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# President's Message

By Terry McSheehy



## Happy Fourth of July!

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

I want to take a moment to thank the many people who have helped me over the years. They are too numerous to mention by name but are truly appreciated, and I will long remember their generosity and friendship.

We had our 28th Hall of Fame inductions ceremonies on March 24th at the UMass Lowell Inn and Conference Center. We had nine outstanding candidates. It was a great night and everything went very well. I want to thank all of the recipients for following instructions and keeping their speeches to 5 minutes, which allowed us to end the program before 9:30. I want to thank the Hall of Fame committee.

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

I want to thank Steve Normandin, Bob Pariseau and Andrew Barry for their efforts with regard to the Web site. They have worked very hard to make this a user-friendly site and have created a very nice looking site. Please take a moment to check it out at [CHSalumni.org](http://CHSalumni.org).

We had our annual Scholarship Awards night on May 14th where we presented 154 awards to deserving seniors and alumni of CHS totaling over \$55,000.00. We have given out over \$800,000 to the students of CHS. This is a very enjoyable evening for all of us who are involved and we hope that in the future some of you will find the time to join us for this evening and see how wonderful it is to give back!

As I write this we are only a little over a week away from our third annual golf tournament at the Butterbrook Golf Club. It looks to be a very successful event and I would like to thank Tom Curran, Bud Mercuri and their committee for their hard work in organizing this great event.

It is always an honor to be the President of the CHSAA.

Again, have happy and safe Fourth of July holiday. ♦



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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.

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

As another year comes to an end, we have so much to celebrate. The Marble Collection is a non-profit organization that publishes the only statewide print and online magazine of the arts. It features jury-selected artwork and creative writing by Massachusetts students in grades 8-12. Anna Kehoe's original artwork was prominently displayed and mentioned for being a wonderful piece of art. You can see Anna's artwork as well as others on the website [themarblecollection.org](http://themarblecollection.org).

Our first Robotics Team had VERY successful competition at the World Championships. They were picked as part of an allegiance of 4 teams that won the division championship. In addition, a subset of our students worked on challenges sponsored by FEDEX and their team won a \$10,000 grant. They worked so hard and their efforts "paid" off.

Keeping in the same vein with technology, our premier Programming C teacher (Nancy Kiernan-Bell) is working on partnership with a former CHS graduate, Sean Harrington. Sean is the Director of Technology for the New England Patriots. He is coming to talk to our students about the wonders of computer science. Sean wants to get students and student athletes excited about the world of computer science. For the New England Patriots, Sean uses Software and Data Science to write programs and algorithms using measurable data (40yd dash, vertical jump, etc.) in order to evaluate talent. I would surmise that Sean is Bill Belichick's right-hand man. Sean and Nancy want to use his experience with the Patriots to make Computer Science approachable,



relatable, interesting and "cool" to our current students. I cannot think of a better person to do this. Having a young and successful CHS graduate mentoring current students is a great endeavor.

Our Theatre Guild keeps collecting awards and accolades. The 2017-2018 TAMY Awards nominated CHS for Best Overall Production for their musical, "Anything Goes." Sydney Baron was nominated for Best Actress. Phillip Ferdinand was nominated for Best Supporting Actor and Allison Dorsey was nominated for Best Featured Actress. It feels like our Theatre Guild is creating the next Meryl Streeps and Tom Hanks of the world. Next year's musical will be "Fiddler on the Roof." I cannot wait to see this production.

The Thursdays, CHS Acapella Group, were one of only 10 schools from across the country who were selected to perform at Carnegie Hall. Not many people can say that they did this...not even well-seasoned professionals. This would not be possible without the guidance and leadership of our choral teacher, Amanda Roeder.

CHS continues with strong performances athletically. Our wrestling team won their 2nd State Title in the last three years. They were led by two New England

standouts, Michael Veccione and Evan Goodall. This means that head coach, Bruce Rich, won his 10th state wrestling title in addition to the state titles he won in softball and football. Not many coaches can say they won a total of 13 state titles in three different sports.

Ryan Hart finished as the season's league point leader in skiing. This has not happened in a long time. Our Boys' swim team placed 2nd in the MVC with Aaron Zhu finishing 1st in the state in the 100-yard breaststroke while Ben Cote finished 2nd in the state in the 100-yard butterfly.

Prior to the season, people were talking about our boys' basketball program being a "rebuilding" year due to the number of seniors who left last year. Coach Micol coupled with the dogged determination of this team, never let "rebuilding" be part of their vocabulary. They were giant slayers. During the regular season, they pulled great upset wins over tough-ranked MVC opponents. They marched to the semifinals in the north sectional state tournament before losing to Everett. We are so proud of their performance.

As I write this letter, our boys' and girls' lacrosse teams are leading their divisions and doing so in a dominant fashion. We look forward to their upcoming games in the state tournament. I wish all of our spring sports programs the best of luck.

Finally, congratulations to the graduating class of 2018. They were wonderful kids. We will miss them. ♦

# MANOGNYA SRIPATHI

## SENIOR Profile ▸ By Laura Grasso *Class of 2018*

Like any senior in Chelmsford High School, Manongya Sripathi has spent the majority of her time in May looking ahead: studying for the AP exams; preparing for senior week activities like prom; and of course, getting ready to graduate. In CHS she has kept up excellent grades and participated in various extracurriculars, her favorites being Speech and Debate Club and Science Team.

“I do public forum debate, and I really love it,” Manongya confides as she describes what she does on the Chelmsford Speech and Debate Team, which she joined in her junior year. “It’s really a great experience.” With this team, she has competed in tournaments across Massachusetts. When she talks of debating people from China and Mexico while at a competition at Harvard, the excitement in her voice is palpable. One of her favorite memories of high school is of a debate tournament in the largest city in America, when she got the chance to go “roaming around New York City for an entire day” with her friends.

Science team, too, has offered many opportunities. Manongya has gone to states and invitationals with her team. “I do mostly test events, and I also help out in the engineering events,” she explains. She specializes in test events focused on chemistry and biology, and helps out wherever her team needs help in building mechanisms for the engineering events. “Right now Chelmsford is ranked as one of the top five teams in the state--and there are about seventy teams,” Manongya informs. “We put our full efforts into the state competitions.” All three events she competed in in her senior year resulted in Chelmsford being ranked within the top ten teams.

Although Manongya thrives as a debater and member of the science team in Chelmsford, she has many other interests as well, including badminton, tennis, swimming and singing. In college, she hopes to pursue singing in an a cappella fusion group that blends traditional Indian songs with western ones. It just so happens that the school she will be attending has such a group.

Manongya will be attending Georgia Tech in Atlanta this coming fall to pursue Biomedical Engineering. “There are a lot of companies like Philips that are focused on medical devices, and that’s the line I hope to go in,” Manongya divulges when asked where she wants to go with her degree. Her father is the biomedical engineer who introduced her to the field. She names him as the person who has impacted her most in her life. “I feel like most of what I learned, I



learned from him,” she recalls. “He’s the one who told me it was going to be okay when we moved, and he made sure that it has been okay.”

The Sripathi family moved from Bangalore, India in the autumn of 2012. Manongya finished her sixth-grade schooling and moved from her hometown to Chelmsford, where

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## STUDENT Profile *Continued*

she has been ever since. She has faced a few difficulties in America, including the culture of colleges here. "In India everyone stays at home and goes to college, so it's kind of a little weird to think that suddenly this is an option and I'm going to be thousands of miles away from home, and it's a little daunting--intimidating--to do that, but I'm excited." In classes such as English, too, she has had to learn to adjust and define her own limits. "I don't regret not taking AP English this year because that many essays, that many books, are just overwhelming for me, especially since English isn't my first language," she explains. She later admits she would have been capable of taking the advanced english class at the cost of overloading herself. "I wish there was an honors level," she laughs. But even though she didn't come into the Chelmsford school system until she was twelve, Manogna has never experienced the challenge of being a social outcast.

"I'm definitely very sad about [leaving CHS], especially since I'm going really far away for college," she muses. "Chelmsford is my second home. Chelmsford took me in--CHS took me in. The people here are great and I'm going to miss a lot of people. I was talking to some friends the other day and they couldn't wait to get out of here, but I'm not like that. I'm really going to miss this place."

In Chelmsford, Manogna has learned that if she works her hardest and has hope, she will do great things in her life. In Chelmsford, she has found out that doing the things she loves (whether that be singing or debating or playing badminton) can help her push through stressful times. In Chelmsford, she has discovered that her favorite flavor of ice cream from Kimball's Farm is Blueberry Pie. She has been recognized by teachers for her academic excellence, made friends that will last for her entire life, and managed to survive high school. She has uncovered her love of engineering, her not-so-love of writing, and her own uniqueness within the borders of a small town called Chelmsford.

And while she is looking ahead at the AP tests, senior week activities and graduation that demand attention from all the seniors of CHS in the month of May, and the departure from this small town that will follow shortly after, she still finds time to share a joke or two. When given the prompt of what she would ask to whomever she choose, she replies, "I feel like I'd have to ask Newton why he had to sit under the apple tree, because he just made physics a lot harder for all of us."



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# MICHELLE MAYBURY '82

## ALUMNI Profile

By Hannah Kunze Class of 2018



### More than Just a Town

Chelmsford is more than simply a town to Michelle (Hamel) Maybury '82. The energetic wife and mother of three has lived and thrived in Chelmsford nearly her entire life, first attending the Chelmsford schools and then returning to live in the town several years after she married her husband, Mark, whom she met on the stairs of Chelmsford High School. In fact, the Chelmsford community has had such a profound impact on Michelle that she and Mark ultimately chose to return to the town permanently to raise a family of their own, in the hopes that their kids would find as much success as they did. Upon moving back, Michelle sought to find ways to give back to the town that helped her accomplish so much. She currently sits on the board of the Chelmsford High School Alumni Association (CHSAA), serving as recording secretary and helping fundraise and plan for future CHSAA ambitions, and has been a major contributor to several Chelmsford High School events.

In high school, Michelle enjoyed studying foreign language and was a member of the French Honor Society. After school, she worked making pizza at Papa Gino's and at Hit or Miss, a women's clothing store in the Chelmsford Mall. The principal of the high school at the time was George Simonian, who would later nominate Michelle for her current position on the board of CHSAA as recording secretary. Michelle believes CHS is still the same now as it was years ago, when she was a student there.

"Chelmsford High School hasn't really changed that much," she ponders. "When I look through CHS now, it looks very much the same. Some of the lockers have changed," she adds with a laugh.

After graduating from CHS, Michelle attended Bay State College in Boston, where she received a degree in business. After working as a reservationist at Delta Airlines for two years, Michelle transferred to Merrill Lynch.

"I was studying to be a stockbroker at that time. I worked for the VP as an administrative assistant. I worked there through the last part of college and after college and I did that for many years," she explains.

Meanwhile, Mark, her fiance at the time, was across the ocean at Cambridge University completing his Master's in computer science. He had taken a break from his Air Force ROTC commitment in order to do so. "When he came back we had seven days to plan our wedding," Michelle recalls with a smile. Immediately after the wedding, they packed up their belongings and prepared to leave for the



weapons lab in Albuquerque, New Mexico, fulfilling Mark's ROTC service requirement. However, an unexpected turn of events that kept the newlyweds on the east coast was a turning point for Michelle.

"In the last couple of days they changed [our destination]," Michelle says. "We ended up going to Griffiss Air Force Base in Rome, New York. It snows from September until May," she says, cringing.

