

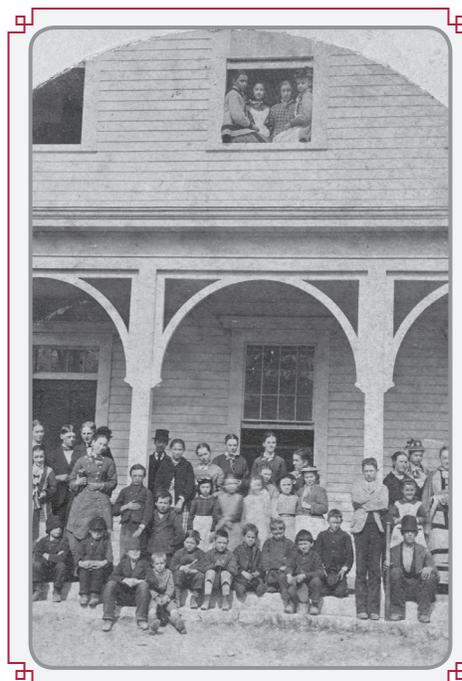


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Celebrating a Century of CHS



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;
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.

President's Message

By Terry McSheehy



Hello everyone. I hope you all had a wonderful summer.

As we approach the holidays, I want to take a few minutes to thank the people who have worked so hard this summer.

I want to thank Jeff Gallant and all of his wonderful volunteers who manned the 4th of July booth this year. The efforts of Jeff, who is unfortunately stepping down as chairman of this committee, are greatly appreciated. Anyone who might be interested in helping with the 4th of July committee, please contact me.

I want to thank Bob Pariseau and Steve Normandin for their extraordinary efforts with the website. They have done amazing things with the site and continue to improve it as we go forward. We are definitely in need of volunteers to keep the content of the website as current as possible. Anyone who would like to have a hand in making our website a destination is invited to contact me and tell me how you can help us.

Membership continues to be a problem as we don't seem to be able to retain current members while we add a few new members. This results in our membership being flat, if not declining a little, year to year. Any and all suggestions from you on how to change this disturbing trend will be appreciated and taken under serious consideration by the committee, the Board of Directors and me. We have established a new membership committee who will work on ideas to improve our retention of members as well as ways to increase the number of new members we sign-up each year. This committee will also evaluate and implement those ideas that you generate.

We are hoping to start up a shadowing/mentoring/internship program within the CHSAA to assist CHS students with their decision-making as they progress into their future career. Dennis Hunt has volunteered to chair this endeavor. He can use all the help he can get. Anyone who would be interested in helping CHS seniors in this program should contact me and I will get the in touch with Dennis.

Thanks to everyone who has helped to make my 15th year as President so much fun and who have had a major part in whatever small measure of success I have had.

Happy Holidays to everyone from all of us at the CHSAA. See you next year. ♦



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ON THE COVER:

Chelmsford High School Over The Years.



By Kris Pisarik • Class of 1977

Celebrating a Century of CHS

When the Class of 2017 walks across the stage and turns their tassels on graduation night in June it will mark a major milestone. Those students will become the 100th class to graduate from a single, united CHS.

It was a long and winding road for the school to reach this mark. And in the beginning, they were, in fact, farming roads.

“It’s really kind of cool when it dawned on me that we were the 100th class,” said Class of 2017 co-advisor Joan Murphy, a 1979 CHS graduate. “I thought this was a big deal.”

Murphy said the students were excited when they found out and decided there would have to be a celebration.

“We want to make a big deal out of it for whole school year, Murphy added, referring to the Sept. 11 kickoff party held at the school with games, food and the like.

“It’s remarkable that we’re one of the top schools in the United States, that we’ve come this far from a little farming town,” Murphy said, referring to a recent U.S. News and World Report article ranking CHS among the best schools in the nation. “To be part of this and

being an alum, and coming back and working here for 20 years, and not knowing I’d be a school advisor... basically it’s kind of cool.”

Class of 2017 President Duncan Dean is also pretty excited for the school year.

“It’s just an honor to have such a title for such an occasion,” Dean said of the century anniversary. “I look forward to making it an even more monumental year.”

Dean and his classmates plan to pack a lot of fun into CHS’ 100th year before he heads off to one of the several Ivy League schools he’s applying to, or perhaps even UMass Lowell, though he admits he’s not sure what he’ll be studying.

“One day I’m thinking hotel management, the next I want to be a chemical engineer,” he said. “But I definitely can’t wait for college.”

Dean, like many of his fellow young, soon-to-be CHS alums, thought of McCarthy Middle School as the old high school. And, of course, it was, from 1959 through the Class of 1974’s graduation.

But CHS’ beginnings were much more humble than that.

According to passages in the

“History of Chelmsford: 1910-1970,” by Eleanor Parkhurst, from 1875 to 1917 there were two (very small) high schools in town – one in the north on Princeton Street, and one in what was known as the “Centre villages,” on the ground where the Chelmsford Center for the Arts (or Old Town Hall) now sits. In 1879 a class of three students graduated from the North high school and in 1888, 13 were graduated from the Centre high school.

School officials in the late 1800s, just as their counterparts 100 years later, were worried about overcrowding in the schools

At Town Meeting in 1889, voters were asked whether to combine the two high schools at the urging of then-Superintendent Snow, who according to Parkhurst’s book, said “the course of study now, I believe, meets the demands a first-class high school, and with one other improvement would warrant us in looking for excellent results. This can be met in no other way than by the erection of a suitable building for this grade, and the conveyance thereto of all high school pupils in the town.”

But the voters were not swayed, and the proposal languished and

morphed through many twists and turns until, finally in February 1916, Town Meeting unanimously (163-0) approved building upon the Timothy Adams Place in the Centre Village a 12-room schoolhouse for no more than \$65,000. That school, built on what is now 50 Billerica Road, or the Town Offices, opened in 1917.

By 1957 there were fewer than 100 kids per class and the Billerica Road building housed grades 7 to 12 with one principal, John Conrad.

CHSAA President Terry McSheehy, a graduate of 1964, spent all four of his CHS years at McCarthy.

“I was in school when this town went from a farm community to a bedroom town, and it wasn’t a culture shock but it certainly presented some challenges to the town and the school system to take it from four-room schools” to what it is today, McSheehy said.

“When I went through we had science labs but they were very basic: Bunsen burners and sinks, and that’s what a science lab consisted of,” he recalled. “Today, you have computers and all the stuff in chemistry to do the experiments as opposed to reading about experiments.”

“Math has gone from book learning to interactive learning,” he added. “As much as it’s technology and equipment, technique has changed very much so.”

Though the high school moved to a new building at McCarthy for 1959, the town’s burgeoning population prompted a much faster transition to where CHS stands today. Within four years, because of a continuing baby boom, officials added a gym and another wing to the McCarthy building.

CHSAA Executive Director George Simonian, who was CHS principal from January 1973 through August of 1988, was the

director of curriculum when then-Superintendent Thomas Rivard asked him to lead a search committee for a new principal who would embrace the “house system” Simonian and others envisioned for the new high school, which was set to open in fall 1974.

When the search committee continually was unable to find the right candidate, Rivard told Simonian he had good news and bad news for him:

He was dissolving the search committee and naming Simonian principal.

English teacher Martha Kineen came up with the idea for naming the new school’s four houses after Bay State born literary figures. Names submitted and drawn from a hat include Ralph Waldo Emerson, Henry David Thoreau, Emily Dickinson, Nathaniel Hawthorne and John Greenleaf Whittier. Simonian had the deans pull the names from the hat, but warned if Dickinson’s name wasn’t among them, they were drawing them all over again. Thoreau got the short end of the stick, and high school art teacher Bill Berry did paintings of each author to grace the offices of their respective houses. The school, because of large class sizes, held only grades 10 through 12 for its early years.

“I had an outstanding staff,” Simonian beamed in a recent interview.

The original deans included Don Boucher in Dickinson, Ed Quinn in Emerson, Bob Kelly in Hawthorne and Jack Conrad in Whittier. When Kelly left a few years later, Dan Fleming tookover, followed by Angie Taranto.

In the 1981-82 school year, CHS became a four-grade high school and at the time was the seventh-largest in the state and the largest

suburban high school in the state, according to Simonian.

“There was a lot of innovation,” Simonian recalled, referring to the senior lounge where students could relax during free periods, modular scheduling and the like.

In the last two years of the old high school, some students complained the bathrooms were dirty and always filled with smoke from kids sneaking cigarettes. He got permission from the School Committee to test an outside smoking area, where students could smoke during free periods. His colleagues in other towns thought he was “crazy,” Simonian said.

But it worked. Bathrooms were cleaner and order was restored. The concept continued at the new high school.

There was also a lot of success on the fields of play. During the 1980s, the school won seven straight Division I Dalton Trophies for athletic excellence.

“No one did it before and no one’s done it since,” Simonian said proudly.

He’s also proud the school was a model for foreign exchange, sending students to England, France, Germany, Spain, Italy and Japan, to name a few.

Former CHS Principal Al Thomas, presently finishing up his final term on the School Committee during his “retirement,” spoke of the incredible transformation CHS and all schools, really, have undergone over these past few decades.

“One of biggest changes is obviously with technology,” Thomas said. “In the beginning, teachers were hesitant because they weren’t used to it. And when it was first

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brought in, it wasn't reliable. People were afraid to lose information. On any given day, the system might be down. We really had to push.

"One thing that's the same is kids want to achieve, be successful and be accepted by their peers," Thomas said. "All of those kinds of social things are pretty much the same.

"The ability to communicate and be mobile is a big change for the kids," Thomas noted, reflecting on his own school days years ago. "We used to have party lines, and have to wait a long time. We didn't have cellphones. We couldn't spend an hour on the phone because we'd tied it up for everybody. You couldn't gather data, and Skype and all those things."

Thomas said educators today are facing greater challenges in their workplaces, saying security rarely came up.

"We had fire drills and bomb drills where we hid under the desk as kids," he said, referring to the Cold-War era, but not this constant threat of terrorism.

"Now it's one of the first things you've got to talk about in light of today's terrorism here and abroad," Thomas lamented.

Back in the late '70s and '80s, Simonian had a simple solution.

Back then the school, like others in the area, seemed to be plagued with bomb scares being called in, usually by students who didn't want to attend class.

While all threats must be taken seriously by schools

and law enforcement alike in today's world, Simonian wasn't having any of it back then.

After having evacuated the school one too many times, he told his secretary the next time a scare was received via phone to transfer it to him.

"We don't take bomb scares," he told the caller. "Call the police." He then hung up and the scares subsided.

But along with the challenges that have grown with time for students and teachers alike, there is also a growing support system that present CHS Principal Stephen Murray is excited about.

Murray points to student aid from the Town of Chelmsford Scholarship Fund and the CHSAA's scholarship fund, both of which have endowments over \$1 million and have been giving deserving students financial aid for the past few decades.

"Most towns don't have that," said Murray, who was a middle- and high-school principal in Andover before turning to the Chelmsford schools last year to take the helm at CHS.

"When I was in Andover, people asked about a Hall of Fame," he said, noting CHS has been inducting members since 1991. "It just shows the value and tradition... That's what I'm proud of," added Murray, a graduate of CHS' Class of 1988.

Murray said even though enrollment has declined in the schools, the needs have grown. "We're a smaller population, but we're educating all the kids in our community."

Like Simonian, Murray acknowledged CHS' success in sports and academics.

"It's amazing to have that kind of balance. Schools are not usually good at both," he added.

Murray said a new push at CHS will examine freshman year by having student mentors help with transition and to review what went well and what didn't.

As for the next 100 years?

Murray envisions some type of blend of online learning and on-campus education.

"I'm hoping they'll be a new building," he joked. "But it usually takes that long to get something done in Chelmsford."

Despite all the changes over the years in society, school buildings, trends in education, Simonian said a successful CHS has always been about the people who care: from the top administrator down to the youngest student.

A high school is three things: it's a building, a program and it's people, he said.

"Whether you like it or not, you're Chelmsford High School," he told me, his former student. "I didn't have a school. I had a culture."

Clearly, our 88-year-old leader enjoyed his time at the helm.

He concluded, "I'd be back there tomorrow." ♦

THE EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS NIGHT

By William Zouzas and
Kristin Hohenstein *Class of 2017*

On May 24 of this year, 108 deserving seniors gathered in the Chelmsford High School Performing Arts Center to be honored with 145 different scholarships acknowledging their outstanding achievements both in the classroom and in the community.

The ceremony began with a grateful sentiment from Alumni Association President Terry A. McSheehy explaining that the night would not have been made possible without the generous nature of Chelmsford High alumni and boosters who truly care about the community and want to cultivate its growth, beginning with the youth. McSheehy is a Chelmsford High alum, having graduated in 1964, although he joked with the crowd that he “sure (doesn't) look like it.”

Dean Josh Blagg, who graciously stepped in to take Principal Stephen Murray's place for the evening, went on to reiterate this point by saying that he “appreciates the generations of alumni and community members with deep communal ties.” He also noticed that seeing many past graduates from CHS gather together in one place shows how “tremendous contributions” create a lasting and positive impact.

After a brief introduction explaining the goals and purpose of the alumni association, McSheehy promptly began the tiresome task of announcing the recipients one by one to come across the stage and receive their awards from the various sponsors. The awards recognized students from every conceivable

facet of CHS: theater, academics, writing, community service, sports and leadership, to name a few.

Just a sample of the many students recognized that night included Sabrina Lambros for her practice of piano through the John and Monica Fremeau Memorial Scholarship, Monica Chang for her outstanding community service with the Arlene and Walker French Scholarship, as well as Kevin Xu embodying the true spirit of a student athlete still wearing his baseball uniform, dirty from a game that afternoon, strutting across stage accepting the Fox Family Scholarship as the president of National Honor Society.

Although many recipients were able to accept their awards in person, the scholarships of those who were unable to attend the event were put aside in a pile which McSheehy joked would find their way into his bank account. The organizers made sure the night ran quickly and smoothly for everyone involved. After the ceremony was over, parents, students, and sponsors alike were invited to the lobby to enjoy an eclectic smorgåsbord of various desserts like cookies and fruit along with some beverages.

As the refreshments portion of the night progressed, scholarship recipients and family members willingly shared details about their future plans for college and beyond. The recipient of the Class of 2003 Arnold E. Holtberg Scholarship, Ryan Kelly, noted that he would attend the University of Connecticut in the fall as a biology major on a pre-med track. He described the feeling of receiving an award as

an “an honor... especially when you know alumni and teachers are investing in your future.”

Another student award recipient, Claire Markey, shared with us that she would be taking her talents to UCLA as a statistics major, as well as continuing her outstanding athletic career on the track teams as UCLA's newest Bruin. She received the Robert F. Brown Family Scholarships and the Murray B. Hicks Memorial Scholarships. Similarly to Ryan Kelley, Markey explained how she would major in statistics and follow a pre-med track as well.

Another accomplished student, Landon Cass, president of the Class of 2016, received the George Simonian Scholarship for his strong leadership role within the high school. He said he would attend the College of the Holy Cross in the fall with a double major in political science and economics. In the future, he looks forward to being involved in business and possibly politics. Referring to students still in school, Cass encouraged everyone to try their best, saying that “all students should try and be leaders” in the community around them.

Simonian capped off the night with a speech proclaiming that he is proud of the successful and hardworking students that unite together to make Chelmsford High School a unique place. Students not only left that night with ample scholarships, they also left feeling accomplished, with the recognition they deserved after four years of dedication. ♦

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS NIGHT



Derek Bossi '14, Johannah Cramer '12, Matthew O'Keefe '14, Jennifer Pisarik '13, Evan Sayer



Jennifer Bellissimo '94, Natalie Turner, Isabella Sierra, Elizabeth Soha, Nicholas Beati



Michael Hanna, Kiertana Kannan, Paige Didona, Richard Kaminuma, Kevin Xu



Katherine Rigney, Elena Mieszczanski, Maha Sheikh, Ryan Kelly, Andrew Donoghue



Emily Norman, Julia Segal, Emily Severance, Manasi Danke, Kirsten Robinson



Karen Dedinsky, Alison Brown, Jessica Holmes, Nicole Barrett

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS NIGHT



Adithya Raajkumar, Julia Pina, Li-Hsuan Chung, Samuel Weitzen, Derek Adamson



Thomas Connolly, Shane Conti, Claire Markey, James Smith, Matthew Piper



Abigail Warren, Hernisha Radia, Tara Wilson, Madalyn Plateel, Sweta Patel



Mitchell McCabe, Matthew Rossman, Joseph Lefebvre, Sarah Williams



Monica Chang, Sabrina Lambros, Emily Andrews



Alisha Mithal, Heather Ferguson, Jimil Patel, Amanda Chang '13, Kasey Daley

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS NIGHT



Crystal Zhu '15, Jeffrey You '14, Jennifer Sohn '15



Nicholas Spinale, Krystina Tran, Evan Fletcher, Rupesh Jeyaram



Alexander Drake , Natalie Turner On behalf of sister Allison Turner '13, Sienna Flynn '15, Patricia Blumeris '15, Ethan Russell-Benoit '14



Tanya Dimitrov '15, Nicoletta Valentino, Andrew Linnehan



Akhil Meka, Jordyn Tilley, Gregory Hausler



Bria Sutton, Carley Boyd '15, Sarah Booth '14, Lauren Hennessey '14, Evan Prees

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS NIGHT



Landon Cass, Erin Doonan, Emily Severance, Rebecca Vooys, Joseph Green '10



Haley Wilson, Caroline Larson, Kyle McQuaide, Allison Taylor, Yasmeen Alwani



David Goodall, Christopher Chipchak, Katherine Desrochers, Charlotte Anderson



Landon Cass, George Simonian, James Smith

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Membership Application on page 31.



