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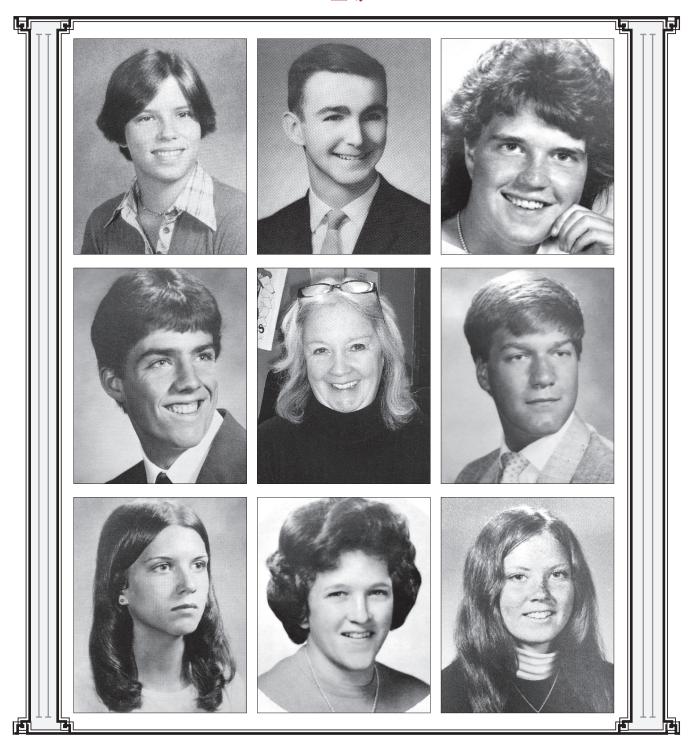


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2019 HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES

# President's Message

By Terry McSheehy



It is late January as I write this and the winter has been an easy one so far. Let's hope it continues.

As we begin a New Year on the calendar, let us look back on what has gone on in the CHSAA this past year. Our booth on the Common on the eve of the 4th of July was another fantastic night of fellowship and also of adding many new members to our ranks. Those of you who have not had the opportunity to come by and say hello should really try if you are in the area.

We are approaching our 29th Hall of Fame inductions on March 23rd at the UMASS Lowell Inn and Conference Center in Lowell. Again we have nine fabulous candidates going in. I continue to be amazed at the accomplishments of Chelmsford High graduates every year and this year is no exception. I have the privilege of knowing one of the inductees very well and am extremely proud of her election to the CHSAA Hall of Fame. Remember we attempt to reward people based on the

totality of the person, not just their High School participation.

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 trying to understand why our membership is declining. If we could retain only 50% of our members who leave, it would significantly increase our stability. 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.

It is my privilege and honor to again be your President, and I hope to produce further growth in the operation of and the membership of the CHSAA. Thank you for allowing me to be your President.

Happy St. Patrick's Day to everyone, see you all on the 23rd of March at the Hall of Fame induction dinner.



#### Our Mission

The Chelmsford High School Alumni Association is an independent organization committed to promoting fellowship with and among alumni and future graduates.

The Association, recognizing the rich legacy and the excellence in education of the Chelmsford Public Schools, is a committed partner with Chelmsford High School.

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.

#### THE VISION

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;
- 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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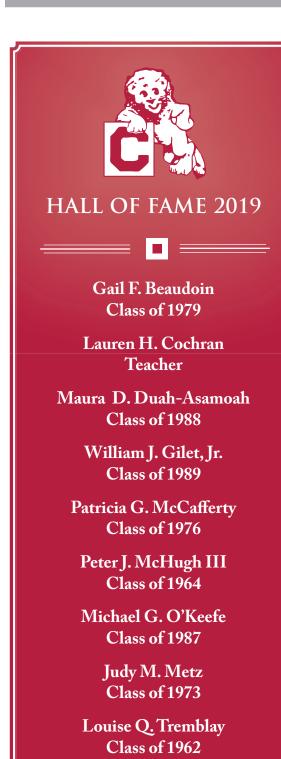
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#### CHS ALUMNI MAGAZINE

### HALL OF FAME ANNOUNCEMENT



# Hall of Fame 2019 March 23rd, 2019

The Chelmsford High School Alumni Association proudly announces its Twenty-ninth Annual Hall of Fame Induction.

The ceremony will take place on the evening of the 23rd of March, 2019 at the UMass Lowell Conference Center in Lowell, MA. The program will include a social at 5:45 PM; dinner at 6:30 PM and the induction at 7:00 PM.

THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION WILL ALSO PRESENT ITS

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WHICH IS GIVEN TO AN ORGANIZATION OR AN

INDIVIDUAL WHO HAS BEEN AN EXTRAORDINARY

SUPPORTER OF THE STUDENTS OF CHELMSFORD HIGH

SCHOOL OVER THE YEARS.

This year the recipient will be Evelyn S. Thoren and the presentation will be made at the induction ceremony.

For information relative to the purchase of tickets for the induction ceremony, please call Terry McSheehy at 978-251-3788 or George Simonian at 978-256-3100.

# -HALL OF FAME

# Meet the Inductees



#### Gail (Mullen) Beaudoin/1979

- Prepared academically for future as police officer
- Criminal justice major at ULowell/1983g, shift supervisor
- Over 20 years on Chelmsford Housing Authority
- Excellence in Research



#### Lauren Cochrane (Teacher)

- Taught Music, Theater, Filmmaking; advised Theater Guild: annual musical, director/producer/writerwon awards; created Black Box Theater
- Major fundraiser for Theater: donated \$10,000 award for storage



#### Maura (Devaney) Duah-Asamoah/1988

- MVP/Capt softball, field hockey; USMC Student Athlete Leadership Award; Town Youth Ump; CCC Teacher, Youth Minister
- 1990 Began coaching Field Hockey, Lacrosse, Basketball 1995-2017 Consistently invited to State Tourneys



#### William J. Gilet, Jr./1989

- Active on Class Reunion committees
- PriceWaterhouseCoopers Partner & Management Consultant/Mergers & Acquisitions/Improvement United Way, Big Brother Big Sister, LGH, WSB, Varney Playground, Vinal Sq.Strategic Action, NC Holiday Dec Committee, Turf Field Committee



#### Patricia (Galvin) McCafferty/1976

- Excellent student
- Successful Lowell Sun journalist,
   5th Congressional District Director,
   Vice Chancellor at UML
- Est Sacred Heart Neighborhood Endowment Scholarship; Chair, Friends of NDA



#### Peter J. McHugh, III/1964

- Drama Club, Cross Country
  Team, District Band 3 times, Class
  President 2x, Edited Yearbook,
  Salutatorian
- Harvard: BA bio & chem, football
   & concert bands, pit orchestras, 2
   National Science Foundation grants



#### Judy (Merrill) Metz/1973

- Exceptional athlete: 3 yr varsity basketball (sr. captain); MVP sr./ All Tourney 11&12; varsity softball 10&11
- Plymouth State: BS phys ed 1978;
   MEd International Education 2008
- Taught, coached, administered in US public schools



#### Michael O'Keefe/1987

- Successful student athlete: basketball, baseball: Lowell Sun All Star baseball 86-87; basketball capt sr; teams MVC champs sr year
- Star ball player @ Assumption;
   2 college athletic Halls of Fame;
   summer Legion ball All Star



#### Louise (Quinn) Tremblay/1962

- Northeast District Band, Glee Club, Talent Show, Drama Club & Senior Play; student manager girls' basketball & field hockey 3 years
- Worked in family hardware store since 1958
- Dracut Finance Committee 30 yrs.,



# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

29th Annual
Hall of Fame Induction
Dinner and Ceremony
March 23, 2019
Inn & Conference Center
UMASS, Lowell

21st Annual
Awards Night
May 13, 2019
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Performing Center
Chelmsford High School

Fourth of July July 3 & 4, 2019 CHSAA Booth THE COMMON

# MAKING A DIFFERENCE WITH A TAX SAVING STRATEGY

If you are 70.5 years old or older, you can take advantage of a simple way to help the Chelmsford High School Alumni Association (CHSAA) build the Chelmsford Alumni Hall. Satisfy your federal government IRA required minimum distribution (RMD) and receive tax benefits in return. You can give up to \$100,000 from your IRA directly to CHSAA without having to pay income taxes on the money. The new tax law passed at the end of 2015 has no expiration date and allows you to make annual gifts to CHSAA this year and well into the future.

- Your gift will help fulfill the dream of building and maintaining a first class facility to promote the CHSAA.
- You pay no federal income taxes on your gift. Your gift generates neither taxable income nor a tax deduction; so, you benefit even if you do not itemize your tax deductions.
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Contact Jim Parker at 413-562-5120 to learn more about this tax-smart way to make a difference for CHSAA.



We are half-way through the school year. A lot has occurred. I will share with you a few highlights from recent months. Ms. Terry Karangioze is one of our talented art teachers. Her kids participated in a Memory Project. The Memory Project pairs students in the United States with elementary students in an orphanage in Poland. Each CHS student received a picture of an elementary student from the orphanage. The CHS student then drew a portrait of the other student. The portraits were mailed to the orphanage along with a message from our kids. A video was sent from the orphanage to Ms. Karangioze. It showed how excited their kids were to receive portraits of themselves drawn by CHS students. The quality of each portrait was phenomenal. This is the 7th year that our students participated in this program. Prior partnering countries were Haiti, Nicaragua, Ghana, Romania and Ukraine.