Griffiss opened Michelle's eyes to how truly lucky she was to have grown up in a community as tight knit as Chelmsford. Michelle describes Rome as "a very depressed community."

Michelle explains that many Rome citizens worked in the Revere Copper Plant prior to its closing. "When we moved there they shut down the Revere factory, so a lot of people who lived there and worked in that Revere plant lost their jobs," Michelle continues. "It was tough, coming from Chelmsford, a vibrant community with so many different things. Moving there, it was actually really like a culture shock."

After completing his service at Griffiss, Mark got a job at the Mitre Corporation in Bedford. Glad to be coming home to Massachusetts, Michelle and Mark searched for a place close to Bedford to call home for themselves and their newborn son, Zachary.

After consideration, the couple decided to come back to their roots in Chelmsford. In 1990, they purchased Mark's family's house and have resided there ever since.

"Chelmsford was an obvious choice for us," Michelle says,

explaining the reasoning behind the couple's choice to return to their hometown. "We knew we'd come back; we had such success ourselves that we figured it would be a great place to raise our kids."

The town had everything Michelle was looking for to help her raise her family: a strong school system, impressive sports and fine arts programs, and close proximity to both Bedford and Boston, should she decide to go back to work in the city. It was a perfect fit. Michelle was thrilled to be able to send her kids to the school that had helped her accomplish so much.

"CHS provides everything you need if you go for it," she says, explaining why she and Mark decided against private school. "The table is set. There's everything there; you just have to be the one to go and find it." As they send their third and final child off to college this fall, Michelle's statement appears to have rung true.

Since moving back, Michelle has sought to find ways to leave a positive mark on her town. Thus, when George Simonian called her on the phone and asked her to be recording secretary for the CHSAA, Michelle immediately agreed.

"Who can say no to George Simonian?" she chuckles fondly.

As recording secretary, Michelle's duties include taking notes on meetings, documenting how meetings flow, and making note of things that need to be revisited at the next gathering. Michelle also works alongside her daughter and has been able to watch her grow firsthand in her leadership abilities as Julia is one of two student liaisons serving on the board.

Though Mr. Simonian's request was a large factor in her decision to join the board, Michelle was also heavily influenced by the Chelmsford pride that so abundantly radiated from CHSAA events such as the Hall of Fame induction dinner, a favorite of Michelle. "They're such heartwarming events. Chelmsford is just so prideful," Michelle beams.

After becoming a board member, a term of three years is required. After three years is up, the member must be re-elected. Michelle is in the middle of her second year and would love to continue after her three years is up. Her time on the board has shown her how necessary her contribution to the CHSAA really is.

"I see the need now," she explains emphatically. "[The board] is a small group of people that need to do a lot of things. I really saw how few people are actually doing so much."

Every event takes hours upon hours of planning to successfully pull off. It quickly becomes hectic for the small group of people. The CHSAA is always looking for volunteers who can donate any amount of time.

"If they have a few hours where they want to help, we have many jobs," Michelle says. "They just need to call." As someone who stepped up to offer time, Michelle can confidently say that serving on the board has been a great experience.

Each event put on by the CHSAA has a special committee responsible for the success of that event. Currently, Michelle does not serve on any committees, but she is excited to tackle that next responsibility after her youngest child graduates this year and her schedule opens up.

"I definitely will be on the scholarship committee next year," she says excitedly. The Scholarship Awards Night is another personal favorite of Michelle's. In fact,

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the Maybury family established a Maybury Family Scholarship of their own this year for a deserving student going into a STEM field.

“Seeing generation after generation thrive is very meaningful,” Michelle remarks. Laughing, she recalls the events of this year’s Scholarship Awards Night.

“Towards the end of the night there were no more people to present, so Lou [DiStasi] and I were every other person going out. It’s such a prideful night,” she says with a grin.

One of the CHSAA’s long term goals is to have their own multi-use building next to the high school. The building would serve as a place to hold the decades worth of memorabilia that has built up over the years, and also as a location to hold functions, such as class reunions. Currently, a large portion of the memorabilia is stored at Mr. Simonian’s house, and in file cabinets at various locations scattered across town.

“It would just take one fire and so much memorabilia would be gone,” Michelle worries. However, though the building is essential for the future of the CHSAA, the endeavor is not going as smoothly as planned.

“We’ve been trying since 2008, and then the market hit a big boom and crashed. It’s taken about ten years to recover,” Michelle explains, describing the process as a “massive undertaking.” Though the CHSAA has sponsored golf tournaments, cornhole tournaments, and test drives in order to raise money for the privately-funded endeavor, they struggle to meet minimum fundraising goals. “We practically need a private fundraiser,” Michelle says seriously.

Despite their fundraising struggles, the CHSAA is an organization that has a lot to offer to alumni. Any CHS graduate can join at any point

after graduating.

“It’s a great way to keep in contact with all your friends,” says Michelle, explaining the various benefits of becoming a member. “It’s a great networking tool to figure out if you have things in common with other graduates.” Michelle herself is still in communication with many former classmates, including a foreign exchange student from Argentina. The networking opportunities the CHSAA provides are abundant.

In addition, three Lion’s Pride magazines per year are included so that graduates can keep up with CHS happenings.

“You become part of a larger community,” says Michelle, who is grateful for the opportunity to work alongside the other board members, whom she describes as “a well respected group of people.”

“It has already had a positive impact on me,” she adds.

Besides serving on the board of the CHSAA, Michelle helped develop the immensely popular after-prom breakfast. The breakfast, which takes place starting immediately after prom and goes until the early morning hours, was created by the Mayburys, who have been DJing the event for 37 years. The tradition began at the Chelmsford Elks. Equipped with only a DJ and some snacks, the Mayburys turned the event into a hit that grew in popularity as years went by. The tradition became so popular that Michelle and Mark went to great lengths to return every year no matter how far away they were.

“When we lived in Rome, we drove 6 hours back so we could DJ. Some years we had kids!” Michelle laughs. Now, their son Zachary has stepped up to fulfill the role of DJ. “We haven’t missed one year!” Michelle exclaims proudly.

Her husband also helped to establish the Authors’ Wall inside the CHS Learning Commons, where authors who attended CHS can send in their work to be put on display. Michelle hopes to someday help establish the same display for fine arts, where artists and musicians who graduated from CHS can send in copies of their work to be put on display by the art classrooms.

“It just takes people to step up and organize it,” says Michelle. She hopes that one day, this dream will come to fruition and be able to inspire current CHS students.

After years of being a part of the Chelmsford community, Michelle still would not want to live anywhere else. She plans on staying here long after her children have all left the nest. The unity and pride that Chelmsford proudly boasts is unlike anywhere Michelle has seen, with the exception of her time in the Air Force.

“The pride that Chelmsford has is very much the pride of being in an armed service family,” she says, accolading her community. “You really feel it.”

There is nowhere else Michelle would rather be than the town that exudes Lion’s pride at every turn. Chelmsford is truly a special community.

“It gives you great roots,” she says, summing up her time spent here, in the town that has offered her an abundance of opportunities throughout her life. She regards her volunteering at the CHSAA and in various aspects of Chelmsford High School as a way to thank the town for its endless support.

She sums up by expressing her gratitude. “My husband and I have been in this community forever,” she smiles. “It’s given us so much that we want to give that back too.” ♦

# FINE & PERFORMING ARTS

Report

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By Christina Whittlesey



Members of the Thursdays compete in the ICHSA

It's spring, the flowers are blooming, and our students and faculty members in the Fine and Performing Arts Department are continuing to create amazing art, music, and theater! I look forward to sharing all of our news with you.

Before I share art, music and theater happenings at CHS, I want to relay information about an exciting achievement in our PreK-12 department. For the **sixth consecutive year**, the NAMM

Foundation has recognized the Chelmsford Public Schools for its outstanding commitment to music education with a Best Communities for Music Education (BCME) designation! In its 19th year, Best Communities for Music Education (BCME) affirms school districts that have demonstrated exceptional efforts toward maintaining music education as part of the schools' core curriculum. **Chelmsford is one of 4% of districts across the nation receiving the prestigious award**

**in 2018.** The Chelmsford Public School Music Programs play a vital role in our community, and are attractive to families looking to move to a district that excels not only in math, reading, and science, but also in the Fine Arts. The announcement of this year's Best Communities for Music Education designation brings attention to the importance of keeping music education part of school's core education and music's fundamental role in student success in school.

# FINE & PERFORMING ARTS *Report*

We are extremely proud of once again being recognized by NAMM as a Best Community for Music Education, and this achievement is largely due to the great support that we receive from the Chelmsford Community – thank you!

When one looks at the many successes of the music department, it is easy to see the passion that the students and teachers put into their work.

This year, many of Chelmsford's band, chorus, and orchestra students have worked diligently with their ensemble and private lesson teachers to prepare for state-level music events, including the MMEA's Northeast District, Junior District, and All-State Festivals. The talent and drive of these students is consistently demonstrated through the sheer numbers of students who are accepted each year, and this year has produced another crop of successful auditions!

After auditions of approximately 1,000 students from more than 95 public and private schools held on January 27, students from grades seven through nine were selected to participate in the prestigious Massachusetts Music Educators



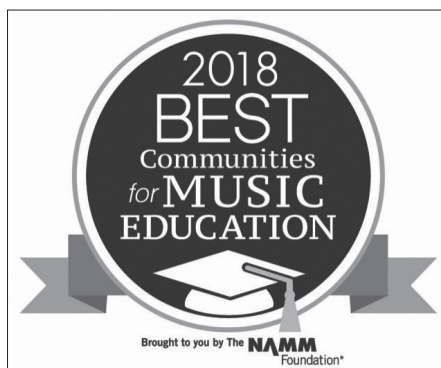
MMEA All State Performers with the CHS Deans

Association Northeastern Junior District Festival. The program is offered by the MMEA as an enrichment opportunity providing a musical experience to talented young people. The students were selected to perform in the Junior District Concert Band, Jazz Band, Orchestra, Girls Chorus, and Boys Chorus. They rehearsed with guest conductors and then performed in a concert on March 17.

This year, 26 students from Chelmsford High School, McCarthy Middle School and Parker Middle School in Chelmsford have been selected to participate in the MMEA Northeast Junior District Festival! **All** of Chelmsford's academic middle and high school performance ensembles are represented in these ensembles.

