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EDITOR'S NOTE

Kris Pisarik '(77)

Is it spring yet?

Oh yeah, as I write this, it is. And by the time you read this, it's summer swelter.

Speaking of weather-related topics, I was overcome by a blizzard of emotions at the 21st annual Chelmsford High Alumni Association Hall of Fame induction ceremony in March. While several people keep reassuring me that I belonged at the head table with the other eight incredible inductees, I'm still quite flabbergasted.

For those of you who were there, I won't bore you with a recap of my acceptance speech (though I believe it was one of the shortest of the night). Yeah, I was a very good student and athlete in my days at CHS back, oh, let's say a few years ago, but I wasn't an over-achiever. And while I'm proud of my career in journalism at The Sun, I haven't brought home any Pulitzer Prizes to date. But let's face it. There were some pretty amazing people at my table. Randy Gillies, who roomed with my older brother freshman year at Florida Institute of Technology, is a top-notch Homeland Security expert, using his oceanography background, and financial whiz Eddie Johnson has gone to the mat even more for good causes than he did as a New England champion wrestler for CHS. And they are just two of eight shining examples.

For those of you who don't know me, I obviously drank George Simonian's Kool-Aid and I am a firm believer in the mission of the CHSAA, promoting the great things that happen at our school and supporting students through scholarships. That's the reason I'm there (Hall of Fame) and



that's why I'm here (editor of your Lion's Pride.) Enough said.

Speaking of an emotional roller-coaster, you'd think by my third daughter I'd be used to this whole graduation and moving on thing. But it doesn't get any easier, at least not for me. I will miss Kristi, even though it was my wife she hugged first every morning as a wake-up call to pack the lunches and see her off to school. She's an incredibly talented kid, and a beautiful person inside and out, which is the thing I'm most proud of, even though such matters do not show up on college transcripts.

Finally, if you have a child or grand-child or cousin or nephew or whatever at Chelmsford High, and you think they'd like to get involved in the Lion's Pride, the Alumni Association, or both, please have them drop me a line at pisarik_2000@yahoo. com. We really need to cultivate the future of this wonderful organization. We have an amazing upgraded website, chsalumni.org, and also have Facebook and Twitter pages, so there should be enough impetus for our younger alums to get involved. Please encourage them to do so.





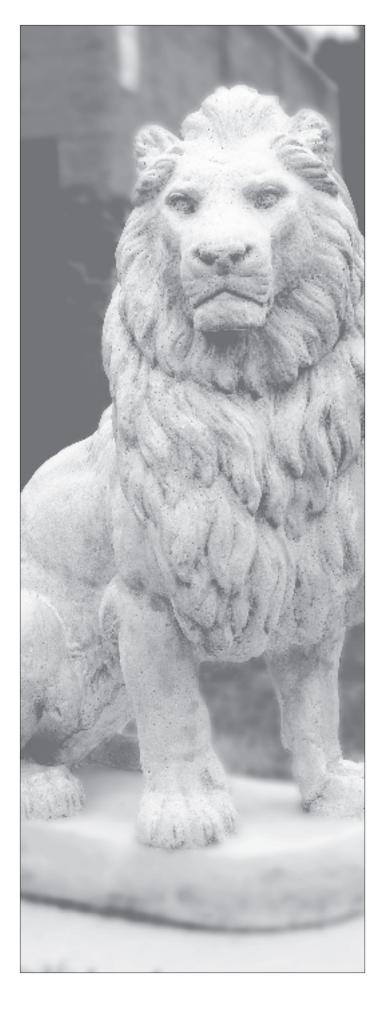
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The Association seeks to offer programs and services to Chelmsford High School alumni and to foster support for the Chelmsford High School community by promoting alumni interest, engaging alumni to contribute their expertise, encouraging alumni and community involvement in student programs and services, and providing social, business and charitable opportunities.

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The vision is to create a passion for the Chelmsford High School Alumni Association that will inspire loyalty and commitment to the organization, and permit alumni to see their involvement as meaningful and exhilarating through:

- 1. Developing the Chelmsford High School Alumni Association as a financially self-sufficient, cohesive, and energetic organization within the Chelmsford community;
- 2. Cultivation of students at Chelmsford High School to ensure participation in the Alumni Association following graduation;
- 3. Providing opportunities for the assembly of its members for the exchange of ideas and opportunities, and for the fostering of camaraderie;
- 4. Establishing an accessible place for its members to assemble and as a repository of historic memorabilia and records to house the offices of the Alumni Association.

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Terry McSheehy

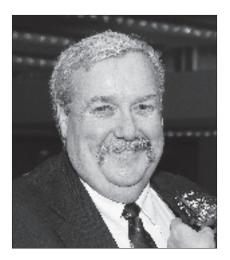
Happy Fourth of July! I say that with full confidence that you will receive this in plenty of time for the Fourth of July.

As I end the 10th year of my presidency, I want to take a moment to thank the many people who have helped me over the years. They are truly appreciated and I will long remember their generosity and friendship.

We had our 21st Hall of Fame induction on March 26th at the Radisson Hotel in Nashua. We had nine outstanding candidates. It was a great night and everything went almost very well (minor sound system problem), the food, the service and attention to detail of the staff was outstanding as usual. I want to thank the Hall of Fame Committee.

I am again asking all members and any non-members who read this to tell us at the CHSAA how we can better serve you. We are seeing a disturbing lack of renewals from our membership and are trying to understand why. If we could retain only 50% of those who drop out we could raise our membership significantly and make for a much more solvent and viable organization. So please let us know, you can contact any member of the Board of Directors or send an e-mail to George Simonian or me. Your help in this matter will be greatly appreciated. My e-mail address is terry.mcsheehy@comcast.net

I want to thank Jessica Del Llano for her efforts with regard to the new and improved Web site. Jessica has worked very hard to coordinate this



and has created a great looking site with Discovery Communications. While it does not have all of the bells and whistles we hope to eventually have, every day it gets more user friendly and informative for our members. Please take a moment to check it out at CHSalumni.org

We had our annual Endowment Fund Awards night where we presented 105 awards to deserving student and alumni of CHS totaling over \$60,000. This was a very enjoyable evening for all of us who were involved and we hope that in the future some of you will find the time to join us for this evening and see how wonderful it is to give back!

It is always an honor to be the President of the CHSAA, and I hope to be writing to you again in the fall as the president.

We will once again be on the common the night of the 3rd of July and morning or the 4th at our booth. Please take a minute to stop by and say hello to us.

Again, have happy and safe Fourth of July holiday.



CHELMSFORD HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

♣ PRINCIPAL'S REPORT ♣

Anne O'Bryant

I want to begin by saying congratulations to all of our new members of the CHS Alumni Hall of Fame class of 2011 and thank the CHS Hall of Fame Committee for planning such a great night to honor Chelmsford High School graduates. That night is always such a great event to see CHS alumni who continue to support each other with a common bond of passion for their high school. There is no question that we have a unique experience as CHS graduates to support each other and it continues, year after year, because of the driving force of our leader, George Simonian.

Spring is here and Chelmsford High School is getting ready for an exciting month to celebrate of our accomplishments for 2010-2011. We are anxiously waiting to see the production of Miss Saigon which has been a magnificent challenge for our students.

Our juniors are preparing for their traditional Junior Cotillion, the seniors for the AP testing and senior events and our spring sports teams are in full swing. We are preparing to invite our new 9th graders into our community with special orientation days and visits for them. We will also be saying goodbye to some of our most dedicated staff members who will be retiring and finally we will be saying goodbye to the class of 2011.

The CHS Musical, Miss Saigon, will be a culmination of theater performances throughout the 2010-2011 school year. This will be a



most challenging production and I have great admiration for the hard work and dedication the cast, crew and advisors have put into this production. Carl Rondina, who has been the director for over 35 years continuously produces sophisticated, challenging and amazing performances. Our students are fortunate to have Carl as their director, his experience and talent has been shared with so many of our talented performers. I also want to say congratulations and thank you to Lauren Cochran who has incredible enthusiasm and energy throughout the year with her ongoing performances including staff, alumni and students. I understand she has even cast a member of the class of 2025 in Miss Saigon. She never stops looking for new talent and opportunities for her students and she encourages them to push their limits.

The Junior Class, under the guidance of their advisors, Mrs. Blakley and Mrs. Murphy, are painting the traditional cotillion theme mural in the cafeteria as students have done

for over 20 years. The junior prom is the "right of passage" to their senior year. The students have such a wonderful night in their own school decorated with all the trimmings to be the back drop of their first prom event. I can't wait to see how attractive all of the students will be dressed up in suits and gowns.

This May, CHS students will take over 460 AP exams. This is a record number of AP exams which is typical of our students who are committed to their academics. The current schedule allows for more students to have opportunities to take these advanced placement exams which also makes them more competitive in getting in the colleges of their choice. We have seniors going to all of the prestigious colleges throughout the country and we wish them all, success over the next four years.

This Memorial Day weekend, the 15th year of the Chelmsford 24 Hour Relay Challenge will host the most teams ever. We have record high 71 teams registered to participate with 10 students and minimum two coaches each. We plan to have over 1,000 people involved whether as volunteers or participants. This event has become a tradition to build relationships between the community members and the students. We have raised over \$200,000 for different community organizations which include the Senior Center, Chelmsford Food Panty, Live Smart, Wish Foundation, Police Youth Programs, and the Fire Department SAFE Programs. The real outcomes are giving young adults leadership

opportunities, goals to accomplish and the opportunity to be outside, active and promoting healthy fun without drugs or alcohol.

The senior events will include a barbecue, prom, comedy night, breakfast, banquet and graduation. We will celebrate the accomplishments of the class of 2011 with an Academics Award Night, Foreign Language Honors Inductions, Activities Award Night ,Spring Sports Award and finally the CHS Alumni Scholarship Night. We are fortunate to have the opportunities to recognize our students for their hard work and accomplishments.

We will welcome the new incoming class of 2015 in August with an orientation for our new students. The student mentors, who have been trained to work with the freshmen, will spend the day with the 9th graders to help them feel more comfortable coming to CHS. The administration will spend all summer getting ready for the new school year, getting their schedules ready and fixing up the building. CHS will be getting all new windows. We will also be getting all new locks on every door at CHS. These improvements to our facility continue to make it a

better place for students and staff.

The end of the year is always bittersweet. We have so many wonderful accomplishments to celebrate, but it means we will have the seniors moving on and some of our staff retiring. It will be particularly emotional to say goodbye to Jack Fletcher, Donna Foley and Carol Pilat, CHS alums, colleagues and passionate teacher leaders at CHS. We will also be saying goodbye to Cyrus Comninos, Emerson House guidance, Ken Healy and Linda Zekos, both math teachers and John Kamal, English teacher, as well as, at the District Level, Donna Hussey, English Language Coordinator. This veteran talent is a loss to CHS and we wish them health and happiness in the future.

I wish you all a wonderful summer break and I look forward to the 2011-2012 school year. Congratulations to our seniors who will be moving on and to our colleagues who will be retiring.

Anne L. O'Bryant, Principal CHS Class of 1971

CHSAA NEW MEMBERS

Maureen (Tousignant) Anderson – 1969 – Lowell MA Mary (Ferreira) Barlow - 1978 - Whitinsville MA Gary Bennett – 1977 – East Sandwich MA Katie (True) Bisbo – 1999 – Nashua NH Danica Breton - 2010 - Chelmsford MA James Davis – 1996 – Marlborough MA Jesse Erhartic – 2006 – Melrose MA David Gagnon – 1976 – Stokesdale NC Stacey (McEnaney) Mann – 1993 – North Chelmsford MA Jennifer (King) Merrill – 1986 – Chelmsford MA James Lane, Jr. - 1983 - Chelmsford MA Jennifer Lee – 2004 – Hartford CT Elizabeth (Kelber) McGrory – 1996 – Billerica MA Sheila Marand – 2010 – Chelmsford MA Sheima Marand – 2010 – Chelmsford MA Caitlin Mitchell - 2004 - Chelmsford MA Danielle (Day) Notini – 1994 – Lowell MA Alexander Olsen – 1961 – Littleton MA Paula (Merriman) Olsen – 1961 – Littleton MA Richard Romano – 1982 – Chelmsford MA Judith (Cushing) Thomas Chelmsford MA (Assoc. member)

Lynn (Lockhart) Reslow-Taylor – 1976 – Tewksbury MA



CHS ALUMNI PROFILE

By Kris Pisarik ('77)

CHRISTINE (FRASSICA) SCAPLEN, CHS '87

Back in town barely a day after returning from a mini vacation to New York City with her two sons, you can still hear the excitement in Christine Scaplen's voice through her cell phone.

"It was great. We just like to explore and kind of go off the beaten path," says Scaplen, a 1987 graduate of CHS, who back then was known as Christine Frassica. "My kids (Sean is CHS freshman and Timothy's a sixth-grader at Parker School) really love good food, which is a nice thing, because so do I."

A year earlier, the family's trip to the Big Apple included a visit with a renowned graffiti artist in lower Manhattan to help satiate Tim's passion for the art. A visit to Little Italy quenched all their appetites.

"It's nice to get the kids away from the routine and force them to interact together," says Scaplen, adding that next year she'll look for a new venue.

It is this adventurous spirit and her Energizer-Bunny-esque personality that friends and colleagues say drive Scaplen in all she takes on, whether it's being a major force in Lowell General Hospital's public relations department or being an ardent blogger on the Chelmsford High School Alumni Association's new web site (chs.alumni.org). She's also a class agent for the Lion's Pride and has served on the membership committee, the capital campaign



committee and the social media committee.