AWARDS NIGHT *Scholarship Recipients*



The CHELMSFORD
HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI
ASSOCIATION GENERAL
SCHOLARSHIPS

are awarded to deserving alumni and
who are continuing their education.

Derek Bossi '14
Johannah Cramer '12
Matthew O'Keefe '14
Jennifer Pisarik '13



The GEORGE A. PARKHURST
MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

is awarded to the highest
academically ranked senior who
plans to major in science or
engineering.

Evan Sayer



The CLASS of 1957
SCHOLARSHIP

is awarded to a graduate who
after two years since graduation is
pursuing a college education.

Jennifer Bellisimo '94



The CLASS OF 1963
SCHOLARSHIP

is awarded to a senior who has
performed outstanding service to
Chelmsford High School and is
ranked academically within the top
63 members of the class.

Nicholas Beati



The CLASS OF 1985
CAROL INGALLS MEMORIAL
SCHOLARSHIP

is awarded to a senior who has
shown outstanding improvement in
the study of mathematics.

Isabella Sierra



The CLASS
SCHOLARSHIPS

are awarded to high ranking seniors
who have performed outstanding
service to Chelmsford High School.

CLASS OF 1956
SCHOLARSHIP
Natalie Turner

CLASS OF 1994
SCHOLARSHIP
Elizabeth Soha

CLASS OF 1996
SCHOLARSHIP
Kevin Xu

CLASS OF 1997
SCHOLARSHIP
Richard Kaminuma

CLASS OF 1998
SCHOLARSHIP
Kiertana Kannan

CLASS OF 1999
SCHOLARSHIP
Paige Didona

CLASS OF 2000
SCHOLARSHIP
Michael Hanna

CLASS OF 2001
SCHOLARSHIP
Katherine Rigney

CLASS OF 2002
SCHOLARSHIP
Andrew Donoghue

CLASS OF 2003
ARNOLD E. HOLTBERG
SCHOLARSHIP
Ryan Kelly

CLASS OF 2004
SCHOLARSHIP
Maha Sheikh



CLASS OF 2005
SCHOLARSHIP
Elena Mieszczanski

CLASS OF 2006
SCHOLARSHIP
Kirsten Robinson

CLASS OF 2007
SCHOLARSHIP
Manasi Danke

CLASS OF 2008
SCHOLARSHIP
Emily Severance

CLASS OF 2009
SCHOLARSHIP
Julia Segal

CLASS OF 2010
SCHOLARSHIP
Emily Norman

CLASS OF 2012
SCHOLARSHIP
Jessica Holmes

CLASS OF 2013
SCHOLARSHIP
Alison Brown

CLASS OF 2014
JEFFREY D. DOHERTY
SCHOLARSHIP
Karen Dedinsky

CLASS OF 2015
SCHOLARSHIP
Nicole Barrett



The LEO J. AUGER
FAMILY
SCHOLARSHIP

is awarded to a deserving senior who
plans to further his or her education.

Casey MacGillivray

The HARRY J. AYOTTE
MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP
is awarded to a deserving college-
bound senior who has earned a
varsity letter in baseball.

Derek Adamson

The BAINS FAMILY
SCHOLARSHIPS
are awarded to a deserving senior
and to a deserving graduate who
is enrolled in an undergraduate,
graduate, or postgraduate degree
program who have shown a
commitment to community service
and to making a difference to society.

**Samuel Weitzen
Johannah Cramer '12**

The F. EDWIN BALLINGER
MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP
is awarded to a high ranking senior
who has performed outstanding
service to Chelmsford High School.

Julia Pina

The BATES FAMILY
SCHOLARSHIP
is awarded to a high ranking senior
who plans to major in political
science and international relations.

Adithya Raajkumar

The LEONORA K. BATTLES
MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP
is awarded to a senior who has
excelled in the study of English.

Li-Hsuan Chung

The KATIE BLECK
MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP
is awarded to a deserving senior who
plans to major in the fine or applied
arts, who has shown excellence in the
fine or applied arts, ambition, and
scholarship outside the arts.

Matthew Piper

The BOARD OF SELECTMEN
SCHOLARSHIP
is awarded to a deserving senior
who has demonstrated outstanding
leadership qualities.

James Smith

The ROBERT F. BROWN
FAMILY SCHOLARSHIPS
are awarded to deserving seniors who
have earned varsity letters in at least
two sports and have demonstrated
an uncommon work ethic and
leadership in those two sports.

**Thomas Connolly
Claire Markey**

The MICHAEL A. CAITO
MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP
is awarded to a deserving college
bound senior who has earned a
varsity letter in football.

Shane Conti

The FRANCES M. CAMERON
MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP
is awarded to a deserving senior who
plans to enter the nursing profession.

Sweta Patel

The EDWARD D. CARPENTER, JR.
MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP
is awarded to a college bound senior
who plans to study the humanities
and has demonstrated a love for
literature. This student will also have
shown true compassion and respect
for all members of the Chelmsford
High School community.

Madalyn Plateel

The ABBY K. CARTER
MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP
is awarded to a senior who has
shown the following qualities:
courage, compassion for others, a
positive attitude, a sense of humor,
the ability to overcome adversity, a
zest for life and strong moral values.

Tara Wilson

The LIZA CROWLEY
MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP
is awarded to a deserving senior
who intends to further his or her
education and who has demonstrated
exceptional character, compassion,
and considerable academic growth.

Tara Wilson

The DELANEY FAMILY
MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIPS
are awarded to high ranking seniors
who have performed outstanding
service in youth ministry.

**Li-Hsuan Chung
Hernisha Radia
Abigail Warren
Sarah Williams**

The DEVANEY FAMILY
SCHOLARSHIP
is awarded to a deserving senior
who plans to further his or her
education and who has demonstrated
academic growth over his or her four
years at Chelmsford High School,
leadership in an athletic program
or other extra-curricular program
and consistent service through
volunteering in church or other
service setting.

Joseph Lefebvre

AWARDS NIGHT *Scholarship Recipients*

◆
The BERNARD A. DINATALE, JR. MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP is awarded to a deserving senior who has excelled in the study of physics.

Matthew Rossman

◆
The MICHAEL DZEDULONIS PI LAMBDA PHI MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP is awarded to a deserving senior who has demonstrated leadership in the Live Smart Club.

Elena Mieszczanski

◆
The JOHN P. EMERSON, JR. MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP is awarded to a deserving college bound senior who has been an active participant in the life of Chelmsford High School.

Samuel Weitzen

◆
The NANCY HOUGH FABBRI MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP is awarded to a deserving senior who will be attending the University of Massachusetts at Lowell.

Mitchell McCabe

◆
The MARK J. FEEHAN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP is awarded to a senior who has performed outstanding service to the music department.

Matthew Francisco

◆
The JENNIFER RENNA FERREIRA MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIPS are awarded to two deserving seniors who have been active members of the Mock Trial Team.

Emily Andrews

Mitchell McCabe

◆
The PATRICIA McSHEEHY FOURNIER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP is awarded to a deserving graduate who is enrolled in an undergraduate degree program pursuing a degree in special education.

Michelle Janiak '13

◆
The FOX FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP is awarded to the President of the National Honor Society

Kevin Xu

◆
The JOHN AND MONICA E. FREMEAU MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP is awarded to a deserving senior who intends to continue his or her education in music, especially piano or organ.

Sabrina Lambros

◆
The ARLENE AND WALKER FRENCH MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP is awarded to a deserving senior who has performed outstanding community service.

Monica Chang

◆
The THOMAS W. GALLAGHER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP is awarded to a deserving senior who has earned a varsity letter in basketball.

Nicholas Beati

◆
The ALAN B. GENDRON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP is awarded to a deserving graduate who is attending Middlesex Community College.

Kayla Smith

◆
The GENERATIONS PHYSICAL THERAPY AND SPORTS MEDICINE SCHOLARSHIP is awarded to a deserving senior who has demonstrated outstanding dedication as a member of the Chelmsford High School athletic training program and who intends to pursue a career in physical therapy and/or athletic training.

Kasey Daly

◆
The GLENVIEW STEVEN SAMPSONIS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP is awarded to a deserving graduate who is enrolled in an undergraduate degree program majoring in culinary arts or a related field.

Amanda Chang '13

◆
The ROBERT A. GLEW MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP is awarded to a senior who has excelled in the study of Latin.

Heather Ferguson

The FANITA C. GRAY
MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIPS
are awarded to two seniors and to
six graduates who have excelled
academically and are pursuing
academic studies in
mathematics or science.

Alisha Mithal
Jimil Patel
Jennifer Sohn '15
Crystal Zhu '15
Paul Huang '14
Jeffrey You '14
Daniel Erdosy '13
Graham Lustiber '13

The HALL OF FAME
SCHOLARSHIP
is awarded to a graduate who
exemplifies the Hall of Fame
standards.

Ryan Donaher '06

The CHIP HARDY
MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP
is awarded to a college bound senior
who has been an active member of
the senior class.

Krystina Tran

The JEFFRY HEROUX
MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIPS
are awarded to college bound seniors
who have earned a varsity letter in
football.

Evan Fletcher
Joseph Lefebvre
Nicholas Spinale

The MURRAY B. HICKS
MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIPS
are awarded to the male and female
senior who have contributed the
most to Chelmsford High School
during their senior year.

Rupesh Jeyaram
Claire Markey

The RALPH E. AND
HARRIETTE F.
HOUSE MEMORIAL
SCHOLARSHIP

is awarded to a graduate who is
enrolled in an accredited two or four
year college or university and has
demonstrated community service to
the Town of Chelmsford.

Matthew O'Keefe '14

The KATHLEEN EDNA
CHEW HOWE MEMORIAL
SCHOLARSHIP

is awarded to a deserving senior
or graduate who intends to pursue
a degree in either engineering or
mathematics.

Patricia Blumeris '15

The RALPH J. HULSLANDER, SR.
MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP
is awarded to a deserving graduate
who is enrolled in an undergraduate
degree program in criminal justice.

Sean Doherty '14

The HOWARD AND
ELIZABETH
HUMPHREY MEMORIAL
SCHOLARSHIPS

are awarded to a deserving senior
who plans on studying architecture
and to three graduates who are
continuing their undergraduate
studies in architecture.

Joseph Lefebvre
Sienna Flynn '15
Ethan Russell-Benoit '14
Allison Turner '13

The JACK'S DINER/KYDD
FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP
is awarded to a deserving senior who
plans to further his or her education
in the field of culinary arts or a
related field.

Alexander Drake

The JUDITH ANN KEEN
MEMORIAL ROTARY CLUB
SCHOLARSHIP

is awarded to a deserving senior who
best exemplifies the Rotary Club's
motto: "Service Above Self".

Hernisha Radia

The JOHN W. KERINS
MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP
is awarded to a high ranking senior
who has provided outstanding
service to the music department.

Richard Kaminuma

The JUDITH FLANAGAN
MACPHEE MEMORIAL
SCHOLARSHIP

is awarded to the Treasurer of the
Senior Class.

James Smith

The SEAN MARCAURELLE
MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP
is awarded to a deserving senior who
has demonstrated outstanding effort
as a member of The Distributive
Education Club of America.

Adithya Raajkumar

The LINDA D. MARINEL
MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP
is awarded to a graduate of
Chelmsford High School who
is pursuing a graduate degree in
education.

Samantha Schempp '89

The PETER R. MARKHAM
FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP
is awarded to the highest ranking
senior boy or girl who will be
attending Boston College.

Andrew Linnehan

AWARDS NIGHT *Scholarship Recipients*

◆
The McGOVERN FAMILY COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS are awarded to a senior and three graduates who have excelled academically.

**Adithya Raajkumar
Tanya Dimitrov '15
Elizabeth Sperry '14
Amanda Chang '13**

◆
The MING TZER MIU MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP is awarded to a deserving senior who has demonstrated outstanding improvement during his or her high school education.

Valentino Nicoletta

◆
The PATRICIA D. MOORE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP is awarded to a deserving college bound senior who plans on majoring in music, focusing either in performance or education, choral or instrumental.

Sabrina Lambros

◆
The LAWRENCE P. AND LORRAINE M. MURPHY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP is awarded to a deserving college bound senior who has demonstrated the values of dedication, determination, and a concern for others.

Hernisha Radia

◆
The MATTHEW C. NANGLE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP is awarded to a deserving senior who plans to major in communications.

Julia Segal

◆
The ANN E. NEWCOMB MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP is awarded to a deserving senior who has earned a varsity letter in tennis and has performed community service in the high school.

Rupesh Jeyaram

◆
The JOSEPH P. NOLAN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP is awarded to a college bound senior who has demonstrated the values that were taught, coached and exemplified by Mr. Joseph Nolan.

Gregory Hausler

◆
The ANNE O'BRYANT 24 HOUR RELAY CHALLENGE SCHOLARSHIP is awarded to a deserving senior who has shown leadership in planning the 24 Hour Relay Challenge.

**Monica Change
Andrew Donoghue**

◆
The EVERETT V. OLSEN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP is awarded to a deserving senior who will be attending U/Mass Lowell.

Jordyn Tilley

◆
The CARL A. OLSSON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP is awarded to a deserving senior who plans to attend a community or junior college.

Emily Dibacco

◆
The JUDY McCARTHY OLSSON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP is awarded to a deserving college bound senior who has demonstrated outstanding community service.

Krystina Tran

◆
The NANCY S. OVITT MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP is awarded to a graduate of Chelmsford High School who is pursuing a graduate degree in education.

Ryan Donaher '06

◆
The ELLEN PAIGNON-MACELROY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP is awarded to a high ranking senior who plans to major in the health sciences.

Akhil Meka

◆
The MARIANNE PARESKY AND GRACE DUNN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP is awarded to a deserving graduate who is enrolled in an undergraduate degree program pursuing a degree in education with the intent of a career in education.

Lauren Hennessey '14

◆
The PARISEAU FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP is awarded to a deserving senior who plans to further his or her education and has demonstrated an outstanding work ethic and perseverance while a student at Chelmsford High School.

Elizabeth Soha

◆

The HECTOR AND SHIRLEY PARKER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIPS

are awarded to two deserving graduates who are enrolled in an undergraduate or graduate degree program pursuing careers in nursing or graphic arts.

Sarah Booth '14
Carley Boyd '15

◆

The HAROLD C. PERHAM MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP is awarded to a deserving college bound senior who has earned a varsity letter in field hockey and has demonstrated a commitment to academics.

Bria Sutton

◆

The PROFESSIONAL FIREFIGHTERS OF CHELMSFORD, MASSACHUSETTS LOCAL 1839 SCHOLARSHIP is awarded to a deserving senior or graduate who is studying for a career in fire science or a related field.

Evan Prees

◆

The CHRISTOPHER RESLOW MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP is awarded to a senior who has performed outstanding service to the senior class.

Gregory Hausler

◆

The ROBERT < > OWEN SCHOLARSHIP is awarded to a deserving college-bound senior who has an impressive academic record, significant personal achievements, and has been an active member of the senior class.

Jordyn Tilley

◆

The JOHN W. SARGENT MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP is awarded to a deserving senior who plans on a career in teaching and has earned a varsity letter in baseball or softball.

Ryan Doherty

◆

The MICHAEL AND JOANNE SARGENT SCHOLARSHIP is awarded to a deserving graduate who after successfully completing one year of college, plans on entering a medical, dental or nursing career.

Katherine Vooy's '13

◆

The PATRICIA A. SCAPLEN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP is awarded to a deserving senior who has excelled in the study of mathematics.

Emily Severance

◆

The JAN SILVA MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP is awarded to a senior who has exemplified the finer qualities of Mrs Jan Silva: a concern for others, a positive attitude, a sense of humor, and the ability to overcome adversity.

Erin Doonan

◆

The GEORGE SIMONIAN SCHOLARSHIP is awarded to the senior who has demonstrated outstanding leadership qualities.

Landon Cass

◆

The GEORGE AND LUCY E. SIMONIAN SCHOLARSHIPS are awarded to the Treasurer of the Senior Class and to the Senior President of the Student Council.

