

Kevin A. Keenan Honored by Olean City School District Foundation

Name placed on OSCD Wall of Honor

Honor dedicated to wife and mother



The name of Kevin A. Keenan, founding partner and president of Keenan Communications Group, was placed on the OSCD Wall of Honor June 15, in a ceremony at the Olean High School Auditorium.

According to the foundation, the Wall of Honor “recognizes individuals whose lives, accomplishments, and endeavors reflect the values and tradition of excellence fostered by the Olean City School District. Nominations are based on in-school or post-school contributions in several areas including educational, professional, arts, charitable endeavors, and connection to the City of Olean and its School District.”

For more than 30 years, Keenan, a Tonawanda resident, has worked as a radio and television personality, newspaper editor, and communications director, earning the respect of

competitors, colleagues, and journalists. He is a 1978 graduate of Olean High School and a 1982 graduate of St. Bonaventure University.

In comments, Keenan thanked the high school teachers, coaches, and administrators who were important to his development as a person and student. He dedicated the honor to his wife, Deborah L. Keenan, and his late mother, Ann F. Keenan, who were both instrumental in his success. Ann Keenan taught at Olean High School for more than 20 years.

In closing, Keenan repeated his mother’s advice to him as a high school student:

“Be Good! Study Hard. Don’t do anything that you would not do in front of your father and me. If you ever get on the radio, be sure to enunciate and speak clearly. Call us if you are going to be late. Remember, a priest’s mother always goes to heaven. Don’t forget your lunch.”

Other honorees at the ceremony were Joseph Disorbo, Dr. Mark Greene, and Howard Van Scoter.

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