"She's extremely bright. Her energy level is incredible. She's a dynamo," says her best friend of 36 years and fellow class of '87 alum Elisa

(Simonian) Ouellette. "She has friends in all walks of life."

Scaplen loves to be a communicator, and she handles most of LGH's external communications, ranging from For Your Health magazine, ads,

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press releases, media, and supporting the hospital's fund-raising effort,.

"To be able to explain to people in a very understandable way what a certain condition is, or procedure is and convey some of the excitement" is very rewarding, she says. "You don't plan to have knee surgery, to have a heart attack," Scaplen says. "But to relate to real life, to explain better how it can be prevented and treated... I enjoy talking about that."

She gets to work across all sorts of media, "whether it's print or social media, radio... a lot of different things," she says of the decade she's spent working for the hospital. "It gets back to my personality, and it's variety, every day is different. It's an organization that I'm really passionate about."

Her professional career began in the medical device industry, with an internship at CR Bard after graduation from CHS which led to full-time employment after earning her BA in English in 1991 from Holy Cross. With changes in the industry in the '90s she shifted gears into communications.

And 10 years from now, where will Christine Scaplen be working?

"I have absolutely no idea, but I know it will be something that ties together all the aspects along this journey," she says. "Everything I've done is something that has pulled together a lot of different experiences. I'm about connecting people and events. I am not sure. Hopefully I am inspiring people... doing something I'm passionate about."

Another thing she's still quite passionate about is CHS. Scaplen says she had a lot of great teachers.

"Spanish was my favorite," she recalls. "I was excited about the culture and the language. You get to switch on a different part of your brain." She took AP Spanish and participated in an exchange program her senior year, visiting Spain.

"It was great to use the language...
to discover you were able to use it,"
she says. Her group flew into Madrid
and the town they stayed in was in
Galicio province, a 7-hour train ride
to the country's northwest region.

"I went into a dining car for a snack, struck up a conversation and we sat there and talked for 45 minutes just in Spanish," Scaplen says. "It was very moving. I had learned a language and it worked."

She obviously wasn't too shabby in English, either. She had Patricia Mahoney for ninth-grade English. "She was sort of my inspiration."

Scaplen's full-speed-ahead personality was evident in high school, with few stones left unturned in her educational odyssey.

"Having so many opportunities right there at your fingertips" was something she says she cherished. "As an adult, I have less free time and you have to work at pulling those things together. At CHS there were so many opportunities to do so many different things," recalls the former Student Council president, field hockey player, gymnast, and Spanish Honor Society member, to name a few.

Now when she has time, even her relaxation consists of high-energy pursuits: skiing, snow-shoeing, surfing, rock climbing, and just spending time with friends and family.

One she spends a lot of time with is Ouellette, whom she met at Harrington Elementary School. They've been together since, and while Scaplen went on to be Student Council President, Ouellette became class treasurer.

"She's somebody you'd want by your side," says Ouellette. I've been truly blessed to have her in my life."

Scaplen says she loves her former school, and her adopted town. Her family moved to town in 1973, a "blow-in," as the non-natives are called. Her parents Jim and Claire Frassica, still live in the Essex Place house she lived in. Scaplen's now a resident of the North Chelmsford neighborhood.

When pressed for her least favorite CHS memory, Scaplen is stumped.

"I'm at a loss for words, that doesn't happen often," she says. "I know a few people who couldn't wait to get out, but I had a really great experience."

At freshman orientation last fall, Sean, and his father (Scaplen's former husband David Scaplen, also CHS class of '87) were sitting with her and she had a huge smile on her face. She says David nudged her and said, "you really want to be back here, don't you?" In a heartbeat, though she seems pretty upbeat about all aspects of her life.

"I had really good friends," she says. "The friends I am the closest to are my longtime friends from Chelmsford High School."

Says Ouellette, "Christine always says that I'm her constant. In my opinion, it's the other way around. She's the best."

CHS ALUMNI.ORG

Check Out Our Newly Upgraded Website!! www.chsalumni.org

We want to make sure that everyone in the Alumni Association is aware that our Web Site has been totally upgraded. It has a new, more professional "face," and it has functionality that makes it much more than just a quick drop-in.

Memberships can be started or renewed by PayPal. You can read the Blog, which includes entries from alums from different decades. You can comment on the entries. You can submit a blog entry for possible inclusion. You can contribute to the Capital Campaign. There are features - more coming all the time - that make it worth an occasional visit: Reunion News, fun postings of pictures, current CHS happenings. It's been a labor of love for Jessica McSheehy Del Llano ('96) and we hope that you will take advantage of this chance to see something new - and we hope you'll want to respond or contribute!

You can also hear a new song, 'We're Moving Up, but Giving Back," by Kris Pisarik, Class of '77, which captures the spirit of the Alumni Association and is written from a graduating senior's perspective with perhaps an eye toward a future with the organization. Let us know what you think on our blog and Facebook and Twitter pages.

CALLING ALL LION CUBS!

Don't wait until you graduate to become involved with the CHS Alumni Association. Be part of it today. You can start by sharing your ideas for articles, perhaps even writing a guest article or column for an upcoming issue of the Lion's Pride. Maybe you have an idea for a new feature that would appeal to the present student body. Share those with Editor Kris Pisarik. He can be reached at Pisarik_2000@yahoo.com.

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CHS STUDENT PROFILE

By Debbie Haywood ('74)

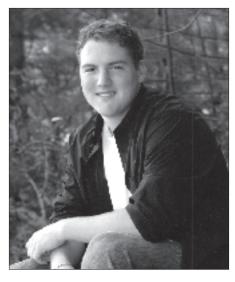
ANDREW FIELDING

This month's student profile is an outstanding all-around senior boy, Andrew Fielding. Andrew is the son of Kim (Robertson'86) and Jonathan Fielding'82. He has two younger brothers who just can't wait to get up to Chelmsford High School. Clifford is a member of the Class of 2016 and Adam is in the Class of 2021. Andrew said, "I hope my brothers have the same opportunities and four fantastic years at Chelmsford High School as I have had."

Andrew's resume is one most of us would be envious of. Academically, he is consistently on the high honor roll and is a member of the National Honor Society. His essay was selected for Rachel's Challenge, a national group committed to making a change to the school by starting a chain reaction of kindness and compassion.

National Honor Society advisor Katherine Doulamis said, "Andrew is a kind, intelligent, highly motivated individual who positively enhances the classroom. Andrew always aspires to be his best, and by example, leads others to do the same. His most effective and valuable quality is his sterling character. Andrew's kindness, compassion, and integrity are genuine. During PLUS block, Andrew often brought in baked goods which he made from scratch to brighten up our day. No one knew he was going to do this, and that made the treat that much sweeter."

He is a very talented and active participant of the Fine Arts Department. His roles are varied from



having the lead in the fall play to being director of the children's play. He has also served as assistant director, play cast director and chorus member. He also is a member of the chorus, jazz chorus and marching band.

Theater Guild advisor and a member of the Fine Arts Department Lauren Cochran says, "Andrew brightens every room he enters. He is funny, intelligent, warm and kind. As an actor, I have seen him grow from quiet and shy to uninhibited and exuberant. I call him Andy (he calls me Nana), an inside joke that we share. Andrew... well...none can compare."

His participation in the annual Mr. CHS contest was one for the record books. No one will ever forget his imitation of Mad TV"S Mrs. Swan. When asked what he liked best about being part of Mr. CHS he quickly replied, "Working with and meeting people I didn't know that well." Andrew's talents do not stop on the

stage. He is very active in the Boys Scouts of America, serving as a troop guide, patrol leader and an assistant patrol leader. In 2010 he earned the prestigious Eagle Scout Award. Some of you may have noticed his project while driving by Ayotte Field. There is a beautiful new flag pole and garden area which he graciously dedicated to the late Harry Ayotte.

As with most well-rounded students, Andrew's activities are not all within the walls of CHS. His attitude and compassion for others is part of his everyday demeanor. Mrs. Doulamis says it best, "Andrew is a wonderful, thoughtful human being who cares very much about all people." He is an active member of our community and his church. He has participated in the Walk for Hunger since 2007, volunteered at the Haunt for a Cure at Camp Paul and for St. Paul's Meal as well as being a member of the WCUMC Senior Youth Fellowship. On top of all he does in school and for the community he finds time to hold down a part-time job. Andrew can be seen displaying his outstanding people skills while working at the Paper Store. I think Mrs. Quinn, the History Department head, sums it up best when asked about Andrew she simply stated, "He is fantastic!"

I am sure we all agree. Please join me in wishing CHS Class of 2011 graduate Andrew Fielding well as he begins his next phase of his education at Syracuse University. Congratulations Andrew on all you have accomplished.



IN THE ARTS

By Christina Whittlesey

Spring is here, and the CHS Fine and Performing Arts Department continues to bloom with the season! Our students, parents, and faculty members have accomplished much over the past months, and I look forward to sharing their endeavors with you.

This month, the Theater Department is celebrating the great success of their musical, Miss Saigon. The show, directed by the "Musical Dream Team" composed of Lauren Cochran and Carl Rondina, has been playing to packed audiences in the Performing Arts Center and features a large and talented cast. Their original play, Are You for Cereal? Written by students Julia Messier and Jenny Proscia, was performed in February to a giggling audience of all ages. More information about the Theater Guild's many successful shows this year can be found on their website, www.chelmsfordtheater.com.

This has also been a dynamic season for our Art Department. Most notably, 31 Art students from the Chelmsford High School, Parker and McCarthy Middle Schools earned awards at the Boston Globe-Scholastic Art Awards.

The Boston Globe Scholastic Art Awards Program is administered by the New England Art Education Conference in cooperation with the Massachusetts Art Education Association. The program staff works on the development of policy and program implementation in conjunction with a state Advisory Board, which is made up of respected members of the art education community who have extensive experience with junior and senior high school art programs in public, private and religious schools.

Students in Grades 7-12 enrolled in public and non-public schools in Massachusetts submitted entries for adjudication at the beginning of January.

There are several levels of awards:

- American Vision Nominee
- Senior Portfolio Gold Key
- Scholarship
- Gold Key
- Silver Kev
- Honorable Mention

The American Vision Nominee works, Scholarship winning works, Gold Key winning works, and Silver Key winning works were exhibited at the Massachusetts State Transportation Building at 10 Park Plaza in Boston from Monday Feb. 14 through Friday April 8, 2011.

Those students whose work received a Gold Key have had their work shipped to the national competition. If selected at the national level, their work may be chosen for exhibition in New York for the National Exhibit.

The following students have received awards this year:

Julia Messier

Gold Key Portfolio

Joshua Shiau Gold Key Portfolio

Amanda Marcotte Gold Key Portfolio

Emily Majeski Gold Key

Alissa Buckland Silver Key

Julia Messier Silver Key

Veronica Gordon Honorable Mention

Michelle Janiak

Honorable Mention

Rachael Kane Honorable Mention

Jui-Shin Kuo Honorable Mention

Courtney L'Hussier *Honorable Mention*

Amanda Marcotte Honorable Mention

Heather Soucy
Honorable Mention

Bridget Sweeney
Honorable Mention

Eric Bass
Honorable Mention

In addition to this project, our art students have had their work displayed this year at our annual K-12 exhibit at the Chelmsford Public Library and the second annual all-town art

show at the rotary Starbucks in Chelmsford. Many of our CHS art teachers have put special effort into promoting and sharing their students' work in the Globe Art Festival, the Library Exhibit, the Starbucks Exhibit, and other projects including the Junior Duck Stamp Program, the Tsongas Art Competition, and the Rivier College Create Your Own Boundaries online exhibit (http://www.rivier. edu/academics/departments/ Default.aspx?ID=13044). Special congratulations are due to these dedicated teachers: Paula Brown, Diane Cogliano, Bette Gagnon, and Teresa Karangioze.

Our Music Department is also moving full speed ahead through the season. On March 29th, the CHS Band students gathered on the Performing Arts Center Stage for an extended clinic with Dr. Brian Cardany. CHS Band Director Matthew Sexauer and CHS Marching Band Assistant, Allison Lacasse, organized the visit. Clinician Brian Cardany has been

the Associate Director of Bands at the University of Rhode Island since 2002. Dr. Cardany also serves as the Assistant Conductor of the American Band of Providence and the Associate Conductor of the URI Symphony Orchestra, and has finished his first summer season as Conductor for the South County Chamber Orchestra. The CHS clinic with Dr. Cardany was held in preparation for the Symphonic Band's performances at the CHS Spring Concert the annual Massachusetts Instrumental and Choral Conductor's Association MICCA festival...and what a festival it was!

The CHS Symphonic Band and the CHS Orchestra traveled together to Bellingham on April 8 to perform for experts in the music field and other student musicians from around the state at the MICCA Festival. Participating groups were evaluated on the merit of their performance, and awards were presented based on a medals system. Groups achieving a score in the highest rating bracket

receive a Gold Medal; groups in the second bracket receive a Silver Medal; groups in the third bracket receive a Bronze Medal; groups in the fourth bracket receive a Medal of Merit; and groups in the fifth bracket receive a Festival Participation Medal. This year, our CHS Symphonic Band directed by Matt Sexauer was awarded a SILVER MEDAL, and the CHS Orchestra directed by Kate Comeau was awarded a GOLD MEDAL. All Gold Medal ensembles had the opportunity to perform at the 2011 "Stars at Symphony" gold medal showcase at Symphony Hall in Boston, and Ms. Comeau conducted the group for a large audience for this event. What an achievement for our students!

significant time and effort dedicated by students and directors to preparation of the groups, and the directors should be commended for the passion for music that they share with their students. In addition, many of Chelmsford's band, chorus, and orchestra students worked diligently this year with their teachers to prepare for statelevel music events, including the MMEA's Junior District, and All-State Festivals. The talent and drive of these students is consistently demonstrated through the sheer numbers of students who are accepted each year, and this year has produced another crop of successful auditions!