Students Representing the Chelmsford Public Schools in the MMEA Junior District Festivals were:

Amelia Hughes, CHS Band  
Philip Miu, CHS Band  
Alex Moore, CHS Band\*, #  
Zoe Adoniou, CHS Chorus  
Allison Dorsey, CHS Chorus  
Hannah Fuller, CHS Chorus  
Haley Ruccio, CHS Chorus



NAMM "Best Community for Music Education" 2018 Designation

Zoe Lu, CHS Orchestra  
Ethan Meltzer, CHS Orchestra\*\*, +  
Narissa AlDayaa, McCarthy Band  
Sarah Bulizak, McCarthy Band  
Jack Dorsey, McCarthy Band\*  
Dominick Flores, McCarthy Band  
Sol Kim, McCarthy Band\*  
Brian Miller, McCarthy Band  
Keira Comtois, McCarthy Chorus  
Molly Sneeringer, McCarthy Chorus  
Kaitlyn Kaminuma, McCarthy Orchestra\*\*, +

Katherine Mason, Parker Band  
Paul Storey, Parker Band  
Lyla El-Gamel, Parker Chorus  
Georgia Horan, Parker Chorus  
Nirai Kabilan, Parker Chorus  
Emily Magnant, Parker Chorus  
Hailey Mann, Parker Chorus  
Jacquelyn Brennan-Barbeau, Parker Orchestra

+ Denotes top score in the MMEA-Northeast District for instrument  
# Denotes top score in the state in Jazz Band  
\* Denotes Junior District Jazz Band  
\*\* Denotes First Chair Position

The middle and high school ensemble directors have worked diligently to facilitate their students' auditions and develop their musical skills and knowledge. These directors are:

Kate Comeau, CHS Orchestra  
Amanda Roeder, CHS Chorus  
Matthew Sexauer, CHS Band  
Allison Lacasse, McCarthy Band  
Jodi Richardson, McCarthy/Parker Chorus  
Susan Slocum, McCarthy Orchestra  
Sean Wright, McCarthy Band  
Eric Linsner, Parker Band  
Lisa Tiano, Parker Orchestra

On November 18, over 1100 music students from public and private schools across the Northeastern part of Massachusetts auditioned for the 2018 Northeast Senior District Music Ensembles. Out of this group, approximately 450 students from grades nine through twelve were selected to participate in this prestigious Massachusetts Music Educators Association (MMEA) event, 17 of which were from Chelmsford High School. These students performed at a concert in Wakefield, MA on Saturday, January 13.

Students participating in MMEA-ND Senior Districts were (students with All-State audition recommendations have an asterisk next to their names):

Moira Andrews, CHS Band\*  
 Chase Boles, CHS Chorus  
 Emily Bruce, CHS Band  
 Gina Castellano, CHS Chorus\*  
 Lora Coggins, CHS Chorus  
 Melanie Foo, CHS Orchestra\*  
 Kevin Hamilton, CHS Chorus\*  
 Lily Hoyt, CHS Orchestra\*  
 Erick Lee, CHS Band\*  
 Andrea Loew, CHS Chorus  
 Taylor McCormick, CHS Orchestra  
 Krystal Qiao, CHS Orchestra  
 Edward Rigney, CHS Band  
 Delaney Schiefen, CHS Chorus\*  
 Sam Segal, CHS Chorus\*  
 Josh Timmins, CHS Chorus\*  
 Elaine Tsui, CHS Orchestra\*

In addition to having these 17 students accepted into Senior Districts, students who received a score in the top 50% of their area were eligible to audition for the MMEA All-State Ensembles. This year, 10 band, chorus, and orchestra students received an All-State recommendation, and two students from the CHS Ensembles were selected to represent Chelmsford at the All-State Festival!

Those students selected for the All-State Ensembles stayed in Boston March 1-3 to work with

world-renowned conductors. After a few intense days of rehearsal, the ensembles performed at Symphony Hall in Boston on March 3, 2018.

The program is offered by the MMEA as an enrichment opportunity providing a musical experience to talented young people.

The following CHS students were selected to participate in MMEA All-State Ensembles:  
 Gina Castellano (CHS Chorus)  
 Delaney Schiefen (CHS Chorus)

The CHS music Directors work diligently to develop students' skills and to facilitate the audition for and participation in the All-State Festival.

Several Chelmsford Public School Performance Ensembles participated in the 2018 Massachusetts Instrumental and Choral Conductors' Association (MICCA) Concert Band and Orchestra Festival, held from March 22-25 at several different sites throughout the state. Over a hundred ensembles participated throughout the three-day event. The festival, sponsored by MICCA, seeks to encourage and support the development of high musical standards. The MICCA Marching Band, Choral, Concert, and Solo and Ensemble Festivals provide a forum for musical groups to be evaluated by qualified adjudicators. Participation in the festival also affords young musicians and their directors the opportunity to observe the varied performances of other groups from around the state.

At every festival, MICCA intends to present educational experiences for all who participate. The evaluation process identifies a standard of excellence with which each group can compare. Every group is evaluated in relation to the standard of excellence rather than

in relation to other groups, and each performance is scored on a medal system based on a rigorous rubric.

The Chelmsford Performance Ensembles that participated in the 2018 MICCA Festival received the following awards:

Grade 6-12 All Town Wind Ensemble  
 GOLD  
 McCarthy Middle School Festival Band  
 GOLD  
 CHS Symphonic Band  
 SILVER  
 CHS Orchestra  
 SILVER  
 CHS Grade 9 Chamber Orchestra  
 SILVER  
 Parker Middle School Orchestra  
 BRONZE  
 McCarthy Middle School Orchestra  
 BRONZE  
 Parker Middle School Festival Band  
 MEDAL OF MERIT

All of the Chelmsford Performance Ensembles did an outstanding job, and the students and directors are to be commended for their preparation and participation.

CPS is extremely proud of the two ensembles that won gold medals at this year's MICCA festival. A gold medal rating is stated as "superior" on the festival scoring rubric. This festival allows ensembles from all across the state to play a competition program for a panel of three adjudicators, many of which come from across the nation. The ensembles are not rated against each other, but all are scored based on the criteria listed in the rubric. The adjudicators take into consideration age ranges in each group and the level of difficulty of each musical piece performed. The highest a group can earn is a 45 on the rubric. The McCarthy Festival Band's overall score was a 43. This was the second gold medal awarded to this

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group (the other gold rating was earned in 2017).

The group meets after school for approximately one hour each week. The students work with Directors Allison Lacasse and Sean Wright, both co-directors of the McCarthy Band Program and the Chelmsford Public Schools All Town Wind Ensemble.

The CPS All Town Wind Ensemble also earned a gold medal rating at the festival on Sunday, March 25, 2018. This is the group's first ever gold medal. The adjudicators were impressed with the quality of the performance considering there are 6th through 12th graders performing advanced literature. Each festival performance culminates with a 30-minute clinic with one of the judges, which gives the students a chance to hear first-hand feedback from one of the professionals who scored their concert.

Both bands earned the opportunity to perform their program in the MICCA Gold Medal Showcase Concert at Mechanics Hall on Sunday, April 8. The All Town Wind Ensemble also performed this year in a concert on the main stage at Carnegie Hall in New York City as part of the National Band and Orchestra Festival.

It should be noted that the directors of the All Town Wind Ensemble and the McCarthy Middle School Band received the 2018 Massachusetts Music Educators Association Music Advocacy Award at the annual All-State Conference in Boston on Friday, March 2, 2018. The directors were selected among applicants across the state to receive this award.

The Music Advocate Award is

presented annually to outstanding individuals, organizations, or community leaders who have demonstrated advocacy for music education in the schools of Massachusetts. The award may be given to any individual, organization, or community leader who qualify under the following criteria: 1) Is active as an advocate for music education in the school or community. 2) Shows strong leadership in the community and good rapport with teachers, parents, students, and Administrators. 3) Candidate's efforts have led to a financial commitment for music education by the school system and community. 4) Candidate's efforts have led to improvements in curriculum, budget, or enrollment in the music program.

This is the fifth year that Lacasse and Wright have been co-directing the McCarthy Band Program in Chelmsford together. As a team, they direct the 5th through 8th grade band ensembles, the McCarthy Festival Band (competitive ensemble), and the Grade 6-12 CPS All Town Wind Ensemble. Outside of the school setting, the directors actively fundraise and promote the program within the community to provide their students musical exposure to professional musicians, new equipment, and instruments. Their efforts also lead to meaningful field trips to performance venues where the students can engage with professionals in the industry. The overall culture of the band program at McCarthy is one of excitement, inclusivity, and robust musical experiences for students and families.

In other music news, the CHS a cappella group The Thursdays, directed by CHS Choral Director Amanda Roeder, have been selected

as one of the ensembles representing North America at the International Championship of High School A Cappella (ICHSA) Festival for the second consecutive year, and performed at Lincoln Center in NYC in April!

This year, there were 3,117 performers in 204 groups from high schools across 28 states competing in the ICHSA tournament. The tournament structure includes 8 regions: Great Lakes, Mid-Atlantic, Midwest, Northeast, Northwest, South, Southwest, and West. All regions except for the Northwest and West held quarterfinal rounds, where the top two or three groups from each quarterfinal will move on to the regional semifinal. The top group from each semifinal will advance to the ICHSA Finals at Lincoln Center in New York City. As the top scoring group at the semifinal, Chelmsford High School's The Thursdays ensemble will represent the ICHSA Northeast for the second consecutive year.

The Thursdays are also currently featured on *Sing That Thing!*, WGBH's televised competition for New England singing groups. Throughout the season, seven new episodes will showcase performances from 18 ensembles, representing genres from barbershop and pop to jazz and classical in three age-based divisions. Expert coaches will guide the groups, offering constructive suggestions throughout the season and will ultimately decide which groups will be named the winners in each division.

"Singing brings people of all walks of life together – it's a tradition that's thriving right here in Boston, across New England and around the

world. *Sing That Thing!* celebrates the power and emotion of vocal music, as well as the unique sounds from diverse communities in New England's evolving a cappella scene," said Liz Cheng, WGBH's general manager for television and co-executive producer of *Sing That Thing!* "I hope viewers will tune in to WGBH 2 each week and be inspired by the talent, creativity and uplifting performances of these 18 unique groups."

Each of the competing groups belongs to either the high school, collegiate or adult singing group division. The coaches will select two groups from each division to perform on the finale, when one group from each category will be selected as the winner in their division.

The *Sing That Thing!* coaches are Anthony Trecek-King, president and artistic director of the Boston Children's Chorus; Annette Philip, a vocalist, composer/arranger and faculty member at Berklee College of Music and winner of the 2017 International Championship of A Cappella with her quartet, Women of the World; and Jared Bowen, WGBH News executive arts editor and host of WGBH's *Open Studio with Jared Bowen*, Boston television's only local arts series. Together, the coaches provide constructive feedback to each group and determine which will advance to the next round.

The series is produced by public media producer WGBH, in partnership with Emerson College and with WGBY (Springfield, MA,) Maine Public, New Hampshire Public PBS and CPTV - Connecticut Public Television. *Sing That Thing!* will be seen in every state in New England thanks to these partner stations.

CHS student and member of The Thursdays, Emily Bruce, was honored in the 2018 Massachusetts

Music Educators Association (MMEA) Young Composers Forum at the All-State Conference.

Emily submitted an original a cappella composition that was performed by The Thursdays, "Easy As I Go," to the MMEA for consideration in order to be accepted in this year's Young Composer's Forum. This process was facilitated by her choral director, Amanda Roeder. The Young Composers Forum is an academic enrichment program for high school music students in Massachusetts. MMEA recognizes and encourages students who are aspiring composers by hosting a special conference session at All State.

During the session, Emily met with other student composers, as well as an expert "in-the-field" educator/composer who provides inspiration and constructive feedback. This year's professional composer was Boston University faculty member Dr. John Wallace.

Bravo to the CPS Music Faculty for their dedication and successes this year!

In Spring theater news, the CHS Theater Department thrilled crowds with their original competition play, *A Head of the Class*. In March, the Chelmsford High School Theater Guild hosted the preliminary round of the Massachusetts Educational Theater Guild (METG) Drama Festival for the sixth consecutive year under the direction of Lauren Cochran and Craig Roberston. This is the 87<sup>th</sup> year that the METG produced its annual Drama Festival. Out of more than 110 schools that participated in this year's Massachusetts Educational Theater Guild (METG) Drama Festival, Chelmsford High School was one of 14 finalists that advanced to the State Finals after preliminary and semi-final rounds with their original farce, *A Head of the Class*. This festival was held at the Back Bay

Events Center in Boston on March 22, March 23, and March 24, 2018.