James Smith
Rebecca Vooy's

◆

The LUCY E. SIMONIAN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP is awarded to a deserving graduate who is enrolled in an undergraduate or graduate program pursuing a career in nursing.

Joseph Green '10

◆

The NORMAN S. SMITH MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIPS are awarded to a deserving senior who will be attending Bentley University and to a deserving senior who will attending St. Anselm College

Yasmeen Alwani
Allison Taylor

◆

The WILLIAM V. SPARKS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP is awarded to a senior of distinguished academic performance who is interested in a career as a teacher.

Caroline Larson

◆

The BILLY TAYLOR MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP is awarded to a senior who has shown the following qualities: a concern for others, a positive attitude, a sense of humor, and the ability to overcome adversity.

Haley Wilson

◆

The AL THOMAS SWIMMING SCHOLARSHIPS are awarded to two senior varsity swimmers who have exemplified character, leadership, and scholarship.

Matthew Francisco
Katherine Rigney

AWARDS NIGHT *Scholarship Recipients*

◆
The DAVE TOUSIGNANT
"HEART OF A LION"
MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP
is awarded to a senior athlete who
has earned a varsity letter and who
has demonstrated through his or her
participation, the "Heart of A Lion".
Kyle McQuaide

◆
The ROBERT L. WETMORE
MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP
is awarded to a deserving senior who
plans to further his or her education
in the field of culinary arts or a
related field and has demonstrated
community service.
Alexander Drake

◆
The RONNIE WETMORE
MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP
is awarded to a deserving senior who
has excelled in the study of the arts.
Matthew Piper

◆
The RANDALL A.
WHITEHEAD
WRESTLING SCHOLARSHIP
is awarded to a college bound senior
who has earned a varsity letter in
wrestling and who has demonstrated
leadership, character, sacrifice and
dedication to the sport of wrestling.
David Goodall

◆
The CARMELA V. WIRTANAN
MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP
is awarded to a graduate of
Chelmsford High school who
is pursuing a graduate degree in
education.
Casey Smith '12

◆
The CHRISTOPHER J.
WOOSTER
MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP
is awarded to a deserving senior
who will be attending Middlesex
Community College.
Christopher Chipchak

◆
The YEARBOOK
SCHOLARSHIP
is awarded to the
Editor-in-Chiefs
of the Yearbook.
**Emily Andrews
Katherine DesRochers**

◆
The ANDREW J. ZABIEREK
MEMORIAL
SCHOLARSHIPS
are awarded to two deserving
seniors who have performed
outstanding community service.
**Samuel Weitzen
Sarah Williams**

◆
The HENRY C. ZABIEREK
MEMORIAL
SCHOLARSHIP
is awarded to a deserving senior
who has excelled in the study of
United States History.
Charlotte Anderson



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PRINCIPAL'S *Report* ▸ By Stephen Murray *Class of 1988*

Hello! When we met with the new senior class, we were very excited to announce that the Class of 2017 will be the 100th graduating class from Chelmsford High School. After the senior assembly, one of the seniors told me that it is, “quite an honor to be the 100th graduating class.” She is correct. As you know, CHS is steeped with a history of graduating students who are ready to be successful citizens and ready to make an impact in their community. We look forward to another great graduating class.

We are so fortunate to have students who not only focus on their studies but also focus on helping the world around them. Our Eco Club is actively involved in making our community a stronger and healthier place to live. They are working to improve the environment by offering activities that encourage students and staff to reduce pollution, reduce waste and to generate practices that support a healthy environment.

One of their goals is to reduce that amount of trash tonnage that is produced at CHS. Establishing a composting system at CHS is one very important step. Working with the town and area organizations, the Eco Club will be acquiring 3 composting bins to help with this process. In addition, the Eco Club will be creating sustainable gardens here on campus. The hope is to use the compost to feed and fertilize the sustainable gardens. Food Service is excited about the opportunity to use vegetables and herbs from this new venture in a true “farm” to table process.

Food waste that cannot be composted will be donated to a local

farm to help feed their livestock. This will certainly reduce our trash tonnage while supporting habits that will leave our environment in a better condition for years to come. If anyone has experience, knowledge or suggestions on how to best proceed with this new venture, please do not hesitate to contact our Eco Club. They would be ecstatic to hear from you. They can be reached at chelmsfordecoclub@gmail.com

Our Environmental Science class led by Brian Acheson, spent time last year investigating the water used in toilets and urinals to see how much water we flush to the sewers each month. They used their data to help inform the architects and contractors who were in charge of our bathroom remodeling. Their data helped ensure that our new bathroom facilities be upgraded with conservation at the forefront of all decisions. We now have student and staff bathrooms that are energy efficient and environmentally conscience. Mr. Acheson’s class also applied for a grant. Using their grant and funds from Plant and Facilities, we now have 5 water refilling stations that take the place of some of our water fountains. Students can now bring in their own water bottles and get cool, fresh filtered water to drink. Each station has a counter that shows how many plastic bottles people save by using the water re-filling stations.

Last year, the faculty and students teamed with the faculty and students of Billerica High School to raise money for cancer. This year, our marching band joined

with Westford’s marching band and both performed beautifully at the Chelmsford/Westford football game two weeks ago. If you attended this game you certainly saw an amazing presentation. During that same weekend, our soccer team raised money and donated \$500 to the family of a Westford Academy student who passed away from cancer. These experiences transcend the classroom and will leave lasting memories for all involved.

Speaking of lasting memories, our Drama Club, broke all CHS box-office records last year with their musical, “The Sound of Music.” We had a record attendance for the weekend show. If you saw the musical last year, you will know why the tickets were hard to get. This year, they are performing, “Into the Woods.” The excitement is mounting. Our musical is December 8th – 10th. Get tickets soon before they run out.

Last but not least, I want to say congratulations and good luck to our new Varsity Football coach, David Kaizer. Coach Kaizer is only the third head football coach in the last 40 years. He follows in the path of greatness from Coach Tom Caito and Coach Bruce Rich. Both Coach Caito and Coach Rich ran one of the premier football programs in all of Massachusetts for 40 years. The new tradition continues under the helm of Coach Kaizer. Good luck this season and all seasons to come.

-Stephen Murray ♦

CLASS OFFICERS

STUDENT *Profile* ▶ By Jill MacKillop *Class of 2017*



Kristin Hohenstein (vice president), Duncan Dean (president), Ally Hirsch (secretary) and Dhruv Shah (treasurer).

The town of Chelmsford has watched 99 senior classes successfully graduate public high school. That makes for 99 legacies the current class of 2017 must live up to.

Class officers Duncan Dean (*president*), Kristin Hohenstein (*vice president*), Dhruv Shah (*treasurer*), and Ally Hirsch (*secretary*) shoulder the weight of that pressure. Recently I sat down with them to gain some insight on how these students plan to manage the 100th class.

The first thing to note is how easy going they are with one another. Secretary Ally Hirsch attributes this casual calmness to the familiarity

among the four of them.

“We were all friends before the election which was nice,” she says. Her three co-officers agree. Moving along that thread, I question how the new working relationship has affected their attitude towards one another. I ask if any two officers butt heads, and if so, whom? Ally again is quick to respond.

“Ding Ding!” she says, pointing at Vice President Kristin and Treasurer Dhruv on either side of her. The two laugh in admittance.

“Dhruv likes to annoy me on purpose, and then I fall into it,” jokes Kristin.

“No way, I’m the most easygoing of all of us!” Dhruv responds.

He sits back a little and then concedes.

“It is funny to make her mad sometimes,” he admits.

All four of them laugh.

Then comes an interjection from the class advisors, Dr. Linda Tanini and Mrs. Joan Murphy. It’s easy to see that the adults who supervise these positions have the same wit and friendliness as the officers who hold them.

“What impresses me is when any of

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STUDENT Profile *Continued*

them disagree, they do so with complete respect,” says Dr. Tanini.

Mrs. Murphy agrees with her colleague, adding, “they all balance each other out. Personality wise and in their different ideas.”

The students concur that when it comes to brainstorming, honesty is the best policy. The group values honesty as a virtue of criticism, and all four proclaimed they’d rather have an open dialogue to hash out the best ideas than to walk away with a mediocre plan or internalized frustration. The maturity in their dynamic is far beyond what one might expect from four high school students. That thought in mind, I ask what other activities each of them do that ties to the Chelmsford High community.

“I play field hockey, have two jobs, and actually I also write for the alumni column! Oh, and I’ve been known to run a little,” Kristin says with a grin. A dominating force on the track, she holds the school record in multiple events and was named the Lowell Sun Athlete of the Year. Her friends tease her with the nickname “Track-Star.”

Ally’s extracurriculars include “Member of the Student Mentoring Board, National Honors Society, and captain of CHS’s girls Soccer team.” She’s wearing her team uniform and will be heading right to practice after our interview.

Next up, Dhruv lists what keeps him busy. “I’m the president of Key Club, which is similar to the Rotary club. I also enjoy DECA, it’s probably one of my favorite clubs in this school. Other than that I teach chess at a local elementary school and I’m a big fan of basketball and cricket.”

Last is president Duncan. “National Honors Society, Spanish Honors Society, cross country, volleyball, my job at Kimballs...” He pauses to think, prompting Dhruv to chime in.

“You’re also the president of the class,” he says, and again they all laugh.

“I think that might be implied,” responds Duncan. The laughter continues.

If anything, that’s the takeaway of the interview. Despite all they have to get done in and out of school, regarding class events or not, these officers know how to do it with a smile. ♦

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JOHN SOUSA

ALUMNI Profile

By Kristin Hohenstein and William Zouzas *Class of 2017*



Having a passion for an occupation is essential to success. Having a passion for your job and the town you live in is a monumental distinction that encompasses the mindset of John Sousa, the Town Finance Director for Chelmsford.

Sousa has lived in Chelmsford for his entire life, and is truly dedicated to his wife Nancy and daughter Erin, who attends Chelmsford High School. Sousa fondly traced the beginnings of his interests and ideals back to CHS, from which he graduated in 1984. He found an affinity for history and political science when he was an involved and hard-working student.

Throughout high school, Sousa was actively engaged in classes like European History, Political Science, and even Electronics. Sousa's eyes lit up when describing his teachers, like Gail Tsaffaras that he had for two years, who taught history classes and "was a favorite teacher of mine and made it interesting."

He also actively assisted the CHS Library, or what is commonly known as the Learning Commons today, and organized periodicals and magazines. The differences in technology with comparison to today's world were humorously evident when Sousa described how he had to look through the "Reader's Guide to Periodical Literature and you would have to flip through and find magazine articles by subject..." He agreed that today, that job is laughably obsolete. From CHS, he moved on to study Electrical Engineering at the University of Lowell, which was one of the many steps that would lead him back to the place he calls home.

After taking an Electronics class in high school, Sousa became intrigued by the math-

ematical and scientific processes that, at the time, were just beginning to emerge. The courses he studied at CHS readily prepared him for college, where he decided to start studying Electrical Engineering. However, Sousa noted that “it is difficult, even now, for kids to decide what they want to do for their career.” After 1 ½ years in engineering, Sousa found that Industrial Management would be “conducive to what my strongest skillset was.” He received a B.S. in Industrial Management in 1989. Ironically enough, at the time of his graduation, “a lot of the manufacturing was leaving the United States, so it was tough to find a job.” Along the path towards the position he holds today, Sousa ventured into several occupations that would prepare him and challenge him for the future.

His first job out of college was retail management with JC Penney, and after a couple years of working there, he met his wife Nancy, to whom he has been married for 23 years in October. Thinking back to how his life unfolded, Sousa remarked how “it’s interesting... you never think when you go for a summer job, it becomes a full-time job.”

When he spoke of opening a store outside Washington, D.C., Sousa jokingly asserted that it was “the only six months out of my life that I haven’t lived in Chelmsford.” Moving on from JC Penney, Sousa discovered a job opening at the Cemetery Department in Chelmsford, where he initially worked when he was 16 as a high school student. It should be noted that JC Penney was significantly confused Sousa was leaving such a good position to manage a cemetery. This position lasted for 10 years (1993-2003) until Sousa looked for a more challenging job. He went to college to get his MBA at Suffolk University to provide him with the tools to move on with the next phase of his life. His MBA helped prepare

Sousa for a job as the School Financial Coordinator in Reading. During his time in Reading, however, the Job of Chelmsford Town Treasurer opened up in late 2007; Sousa was ultimately hired and hasn’t looked back since.

As Town Treasurer, Sousa works closely with Chelmsford High School to make sure that it continues to be the great institution that he remembers it being when he attended. It is Sousa’s job to work alongside his state government peers to develop the town’s annual operating and capital budgets which go towards public works projects that help keep Chelmsford looking great and running smoothly.

HAVING A PASSION FOR AN OCCUPATION IS ESSENTIAL TO SUCCESS.

In addition, Sousa is also responsible for managing investments into the town trust fund, supervising the billing and collection of town taxes and revenue collection, and working directly with bond credit-rating agencies, such as Standard & Poor’s, that issue the town municipal bonds to manage long-term loans. Sousa cited this particular task as one of the most interesting and enjoyable parts of his job.

In addition to the daily opportunity to learn about finance, the thing

Sousa enjoys most about his job is that his responsibilities are always changing with the seasons and that “no two days are the same.” The variety of jobs that he is put in charge of make the position engaging and interesting.

Although Sousa tries his best to help the community that he loves, he admits that it is hard to combat the negative stereotypes that government has developed over the years of giving the needs of the people the cold shoulder. Sousa stressed that town government is full of people much like himself who try their best to make a difference and take everyone’s problems and requests to heart.

“It means more to me as a Chelmsford native that I’m not just here filling out forms,” he said. “When we work on the budget and work on the Capital Plan you know in the back of your head you’re working on improving your town... You know that you’re helping the town.”

Although Sousa enjoys his time in the office, he also likes having some occasional time away. He quite enjoys yard work. In fact, he recently tried to take up gardening but the summer drought prevented him from exercising his green thumb, however, he intends to try again next season.

In addition to his hobbies, Sousa also looks forward to his annual summer beach vacations in Maine with his wife and daughter to have some down time. Despite this, however, the town of Chelmsford is still one of his favorite places. He enjoys how we are in close proximity to the bustle of Boston yet still able to keep our small-town rural atmosphere. Members of the Sousa family have called Chelmsford home for generations on practically the same street in East Chelmsford. It’s simply the kind of place you never grow out of, he said.



THE 2016 ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CHSAA

The first item we would like to feature is the Lion's Pride newsletter. It continues to be a great publication. Our first issue was printed in the fall of 1989, so we are now in our 27th year. I continue to be grateful for the work of Kris Pisarik as our Editor-in-Chief. We extend thanks, as well, to Nancy Williams and Lynne McSheehy, our Class News Editors. Sandie Taylor is in charge of the wonderful Alumni Profiles and other special assignments. We are impressed with the efforts of our student writers, who do well on the Student Profiles and special articles. Christy Whittlesey does a great job on her all-inclusive Fine and Performing Arts report. All things Athletic are handled very well by Scott Moreau. Our Advertising Manager Mary St. Hilaire brings in support that is very important. Lynne McSheehy leads the team of proofreaders. Nancy Hughes scans the newspaper and records the pertinent information for all of the "In Memoriam" entries, which involves a very painstaking approach. Jeff Gallant performs a great service as the Class Agent Liaison. Wrapping it up, we're all so happy with the wonderful work done by Paul Favreau and the Gilet Brothers, as they put the final touches on the Lion's Pride before it gets printed and mailed. It's

a dynamite-looking publication!

The second thing I would like to mention is the amazing growth of our Endowment Fund, which makes it possible for us to give out scholarships every year. It presently stands at \$1,400,000, and it's growing! We give thanks to alumni and friends who are giving back to CHS so that future alumni can receive some financial help as they pursue college careers. More 'designated scholarships' are being added to the Endowment fund every year. As of this moment, we have 120, with promises of more to come.

Our 18th Annual Awards Night was held in the Carl Rondina Performing Arts Center (a perfect venue for a great night!) on May 24th, and it was another success. It was well-attended. We were joined by over two hundred recipients, parents, and scholarship donors, as well as high school staff members, the Superintendent of Schools, School Committee members, the Town Manager, Selectmen and CHSAA members. We awarded \$47,390 in 145 scholarships to CHS seniors and alumni who are presently in college and \$150 to a senior from Wilmington High School. Since 1993 we've given a total of over \$700,000 in 1561 scholarships to CHS seniors and alumni and \$4150 to 19 Wilmington High School seniors.

We extend a special thanks to the Scholarship Committee chaired by Joan Murphy for their efforts in determining the scholarship recipients. The entire scholarship application process has been computerized due to the incredible diligence of Bob Pariseau and his IT advisors. This hard work has saved much time and paper and has made the

selection process much more efficient. We thank Ryan Donaher for his efforts in compiling the certificates and scholarship checks so that the presentations were made with clockwork precision. We also give a special thanks to Nancy Hughes and the Awards Night committee for all of their efforts in making the evening such a success. And, last but not least, a big thanks to Terry for another masterful job as Master of Ceremonies.