Back in the fall, Dr. Sweeney (Technology, Business and CHS TV Department Coordinator) organized a STEM College and Career Fair for students who took Project Lead the Way classes. Approximately 40 colleges/universities and almost 20 representatives from businesses such as Lockheed Martin, MITRE, GE Health and Thermo Fisher Scientific attended. Students (over 300 students from our school and other districts) got to meet with colleges to talk about their programs. At the same time, students could see the skills that they learned be put into real life practice when they visited representatives from companies in those industries. This was a fantastic way to get kids excited and interested in STEM fields. Students explored various careers, saw



innovative technology and cuttingedge STEM research. We want to thank Mass STEM Hub for all of their support both with this event and with our programs at CHS.

Our LIVE SMART committee works hard at keeping kids healthy. This groups sponsors enrichment opportunities for our kids that focus on making good choices and staying healthy. As you probably know, vaping is a major trend. Studies show the dangers of vaping especially for kids. LIVE SMART brought in Rob Hackenson of Dynamic Influences to talk to our kids about the dangers of smokeless tobacco, the vaping craze and marijuana. This was a muchneeded enrichment. When I grew up, we could detect smoking by the smell. Vaping does not leave that scent, so it is very hard to detect. What makes it worse is that these companies are marketing toward kids with bubble gum and fruit flavored nicotine vapes.

This year's musical was Fiddler on the Roof. Another amazing performance by our Theatre

Guild. The Chelmsford Garden Club held a fashion show. Our students were the entertainment for the evening. They performed songs from the musical. I cannot tell you how many compliments I received praising the performers.

Amanda Roeder's (Choir Director) acapella group (The Thursdays) is constantly being asked to perform at parties. Most recently, they were performing in a town out by the North Shore. The Grammys need to take a look at our music department.

The boys' and girls' soccer teams participated in the Pink Games last October. They raised \$1,168 for the Hope and Friendship Metastic Breast Cancer Foundation. We received a beautiful letter thanking our student athletes for their generosity and time.

Last but not least, our school is investigating the possibility of creating a senior internship. We want to give our students experiences and opportunities to help inform their decisions about college majors or jobs. The idea is to have a senior do an internship at a business for the last few weeks of school. Hopefully, we get to partner with local businesses within our community. Students will explore many aspects of the business/job. Their experience will culminate in gallery walk type exhibition where each student can talk about their experience and what they learned. This is a wonderful learning experience for our students and it can be a great opportunity to tout local businesses. I will keep you informed about our progress.

Steve Murray | >



#### Make a Difference Gift your "IRA Rollover" to the CHSAA CHS Alumni aged 70½ or Older

The Protecting Americans from Tax Hikes (PATH) Act of 2015, which was passed by Congress and signed into law by the president on December 18, 2015, made permanent what is popularly known as the IRA charitable rollover.

#### Here are the requirements and restrictions for making an IRA charitable rollover gift:

- The donor must be 70½ or older.
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- Gifts cannot be made to a donor advised fund, supporting organization, or private foundation.
- The gift is not included in taxable income, and no charitable deduction is allowed.

#### The difference your gift will make:

- Endow the Association with a full-time Executive Director and erect Alumni Hall as the official community building for everything CHS.
- Provide you "naming rights" on rooms within Alumni Hall
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## ATHLETIC DIRECTOR'S Report . By Dan Hart Class of 1999

This fall saw many highlights for our Athletic Program including a memorable Overtime victory over Lexington for our Field Hockey team in the the State Tournament. The Boys Soccer team finished the season with an amazing 13-3-2 record playing arguably the toughest schedule in the state. The Girls Soccer team qualified for the state tournament for the first time in 4 seasons, and finally our Football team gave their best effort to close the season with a tough 6-0 win on a cold Thanksgiving Morning over arch rival Billerica High School.

There were many amazing moments and great team and individual performances this fall. Not all of our amazing efforts were confined to the playing fields and gyms though as this fall saw our fall sports teams out in the community giving back via service projects and community events. This building and the students in it are truly amazing, and I am lucky to see their talents on display everyday both in the school and on the fields.

We had a number of athletes who had tremendous success on the field this fall who were voted to All Conference Teams. The following student-athletes were recognized by the coaches in the Merrimack Valley Conference for their achievements:

#### **MVC First Team All Conference**

Claire Danahy - Field Hockey Emma Bouley - Field Hockey Emily Dionne - Field Hockey Ingrid Haywood - Field Hockey Kate Krueger - Girls Soccer Kat Slattery - Girls Soccer Josh Ofosu - Boys Soccer Zach Hardy - Boys Soccer Aiden Hennessey - Cross Country Drew Madsen - Cross Country Jarred Huggins - Golf Laura Latham - Swim and Dive Mike Vecchione - Football Jake Chiasson - Football Dominic Dibari - Football Kevin Hennessey - Football

#### **MVC Second Team All Conference**

Timothy Barlow - Football Michael Lupoli - Football David Hamilton - Football Kyle Sweeney - Football Alexandra Kam - Swim and Dive Courtney Morgan - Swim and Dive Lily Boilard - Swim and Dive Ethan Hayes - Boys Soccer Elias Perreira - Boys Soccer Hannah Myerson - Girls Soccer Hannah Polce - Girls Soccer Clare O'Neil - Field Hockey Shannon Walsh - Field Hockey Ryan Hayes - Cross Country Anna Quirbach - Cross Country Griffin Green - Golf

On November 19th, we opened up the Jack Fletcher Fitness Room at CHS. This project, a complete renovation of the former weight room, was a collaborative effort between Athletics and Physical Education/Health and is open to all students, not just athletes. Through the hard work of Health/ Phys Ed. Coordinator Katie Simes and Whitter Dean John MacIsaac we were able to completely reimagine the space into a state of the art fitness center that also has room for aerobic activities.

It was only fitting that this room would be named after former Teacher, Coach and longtime Athletic Director Jack Fletcher. Jack gave so much to the school and athletic programs through his tenure and continues to be an amazing supporter of all things Chelmsford. Since the opening of the room, there has been a dramatic increase in participation and the students are excited to have such a nice facility.

Our teams have got off to a great start this winter and the support for our teams have been amazing. I am looking forward to continued success for our teams and I am excited for what the future holds for CHS Athletics.

Dan Hart Athletic Director

#### WANT TO BECOME A MEMBER OF THE CHSAA?

SIGN UP A CLASSMATE! STAY CONNECTED!

Membership Application on page 19.



# RILEY MITCHELL

## STUDENT Profile

By Smrithi Eswar Class of 2019



Jennifer Orsini (left) and Riley Mitchell, Mentor Board President

When Riley Mitchell first ran for president of Chelmsford High School's Mentor Program, her main goal was to provide a smooth transition for incoming freshmen. Months later, Riley's impact on the mentor community has been immeasurable. Whether it's planning move-up days or designing intensive surveys to create the best mentorfreshman pairs, Riley has done it all.

Throughout her high school career, Riley has made use of every opportunity that Chelmsford High School has to offer. She's a 4-year member of the varsity field hockey team, and she plans to continue field hockey for the next four years at Johns Hopkins University, where she will be on the Pre-Med track. Riley is a member of Best Buddies, and a member of the National Honor Society, Language Honor Society, and English Honor Society.

Riley's academics are impressive as well. Naming her favorite subject as science, Riley has taken some of the most difficult science courses CHS has to offer, including Honors Biology, Honors Chemistry, Advanced Placement Physics, Advanced Placement Biology, and Honors Anatomy and Physiology. With all these commitments, one would think that Riley has her hands full, however she always makes time to give back.

When Riley first started high school, the mentor program was instrumental in her transition from the middle school.

"I had a really positive mentor, and it showed me that this place was a good one," she says. For Riley, the mentor program shed light on what high school really had to offer. She mentions that "everything about high school is portrayed to be this negative experience but it isn't."

As president of the mentor board, she has done her best to make sure that the mentees are able to have the same outlook on high school that her mentor gave her. She has the freshmen write goals that they hope to accomplish, which they will revisit at the end of the school year.

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### STUDENT Profile . Continued

"I think the most important thing is to make sure they know it's not as scary as it seems" Riley says.

This year, Riley's work with the mentor board has involved many positive changes to the program's structure. Chelmsford High School's mentor program pairs incoming freshmen with high school juniors and seniors to help make the transition to high school a little smoother. The program has always been highly effective, but Riley decided to go further. This year, she created a survey that both the incoming freshmen and the mentors answer, detailing their favorite subjects and extracurricular interests. Riley and many others view the survey as a success, as this year's mentor-mentee pairings were well-matched. For example, if a mentee is interested in taking art at the high school, the mentor survey will pair the mentee with a member of the Art Club. These pairings make it easier for the mentees because they are able to relate to their mentors better, and the mentors themselves are able to offer advice that directly relates to their mentees. It is likely that the mentor survey will continue in future years thanks to the mentor board's endeavor.