In addition to being one of the 14 state finalists, members of the CHS Theater Guild were also the recipients of many awards at each level of the competition.

2018 CHS METG Award Winners include:

#### *Preliminary Round*

Shailagh McCormack and Kate Eastwood: Set design  
Amy Carey: Master Carpentry  
Kate Heineman, Cassidy Boucher, and committee: Costumes  
Philip Ferdinand: Acting  
Will Marcotte: Acting  
Kevin Hamilton: Acting

#### *Semi-Final Round*

Shailah McCormick and Kate Eastwood: Set Design  
Gabby Cruz: Acting  
Philip Ferdinand: Acting  
Will Marcotte: Acting  
Kevin Hamilton: Acting  
Mike Marchessault: Acting

#### *Final Round*

Sophie Bellone: Acting  
Philip Ferdinand: Acting  
Kevin Hamilton: Acting

The Theater department is also celebrating recent success related to their production of this year's musical, *Anything Goes*, nominated for 15 Theatre at the Mount's 2017-2018 TAMY AWARDS in the High School Musical Theatre Competition! This list of nominees truly represents the "best of the best" of HS theatre in MA, and this year features a revised category list of awards.

The list of Chelmsford nominations is as follows:

Best Overall Production (Large School Division)  
Best Actress: Sydney Baron (Reno Sweeney)

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Best Supporting Actor: Phillip Ferdinand (Sir Evelyn Oakley)  
Best Featured Actress: Allison Dorsey (Hope Harcourt)  
Best Chorus/Ensemble (Large School Division)  
Best Dance Ensemble (Large School Division)  
Best Featured Ensemble: The Angels  
Best Student Orchestra  
Best Production Number (Large School Division): Anything Goes  
Best Stage Crew (Large School Division)  
Technical Excellence (Large School Division)  
Best Costumes, Hair and Make-Up (Large School Division)  
Visual Excellence (Large School Division)  
Best House Experience (Large School Division)  
Not-Your-Average Chorus Member: Madison Good

Congratulations to these students and directors Lauren Cochran, Amanda Roeder, Matthew Sexauer, and Craig Robertson for their excellent work!

For the second time in its history, the Chelmsford Theater Guild also produced a mini-musical in 2018. This year we were proud to present *The 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee* by Rachel Sheinkin, produced in arrangement with Music Theater International. This musical comedy, performed in the new CHS Black Box Theater, delighted audiences with its all-star cast: Gabby Cruz (2018), Philip Ferdinand (2019), Emma DeWitt (2020), Olivia Buckley (2020), Will Marcotte (2019), Sophie Bellone (2019), Mike Marchessault (2019), Mia Kelly (2018), Chase Boles (2020), Zoe Adoniou (2021), Allison Dorsey (2021), Emma LaCava (2020), Katie Flynn (2019), Andrew Sneeringer (2019), Pierce Magnant (2021), and CHS alumnus

Tim Chase. Direction was by Ms. Donna DeWitt, assisted by Mr. Tim Chase, musical direction was by students Nathan Morrissey, (2020) James Thomas (2018), and Ms. Donna DeWitt, and stage management was by Skyla Garrigan (2021).

The CHS Theater Guild is grateful for the continued support of the community and CPS district administration. They are also grateful to the members of Chelmsford Theater Arts Parents, who help in so many ways to further theater education in our district. More information about the theater department's productions can be found at the Theater Guild's new Website, [www.chelmsfordtheatre.com](http://www.chelmsfordtheatre.com).

Our art teachers and students have been busy this spring as well! In honor of "Youth Art Month," the Chelmsford Public Library hosted the annual K-12 CPS Student Art Reception, featuring excellent pieces from all levels of our art program. All K-12 art teachers contributed to the preparation and planning of this event, and the reception in March was an exciting event, with many K-12 families coming out to celebrate visual art. CHS Student artwork was also featured at many local and state exhibits and competitions, including the Westford Regional Art Event, an annual juried art show for adults, young adults and children, and the Massachusetts Art Education Association (MAEA) Exhibit at the State Transportation Building in Boston. The MAEA exhibit runs in conjunction with Youth Art Month, a national celebration that emphasizes the value of art education for all children and

encourages support for quality art programs in Massachusetts' schools.

Art students from the Chelmsford High School, Parker and McCarthy Middle Schools in Chelmsford again earned awards at the Boston Globe-Scholastic Art Awards this year! Since 1923, The Scholastic Art Awards have offered millions of students in grades 7-12 enrolled in public and private schools and programs the opportunity to display their art works for regional and national recognition. The objective of the program is to foster the confidence of young artists and to invite students to broaden their horizons while winning national recognition. The Scholastic Art and Writing Awards are the largest and longest running programs of their kind in the country.

The Boston Globe Scholastic Art Awards Program is administered by the School of the Museum of Fine Arts in Boston, and works are judged by respected members of the art education community.

*There are several levels of awards:*  
American Vision Nominee  
Senior Portfolio Gold Key  
Scholarship  
Gold Key  
Silver Key  
Honorable Mention

The Gold Key winning works were on exhibit at Boston's City Hall in March. In addition, work by students who received a Gold Key will be shipped to the national competition.

The following CPS students received awards for their work in the Boston Globe Scholastic Art Competition:



## GOLD KEY

Josie Lee, McCarthy Middle School:  
Drawing and Illustration, "Nighttime  
Ritual"\*

Jennie Huynh, McCarthy Middle  
School: Drawing and Illustration,  
"Hair on Point"

## HONORABLE MENTION

Lea Bosch, McCarthy Middle  
School: Printmaking, "Tranquil  
Beauty"

Jennie Huynh, McCarthy Middle  
School: Drawing and Illustration,  
"Chinese Lunar Moth"

Anna Kehoe, Chelmsford High  
School: Painting "C'est Moi"

Mark Reitman, Chelmsford High  
School: Design, "Joji Concert Poster"

Gracie Wood, Chelmsford High  
School: Photography, "Pumpkin  
Candle"

The teachers who have submitted  
work to the Globe Art Awards  
have worked diligently and spent  
a significant amount of their own  
time working with students to  
develop their work, choose pieces  
for submission, and to edit and enter  
digital photos of student work. These  
teachers are:



Anna Kehoe's piece, "L.ZIZZI.M"  
selected for publication in The  
Massachusetts High School Magazine of  
the Arts

Madalena Alves, CHS  
Ashley Cormack, CHS  
Teresa Karangioze, CHS  
Sarah Kiley, McCarthy

\*Josie Lee's piece was also honored as  
a National Silver Medal Winner! She  
will be presented with an award in  
New York City this spring.

Last but not least, work by  
Chelmsford High School students  
Fanny Riand and Anna Kehoe will  
be Published in *The Massachusetts  
High School Magazine of the Arts  
Spring 2018 Edition*.

Fanny Riand's Drawing, "Moon  
Flower," and Anna Kehoe's piece,  
"L.ZIZZI.M" were selected for  
publication in *The Massachusetts  
High School Magazine of the Arts*,  
the only statewide print and online  
publication featuring jury-selected  
artwork, photography, poetry and  
creative writing by students in grades  
8 to 12.

These pieces were selected from over  
700 works submitted by teens from  
schools and community organizations  
across the Commonwealth. All  
published works are juror-selected to  
ensure artistic excellence. Through



Fanny Riand's Drawing, "Moon  
Flower," selected for publication in The  
Massachusetts High School Magazine of  
the Arts

this selective process, The Marble  
Collection, nonprofit publisher of *The  
Massachusetts High School Magazine of  
the Arts*, strives to assemble the most  
diverse and acclaimed collection of  
work.

After being selected for publication,  
Fanny and Anna participated in The  
Marble Collection's free Mentoring  
for Publication Workshop, in which  
they were paired one-to-one with  
college student mentors to develop  
their 21st century skills through four  
steps: create, respond, connect, and  
present. In the 6-week workshop,  
teens explored the creative process,  
edited their work for publication and  
exhibition, and learned to present their  
artistic visions to audiences.

High-quality framed prints and  
canvases of "Moon Flower" and  
"L.ZIZZI.M" can be purchased on  
The Marble Collection's e-Gallery at  
[www.themarblecollection.org/egallery](http://www.themarblecollection.org/egallery).

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

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

More information about Chelmsford's  
Art, Music, and Theater Programs  
can be found on the Fine Arts  
Curriculum Page on their website:  
<http://www.chelmsford.k12.ma.us>. The  
Department TV show, "Spotlight on  
Fine Arts," airs daily on TeleMedia  
education channels and online at [www.  
telemedia.org](http://www.telemedia.org).

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

Best Regards, Christina Whittlesey ♦

# HALL OF FAME *Review*

By Kris Pisarik  
Class of '77

They've been holding this Hall of Fame induction for deserving Chelmsford High School alumni and educators for 28 years, but each new one seems to bring an evening of eye-popping accomplishments, poignant remembrances, as well as a few surprises.

As always, CHS Alumni Association Executive Director George Simonian opened the evening March 24 at the UMass Lowell Inn & Conference Center with a geographic table setter, noting this year's inductees came from all walks of life and from as far away as Glendale, California, to as close by as Chelmsford.

"I'm reminded of what a wonderful job CHS does in preparing its students to reach their full potential," CHSAA President Terry McSheehy marveled, in his greeting to the packed grand ballroom.

McSheehy pointed alums and others gathered to the association's website, [chsalumni.org](http://chsalumni.org), where a wealth of history, pictures, videos of past induction ceremonies and upcoming events, scholarship opportunities and other CHSAA business is updated regularly.

CHS Principal Steve Murray thanked the association for its SHARE mentoring program and rattled off many of the school's recent accomplishments, including a state wrestling title, the school's

13th, 10 of which he noted were under longtime coach Bruce Rich. He also noted CHS' academic strength, noting the school is a Level 1 school and in the top 25 percent of all high schools in the state, and boasts 11 National Merit commended students.

And now for this year's inductees:



## Joshua Blagg

Josh Blagg, a Class of 1991 inductee, was an award-winning swimmer at CHS, a 4-time Lowell Sun All Star and a record-holding swimmer at the University of Richmond. Returning to Chelmsford, Blagg earned his masters in education from UMass Lowell and taught elementary and middle school before moving up to CHS, where he's now a dean. Like his mentor, and nominator, former CHS Principal Al Thomas, Blagg has also been a highly successful CHS swim and dive coach.

In his speech, Blagg likened himself to George Bailey in "It's a Wonderful Life." While many friends left

town to achieve greatness, he stayed behind, and he's very clear on why.

"It was here, specifically at Chelmsford High School, where I found a community filled with people who invest in one another and embrace and support those in need. When I was a sophomore at CHS my mother Paula lost her nearly four-year struggle with brain cancer," Blagg related. "My mother was a force of nature that had the innate ability to infuse those around her with belief in them while appealing to their better nature.

"As you can imagine her loss was devastating to my family. Looking back on the experience I am humbled by the care, dedication, and empathy extended to me and my family by the Chelmsford community. My swim coach Al Thomas, my history teacher Bernie Battle, my English teacher Lorna Hallal, and Dean Ed Quinn were bedrocks of support for me as I struggled to keep my head above water that year and those that followed. Their support, along with my friends and family, inspired me to become a teacher and later a Dean at Chelmsford High School."

"Whether it was teaching or coaching swimmers the common element was my passion for working with the kids. I love igniting the spark within a student, fostering their belief in themselves, and urging them to chase their dreams," he said.

Blagg noted that today's students face greater challenges

than any previous generation, and yet they amaze.