The next Awards Night will be held on May 23, 2017 in the same location. You are all welcome to attend!!

The CHSAA Web Site (www.chsalumni.org) has been completely restructured and is full of Alumni Association news, events and records. It features who we are, a calendar of events, Endowment Fund and Scholarship information. Links have been provided to an amazing array of items! You can see lists of Scholarship winners, Hall of Fame members, and Reunions. There is information on how to become a member and how to donate to our Capital Campaign. However, one of the most exciting new things is the access to VIDEOS of ceremonies of the past! Check it out!! Again, kudos to Bob Pariseau!

Three hundred twenty-one people attended the 26th Anniversary Hall of Fame ceremony, where nine more great people were inducted. If you haven't been to one yet, you're missing a great CHS Alumni Association event. The 2017 Hall of Fame induction is scheduled for March 25 at the Radisson in Nashua.

We extend special thanks to the Hall of Fame Selection Committee co-chaired by Bruce McMaster and

Howie Neild and to Bob Pariseau, chairman of the Nominating Committee.

At the booth on the Third and Fourth of July, the CHSAA signed up 6 new members, one of which joined for Life. We had four who rejoined. During the course of the Country Fair there were many mini-reunions, lots of fun, and lots of visibility, and we're grateful to the volunteers who gave of their time in the booth.

As of the first of September, the Association has over 1300 active, dues-paying members. Over 500 of that number are Life Members. On the negative side, we still lose about a dozen members every quarter due to non-payment of dues. If we didn't have this loss, our membership would be over 4500. Mary Smith has volunteered to chair a very small committee to help increase our numbers. Mike Desmarais continues as our dues collector, and he's been a big help. Bob Logan has been handling all of our tax issues, and for that we are also grateful.

The Alumni Authors' Corner, which was established a few years ago, continues to grow. The 120 published works of alumni are on display in an attractive case and are available in the CHS library. We are grateful to Mark Maybury for all of his efforts in collecting and preparing the works for display. You should really give yourself the opportunity to see the display.

High School Initiatives: Three years ago we added two students as non-voting members of the Board of Directors. The objectives of this action were to increase our knowledge of high school activities from the students' perspective and for the students to become more aware of what an alumni association is all about. This initiative continues to be very successful.

"Project Share": This initiative involves the CHSAA with the Career Center in the high school. The objective is to place a member of the Association in the Career Center where this individual will work as a counselor with the student body in the areas of career and college explorations, career mentoring and shadowing, work study, etc. This counselor will use the alumni in this area as a resource pool. The project is under the direction of Dennis Hunt. The initiative is still on hold until funding for the project is established.

THE OBJECTIVE IS FOR THE STUDENTS TO BECOME MORE AWARE OF WHAT AN ALUMNI ASSOCIATION IS ALL ABOUT.

The objective of the Fund-Raising Committee under the leadership of Tom Curran as chairman will be to conduct activities to raise funds which will, in turn, be invested in an endowment fund for salaries of a future Executive Director and Administrative Assistant, in order to ensure stability of the Association's programs in the future.

Recent fund-raising activities have included the partnership with the CHS Booster's Club on the 2nd Annual 5K Road Race and the 2nd

Annual Golf Tournament. Both of these events will continue on an annual basis and will grow in size and increase our funds. Thanks to Tom and his committee!

I would like to thank Principal Steve Murray and the staff at the high school for their 100% support of our Alumni Association over the past number of years. We are grateful, as well, to Superintendent Dr. Jay Lang and his office staff for their continuous support, especially for allowing us to use this building whenever we need to, such as Board meetings and the Annual Meeting.

In closing, I would like to thank Terry McSheehy for all that he does as President. Thanks to our Treasurer, Elisa Ouellette, for keeping all of our financial matters neat and clean by keeping the books, crunching the numbers and paying the bills.

Thanks also to Nancy Hughes, our Clerk, who never misses a Board meeting, and to Jeff Gallant for his efforts as our Recording Secretary. I'm grateful to the Board of Directors and all the Committee members who have worked hard this past year to make this organization the huge success it is today. Public school alumni associations are a rare species. We are in our twenty-eighth year of doing good things for CHS and its Alumni.

As I have said before, people and organizations can be like trees. The rise to prominence is exhilarating, but anything that puts up shoots faster than it puts down roots is fragile and in danger of breaking, falling or dying. The Quo Vadis Campaign, which hopefully will be resurrected, is crucial if we are to endure as a viable organization.



FINE & PERFORMING ARTS

By Christina Whittlesey

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I hope you all had a restful and enjoyable summer! The fall is always an exciting season for the Fine and Performing Arts Department, and I am pleased to provide you with information regarding developments within our department at CHS.

Before I begin to outline all of the exciting department news, don't forget that the Fine and Performing Arts Department has its own monthly TV show! *Spotlight on Fine Arts* is aired daily at 6:30 p.m. on the TeleMedia educational channel (CTM ED) on Comcast 22 and Verizon 36. Episodes can also be viewed on the school website and online at www.chstv.org/watch. I invite you to watch the department



Cast of *Robber Bridegroom*, winner of TAMY and MET Awards.

TV show throughout the year to keep abreast of Fine Arts news!

First, I am thrilled to share with you that this past spring, Chelmsford Public Schools Music Teacher Allison Lacasse was a semi-finalist in the "Massachusetts Teacher of the Year" (TOY) program! Ms. Lacasse is the Co-Director of the Grade 5-8 McCarthy Band and the Grade 6-12 All Town Wind Ensemble, as well as the Assistant Director of the CHS Marching Band.

Each year, the Massachusetts Teacher of the Year (TOY) program honors a Massachusetts teacher who exemplifies excellent teaching in the Commonwealth. Beyond celebrating the individual, the program looks at the complex work that is involved in educating all students through highlighting student achievement, commitment to the profession, innovations in education, and teacher leadership. It draws attention to issues of teacher quality and reiterates the importance of the teacher as the single most important school-based factor in improving student outcomes.

A parent of one of her 7th grade band students nominated Ms.



Members of the CHS Band welcome students to the 9th annual summer Band Camp.

Lacasse in January, after which point, the application process was a combination of submitting the application, a professional resume, and four essay questions. The questions consisted of topics ranging from a personal biography, educator goals, impact as an educator, and a description of an educational issue.

Ms. Lacasse received notice that she was a semi-finalist at the end of February, when she had to provide contact information to the Department of Education for references, as well as an additional essay on volunteer work and contribution to the Chelmsford community. Additionally, this next step involved a phone interview with Deborah Walker, the Educator Effectiveness Specialist with the MA Department of Education. There were twelve semi-finalists in this round.

Throughout the process, Ms. Lacasse was able to take a moment and reflect on the process of teaching and learning. She describes this process as follows: "My philosophy of teaching and feelings towards important issues in education were put down in writing, which resulted in a rejuvenation of why I chose my



Music Teacher Allison Lacasse honored as a Massachusetts Teacher of the Year with Commissioner Mitchell Chester, Department of Education.

field. It also allowed me to reflect upon my team in Chelmsford. The Fine Arts Department has become a forever-classroom for me, as I've been able to develop as an educator while being inspired by my colleagues in the Music Department. My mentors played an enormous role in this self-reflection, as they have been the framework of who I am as an educator. The people whom I have learned the most from are my Band students. They're the ones who make the rehearsal room exciting, challenging, and full of personality. When they are empowered by what they are doing with their instruments and music education, I feel as though I've succeeded. It's vital for me to note that I don't do this job alone. Each day, I am supported and inspired by Sean Wright, my co-Director of the McCarthy Band Program. The program is our combined vision and without the two of us at the podium, it wouldn't be what it is today. I also need to thank the parent who nominated me, McCarthy Principal Kurt McPhee, McCarthy Assistant Principal Donna Martin, Chelmsford Fine and Performing Arts Coordinator Christina Whittlesey, and the McCarthy community of students, parents, and alumni."

Commissioner Mitchell Chester, Senator Barrett, Senator Sonia Chang-Diaz, and Chelmsford State Representatives Jim Arciero, Dave Nangle, and Tom Golden recognized Ms. Lacasse at a ceremony at the State House on July 15, and soon thereafter Ms. Lacasse hosted the sixth annual Chelmsford Summer Flute Camp in July at the Chelmsford Center for the Arts, which provided many young flutists with a unique opportunity to play music in a setting designed just for flute ensemble, or as they call it, "flute choir." This mixed-grade level camp provided students with opportunities to expand musical skills, develop playing technique, and



Music Teacher Allison Lacasse honored as a Massachusetts Teacher of the Year with MA Representative Dave Nangle, CPS Arts Coordinator Christina Whittlesey, MA Representative Jim Arciero, Senator Sonia Chang-Diaz, and MA Representative Tom Golden.

build lasting relationships. Also this summer, the Music Department hosted our 9th Annual Band Camp, Directed by CHS Director of Bands Matthew Sexauer. This year's field show features music from Disney's "Aladdin," in preparation for the upcoming Band, Chorus, and Orchestra performances at Disney World in April 2017! I invite you to attend one of our home football games this season to hear these fun and dynamic arrangements!

But that's not all! The Chelmsford All Town Wind Ensemble (ATWE), made up of approximately 60 volunteer student musicians in grades 5 through 12, was selected to perform The Star Spangled Banner for the Red Sox game against the Rockies on Tuesday, May 24 at Fenway Park. The ensemble was invited back after their successful debut performance at Fenway last April. The ATWE is a spirited group of enthusiastic young musicians, all dedicated to rehearsing

after school hours to play advanced music of high artistic merit. The band is comprised of students in the McCarthy Middle School, Parker Middle School, and Chelmsford High School Band Programs. The students played on the field to an enthusiastic reception by Fenway attendees!

Finally, some of our talented and dedicated middle and high school musicians were awarded gold and silver medals at the 26th annual Massachusetts Instrumental and Choral Conductors Association (MICCA) Solo & Ensemble Festival, held at Concord Carlisle High School on Saturday, May 14, 2016. The festival is an extension of the MICCA Ensemble festival, the purpose of which is to encourage and support high performance standards by High School, Middle School, and Elementary School musical organizations.

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FINE & PERFORMING ARTS *Report*

The Solo & Ensemble Festival is limited to individual or small groups of strings, winds and percussion, as well as voice students across Massachusetts. Students performed in an open recital atmosphere in a classroom, and an adjudicator offered a brief workshop immediately following each performance.

Each participant received an award corresponding to the adjudicator's evaluation of the performance, consistent with the MICCA Medal Rating System and stringent scoring rubric.

This year, the following CPS students participated in the festival and won awards:

Kaitlyn Kaminuma, McCarthy Orchestra Grade 5: Gold Medal
Elaine Tsui, McCarthy Orchestra Grade 8: Gold Medal
Kendra Jiang, McCarthy Orchestra Grade 8: Silver Medal
Melinda Yu, CHS Orchestra Grade 11: Gold Medal

In art news, current AP Art Student Megan Driscoll has had artwork published in the national publication *Best of College & High School Photography 2016!* *Best of College & High School Photography 2016* published the winners and finalists of Photographer's Forum's 36th Annual College & High School Photography Contest. The College & High School Contest is held annually and is open to all high school, college, and university students in the United States, Canada, and around the world. Both full-time and part-time students may enter. Congratulations to Megan Driscoll and her art teachers for this amazing accomplishment!

Last spring, our Theatre Guild excelled as usual! Last year, for the first time in history, Chelmsford High School produced two musicals. These productions received a record 36 TAMY Award Nominations (sponsored by The Theater At the Mount).

Winners were honored at an awards ceremony and reception in Fitchburg on Sunday, May 22. The event was modeled after Broadway's Tony Awards.

Congratulations to CHS Theater Director Lauren Cochran and the following CHS Students who won TAMY awards for productions last year:

Best Set - The Robber Bridegroom
Best Lighting -The Robber Bridegroom
Best Supporting Actor - Jake Wetmore, The Robber Bridegroom
Best Student Orchestra - The Sound of Music
Best Musical Director - Amanda Roeder, Sound of Music
Best Props / Set Dressing - Sound of Music
Best Supporting Actress - Nadya Lisciotto, Sound of Music
Not your Average Chorus Members: Nadya Lisciotto (Robber), Alex Stever (Sound of Music)

In addition, The Chelmsford High School Theater Guild's recent production of The Robber Bridegroom has been nominated for six MET Awards, an awards sponsored by the Massachusetts Educational Theater Guild. The awards ceremony took place on Monday evening, June 13th at the Emerson Cutler Majestic Theater.

CHS received the following nominations:

Sophie Bellone – Best Featured Actress as The Raven
Emily Norman – Best Set design and Execution
Jess Holes – Best Lighting Design and Execution
Alina Hernandez and Katelyn O'Donnell –Best Hair and Makeup
Sabrina Lambros – Best Choral Ensemble
Richard Kaminuma – Best Student Orchestra

Congratulations to Sophie Bellone and Jess Holes, who were awarded MET Awards in their categories!

In addition, 43 Theater Guild students traveled to New York City during Memorial Day Weekend to see Broadway Shows. Students were treated to an overnight adventure, taking in *A Long Day's Journey into Night* with Jessica Lange and *The Crucible*. On Saturday night, students attended *The Robber Bridegroom* starring Stephan Pasquale. At the stage door after the show, students gave a signed poster to Mr. Pasquale of the theater guild's show and in return had opportunities for photos and autographs with the cast! The weekend culminated on Sunday with trips to MOMA, Central Park, St. Patrick's Cathedral, Ellen's Stardust Diner and *Tuck Everlasting*.

This year, we will be producing the musical *Into the Woods*. I hope you will attend what is sure to be another high-quality production in the Carl J. Rondina Performing Arts Center on December 8-10 (ticket info available at www.chelmsfordtheatre.com).

All of our ensemble directors are crafting their winter concerts and theatrical productions, all of which promise to continue the tradition of high-caliber work here in Chelmsford. I hope you will be able to join us at some of this year's CHS events:

OCTOBER
6-8 Children's Play visit www.chelmsfordtheatre.com for ticket info
14 CPS Band Night (Grade 5-12 Band Students)

NOVEMBER
26 CHS Band performs at Lowell City of Lights Parade

DECEMBER
8-10 Musical: <i>Into the Woods</i> visit www.chelmsfordtheatre.com for ticket info
14 CHS Winter Concert at PAC, 7:00 p.m.

JANUARY
9 Grade 5-12 All Town Wind Ensemble (ATWE) at PAC, 7:00 p.m.
19 CHS After-School Ensemble Concert at PAC, 7:00 p.m.
25 Grade 4-12 Stringfest at PAC, 7:00 p.m.

FEBRUARY
4 Grade 4-12 Choralfest at PAC, 2:00 p.m.

MARCH
2 Grades K-12 Chelmsford Public Library Art Exhibit Reception, 5:00-7:00 p.m.
4 CHS Hosts METG Prelims visit www.chelmsfordtheatre.com for ticket info
28 Middle School/HS BAND and ATWE Pre-MICCA concert at PAC, Time TBD
29 Middle School/HS ORCHESTRA Pre-MICCA concert at PAC, Time TBD

APRIL
6 Student-led Concert and TRI-M Honors Society Induction at PAC, 7:00 p.m.
24 CHS Band plays at Chelmsford Town Meeting
26 Parker, McCarthy, CHS Jazz Night at PAC, 7:00
28 CPS A Cappella Night at PAC, 7:00 p.m.

MAY
4-6 Theater Guild Comedy Production visit www.chelmsfordtheatre.com for ticket info
17 CHS Pops Concert at PAC, 7:00 p.m.
25 ATWE at PAC, 7:00 p.m.

JUNE
2 CPSSO/CHS Wind Ensemble/CHS Symphony Orchestra at PAC, 7:00 p.m.
7 CHS Symphony Orchestra and Student-led Winds at PAC, 7:00 p.m.

As always, we are also looking forward to the Boston Globe Scholastic Art and many other art competitions and exhibitions, as well as Junior and Senior Districts, All-State, MICCA, theatrical competitions, and other exciting opportunities for our students to explore possibilities within the Arts.

We are fortunate to have such a supportive community and school system for the Arts, and the faculty and I are looking forward to another great academic year!

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

VISUAL ARTS:
Madalena Alves
Diane Cogliano
Ashley Cormack
Virginia Cramer
Allison Gover
Terry Karangioze

PERFORMANCE ARTS:
Lauren Cochran, Music/Drama
Kate Comeau, CHS/Elementary Schools Orchestra
Amanda Roeder, Chorus/Musical
Matt Sexauer, Director of Bands

In closing, I wish all CHS Alumni a wonderful fall season, and extend to you an invitation to please to drop in and say "Hello" at one or all of our events!