Jennifer Orsini, who organizes the mentor program with Dean Joshua Blagg, has loved working with Riley and the rest of the mentor board this past year. The mentor board consists of a wonderful group of seniors: Krista Cabeca, Spencer Gump, Phoebe Kimera, Hannah Myerson, Elizabeth Nickerson, Lauren Pratt, and Caroline Robinson. Mrs. Orsini is involved with much of the planning, and puts in hours of her time to make sure that the program is a success each year. For her, the validation comes from "working with the kids and seeing them work over the summer, in a program that will trickle down and help younger students," she says with a smile. "Programs like these let everyone know that this is a community, one big family of really good citizens," she proudly mentions.

Thanks to the work of Riley, Mrs. Orsini, and others, mentoring is one of Chelmsford High School's most successful programs. While it is undoubtedly hard work, it is clear that the program has forever impacted the Chelmsford community. Whether it be the mentormentee bonds, the personalized focus on incoming high-schoolers, or the smooth transition to high school, the mentor program shows what a wonderful community Chelmsford High School truly is.



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# STEVEN NORMANDIN '01

## **ALUMNI** Profile

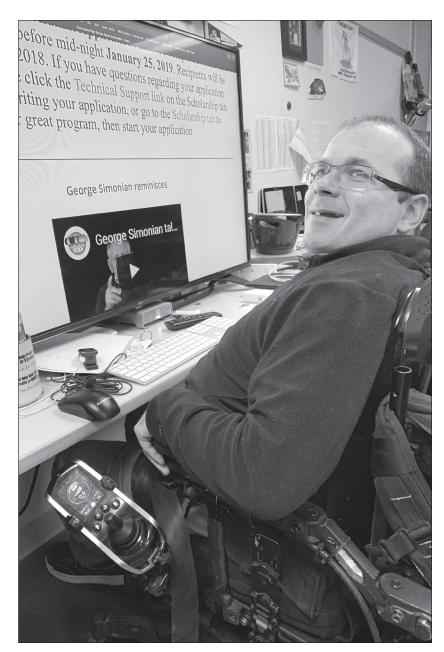
By Sandie Johnson Taylor Class of 1969

# "There Really Isn't a Wheelchair in my Life"

Steven Normandin's ('01) journey through the halls of Chelmsford Schools and Middlesex Community College, and through the last eight years working as a computer technician and web master for the Chelmsford Public Schools, is a success story of an amazing individual with a positive outlook, a can-do attitude, a strong work ethic, a sincere sense of gratitude, a great sense of humor and a remarkable capacity to overcome challenges. Throughout his journey, Steve expresses a heartfelt message for children faced with disabilities: "You can do it on your own. If I can do it; anyone can."

Steve is the son of the late Christopher Normandin ('83) and Debra Pulchak. He is also the grandson of the late Professor Raymond Normandin, who was responsible for developing "the chemistry and materials aspect of the Plastics' program" at then Lowell Technological Institute, and of the late Mary Ellen Normandin, who taught for many years in Chelmsford and spent several years as the superintendent of an American school in Managua, Nicaragua. In addition to his grandmother and grandfather, Steve's mother and Uncle Tim are also educators.

When asked how he would describe himself, Normandin responds, "strong and very caring. I was brought up to put others ahead of myself. If someone has a problem, I'll be there first." Steve adds that his parents, "were very strong people. They taught me to figure things out for myself and to do things on my own." Steve emphasizes that today, he is a better person because his parents taught him to advocate for himself. Former CHS teacher, Carol Strout saw first hand how he advocated for himself. She "used to



marvel at how Steve would climb out of his wheelchair, pull out his tool kit and fix his chair completely on his own."

Steve says that people tell him his best quality is his sense of humor. Bill Silver, Director of Information Communication and Technology Services for CPS, shares a great story about Steve's sense of humor. "In one of my first meetings with Steven, he said a couple of things that I still chuckle about. He said, "Bill, there are a couple of things

you should know about me. First, I'm always working, even though it looks like I'm always sitting around." Silva says that he laughed a little nervously, not knowing Steve that well. "Later in that meeting I (Silver) asked him about how he deals with individuals who might be having a bad day and get a little cranky with him. Steve said, "It happens. I try not to let it bug me. I just keep trying to help, but if it goes too far, then watch out. Don't make me get up out of this chair, or we'll have problems." This time Silver knew what kind of a character Steve was.

Early in his journey as a student at Westlands School, it was through the help of Joanne Rollins, his special education teacher, and the late Bernie DiNatalie, then Director of Educational Technology, that Steve received his first computer. "Bernie came into my classroom and continued to work with me until I was trained on an Apple II." Steve's ability to use that computer allowed him to become more independent than he had ever been before.

In a wheelchair all of his life, Normandin has Cerebral Palsy and is "legally blind." "I wasn't good at handwriting, but I could type. It has taken me years, but I can now type without looking at the keys. Because of my disability I couldn't read well, but with the help of my computer, I could enlarge the print and the pictures and could focus in on details; I could now read a book with screen readers." For Steven there was a kind of magic in that computer that transformed him into becoming an excited learner! In fact, he has become a life-long learner. Steve adds, "My first lap top is responsible for where I am today."

As a CHS freshman, Steve's biggest desire was to be

mainstreamed, in order to be able to take the courses that would provide him with the pre-requisites necessary to attend college. With the help of Carol Fredette, then Administrator of Special Education, who recognized "Steve's potential, his strengths, and his great social and communication skills," Normandin's dream became a reality. "Carol Fredette always made sure that I had what I needed," Steve shares. "I owe a lot of my success to her." The gratitude in Steve's voice comes through with clarity.

Being mainstreamed was "overwhelming at first, but I did it!" Normandin recalls that his aides, Lisa Heffernan and Joyce Dunn, "knew that I was serious about learning, and they were serious about helping me." With mainstreaming settled, once again advocating for himself, Normandin successfully worked towards being able to move from class to class and to use the elevator on his own without the assistance of his aides.

By the end of his junior year, Steve was inducted in to the CHS National Honor Society, and that was a "big deal" for him. To fulfill the service hours required for NHS, he volunteered at the Chelmsford Senior Center, finding that he learned a great deal from the senior citizens with whom he worked. In June of 2001, Steve Normandin and Sage, his service dog, proudly received their CHS diploma. After all, Sage had attended every one of Steve's classes, either resting on the teachers' feet or sleeping under their desks, waiting for a break.

At first, Normandin's dream of attending Middlesex Community College was met by those who told him that "he wasn't college material." That did not stop Steve! Ultimately, he was accepted

to Middlesex. In 2010, after ten long years of hard work, discipline, determination, perseverance and the help of some very special peer tutors, Steve Normandin's dream became a reality. He graduated from Middlesex with a 3.2 average, earning his Associate Degree in Science, with a concentration in technology. He admits that college was somewhat of a "culture shock at first," but he didn't let that get in the way. He adds, "Without being mainstreamed at CHS, I wouldn't have made it through Middlesex."

"When I graduated from Middlesex, I now had skills, but I was nervous about how I was going to use those skills." That nervousness was shortlived. Soon after graduating, Steve was hired by the Chelmsford Public Schools, joining the district wide tech support department, where he has worked for the past eight years. Recalling the day that he was hired, Steve shared, "I was ecstatic. I felt as if I were back home again, that I had gone full circle." Normandin goes on to say, "Without my Chelmsford schools' experience, I would not be where I am today."

Steve's day begins around 4:00 am. When he first gets up, he checks the Help Desk, which uses a ticket based system, to get an idea of the agenda for his busy day. He can solve problems remotely from his home or from his CHS office, while other problems require Steve to work in classrooms. "When teachers have emergencies and can't get on to their computers, I visit their classrooms right away, in an attempt to quickly solve the problem." Able to fix computers from memory, Normandin emphasizes that "so much depends upon technology. If you can't use it; you can't teach." Other tasks, among the many for which Steve is responsible, include: managing the district wide web site and adding documents such as the CHS handbook or scholarship

applications to the website, making it easier for faculty, parents and students. Always ready for new challenges, Steve hopes to become certified in Google Classroom, adding to the many certifications alreday has earned. Bill Silver says that Normandin "also invests time assisting our student interns during the summer months and during the school year. He helps the interns build skills and oversees their work while providing them with real life hands on experience in a live help desk support environment."

"When I go to work in different classrooms at the high school, it's like a trip down memory lane," Steve reminisces. He recalls that former CHS teacher, Carol Strout, always took extra time with every student making sure that everyone was able to learn the material," and that "Mike O'Keefe made history interesting to learn." In Nancy Arena's English class, Steve, "loved being able to learn more challenging content, such as Shakespeare." As for math class, Normandin says that he would freeze when it came time to taking tests and credits math teacher Tom Gallagher for going above and beyond, helping Steve to communicate that he had mastered the material.

This writer was curious to find out what Steve Normandin's CHS teachers remember about him.

English teacher, Nancy Arena recalls: "Steve attended class every day with his service dog, Sage, and was always interested in learning and sharing his thoughts and opinions with his peers. I also remember that Steve had a good sense of humor and would make jokes or funny connections to things that we would discuss in class."