“They are more tolerant of differences and accepting of change than any previous generation,” he said. “Our students are our best ambassadors and provide real hope for the future. I am so proud of this honor and promise to continue to fully invest myself in supporting and empowering our students. CHS is truly a great school and I am proud to be a small part of it.”

### **Carolyn Clancy**



Carolyn Clancy, a Class of 1978 grad, was a National Honor Society student and an All-State field hockey team player at CHS. She continued her excellence in the classroom and on the field at Assumption College, graduating with a degree in math and business. She earned an MBA in business management from Babson College 1989.

She’s held many top positions for a host of companies, most recently being named executive vice president/head of funds network for Fidelity Investments. She has also been recognized by many organizations, including her alma mater, for her philanthropic efforts.

Clancy said that as she thought about the honor of being inducted, three things came to mind.

“First, it’s the importance of having great leaders. We had such high quality teachers and administrators ... I’ve thought so much about this over the years. If you want to get things done well, and excel... and have the people around you excel, it’s just critical to hire amazing talent.....whether for a sports team, a faculty, or, for me, a business team,” Clancy said. “Chelmsford High certainly has done this...

Over the years, 8 Clancy kids, 1 sister-in-law, and 9 of my nieces and nephews have benefited from a Chelmsford education!” she continued. “We all are beneficiaries of these talented leaders.”

The second lesson, she said, is that you can be competitive but also be nice and compassionate at the same time, a lesson well-instilled in her Chelmsford education.

Third, the power of collaboration, Clancy stressed, was integral in her success and attaining a scholarship for college, as it was actually football coach Tom Caito and other male figures at the school who helped her navigate the scholarship process after Title 9 was passed.

“I’ll close with thanking my parents... so many of you know my parents – they have always been SO active in our lives and in the lives of this community,” she said. “..... I could talk all night about what they’ve taught us all, the impact they’ve had on our lives, but mostly just how remarkably they have lived their lives. My Dad passed away about a year and a half ago, but my Mom is here tonight. Mom—this is for you and Dad!”

### **Valerie Diggs**

Valerie Diggs was honored for her longtime commitment to the Chelmsford schools as an innovative librarian, putting CHS

on the map with the Learning Commons concept, creating in 2008 a space where students could both learn and socialize. The effort earned her the Champions for Children award upon its opening. She retired from Chelmsford as libraries coordinator and now works at Lowell Catholic High.



Diggs, though educated in the Somerville and Medford schools as a child, ultimately settled in Chelmsford to raise her family, with all four of her children graduating from CHS. She credits her husband, Glenn, for pointing her to Simmons College Graduate School of Library and Information Science in 1993, telling her, “You belong in this program.”

Diggs’ career in Chelmsford’s school libraries began in 1995 at the elementary level and ended with her overseeing CHS and the entire system’s libraries.

“While at the high school in 2002, I saw a need to revitalize the program by adding new and different events to let students and staff know that the high school library was so much more than just books and computers,” she said in her acceptance speech.

“The library began to host open mic sessions during all three lunches, with students eating lunch in the library while listening to

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their peers, and sometimes even teachers, perform...” she continued. “The idea was to bring as many students into the library as possible and in any way possible.”

She called the renovation of CHS’ 12,500-square-foot space in 2008 “a dream come true for me. We had transformed both the program and now the physical space to welcome and lead students into the 21st century.”

It is the first-of-its-kind high school library space in the country.

“Our rules were simple: respect others and act responsibly. The motto: “Ask; Think; Create” is not only visible to students above the circulation area, but it became our guideline for everything we did,” she said.



## John Krause

John “J.R.” Krause, Class of 1986, was a gifted artist in high school, winning multiple competitions and scholarships, including the prestigious Rebello Art Scholarship his senior year. Along with classmate Janet Olney, he proposed and created a mural of the Boston skyline that

graces a wall in CHS Café 1.

When Krause wasn’t utilizing his artistic talents in high school, he was playing football, volleyball and skiing. But he followed his passion to Rhode Island School of Design, earning a BFA in 1990. Professionally, he and his wife, Maria Chua, have created two children’s books to date, “Poco Loco,” and “Happy Birthday Poco Loco.” Since 1991, he has worked in the design/animation department for the hit Fox series “The Simpsons” along with fellow CHS alum and Hall-of-Famer Lance Wilder.

“The reason I am here tonight is because of two incredible teachers at Chelmsford High School, my art teachers; Mrs. Paula Brown and Mr. Eric Hoover,” Krause said, thanking his mentors. “I have met a lot of my artistic goals, but without Eric Hoover and Paula Brown I am sure my story would be very different than it is. In the 1980’s Chelmsford High School had an outstanding art department. Paula Brown and Eric Hoover were the soul and backbone of this department.”

Krause said he entered CHS as a mediocre student, but after being complimented by these teachers for his artwork, found an instant connection and a direction.

“Both of these amazing teachers helped me become not only a better artist, but a better student, and a better person,” he said. “They did all of this with seemingly boundless enthusiasm, knowledge, warmth and compassion,” he said, adding they were real “game changers.”

Although he has lived in Los Angeles for nearly 30 years, Krause said he finds much of his

inspiration from his childhood and Chelmsford. He suggested YouTube or Google for the Chelmsford icons in “The Simpsons.”

Even his new book, “Dragon Night,” being released by Penguin Random House in February 2019, has an assortment of Chelmsford references.

“If you look closely you’ll recognize some buildings; the old Town Hall — now The Chelmsford Center For The Arts and The Unitarian Church. The Adams Library and the Boston skyline also make appearances on other pages. I took some artistic license... but you can see the inspiration is clearly from here. It’s my homage to Chelmsford which will always be a part of me.”



## Charles Micol

Charlie Micol was a three-sport athlete and honor roll student at CHS, as well as a member of the Math Team and senior class vice president. In basketball, the Lowell Sun All Star led his team in scoring his senior year and made the team at Boston College as a walk-on. After college, Micol started his own mortgage company and since 2009 has owned Brickhouse Center Sports Grill.

In addition to giving back through fundraisers and sponsorships across town, Micol is also the longtime CHS basketball coach. One of his former players commented, "One of Charlie's best assets is developing young adults into leaders and unlocking potential they never knew existed."

Among the many people Micol thanked in his acceptance speech was Ed Scollan, a CHS alum and former Westford basketball coach who nominated Micol for induction. It's "pretty special having an opposing coach that I looked up to and admired be a part of this," Micol said.

"Chelmsford High School was a special place for me," Micol said. "Thanks to the all of the Deans, especially Dean Conrad, Whittier House. Had so many great teachers – And to be up on the stage with my favorite teacher from the high school – Mr Pasquale. The best... one of the reasons I went on to major in Mathematics and go to BC."

Micol chuckled at the pre-Hall of Fame press he said he received.

"Played basketball here at CHS & became a basketball star at Boston College."

"The 'basketball star' might be a bit of a stretch," he admitted.

"To my former players and coaches – Thank you. You all have helped me become a better person. ... Chelmsford was a great place for me to grow up. I am a lucky guy – grateful and thankful for all of you that have been in my life."

### **Andrew Pasquale**

Andy Pasquale's teaching career at CHS spanned 41 years and he is widely considered one of the best, if not the best, to have ever taught math or anything else for that

matter. One former student called him "the god of all teachers." "He is simply brilliant, fun," said another.

He was the unprecedented three-time recipient of the Senior Class Yearbook dedication and was selected as the graduation speaker for the Class of 1993. He co-authored a textbook for AP Calculus that was used for more than two decades at CHS. He was also recognized as a "distinguished teacher" by the White House Commission on Presidential Scholars."



Perhaps it was the effusive praise leading up to his induction, or just his humility, but Pasquale gave arguably the most concise acceptance speech in the history of the CHSAA Hall of Fame.

"Mathematics was always easy for me. Math was just a language that I was fluent in. Being a math teacher, that was a bit more of a challenge," he said. "I had to learn how to communicate ideas which to me were simple and obvious and transparent and communicate them to students for whom they were, how we say, '50 shades of opaque.' But I think I figured it out.

"I had a chance to brush up against thousands of wonderful students in my career and I hope I left them no worse and a little bit better. So thank you."



### **John Perciballi**

John Perciballi, Class of 1975, was a Gold Medal Scholar at CHS and a member on the CHS chess team and later captained both the U.S. Navy and NATO chess teams. He graduated Summa Cum Laude from the University of Vermont, then entered the Navy and was accepted into their medical program at Bethesda, Maryland. He had a decorated 30-year career as a medical surgeon in the Navy before retiring in 2006.

He served as a field surgeon in the Middle East, and was the officer in charge in Operation Iraqi Freedom, providing vital emergency medical services much as those portrayed in the former TV series "M\*A\*S\*H."

Looking around the packed ballroom, Perciballi mused, "This brings back many memories, so I gotta get something off my chest. Final grades are in, right?" he said, sparking plenty of laughter. "The last part of year senior year and I caught a disease, a kind of attitude, I had it and I had it bad. So look, final grades are in, I'm accepted to college, so I wanna hang around with my buddies, play tennis, play chess, play baseball and hang around with my girlfriend, now wife, Brenda, also class of '75. But NO, Mrs. Pelletier's French class. She had an assignment for us, and it was to read 'The

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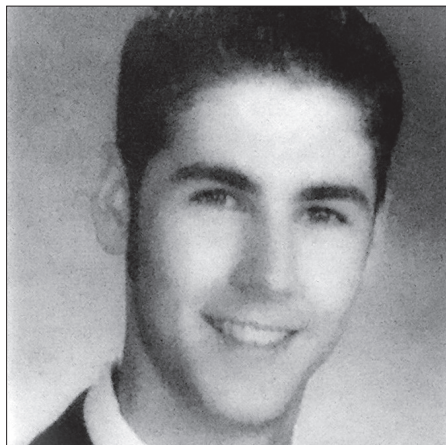
# HALL OF FAME REVIEW

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Hunchback of Notre Dame.’ So that assignment, it wasn’t happening, I didn’t read it in French, I didn’t read it in English. I read the comic book.”

But Perciballi did get into college, and into medical school, he noted. And while serving in the Navy, he helped develop small surgical platforms to help “take care of our wounded warriors.”

“But I was fortunate. First, I had parents who valued education, two, a high school that pushed excellence, and three, individual pursuit of education, that had to come from within,” he said. “I wanted a career in medicine so I had to answer the question, ‘why not me? Why not me?’ Once I came to terms with this the progression was, ‘I want to do that, to ‘I can do that,’ to ‘I will do that,’ and, ‘I did it and I had fun doing it.’ So thank CHS and Hall of Fame committee for this wonderful gift.”



## Alexander Turner

Alexander Turner, Class of 2001, was in the French Honor Society, played hockey and won a Special Merit Award for completing the NEDC 2000 competition at UMass Lowell. Earning an ROTC scholarship, he had an outstanding career at

Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in aeronautical engineering. He joined the Air Force and became a lead pilot for the legendary Thunderbirds, the branch’s demonstration squadron. Today, he teaches new members of the Thunderbirds.

Turner was unable to attend the ceremony, but his sister, Melissa Turner Kozusko accepted on his behalf and delivered his speech. In it, Turner spoke of being humbled and surprised to be included with so many more deserving honorees, adding he feels he probably has more to accomplish before being included. He talked about service, to country, to his fellow man.

“But where does that spark to “serve” come from? How do we grow strong, honorable, moral young women and men with the courage to meet the challenges of their day and lead us to something better?” he wrote. “I believe the answer starts in our homes and is sustained in our communities.”