Best Regards,

Christina Whittlesey
Fine and Performing Arts
Department Coordinator
Chelmsford Public Schools
Follow on Twitter for up-to-the-minute news: @ChristyWhittles



ATHLETIC DIRECTOR'S *Report*

THE 2015/16 SCHOOL YEAR WAS ANOTHER EXTREMELY SUCCESSFUL YEAR FOR OUR ATHLETIC TEAMS.

The department offered 31 varsity sports and 48 sub-varsity sports in which over 1300 student athletes participated; the overall varsity record was 227-170-17. Three of our teams won league championships, 22 teams qualified for the post-season tournament and our wrestling team won the Div. 1 Sectional, State and All State Championships. Individually we had 9 Boston Globe/Herald All Scholastic selections, 5 individual state champions, 2 league players of the year, 61 All-Conference Selections, 73 All-Star selections and 3 of our coaches were recognized as coaches of the year.

We are excited to begin the 2016 athletic season and hopefully share some great moments with the community. Please come out and support our student athletes throughout the fall season. Remember to look out for these students, as they will all be giving back to the community by organizing team community service projects throughout the fall. We hope to see you out at some events.

If you would like to follow us on twitter please go to @CHSAthletics_



CLASS OF 2016 - COLLEGE ATHLETES

BASEBALL:

Derek Adamson
Assumption

BASKETBALL:

Nick Beati
Bates

FIELD HOCKEY:

Rachel Hopkins
UMass Lowell

FOOTBALL:

Matt Courtemache
Endicott

Matt LoPresti
Franklin Pierce

Nick Spinale
Bridgewater State

George Cole
Westfield State

Shane Conti
Westfield State

LACROSSE – BOYS:

Jake Kampner
University of New England

LACROSSE - GIRLS:

Bailey Grant
Stonehill

SOCCER:

Sam Thompson
University of New England

SOFTBALL:

Taylor Rowsell
Rivier

SWIMMING:

Rebecca Merrill

Utica

TRACK:

Brian Wilson
University of Vermont

Allison Taylor
St. A's

Kendra Wynn
Worcester State

Emma Desmarais
Westfield State

Walker Horton
University of Vermont

Claire Markey
UCLA

VOLLEYBALL:

Annie Donahue
Salve Regina

WRESTLING:

Griffin Murray
Springfield Tech. Jr. College

Davey Goodall
Western NE

Kyle McQuaide
Johnson & Wales

HIGHLIGHTS

Girls and Boys Volleyball: Reached the Div. 1 North Finals.

Girls Basketball: Won the MVC for the 5th straight season, Claire Markey was the MVC Player of the Year and reached 1000 Career Points.

Ice Hockey: Won the MVC Championship and Derek Adamson was named MVC Player of the Year.

Wrestling: Won the MVC, Division 1 North, Division 1 State and All State Championships. Wrestlers; Kyle McQuaide, Davey Goodall, Griffin Murray and Joey Vecchione each won individual state titles.

Indoor Track: Kristin Hohenstein won the State Pentathlon.

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36-40 Years	155.00
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46 Years +	75.00

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January 6, 2017 for Winter 2017 Edition #1
May 5, 2017 for Summer 2017 Edition #2
September 8, 2017 for Fall 2017 Edition #3

Any submissions after these dates will not be accepted, and will be considered for the following edition.

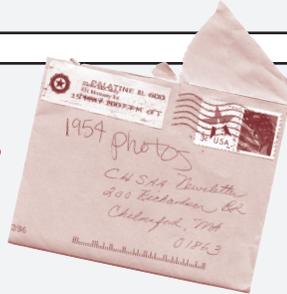
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Mail your materials to:
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Share your photos!



Representatives of reunion classes or other social gatherings who submit photographs are strongly advised that these pictures be submitted as far in advance of the newsletter deadline as possible, so that any necessary corrections can be made. In all cases, pictures should be accompanied by names and include "Class of" year in titles.

Electronic images: Please email original resolution pictures or burn on a CD disk in JPG or TIFF format. Please do not embed images in documents!!!

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Just imagine! My son, Bob Mackey (Class of 1963), and I both had Miss Lottie Agnew as our third grade teacher at Highland Avenue School, me in 1927 and Bob in 1952. We recall her as being one of the most respected teachers in the school system, even though I can still "see" her slowly walking down the aisle with a ruler held behind her back, while our eyes focused on her every movement until she would stop at a boy's desk (always a boy's) and ask him to put out his hand. She would then take it and administer about four light taps and then class would resume its lessons.

I have a Fan Club. Following the last issue of Lion's Pride, I received several letters; I won't lie, it was



Class of 1937: Dot Mackey painting with oils on the beach in Tampa Bay, Florida in April of 2005.

three. One was from a hometown friend who had also attended Highland Avenue School and whom I hadn't seen for 65 years, Ruthie (McEnaney) Meade. It took all of five minutes to place her; after all, I'm 97. I recalled she had a sister named Mona and two brothers, named Russell and Harold, who were friends of my brother, Charlie Lowell. Our mothers were also friends. I was so happy to hear from you, Ruthie. Call me sometime for a "chat" on my cell phone, 508-265-3353. Our house phone no. is 843-651-3997 (you may call me at that number; just don't text me as I'm not good at texting), and we'll play "catch-up".

Things are a little slower than they used to be. My 97 years of living included my best years with my

family, almost 50 years of golfing three times a week, 20 years of Shuffleboard every M-W-F, winters in FL, using my 4th computer, volunteering at the Lowell Red Cross, Chelmsford Senior Center office and gift shop, and also at the V.A. Nursing Home in St. Petersburg, FL, favorite board game of Sequence; five grandchildren, eleven great grandchildren (9 girls and 2 boys). This gives me the chance to relive my early years through them. Bob's three children, Peter A. ('87), Becky ('89), and Scott ('93), all graduated from CHS. These days, my time is taken by reading the newspaper and doing the Crossword Puzzle. That takes me almost to lunchtime and then I can start on my crochet work. Home Care comes in once a week to assist me. Along the way this year,

my brother, George ('39), died in Springfield, OR. George's children, Janet, Ann, Joan, and Mary, also graduated from CHS. George was less than a month from being 95. His first wife, Eleanor (Mochrie, '39) LeClair, predeceased him, and he left his widow, Nancy. Alice, the wife of my brother, Ray (who is 93), died May 15. We had been partners in the Fourball League at Nabnasset Lake C.C. every week for many years.

The picture I've submitted to this issue of the Lion's Pride is of me painting with oils as my hubby Peter and I picnicked on the beach in Tampa Bay, FL in April 2005. "Brave" swimmers ignore the alligator warning signs!

As I write this on Sept. 2, Hurricane Hermine is visiting us and we have tornado warnings and watches. Water is over the top of the retention pond off our back yard and is now over halfway up our driveway, covering part of our lawn and about three feet up our palm tree trunk. I'm hoping to awaken tomorrow to sunshine. Actually, Barbara and Bob ended up having to clean the trash left behind as the water receded, such as plastic bottles and other trash. We are expecting up to ten inches of rain.

During the summer, Barbara and Bob, (both class of '63), drove to OK to attend Bob's Annual Vietnam Reunion. My granddaughter, Becky (Mackey '89) Morgan, and her daughter, Haleigh, age 13, flew here from Manchester, NH to "Home Care" me while they were gone. Their enjoyment included a Pirate Dinner-Show, a trip to Broadway-at-the-Beach for the fun rides, daily visits to our pool, indoor "picnics", and visits with local friends. They wanted to stay longer!

It's been very interesting to read

about the 5K races. While wintering in past years near St. Petersburg, FL, Peter and I would attend the baseball games played by sportsmen ages 70 and older. While "60 is the new 40" and "'70 is the new 50", I thought it would be fun to transfer that to the 5K races and include a group of players "ages 70 and up". I feel it would surprise us with an entirely new group, full of pep! Let's give it a try.

I learned a few things about SC during the eight years I have been living with Barbara and Bob and the two years I lived here during WWII. For instance, when the weatherperson in Chelmsford says "rain all day", he/she means rain steadily for many hours. Here, the rain usually appears in a number of showers throughout the day/night.

I also learned there are thirty different kinds of snakes that inhabit this State. Last week, one family's three dogs were all bitten by snakes. The cost of medication could be \$450 for each dog. Our local newspaper confirmed snakebites to pets to be on average 5 to 7 each week, mostly when the dogs are turned out in their enclosed backyard before bedtime.

More enjoyable news is that Barbara was included a few years ago in a group of volunteers who rose at dawn and headed to the beach to help protect the hundreds of new-born Loggerhead Turtles heading for the Atlantic Ocean where they will live (if they are lucky) for the next 70 years.

Random Thought! If you wish to liven your Tuna or Chicken Salad Sandwiches, add to it some chopped grapes and chopped pecans.

Affectionately, Dot

From Nancy (Breen) Gianoulis, Pauline (Lundberg) Breen's daughter. I keep in touch with Dot who asked me to write a little something about my mom since there are very few in their class together now. There isn't much to say now that she has come down with dementia but a few words will at least let some know she is still up and around! Pauline Breen, though 97, still loves the summer breeze in her face and the warm sunshine in late morning. With a new set of hearing aids, she can now hear the chirping of the birds, which brings delight to her. With age taking its toll on her mind and body, hearing loss, and slow moving, life isn't as fun as it used to be. Fun memories of working at North School, seeing so many of the little children grow up to be fine adults, are frequently discussed on the patio. Each day is a blessing to be alive and breathing! May there be many more days to enjoy with relatively good health and a loving family.
-Nancy

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Here we are in September. The summer just flew by. We don't go away in the summer anymore. We like the spring and fall for our vacation.

Enclosed is a picture of our dog Sadie. Sadie is a Shorkie and we have had her for a year and a half. We have always had big dogs, 90 to 100 lbs. Sadie is only 11 lbs and is my daughter Nancy's ('70) dog.



Class of 1941: Mary (Barron) Partridge with Sadie

Irene (Pelletier '40) Berry called me a week or two ago. We grew up together and I was her maid of honor when she married Lee "Kim" Berry. He came from North Adams. They met when they were in the Service. Kim died last year. Irene lives in Florida.

I haven't heard from any of our classmates.

I am still keeping busy with my clubs but the summer is quiet. Fall is my favorite time.

Hope you all have wonderful Holidays.

-Mary

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Dear Classmates,

This time I'm not starting with obituaries. Hooray! I'll begin with a fine letter from Betty (Stewart) Hamilton.

Betty writes: "I am so lucky to have shelled, snorkeled, and done scuba all over the world - in all kinds of boats from a dug-out canoe to a yacht and everything in between. The different cultures that I have visited will forever be in my memories, but one stands out above the rest - the San Blas Islands.

There, you take a step back in time. No modern conveniences of any kind. You go to bed when the sun goes down and rise with the sun in the morning. The inhabitants live off the sea and land, little to no crime exists and children are seen but not heard. Their huts have dirt floors and the people are so very friendly.

At this point in time, my shelling trips are over. There are many things that I can't do anymore, but I am still alive and kicking! I belong to a local shell club and have given many programs on shelling. In November, I will be doing a lecture on cleaning shells.

Well, I hope you all enjoyed a bit of my life!!

-Betty Stewart Hamilton

After the last issue of Lion's Pride came out, I received several calls and

letters from former classmates and friends regarding the news that had been written. Hazel (Abrahamson) Collins said that she enjoyed reading about Chelmsford's history.

Another letter received was from Ron Aubrey, ('57), who lived near Crystal Lake (now Freeman Pond). He mentioned that his mother, Helen Christoune, graduated in 1934. When he was about 10 years old - he and his father and brother drove to the Blackie farm and filled up their pickup truck with an order of corn that they then sold all over Chelmsford. He grew up with the Kiberd family, worked hard, and played with them. They played hockey together and had games on weekends on Crystal Lake. He sent a picture of a horse drawn wagon with his family upon it, circa 1940. He also said that they didn't have much back then but if they wanted something, they worked for it.

Another letter received was from Bob ('50) and Jean Kydd. They wrote that they sent copies of that specific Lion's Pride issue to their kids and friends who may not receive it. They took a copy to Bradford Emerson, who is sadly, basically blind and wheelchair bound. He enjoyed the memories very much and also recalled driving a Farmall tractor. When I think about the Kydd family, I remember many good times. When we were young and attending grammar school and later high school, we often went to Jack's diner in Chelmsford center. Our favorite order was a "mud ball" for 15 cents. It was a bowl with a BIG scoop of vanilla ice cream covered with lots of chocolate syrup. I also remember Margie Kydd, ('47), driving her car to softball games. If you were lucky (or faster than your friends were), you got to sit in the rumble seat.

I even worked at Burt and Doug's ice cream stand. A familiar landmark, it was the stand with the big milk

bottle on the roof. Sometimes, I worked with Nancy Sweet, ('47), Pat Sweet, ('49), Linda Marinell, ('46), and Gracie Merrill, ('46). One day, the Chief of Police, Mr. Ralph Hulslander Sr., (father of Ralph Jr. '42)) called in an order for five banana splits. I was told to prepare them and have them ready for the Chief. The banana splits then cost 50 cents each (45 cents without the banana!). When he came to pick up his order, he put a five dollar bill on the counter. I picked up his money and returned his change. After he left, the Boss smiled and said "Wow" and asked, "You charged him?" Then he told me the next time the Chief returned, I was to wait on him.

When I was working there one summer afternoon, a young man was hired and Mr. Kydd instructed me to show him how to make an ice cream soda. I asked the new worker if he attended Chelmsford High School. He looked at me and proudly stated as though it was a big deal, "I go to Holy Cross". Well, at the time, I thought he was a show off. His name is Charlie Sadlier. By the way, last August 18th, that same Charlie and I celebrated our 65th Wedding Anniversary.

Please take good care and God Bless,
Bessie

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Hope everyone had a good summer. It was a very hot one here in central VA. We enjoyed having underground parking in our new retirement home. At least we have a cool car when we need to go out. In July, we escaped to our place in the WV mountains, where we had our annual family reunion the week of the 4th. All four



Class of 1949: Charlie and Skip (Wilder)
Tewksbury, Venice, Italy, 2016

of our children plus spouses and five of our eight grands made it. The oldest three were all working.

Sadly, we lost another classmate. Connie (Greenwood) Pickard died July 8th. She was married to Raymond Pickard and was a lifelong resident of Chelmsford. She was a special needs teacher, active in her church, and in the community. We send our deepest sympathy to her daughter and her extended family.

We moved into our senior living community at the end of April shortly after we celebrated our 85th birthdays with a Mediterranean cruise. We flew from Dulles (D.C.) to Barcelona, Spain and boarded the Viking Star, considered a small ship as it accommodates under 1000 guests. Ports of Call were Toulon, France, Monte Carlo, where we visited the tomb of Princess Grace (Kelly) and Prince Rainier, next was Pisa, Italy where we saw the famous leaning tower, then on to Rome, Corfu, Greece, and Dubrovnik, Croatia where they were filming Star Wars IV. Then on to Split, Croatia, and finally to beautiful Venice, the City of Canals, which we toured by

water taxi. It was a wonderful trip and we feel very blessed to be well enough travel.

Till next time, stay healthy. Please write, call, or email your news, Skip.

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Summer is almost over and I'm at my computer trying to write my September article for the Lion's Pride.

On August 13th my Special Forces Chapter 54 held its annual outing in the trailer park portion of Hanscom Airbase. We had a good group of more than 40 members and guests. At the outing, I met Francis Roark from Chelmsford. He was a graduate of Keith Academy and married Linda Hoye ('75). Frank and I were medics in Special Forces sometime back. In 2005, I needed a recommendation for membership Reading Rifle and Revolver Club, Inc. and asked Frank if he would write one for me. The following is taken from his letter regarding his background. Frank retired from the Chelmsford Police Department as the Deputy Chief of Operations with over 27 years of service. Over the years, the majority of his time as Sergeant (1983) and Lieutenant was spent supervising investigating services of the Chelmsford Police Department, which included overseeing the issuance of FID cards and Gun Permits. From 1988 through 2002, he served as commander of the NEMLEC SWAT Team, a regional tactical team, nationally recognized as a model for regional SWAT teams. Interestingly, Reading's Police Chief Jim Cormier served under Frank on the team. Jim Cormier's predecessor,

Chief Bob Silva, was the overall Commander of NEMLEC's RRT during many of Frank's years.

It was nice to meet Frank and his wife after a number of years. His wife mentioned two other Roarks in Law Enforcement, twins from the Class of '87, John, on the Chelmsford Police Force, and Joseph, Chief of Police in Pelham NH.

On the subject of a Chelmsford resident attending Keith Academy, Frank's attendance was later than that of two of my friends, Frank Dunigan, brother of John Dunigan, teacher, and Charles McGeown both of No. Chelmsford. I actually took two days off from CHS at different times to go to Keith Academy with Frank Dunigan.