"I was lucky enough to have Steve as a student," says history teacher Mike O'Keefe, and currently, "I am lucky to have him as a colleague. Steve was a hardworking student and now shares his incredible computer knowledge with the teachers and is always willing to explain how best to incorporate technology into our classes."

Former CHS Advanced Computer Graphics teacher, Eric Hoover, has nothing but accolades for Normandin, emphasizing that "he is an amazing individual and a terrific role model for anyone who is disabled. He excelled in both my computer graphics and my advanced computer graphics courses, but even more than that, he was a valuable resource to me as well as to my students."

Hoover goes on to say, "Steve stayed in contact with me after he graduated and continued to assist me in making the lab a state of the art facility. He was a driving force in upgrading the computer graphics lab and in maintaining and servicing the lab through multiple generations of

hardware and software and through a number of school administrations. He always had an answer for every problem that arose, or knew where to find the answer."

The most important lesson that Steve has learned is to "Pay it forward." When asked how he pays it forward, he responds by saying, "I'll learn a piece of technology backwards and forward so that I can teach it to others." Normandin wants to be remembered for being able to take on any problem and work at it until he finds a solution. "He turns mountains into molehills, lemons into lemonade, frowns into smiles, and takes every interaction he has with the end users as an opportunity to help them love technology as much as he does," shares Bill Silver.

In his spare time, Normandin has helped to revamp the Chelmsford High School Alumni Association's web site, developing the current format and layout. He has made the site more user friendly and accessible and has incorporated more color and added a You Tube connection. Steve has helped Bob Pariseau ('64) learn how to digitize the video footage from Hall of Fame Induction Speeches and other CHSAA events, alowing for instant alumni access. Pariseau praises Steve saying that "he is a great kid and a hard worker who will do anything for you. He works at a problem until it is solved. "As the saying goes, Steve has taught me everything I know, but certainly not everything he knows."

Both graduating from college and maintaining a job are his greatest challenges and his greatest accomplishments, as well as paving the way for other students with disabilities who come after him. Again, Steve reiterates that "I couldn't have done it without all the help I received at CHS." If there were one problem that he could fix, it would be for people to see the whole person. For example, "My friends don't see the wheelchair; they see me." When asked about his bucket list, Steve quickly responds: "bungee jumping and sky diving." After a brief pause, Normandin's sense of humor kicks in, and he says, "There really isn't a wheel chair in my life."

In closing, Carol Strout, who marveled at Steve's ability to fix his wheelchair, remembers that "We did a project in class on "leaving our mark" on society and how we would lead our lives as models for others. "At the conclusion of the project, I let the students use washable paint and put their hand print on the classroom wall. Much to Steve's delight, we even let Sage, his service dog, leave his paw print next to Steve's."

Steve Normandin, what a beautiful "mark" you have made! What an inspirational role model you have been, not only for individuals with disabilities, but for everyone!

# FINE & PERFORMING ARTS

Report

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By Christina Whittlesey



Happy New Year! Have you been watching our Department TV show, *Spotlight on Fine Arts?* If so, you have an idea just how active the Fine and Performing Arts Teachers and Students have been this season. If not, please visit https://chelmsfordtv.org/watch/spotlightonfinearts to catch up on exciting arts news! We are looking forward to another great year, and I am very pleased to share our Department's news with you!

Chelmsford High School art students are currently involved in a number of exciting projects, and many have submitted work to competitions and exhibits. Students in Studio 3 classes are creating portraits for art for *The Memory* 

Project, a nonprofit organization that invites art teachers and their students to create portraits for youth around the world who have faced substantial challenges, such as neglect, abuse, loss of parents, and extreme poverty. This year, students are creating portraits for children in the United States.

Students are also exhibiting work for the Massachusetts Arts Education Association Youth Art Month in Boston's Transportation Building, the Westford Parish for the Arts Exhibit, and our upcoming K-12 Youth Art Month Exhibit through the month of March; this is always a fabulous exhibit, and I encourage you to drop by the Library that month! The

reception for the exhibit is Thursday, March 7 from 5:00-7:00 p.m. Snacks will be served, and student musicians will provide music for the artists and guests in attendance. In addition, CHS Art Students currently have their artwork on display in the Special Education Office and House Offices, the Art Wing Display cases, and the CHS Learning Commons. I would encourage you to stop by when you can to see all of the student artwork on display throughout the building.

Many of our CHS art students also had work submitted recently into the annual Boston Globe Scholastic Art & Writing Award Competition. Students involved will be awarded Gold Keys, Silver Keys, and Honorable Mentions by an experienced jury panel; Gold and Silver Award winning submissions will be exhibited at the Massachusetts State Transportation Building in Boston, and Gold Key works will travel to New York City for a national review. We will learn the results later this winter, and teachers and students are keeping their fingers crossed!

In addition, several visual art students have had work accepted into the first University of Massachusetts Lowell High School Art Exhibit! 13 students in Studio 1, Honors Art, and AP Art classes participated in this prestigious event.

CHS Student Artists accepted to the UML High School Art Exhibit were:

Ariana Bellan (oil pastels piece/pear) Autumn Bellan (Acrylic painting/ cloth)

Lovinia Collins (illustrator markers/self-portrait)

Sophia Hayward (charcoal/portrait) Felix Huang (granite/Lamborghini train)

Cynthia Lu (charcoal piece/riding boots)

Margaret McMaster (pencil piece/cloth)

Katarina Monnes (pencil/portrait) Medha Purushotham (pencil piece/ self-portrait)

Milo Ransdell ( layered design/bike) Maura Sweeney (pencil piece/jacket/chair)

Noah Verma (oil pastels/landscape) Meghan Haynes (color pencil/aye aye)

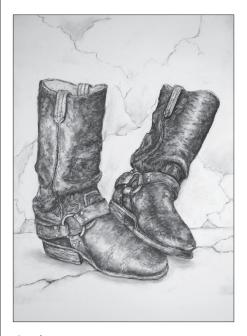


Felix Huang, Stone Duck 3

We are very proud of all of our talented and dedicated visual art students!

The CHS Theatre Guild has also been off to an amazing start. This fall, audiences were treated to a murder mystery entitled "The Killer Queen" in the Black Box Theatre. The show was written by students, and featured beauty contestants vying for the coveted title. Comedy ensued in this improvised show that featured stage moms, hapless emcees, detectives and beauty contestants. The show performed for two evenings to two sold out crowds.

In December, Fiddler on the Roof was performed as the main stage musical in the Carl J. Rondina Performing Arts Center. The cast, crew and orchestra were all stupendous. The show featured flying by ZFX (aptly flown by Craig Robertson and Tom Peterson) with Fuma Sara, Tevya, Golde and the Fiddler all getting to have their spirits and bodies lifted into the air! For the first time, an understudy had to go on for the role of Tevya on Thursday (opening) night. Chase Boles, a junior, did an amazing job. Friday and Saturday performances saw Philip Ferdinand (senior) shine as Tevya. The singing and dancing (choreographed by juniors Connor Frugoli and Andrea



Cynthia Lu, Boots

Loew) were amazing. *Fiddler* performed to nearly sold out audiences all three nights. Over 100 students were involved in the production.

For the first time in Theater Guild history, students came up with the idea to have a new show entitled "MISCAST" - a cabaret show where students got to sing songs not of their gender. Held in the Black Box Theatre, the show was on Friday, January 4<sup>th</sup>. Audience members were treated to Brick House Pizza (much thanks to them!), water and desserts, as well as the fabulous entertainment. Over 15 students sang songs from various shows including: Rent, Dear Evan Hanson, Shrek the Musical, Chicago, and Hamilton. As in the original Broadway Miscast, half of the proceeds will be going to the Dana Farber Cancer Institute. \$555.00 will go to Dana Farber and the remainder to be used to support the Theatre Guild's future shows!

Next on the agenda, Thornton Wilder's *OUR TOWN* will be held in the Carl J. Rondina Performing Arts Center on January 25, 26 and 27 (Thursday and Friday at 7 and Sat at 2:00). This show will feature many underclassmen, and is directed by Emerson college alumni Katie Clarke, with assistance by tech director Craig Robertson. Tickets may be purchased at the door.



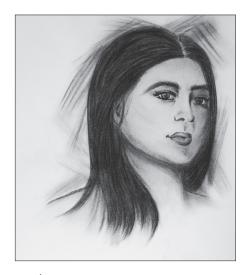
Meghan Haynes, Aye Aye

## FINE & PERFORMING ARTS Report

On March 1, The Theatre Guild will once more host the annual METG One Act Festival in the Carl J. Rondina Performing Arts Center. This year CHS's entry is a comedy entitled The Lucky Charm, written once more by Eloise Hoffman. Directed by Lauren Cochran with assistance by Craig Robertson, The show features over 20 students and takes place in Ireland. Students are hard at work learning the Irish dialect! It is sure to be a great day of theatre. The shows start at 9:00 a.m., and placements will be announced on January 14, so mark your calendars and then check back to see Chelmsford's show time. Tickets may be purchased at the

The year will round out with our annual children's play entitled Camp Shenanigans, to be performed in May.

