All Ages Share B'nai B'rith Spotlight

Veterans and youth will share the spotlight at the 15th; annual Cumberland Lodge B'nai B'rith sports night awards dinner at Holiday Inn Exit 8 this evening.

Senior citations will go to Portland High baseball coach Edson Hadlock and former Portland Recreation Department staffer Percy (Deac) Thompson.

Dean of the Telegram League coaches, Hadlock directed his 29th Bulldog pack to a second straight league championship nailed in the playoff rubber with Cheverus yesterday.

Thompson was a stellar outfielder for various local nines some 50-60 years ago after helping Deering High win a state baseball title. Subsequently, Deac gave countless local youngsters a start in the right direction in baseball, tennis and basketball — working at the Oaks and the Lee Building and other areas.

FIVE OUTSTANDING citizen athletes from the Greater Portland larger high schools will also be honored: Eddie Bogdanovich of Portland, Paul Severino of Cheverus, Joe Belyea of South Portland, Stan Eames of Westbrook and Mary Lesniak of Deering.

And, per tradition, senior scholar athletes of the Jewish faith to be cited: Andy Sturman, Barry Rosen, Alan Wolf, Barry Saltz and Al Shane, all of Deering, and Tom Pinansky, Cape Elizabeth.