From Connie (Pomeroy) Stone: She and Jackie (Sidelinger) Storti met Jean Callahan for lunch last week as they often do. She says none of us had much news. Connie's grandson is now in Iraq as a Ranger doing 12-hour shifts. She talked with him a few days ago and cannot get over talking with and seeing him on the phone!! Her only granddaughter is getting married on September 3rd and her grandson in Iraq wanted to be there. Her sailor grandson is in Iwo Jima now and loving the Navy. His homeport is Mayport FL, but has been VA for a couple of weeks doing whatever. His brother Nick, will be leaving for Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland (the AF Basic Training Base) for training with the 326th Training Squadron in Texas soon. She says it's hard to keep track of all three. She feels good and is still golfing as often as she can. She says, "I do not know how I ever worked! So much to do! Good to hear from you. Hi to Judy!" Connie

-Jack

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It is with sorrow that we have to report the death of our classmate, Ralph E. Adams on August 27, 2016. We extend our sympathy to his children, Susan, Scott, and Carolyn. Ralph & I went to 1st grade at Princeton Street School in 1939 and stayed together straight through to graduation from CHS in 1951.

On a lighter note: Charlotte (Dinnigan) White, Sheila (Reynolds) Richardson and I met with Charlotte (Tibbetts) Vayo for lunch recently. It's always so much fun to get together with old friends and catch up on their news. How blessed we are in our 80's to be able to meet and remember all the good times.

-Pat

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Hi everyone! Hope you all had a good summer. Here on a beautiful sunny day in St Augustine, as I write your class news, it's hard to believe that Labor Day is just around the corner. Everyone will be glad for the cool fall weather as summer closes down. That also means Chuck and I will be planting our containers and raised garden with great veggies. Kale, Swiss chard, Lettuce, Cherry Tomatoes, sweet basil, yard long beans and potatoes. All for our late fall and winter garden. Yum.

We extend our deepest sympathy and prayers, to Earl Guilmette, of North Chelmsford, MA and all his family, for the passing of his mother-in-law, Esther Cody, at 100 years old, on April 24th.

School Mates Reunite---

On Monday, May 16th, the 6th annual gathering of the "gals of 1955" met at the Java Room in town, for yet another fantastic time. As usual, talk was about the "Old School Days" and laughs were enjoyed. It was a good two-hour get together and once again, nobody wanted to leave. Attending were Dottie (Tassios) Zahos of Westford MA, Judy (Bomil) Killeen of Kittery ME, Carol (French) Miller of Hudson NH, Pat (Elliott) Bernard and Ann (Dale) Davis, both of Chelmsford MA. Check out the photo!



Class of 1955, Gals of 55' annual gathering at the Java Room, May 16th.
L to R: Dottie (Tassios) Zahos, Carol (French) Miller, Pat (Elliott) Bernard, Judy (Bomil) Killeen, Ann (Dale) Davis

80th Birthday Celebration---

On Wednesday, August 3rd, Ron Taylor and Judy (Harrington '60) Leary had a family gathering. Judy's daughter put together a video of their fantastic April cruise to celebrate Ron's 80th birthday which was February 21st. Judy said it was such fun to relive the cruise. - Here are some of the highlights. - Ron and Judy started in Mid-April with all their kids and grandkids (20 in all) at Disney's Old Key West and had a birthday dinner at a fabulous restaurant in Disney. - The next morning a mini bus transported everyone to Port Canaveral to embark on the Royal Caribbean Line's Ship, Enchantment of the Seas. They settled into their many balcony cabins all-adjacent, so they could always be in contact. Judy writes that it was such fun, as some of the kids and grandkids had never been on a cruise. Just finding their way around the giant ship was quite an accomplishment. - The next day they headed to Coco Cay, for a day of basking in the sun and all the grandkids snorkeling and looking for sunken treasure. That evening it was the Captain's Dinner, they were all dressed up in their finest. (See the Photo). During the night, the ship

cruised to Nassau, Grand Bahama Island, where in the morning of their third day, they found themselves at berth. While in Port, they did a little shopping and then toured the Atlantis. After a good nap - it was another night of fun, full of shows and nightlife that a cruise ship offers. The fourth and fifth days, were just relaxing by the pools and exploring the nooks and crannies of the ship. The next day when they disembarked, the mini bus picked them all up and drove them all to Orlando International Airport for their return back to reality. Judy said Ron enjoyed every minute of this very special time, with their families. Such wonderful memories. By the way, Ron has moved from his longtime home in Chelmsford to Westford. His email address and cell phone number remain the same.

Out-n-About---

This past June, Eileen (Harrington) Collomb, of St Augustine FL, had a very interesting month, that I would love to share with you. First, her sister Kathleen (Harrington '51 deceased) Manchester's oldest son Chuck came from PA to visit with his dad Russell, two brothers, two sisters, several nieces, nephews and

Aunt Eileen. Chuck was in nuclear subs for 20 years and after a time in Baltimore MD, at Bethlehem Steel, he is now in PA, working in nuclear energy. They are traveling to St Petersburg, Russia, with their daughter and her husband, in order to meet his family. Eileen said you see more by land and air than you do on a submarine. She was there during the Cold War era, and at Easter time, it was cloudy, cold and bleak; she wonders how much has changed. Eileen is always on the go when not on the links. She went to the Limelight Theater here in town, to a Sunday matinee and said the show will never make Broadway but it was funny, in a way. "How friends show their true selves when under daily stress". The first act was the women carrying on about their lives, the second the guys. It was a good fun time with friends. On July 9th, Eileen celebrated her 79th here in St Augustine with some of my neighbors and me.

This past spring, Bob and Gay McEvoy, proud grandparents, traveled from Westford, MA to NC, to attend their oldest grandson Cory's graduation. He graduated from the University of Oregon before joining the Army Special Forces at Fort Bragg, NC. They said the graduation at Fort Bragg, was wonderful and very impressive. Cory spent a much-deserved leave at home with his parents in Fort Collins CO, before heading out to Okinawa, for a three-year stint as a proud Green Beret. They are also proud of the accomplishments of Cory's sister, who will earn a Doctorate in PT at Northeastern in 2018. With all their nine grandchildren Bob and Gay are happy to share in their events. They had 18 of the gang for dinner to celebrate Bob's 79th on July 8th.

This past Father's Day, Dan and Bonnie Pushee, of Chrystal River FL, had a fantastic family reunion,



Class of 1955, Larry and Pati Litchfield's busy restaurant Sawyer's, in Gilford, NH on July 4th.



Class of 1955, Dan Pushee's Father's Day Family Reunion, Bonnie and Dan in back row middle.

with a grand total of 17. The Pushee clan traveled from as far away as KS, Randy and family, Cindy and family, VA, and Christie and family MA, and as close by as FL. Peggy lives in Chrystal River, where there was lots of pool time. Dan's granddaughter Emma designed the graphics on the T Shirts "Family Matters" with three Manatees, all her drawing. Dan has 4 Children 12 Grands, from his late wife Louise and Bonnie 6, totaling 18 grand and 3 greats. Now you're wondering what Manatees have to

do with the T Shirt. Chrystal River is the home of hundreds of Manatees and in the winter it is a great tourist attraction, where you can swim with a great sea cow.

Around-n-About---

In mid-June, Carol (French) Miller, said that it was the coolest June that she can remember and very windy, but didn't complain because it was a very mild winter. She was hoping to see a change because she was renting a house at Seabrook Beach, NH.

Two of her chorus gal pals, have been doing this for six years. They take the last non-peak week before July 4th. Carol brought her flannel sheets, to be warm and cozy, at night while listening to the Ocean in the background. Weather-wise it turned out to be a good week. Jerry Greska was glad to be back on the links in early spring and busy riding his John Deer to keep his lawn and yard in total perfection.

Dottie (Tassios) Zahos and her husband Chris have had a busy summer. They made many trips to Newburyport and their favorite restaurant for yummy seafood lunches. On July 31st, Dottie and Chris went with a tour group to Killington VT, on the way they traveled thru Woodstock Vt. It's a very old and quaint little town, off the beaten path. They stayed at the Summit Lodge, in Killington, where they had beautiful views of the mountains, great food, and a Trio provided entertainment. Then they traveled to Lake George NY for a nice peaceful cruise on the lake, before traveling to the Saratoga Springs NY racetrack to take in a few races. Dottie says they were thrilled to see one of the beautiful racehorses and its jockey come close by them. They had an absolutely delicious dinner at Grandma's Pies and Restaurant in Albany NY on the way home. In August, Dottie and Chris went with another tour group to Essex to embark on a River Cruise. After the cruise, they went to the famous Woodman's of Essex, for a fantastic seafood lunch. A little history, Woodman's is where Fried Clams were invented 100 years ago.

In early spring, Tom and Barbara Bovill planted their veggie garden. They had a tough battle with the critters. Red & gray squirrels, chipmunks, rabbits, etc. just to name a few, even with the garden all fenced in. They would take a bite of his



Class of 1955, Ron Taylor's 80th Birthday Celebration: Ron, front row, far right, Judy (Harrington '60) Leary, to Ron's right.

tomatoes, eat his broccoli, and make a mess. Tom and Barbara did not give up and Tom was able to trap many. While at their cottage on Silver Lake in NH in June, they took advantage to meet up with Carol (Abrahamson) Bovill and her companion Lee, of Center Harbor NH, to have lunch on Lake Winnepesaukee. Then on July 4th, they celebrated our Independence Day enjoying the fireworks on Silver Lake.

Received a nice email from Wendell Luke, said he and Reba had no planned trips this summer. They were spending a lot of time watching their two grandchildren play basketball and do gymnastics. It gets them into the High School regularly. He said the Gym is quite an update from the bandbox with the stage we played on in our time. They had a Turkey Vulture land on the neighbor's roof in July. Wendell has gotten used to the wild turkeys, deer,

and songbirds, but says the Turkey Vulture was a surprise. He said it has been a good summer to save wear and tear on the lawnmower and on the legs as well, with the drought situation, but his dear veggies were suffering.

In Mid-June, Richard and Priscilla Burt went on a fantastic Tauck Cruise, on Alaska's inland waterway from Vancouver BC Canada, to Juneau AK. Richard said it was very scenic and enjoyable. Then in late July their kids, son Rick, from CO and Emily, from FL, treated them to a quiet dinner, for twelve, recognition of their 50th Anniversary, at an area restaurant. The setting and company was perfect for them.

80th Birthday Celebrations ---
On July 26th, Robert Costello, of Ormond Beach FL, celebrated his 80th, then two days later on July 28th, it was our very own Pin Ball (Ken) Carter, of Charlotte ME and Harvey Miller, of Hollis NH on August 10th.

Up-n-coming---
Our TWELFTH Annual Florida reunion will be coming up in March or April 2017. We have not made a decision on where or when. If you are interested in meeting your classmates, and having a fantastic time, don't be bashful about contacting me. All classes are invited. It is always a good time to catch up and reminiscence. Hope to see you.

Tid-Bits---
Received a nice email note from David Blackadar, in June to say he couldn't believe he celebrating his 79th. He and his wife Margie live in Marshall, TX. On June 14th, Gloria (Paduch) Bryum, of Columbia MD celebrated her 78th. She is the youngest in our class. Tom Bovill is the oldest and celebrated his 81st on June 16th. Gloria said she was thankful that she and Al were still

able to download all the things they love to do. Al was planning on a nice surprise lunch for her. Chuck had a nice long phone visit with Earl in July. He was keeping busy with the yard, Charlie his horse, and his family. Had short emails from Bill Vennard, of Columbia, MD, and, Gertrude (Long) "Gigi" Kelleher, of Wilmington DE. Bill said that he and Copy are just having a routine summer and Gigi said she was having a quiet summer. Talked to Bill Gould in August, he and his wife Beverly live in Erie CO. Please make a note; he has changed his email to rgsrills@yahoo.com. Gertrude (Smith) Allaby, called in August to say, she bumped into Pat (Elliot) Bernard at the Senior Center in North Chelmsford. Pat was there to play in the small senior center band that meets about every three weeks. Gertrude loves living in the Senior housing and loves walking over to the Senior Center and enjoys meeting a new friend. Such fun. Betty (Morrison) Butler and her companion Don Sherman, arrived at their summer hang out in Branson MO, after their trip from Orlando FL to CA, , for a Sherman family reunion. They spent the summer just hanging around and enjoying her 3 grandkids. After leaving St Augustine FL in April for their trip home to Laconia NH, Larry and Pati Litchfield never missed a beat. They prepared to open Sawyers, their dairy bar and restaurant in May, in Gilford, NH. Pati makes all their ice cream. Check out the photo taken July 4th.

Till-Next-Time---
Have a Blessed Happy Thanksgiving. A very Merry Christmas and a Happy, Healthy New 2017. Be Happy, Safe, and Well!!!
-Marie

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With sadness I report the passing of our classmate Rheta (Williams) Chenard, Kennebunkport, ME on March 11, 2016 after a long battle with cancer.

Our sympathy, thoughts and prayers go out to her husband Alfred and their sons, Robert and his wife Nancy of Winslow, ME. and William and his wife Carol of Natick, MA. She also leaves her five grandchildren Kelley, Michael, Melissa, Mariah, and Bobby, as well as her two sisters Charlotte Schieren and Anna Stimpson.

Plans are well under way for our 60th reunion to be held on September 24th. Look for a write up on the reunion in the winter edition of the Lion's Pride.

Happy Holidays, Mary

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Summer is almost over and I'm looking forward to fall. It's been a busy few months!

In May we had a class luncheon. The following people attended: Joyce (Dirubbo) Ham, Archie

Provençal, Cathy (Kulski) Martin, Kay (Morrow) Stidsen, Anne Marie (Sehlstedt) Winkowski, Beth (Simpson) McHugh, Dick Gauthier, Rich DeFreitas, and Alice (Perko) and Terry Means, Nancy (Small) and John Cavanaugh, Sandy (Ricciardi) and Wayne Kilburn. In the photo, Anne Marie and Dick are not in the photo as they had already left.

Talked with Ralph Nickerson – he and Carman sold their home in FL, but were able to go down there for a while last winter.

Congratulations to Mary (McCarthy) St. Hilaire ('56)! The Chelmsford Housing Authority has honored her by naming the social activities building after her. They

held a dedication reception for her, which I was happy to attend. If you drive-up Littleton Road (Rt. 110), in about 1 ½ miles, you can see the new development with Mary's name gleaming brightly above the entrance to the area.

The breakfast group welcomed Connie (Grondine) Mullen, who was visiting from FL to our June breakfast. It was great to see her!

Later in June, we had a luncheon for Ray and Deena Johnson who were here from CA. We had a great visit with them. While they were here, Ray took Deena on a trip down memory lane. He showed her places where he lived, went to his school, and even to a Red Sox game where they went to the seats he and his dad used to sit. The following classmates attended the luncheon: Anne Marie (Sehlstedt) Winkowski, Kay (Morrow) Stidsen, Dick Gauthier, Rich DeFreitas, Alice (Perko) and Terry Means, Beth (Simpson) McHugh, Sandy (Ricciardi) and Wayne Kilburn, Berta (Jones) Erikson, Kathy (Kulski) Martin, Gerry (Keddie) Flurey, Dick Lewis, Ray and Deena Johnson.

We have a tentative date for a 60th reunion, September 23, 2017. Save the date! More info to follow. Until next time –Sandy



Class of 1957, May Luncheon: Front, L to R: Kay (Morrow) Stidsen, Beth (Simpson) McHugh, Alice (Perko) Means, Joyce (Dirubbo) Ham, Sandi (Ricciardi) Kilburn Back: L to R: Nancy (Small) Cavanaugh, Kathi (Kulski) Martin, Wayne Kilburn, Dick DeFreitas, Archie Provençal Missing: Anne Marie (Sehlstedt) Winkowski, Dick Gauthier



Class of 1957, June Luncheon: Front, L to R: Kathy (Kulski) Martin, Gerry (Keddie) Flurey, Beth (Simpson) McHugh, Berta (Jones) Erickson, Kay (Morrow) Stidsen Middle, L to R: Dena Johnson, Sandi (Ricciardi) Kilburn, Alice (Perko) Means, Anne Marie (Sehlstedt) Winkowski Back, L to R: Wayne Kilburn, Dick Lewis, Dick Gauthier, Archie Provençal, Dick DeFreitas, Ray Johnson

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Hi all, It's that time again! And I'm back.....just like a bad penny!!! Time is flying!

My family and I had a great time in VT at the Hot Balloon Festival. As I said in the last Lion's Pride this was my 25th year. It is so wonderful to have us all together for an entire

weekend although a few couldn't make this one. The kids made this awesome banner.....25th Year "We ♥ You, Nana!" Just imagine seeing that hanging over your balcony when you get out of your car!!! Only a few tears!!! We had a great time despite the fact the weather didn't cooperate for the balloons! They only got up once and had to land shortly after lift-off! Luckily for us, they came right over our hotel so low that we could wave and shout to the people in them!! So beautiful...going up in one some on of these days..."Lucy in the Sky" is my favorite!