Each of these medals represent

JUNIOR DISTRICT

After auditions of 969 students from more than 95 public and private schools held in January, 427 students from grades seven through nine were selected to participate in this prestigious Massachusetts Music



(From L-R): CHS Chorus Director Carl Rondina, All State Girls Chorus student Leah Gray, All State Orchestra student Emily Luan, CHS Orchestra Director Kate Comeau, All State Orchestra student (representing CHS Band) Elizabeth Sperry, CHS Band Director Matt Sexauer, Chelmsford Fine Arts Dept. Head Christy Whittlesey

Educators Association event. The program is offered by the MMEA as an enrichment opportunity providing a musical experience to talented young people. The students were selected to perform in the Junior District Concert Band, Orchestra, Girls Chorus and Boys Chorus, and performed a rousing concert at Lowell High School in Lowell, MA on Saturday, March 19.

The following students represented Chelmsford Public Schools in the MMEA Junior District Festivals:

Jack Olsonband, Band Caitlin Coggins, Girls Chorus Carly Fokos, Girls Chorus Delany Gembis, Girls Chorus Lauren Leedberg, Girls Chorus Brenda Lapierre, Orchestra Joseph Liao, Orchestra Michelle Liu, Orchestra Rebecca Mackillop, Orchestra Jeffrey You, Orchestra

ALL STATE

Students who were accepted into the Senior District Festival this year and received a score in the top 50% of their area were eligible to audition for the MMEA All-State Ensembles. These auditions took place at the end of January. Those students selected for the All-State Ensembles performed at Symphony Hall in Boston at the end of March. Chelmsford schools are fortunate to have each CHS performance

ensemble represented in our students accepted to perform in this event. The following students represented Chelmsford Public Schools in the MMEA All State Festival:

Leah Gray, Grade 12:
CHS Chorus
(All State Chorus: Alto)
Emily Luan, Grade 12:
CHS Orchestra
(All State Orchestra: Violin)
Elizabeth Sperry, Grade 9:
CHS Band
(All State Orchestra: Flute)



Back Row L-R Danielle LaPierre, Ann Lin, Kate Comeau, Emily Totten, Katherine Chan Front Row: Yung-Fu Fung, Marilla Gucwa, Amanda Chang, Emily Luan, Bradley Harrington with their Gold MICCA Medal.

Special thanks to Chelmsford Friends of Music; this organization pays for the registration fees for all District and All State festival participation.

I hope you were able to enjoy the CHS Band's second annual performance at the Chelmsford Town Meeting in April, whether in person or on one of your local TeleMedia channels.

If you have not caught the CHS performance groups yet this year, I would like to invite you to one of their upcoming events:

- CHS Pops Concert at the PAC on May 25th
- Chelmsford Friends of Music/Fine Arts Dept. Fund-Raising Concert with Charlie Farren at the PAC on May 22nd
- CHS Band will perform at the Chelmsford Memorial Day Concert and the July 4th Concert
- CPS performance ensembles, theater guild representatives, and art students are regularly featured on our district's Fine and Performing Arts Dept. show, "Spotlight on Fine Arts," which can be viewed on TeleMedia channel 22 (visit www. chelmsfordtv.org for scheduling).

We are fortunate to have such a supportive community for the Arts, and the faculty and I look forward to continuing our work with the CHS students through the spring.

I would like to thank the faculty in the department for their tireless commitment to our department, school, and students. They are:

ART: Paula Brown Diane Cogliano Bette Gagnon Eric Hoover Terry Karangioze

MUSIC/THEATER:

Lauren Cochran, Music/Drama Kate Comeau, Orchestra Carl Rondina, Chorus/Musical Matt Sexauer, Band In closing, I wish our CHS Alumni all the best as the weather warms up – I hope to see you at some of our spring and summer events!

Sincerely, Christina Whittlesey Fine and Performing Arts Department Head Chelmsford Public Schools



Julia Messier prepares one of her pieces for an art competition in Teresa Karangioze's class.



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CHELMSFORD HIGH SCHOOL

ATHLETICS DEPARTMENT

Winter 2010-2011

- ▶ 479 of 1,576 students (30%) at Chelmsford High School participated in programs offered in the Athletic Department.
- ▶ 12 Athletic programs were offered, 24 teams fielded, and a student training program sponsored.
- ▶ 6 of 6 potential state tournament qualifying teams qualified for the State Tournament. (Boys & Girls Basketball, Boys & Girls Ice Hockey, Gymnastics, Wrestling)
- ▶ 2 Teams were Merrimack Valley Conference champions. (Girls Basketball, Gymnastics – 6 of the last 7 years)
- ▶ 2 Teams were Merrimack Valley Conference Championship Meet Champions. (Gymnastics, Boys Swimming & Diving)

- ▶ 2 Athletes were Boston Globe/ Herald All-Scholastics. (Mark Tracy – Swimming, Eleanor Almeida – Gymnastics)
- ▶ 10 Athletes qualified to participate in their sports' National Meet. (Hayley Rennie – Gymnastics, Ali Wood – Mile Run, Alanah Busby, Kristi Pisarik, Jennie Pisarik, Ali Wood – Girls Distance Medley Relay, Connor Brimley, AJ Jaquint, Joe Maniscalco, Vincent Maniscalco – Boys 4 x 200 Relay)
- ▶ 45 Athletes were chosen as Merrimack Valley Conference All-Star or All-Conference athletes.
- ▶ 1 Athlete was chosen as his sports' Swimmer of the year. (Mark Tracy – Swimming)
- ▶ 1 Athlete was a State Champion in his Swimming event. (Mark Tracy – 100 Fly)
- ▶ 1 Coach was chosen as his sports' Coach of the Year. (Kevin Branco – Girls Basketball)

- ▶ 1 Athlete was a Division I North Sectional Champion. (Lou Ferrer – Wrestling)
- ▶ 5 Athletes were 2nd Place Finishers in the Division I North Sectional Meet. (Jared Ayotte, Ben Melisi, Jim Clasen, - Wrestling; Mark Tracy – Swimming, Dan Pires – Diving)
- 4 Athletes and 1 swimming relay team were 1st place finishers in the Merrimack Valley Conference Championship Meet. (Hayley Rennie Vault; Mark Tracy 100 Fly, 500 free; Dan Pires 1m Dive; Ali Wood mile run; David DeNovellis, Shane Sullivan, Nikko March, Mark Tracy 200 Free Relay)
- ▶ 1 Athlete set a meet record in the Merrimack Conference Championship Meet. (Ali Wood – mile run)
- ▶ 10 Athletes were chosen as Lowell Sun All-Stars.

WINTER 2010-2011 MAJOR AWARD RECIPIENTS

Any help in acknowledging these fine young athlete's accomplishments would be greatly appreciated.

Boys Basketball

MVP: Matt Daniels/Corey Everleigh MIP: Patrick McLaughlin Scholar Athlete: Matt Coughlan

Girls Basketball

MVP: Jennifer Janiak MIP: Donovan Driscoll Scholar Athlete: Shruthi Srinivas

Cheerleaders

MVP: Allison Knightly MIP: Kate Gaffney Scholar Athlete: Allison Knightly

Gymnastics

MVP: Eleanor Almeida MIP: Hayley Rennie

Scholar Athlete: Chelsea Diggs

Boys Ice Hockey

MVP: Matt Powers

MIP: Slade Forni/Sean Gervais Scholar Athlete: Sean O'Shaughnessy

Girls Ice Hockey

MVPs: Andrea Madore
Dani Crawford
MIP: Emma Hickey

Scholar Athlete: Caitlin Doonan

Boys Skiing

MVP: Steve McLeod MIP: Mark Daly

Scholar Athlete: Ándrew Antonitis

Girls Skiing

MVP: Molly Obendorf MIP: Megan DeNovellis Scholar Athlete: Sarabeth Upson

Boys Swimming & Diving

MVP: Mark Tracy MIP: Patrick Curran Scholar Athlete: Kim Yie

Boys Indoor Track

MVP: Vinny Maniscalco MIP: Connor Brimley Scholar Athlete: Brian Rose

Girls Indoor Track

MVP: Kristi Pisarik MIP: Brittany Oliver

Scholar Athlete: Caroline Coughlin

Wrestling:

MVP: Jared Ayotte MIP's: Ben Melisi

Scholar Athlete: Jared Ayotte

Basketball Officials – Board 95 – Peter Sheehan Sportsmanship Award:

Matthew Daniels

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September 9th, 2011

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Mail your materials to:

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E-mail class news, suggestions, corrections, or questions to the Class News Editor at: duxwilli@verizon.net

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CHSAA CLASS NEWS

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CLASS OF 1937

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Unfortunately, I have much sad news to report.

Our "1937 Class Queen" has died. Gary and Dave George wrote that their mother Shirley (MacLean) George passed away on January 24, 2011 in Biddeford ME. Shirley and her husband, Edgar, also a classmate, had moved to Kennebunkport ME from Daytona Beach FL where they had spent many years in retirement. Theirs was a true love story. Shirley was eight years old when she became friends with her neighbor, Edgar George, unaware that she would eventually marry him and spend the next 84 years with him as a friend and later as a happily wedded couple, having married in 1943. Wherever she lived, she was an avid flower gardener. Her son Gary was a member of the Class of 1963 and David graduated from CHS as well. Our hearts go out to Edgar, Gary, and David.

Scott Boyd phoned to advise me that his Dad, Charlton Boyd died on Friday, February 4, 2011, at age 91, in Dana Point CA. Charlton was a

favorite classmate of ours. He had a habit of calling several of us once a month for many years and, in this way, he kept in touch with his former classmates and his hometown. Following our last reunion, I picked him up outside the Radisson Hotel and drove him to all corners of Chelmsford, especially around Golden Cove Road, where his Dad had built a home for his family of nine children. It was a wonderful afternoon of reminiscing about the "olden days when we were young and carefree." "Charlie" served as a naval communications officer during WWII and, in later years, served as mayor of Laguna Beach, Calif. I had nominated him for the CHSAA Hall of Fame and he was inducted in March of 1994. Charlie is survived by his sons, Scott and Alan, by his daughter, Lucy Adams, and by five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. You are with us in spirit, Charlie. At this point, I might say that we were a graduating class of 86. Now, I believe there may be less than 30 of us left.

More sad news: the third person in our class who passed away this year, regretfully, was William (Bill) Hill. He was 90 years old when he died on April 13, 2011. Bill and I kept in touch on occasion as years passed and I was always happy to hear from him. He liked to tease me about being older than he. He died at 90. I had made a mistake in our last issue

of Lion's Pride, making myself a year older! I was 92 on March 5 and I find I have a lot of company at that age. Like most boys in our class, he enlisted in the service during WWII and served in the South Pacific from 1942-1946. For the past 29 years, Bill was a resident of South Dennis on Cape Cod. He was an avid golfer. While I played golf until I was 82, Bill was still golfing the last time I spoke to him about two months ago. His wife, Ann (Mikalopas) died in 1998. He leaves his daughter, Donna (Hill) Gorton and his son, W. Michael Hill, DDS. Bill's brother, Jimmie, was a member of the Class of 1943, same as my sister, Millie (LeClair) (Mochrie) Harmon. His sister, Millicent (Hill) O'Connor, also graduated from CHS. We send our heartfelt sympathy to Bill's family. He was such a vibrant, jolly, and friendly person.

There is happier news. I found Thelma (Corr) Williams at home. She is living with her daughter, Beverly Cahoon, at 144 Sisson Rd., Harwich MA 02645, and her telephone number is 508-432-5642. I enjoyed talking with Thelma for awhile. I recalled what a great basketball player she was on our CHS basketball team. Thelma has two grown grandchildren.

I was not lucky with all my calls. My call to Gertrude (McNulty) Marcoux was returned by her son, Michael.

He informed me that his Mom had died Aug. 3, 2005. I expressed our sympathy and said that we felt badly for not knowing about it sooner. Michael said he and all family members still miss Gertrude greatly as she was family-oriented and loved having her family gathered around her. – Affectionately, Dot

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Hello classmates - What a snowy winter we had here in New England and I'll take it any day! It doesn't scare me as badly as the hurricanes, tornadoes, and floods that have hit the other parts of the USA.

I got a nice letter from Emerson Kolesnikoff this past February and boy has he been busy! Emerson now lives in Gladwyne PA after 30+ years spent in Ohio. He and his wife, Barbara, are busy volunteering their time for different organizations especially at their church. Emerson is an avid reader and plays golf and bridge. He has skied and hiked the Swiss Alps and has spent a great deal of time in St. Croix. 17 grandchildren also occupy his time. It was so good to receive such an upbeat cheery. letter from you, Emerson, and I'll see if I can locate Bob Campbell for you. -Take care, Sallie

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HELLO AGAIN

I feel like the movie "Hello Again" where the dead wife comes back to life. Or maybe I am the "Ghost Whisperer" and you have all "passed over."

Since I became class agent, I have only heard from Lewis Croft (actually from his computer literate wife). I am ready to presume that Lou and I are the "last men standing" and I am not so sure of Lou. I recently noticed that the life expectancy is 78.4 years. I do know that when I complain or worry, my doctors say "Quitcher Bi - - - ing, you have already beaten the odds at 84 years old!"

