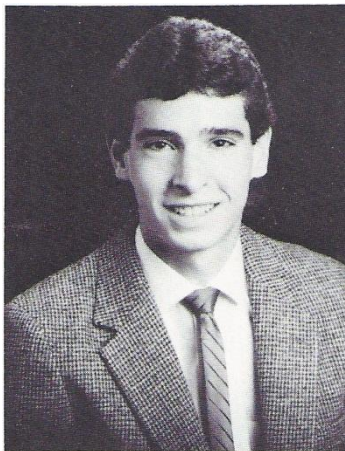




Stephen J. Webber **Class of 1988**

Stephen J. Webber was the type of athlete that coaches love to coach. A great athlete in his own right, his steady play and quiet leadership made those around him better players. Each of the teams he played on- soccer, basketball and baseball- won league championships or qualified for post-season tournament play. He captained all three sports during his senior year and was chosen as the Tony Correia Coaches Award recipient.

On the basketball court, Steve was a two year starter at forward, a top rebounder, and averaged almost 12 points per game. He helped lead the Scarlet Hawks to a league title, two Clark Tournament Championships and two district tournament appearances. He was a two-time Daily News and Central Mass All Star.

On the baseball diamond, Steve was one of the top hitters and a leading RBI man as a first baseman. The team won league championships during his junior and senior years, and went deep into the district tournaments both seasons.

Webber excelled on the soccer pitch. He started in goal for two seasons, leading the team to a league championship and the district tournament as a senior. A two-year Daily News and Central Mass All Star, his play in the tournament led to him being recruited to play at Babson College following graduation.

Steve was the starting goalie all four years at Babson, leading the Beavers to four conference titles and four NCAA tournament bids, including the Division 3 Final Four in his senior year. He was All New England four times and was All-American his last three years. He was selected as the 1991 New England Player of the Year. He currently holds all Babson goalie records and is currently second in NCAA history with 46 career shut-outs. He was unanimously elected to the Babson College Hall of Fame in his first year of eligibility in 1997.



Stephanie Slack **Coach 1969 – 2003**

The name Stephanie Slack is synonymous with women's athletics at Milford High School. Upon her arrival as the first female physical education instructor at MHS in 1969, Coach Slack began to build the program basically from the ground up, as the only sports offered for girls at the time were varsity basketball and club-level softball. She literally hit the ground running, beginning the field hockey program that fall, taking over as varsity basketball coach in the winter, and elevating the softball program to varsity status in the spring. She would later serve as an assistant coach for track & field from 1990-99.

Coach Slack served two stints as Varsity Field Hockey Coach, from 1969-87 and then again from 1993-2002. Despite the fact that there were no feeder programs in the lower grades, her teams were well-drilled and always competitive, winning six league championships along the way. The girls truly enjoyed playing the sport under Coach Slack as evidenced by the fact she consistently had one of the largest number of girls competing each season compared to other programs.

Although she only coached varsity basketball for three seasons, Coach Slack got the program off on the right foot, eventually leading the team to its first winning season and a record of 10-5 in 1972. When freshmen basketball was added in 1993, she stepped back in and spent the next ten seasons teaching the fundamentals to a new generation.

Softball was Coach Slack's true love and brought out the best in her. Again, she was at the helm for two stints- 1970-87 and 2001-03, winning eight league titles and leading the team to its first ever District Championship in 2002.

Although Coach Slack's numerous championships attest to her skills as a leader on the field, her true legacy is in the life-lessons she instilled in her athletes- the joy of competing, having a passion for what you were doing, and being a good and caring teammate – as well as the guidance she gave to so many of her players who continued to participate in athletics at the college level.