Saw a post on Facebook the other day about Skip's....brought back so many memories. We went there after dances, football games, etc. The food was so good and the fun we had was even better!! Even after high school, we often went for breakfast or after work to the Embers for a drink or two!! Such special times!!!

Received an email and photo from Ann (Lovering) Ramirez who lives in Mexico. She is with her childhood friend Claire (Watt '57) Jenney. It seems that they will now be able to see each other as Claire and her husband Hugh vacation in Mexico every winter. If I'm not mistaken Ann and Claire lived very close to each other as kids growing up.....so nice to be able to reconnect!!

Carol (Belleville) and her hubby Jim Curran and several of their family members went on a little (?) trip to Alaska! They flew to Ohio, took a train to Michigan where they picked up a motor home to deliver to Alaska!! They were able to do some sightseeing on the way!! We saw some incredible photos of their trip, two of which are included in this class news. They were gone almost three weeks.....looked like they had a wonderful time!!!

The day that Carol showed us these pictures we also took another group

picture of Carol, Judy (Cullen) Thompson, Diane (Archer) Chaney and me!! Of course I will enclose this one as well!!

Ken and Mary (Reeves) McGillivray have moved back to FL from GA!! They were there for several years and from what I've heard had built a lovely log cabin type home. Maybe Ken missed the golf courses of Florida, not sure?!! They are now in Weeki Wachee, FL, which is north of Tampa! Ken said to wish us all well.....back at 'cha Ken and Mary!

Also had an email from Phil and Nancy Johnson. Love getting their emails as they are so proud, and rightfully so, of their grandson Matt Moser. Number one, he will be applying to Medical school and number two, Matt's baseball team, Tufts University ended the season 32-6 AND won the NESCAC! Congratulations to Matt and big congrats to proud granddad and grandma!!! Way to go!!!

Thanks to Ann, Ken, and Phil and for their emails. It is always nice to hear from our classmates and it gives me some news to write! This one was a little easier thanks to them. Would love to hear from you all!!

All the CHS alumni and anyone who works on the Lion's Pride put in so much of their time to publish this newsletter. They should all be so very proud of the great job done by everyone! Always look forward to reading it and catching up on news from all of the other classes! THANK YOU!!

Well, folks time to sign off for another few months! Hope you all have wonderful holidays, YIKES, did I say holidays! The next time I write will be for the first 2017 Lion's Pride.

'Til next time. Stay healthy, keep safe and enjoy life!! – Martha



Class of 1958, Carol (Belleville) Curran in Alaska



Class of 1958, Jim and Carol (Belleville) Curran, in Alaska



Class of 1958, Ann (Lovering) Ramirez and Clair (Watt '57) Jenney



Class of 1958, # 4: L to R: Diane (Archer) Chaney, Martha (Crane) Flaherty, Judy (Cullen) Thompson, and Carol (Belleville) Curran

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Hi Classmates! I was sorry to hear of the passing of Charlie Laughton. He was a good classmate to many of us. I happened to drive two of his kids to the Harrington School. I think it was two girls that I picked up and dropped off at their Richardson Road home. Very good kids – always a ‘Hi’ and ‘Goodbye.’ I could not attend the wake or the funeral in Ipswich, as I was in the hospital at the time. I called Charlie’s wife, told her that the Class of ’60 will always remember him, and extended our deepest sympathy to her, their children, and the rest of Charlie’s family.

Hope you’re all enjoying the hot, humid summer. It sure has been a long one. Cookouts and family get-togethers near some lake or pond

are great! Well, fall will be here soon – maybe. Fall is my favorite, with the cool weather and football games.

Well, we’ll see you later. Don’t forget to keep on rolling....til next time, happy days to all. -Jim Gifford

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Hi Everyone, I recently received this note from Ed Walker along with a photo. He looks great and it sounds like he leads an exciting life!

"I thought I would give you an update on Kathy and my latest vacation. We spent five weeks in Hawaii at our timeshares. We have been vacationing in Hawaii every other year since the mid 90’s. We



Class of 1962, L to R: Ed Walker, Hawaiian seascape artist Roy Tabora, Kathy Walker, in Hawaii

were two weeks on Maui and three on Kauai. While we were on Maui my son-in-law and I played a round of golf at the Kapalua Plantation course where the PGA holds the first tournament of each year. It’s a difficult course with fantastic views. In Kauai, we had the privilege of meeting famed Hawaiian seascape artist Roy Tabora and purchased an anniversary gift for ourselves from him. I have attached a picture from that meeting." Thanks for your news, Ed.

Sally (French) Bourque visited her brother, John, in Louisville KY. While there, they enjoyed an adventurous ride in a bi-plane. Sounds like quite an experience. They're definitely braver than I would be!

Over the summer, I had the opportunity to visit with Merrie (Shay) Meckley during her whirlwind trip up the eastern coast. She visited with many friends and spent some precious time with her family.

One highlight of my summer was traveling across country with my daughter to Washington. We live in

an amazingly beautiful country! We started at Niagara Falls and headed west from there. Some of the high points included the site of Custer's Last Stand at Little Big Horn, Devil's tower (where the film Close Encounters was made), Wall Drug, The Badlands, Mount Rushmore, and Seattle. We took a ferry over to Victoria, BC and visited the beautiful Butchart Gardens.

There were so many things to see but we only had 12 days before she had to begin work at North Cascade National Park and I had to return home. I feel very blessed that we could enjoy that time together!

I hope you all have a great fall. I look forward to the magnificent foliage.

Remember, I always welcome news to report. -Laura

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Marion "Mally" (Cutter) Pitaro writes that she and her husband have plans this summer to bring two of their granddaughters to the Boston area for 10 days in June. Sarah Lopez graduated from the University of Nevada, Reno, with a double major in Neuroscience and Applied Mathematics. Younger granddaughter, also named Mally, graduates from Desert Oasis High School in Las Vegas on June 7. The travelers expect to arrive on June 8th and stay until the 18th. Along

with seeing where they grew up, the grandparents plan to show the girls around Boston, Salem, Lexington, Concord, Plymouth and Cape Cod. These girls are two of the Pitaros' 12 grandchildren. Here's hoping they have an amazing vacation! - Update: They DID have a wonderful vacation!

Congratulations to Carrollee Ford-Helms and Bob Bacon's first great grandchild Chloe was born in October 2015!

Terry and I had a great long weekend visit in August in Montreal with our old friends! And it's a lovely drive up Route 89! I highly recommend it to any of you who enjoy miles and miles of farmland! Sue (Farrington) Trombly took a road trip last month with three friends to some great spots in the west. I'll have details for the next issue! -Lynne

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Good Morning to all. I'm sitting on my front porch sipping coffee watching the sunrise.

Labor Day is tomorrow that means another summer has flown by and new autumn adventures are about to begin. There will be soccer games, apple picking, corn stalk and hay mazes to navigate, pinecones and acorns to gather for craft projects here at Camp Grandma & Grandpa.

I hope whatever is on your calendar for this fall will be enjoyed AND that you will share it with us in next issue of Lion's Pride.



Class of 1965, Andy Dabilis playing with his granddaughter Aoefie



Class of 1965, Mary (Vaillancourt) Smith's grandchildren, L to R: David, Jake, Isabella, Aidan, Lila

I do have several classmate updates to share with you.

Bill Harris joined us at the June 28th dinner at Princeton Station. Bill was here on east coast to visit his dad in Nashua. Bill's dad celebrated his 99th birthday in June. He says his dad is doing very well and lives alone. Bill resides in California and is a retired helicopter mechanic. He and Haven Morrison both attended East Coast Aero Tech after their days at CHS. They both headed to California and were roommates before Haven joined the Navy and Bill joined the Army. Bill and Haven have kept in touch throughout the years.

Haven's mom celebrated her 99th birthday the same week as Bill's dad celebrated his. Sadly, her health has been declining but as Haven says, "we've learned she can surprise us." I think having Haven, her granddaughter and two great grandsons nearby definitely brings his mom happiness.

Gerry (McKenna) Bourke and I meet once a month for breakfast. Gerry is the first schoolmate I met when I moved to Chelmsford in 1956. Gerry still has the same wonderful smile that greeted me sixty years ago on my 1st day of class at Center School. I am so thankful that Chelmsford redistricted and Gerry was transferred from the North School to Center!

Sue Sills, in a recent email, told me it is fun to have a post - retirement career.

She is working part time as a research assistant and strategist for a Boston based attorney's office. At least one of the cases Sue has worked on has been filed in Massachusetts Appeals Court.

Andy Dabilis was state side in July visiting his daughter Catherine and 9 month old granddaughter Aoefie in Westchester NY. Andy flew back to his home in Greece the first week of August. He is a columnist for the National Herald. Andy's September 1st article caught my interest "In Greece, Dukakis Takes Shots at Trump, Obama, Austerity – Himself." It was a balanced recap of our former Massachusetts governor's meeting with Greek President Prokopios Pavloulos in Athens. Mr. Dukakis was in Greece to attend a business economic forum.

Beverly (Reid) Wood recently sent me a wonderful email about her west coast adventure earlier this year. I'm sharing Bev's travel log with all you:

"Earlier this year my husband Craig and I enjoyed a trip to the west coast. We started with a stop in Las Vegas enjoying the usual fine dining, shows, gaming. But the best adventure was a ride on the High Roller at night. The view high above the strip all lit up was fabulous.

Our next stop was touring the

Hoover Dam, a very impressive structure indeed. Back into the car on to the Grand Canyon by way of Route 66. The next day we enjoyed the views from end to end of the South Rim. All I can say is it's breathtaking. We gave our feet some rest in the car as we traveled to our hotel in Sedona, arriving at sunset when the rocks were glowing a beautiful red.

The next day we enjoyed our jeep tour traveling around the entire Vortex. Enjoyed some shopping and great dining. Left Sedona with a stop at Jerome, a ghost town.

We were now off to Palm Springs for a few days but stopping at Joshua Tree National Park first. It was such a huge park that we could not see it all at this visit so we planned to return on our way to LA. I enjoyed the cool temperature in the 70's. My last visit to Palm Springs it was 113 degrees. This was Craig's first visit. He enjoyed some golf and I enjoyed relaxing at our resort. We did take a ride on the Aerial Tram. Views were amazing and the floor of the tram car rotates enabling full views.

After a couple of days in Palm Springs, it was time to head to Glendale CA. But first a return to Joshua Tree National Park to the overlook to see the San Andreas Fault.

We safely arrived in Glendale for our visit with our youngest daughter, Alaina and husband Jon and our grandson Pierce.

We enjoyed lots of family time with visits to the LA Zoo, Descanso Gardens and the Railroads at Griffin Park to name a few.

Jon took us to Universal Studios for a private preview of the new Harry Potter movie. He works for Universal so it was a special night. We love traveling to CA to enjoy



Class of 1965, Beverly (Reid) and Craig Wood at Sedona



Class of 1965, Craig Wood, daughter Alaina, grandson Pierce, and Bev (Reid) Wood at Universal Studio

visits with Pierce, now 3. He will become a big brother in November when his baby sister arrives. We also drive to PA to visit with our granddaughter, Imogen (Immy), age 5. Grandkids are the best.

We are planning to take Immy to Disney World in January. She is so excited to go." -Thank you Bev!

One of our summer activities at Camp Grandma & Grandpa with our five grands was enjoying summer afternoons on Forge Pond where we have a small private neighborhood beach. Aidan, 14 and Dylan 9 are son David's ('90) boys and Jake 9, Lila 6, and Isabella 4 are son Bobby's children.

That wraps up my news for now. Enjoy autumn, wherever you are. -Mary.

Hello class of '65, goodbye hot, dry summer. Yes, the summer sure was a

hot one. It was fun watching the Red Sox do so well especially Big Papi. Now we will cheer for the Patriots and CHS football.

I enjoyed my stay at Seabrook once again. Susie (Lajoie) Frappier and her husband Larry spent some time with me. Pat (Craig '61) Dearborn is three houses down from me. I always enjoy chatting with her. She is still busy in the real estate business.

Nancy (Lajoie) Whiting, her sister Susie, and I have been friends since grammar school. The three of us went to Raymond NH to go to the Tuckaway Tavern. The restaurant will be featured on the TV show "Diners, Drive-ins and Dives." We had enough lobster that afternoon to take some home in "Doggie Bags." My son, Stephen ('91), checked out what I brought home and ate four huge claws from my leftovers and I still had enough for lunch the next day. It's a great restaurant and I'm looking forward to seeing it on "Triple D's" this fall.

It's been a year since our 50th reunion I hope we can do another one soon. I'll be dropping by the 110 Grill Friday night, October 7th to present "The Lion" to the Class of 1966. The Lion is a gift started by the Class of 1963 to be passed along each year to the next class as it celebrates it's 50th class reunion. I wish the Class of 1966 my best and hope they have a great weekend.

Happy Fall to all, Go Patriots!
-Nancy

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For more than 40 years, one of my dream vacations has been traveling by train through the Canadian Rockies.

That dream became reality a few weeks ago when my wife Vicki and I took a 13-day trip through western Canada and the Pacific Northwest.

After flying from Boston to Calgary, we began in beautiful Banff, where we were guests of classmate Pat (Tetreault) Stutz and her husband John for a few days. They have a fabulous three-story condo with a deck and a breathtaking view of the Rockies. Banff is part of a vast Canadian national park, and in many ways, it was the highlight of the trip with its spectacular scenery and quaint downtown reminiscent of Europe. While we were there, Pat and John became grandparents for the first time when their son Paul, who recently retired from skiing with the Canadian National Team, and his wife Ali welcomed a daughter, Stella Grace. It goes without saying both grandparents are thrilled with the newest addition to the family.

From Banff, we took a two-day rail trip on the Rocky Mountaineer to Vancouver, stopping overnight at a hotel in Kamloops so that we missed none of the scenery. Unfortunately, it rained much of the first day, leaving the peaks shrouded in clouds, but after that the weather was superb for the remainder of the trip. The train was wonderful; a lot of glass with unspoiled views of the landscape, and every car had its own galley and chef. We were fed constantly. It was like being on a cruise ship, only you don't get seasick!

We spent several days in Vancouver and toured the city and mountainous coast with a former Bulgarian foreign exchange student of ours who now lives in the city, and then we kicked back for the last few days in Oregon with close friends. The trip exceeded my expectations, and my expectations were high to begin with.

At deadline, the final preparations

were being made for our grand 50th Class Reunion at the Vesper Country Club to be held on the weekend of Oct. 7-9. Around 100 people were expected to attend, and the reunion committee deserves a round of applause from all our classmates for the detailed planning that began more than a year ago. -Chaz

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Several classmates met this summer to discuss plans for our 50th reunion, and they have reserved the venue for 2017. More information will be available in the next issue of the Lion's Pride. We are hoping for a great turnout for this milestone celebration of 50 years since we left Chelmsford High School.

Our class extends deepest sympathy to Charlie Wotjas for the loss of his brother Frank. In August, Frank suffered an accident while mountain biking at the age of 65. Thoughts are with you and your family, Charlie.
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Hello from Wendy R. Marshall-Hudzik!

I sure hope you enjoyed our beautiful summer! I can't remember when we had such great beach weather. Although not great for our gardens and lawns, the lack of rain really was good for those vacationing and those taking part in outdoor events and activities.

I haven't heard from any classmates for news. So I'm left with this: Sadly we lost 2 classmates (that I know of) so far this year. Robert Wolfgang passed in January and Beverly (White) Gregorio in August. I send my condolences to their families.

Also, there have been classmates who have lost their spouses within this past year and one of which I have neglected to mention (maybe because I didn't want to believe it) is Patti Britton's husband Barry Wentzell (CHS '75) who passed October 2015 after a short but courageous battle with cancer. He was a sweet man who worked so hard to provide a beautiful home and wonderful adventures for Patti and him. He is really missed by all who knew him.

Patti has done a wonderful job of carrying on his pride of work and home. I'm so proud of how she has handled being without her partner in crime. They made a great team. His love continues in her heart.

Please let me know of some news from you! Wendy72552@aol.com

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We are late in posting these pictures

from our 2015, 40th High School Reunion. We had a wonderful evening reconnecting with dear friends. We surprised Mr. Simonian with a \$1,700 check that will be used to start a Class of 1975 Scholarship. In the future, donations can be made via Paypal at the CHSAA website (chsalumni.org) with a notation of Class of 1975 Scholarship or checks can be written to the CHSAA Endowment Fund with "Class of 1975 Scholarship" in the memo line. Checks should be mailed to CHSAA, 200 Richardson Road, N. Chelmsford, MA 01824.

We had the opportunity to catch up with some old classmates this month. It was so much fun to hear where life has taken our friends from 1975.

Glen Leslie, who has lived in North Reading since 1988, said that he's witnessed many similarities between North Reading and Chelmsford over the years. He stated that most of the growing pains have passed and they now have a new \$120 million dollar high school and a \$40 million dollar Middle School along with a new football field.