In music news, CHS music students continue to excel across performance ensembles. The annual winter concert featured students in the Orchestra, Grade 9 Chamber Orchestra, Treble Choir, Concert Choir, Concert Band, and Percussion Ensemble. The concert ended with our traditional finale, as an impressive number of alumni and community members joined the



Meghan Haynes, Aye Aye

CHS full Symphony Orchestra and Choir onstage for a rousing rendition of Handel's "Hallelujah Chorus." We also hosted an "After-School Ensemble Concert" in January in order to accommodate the growing number of high-level student- and teacher-led ensembles in our school. This concert featured the Jazz Band, the student-led Wind Ensemble and Symphony Orchestra, and our a cappella groups The Thursdays and The Crescendos. All groups performed extremely well. Both the winter concert and the after-school ensemble concert can be viewed online at the Chelmsford TeleMedia website, www.chelmsfordtv.org.

On November 17, over 1100 music students from public and private schools across the Northeastern part of Massachusetts auditioned for the 2019 Northeast Senior District Music Ensembles. Out of this group, approximately 450 students from grades nine through twelve were selected to participate in this prestigious Massachusetts Music Educators Association (MMEA) event, a whopping 28 of whom were from Chelmsford High School. These students performed at a concert in Wakefield, MA on Saturday, January 12.

In addition to having these 28 students accepted into Senior Districts, students who received a score in the top 50% of their area were eligible to audition for the MMEA All-State Ensembles. This year, 10 band, chorus, and orchestra students received an All-State recommendation!

These CHS students have been selected to participate in the following Northeast Senior District Music Ensembles (students with All-State audition recommendations have an asterisk next to their names):

Zoe Adoniou, CHS Chorus Sachi Badola, CHS Chorus\* Carlos Bejar-Garcia, CHS Band Sophie Bellone, CHS Chorus Levi Cass, CHS Band John Clancy, CHS Band Lora Coggins, CHS Chorus\* Lovinia Collins, CHS Chorus Allison Dorsey, CHS Chorus\* Madison Good, CHS Chorus\* Neil Graham, CHS Band@ Lily Hoyt, CHS Orchestra Amaan Jamil, CHS Band Nirai Kabilan, CHS Chorus\* Nicholas LaCava, CHS Band# Juhi Lalwani, CHS Chorus\* Erick Lee, CHS Band Ethan Meltzer, CHS Orchestra\* Phillip Miu, CHS Band# Alex Moore, CHS Band\* Ryan Moore, CHS Band Jackie Pottle, CHS Chorus\* Kristal Qiao, CHS Orchestra Delaney Schiefen, CHS Chorus\* Sam Segal, CHS Chorus\* Natalie Tierney, CHS Band\* Elaine Tsui, CHS Orchestra Michaella Weinbeck, CHS Band\*@

\*Denotes All State Recommendation +Denotes Jazz All State #Denotes Percussion Ensemble @Denotes CHS Band Student Participating in All State Chorus

Students ultimately selected for the All-State Ensembles will stay in Boston February 28-March 2 to work with world-renowned conductors. After a few intense days of rehearsal, the ensembles will perform at Symphony Hall in Boston on March 2, 2019.

The CHS music Directors work diligently to develop students' skills, and to facilitate student participation in the Senior District Festival and All State.



The CHS a cappella groups, "The Thursdays," and "The Crescendos," under the direction of Amanda Roeder, have recently been accepted to perform at this year's N.E. Voices Festival! N.E. Voices is a two-day comprehensive festival experience for high school vocal ensembles and their teachers. The festival features dynamic performances, a competition, master classes, and workshops by experts in the field of contemporary a cappella. Founded and managed by high school teachers, N.E. Voices offers a festival experience that is educationally sound, affordable, and current with contemporary a cappella trends.

In addition to the N.E. Voices Festival, In February, the Thursdays and the Crescendos will also compete at the Northeast Quarterfinal of the Varsity Vocals International Championship of High School A Cappella: good luck to both groups!

We are also pleased to announce that CHS will once again be hosting our second annual ACA-POCALYPSE event, on March 22-23 at the Carl J. Rondina Performing Arts Center. This exciting event will host approximately 10 a cappella ensembles, including our own CHS ensembles. In addition, CHS Alum Arun Venigopal (2015) will be performing with the Nor'Easters, and Abhinav Muraleedaran (2018) will be performing with Distilled Harmony. For tickets, please visit www. chelmsfordacappella.org.

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

#### **VISUAL ARTS:**

Madalena Alves Bree Betke Diane Cogliano Terry Karangioze

#### PERFORMING ARTS:

Lauren Cochran Kate Comeau Amanda Roeder Matt Sexauer

In closing, I wish our CHS Alumni all the best through the new year, and as always, extend to all an invitation to please to drop in and say "Hello" at any of our events!

Best Regards, Christina Whittlesey Fine and Performing Arts Department Coordinator Chelmsford Public Schools





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News from Joyce (Bailey) Waun from Arizona. She informed me that her husband Chuck has passed away. Our sympathies to Joyce and her family.

He was diagnosed with terminal lung cancer on March 9, 2018 and decided to try the Chemo route (three hours once every two weeks). They did a CT scan in August and found more cancer spreading and he decided that he'd had enough of chemo. It was wearing him down so we went to Palliative care for a few weeks and then into Hospice, which was wonderful. He stayed with us until October 9, 2018.

News from Jackie (Sidelinger) Stortie. First, I want to commend you on having something in every issue of the Lion's Pride. I wish more of our classmates would write to you. If they take note, they will notice how many of the classes around our time do not have any news, yet you

manage something even though it may not have anything to do with our class. I for one know if we don't send some news, you will not have anything to put in.

So, here's what's going on in my family. The granddaughter I wrote wrote about last winter, who at the time, was planning to walk the Appalachian Trail, returned the second week in September . . . . five months plus after starting her trip on April 2nd. On the trail, she met up with some very nice guys who became her friends and I'm sure their friendship will continue. About every two weeks, her fiancé would join her and walk with her for the next two weeks. Then he would come back to this area to work. The trip was interesting, boring, arduous, beautiful, scary, etc. Fast forward to the final day at the top of Mt. Katahdin . . . . she and her fiancé "tied the knot!" As they say "All's well that ends well!"

Okay fellow classmates, unless you want to be bored by my family news, I suggest you get busy and send in your own news to Jack so he can put in the "Lion's Pride." Trust me, your friends and classmates want to hear from you.

I had lunch with Connie (Stone) Pomeroy last week. She looks good and had a busy summer.

For those of you who do not know how many members of our class receive the "Lion's Pride" is down to about 25. Some of our classmates' family members may still receive the Pride but are not included in the 25.

Thank you Joyce and Jackie for your input . . . .

~ Jack

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News from F. Raymond Hardy: Each year, at this time, I write a letter to my grandchildren about family news along with other general information about the year that passed.

This year I started the letter describing the 1950s, the ten-year period when we had so much going on in our lives. We graduated from high school (remember Miss Booth, John Shannon, and many other fine teachers?), many graduated from college, we all started career paths, we did some dating, married, and started families.

Life was much simpler back then, no IDs and passwords, no texting, paid for all purchases with cash, paid about \$20,000 for our first homes that had one TV with one or two channels and one wall phone. We wrote thank you notes and did home visits with family and friends. The good old days!!

Now for my life's journey:
After I graduated from Lowell Tech,
I joined the faculty as an instructor
and retired as a Professor Emeritus in
1996. A year or two later I returned
to the University as an Adjunct
Professor until the spring term of
2018, all that ends up to total of
60 years. I calculated I taught over
10,000 students, primarily in the area
that all students love, PHYSICS!

In June 1955, I married my wife Shirley Trull and we will celebrate 64 years of marriage this year. We have three daughters Cynthia, Marcia, and Sharyn, eight grandchildren, and five great-granddaughters. It has been interesting to watch the grandkids choose their career path. The girls choose the following fields, banking, medicine (M.D. and Assistant Prof), and dentistry, DMD. The boys are in engineering, financial analysis, IT work (supply chain), a high school history teacher, and a higher education administrator. Five of the grandchildren are married.

Shirley and I have traveled to about 40 different countries. We have visited China, Russia, many European countries via riverboat trips, Egypt, Israel, and Greece to name a few. As we get older, we are traveling less but we go to Florida in March and to our summer place in Ocean Park ME for a month each year.

Our family motto is "family is the source of our strength." I hope you are all well and had a happy holiday season. Thanks, Ray

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Editor's note: Thanks to Pat (Toms '51) Merrill, Class of '51 Agent who sent along the following article about Arthur ('52) and Cynthia Carter from the February 9, 2018 issue of the Quoddy Tides newspaper out of Eastport ME. It is reproduced below. (Pat sent this to me back in March 2018 and unfortunately, I misplaced it, but since it's a Valentine's Day story, having it in this issue actually seems more timely!)

"Valentines Share Their Love Stories" by Susan Esposito. Valentine's Day is a reminder of the importance of having someone to love and of having someone love you. Three Quoddy area couples reveal what has helped keep their marriages long and happy. (Only the portion of the article about the Carters appears in the Lion's Pride.)