He spoke of how his parents, from Lowell, started their family after being married at 21, and moved from place to place with the Air Force.

“But they chose to settle us in Chelmsford ... not for Sully’s, not for the chaos that used to be Chelmsford Center, and not for the CVS and Friendly’s that would eventual hire me for part-time jobs (it was all about the employee discount!), but for the reputation of its schools,” Turner wrote. “They sacrificed career opportunities and a more comfortable lifestyle for their children’s future.”

In addition to thanking his parents, he gave a nod to his sisters, Melissa and Deb “for the examples of

perseverance and integrity that you set for me as a young man – your strength and character set a standard that has made me a better husband and father.”

Turner also singled out Mrs. Germann and Mr. Pasquale as teachers who had a profound impact on him.

“That was my community, and I believe that it’s because of people like you that it remains this community. Because of people like you our young ones will feel inspired to fill your shoes, to give more than they take, and to “pay it forward” for all the right reasons. I thank you for what you have all invested into the people around you (which includes me) and for what you continue to give to others.”



## Michael Woodlock

Michael Woodlock, Class of 1990, was a member of the 1987 Super Bowl champion football team, an honor roll student and the recipient of the DECA Club’s Service Award and was a volunteer at Sunny Acres Nursing Home. At Assumption College he was named to the 1st team Eastern Collegiate

Football Conference All-Stars and was inducted into Omicron Delta Epsilon, an International Economic Honor Society.

Teaching at Tyngsboro High, he helped EF Tours develop an international travel program that has become a model for other schools to follow. He has volunteered with Habitat for Humanity and led a group of young people at the "Give Kids the World Village" program which helps children with life threatening illnesses enjoy a week of vacation in Central Florida. The program which became such a popular tradition in Tyngsboro that he brought it to Groton-Dunstable Regional High when he became principal there last year.

Woodlock thanked many people, including past inductee Mike Flanagan, the superintendent in Tyngsboro, who he called "one of

my best friends whose professional drive and success I have been the direct beneficiary of."

"The fact that I stand before you is somewhat shocking to me and at the same time I look at my life and think that there has been so much given to me," Woodlock said.

'Dad... Without ever saying a word, you taught me that family comes first, hard-work pays off and that we should never stop learning. ... I wasn't happy about it at the time but visiting civil War Battle -fields instead of going to DisneyWorld when I was a kid really paid off."

He also honored his late mother. "I don't think I would have become a teacher without your influence. Mom. I miss you every day. There was no one who gave more than you for all of us kids."

Woodlock said his CHS academic career was hardly a "masterpiece."

"Even before I had met any of these men the names Fletcher, Rich, and Caito were part of typical dinner table conversation at home," he said. "When I entered CHS and these men became part of the fabric of my life I understood. I learned the most important values emphasized at home by playing football for these men and being in their classrooms. My experience here is something I have never forgotten and as a principal my experiences shape my philosophy of educating the whole student."

In addition to thanking those special coaches, Woodlock thanked former teacher John Morse who "saw a teacher in me when I never thought that was a possibility and offered me a teaching job in Florida. It changed my life." ♦

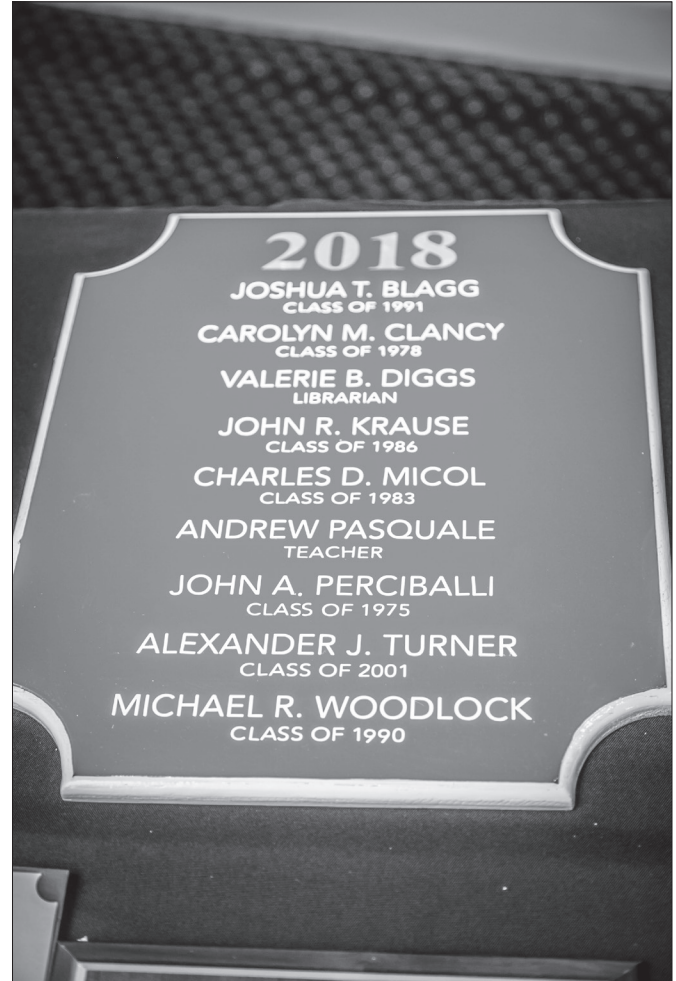


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Class of 1963 Howie Neild, Bruce Byam, Ronna Berman Byam, Bruce & Annmarie McMaster, Jim Parker, Hank & Cindy (Picken) Brown



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Deans and Jerelyn Rondeau Serra '98 at Brickhouse



George Simonian and Heather Linstad '85 at Sal's



George Simonian



Lynne McSheehy '64 with Dan Silvia '00 at Sals

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# ATHLETIC DIRECTOR'S *Report* ▸ By Dan Hart *Class of 1999*

We finally have some nice weather and our spring teams have had exceptional seasons. At the time of this report the following teams have all ready qualified for their state tournaments:

- Girls Lacrosse  
(16-2 MVC Champions)
- Boys Lacrosse
- Boys Volleyball
- Boys Track
- Girls Track
- Boys Tennis
- Girls Tennis  
(11-2 MVC Champions)

Softball and baseball are still in the hunt for post-season play and are in the midst of extremely competitive seasons.

This spring presented many challenges at the beginning of the season with snow-covered fields, record low temps, and undesirable conditions. All of our programs responded to the challenges presented by the weather and have had exceptional seasons.

Looking back to the winter season, we had many teams with tournament success, but no team more than our Chelmsford High School Wrestling Team. This season, the Lions were MVC Champions, State Champions and All-State Champions, and had 4 wrestlers compete in the New England Championships. Senior Joe Vecchione accomplished an amazing milestone when he set the Chelmsford High School record for wins. Vecchione was also named Wrestler of the Year from the Lowell Sun and was a Boston Herald All Scholastic Team Member.

Senior Skier Ryan Hart was the Mass Bay Ski League Athlete of the Year and top overall point getter in the conference. Sophomore Aaron Zhu was the MVC Swimmer of the Year and set multiple school records in only his second season for the Lions!

Our co-operative girls hockey team (Chelmsford/Billerica) returned to the state tournament after a great regular season. Boys Basketball defeated Medford in the state tournament before eventually falling to eventual state champion Everett High School, and our Cheer Team won the Shawsheen Invitational Cheer Competition.

While we are in the home-stretch of our athletic seasons, I would like to thank all of our Senior Student-Athletes and parents for all that they have given to our athletic community. I wish all of our Seniors the best of luck in the future and I hope to see them back supporting the next wave of Lions Athletes! Extra special thanks go out to Senior Sam Cohn who put in countless hours preparing our Awards Night Videos which tell the story of our athletic programs through from the perspective of our senior athletes. This new addition to awards night was a huge success and I cannot thank Sam enough.

I hope everyone has a great summer and will be back to support our programs in the fall.

Thanks,  
Dan Hart (Class of '99)  
CHS Athletic Director

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# CLASS NEWS

LION'S PRIDE  
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Dot Mackey writes: I have already retired from the Lion's Pride four times (having been Class Agent for about the last twelve years) and am still retired - I'm just making a short visit to fill you in on some of my news!

Recently I received a beautiful bouquet of roses and lilies from Rev. Christopher Worthley and Mr. Christian Clough. I so appreciate their thoughtfulness. Several "lady" readers of my column in the Lion's Pride, all from different classes, among them Mary Smith, and about three others, have written to me. I don't even know them and I feel as though I've made new friends. IMAGINE that - they truly delight me!

Along with them, a retiree from Cabot Corp. makes it a point to call me once a month. She wanted it to be once a week but I said that's too much. Also, my daughter's Executrix from way up Maine, called me a couple of months ago and said she's going to call me every Sunday at 4 pm. And she does! Then, there's "Melba" whom I haven't seen for 70 years. Since WWII, we have continually written, and she surprised me by calling a couple of weeks ago. It's so much fun to be making new friends and continuing old friendships. Imagine!

I have been living with my son, Robert Mackey, and his wife, Barbara (Kimball), both graduates of the Class of 1963, almost since my husband Peter (also Class of 1937) died in 2007, and they have cared for me in every way through good times and bad. We had a week's visit two weeks ago from my grandson, Peter



Class of 1937: Dot enjoying her front porch



Class of 1937: Dot (LeClair) Mackey with her beautiful roses

A. Mackey, Class of 1987, with his two daughters, Sarah and Taylor, ages 16 and 17, Sarah is aspiring to be a surgeon, and Taylor to be a tennis player. Barbara and Bob took the girls shopping and then let them “go free” and explore on their own. For several nights Peter, Sarah, Taylor, and I played Sequence, a fun board game. What a joy it was to have our house full of young people! Tomorrow, a niece from NC, will come visit us for the weekend. There is no lack of activity here.

Have a glorious 2018 and I will, too, because it will lead me to my 100th birthday in March of 2019. Love to all, ~ Dot

(Editor’s Note: Here is an additional communication from Dot):  
“I’ve been taking pictures for years and have a notebook full of pictures of Chelmsford events and Landmarks. I have a picture of the homes of my two aunts (I’ll bet you’ve been looking at them for years) who kept a Boarding House during the Industrial era of our mills. As a matter of fact, I did an oil painting of the Southwell Mills (just beyond the railroad tracks below Vinal Square.) I sold an oil painting of mine to Louis Zaher who was once Superintendent of the GE plant at the bottom of Broadway in Lowell, which was eventually torn down to make room for a parking lot for UMass Lowell students. My favorite painting, now owned by my son Bob, is of one of the ships in Boston’s Tall Ship Parade. I even had a pastel that won 2d place in an art show. I also have a notebook of the pictures of my paintings and another notebook (almost finished) of the outfits worn by me over the years to show the change in styles. If you have a daughter, suggest to her that she have someone take her picture every time she changes her outfit, later she can make a book of style changes. It’s such fun. ~ Dot

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## CLASS OF 1949

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Hope everyone is doing well after a long, cold winter. Here in Central Virginia, spring was really appreciated when it finally arrived. The dogwood, redwood, and fruit trees, along with the forsythia and azaleas all bloomed at the same time. It was a glorious sight! By the time you receive your Lion's Pride, it will be summer. Once again, we are looking forward to our family reunion in Canaan Valley, WV over the Fourth of July.

