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**Illinois Chief Justice and former NFL & ND kicker Bob Thomas '70
highlights inaugural McQuaid Jesuit Hall of Fame Dinner**

ROCHESTER, N.Y., MAY 29, 2008...He kicked the game-winning field goal in the 1973 Sugar Bowl, giving Notre Dame the national championship over No. 1 Alabama. He played 12 seasons in the National Football League, 10 with the Chicago Bears. He is the third-leading scorer in Bears history. Those would be the storied highlights of a lifetime for most people. But 1970 McQuaid Jesuit alumnus **Bob Thomas** was just getting started. Thomas spent his football off-seasons in law school and earned his law degree from Loyola University Chicago School of Law in 1981. He is now the [Chief Justice of the Illinois Supreme Court](#), and is one of the most accomplished and distinguished former NFL players in history.

Justice Thomas is among 12 McQuaid Jesuit alumni and former faculty who are part of the inaugural class of inductees into the McQuaid Jesuit Athletic Hall of Fame. Justice Thomas will be the keynote speaker during the dinner and ceremony on **Thursday, June 19 at 6:30 p.m.** in McQuaid Jesuit's DiMarco Field House. The event is open to the public and tickets are on sale at Wegmans and online at mcquaid.org for \$50. Buffalo Bills Radio Network host **Rich Gaenzler**, a 1985 McQuaid alum, is emcee. Also being inducted are **Bob Bradley** (track and cross-country coach), **Mark Doyle '85** (hockey), **Eric Kendrick '66** (cross-country), **Joe Miller '64** (football, basketball, baseball), **George Monagan Jr.** (athletic director, soccer & basketball coach), **John Roselli '60** (wrestling coach), **Rich Salamone '76** (wrestling), **Tom Seymour** (football coach), **Tom Sheehy '83** (basketball), **Brad Sumner '89** (track), and **Greg Woodard '88** (basketball).

If you would like to interview the inductees on the day of the event, there will be a private reception at 5:30 p.m. on June 19 in McQuaid Jesuit's Ryan Gymnasium. You are also invited to shoot footage of the event in the DiMarco Field House. To contact any of the inductees in advance, please contact Mike Doser.

McQuaid Jesuit is a private, Catholic college preparatory school for young men in grades 7-12. It is named for the first Catholic Bishop of Rochester, the Most Rev. Bernard J. McQuaid. The school's mission is to foster the development of the spiritual, intellectual, physical, emotional and aesthetic talents of young men through personal concern for each student, competitive educational programs, a distinctive Jesuit spirit, and a formative sense of community. McQuaid Jesuit offers nearly \$1 million in financial aid to students in grades 7-12 who qualify academically, but don't have the financial resources to attend.