillicuddy, his former coach, who still guides the Canisius quintet, noted that "Dick was an extremely hard working athlete, who gave his all to every situation." He also expressed the fact that it gave him a special satisfaction seeing a boy he'd coached do so well in his own basketball career and in his coaching endeavors.

Following his graduation, Dick went to LeMoyne College in Syracuse on a basketball scholarship. A major in English, he played three years of basketball and two years of baseball. In his senior year, the LeMoyne team, coached by Tom Niland (brother of Joe Niland at Ryan and Mike Niland at Dougherty), went to the NCAA College Division Regional Basketball Tournament in Akron, Ohio, where they were defeated in the finals.

Because of a back injury, Dick played only two years of baseball. Late in his senior year, he received his most coveted collegiate award. He was named the most outstanding athlete of the school because of his participation in basketball and baseball.

After his graduation in 1964, Dick went to Catholic Central High School in Binghamton, New York, where he taught English and was the assistant baseball and basketball coach. In the following year, he came to Cardinal O'Hara and became head basketball coach, replacing Jim MacKinnon who went to Diocesan Prep.

In his first year at O'Hara, Dick guided the Hawks to their first winning season, posting an impressive 12-6 record, and a berth in the playoffs. When speaking of his first season at O'Hara, Myers is quick to point out that Jim MacKinnon deserved most of the credit for the team's success. "He worked with the boys for two or three years and I was fortunate to get them when I did." The 66-67 campaign found O'Hara with a 9-9 record and a fifth place finish in an extremely competitive league.

Beginning his second season at O'Hara, Dick was appointed athletic director. Upon receiving this title, he initiated an entire reorganization of the athletic department. The results were fruitful. With the help of the parent and student Booster Clubs, O'Hara now has an entire complex of athletic fields in its backyard. Included are a football stadium, baseball field and a quarter mile track, the only one of its kind in the Burke Division.

After reviewing his major sporting accomplishments, it is interesting to note that "Mr. Myers," the English teacher is becoming more and more prominent. Last year he was nominated by the Kenmore-Town of Tonawanda Jaycees for the Educator of the Year Award. Dick presently teaches sophomore English at O'Hara.

When speaking of the future, "the big guy," as he is affectionately called by his players, talks all basketball. "It has given me my schooling, my friends, and my job. I definitely want to come back to it after I've finished my term in the service."

I'm sure that after briefly scanning Dick Myers, you must agree that he is certainly a worthy recipient of this dedication.