Glen is married to Kathleen (Chanchola) who is originally from Dorchester. They were brought together by their love of music and the Red Sox. They have two children, Alexandra is 24 and a reporter for channels 22 and 24 in Burlington, VT. Their son Scot is 20 and attends Northern Essex CC where he hopes to pitch for their baseball team next year, pending a healthy arm.

Glen owns a small business called Remote Control. He installs whole house Control, I'll explain in layman's terms. This means he is running the A/V equipment with speakers throughout the home. This system runs on your LAN (local area network), which he builds, and



Class of 1975, L to R: Presentation of scholarship check to Mr. Simonian: L to R: Mr. S, Sheila (Sullivan) Dempsey, Bob Logan, Deb (Falcone) Szylvian, Mike Lynch, Nancy Goodick



Class of 1975, L to R: Class Advisor Bernie Battle, Deb (Falcone) Szylvian, Mr. Simonian



Class of 1975, Reunion group photo

connects to your alarm system. This allows the homeowner to turn things on prior to getting home just by using your cell phone from your car. He can help you to automate lights, HVAC, pool controls, irrigation, and the intercom at your front door. He can also set you up with camera recordings on an NVR or DVR. He's been in business since 1998 and has stayed up to date with the latest technology. If you'd like more information about the services that Glen's company offers, please call him at (978)-664-9770 or at Remoteles@hotmail.com.

We also spoke with Donna (Mondello) Olson. For years, she's been searching for her close childhood friends and classmates, Diane (Doherty) Moore and Christine Johnson. If anyone can help us locate them for Donna, please contact Bob or me with their contact information. -Sheila

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There was a large turnout for the class of 76's 40th anniversary reunion at Princeton Station on Saturday August 13! Over 160 classmates from across the nation reunited in celebration of surviving 40!

Moira (Prager) McDonald, Carole McCaul, Bernie (Cossette) Holland, Sandy (Spence) Goulet, Beth (McCann) D'Alessandro and Carol (Hartley) Myott and committee did a great job with registration and decorations. There was a memorial tree to remember fallen classmates as well as a program and bookmarks! If anyone would like either of these contact Moira!

Assorted family members also assisted, including Bernie's son Brian who did all the graphics, Amy McDonald was checking people in and Jim Mattison's son Jesse played piano to warm the crowd up.

The "Dick Clark" of CHS, Mr. Simonian, received a rousing welcome from the assembled multitudes. (The man never ages.) Mr. Conrad and Mr. Battle also

made the event and looked pretty good for old guys!

Old stories were "remembered," children and grandchildren boasted about, and many smiles were shared. -Mike

Tracey and Patricia Greenwood have moved from Sterling to Holden, MA.



Class of 1976, 40th Reunion at the Princeton Station, August 13, 2016. L to R: Sheryl Dumont, Steve Frye, Tracey Greenwood, Mike Murphy



Class of 1976, Eric Elderling-Cornetta, Moira (Prager) McDonald, Mr. Simonian, Moira's daughter Amy



Class of 1976, What they look like now!! 8th grade (1972) Notre Dame Academy graduates: L-R: Katie Cox, Moira Prager, Maryanne Richards, Sheryl Dumont, Martha Harrington



Class of 1976, L to R: John Woods, Mike Robinson, Dave Fielding, Carol (Hartley) Myott



Class of 1976, Reunion group photo

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The following information has been acquired via Facebook postings. Susan (Temple) Scali is married and lives in Nashua, NH.

Leo Toomey worked as a forklift mechanic/technician, is married and

lives in Belmont, NH.

Steve Carter is the Fire Chief in Lincoln, MA.

I'm collecting addresses for our CHS 40th reunion in 2017. Could you please send your address?

Still deciding the best date. Would you be interested in going to a reunion and if so, what month? They are usually in Nov. (Thanksgiving weekend), but maybe spring or summer would be better. What do you think? -Karen

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The 16th annual EWC was held in June. There were 27 classmates who attended and enjoyed a round of friendly golf. It is always a fun time, with many new faces joining us each year. This year, three new players, Paul Gagnon, who came in from Germany, Mike Boch, from NC, and John Geary, from Westford MA joined us. Over the past 16 years, there have been over 60 different classmates who have played. If anyone is interested in playing in next year's event, tentatively scheduled for June, please send me an email.

JLL Construction has added Stephen Baraldi to the New England construction team as a construction manager. Stephen is a veteran of the construction industry with more than 30 years of experience throughout New England and the D.C. area. Stephen and his wife Carol live in Chelmsford MA.

Scott Holmes rode in his 11th consecutive Pan Mass Challenge, this past August. Scott's Team, The PMC Groundhog Express, raised \$100K this year and \$700K over the past 11 years. The goal of his team is to raise \$1M. Scott wanted me to thank the Class of '78 for donating almost \$1000 to his team. If you would like to donate to Scott's team, he can be reached at seholfmes24@gmail.com.

Karen Landers-Demetroulakos and her family want to thank everyone for donating to the Paul Center, of Chelmsford. Karen and her family have been involved with the Paul Center for close to 40 years. They

run numerous fundraisers during the year, including a golf tournament, a comedy night, and a pizza night at Flat Breads.

Played in the second annual CHS Alumni golf tournament, at Butter Brook GC, in May. There was a pretty good turnout, but looking for more participants in 2017. For more information, contact Tom Curran.
-Mike



Class of 1978, L to R: Richard Girard, Jim Philippou



Class of 1978, John Geary, John Greenwood, Tim Schutt



Class of 1978, Brad Gilbreth, John Greenwood



Class of 1978, Michael Boch, Rick Finnegan, Dennis Ducharme



Class of 1978, Dave Berndt, Rick Finnegan, Ken D'Amato



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Class of 1978, Mike and Suzy Donigan, Allison and William Rhingos, Priscilla and Charlie Chigas



Class of 1978: Neil Moran, Mike Boch, Gary Mann, Kerry Sullivan, Mike Donigan, Suzy Donigan, Dave Berndt, Dennis Ducharme, Richard Girard, Ken D'Amato, John Geary, Brian Mann, Brad Gilbreth, Jim Femia



Class of 1978, Dennis Ducharme, Mike Donigan



Class of 1978, Scott Holmes w/Sesame Street Boyz



Class of 1978, Tom Curran, Gary Mann, Steve Ash, Stephen Baraldi, Mike Donigan, seated: George Simonian

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REUNION EVENT DETAILS:

Chelmsford Elks, Saturday,
November 26, 2016.

Hello Classmates, Yup, we are getting older and this year represents our 25th anniversary since graduating from the legendary Chelmsford High School!

We have reserved the Chelmsford Elks for Saturday evening, November 26th from 7pm to 12 midnight for us to prove we are still young and energetic!

Once again, we have secured Derek Robinson to DJ our event and he will have some crazy lights to help set the mood. Unfortunately, the Chelmsford Elks doesn't allow 'smoke machines', which is good since we wouldn't want injuries on the dance floor due to poor visibility! Dave Luro and I inspected the dance floor layout at the Chelmsford Elks and we hope to set a Guinness World Book of Records for the number of classmates grooving to the latest tunes! Don't worry, we will slow the pace down to play Eric Clapton's 'Wonderful Tonight' for all you sentimental types.

Please bring your appetite to the reunion, which will be catered by Bianco's Catering. No worries, we will NOT be serving turkey, stuffing, gravy, etc. It will be white glove service as you glide through the buffet line! They will have a wide variety of appetizers, entrees, vegetables, delicious starches, calorie-free desserts, sober-me-up coffee, etc.

Based on the cost of the venue, catering, and music, we will be offering tiered pricing (aka...an early pay discount) for those classmates who pay up early. The biggest advantage of paying early will allow you to reinvest the savings back into one of our two bartenders who will be serving up liquid magic all night!

Ticket Prices: \$45 per person: now through June 30th. \$50 per person: July 1st through September 30th. \$60 per person: October 1st up until the night of our Reunion on Nov 26th.

I am sure some of you are asking if we will take Apple Pay, PayPal, etc., however for now a check would be the easiest form of payment. You can make the check payable to: "CHS

Class of 1991" and mail it to me at: John MacPhee, 14 Pendleton Road, Chelmsford, MA 01824. You can reach out to me directly on my cell at 978-852-2450 or via email at john.macphee@hp.com

We recognize this time of year might be difficult for some of you, however this is the best time of year for our reunion and we hope you can all make the event!

Please post any questions you might have and encourage your classmates both on Facebook and in other ways to be in touch with those who simply don't believe in social media. We are excited to celebrate our 25th reunion to catch up on stories from the past and present! Cheers, John MacPhee, Dave Luro, Brian Taranto, and Mike Sawyer.

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Andrea (Cosgrove) Quirbach is now the Director of Program Operations at DCF in Boston.

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After several years working and performing in and around Los Angeles, Meghan Toohey has spent the past few months working on different projects in New York City. Most notably, she's currently the Guitar Chair at Waitress: The Musical on Broadway, working with Sara Bareilles who wrote the music

and lyrics. You can keep up with all her exciting news at her website. meghantoohey.net

Lauren Young has temporarily moved from MA to WI to join the campaign to elect Democrat Ryan Solen to Congress. He is an Iraq war veteran and cyber security analyst running in Wisconsin's 1st Congressional District against House Speaker Paul Ryan. She joined the campaign from MA as the Communications Advisor and then became the Communications Director when she came to Wisconsin. Recently, she was promoted to Chief of Staff and, until she replaces herself, she is continuing her Communications role. It's a lot of work, long hours, and very little sleep but she wouldn't have it any other way. Lauren says, "When we unseat Paul Ryan it will be only the third time it has been done in history!" She is so proud to be a meaningful part of the 2016 election!

Jason Mesiti reports: I'm finally back in Chelmsford, moved in August to North Chelmsford right by the schools, and my daughter just started 1st grade at Harrington :). It's sooooo good to be back in my hometown! -Katie

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Class of 2000, Chloe Alexandra Olsson, born on March 10, 2016, with big sister Mackenzie

Maryellen and Megan (Ellis) Olsson are pleased to announce the birth of their daughter, Chloe Alexandra, born on March 10, 2016 (one day before Megan's birthday!) at Lowell General Hospital. Chloe weighed 7 lb. 11 oz. and was 20.5 inches at birth. Chloe joins big sister Mackenzie Jude, 3. The Olsson family lives in Chelmsford.

Kate (Long) Averett received her PhD in Sociology from the University of Texas at Austin in May. This fall she began a new position as Assistant Professor of Sociology

at the University at Albany, State University of New York. Kate and her wife, Sanden, live in Albany with their dog, Henry Louise.

Janel (Pelletier) Rautenberg and her husband, Jim, welcomed their first child, Laela Ray, on May 1, 2016. She made her first appearance at 10:16 a.m., weighing in at 6 lb. 14 oz. and measuring 19.5 inches long. The Rautenberg family lives in Westford with their dog, Summer. They couldn't be happier!

Erica Desfosses is engaged to Katie Regal. They met through a mutual love of horses and volunteering with 4-H and the 4-H Fair for many years. Erica is the leader for the 4-H Regal Riders club, while Katie is the leader for the Flying Change 4-H Equestrians club. Their wedding will be on 7/7/17 at Dell-Lea Wedding & Events in Chichester NH. Erica was recently promoted to Professional Resource Director at The Siegfried Group in Boston, MA. Erica and Katie live in Manchester NH with their bunny, Caramel.

Stephanie (Hartenstein) Weagle was named to the Worcester Business Journal's Class of 2016 "40 Under Forty", which is the most-read WBJ recurring feature of the year. Stephanie resides in Auburn, MA with her husband, Matt, and their two daughters, Sydney (6 years old) and Camryn (5 years old).

Following is the write-up about Stephanie published in the magazine: As part of Corero's executive management team, Weagle leads global marketing for brand, strategic positioning and go-to-market activities. Under her direction, the firm established a new product category to help Corero emerge as a market leader in the hotly contested distributed denial of service security space – successfully challenging much larger incumbents.



Class of 2000, Erica Desfosses engaged to Katie Regal

Weagle's strategy has made Corero a leading Central Massachusetts technology startup and enabled the company to cut through the noise in the cluttered and competitive industry.

Responses to other interview questions: By the time I am 50, I would like to accomplish... successfully raising two intelligent, thoughtful, respectful and independent young ladies.

What is your advice to young business people? Bite off more than you can chew. There is no better learning experience than stepping outside of your comfort zone.

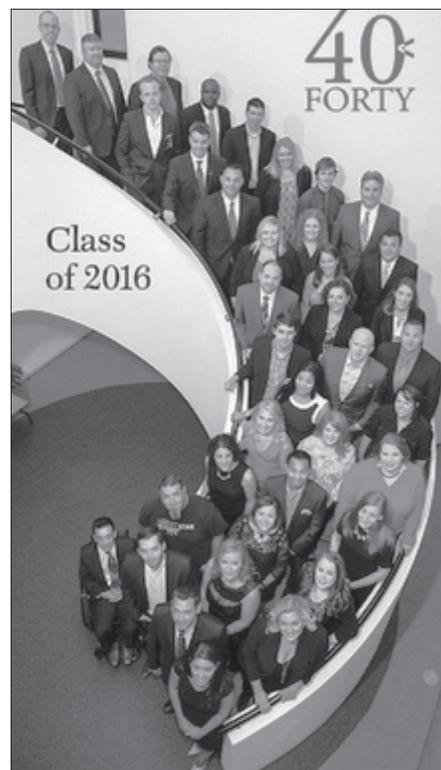
Why do you work in Central Massachusetts? Most high tech firms are inside the I-495 belt. The stars aligned at Corero, as living and working your community has great benefits.

What is the first impression you want to give people? Someone who has added value to his or her day.

Information about all the "40 Under Forty" winners can be found here: <http://www.wbjournal.com/article/20160829/PRINTEDITION/308269983>
-Amanda



Class of 2000, Laela Ray Rautenberg, born on May 1, 2016



Class of 2000, Stephanie (Hartenstein) Weagle, named to the Worcester Business Journal's Class of 2016 "40 Under Forty"

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Tom Donigan participated in the 2016 Bataan Memorial Death March. The Bataan Memorial Death March is an annual commemoration of the Bataan Death March and is attended by many of the survivors of the march, along with thousands of supporters from around the world. It is held at White Sands Missile Range, New Mexico. It's been run annually since 1990 and is a full marathon, with a 15 mi (24 km) route for those who do not wish to complete the full course. Covering paved road and sandy trails, it is regarded by Marathon Guide as one of the top 30 marathons in the U.S. Tom, a Captain in the USAF, is a currently station at Kirtland Air Force Base in Albuquerque, NM.

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Class of 2002: Tom Donigan, participant in the 2016 Bataan Memorial Death March

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WE THANK THEM FOR
MAKING THIS COMMITMENT
THROUGH THEIR GENEROUS
SUPPORT.**

George Grenier 1958
Lois (Giffin) Grenier 1959
Kenneth Ewell 1964
Donald Mayer 1965
Carole (Leblanc) Alexander 1966
Martha (Chianis) Gagnon 1970
Leslie Merrill 1974
Richard Romano 1982
Erin (Ready) Garrett 1992
Leah Cole 2011

**THE FOLLOWING
INDIVIDUALS RENEWED
THEIR CHSAA MEMBERSHIP.
WE SINCERELY APPRECIATE
THEIR COMMITMENT TO THE
ASSOCIATION.**

Beverly (Pickard) Mackey 1948
Barbara (Brooks) Lawrence 1958
Sandra Carignan 1961
Scott Stowell 1986
Kurt Heinrich 1990
Michael Carignan 1997

**WE WELCOME THE
FOLLOWING PEOPLE AS
NEW MEMBERS OF CHSAA.
THANK YOU FOR JOINING!**

Sandra (Nelson) Stanton 1961
John O'Shaughnessy 1975
Chris Richards 1983
Lisa Weaver-Morris 1984
Ed 1983 & Sue (Arndt) Fedele 1986
Tyler Kenney 2015
Landon Cass 2016
Gregory Hausler 2016

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REUNIONS

CLASS OF 1996

Friday, November 25, 2016

7-10 p.m. \$35/person

The Living Room

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CLASS OF 1991 - 25TH

Saturday, November 26, 2016

7-12 p.m. At Chelmsford Elks

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Shirley V. (Reid) Greenslade	1947
Shirley L. (Miller) Doulames	1947
Elizabeth (Hardy) Jones	1949
Constance A. (Greenwood) Pickard	1949
Ralph E. Adams	1951
Florence (Vickery) Hamilton	1953
Roy J. Zabierek	1953
Rheta M. (Williams) Chenard	1956
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R. Joan Dunlavy	1964
Daniel J. O'Leary	1965
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Beverlyanne 'Bev' (White) Gregorio	1970
Kathleen (Stavros) Bundy	1972
Marianne 'Mimi' L. (Soucy) Campbell	1972
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