Anyway gang, I would sure like to hear from you and I'm sure other classmates would too. I see that several of you have signed my page on the website "classmates": Leonard Haberman ('45), Theresa Sargent, Barbara Jones ('44), Bob Jones, Winslow George ('41), Eleanor Silk (my cousin I think), and Earl Russell ('46).

That old Irish mother-in-law of mine "Gerty Kelly" (Joan's mom), used to escape the cold Lowell winters by coming to Southern California visiting us for several months. When she was returning to Lowell she would always say "I'll be back next year if I'm living; if I'm not I won't bother." So, in Nana Kelly's words, "I'll write again next time, if I'm still living; if I'm not, I won't bother." PS Gertrude Kelly was a lady building contractor who built several high-end homes in Lowell's Belvidere section; one on the river road sold to Mary Pollard and George Boyce our CHS teachers.

As ever and with all best wishes, *Mert Stevens*

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Our sympathy is extended to Anne (Ballinger) Iwen and family on the death of her husband, Milton. They were at their home in Lutz, FL.

It is our 60th year. Anyone interested in something simple, like a brunch locally? Send me your ideas and we'll see what we can put together. - Thanks. Pat

Our condolences to the family of Kathleen (Harrington) Manchester who died in January. She leaves her husband of 50 years, Russell W. Manchester and their five children. She also leaves her sister Eileen Collomb ('55), and her brothers Robert E. ('62), and John ('66). She taught English for over thirty years in Bedford and Maynard MA, and Moriches (on Long Island) NY. She and her husband lived in St. Augustine FL after their retirement where Kathie was active in the Women's Club and Women's Golf Group at the Marsh Creek Country Club.

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James Miner of Palm Beach Gardens FL has spent the last six years enjoying his semi-retirement as a starter and ranger at the Ibis Country Club in West Palm Beach.

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Nancy and Gladys have been our class agents since this publication began. We thank them both for their great years of service. Now, with the passing of Gladys, Nancy put out a cry for help - and I responded. Most of you know that Henry, my brother, was the Editor of "The Lion's Pride" for several years, so I think my giving time to the publication is perhaps due.

I encourage each of you to keep in touch with Nancy (978-256-9363) as she plays the role as our "Mother Hen," keeping all her charges (us) in place. She is the fountain of knowledge of the CHS Class of 1953.

I would be delighted if you e-mail me (zabierek@aol.com) or call me on my cell: (239-246-5354) with news about yourself, or others, that you think may be newsworthy. As a class we have been very close – and as old age rapidly creeps up on us, it seems old memories, time and places, friends and family, play a more important role in our lives.

60th Class Reunion

NANCY RECEIVED A
RESOUNDING "YES" FROM
HER QUESTION ABOUT
A 60TH REUNION IN THE
LETTER SHE MAILED TO US.
Those among you who attended the
55th reunion remember the super
time we had – great camaraderie,
excellent food, and a lot of good,
clean laughs. If anyone amongst us
has any ideas about where we should
hold it and when we should hold
it, please feed those to Nancy for
consideration.

Looking forward to seeing each and every one of you there!

CLASSMATE SNAPSHOT

For each edition of Lion's Pride I am going to select one or two of

our classmates to profile – lots has happened to all of us over these past 55+ years, and we will highlight some of those.

CLASSMATE SNAPSHOT: DICK WRIGHT

Dick, a graduate of Worcester Polytechnic Institute, is our class rocket scientist working at Raytheon for 38 years as a circuit design engineer. He built guidance systems for the Polaris, Poseidon, and Trident missiles as well as the Apollo guidance system for our moon trips. Dick lives in Acton with his wife of 31 years, Binki. There are four children in the Wright family and as of this printing, 6 grandchildren.

Interestingly, Dick's grandfather, George Wright, was Superintendent of Schools in Chelmsford for most of the years we were students.

The Wrights summer at their camp on Lake Sebago in Maine. In the fall they enjoy their timeshare for 3 weeks in Saint Maarten. For 60 years, since he was a CHS junior, Dick has been an active ham radio operator.

Pull http://semiconductormuseum. com/MuseumIndex.htm up on your computer for some history making activity about the Polaris submarines at Cape Canaveral that Dick worked on .He was also present when JFK was in Florida to watch the Polaris missile test firings and worked for Raytheon at Canaveral while the 7 original astronauts were there.

CLASSMATE SNAPSHOT: JOAN (CUTRUMBES) CLEMENT
High School friends marry. The woman is the oldest daughter of a successful Mill Road farmer.
The man had to leave high school early, but spent 7 years part time taking courses at the University of Massachusetts at Lowell, earning himself a Bachelor's in Mechanical Engineering. For 20 years he worked

at Raytheon. And, in their spare time, this couple built their own home on Mill Road where she lives today. This defines the Clement family – Bob and Joan (Cutrumbes) Clement.

Joan is truly a special person who is very level headed. She and Bob had 4 children (2+2) and 9 grandchildren, all who live and work in New England. Joan was an Instructional Aid for 20 years in the Chelmsford Schools. For several years she was the Aid for another classmate, Sylvia Osterman, who was a Special Education teacher in Chelmsford. Both Joan and Sylvia were charter members of "The 1953 Girls" who generally meet monthly for lunch.

Bob passed at 67 years of age after 41 years of marriage. Today, Joan volunteers at the All Saint's Church in Chelmsford Center, but her love obviously is horticulture. To visit Joan's home is a delight, Joan loves country! There are blooming flowers and shrubs everywhere. There is not one wilted leaf on any of them – this green thumb lady (actually she has 10 green fingers!) – simply won't allow it.

TIDBITS

Ellie (Gray) Gatenby writes from her home in Virginia that she and her husband, Art, are avid golfers and members of the Fairfax Country Club. The head professional at their club is Matt Gallagher. Somehow, in conversation, they discovered Matt is the son and nephew of two CHS graduates-Matt's Dad owned Gallagher Drug Store in Lowell and his Aunt Louise graduated CHS in 1954. Matt was especially surprised when Ellie produced CHS Cheerleading pictures of his aunt, Valerie, (Ellie's sister), and herself. Ellie's prowess at golf is evident in her winning the "Beat the Pro" Tournament a few years ago. Lillian (Chevalier) Coppeta and

her "internet husband" Bob, from Canada, will be celebrating their second anniversary on July 4. They are back in Nashua for as long as reasonable weather holds out. Bob finally received his "green card" allowing him to work in the United States; he is a Compound Pharmacist – meaning he makes medicine from scratch, perhaps using a mortar and pestle. He won't be working soon, though, as he and Lillian have scheduled a visit to Calgary for a week to visit one of his children and then off to Mill Valley, CA (near San Francisco) to visit one of Lillian's kids.

So long for now – Roy

CLASS OF 1954

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Hello again -Sorry I didn't get any news in the last edition in January, I had some health problems for a few weeks;

everything is fine now.

The girls got together at "The Lilac Blossom" in Nashua NH in December and after lunch we had a "Yankee Swap" exchanging Christmas gifts. As always it was great to see everyone. Attendees were Lillian (Lebrun) Morrow, Joan (Taylor) Staveley, Shirley (Dorsey) McCaffrey, Gladys (Moore) McCoy, Joy (Larkin) Enis, Carol (McGovern) Caggiano, Pat (LaCourse) Dinnigan, Pat (Rioux) Ralls and I. We had a great time. Some, including Pat and Fran Ralls, were leaving for Florida and the rest of us were staying home and sticking it out for the winter!

Since then I have talked to Pat Ralls, Theresa (Gosselin) Patenaude, Joy Enis, Lil Morrow, Carol (Ferreira) Christenson, and Shirley McCaffrey. I also heard that Carol Caggiano will be going to Africa soon and I want to hear the details so I can tell you folks all about her trip in the next issue.

On March 26, 2011, Millie Hehir and I attended the 21st Annual Hall of Fame Induction Dinner at the Radisson hotel in Nashua NH. As I've said many, many times before it is always amazing to hear what some of our graduates have accomplished since their days at CHS. There were nine inductees altogether. One was Bernie Battle who was a social studies teacher and later the Dean of Whittier House. He retired a few years ago and now manages of the beautiful CHS Performing Arts Center. His wife, June and his family were there and were very proud of Bernie.

The other inductees were Cynthia Chase (1964), Randy Gillies (1974), Ed Johnson (1976), Phil Johnson (1958), George Mercuri (1984), Alexander Olsen (1963), Kris Pisarik (1977), and Mike Robinson (1976). It was great to hear what they all had to say, especially as they thanked their teachers, coaches, counselors and many others who made a difference in their lives.

It is always so nice to see so many people with whom I used to work, some are past inductees, and they attend the ceremony every year. Our dear friends Angie Taranto and his wife Mary drove Millie and me to the induction dinner since I really don't like to drive at night now getting old I guess! Looking forward to next March and the 22nd Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony! Oh, by the way, if any of you know someone whom you think should be inducted into our CHSAA Hall of Fame, please let me know and I'll gladly put you in touch with the committee which can handle it from there.

Today, I received a call from Pat (Rioux) Ralls from Florida telling me that Gladys (Moore) McCoy's husband Dan passed away in March. Dan was born in Brookline MA and spent most of his life living in Nashua NH. He was an electrical engineer and had been employed at Raytheon in Andover for 47 years. His family includes his wife, Gladys, with whom he celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary last December, a son and daughter-in-law, Daniel G. IV and Kathleen McCoy, a daughter Deborah L. McCoy and Sam Smith, and three grandchildren, Daniel G. McCoy V., and Haley and James Gallagher. The wake and service were held at the Farwell funeral home in Nashua NH. Our deepest sympathies to the whole family.

Today is April 22, 2011. I just talked with Pat Ralls, who with her husband Fran just arrived home from Florida; their ride home was not the best. They missed a few tornadoes along the way and it was quite scary for them. I've also been in touch with Theresa (Gosselin) Patenaude, and Joe and Carol Marcotte who are all also back from the south, so maybe the girls can get together in a few weeks and catch up.

Sad news, Betty (Enis) Weber lost her daughter, Margaret "Peggy" (Weber) Simpson from cancer. She left behind her husband Michael, two sons and a stepdaughter, and two brothers and their wives along with many grandchildren, nieces and nephews. Our deepest sympathy to Betty and her whole family.

We wish Shirley (Gagnon) Kendall well in her retirement from being a restaurant hostess.

Looking forward to a good summer and hoping all of you stay happy and healthy. Talk with you soon. - *Claire*

CLASS OF 1955

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Happy Independence Day - - - I know some of you are very happy summer has finally arrived, after your long hard winter in New England. It is a good time to spend time with family and catch up with friends, put your feet up on a lounge, sit back and take time to smell the flowers, enjoy a good old-fashioned cookout with hotdogs, hamburgers, corn on the cob etc. on the grill along with potato salad, yum yum!

Our heartfelt sympathy to Ron Taylor, of Oakland CA, and his three sons and their families on the loss of Ron's mother Betty at the age of 96 on December 22, 2010 in Tewksbury.

Sympathy also goes out to Eileen (Harrington) Collomb of St. Augustine FL on the loss of her sister Kathleen (Harrington, '55) Manchester on January 14, 2011.

School mates reunite - - - On March 11th, seven of us met in Stanford FL to have our sixth annual Florida reunion. Again we held our get-together on the "Rivership Romance," which is in a nice central Florida location. Enjoying a soothing luncheon ride in total relaxation were Betty (Morrison) Butler of Orlando FL, Chuck and Joan McCarthy of Davenport FL, Bob ('50) and Charlotte (Dinnigan) ('51) White of Lady Lake FL, and Chuck and myself. We all toasted to celebrate Betty's 75th and Chuck's 74th birthdays. It was good to see everyone again, sharing warm and fuzzy feelings.

CLASS OF 1955 -

Ron Taylor "stealing the show" at the Hoop

- Dee - Doo Review in Disney World FL

at his 75th birthday celebration.



Memories - - - Another landmark is gone - - - the Chelmsford Cinema is no more. It opened in 1967, closed 31 years later, and was torn down on February 17th. At one time it was the place to be. A Stop & Shop Superstore will be built on the site after 10 long years of legal battles.

I want to take this space to thank Roy Zabierek ('53) for a thank you note along with a copy of Beyond Pearl Harbor, I Company in the Pacific of World War II, a book authored by Roy's brother Hank ('42) now deceased. This book would make a nice gift and a must read in our schools. The CHSAA is selling the book to help fund the annual scholarship in Hank's name. Hope to see Roy in 2012 in our Florida reunion.

Around and About - - This past February Ron Taylor and
Judy (Harrington '60) Leary drove
down to Sarasota FL to spend a
glorious two months. Their first
stop was in Virginia, their second in

CLASS OF 1955

February 2011 get together in Savannah GA: L to R: Tom Bovill, Marie (LaHaise) Duncklee, Barbara Bovill, Dog "Dolly", Chuck Duncklee



Rosewell GA for a visit with Ron's son Ron, granddaughter Emily, and grandson Wesley Gladstone Taylor. After arriving in Sarasota and settling in, they drove over to Orlando for Ron's surprise 75th birthday celebration week at Disney World. Can you believe Ronnie was speechless!! What a great time to spend a week with Mickey and the gang and of course Ronnie blended right in. (Check out the photo!) Lots of fun was had by his five grandchildren, son Ron, daughters Diane from Gilford NH, and Susan from Harpswell ME. The highlight was when "Grandpa" went down Thunder Mountain, white knuckled of course. Can you picture this? As Judy said in her note a great time was had by all.

