

NOMINATION LETTER

Joseph Huber – Director (1940-1949); Bugle & Marching Instructor (1939-1949)

Dear Hall of Fame Committee:



This nomination letter is being submitted in three (3) parts. Together with the two (2) Letters of Support, they provide a narrative to tell Mr. Huber's story. Supporting and research material have been taken from the Cadet archives, with excerpts written by Dave Shaw.

Joe Huber began his career with the Holy Name Cadets in 1939 as a Bugle Instructor, but his impact on the Corps is a bit more profound.

In 1939 the Cadets were invited to perform at the New York World's Fair. Prior to that May 1939 performance, and the worldwide exposure it would entail, the Cadets administrative and instructional staff determined that a world-class uniform would be required. Mr. Joe Huber, destined to become the Cadets' next Director, designed the uniform closely modeled after the West Point Parade Uniform. Permission was obtained from the United States Military Academy at West Point for the use of this design. At the same time our Corps adopted the West Point discipline and honor code as well.

The year 1940 was a milestone year in the history of the Cadets. Mr. Joseph Huber assumed the position of Director (in addition to continuing on as horn and marching instructor). It was under Mr. Huber's watch that the reputation and competitive success of the Cadets began to soar.

The team of Huber and Liptak as instructors had already proven to be a formidable asset for the Cadets. As instructors tend to be, Mr. Huber was far more competitive as a director than his predecessors. . . even more so than his able predecessor Mr. Boyle. It was under Mr. Huber, beginning in 1940, that the Cadets' reputation for demanding discipline was established. Mr. Huber was a perfectionist, and he demanded 100% effort 100% of the time. To the boys in the Corps, it seemed like he was everywhere and saw everything. To say they were in awe of him and feared his wrath would be an understatement. It proved to be a formula for success that would serve the corps very well.

It is my honor to nominate Mr. Joseph Huber to the Cadets Hall of Fame class of 2021.

“For Holy Name Shall Always Be . . .”

Sincerely,

George King

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1954-1961