My sister Nancy (Wilder) Dziczek (CHS 1953) sent Lloyd Laurin's obituary. Lloyd died April 7, 2018. He was the husband of our classmate Muriel (Cole) Laurin, who passed away February 10, 2017. Lloyd and Muriel were married almost 64 years. They enjoyed 20 years of retirement in Florida. We visited them when our Class of '49 had a mini reunion in Florida in 2011. Lloyd showed us his woodworking shop and gave us a centerpiece he had designed and created for our Mexican Train board game. The centerpiece brings back wonderful memories of our visit with them when we play Mexican Train. We send our deepest sympathy to their five children, twelve grandchildren, and thirteen great grandchildren and their families.

I recently came across an article in the Fall 2016 Issue titled "Celebrating a Century of CHS," written by Kris Pisarik, editor of the Lion's Pride. Our Class of 1949 was the 32nd to graduate from CHS, which was erected at its Biillerica Road location in 1917. In 1959, a new school was built on North Road to handle the increase in the school population. Our old school has

become the town municipal offices.

Next year, 2019, will be 70 years since we graduated from CHS. Is there any interest in a 70th CHS class reunion? Please let me know your thoughts on this by either phone (434-812-3081) or email, chuckandskip53@gmail.com. Alternatively, send me your news. Til next time, stay well and be happy, ~ Skip

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## CLASS OF 1950

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GILFORD - Fred W. "Bumpy" Parkhurst, Jr., 86, of Lake Shore Road, died March 9, 2018 at Lakes Region General Hospital after a lengthy illness.

Fred was born Aug. 27, 1931, in Westford MA, the son of the late Fred W. and Adelaide G. (Snow) Parkhurst, Sr. After graduating from Chelmsford High School, Fred served in the US Air Force until his honorable discharge in 1955. Fred worked for thirty-five years as a manager at Raytheon, retiring in 1991 and relocating to the Lakes Region. Fred was a life member of the Laconia Elks #876, a member of the Laconia Senior Center and a member of the Laconia Friendship Club.

Fred is survived by his wife, Lorraine D. (Bourgeois) Parkhurst of Gilford: three daughters, Donna Niemaszyk and her husband Jim, Susan Macleod and her husband Mark, and Sandra Bass and her husband Justin; one sister, Althea Alling; four grandchildren, Steven, Sarah, Chris and John; three great grandchildren, Matthew, Bradley and Kaelyn; and many nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents, he was predeceased by his two brothers, Bud Garrow and Dick Parkhurst, and two sisters, Jan Wright and June Alexander.

Calling hours were from 10:30 am to noon on Friday March 16, 2018 at the Wilkinson - Beane - Simoneau - Paquette Funeral Home, 164 Pleasant St., Laconia. A memorial service followed the calling hours. Burial was private. ~ Jack

The Class of 1955 lost its Class Agent, Marie Ann (LaHaise) Duncklee who passed away on February 7, 2018. Information can be read in the 1955 information. I noticed that the last article Marie penned in the Lions Pride ended this way. In Marie's words, let's close this section:

"Till Next Time, Have a very Blessed Easter, Happy Spring and Summer! Be safe, well and Happy!!!  
- - Marie"

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## CLASS OF 1955

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#### Editor's note:

*Following this paragraph, you will see articles or comments in tribute to Marie Duncklee which some classmates and others have sent reflecting the love, respect, and hard work she did as Class Agent for the class of 1955. Starting with the first issue of the Lion's Pride, (Volume I · Number I · Fall 1989) Marie has served as Class Agent and has done an amazing job. Those of us here on the staff of the Lion's Pride join many others in sending our thoughts and prayers to Chuck and the rest of his and Marie's extended families.*

*(FYI – You can find Marie's full obituary if you google Marie Duncklee obituary, St. Augustine FL)*

From Dorothea "Dottie" (Tassios '55) Zahos:

#### Memories of Marie

My friendship began with Marie when I was twelve years old and moved to Chelmsford and attended the Westlands School. We went to sewing classes together on Saturday

mornings in Lowell and took classes from Mrs. Vurgaropoulos for fifty cents a lesson. Mrs. V was very strict and made us tear out our basting stitches when she didn't approve. We had to do it over and over until she was satisfied. We had many laughs remembering these lessons and reminiscing over this time in our lives. We went on to attend Chelmsford High School together where Marie and I were in many classes together. We attended football and basketball games and had so much fun. Marie was a very good athlete. She excelled at softball, basketball, field hockey, and she loved to ski.

After graduation, we went our



Class of 1955: Marie saying, "Amelia Island, here we come," Christmas Morning, 2017

separate ways until we reconnected at the Chelmsford High School 30th reunion. We renewed our friendship and found that we had many interests in common. She was an avid gardener and I loved to grow and plant flowers. I loved to visit her beautiful garden at the "Funny Farm", as she affectionately called her home. She knew I loved lilacs and as soon as they bloomed, she would cut me a bouquet to take home. We also both loved swimming and would swim in her pool many summers. I recall one summer when she asked me to hold her dog Dolly's leash. The goose that lived on her farm came charging out

of the barn going totally nuts, honking and flapping. Dolly then went crazy, barking and running around me - the whole time with me holding the leash being right in the middle of it all. Marie came to my rescue. We both shared a good laugh. This will be a moment I will never forget.

Marie and her husband Chuck moved to Florida several years ago and we continued our friendship with telephone calls every Saturday at 1:15pm. We enjoyed sending news to each other. Flowers, nature and anything we found interesting. Marie, you will always be my dear friend and a part of my memories. Bless you Marie, you will truly be missed. ~ Dottie

From Tom ('55) and Barbara Bovill: Marie, we will miss our long phone calls, we could solve the problems of the world, and will miss our meetings every fall at Bretton Woods, NH. You touched our lives by your strength and courage, by your hope and humility. You were an amazing woman. . . We will cherish all our memories together. Rest in peace, we will miss you. ~ Tom and Barbara

From Richard Burt ('55): Marie served as our Class Agent since the first issue (Volume I · # I · Fall 1989) of the Lion's Pride and did so with flair. Every sentence, to her, was a story to be told. She worked very hard at this volunteer assignment. She epitomized what a correspondent should do to be successful. She made countless calls, dug up info from many sources, and made it all readable. And while she was at it, she became the driving force behind our many reunions and informal gatherings. She was the best. ~ Rich

From Carol (French '55) Miller: Marie dedicated countless hours to keeping the "mates" (her affectionate nickname for all of us) informed

about the activities of all the other "mates" in the CHS class of 1955. She wrote her columns with love and respect, and she cared very much for all of us. I will miss her. ~ Carol

From Bill Vennard ('55):  
.....Words can't really express the loss of one of my oldest and dearest friends. . . . she will be sorely missed.  
~ Bill

From Mary (McCarthy) St. Hilaire, Class agent for the Class of 1956: Our sympathy to Chuck Duncklee on the passing of his wife Marie (LaHaise) Duncklee on February 7, 2018. She is survived by her beloved husband Chuck of St Augustine, FL, her brother Paul of Unity, N.H. and his family, Chuck's nieces and nephews, classmates and friends.

Donations may be made to Crescent Beach Baptist Church, 885 State Road 206 E, St. Augustine FL 32086 or Community Hospice of Northeast Florida, 4266 Sunbeam Rd., Jacksonville FL 32257

Marie has been Agent for the Class of 1955 since the Lion's Pride began. She put in a lot of time and effort in gathering and writing about her classmates' activities. She was their "Mother Hen." Her writings were wonderful; she made a story out of each classmate's news. She must have spent weeks upon weeks compiling and writing the information for the Class of '55 news.

Thank You Marie, I always looked forward to reading your class news.

A SPECIAL thanks to Chuck for being so supportive of Marie's involvement with the Lion's Pride. We really appreciated it.  
~ Mary (McCarthy '56) St. Hilaire

From Sandy (Ricciardi) Kilburn, Class Agent for the Class of '57  
To the Class of 1955:  
"As many of you already know, your

classmate, your class agent, and your friend, Marie (LaHaise) Duncklee passed away on February 7, 2018. She had a well-fought three-year battle with cancer.

What most of you don't know about is the support and encouragement Marie gave to me during the 13 months of our daughter's battle with the same type of cancer she had. Almost every day she would text or email my phone to check on our daughter, offer prayers, answer questions, and keep our spirits up.

When my daughter passed away on October 20th, Marie was as devastated as we were. I didn't hear from her for a few days after. Then the texts started coming again with inquiries about our well-being and how we were coping.

She kept me updated on her health and was doing well until January when she had another tumor and another operation. She came home and was doing OK until her sudden collapse. Back to the hospital. As she was lying there waiting for test results, she asked Chuck for some paper and a pen. She wrote down my number and told Chuck to call me as soon as he got home. It wasn't because she wanted to let me know about herself, it was because she wanted me to put something in the Lion's Pride as she was unable to do it herself. She wanted her classmates to know that Dick Burt had notified her that Ron Thayer had passed away. However, it was past the deadline so I was unable to put it in the news before now. Marie passed on about a week or so later.

I really miss her and all the funny videos she sent (mostly about animals) and her stories (also mostly about animals). She truly was a wonderful friend.

When I last spoke with Chuck, he and Dolly were coping. Dolly was



Class of 1955: The Dock of the St. John's Ferry to Amelia Island



Class of 1955: Dolly and her toys



Class of 1955: Dolly enjoying the flowers on the patio



Class of 1955: Marie's patio with raised garden



Class of 1955: The Sandman, a Florida "snowman," the last picture that Marie sent, January 16, 2018

always Marie's baby but she and Chuck are bonding. Chuck said that walking Dolly is good for him too, and they hope to be back to their "new normal" before too long.  
~ Sandy (Ricciardi) Kilburn

From Mary (Vaillancourt) Smith,  
Class Agent for the Class of '65:

*Class of 1955 - A Poem to Marie*  
Our Friend Marie LaHaise Dunklee  
Thank You  
for Being A Great Friend  
For each and every  
bell that rings,  
an angel gets their wings.  
When someone needs a friend,  
they can always find you there.  
It's nice to know how  
much you really care.  
Angel wings are rare,  
and given only to a few.  
They are reserved for  
Special People just like You.

Dear Class of 1955 :  
Like all of you, my grandson Jake and I will truly miss Marie. I met her at one of the initial gatherings of the Chelmsford High School Alumni Association. That was in 1989. We both signed on as Class Agents, Marie the class of 1955 and me as 1965's agent. 29 years later, I still feel like a "novice" as a class agent.

Marie was amazing as an agent, mentor, and most importantly, a cherished friend.

One afternoon in the late winter of 2016, my grandson Jake asked me whom I was emailing. I told him it was my friend Marie who lives in Florida. Jake asked how I knew her and very important to a 9-year-old why did my friend live so far away. After being assured that Grandma was never going to become a "snowbird" who decides to leave Westford, Jake who likes making new friends and loves what he calls "long ago" stories asked if he could email my friend too. Jake and Marie

became Email Buddys. The two of them shared all sorts of things. There were silly animal memes, serious topics in history and geography. Do you know the history of Baldwin apples? Well, Jake researched Baldwins, thanks to Marie. The Baldwins grew on the "funny farm" in Chelmsford. Marie's beloved "funny farm" was an ongoing part of their emails. Jake loves animals especially horses. Jake absolutely agreed with Marie's niece that Marie should write a book about her Chelmsford "funny farm."

Skiing was another topic. I remember Jake reading Marie's email & saying, "Wow, grandma, Marie had wooden skis!"

Jake's love of photography was a huge topic to share with his friend.

One of Jake's Favorite emails to and from Marie:  
4/22/17

to Marie:  
I thought that the pictures of Dolly were adorable. And the cat memes were all hilarious. The ocean video was awesome I want to go there.