This past cold and snowy winter, Tom and Barbara Bovill headed south to visit with Barbara's sister in Virginia. After a few days they drove onto Pawley's Island just south of Myrtle Beach SC to spend the month of February. While there, they enjoyed visiting Barbara's other sister who was staying in the same condo complex. All four had a fun time exploring Charlestown SC. For a day trip they drove down to Savannah GA to meet up with Chuck and me for lunch and, of course, a visit with Barbara's favorite dog "Dolly."

Paul and Eileen (Cummings '56) Peterson spent six weeks at Fort Myers Beach FL this past winter. Paul's brother Doug '47 from Corona CA joined them for a visit. While in Fort Myers, Paul and Eileen attended two Red Sox games, one at Twin's Park and the other at Braves Park.

In March, I had a nice phone visit with Earl and Bunny Guilmette. They had just enjoyed having their daughter Wendy visit from NY. I also had a phone visit with Gertrude (Smith) Allaby. She had attended her great grandson Austin's (Peanut) christening with her family at St. Francis Church in Dracut this past April. Lenny and Pauline Leedburg had a nice month-long vacation in February with friends on the Isle of Palms in the Charleston SC area. They had a grand time touring and enjoying the many restaurants in the area. Lenny said there is no place like home, i.e. enjoying their four greatgrandchildren. Dick and Priscilla Burtt spent the Christmas holiday season in High Ranch CO with their son's family and in February Dick flew to Miami FL to spend a vacation with daughter Emily and then traveled across Florida to visit with his sister Carolyn (Burtt) '50 Bennett in Venice FL. I talked to Carol (Abrahamson) Bovill of Meredith NH in mid-March. They had just had more snow and the ice on Lake Winnipesaukee had not melted.

Tid - bits - - -

The first week in April, Bob and Carol Wetmore's son Michael and family came for a visit to Bob's Fort Lauderdale FL winter home. Pat (Elliott) Bernard and Barney are very active in the life of their granddaughter Effie who is now in the third grade. Carol (French) Miller is looking forward to spring with some warm weather. Jerry Greska, as I write this, may already

be on the golf greens. Donald and Dottie (Charest '58) Clement spent some time in their Vero Beach FL condo this past winter. They have six children and 12 grandchildren. Dottie (Tassios) Zahos had a busy winter with family along with all her activities. Bill and Coppy Vennard of Columbia MD had a belated St. Patrick's Day celebration, corn beef and cabbage etc., with all their family. P.S. for Gertrude Allaby, she called me in April to say she met up with a CHS graduate, Don Drew ('58). He lives in her neighborhood in the Highlands of Lowell.

Coming -- Next Issue -- Fall Edition

Info on our Florida Reunion – where, when, and who to contact. Dottie and Carol's luncheon news in June with the '55 girls in the area. Along with a photo!

"Till next time - - - Happy Fourth and enjoy summer. Be happy, safe, and well!! - Marie and Bob

CLASS OF 1956

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Mark your calendar - Our 55th class reunion is being planned for Saturday, September 24th - - Buffet Dinner and Sunday September 25th - - Brunch, at Aprile's European Restaurant (formerly Bainbridge's), 75 Princeton St, N. Chelmsford, MA. More details will be mailed to you.- *Mary*

Elizabeth (Egerton) Wilder is now a writer and recently authored The Spruce Gum Box. We wish her great success as she pursues her dream.

CLASS OF 1955 - 55TH REUNION

September 17, 2010. Front row, L to R: Donald Clement, Earl Guilmette, Marie (LaHaise) Duncklee, Bob Wetmore.Back Row, L to R: Gertrude (Smith) Allaby, Lenny Leedberg, Ron Taylor, Paul Peterson, Pat (Elliott) Bernard, Ann (Dale) Davis, Dick Burtt, Bill Vennard, Wendell Luke, Bev (Bell) Collins.



CLASS OF 1955 - 55TH REUNION

September 18, 2010. Front row, L to R: Bev (Bell) Collins, Marie (LaHaise) Duncklee, Bob Wetmore, Dottie (Tassios) Zahos, Carol (Abrahamson) Bovill. Back row, L to R: Dick Burtt, Tom Bovill, Ron Taylor, Wendell Luke, Paul Peterson, Bill Vennard, Pat (Elliott) Bernard, Edrene (Gunther) Lobas, Donald Clement, Earl Guilmette, Dan Pushee, Judy (Fisher) Chandonnet, Prue (Pouliot) McBride, Carol (French) Miller, Jerry Greska.



CLASS OF 1955 - 6TH ANNUAL FLORIDA REUNION March 2011. L to R: Betty (Morrison) Butler, Chuck McCarthy, Chuck Duncklee, Marie (LaHaise) Duncklee, Bob White ('50), Joan McCarthy, and Charlotte (Dinnigan) White.



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Our condolences to our classmate Janice (Brown) Henderson on the loss of her husband in April.

Congratulations to Dick DeFreitas! Dick was elected Town Moderator for the town of Chelmsford.

Marcia (Ricker) Brown is going to be the new clerk at her precinct at all elections in Chelmsford. She'll be a real asset to them.

George House is moving from Chelmsford after all these years. He's heading north to NH.

Beth (Simpson) McHugh, Berta (Jones) Erickson, Kay (Morrow) Stidsen and I enjoyed a performance by Garrison Keillor at Lowell Memorial Auditorium in March. He really relates to our age group.

Anne Marie (Schlstedt) Winkowski, Beth (Simpson) McHugh, and I enjoyed a really nice lunch in Nashua on a really, really rainy day this spring.

The end of April brought another of our "57 lunches" at Princeton Station. Fourteen classmates attended. Harry Brown, Jessie (MacKenzie) and Chuck Moore, and Lillian (Gray) Roberts came from NH. Also attending were Pat (Westwood) Marchand from Westford, Maureen (Curran) Aspell from Tewksbury, Dick Gauthier from Dunstable, Berta (Jones) Erickson from Groton, and the Chelmsford crew, Dick DeFreitas, Joyce

(Dirubbo) Ham, Beth (Simpson) McHugh, Kay (Morrow) Stidsen, Sandy (Ricciardi) and Wayne Kilburn. It was good to see everyone and we talked about having a class reunion next year for our 55th. If anyone wants to help, let me know. Meanwhile we plan to get together for a luncheon this summer -- hope to see you there. - *Sandy*

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Here I am again. It's a beautiful spring day and the flowers are starting to pop up and make everything look pretty. No more snow and brown grass! It's a wonderful time of year. When we were kids it meant softball games, riding our bikes or just hanging out with our friends.

I've been home from Florida for about a month now. My sister Kathy ('59) and I had a great month of March. We had twenty seven straight days of sun and warm temperatures. We visited with our other two sisters, Joan ('64) and Judy ('65) who both live in The Villages. What a place and the four sisters had a lot of fun!

Sorry that I missed the CHSAA Hall of Fame Induction. Our classmate, Phil Johnson, was one of the honorees. Our class has had several inductees and we are very proud and happy for all of them.

In the last issue of Lion's Pride there was a wonderfully written "trip down memory lane". It was from the Class of 1965's Russell Mann. What a great piece of nostalgia. We,

too, grew up on Littleton Road. I think we may have moved to South Chelmsford around the same time that Russ moved to Littleton Rd. Actually, I think that his friend, Bob Maguire, lived in the same house. What a blast I had reading his article. The horn ringing the "no school" announcement, the mention of Ernie of Emerson's farm, Eriksen's, and St. Mary's mission style church. WOW! It brought back so many great memories. My sister Kathy and I walked to school and would often stop at "Henry's" store. What fun we had back then. I wonder if he remembers the policeman who helped us cross the streets who was also the "Popcorn" man at all the parades. When we moved to Acton Road we had to take the school bus and it wasn't nearly as much fun as walking to school. So many more things that he talked about brought it all back. Page's Drug Store with the soda fountain and stools that spun around, hanging out at Skip's after football games and dances, it was all such fun. I remember working at the "Town and Country Store" in Chelmsford center and then at Purity. The man that owned Purity at the time, Leo Kahn, was so good to all the kids that worked there. He made sure that if we played sports, were in the band, or were cheerleaders or majorettes, that our schedules enabled us to participate and still keep our jobs. He also wanted to know if we were getting good grades. Not something that you see too much of nowadays. Well, I could go on forever, but I just had to let you know how much I enjoyed the article Russ wrote in the last issue. If you missed it, GO FIND IT!!!

Not much news from my classmates, still have lunch now and then with Judy, Carol and Diane. I'm thinking that we should start thinking about another reunion while we are still alive and kicking. Let me know!!

Hope to hear from you soon. 'Til next time. - *Martha*

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CLASS OF 1961

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We welcome Mr. and Mrs. Alexander and Paula (Merriman) Olsen of Littleton MA as new members of CHSAA. Alexander "Mickey" Olsen, a new member of the Hall of Fame, is a professor of Mathematical Sciences (Statistics, Data Analysis, and Research Methods) at UMASS Lowell and Paula is a Counselor / Health Science teacher in the Somerville MA School System.

Patricia (Craig) Dearborn is now a Real Estate Sales Associate as well as Senior Vice President at Caldwell Banker.

CLASS OF 1962

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We wish Brad Perham well in his retirement from Roxbury Latin School where, for many years, he served as Director of Physical Education and Athletics.

CLASS OF 1963 - Lunch in Bonita Springs FL:

L to R: Judy (Sidebottom) Putnam, Hank Brown, Steph (Wells) Sherman, Cindy (Picken) Brown



CLASS OF 1963

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Condolences to Judy (Sidebottom) Putnam on the death of her brother Bill, a 1965 CHS graduate.

Congratulations to Dick Bir for receiving another prestigious award. In late March the American Horticultural Society named Dick as the recipient of the 2011 Liberty Hyde Bailey Award, with the following press release: "The American Horticultural Society (AHS) is pleased to announce that Richard E. Bir has been named the 2011 recipient of the Society's most prestigious award, the Liberty Hyde Bailey Award. The award is one of 12 Great American Gardeners Awards that the AHS presents annually to individuals, organizations, and businesses that represent the best in American gardening. Each of the recipients has contributed significantly to

fields such as scientific research, garden communication, landscape design, youth gardening, teaching, and conservation. The Liberty Hyde Bailey Award is given to an individual who has made significant lifetime contributions to at least three of the following horticultural fields: teaching, research, communications, plant exploration, administration, art, business, and leadership.

Richard E. Bir is an Extension Horticulture Specialist Emeritus with North Carolina State University (NCSU) in Fletcher. During his 25-year tenure with NCSU, Bir worked with county agents and nurserymen to evaluate, select, and grow better plants for the landscape, focusing primarily on shrubs and trees. Prior to this, Bir was an Extension horticulturist in Florida from 1972 to 1979. While there, Bir earned several national and state Extension awards for his work, including best radio program.

Over the course of his career, Bir has been influential in increasing public awareness of American native plants and making them more available through mainstream markets. In particular, he was instrumental in establishing and guiding the development of the Cullowhee Native Plant Conference. Since its debut in 1984, this annual event has become the foremost native plant conference in North America.

Bir's 1992 book, Growing and Propagating Showy Native Woody Plants (University of North Carolina Press) is still considered a classic. A popular speaker, he has made presentations about native plants throughout North America and written numerous articles for popular, academic, and trade publications. In recent years, Bir has served as a consultant for the Southern Highlands Reserve in western North Carolina, dedicated to the native plants of the southern Appalachian Mountains.

Bir has been the recipient of many horticultural awards, including the Arthur Hoyt Scott Medal and Award from the Scott Arboretum in Swarthmore, Pennsylvania in 2006. In 2008, he received the International Award of Honor from the International Plant Propagators Society.

On Thursday, June 9, 2011, the AHS will honor Bir and the other 2011 award recipients during the Great American Gardeners Awards Ceremony and Banquet, held at the Society's headquarters at River Farm in Alexandria, Virginia."

Congratulations again Dick!

Steph (Wells) Sherman, Judy (Sidebottom) Putnam, Cindy (Picken) Brown, and Hank Brown met for lunch in Bonita Springs, Florida. Steph and Judy spend the winter in Fort Myers, and Hank and Cindy were vacationing in Naples for a couple of weeks. With only one

quiet, reserved person in the group the conversation was lively and much of it focused on our 50th Reunion. The accompanying picture shows the happy group.

We wish Bernie Ready well as a realtor in his own firm, Ready Real Estate. - *Hank*

CLASS OF 1964

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It is such a treat to report that, as of April 1, Sal Ciulla is now a member of the Metro Omaha Softball Hall of Fame. Sal, who is a retired Air Force Master Sergeant, played men's fast pitch softball for 41 years, retiring in 2008. He started his playing career in 1967 at Ellsworth AFB in Rapid City, SD, and continued to play during military moves to Missouri, North Dakota, New York and the United Kingdom. During that time he was the No. 1 pitcher on a multitude of league and base championship teams and earned several league and tournament MVP awards. In 1981 he was selected to the United Kingdom Conference All Star team and was also named Player of the Year. He first settled in Omaha at Offutt AFB in 1977 and joined the Westside Chapel team. After overseas duty, he re-joined Chapel in 1984 and played with the club until 2000. Called "Iron Horse" by his teammates, Sal won some 200 games for Chapel as its No. 1 pitcher, and also played first base, third base and the outfield. He led the team in pitching and home runs several times during his career. In his later years, he played for the Coors and the Omaha Masters over-45 team. Sal coached a district championship high school team in 2003-2004 and is currently the head coach at Omaha's Duchesne Academy. I am proud to write that an article about Sal's

honor particularly mentioned that he endeared himself to his teammates and opponents with his humility and positive attitude. Sal is quoted in the article as saying "I am truly grateful that I was able to play as long as I did and make so many great friends and accumulate so many memories." CONGRATULATIONS, SAL!