Arthur and Cynthia Carter of Charlotte Maine credit advice on their wedding day 61 years ago for helping their marriage last. The priest said, "Don't ever go to bed angry," recalls Cynthia. "We've both tried to follow that. Although sometimes I need to stay awake longer than he does," she adds with a chuckle.

"I do family genealogy and I can definitely say we have really good genes," points out Arthur.

Art had just come back from serving in Korea and was attending Ithaca College of Technology and Cynthia Coupe had recently moved with her family from Harrisville RI when friends introduced them at a dinner in North Chelmsford MA.

"I thought she was beautiful and she fell for my 1950 Oldsmobile 88," laughs Art, while Cynthia points out, "The car had nothing to do with it."

Four years apart in age, they dated for 24 months before marrying in a big church wedding with family and friends in September 1956.

Art went back into the military and retired as a major after 21 years of service. He, Cynthia, and their family, which grew to three boys and two girls, lived in Paris, France; Alaska; Fort Devens, MA; and in Washington DC. "And he went on two unaccompanied tours of Korea and Vietnam," adds Cynthia.



Class of 1952: Cynthia and Arthur Carter on their wedding day

Art's parents, Samuel Carter and Alice Goodwin, were both Washington County natives, "and my father had built this place in Charlotte, which my sister didn't want after he passed away in 1984. So in 1994, Cynthia and I decided to fix it up and stayed."

Over the years, the family has grown to 10 grandchildren and one great-grandchild. Art and Cynthia have been involved with many groups and organizations, including Down East Hospice, local historical societies, and the Ecumenical Food Pantry in Calais, Maine. They have been very happy with their choice to retire in Charlotte ME.

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We were saddened to hear of the death of Chuck Dunklee in November just nine months after the death of his wife Marie (LaHaise) Dunklee. Their dog Dolly is being well taken care of by someone previously chosen by Marie and Chuck.

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It seems as though I always begin our Class News with bad news. Unfortunately, this time is no different. Our classmate Alice (Perko) Means passed away in November after battle with lung cancer. Alice was well known in the quilting world for the many beautiful quilts that were on display all over the US. She was also a first-class golfer. Our sympathy to her husband

Terry, their son and family, and sister Lillian (Means '56) Corkum.

Also, I'm sad to report the death of Chuck Dunklee in November just nine months after the death of his wife Marie (LaHaise '55) Dunklee class. Their dog Dolly is being well taken care of by someone previously chosen Chuck and Marie.

We are all getting closer to that number 80! Ron Aubrey's family had a big surprise party for his 80th and he couldn't believe all the people who were there from the sports teams he had worked with, along with many others. He also couldn't believe that they were so good at keeping the party a secret; he had no clue that it was being planned!

Dick Gauthier recently had back surgery is slowly getting back to normal.

Rich and Pat DeFreitas recently returned from another trip to Hawaii. They didn't do as much island hopping this time but stayed mostly on Kauai.

The "57 girls" are still having their monthly breakfasts. After several years at the Radisson, we are now meeting at the Regency in Westford. It's hard to find a place that can seat the (sometimes noisy!) 11 of us for breakfast!

We had our annual "after Christmas before New Year's get together" at the Princeton. Those attending were: Norm and Joan (Bujnowski) Paley from Raynham, Gerry (Keddie) Flory from Ipswich, Maureen (Curran) Aspell from Tewksbury, along with the Chelmsford Crew: Beth (Simpson) McHugh, Joyce (Dirubbo) Ham, and Helen (Poppelwell) Hanafin, Archie Provencal, Rich and Pat DeFreitas, John and Nancy (Small) Cavanaugh, and Wayne and Sandy (Ricciardi) Kilburn. Four other classmates were

planning to attend but due to lastminute illness or forgetfulness were unable to come. Please send me news! ~ Sandy

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Hi all....it's that time again....
and I'm back! Well the holidays
have come and gone and mine
were a little crazier than usual as I
spent four days before Christmas
at Lowell General Hospital. Cold,
turned into pneumonia, followed
by a pretty severe asthma attack.
Home on Christmas Eve and the rest
was all good!!! The care I received
was wonderful.....really wonderful!
Lucky for me I have a great family
and great friends so Christmas was
still a happy and fun time!!

Our 60th Class Reunion! We had about 40 people including spouses and a couple of sisters!!! We had it at Chelmsford Country Club! Just the right size for the number we had. Lots of gabbing and reminiscing and everyone looks sooooo good!!! Janet (Howard) Mahoney's brother-in law took a great picture, you'll see!!

Bob and Lee Gagnon hosted a brunch on Sunday following the reunion at their home in Nashua. We all had a great time......these two are amazing!! The spread they put on was "out of this world!" The weather cooperated as well and their yard is as nice as their home! Thank you Bob and Lee for another great party!!

Our classmate Phil "Flicker" and Nancy Johnson welcomed a GREAT- GRANDDAUGHTER to their family so couldn't make reunion! I'd say that sure is one great

reason!!! Congratulations to all!

My sister Kathy, continues to be about the same!! She still comes out with some doozies! One of the times Cuzin Alice went to cut her hair, I was a little late so Kathy proceeded to tell Alice when I got there that "it's NOT happening today" and would have nothing to do with a haircut that day. Still not sure what that was about but we went back the next week and DONE! (Sadly, Kathy passed away recently.)

My updated email address martha3391@hotmail.com seems to be working so keep on using it!! Also, my phone number is (978) 256-6322! So if you have any news please email or call me...would love to hear from you because I NEED NEWS!!!

"Til next time, stay healthy, keep safe and enjoy life!! And again, please send me NEWS!!! ~ Martha

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Class of 1958: 60th Class Reunion at Chelmsford Country Club:

Front: L to R: Patricia (Oliver) McGuirk, Betty (Bowers) Costa, Martha (Crane) Flaherty, Janet (Howard) Mahoney

Middle: L to R: Diane (Archer) Chaney, Carol (Belleville) Curran, Aline LaRoche, Bob Gagnon, Ruth (Harper) Racheotes, Judy (Cullen) Thompson, Armand Auger, Valerie (Broscombe) and Ron Bell.

Back: L to R: Ronald Wetmore, Paul MCGovern, Roger Sullivan, Jim Sousa, Peter Vennard, Armand Caron, Bob Moore and Marlene (OSullivan) Kydd.

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As 2018 draws to a close, I am breathing a sigh of relief. This has been the most trying year of my life. I am praying that 2019 is a better year.

Just after last Christmas, I began testing for what turned out to be Non Hodgkin's Lymphoma. I started chemo in April and on August 2, completed my final treatment. Thanks to prayers and support and love from my family, friends, and church, a PET scan declared me in remission in September. Yeah! Praise God!

I did encounter several major issues during this time, the most heartbreaking being the death of my son, Randy, due to injuries from a motorcycle accident in June. I sympathize with anyone that goes through the painful experience of losing a child. Is life ever the same?

I am now on the road to recovery and preparing to leave for Colorado to spend Christmas with my daughter, Allison, who works at Rocky Mountain National Park. I am quite eager to spend the holidays with her and to enjoy the beautiful countryside.

As a result of these and several other traumatic events, I have been remiss in keeping in touch with classmates. I did receive wonderful support from many, especially Sally (French) Bourque who cared for me following a fall and weeks of rehab and Physical Therapy. She also keeps very busy attending sporting events for her grandchildren.

Merrie (Shay) Meckley has been enjoying visits from her children

and grandchildren who live out of the country. She thrives on having friends and family visits.

I have talked to Marilyn (Slater) Emerson who loves living in North Carolina and enjoys caring for her 4-year-old grandson, Houston.

Our sympathy goes out to Xandra (Tassios) Sharron and her family for the loss of Maria Tassios, our classmate and Xandra's sister.

I apologize that this newsletter has been mostly about me but I have not heard any news from classmates. I welcome any news that you have to share. While this is not very uplifting, I hope to hear from some of you with some cheerful news. ~ Laura

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I want to wish everyone a very Happy New Year! We have come to the year of our 55th anniversary of graduation. While there has not been a concrete plan to pull together an official reunion, the year is very young. If I hear anything, I'll do my best to help spread the word.

We were lucky to have had a chance to visit with RoseMarie (Andrade) Soghigian early in the summer at Kimball's, even though she was in poor health, having been chronically ill for the past seven years. Unfortunately, Rose passed



Class of 1962: Christmas celebration at the York Harbor Inn: L to R: Hilde (Roymans) Gilman, Eunice (Pearson) Rheume, Marian (Dupee) Currier, Connie (Cullen) Campbell, Martha Dupee, Maryeileen (Callahan) Haley, Sally (French) Bourque, Cheryl (Marchand) Demoulpied

away on October 24. We extend our deepest sympathy to her husband KS, her daughter Kara, and her grandson Enzo.

