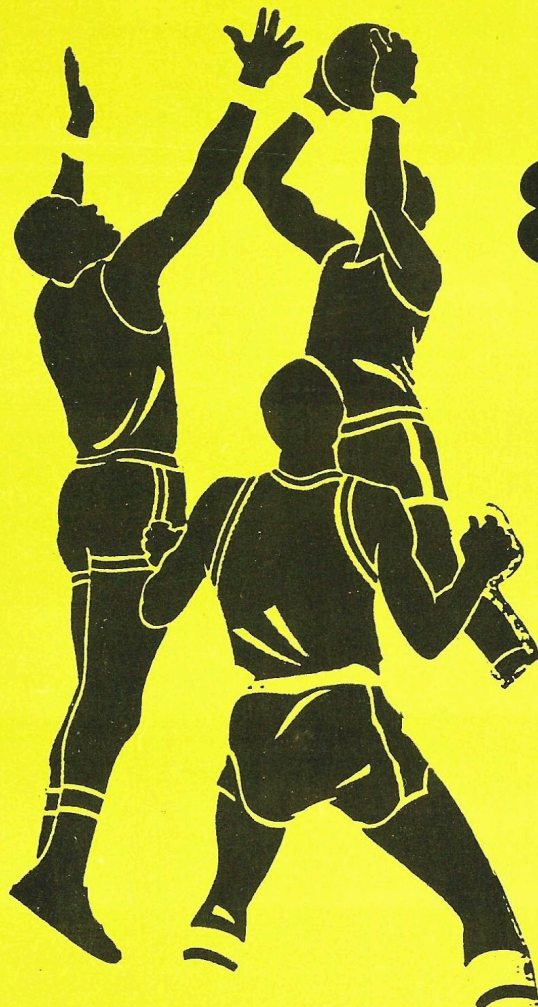


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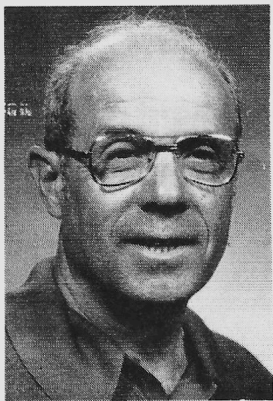
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# Coach Palano Sets Western New York Cage Record



**MEL PALANO**

Bishop Timon High School's Mel Palano has, in thirty-three years of coaching, spanned four decades of doing what he likes best . . . *producing champions and establishing records.*

During the 1987 cage season, Mel reached the 500-wins plateau. This season he established a new Western New York record of 515 wins this past January . . . during his 708th varsity career coaching game. Mel's individual records include 14

basketball league titles, 8 Manhattan Cups, 13 cross-country championships, 6 baseball league titles and 4 Georgetown Cup baseball playoff titles.

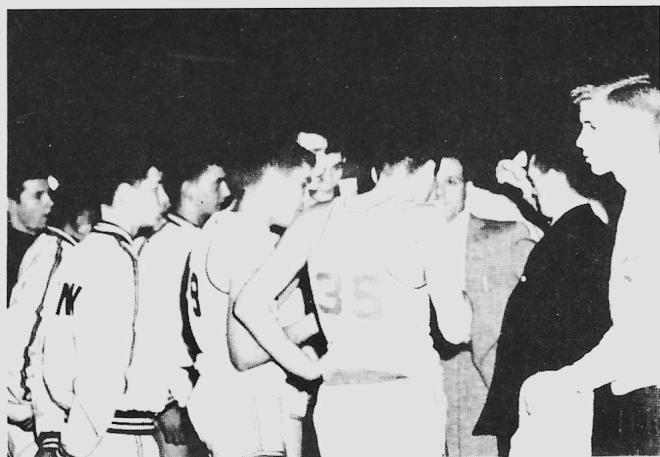
Mel Palano somehow seems almost timeless as a Timon fixture. If but a pause in time gave us a moment of reflection, this what we would realize . . . *Mel Palano upholds the goals and ideals, the life and vitality, the loyalty and dedication, the competence and selflessness, the warmth and charity for which Bishop Timon High School stands.*

The records, honors, trophies and testimonials are not what makes Mel Palano. Mel would be regarded as a successful coach had he never won a championship. His esteem is not so much from the number of points his teams have scored, but from the number of people he has influenced. It is not so much a matter of sending so many athletes on to the fields of friendly strife, it is more a matter of sending thousands of young men, whose names never found the sports pages, out into the world as confident, fully trained for their greatest game . . . *the game of life.*

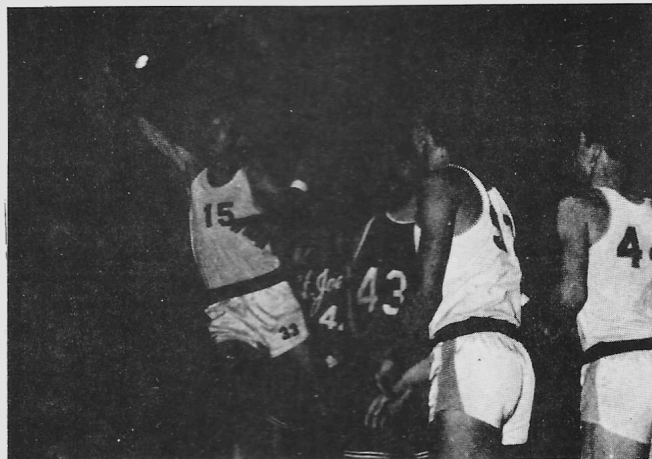
It is we, the alumni of Bishop Timon High School, whom Mel has helped play that game of life. It is you, Mel, whom we thank for your influence on our lives since our graduation from Bishop Timon High School.

Yes Mel, you may blush a shy smile, and wince at these words of praise for all you have accomplished . . . but if you or those who know you not in true character might think this grateful tribute of a *True Timon Friend* to be too fulsome, those who know you well are witness that these words have at least the merit of truth . . . *Thanks for all you have done for us and Bishop Timon High School. Take care and God Bless!*

**BISHOP TIMON SPORTS NIGHT COMMITTEE**



**1950's**



**1960's**



**1970's**



**1980's**