I'm looking forward to the Fourth of July festivities and the probability of seeing lots of old friends. Enjoy your summer and please let me know what's going on in your life. - Lynne

Mary Ruth (Clark) Reilly is now the Office Manager at Blue Water Mortgage in Hampton NH.

We wish Charles Harvey well in his retirement from Absolute Aluminum.

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We wish Neil MacLeod well in his retirement as a RN at the VA Medical Center, Gainesville FL.

Neil Robinson of Westford MA is now President of East Coast General Insurance, Inc.

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We welcome Maureen (Tousignant) Anderson of Lowell as a new member of CHSAA.

CLASS OF 1970

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Greetings from Wendy R. Marshall-Hudzik

What a great and safe part of the country we live in here in New England. My heart goes out to those of you and your families or friends who have had destruction by the natural disasters that have been occurring. New Englanders are known for their complaints about the weather but we surely are blessed by only having to deal with a bad snow storm once in a while. It is nothing in comparison to the tornadoes, floods etc. that have devastated some of the rest of our country and the world.

I want to thank all of the "kids" who supported and came to the "Friends of Dave Reunion" in March. There were over 125 people who attended at the Fletcher Club in Westford. There were many classes represented and by no means was this just for the class of 1970. In fact, I think the majority of attendees were from '71. We were entertained by "Sierra" whose band members include CHS alumni Steve Lyons ('72), Ernie Wooesner ('69) and Dave Boisvert ('68). They were fantastic! The dance floor was never empty and by their volunteering their musical talents it helped us raise over \$1800 to benefit the Dave Tousignant CHS Alumni Scholarship Fund. We hope to make this an annual event so stayed tuned for it again next March. We are fortunate to have a facebook page monitored by Paul Duffy and exact details will be posted (Chelmsford

High School Class of 1970) as soon as we know them. Another one of Dave's scholarships "Heart of a Lion" will be awarded again this year to a deserving CHS graduating student.

Another great event that happened in March was the CHSAA Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony. Our very own senior class advisor ('70) Bernie Battle was inducted. Mr. Battle as we called him back then (because he was so, so much older than us) began his teaching career with our class. You would have thought he'd quit teaching after that. How fortunate for the students of CHS that he kept up his inspirational efforts. Bernie (as we affectionately call him because he is so close to our age NOW) retired from CHS as a dean in 2009 and is now the manager of the beautiful Performing Arts Center (PAC) at CHS. He is always such a pleasure to bump into because of his approachableness and sense of humor! We want to congratulate Bernie on his induction, retirement (semi-) and wish him the best that life has to offer!

As always please feel free to contact me with your news wendy72552@ aol.com (now you know my birthday). Happy days! - Wendy

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Reunion news: Our class is planning a fall reunion celebrating 35 years since graduation. The event will be October 22, 2011 in Westford. Please contact Vera Panas Clauson at clausonconst@aol.com to get on the

CLASS OF 1976 - Pre Hall of Fame Ceremony Gathering hosted by John Baraldi: L to R: Dave Gagnon, Danny Ubele,

Brian O'Neil, Eddie Johnson, Jim Mattison, John Baraldi, Mike Evans, Charlie Lewis



email list for information Thanks in advance, Vera!

Cornel Heitzman's Albuquerque Police Department team won it's 5th coed/IMIX title in 9th years in the Baker-Vegas Challenge Relay. This is a 120 mile relay race through the deserts of California and Nevada. Our other Ironman, Scot Graham (now of Westford), has been recognized the Boston Athletic Association for running 25 consecutive boston marathons.

Jim Mattison's daughter, Rachel, was named "senior gymnast of the year" for the mvc, named to the boston globe's "all scholastic team" and finished third in the state individual meet.

What do Dave Gillies, Charlie Lewis, Mike Evans, John Baraldi and Joanne Bousquet Sargent have in common? They all joined Katie Secor, Jim Mattison, Brian O'Neill, Chuck Tewell, Sherry Dumont, Dave Gagnon and other '76 classmates at the CHSAA Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony at the Nashua Radisson on March 26, 2011. The occasion?

They were all supporting the induction of TWO 1976 classmates into the CHSAA Hall of Fame. It was a fun evening and a great weekend. Congratulations to Ed Johnson and Mike Robinson for this honor. Make plans for next year's event (March 23rd), it will be a great occasion for a 'mini-reunion' that also benefits the CHSAA.

We welcome Lynn (Lockhart) Reslow-Taylor of Tewksbury MA as a new member of CHSAA. Lynn is a realtor in the local area.

We also welcome David Gagnon of Stokesdale NC as a new member of the CHSAA. He is presently a Sales Manager and he and his wife Rebecca have two daughters, Stephanie and Kelsey.

Judy Eriksen of Merrimack NH is a Pharmacy Technician at CVS.

Please send in YOUR news to your class agents for inclusion in the next Lion's Pride. -Mike

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We welcome Gary Bennett of East Sandwich MA as a new member of CHSAA. He is Director of Operations with National Grid and he and his wife Rebecca have two children, Ashleigh and Chelsey.

Karen (Lebedzinski) Clement has come out of retirement and is now the Recreation Director in Townsend MA.

Laurel (Bourque) Kornhiser earned her Ph.D. in 2010 and is now a fulltime, tenure track college instructor at Quincy College in Quincy MA.

Dianne (Gronberg) Reid reports that "recently I became the Manager of Nursing Staff Development at Winchester Hospital after working as nurse/nurse leader in the Chelmsford Public Schools for the past 17 years. I am also a May 2011 candidate for a Masters in Health Management at UMASS Lowell. I live in Chelmsford with my husband, Greg (1978), and we celebrated 26 years of marriage last October.

Our son, Bradford, is a junior at Wentworth Institute of Technology and our daughter, Eryka, is a freshman at Roger Williams University. When we are not busy in MA we head to Loon Mountain and enjoy our home there. Skiing has been great!"

CLASS OF 1978

1978 Class Agent:

Michael Donigan 3 Lamplighter Lane Chelmsford, MA 01863 mdonigan@raytheon.com

We welcome Mary (Ferreira) Barlow of Whitinsville MA as a new member of CHSAA. She is a self-employed writer and has two sons, Geoffrey and Gregory.

Teri Anne Austin of Tiverton RI is now a Marketing Manager at IBM.

Paul and Sheila Marcaurelle have relocated to Tuscaloosa AL where Paul is Director of Operations at the University of Alabama.

Laurie Sparks of Roslindale MA is now a pain management nurse at NE Baptist Hospital.

CLASS OF 1979

1979 Class Agent:

Lauren I'Anson 5 Gristone Road Chelmsford, MA 01824

Kimberly (Fitts) Thomason is now Client Service Manager and Assistant Vice President at Wells Fargo Bank.

CLASS OF 1980

1980 Class Agent:

Neal Casale 62 Hawk Drive Bedford, NH 03110 nealc104@comcast.net

Francis Burke works for Intel Corporation as a manager – new "E" Business Development.

Kathy (Bauer) Osborn is an Integrated Technology Specialist for the Town of Westford.

Anne (Robinson) Monterosso and Carie Faye Fisher held an informal reunion in Arizona, where Carie now lives. Anne was in Phoenix for a conference and brought her two kids on a mini vacation. Carie and her twins hosted them for a fun evening in AZ.

CLASS OF 1981

1981 Class Agent:

Amy Provencal McGuigan P.O. Box 307 Mont Vernon, NH 03057 amcguigan@sprise.com

CLASS OF 1982

1982 Class Agent:

Betsy Kehoe 18 Grandview Road Chelmsford, MA 01824

Jay Casale 43750 Carson Court Ashburn, VA 20147 jay012@comcast.net

We welcome Richard Romano of Chelmsford as a new member of CHSAA. He is the owner of Charles Frederick Jewelers and he and his wife Annette have three children, Nicholas, Alexandra, and Domenic.

Adrienne (Gonshorek) Cohen of Plantation FL is a Director of Medical Management.

Kelsey Korbey of Westford is a CPA and is a partner at Day, Korbey, and Murphy, Inc.

Cheryl (Wilder) Krass of Exton PA is self-employed as owner of Alexemi Publishing, and an independent distributor of Premier Designs Jewelry.

Alicia McCarthy of Washington DC is now the Director of Life Services at the Residences at Thomas Circle, a multi-level senior living facility.

1983 Class Agent:

Doreen DePalma Burns 3 Overlook Drive Tyngsboro, MA 01879

We welcome James Lane, Jr. of Chelmsford MA as a new member of CHSAA. He is a Regional Vice President and General Manager.

Tobi (Fuller) Baillie of Lowell MA is employed as a Group Fitness Director.

CLASS OF 1984

1984 Class Agent:

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CLASS OF 1985

1985 Class Agent:

Christine LeClair Matte 56 G Street Dracut, MA 01826 christinematte@comcast.net

CLASS OF 1986

1986 Class Agent:

Kimberly Finnegan 3028 Stanstead Circle Norcross, GA 30071

We welcome Jennifer (King) Merrill of Chelmsford as a new member of CHSAA. She is employed as a pediatric physical therapist in the Tewksbury Public Schools and she and her husband Scott are Mom and Dad to Kaileigh (Class of 2012), Connor (Class of 2014) and Rebecca (Class of 2016).

Lance Wilder of Burbank CA is in the design department for The Simpsons TV show, working at Film Roman, Inc.

CLASS OF 1987

1987 Class Agent:

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CLASS OF 1988

1988 Class Agent:

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CLASS OF 1989

1989 Class Agent:

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CLASS OF 1990

1990 Class Agent:

Kristin Westgate Donovan 7 Wildes Road Chelmsford, MA 01824

Lindsay (Noonan) Kett of East Falmouth MA is the Guidance Department Head and Grade 12 School Counselor at Mashpee (MA) High School.

CLASS OF 1991

1991 Class Agent:

John MacPhee 14 Pendleton Road Chelmsford, MA 01824 john.macphee@hp.com

Brian Taranto 20 Woodlawn Avenue Chelmsford, MA 01824 btaranto@eatonvance.com

Eric Pearson is a VP and Application Support Manager at Enterprise Bank.

CLASS OF 1992

Robert Flynn rflynn@ebcne.com

CLASS OF 1993

1993 Class Agent:

Tracy Sullivan 62 Gilbert Road Belmont, MA 02478

We welcome Stacey (McEnaney) Mann of Chelmsford as a new member of the CHSAA. She is an educator and is presently a stay at home mother of two.

CLASS OF 1994

1994 Class Agent:

Kathleen McSheehy LaRochelle 51 Thomas Drive Chelmsford, MA 01824 kate2323@aol.com

We welcome Danielle (Day) Notini of Lowell as a new member of CHSAA. She is an Assistant Professor at UMass-Lowell and is married to Matt Notini ('94).

Jeanne Yu of Irvine CA has earned her MA in Education and is a math teacher.

CLASS OF 1995

1995 Class Agent:

Greg Mara greg.mara@gmail.com

CLASS OF 1996

1996 Class Agent:

Jessica McSheehy Del Llano 14 Chauncey Street Lowell, MA 01851-4322 jessica.mcsheehy@alumni.holycross.edu

We welcome James Davis of Marlborough MA as a new member of CHSAA. He is a Sport Studies from UNH and is presently working for the Boston Celtics as Director of Ticket Sales. He and his wife Carey are proud parents of Caden, born on September 18, 2010.

We also welcome Elizabeth (Kelber) McGrory of Billerica as a new member of the CHSAA. She and her husband James have two children, Luke and Lillian.

CLASS OF 1997

1997 Class Agent:

Jennifer Harrington 149 Boston Road Chelmsford, MA jharringto029@gmail.com

CLASS OF 1998

1998 Class Agent:

Jeff Gallant 167 Groton Road North Chelmsford, MA 01863 gallanje@bc.edu

CLASS OF 1999

1999 Class Agent:

Jenna Marie (Paollili) DiPinto 4 Natalie Road Chelmsford, MA 01824 jena@bluejena.net

We welcome Katie (Bisbo) True of Nashua NH as a new member of CHSAA. She is a graduate of the University of Southern Maine and is a Real Estate Marketing Director.

We welcome Jennifer Lee of Hartford CT as a new member of CHSAA. She has a BS in Nursing from UConn and continues there working towards her MS in Nursing. She is a registered nurse at Hartford Hospital.

Elisa Hamilton of Denton TX is a graduate student at the University of North Texas.

CLASS OF 2000

2000 Class Agent:

Amanda (Krupkoski) Silvia silvia.amandae@gmail.com

Jenny Talbot will graduate in June with a Ph.D. in chemical ecology from the University of California, Irvine. After graduation, she is moving to Minneapolis, MN to start a position at the University of Minnesota. Jenny won a 2011 National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Climate and Global Change postdoctoral fellowship to study how the biochemistry of microorganisms in the environment controls global carbon cycling.

Maryellen Olsson and Megan Ellis were married on April 16, 2011 at Salvatore's in Lawrence, MA. Included in their 14-person bridal party were their brothers, Erik Olsson ('97) and Brendan Ellis ('04), who co-served as best men. Maryellen and Meg honeymooned in Las Vegas.