On a happier note, one of our classmates, who was also at Kimball's that day, has been selected for induction into the CHS Alumni Association Hall of Fame: Peter McHugh! I want to congratulate him, and we look forward to the induction program, which will be held on Saturday, March 23 at the UMassLowell Inn and Conference Center. If you're interested in attending, which I heartily encourage, give us a call at 978-251-3788 or call George Simonian at 978-256-3100. It would be so much fun to have a good representation from our class, and, even more, if you've never been before, you will see what a great evening it is - a HUGE reunion of CHS grads, family members, teachers, and members of the community! I hope to see many of you there, and I am always hoping to hear news from all of you! ~ Lynne

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It is hard to believe today is January 1st 2019. Nancy and I want to wish all of our classmates a "Healthy, Happy Year." May 2019 bring new experiences and adventures for all of us.

There has been some interest in planning a 55th Class Reunion (2020). Nancy and I would appreciate any thoughts or suggestions. Some classes have been doing regional gatherings two or three times a year with a "Reunion" in the Chelmsford area every 5th year.

Our 50th Reunion was a 3-Day Event and although it was wonderful, it took a tremendous amount of planning, time, and energy. Bob and I are in favor of a less formal more casual reunion next year.

Now Nancy and I have to share some sad news. Three Classmates have been added to our "In Memoriam" list.

David Freeman passed away on October 29th. I remember him playing football at CHS, being strong, tall, and always a gentleman. After Graduating from CHS David enlisted in the US Army and served as a helicopter mechanic during the Vietnam War. Post Army days he worked with his dad as a plumber before becoming a police officer and retiring as a Lowell Police Officer.

Gail Tsaffaras passed away on November 2nd. What I remember most about Gail was her soft smile and that she was a math whiz. I dreaded every moment in every math class and admired Gail's enjoyment of mathematics.

Gail taught in the Chelmsford School System for 33 years as an elementary teacher and later as a social studies teacher at the high school.

Barry Popolizio passed away on November 14th. I met Barry in grade school and our friendship led us to being Prom Dates our Senior Year at CHS. Barry had an incredible smile and great personality that were, as years went by, huge assets in his chosen career in the hotel / hospitality industry.

David, Gail and Barry will be truly missed by their family, friends, and the class of 1965. Take Care ~ Mary and Nancy



Class of 1965: Lunch at the Longhorn:

L to R: Phyllis (Belida) Fortin, Jacqui (Kelly) Barbera, Sue (Lajoie) Frappier, Pat (Slater) Parquette, Nancy (Lajoie) Whiting, Karen (Linstedt) Roench, Nancy (Delmore) Hughes, Donna (Ducharme) Gelinas, Pat (Sullivan) Perham

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Pat (Duffin) Conrad and her husband Dave celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary in September. Congratulations to a devoted couple!

We mourn the passing of Carol Pilat, who died on November 27th. Another cherished classmate who has left us far too soon. Carol was a longtime employee of the Chelmsford School Department as well as a member of the CHSAA board. The class would like to establish a scholarship in her memory. If you care to contribute, please send a donation in her memory to the CHSAA, 200 Richardson Rd., North Chelmsford, 01863.

Our condolences also go out to classmate Everett "Bill" Olsen on the recent passing of his mother, Amelia. ~ Chaz

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Thank you to all our friends who continue to help us with our class updates. For this edition, we heard from Cynthia (Hubbard) McCarthy, Rebecca (Morgan) Sullivan and Dan Shagoury. We hope that you enjoy reading where life has taken them and that you will contact Bob or me with your news for upcoming issues. Happy 2019 everyone!

Cindy McCarthy updated us as follows: It's been a wild ride the last 61 years! I am very proud to be a CHS graduate. I can never relate to people who don't have great memories of high school! I had a wonderful time!

I have lived all over the country since graduating in 1975. I started out as a music major at ULowell, which will not be a big surprise to anyone who knew me in high school! I was going to be a music teacher but a year of leading a junior choir at church led me to feel that might not be my best career choice! I ultimately graduated with a degree in vocal performance from Boston Conservatory of Music in Boston. It didn't take long to realize that I was not cut out to be a starving artist. Life on the wicked stage is more challenging than your teachers will tell you!

While I continued performing here and there, I went back to school and graduated from NECC with an associate degree in nursing. I was president of my nursing class,

another job I hesitate to recommend! I have had a varied nursing career since 1984—has it really been 34 years??? I've worked in hospitals, inner city home health, psychiatric hospitals, got certified as a legal nurse consultant and, most recently, working for an insurance company that specializes in services for the elderly. I have lived in Philadelphia, Boston, Leesburg and Alexandria VA, Colorado Springs, Portland OR and now Salem MA! I did a lot of singing in Portland and was privileged to belong to two fairly prestigious singing groups for a time. I am enjoying being in the audience now.

I am very happy to be back in Massachusetts. It was a high school reunion that prompted my return and it was one of the best life decisions I've ever made. I met my wonderful husband, Dave, soon after returning and life is wonderful! Our latest adventure is playing Santa and Mrs. Claus for friends and private parties and we are having a lot of fun! We expect that little venture to ramp up a bit next year! David has 8 grandchildren and they keep us busy! His three children live in or near Salem so we see them frequently. David also has 7 brothers and sisters with whom we get together quite a bit. My son lives in Portland OR and I haven't succeeded in talking him into moving to Massachusetts. Give it time.

If you are in the Salem area, please give me a jingle! We would love to see you! It is also not too hard to talk me into meeting you for a drink in Chelmsford! We need another reunion! Soon!

Becky Sullivan, who has the most gorgeous family, sent us her news: Becky attended Lowell General Hospital School of Nursing after graduation from CHS. (Her 40th Nursing School reunion was held this year. In attendance was fellow CHS alum Lori (Bove) Saillant!) Becky met her husband, Christopher, in a community theater production of "Oklahoma." As an RN, Becky worked for 15 years in a variety of hospital and long-term care facilities. Then Chris, being a successful CFO, enabled Becky to become a stayat-home mum. The couple has 10 children!! (Actually five children, but they consider their daughters and sons-in-law their very own!) For a number of years, Becky and Chris pursued their love of performing in community theater productions at their Wellesley Parish, St. John the Evangelist. But soon, the kids' activities took over and the parents became enthusiastic spectators of baseball, swimming, football, track, theater, chorus, and basketball. Now all the kids are married with little ones of their own. Becky and Chris just welcomed their 13th grandchild with number 14 due in May!! Life is pretty perfect!

We are also lucky to get an update from classmate, Dan Shagoury who was kind enough to share his update: He has lived in Hallowell ME, for the last 20 years and says he loves living there as it reminds him of Chelmsford in the old days. He works at the State Legislature, and he and his wife Juliet will celebrate their 30th anniversary next May. He also promises a longer update for the next issue. ~ Sheila

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From Sandy Spence: So sad to tell all my classmates this news. Our fellow classmate Dawn Clements passed on December 4, 2018. Her contribution to the art world was revered by her contemporaries and her works have been displayed in many distinguished galleries worldwide.

Dawn was a talented musician and multi-sport athlete while at CHS. She earned a Bachelor's Degree in Art from Brown University in 1986, followed by a Master of Fine Arts degree from the State University of New York in Albany.

Scott Graham is headed back to the Boston Marathon. Someday he'll learn! Cornel Heitzman continues to lead the Albuquerque PD teams in the Baker to Vegas Relay race across the desert. Jim Mathison and Steve "Okie" O'Connor had a recent reunion while listening to Jim's son make music! David and Rebecca Gagnon celebrated their 36th anniversary recently. In 2018, Kay Haywood again raised enough to place wreaths on all 1873 Veterans gravesites in Chelmsford.

All of us finally turned (at least) 60 in 2018 and on we go into the next dimension!

Please contact me with any news updates! ~ Mike

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News from Sue Carelli:

Two years ago, I reunited with a few high school friends I had not seen in thirty years! We have been together ever since. We've been making time to see each other every month and this year it is hard to believe we will be celebrating our "60th" birthdays together! These reunions have enriched my life in many ways and I



Class of 1977: "Dinner Party:" L to R: Sue (Ubele) Guardino, Susan (Feehan) Carelli, Cyndi (Cinsavich) Wood, Cathy (Hickey) Damon



Class of 1977: "Pajama Party:" L to R: Cyndi (Cinsavich) Wood, Susan (Feehan) Carelli, Daryl Webster

feel very lucky to have reconnected with these beautiful amazing women forty years later. You can always make new friends but you can only make "old friends once" and there is just something very special and comforting about "old friends" This has been an amazing experience ... and we have many more memories to make!

Thank you Sue U, Daryl W, Cathy H and Cindy C . . . ox

Thanks Sue, for sending your news and photos. ~ Karen



Class of 1977: "Newburyport Coffee House:" L to R: Cathy (Hickey) Damon, Daryl Webster, Laura (Jones) Johnson, Cyndi (Cinsavich) Wood, Sue (Ubele) Guardino, Susan (Feehan) Carelli

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The Class of '78 held its 40 Year Reunion on Saturday November 24, at the Radisson Hotel in Chelmsford. 100 classmates and guests attended. A special thanks to Karen (Landers) Demetroulakos for organizing. Also, to Hajime Sano, for creating the Class of '78 Facebook page, which was very helpful in reaching out to many of our classmates. And to Randy Barth, for providing music.

On Facebook, look for Chelmsford High School Class of 1978, to view pictures from 40th Reunion and also to connect with classmates. The page will be used to keep Class of '78 up-to-date on any future events. Any questions, you can reach out to Hajime Sano, who is the Administrator of the Page.