Tim Callahan married Kelly Latina ('03) on May 8, 2010 at St. Mary Parish in Chelmsford. The reception was held at Princeton Station in North Chelmsford with about 150 friends and family members. Kelly's mother made the bridal gown, as well as all the bridesmaid and flower girl dresses. Kelly and Tim moved to Los Angeles, CA, after the wedding and recently traveled cross-country back to Massachusetts to live.

Dan Cohen and his wife, Caroline, are pleased to announce the birth of their daughter, Sophie Marie, born on February 24, 2011 at Lenox Hill Hospital in New York, NY. Sophie weighed 4 lbs 7 ounces and was 18.5 inches long at birth. The Cohen family lives in Astoria, NY.

Vanessa Flood is engaged to Dave MacDonald. The wedding will take place on November 12, 2011 at The Granite Rose in Hampstead, NH. Many CHS alumni will be part of the wedding party: Kristine Waszak ('99), Kerry (Lucas) Macleod ('00), Nichole (Higgins) Warshafsky ('00), Niki (Dimis) Harrington ('00), Katie Gauthier ('01), Chris Benton ('00), Mike Tringale ('00) and Jeremy Brown ('00). Vanessa works as a human resource generalist, while Dave works in operations at a mortgage company. While they are both from Chelmsford, they did not meet until 2005 because Dave attended Bishop Guertin High School. Vanessa and Dave currently live in Lowell.

Ingrid Rodrick Beiler (formerly Ingrid Rodrick) and her husband Ryan Rodrick Beiler began a threeyear service term with Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) last July in East Jerusalem. As program administrators, they oversee day-today operations in Palestine and Israel in collaboration with MCC regional representatives. MCC is the relief, development and peace-building agency of Mennonite churches in Canada and the United States, which is Ryan's church background. MCC supports programs in Palestine and Israel in a variety of areas, ranging from education to water access to grassroots peace-building initiatives. Ingrid and Ryan's work also involves educating North American constituencies about the challenges people face in the region where they work. In this vein, they recently received a group from Ontario, Canada, that traveled to various sites in the West Bank and Israel to meet with local MCC partners, both Palestinian and Israeli, and they will be receiving a similar group from the U.S. East Coast states in the fall. Ingrid and Ryan blog about their work and that of their Palestinian and Israeli partner organizations at mccpalestine.wordpress.com.

Kristen Streb is engaged to Peter Udstuen, of Bellingham, MA. They met while at the University of Massachusetts Lowell, where they both majored in history. The wedding is planned for October 1, 2011, at the Wachusett Village Inn in Westminster, MA. Kristen and Pete reside in Chelmsford.

Shannon (Martin) Conlon and her husband, Bobby, welcomed their first child, Robert Francis Conlon III, on April 30, 2011 at 1:50 p.m. The baby is named after his father and grandfather. He weighed 7 lbs 4 oz and was 19.5 inches long at birth. The Conlon family lives in Lynn, MA.

Pamela Scott is engaged to M. Kristine Lehman, of Austin, TX. They met at the University of New Hampshire in 2005. Pam graduated from UNH in 2004 (B.S) and 2010 (M.Ed.). She works at the University of New Hampshire as a residence hall director. Kristine also graduated from UNH and currently works in the Department of Housing. They are planning a move to Santa Barbara, CA, this summer and are aiming for a 2012 wedding.

Keep sending your news! - Amanda

CLASS OF 2001

2001 Class Agent:

CPT & Mrs. Andrew Fleming 7824D Light Fighter Drive Fort Carson, CO 80902

CLASS OF 2002

Class Agent Needed!

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CLASS OF 2000 -

ROBERT FRANCIS CONLON III, BORN ON APRIL 30, 2011



CLASS OF 2000 – DAVE MACDONALD AND VANESSA FLOOD ARE ENGAGED



CLASS OF 2003 2003 Class Agent: Kerry Buckley 125 School Street Chelmsford, MA 01824 buckleyke@hotmail.com

CLASS OF 2000 -

Wedding of Megan Ellis and Maryellen Olsson, April 16, 2011



CLASS OF 2000 - SOPHIE MARIE COHEN, BORN ON FEBRUARY 24, 2011



CLASS OF 2004 2004 Class Agent: Joe Marcaurelle joe.marcaurelle@gmail.com

We welcome Caitlin Mitchell of Chelmsford MA as a new member of CHSAA. She earned her MA in Education from Wheaton College and is a Teaching Assistant at Acton-Boxborough Regional High School.

Class Agent Needed!

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Michelle Pare is studying for her MA in Education at BU and plans to graduate in the spring of 2012.

CLASS OF 2006

2006 Class Agent:

Ryan Donaher 5 Newfield Street North Chelmsford, MA 01863 ryan.donaher@gmail.com

Welcome to Ryan Donaher, your new Class Agent!

Ryan Donaher encourages members of the Class of 2006 to join the facebook group: http://www.facebook.com/home.php?sk=group_1 00976889981146&ap=1

He also reports that the five year reunion will be in November 2011, more details will come in the Fall Issue.

Congratulations to Ashley Barger and Colin Campbell who were married on August 22, 2010.

Julie Morris is employed in Chelmsford and living there with her 2 year-old son, Brian.

We welcome Jesse Erhartic of Melrose MA as a new member of CHSAA. He earned his BA in Public and Private Sector Organizations from Brown University and is a Strategic Account Manager at AOL.

Send some news!! - *Ryan*

CLASS OF 2006 -

Wedding of Ashley Barger and Colin Campbell, August 22, 2010



CLASS OF 2007

2007 Class Agent:

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Gillian Sarah Davies (CHS '07) graduated from American University in Washington, D.C. on May 7, 2011. She holds a Bachelor of Arts degree and graduated summa cum laude with University Honors in French Studies. She is also a member of Phi Beta Kappa. Gillian will be teaching English in the Bordeaux region of France next year through a program sponsored by the French Embassy in conjunction with the French Ministry of Education.

CLASS OF 2008

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CLASS OF 2009

2009 Class Agent:

Sarah Baker slbaker@ymail.com Michael Crafts msc77@georgetown.edu

CLASS OF 2010

2010 Class Agent:

Sheima Marand marand.sh@husky.neu.edu

We welcome Sheila and Sheima Marand of Chelmsford as new members of CHSAA. Sheila is a full time student in Health Sciences and Business at BU and Sheima is a full time Business major at NU.



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Bernie Battle Cynthia Chase Randy Gillies







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KRIS PISARIK MICHAEL ROBINSON ALEX OLSEN

CHS ALUMNI MAGAZINE

By Sandie Johnson Taylor (69)

21st Annual Chelmsford High School

HALL OF FAME INDUCTION CEREMONIES



Welcome



The 21st Hall of Fame Induction and Dinner



Phil Johnson '58, Bruce McMaster '63, Sue Ringwood Clancy '77

It was an evening of laughter, friendship, celebration, reconnecting, reflection, and the recounting of so many stories, as generations of CHS graduates, teachers, and administrators gathered at the Radisson Hotel in Nashua, NH, for the twenty-first annual Chelmsford High Alumni Association Hall of Fame induction. The inductees, a former dean and eight graduates from as far back as 1958 and from as far away as Colorado, were being honored for making a difference in their professions and in their communities. During the evening, they shared story after story about how their experiences at CHS had made a difference in their own lives. In the words of inductee Mike Robinson: "CHS has produced a long line of maroon, making a difference across the country."

In his welcoming remarks, CHSAA President Terry McSheehy praised CHS for "providing the nurturing atmosphere that has allowed these nine individuals to do those things for which we are recognizing them this evening." He applauded Jessica Del Llano for her role in launching the new interactive CHS alumni web site, which now has a Pay Pal account, so that members can easily renew their memberships and

make contributions to the capital campaign. McSheehy also proudly shared that our "endowment fund continues to grow. This past year we gave out 105 awards from 86 established scholarships, awarding \$47,725.00, bringing the total given out to just over \$450,000.00." CHS Principal Anne O'Bryant recognized both Donna Foley and Jack Fletcher, who will retire in June after long successful CHS careers.

Executive Director George Simonian introduced the nine new inductees and in his invocation asked that, "the accomplishments presented here this evening, motivate us to care more deeply, to think more clearly, and to live our lives more fully."

The first inductee, Bernie Battle, honored for his work as an outstanding teacher, dean, and student advocate, filled the room with laughter as he related a story from fifteen years ago when a counselor came to him about a parent requesting a course change for her child. When the counselor explained that Dean Battle's signature would be needed, the parent looked up and said, "Battle? I had a teacher by that name back in the 70's, but he must be dead by now."



The Invocation



The Chelmsford High School Lion



Jim O'Shaughnessy, '63 and Rebecca Warren, '79

With that story in mind, Battle said, "Now you know how happy I am to be here tonight." On a more serious note, Battle quoted from the musical Wicked: "I've heard it said that people come into our lives for a reason, bringing something we must learn, and we are led to those who help us most to grow... Well, I don't know if I believe that's true, but I know I am who I am today because I knew you." Recognizing the people who have made him who he is today, Battle acknowledged his wife, June, "who works with non-communicative, multiply-handicapped children, as the real 'hall of famer' in my house," his parents, who instilled in him "a work ethic and a love of education," his three sons who are happily married with children of their own, and the outstanding CHS teachers, deans and principals with whom he has worked. "I worked at one of the best high schools in America" at a "school with a smile on its face," and "I learned from being surrounded by dedicated and great teachers," he remarked, listing teachers with whom he had worked in Emerson House in the seventies and eighties. During those years Battle said that he learned the value of humor in the classroom from Dean Ed Quinn, the true meaning of class from Dean Jack Conrad, and the meaning of dedication from Dean Angie Taranto. "This evening brings closure to my career in Chelmsford...I can say, as Elphaba in Wicked would have said, Chelmsford High School will be with me 'like a hand print on my heart."

"My experience at Chelmsford High School gave me what I feel strongly about tonight: gratitude for

a profession that I have loved for many years, the warmth of friendship and a sense of pride about where I come from and where I still live," remarked inductee Cynthia Chase ('64). Today, Cynthia is Assistant Professor of Pediatrics and Psychiatry at the Boston University School of Medicine, the Director of Assessment and Advocacy at the Spark Center Department of Pediatrics at Boston Medical Center, a neuropsychologist at the Lemuel Shattuck Hospital in Jamaica Plain and maintains her own private practice in Brookline. Chase shared a story about a young woman whom she had advocated for since the girl had been born with HIV. Recently, when Chase contacted her to set up an appointment to check on how she was doing academically, her patient responded, "It can't be next week as I am giving a talk about being HIV positive and what teens like me go through and what kind of support we need." Certainly, this young lady is only one in a long list of children for whom Cynthia Chase has made a difference.

An oceanographer and National Security Specialist, Randy Gillies ('74) views himself as a life-long learner, who is "still learning important lessons." George Simonian listed the highlights of Gillies' highly impressive academic and professional career: "From 1999 to 2002 Gillies served as a member of the staff of Generals Zinni and Franks during the Coup in Pakistan, the Millennium threats, and Operation Enduring Freedom in Afghanistan following the 2001 terrorists' attacks in NYC. Most recently, Gillies served as the Deputy Chief of the Missile and Space Group in the Weapons

Non-Proliferation and Arms Control Center and is preparing for an upcoming overseas assignment." Gillies spoke of the importance of role models and mentors in his CHS days, crediting baseball coach Dick Bove, with teaching him about accountability when he dismissed Gillies from the freshman baseball team for missing a practice because he had skipped school to go to the opening game of the Red Sox. And from English teacher Joan Noonan, Randy learned that "past performance is not necessarily an indicator of future performance." As for his fellow inductees and their litanies of achievements. Gillies turned to Principal Anne O'Bryant and said, "I believe you can tell the superintendent that your graduates are helping 'to guard what the sires have won."

The next inductee, Eddie Johnson ('76), took the microphone from George Simonian joking, "Whoever that guy is you just described, I want to be him," after Simonian had read a lengthy list of Johnson's achievements including his many successful entrepreneurial pursuits and introduced him as "the greatest wrestler to wear a Lion's uniform." "CHS allowed me to become part of a very special group, which is still an important part of my life," he shared. He went on to say that his successful business life had been strongly influenced by his CHS experiences and by his teachers, recognizing math teacher, Dick Bernier for his support. Johnson also attributed his success to his parents, recalling that when he won the Wrestling Championship, his dad responded with, "Congratulations, Edward! You have a strong back and a weak mind. We are going to have to remedy that."

An emotional Johnson closed by further attributing his success to being part of a sport that would shape him and to being born in a country where he could pursue his passion. He dedicated his award to his classmates who have served or are currently serving our country.

Phil "Flicker" Johnson ('58), a nationally recognized community participant, praised the CHSAA saying, "There may be other alumni associations, but it is a safe bet, that this one is the best in the country." This outstanding nationally recognized community participant who has made it his life's work to make a difference in the lives of others remembers how CHS has made a difference for him. Phil was thinking of dropping out of school, "but a close bond with Coach Joe Nolan and guidance counselor Tom Green, would drive me both in the classroom and on the field to work hard." Phil recalls that it was "lifechanging to have been a member of the very first Class D state championship football team in the history of CHS. Head Coach Joe Nolan turned on a switch and made me believe in myself, that I could be a winner...His encouragement made the difference." It was guidance counselor Tom Green who recognized that Johnson had a learning disability, that there was nothing wrong with his brain, he just "learned differently." This past January, Johnson received the Patriot Award for his "selfless dedication and untiring commitment to Project Healing Waters Fly Fishing, an organization dedicated to the physical and emotional rehabilitation of Disabled Veterans." Johnson is PHWFF's regional coordinator for the Virginias, presently working

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Principal, Anne O'Sullivan O'Bryant, '71



Front: Dr. Stu Weisfeldt, Rob Russo '83. Back: Jim Gifford '60, Jack Conrad, Jack Lang, Jack Fletcher '68, Mike Economakos, Jane Kelly Fletcher '69, Ann Russo.



Front: Laura Flannery Masson '62, Brad Perham '62, Wendy Marshall Hudzik '70, Jessica McSheehy Del Llano '96, Lynne Marshall McSheehy '64. Back: Nancy Delmore Hughes '65, Yvette Lemire Hunt '64, Dennis Hunt '64, Sheila Pariseau, Bob Pariseau '64.



L to R: Angie Taranto, Mary Taranto, Frank Tiano, Mary Tiano



Denise Emanouil Marcaurelle '76, Lennie Doolan, Joan Doolan. Back: John Carey, Tom Marcaurelle '76, Tom Curran '78.



Front: Pat Wojtas '70, Paul Cohen, Jon Kurland, George Dixon '64. Back: Eric Dahlberg, Jim Lane '83.



Front: Patty Doherty, Carol Rodgers, Richard Rodgers, Heather Gallante. Back: Jeff Doherty, Donna Upton Foley '70, Al Thomas, Judy Thomas, Josh Blagg '91.

with six programs in the two states. Johnson said, "I am at a point in my life where I want to give back what I can by sharing my skills with others," and ended with, "I am going to go fishing."

In keeping with true CHS spirit, George "Bud" Mercuri ('84), a highly successful businessman and community participant, approached the podium sporting his maroon tie, which he chose over his lucky CHS sweatshirt, worn when he attends his children's games. "Chelmsford High School was a great place. That is why we wanted to live back in Chelmsford for our kids to go to school," remarked Mercuri, a lifetime member of the Chelmsford High School Alumni Association, who looks forward to reading each edition of the Lion's Pride. Mercuri attributes his success to his parents, his grandparents and to his wife, Tina, about whom he said as he pointed to her in the audience, "There is no way I would be standing here if she weren't sitting there." He also recognized Jack Fletcher, his hockey coach, who always "got the most out of everyone" and Angie Taranto for his guidance. The audience applauded when Mercuri thanked his brother-in-law, a lieutenant colonel in the Army who has done several tours of duty in Iraq and Afghanistan, praising him for what he has sacrificed for his country. Mercuri expressed his gratitude to all of his CHS teachers and to the current staff who "provide a solid base" and who play a significant role in providing "unlimited opportunities after CHS.

Alexander "Mickey" Olsen ('61), Associate Professor of Mathematics at the University of Mass Lowell, has been the recipient of numerous awards for his "teaching excellence" and his "service and dedication" to students. Mr. Simonian introduced Olsen, quoting a former student: "Best teacher at the university. I never thought I would pass calculus, but Olsen made it fun and easy to understand. I would love to take him for future classes." Olsen began by extending "a special thank you to Mr. Simonian who is Mr. Chelmsford High School, my most memorable teacher to whom I am most grateful... the best of the best of any of my former educators. He should be in the National Hall of Fame of Educators." Olsen also recited a Latin translation of Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star, remembering his former teacher, Christine Booth. Olsen expressed gratitude to his ninety-year-old mother, Amelia, who was in the audience and to his father, also a member of the Hall of Fame, the late Everett V. Olsen ('35), for their love and devotion, and to his wife, Paula Merriman, who was his CHS "sweetheart". He closed by saying that we are all blessed with special talents that we need to develop, not for ourselves, but to help others.

Mr. Simonian introduced the next inductee, Kris Pisarik ('77), with these words: "If you want something done and you want it done right, this is your man, another in a long line of award winning journalists from CHS." Pisarik, a Magna Cum Laude award winning journalist and Assistant Managing Editor for local news and regular columnist for the Lowell Sun, joined four other Hall of Fame journalists: Sean McAdam ('77), Chaz Scoggins (66), Karen Guregian ('79), and Gerry Callahan ('79). Pisarik related that, "With English being my favorite subject; I have always been a words guy. Thank you, Steve Meidell." Pisarik added that being the Editor-in-Chief

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of the Lion's Pride alumni magazine and a member of the CHSAA Board of Directors, "has opened my eyes even wider than the high school careers of my four daughters, to just how special this school and this group is." Pisarik expressed his gratitude to those who contribute to the Lion's Pride, encouraging younger alums to get involved. He appealed to the audience to help to share the stories of CHS's outstanding teachers, coaches and graduates by nominating someone for the Hall of Fame or by suggesting stories or features for the Lion's Pride.

The last inductee, Michael Robinson ('76), who ran for the U.S. Senate in 1998 against John Edwards, thanked inductee Bernie Battle for encouraging him to work for a political campaign during his sophomore year and for instilling in him a life long passion for community service. It was in Mr. Battle's civics class that Robinson decided to work for the Tsongas campaign, which later provided the impetus for him to run for the Senate. As he placed a stuffed caterpillar on the podium, Robinson explained that although he may have lost to Edwards, he later became the Democratic nominee for the U.S. House of Representatives in his district, and he also inspired others in his state to become involved in public service, many of whom ran for offices and won. "And all this from a civics project in the tenth grade," Robinson remarked. "I stood on the shoulders of giants at CHS," having had teachers and coaches who provided their students with the foundation to do great things. As a result, there is a "long maroon line of people making a difference across the country." Holding up his caterpillar as he turned it inside out into a beautiful butterfly, Robinson ended by recognizing those CHS educators and administrators who never give up on any one "because you never know just how that caterpillar will turn out." 🖧



Front: Randy Whitehead, Mary Lou Brindisi, Amber Johnson, Kellie Johnson. Back: Ed Johnson '76, Dave Gagnon '76, Jim Gagnon '52, Jim Mattison '76, Kevin Johnson '77, Dick McClure '77, Mike Donigan '78.



Front: Kathy Zemaitis Lamare '74, Katy Secor '74, Terry Dumont, Mary Miskell '75. Back: Linnea Peterson Fader '60, Melissa LeRay, Joyce Fader Bosher '83, Sheryl Dumont '76, Nan Robinson, Amanda Robinson



Front: Nancy Johnson, Bob Gagnon '58, Bette Gagnon, Roger Sullivan '58, Judy Cullen Thompson '58, Diane Archer Chaney '58, Back: Cathy Vennard, Timmy Vennard '07, Peter Vennard '58, Ron Bell '58, Valerie Broscombe Bell '58.



Front: Charlie Lewis '76, Sue Baraldi '76, John Baraldi, Brian O'Neill '76, Nan O'Neill. Back: Joanne Bousquet Sargent '76, Ann Evans, Mike Evans '76, Cheryl Tewell, Chuck Tewell '76, Eddie Johnson '76



Front: Randy Gillies, '74, Cynthia Chase, '64, Ed Johnson, '76, Mike Robinson, '76.

Back: Terry McSheehy, '64, Bernie Battle, Dean, Kris Pisarik, '77, George Mercuri, '84, Phil Johnson, '58, Alex Olsen, '61, George Simonian



Front: Roland Morin, Lucy Simonian '82, Mark Maybury '82, Michelle Hamel Maybury '82. Back: Peter Hantzis '69, Linda Hantzis, Elisa Simonian Ouellette '87, Beth Keohane, Bill Keohane '74.



Front: Beth Hoey, Barb Hoey, June Battle, Bernie Battle Jr., '89, Back: Michael Battle '94, Kristen Battle, Elyce Battle, Kevin Battle '92, Alison Battle.



Front: Bob Mackey '63, Rebecca Mackey Morgan '89, Bernie Ready '63, Bruce McMaster '63, Jim O'Shaughnessy '63. Back: Barbara Kimball Mackey '63, Howie Neild '63, Jim Parker '63, Art Johnson '63.



Front: Amelia Olsen, Arne Olsen, Paula Merriman Olsen '61, Penny Olsen Sousa '59, John Sousa. Back: Bill Olsen '66, Sue Olsen, Norman Olsen '68, John Sousa '84, Nancy Sousa.

Class of 1956 55th Class Reunion

September 24th and September 25th

Aprile's European Restaurant (fromerly Bainbridge's) 75 Princeton Street, N. Chelmsford

Class of 1976

Saturday, October 22, 2011, 7pm-11pm

A cocktail reception will be held at the home of Joanne Bousquet Sargent

Advanced ticket purchase required. For details, email: SpiritofCHS76@hotmail.com

Class of 1991

Friday, November 25, 2011 Radisson Hotel, Chelmsford

Class of 1996

Saturday, August, 13, 2011, 8 p.m.

Brickhouse Center Sports Grill, Chelmsford

Contact: Jessica McSheehy Del Llano Find our group on Facebook: Chelmsford High School Class of 1996

Class of 2001

Friday, November 25, 2011, 7pm-12am Westford, Regency, Westford, MA

Room block available under Chelmsford High School 2001 at a rate of \$105 Tickets: \$22 per person by cash, check, or online payment BEFORE OCTOBER. \$35 per person starting October 1st.

Checks should be made out to and addressed to: Kavita Shah 1 Irving Place, Apt P15C New York, NY 10003

Online payment: - Go to www.paypal.com and click on the "Send Money" tab. Under email, enter " shah.kav@gmail.com" for an amount of \$22 per person. Under the Personal tab, click 'Payment owed'

Class of 2006

November TBD

Contact Ryan Donaher with any questions. Find our group on Facebook: Chelmsford High School Class of 2006 Official Alumni Group

If you are planning a reunion for your class, please email us reunions@chsalumni.org to let us know!

CHELMSFORD HIGH SCHOOL

SCHOLARSHIPS

NEW MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP ESTABLISHED



The Liza Crowley Memorial Scholarship

This spring the Chelmsford Educational Community lost an exceptional educator when Liza Crowley, English teacher at the high school from 1997 – 2004, lost her incredibly courageous battle with breast cancer. Her fellow educators have established a scholarship, to be given each year, in her name. Liza was a gifted teacher for all students, but particularly for those who struggled. Her intelligence, grace, work ethic and famous sense of humor ushered many students through successful academic careers at CHS.

Donations may be made at any time, this year or in the future, to:

"The Liza Crowley Memorial Scholarship"

c/o Chelmsford High School Alumni Association Chelmsford High School 200 Richardson Road Chelmsford, Massachusetts 01863

CHELMSFORD HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION BALLOT 2011



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DIRECTORS TO BE ELECTED BY BALLOT ~ INSTRUCTIONS FOR VOTING ~

An election of Directors is authorized by mail as provided for in the by-laws. The Nominating Committee submits the following nominees for Directors. FOUR DIRECTORS are to be elected for a Three Year Term. MARK (X) in the box opposite desired names. Please tear out this ballot, fold in half and mail it back by placing a stamp on the back side of this notice, stapling it shut and mail no later that August 12, 2011.

THREE YEAR TERM - VOTE FOR FOUR (4)

| Write In |
|--------------------------------------|
| CAROL PILAT - 1966 |
| ☐ DENISE EMANOUIL MARCAURELLE - 1976 |
| ☐ GEORGE DIXON - 1964 |
| ☐ NANCY DELMORE HUGHES - 1965 |

* ANNOUNCEMENTS



IN MEMORIAM

CONDOLENCES ARE EXPRESSED TO THE FAMILIES AND FRIENDS OF THE FOLLOWING HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI AND RETIRED SCHOOL EMPLOYEES WHO HAVE RECENTLY PASSED AWAY.

| Arline (Stirk) Dupras |
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| Blanche (Deputat) Collins |
| Charlton P. Boyd |
| Shirley (MacLean) George |
| William J. Hill |
| Gertrude (McNulty) Marcoux |
| Pauline E. (Stephens) Baxendale 1941 |
| Chester G. Russell |
| Harlan P. Kelly1942 |
| Emile H. Pearson |
| Janice Corey Adle |
| Virginia Sawyer Couturier |
| Robert L. Wetmore |
| Carlton B. Clark, Jr |
| Robert W. Ware, Jr |
| Ellen J. Hantzes |
| Donna M. Beaubien |
| John F. Raftery, Jr |
| Teresa A. (Maloney) Brigham |
| Alan N. Cote |
| Tammy Livingston |
| Stephen P. Richardson |
| Douglas G. Petullo 1997 |

Harry J. Ayotte

So long, farewell . . .

The CHSAA was very saddened to hear of the passing of Harry J. Ayotte on April 5, 2011 from cancer. He leaves his wife Jackie, his sons David '74, Doug '77, Dean '80, his daughter Dorothy '84, and nine grandchildren.

Harry was the recipient of the 2000 CHSAA Golden Lion Award for his service to the youth of Chelmsford as a mentor, friend, and coach.

He was the ultimate volunteer and had a profound impact on many Chelmsford young people who were part of the programs that Harry was involved in, one of which was the Chelmsford Youth Football League, also known to many as "Harry's League" which he founded.

For more than 50 years, Harry was a respected coach/manager at all levels, from Little League to professional, always striving towards developing not only skills, but even more importantly, character and integrity in his athletes.

He served on the Chelmsford Recreation Commission and was commissioner of Varney Playground, now known as Harry Ayotte Field where you would often see him manicuring the field for an upcoming game. The memories of a large number Chelmsford youth include many special times made possible by Harry.

He will be missed by all.

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THE FUTURE CHELMSFORD ALUMNI HALL