The 19th Annual EWC golf tournament is scheduled for Friday June 14th, at the Overlook CC, in Hollis, NH. There are 40 tee times reserved and deadline to commit is May 31st. If interested or need more information, please contact Mike Donigan by emailing to mfd1959@ hotmail.com. ~ Mike

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Celebrations, Milestones & Accomplishments

On June 9th, Carolyn (Weintraub) LaBossiere and her husband became grandparents to Leila Mae Psillas, daughter of Sarah & Tom Psillas. Her vital stats at birth: 6.9 pounds and 20.5"! Welcome baby Leila ~ Congratulations Carolyn and Paul!

Joan (Amirault) Murphy and her husband became grandparents on October 5th welcoming Brooklyn Rose (7.8 pounds & 19 3/4 "). She is the daughter of Joan's son James and his wife Carrie. Team Murphy is madly in love with their sweet bundle of joy!

Paula (Wolf) Beckerman (Delray Beach, FL) and her husband Mark are thrilled that they will be grandparents three times over. Her stepson David and his fiancé Lauren are expecting their first child (boy) in April. He will join Jace (4) and Colton (1). Paula and Mark are crazy about their grandsons and only wish they lived closer...a common lament uttered by many grandparents!

Lynne (Hubers) Blech ran her first marathon on October 7th, participating in the BAC Chicago Marathon. Congratulations Lynne!

Skip Wilkins launched a new cd, "Czech Wishes" by the Skip Wilkins Quartet featuring Dan Wilkins (Skip's son), on January 18th in Prague, Czech Republic. Skip enjoyed time with family and friends over the holidays and then traveled to his beloved city of Prague. His travels included stops in Berlin (Germany), and Lomnice and Kladno (Czech Republic).

Sherri (Freitas) Leatherman added another completion medal to her marathon collection. Sherri ran the Millinocket Marathon in Maine on December 8th while battling frigid 5 degrees, biting northwest winds, and 10 huge heartbreak hills. Sherri reported the local residents were friendly and supportive, making the grueling hills and temperature bearable. She also said the views of Mount Katahdin were spectacular! As of this printing, Sherri's marathon plans for 2019 include Houston (TX) Marathon (1/20/19) running with her brother Matt Freitas; Fargo

(ND) Marathon (5/18/19); Rogue Marathon (10/12/19) in Medford OR; and the potential for more if her schedule allows! Congratulations Sherri!

#### Where in the World?

Robin (Souza) Deschene and her husband and daughter traveled to Palm Springs CA to celebrate the New Year. Their trip started off a bit bumpy as their plane needed a replacement part – causing them to spend and unexpected night in Phoenix – with no luggage. In spite of this setback, they enjoyed a great dinner at the Rustlers Rooste and headed to their final destination the next day. They spent one day enjoying the beauty of Joshua Tree National Park.

Gail (Mullen) Beaudoin relocated to New London NH to enjoy country living. Her home provides amazing views and offers tranquility and peace in a pastoral setting. Much happiness in your retirement Gail!

Shirley (Curley) Monohon spent the holidays in Breckenridge CO with her family. Shirley had quite the scare at the outset as she suffered altitude sickness and wound up in the ER. Thankfully, she was sent home with oxygen and she and the rest of Team Monohon enjoyed skiing, sledding, and hiking in the glorious mountains

#### In Memoriam

I am grieved to share the passing of our classmate, Cheryl (Dallmeyer) Ferrell. Cheryl was killed in a horrendous car accident in Milford, NH two weeks before Christmas. Rest in Peace, Cheryl. Condolences to her family and friends.

40!!!!! 2019 rings in the year of our 40th Reunion. I am not aware of reunion planners / plans but will keep you posted on news. In the meantime, please keep the updates coming! ~Denise

From John Traphagen:

John Traphagan is an anthropologist and Professor in the Department of Religious Studies at the University of Texas at Austin. He does research and teaches in the field of science and technology studies, as well as ethics, and his work deals with two very different topics: astrobiology and Japanese culture and society. He is the author of many research articles and books related to Japanese culture including: Taming Oblivion: Aging Bodies and the Fear of Senility in Japan (SUNY Press, 2000), The Practice of Concern: Ritual, Well-Being, and Aging in Rural Japan (Carolina Academic Press, 2004), and his most recent book Science, Religion, and the Search for Life on Other Worlds (Springer, 2016). John is a founding board member of the Society for Social and Conceptual Implications of Astrobiology and holds a visiting professorship at Waseda University in Tokyo, Japan. He lives in Austin TX, with his wife Tomoko. They have two children, a daughter in 7th grade and a son who is working on his PhD. In his spare time, John plays jazz drums with two trios in Austin, one of which is his own group called The Botolph Jazz Trio (www.botolphjazztrio. com). John and his wife are looking forward to retiring to Japan in a few years. Thank you, John.

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Lance Wilder continues to live in California and design The Simpson TV series, which he has done since 1990, its second season.

Elsewhere in this issue, Lance is offering (with some earnings to benefit the CHSAA) to sell his remaining limited edition signed & numbered prints (he's already

sold over 200) of historic places in Chelmsford. Check it out, they make great gifts!

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Class of 2000: Kevin Goff, 3rd from left, with his buddies of the Myrtle Beach SC Fire Department

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Kevin Goff just celebrated 15 years with the Myrtle Beach (SC) Fire Department. He is assigned to Engine 3 as an engineer, drives the truck, and operates as an acting officer. Kevin and his wife, Katie, have three kids, an 11-year-old daughter, an 8-year-old son, and a 3-year-old son—and live in Myrtle Beach.

Nicole (Acheson) Waggoner is now a training flight attendant for PSA Airlines. Future flight attendants attend ground school for four weeks, and then join an on-board crew to train on the aircraft and gain flight experience. Nicole helps these flight attendants earn their wings, giving them real-world experience. Nicole lives in Knoxville, TN, with her husband, Weston, and their two dogs.

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Submit news directly to the *Class News Editor*: Nancy Williams, at duxwilli@verizon.net (preferred) or 38 Endmoor Road, Westford MA 01886.

#### To submit Class Reunion Announcements:

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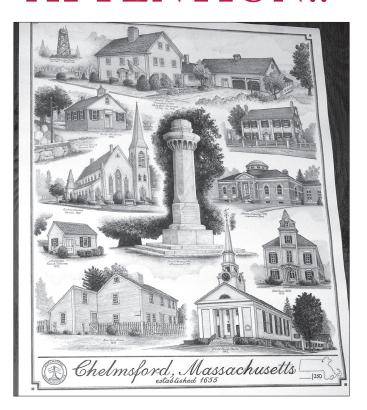
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### ATTENTION!!



### Limited Edition, Signed & Numbered Chelmsford Historical Prints for Sale

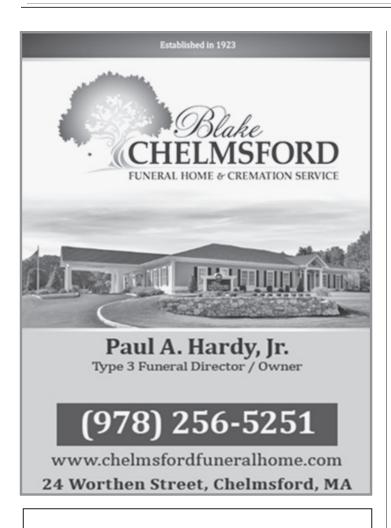
Created by Lance Wilder ('86)

Lance, a 1986 graduate of CHS, created this drawing a few years ago & made 350 limited edition signed & numbered prints to, in part, benefit the Chelmsford Art Society. He still has some available for sale, and has graciously offered that with anyone's purchase of a print, having seen it here in the Lion's Pride, an additional amount will also benefit the CHSAA. Let him know that you saw this offer mentioned here. Size: 16" X 20". Cost: \$ 33.00 which includes 1st class postage with safe packaging in a secured mailing tube.

Lance's address is: Lance Wilder 721 N Ontario St Burbank, CA 91505

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Lance was inducted into the CHSAA Hall of Fame in 2007 and since 1990 has been designing The Simpsons TV series.



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

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William W. Taylor	1939
Howard (Nick) Nickerson	1940
Lucille L. (Gaudette) Day	1941
Patricia C. (Fallon) Wojcik	1942
Forrest E. Miller	1942
Dorothy M. (Eliasen) LeBlanc	1953
Gerald F. Greska	1955
Alice (Perko) Means	1957
Kathryn Ann (Crane) Lucier	1959
James K. Gifford	1960
Doris E. Reid	1960
Gregory A. Cook	1961
Maria E. Tassios	1962
RoseMarie (Andrade) Soghigian	1964
David R. Freeman	1965
Barry M. Popolizio	1965
Gail P. Tsaffaras	1965
Carol A. Pilat	1966
Pamela (Scherig) Purpura	1966
Stephen J. Cicco	1970
Michael E. Ryan	1974
Dawn M. Clements	1976
Rebecca (LaBrecque) Bennett	1978
Cheryl L. (Dallmeyer) Ferrell	1979
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