I have to do a research project on the Eastern Newt for school. What do you know about newts?

How is your garden? We are going to start our seeds this week at grandma's. I want to try to grow habaneros peppers and tomatoes.  
- your email buddy Jake

to Jake:  
We have geckos and salamanders in our yard. Don't know much about newts. We picked our first pea pods yesterday. Today we will dig up our potatoes out of our pots, in the pool area. We cannot have a garden in the yard the deer will eat it. It is too late to start tomatoes and peppers, plant the plants from a nursery or a big box store. Habaneros are hot peppers. I

have baby tomatoes on my plants. Here are two pics, one of my potatoes and the other of my raised bed, with tomato plants etc.  
-Marie

Jake and I have all of the emails they shared. We plan to make a scrapbook for Jake to keep forever and always.

We will miss Marie but she is in our hearts and memories.

*(A few special pictures shared by Marie, Jake, and Mary accompany the Class of 1955 News. They reflect Happy Times and Happy Memories, and some of Marie's "favorite things," among them, their traditional Christmas visit to Amelia Island, their beloved Dolly, and her beautiful flowers, especially those on the patio.)*

If anyone steps forward to become the new Class Agent, (we all know it will be impossible to fill Marie's shoes), I would like to try to provide the same support that Marie gave to me. I could never be as awesome as Marie was but would like to try!  
~ Mary (Vaillancourt '65) Smith

*Editor's note: Thanks to everyone who sent along reflections of their thoughts and memories of Marie. The following was the "sign off" she wrote for last year's Summer issue of the Lion's Pride - I'm sure this year's would likely have been just as poignant: May you rest in peace, Marie.*

"Till-Next-Time ---  
Enjoy summer and have a very Happy Fourth, wherever you are.  
Be safe, happy and well!!! -  
- Marie"



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## CLASS OF 1956

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Our sympathy to Phil Molleur and Carol Sciarretta on the sudden passing of their daughter Kathy Ann (Molleur) Fahy age 49 on January 1, 2018.

She was an outstanding teacher in the Chelmsford School System for over twenty years.

She is survived by her only child Michael Kurt Fahy and his girlfriend Stephanie Wilder of Chelmsford; her sister Kristen Maloomian and her husband William of Groton; two nieces Lindsay and Lauren; a nephew Mark; step mother Jo-Ann Molleur of Westford and Step father Dr. James Sciarretta of Westford. Kathy was predeceased by her loving brother Kurt Molleur who died January 1, 1996.

Contributions in her memory may be made to the Wounded Warriors Foundation. PO Box 758517, Topeka KS 66675-8517

Our sympathy to Ray Marchand and his family on the passing of his wife Patricia "Patti" (Westwood '57) on January 12, 2018 after a long illness. She worked as office manager in the family business, Ray Marchand Oil Co.

She is survived by her husband of 61 years, Ray; two daughters Cathy Marchand and her partner Richard Shaw of Dracut and Debra Hudson of Littleton; her son Raymond (Ricky) and his wife Dawn of Townsend; 6 grandchildren; 9 great grandchildren; her brother Chandler

Westwood and his wife Kathy of Green Valley AZ; her sister Paula Webb and her husband John "Jack" of Viera FL; and her mother-in-law Mary (Scobie) (Marchand) Rosnov of Dracut.

She was predeceased by her son-in-law David Hudson; her sister Jacqueline Gravelle; and her grandson Chandler Ford.

Contributions may be made to Westford Ambulance Fund, PO Box 197, Westford MA 01886-0007

Our sympathy to Betty (Egerton) Wilder and her family on the passing of her husband Calvin (Cal) on February 23, 2018 after a long illness. He is survived by his wife of 58 years; sons Robert (Jennifer) of Sanford ME; Scott (Sabrina) of Wells; daughter Cheryl (Wilder) Krass of Exton PA; grandsons Lucas Wilder and Alex Krass and granddaughters Savannah Wilder and Emily Krass.

Cal worked for the I.R.S. for 35 years.

Contributions may be made to Simpson Meadows Caring Friends, 101 Plaza Drive, Downingtown PA 19335. Simpson Meadows was his home for the last 9 years.

Our sympathy to John Quinn Jr and family on the passing of our classmate Priscilla (McGaughey) Quinn on March 29, 2018 after a five-week battle with pancreatic cancer.

She is survived by her husband of 53 years, John; son John P. Quinn III and his husband Curtis J. Strohl of New York NY; son Daniel J. and his wife Marguerite H. (Conroy) of Chelmsford; and daughter Allison C. Quinn of Weymouth MA; granddaughters Katherine M. and Gabrielle M. of Chelmsford; her dear sister-in-law Ann G. (Quinn) Antiss

and her children Raymond, Barbara and Julie and their families.

Donations may be made to the St Vincent de Paul Society of St Mary Church, 25 North Rd, Chelmsford MA 01824.

Priscilla's dad was a well-known builder in town. He built many of the homes in the Westlands section. In fact, Priscilla Av was named after Priscilla as it is in the shape of the letter P!

How many can remember ice-skating in that area before 495 went in??

I have wonderful memories of going with Priscilla and her folks to Lake Winnepesaukee when they were at Lake Shore Park. That was in their tenting days. It had a clubhouse and lots of activities to keep us busy.  
~ Mary

*(Editor's note: Mary also submitted a tribute to Marie (LaHaise) Dunklee which can be found in the Class of '55's Class News.)*

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## CLASS OF 1957

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This year has not started off well. On January 11th, we lost our classmate Pat (Westwood) Marchand after a long period of failing health. Pat and I were longtime friends: we started grammar school together. Our sympathy to Ray ('56) and their daughters Cathy and Debra and son Rich and her best friend and classmate, Lillian (Gray) Roberts.

On February 7th, my birthday, I lost a good friend Marie (LaHaise '55) Dunklee (see Class of '55)

In March, two classmates lost children. Connie (Grondine) Mullen lost her 53-year-old son Michael. Connie came up from Florida for his celebration of life. Our sympathy to Connie, Michael's son Jesse, sisters Debbie, Linda, and Kathleen and brother Stephen.

George Zaharoolis lost his 48-year-old son Stephen. Our sympathy to George, Stephen's wife Carrie, his sons Christopher and Nicholas, and his three brothers S. George, Anthony, and Michael.

Berta (Jones) Erickson had open-heart surgery to replace a valve in late March. She is doing very well. Beth (Simpson) McHugh and I were able to visit her while she was in rehab and to bring her lunch one day while she recouped at home. She still has to regain her strength. Her sense of humor, however, survived during it all.

Our "Ladies of 57" breakfasts continue to happen on the second Saturday of the month. Even through the winter, 8-11 of "the girls" were able to attend. Ron and Lettie Aubrey were home in time to attend our April luncheon. They spent February and March in Florida.

We had 16 attend our April luncheon and it was really good to see everyone. Those attending were Nancy (Small) and John Cavanaugh, Joyce (Dirubbo) Ham, Rich DeFreitas, Dick Gauthier, Joan (Bujnowski) and Norm Paley, Art Provençal, Beth (Simpson) McHugh, Kay (Morrow) Stidsen, Maureen (Curran) Aspell, Ann Marie (Schlstedt) Winkowski, Wayne and Sandy (Ricciardi) Kilburn, and Ron "The Candy Man" and Lettie Aubrey. After lunch, dessert was Ron's homemade chocolates and boy

did we enjoy them!

Hope the next few months bring better weather and good times. Let's hear from you, your classmates would like to know what's going on in your life. Text me at 508-932-7246 or call me at 978-256-2783 or email me at s.kilburn1940@gmail.com. ~ Sandy

*(Editor's note: Sandy also submitted a tribute to Marie (LaHaise) Dunklee which can be found in the Class of '55's Class News.)*

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## CLASS OF 1958

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Hi all, it's that time again.....yup I'm back!!! It's a beautiful spring day as I'm writing this.....hope we don't just jump right into summer! The weather has been so crazy this year so who knows what will happen next!

As I mentioned before we are making plans for our 60th class reunion. Can you believe it.....60 years??? By the time you read this, the plans should be all set. We are thinking about a Saturday in September or early October, before the snow flies and the "snowbirds" head to warmer climates! We are trying to keep it as local as possible as we "older" folks tend to stay close!! Don't forget you can always call me (978) 256-6322 or email me (martha58chs@hotmail.com). Leave me a message and I'll get back to you. We're hoping for a good turnout.....60 years!!!

Love reading the Lion's Pride when it arrives. Some of the agents are amazing in their articles. I truly wish some more of you would send me some news! It can be anything...

wedding, new grandbaby, trip you are going on....anything. Sometimes it's difficult to find things to write about and I'm sure you don't want to hear only my news!

On that note, another of my granddaughters is getting married in August. They are tying the knot at a creamery in Vermont! We all love VT as you have heard from all my writings on the Hot Air Balloon Festival (yes, we are going this year) so the wedding should be tons of fun! I am fortunate to have such a great family....kids, grandkids, great-grandkids!! Gotta love my life!!

I am still working part-time at Chelmsford Dental Associates, now about 20-25 hours a week. Again, I am lucky to work with a great bunch of ladies....we have laughs as well as working our b—ts off some days!!! Many of our patients are people I have known for years and some are funny with the questions they ask regarding their insurance coverage!

For all of you who are interested, here is another update on my sister Kathy (Crane '59 Lucier) - she is "still Kathy"....sometimes she comes out with stuff that is unbelievable! She has a great memory and still has her sense of humor. It is very hard to hear her as her voice is almost gone but she still manages to throw in a zinger now and then!! It amazes me that after all she's been through she is STILL our Kathy!! Our cousin Alice cuts her hair and Alice seems to bring out the "chatty" Kathy! The last time Alice was there, she was talking and smiling, makes you happy to see her smiling!!

Well, possibly the next time we talk it will be at our 60th Class Reunion!! Watch your mail and email!!

'Til next time, stay healthy, keep safe, and enjoy life!!! AND, send me SOME news!! ~ Martha

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## CLASS OF 1959

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Class of 1959: Kathy (Crane) Lucier

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## CLASS OF 1960

### 1960 Class Agent:

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We extend our heartfelt sympathy and prayers to Donna Ready and her family on the loss of her beloved husband Dennis on March 16, 2018.

Here are excerpts from Dennis' obituary in the Lowell Sun:  
Dennis was known by many as "Mr. Chelmsford" or the "father of Chelmsford." His hobby truly was the town of Chelmsford. He poured his heart and soul into making it into a wonderful place where everyone, including his children Karen, Kevin, and Joe, and eight grandchildren could grow up. Local politics were his passion and he served as a Town Meeting Rep for over 25 years. Serving as a Selectman for 12 years (four times as Chairman), residents

knew he was someone who would do whatever took to help them. His resume of public service to the town of Chelmsford includes serving on the Sewer Commission, Historic District Commission, and the Conservation Commission.

He created and hosted a local TV show "Town Talk" for over 15 years and also co-hosted a Wednesday morning "Town Talk" radio show on WCAP.

He was a charter member of the Chelmsford Elks, was active in CHSAA and was inducted into the CHSAA Hall of Fame in 2003.

Dennis was able to see the silver lining and humor in any situation, from political or real estate issues to his own disabilities.

The Lowell Sun article reflecting on his funeral service said "Ready's funeral procession wended its way from St. Mary Parish to Pine Ridge Cemetery, passed flags lowered to half-staff, and police detail officers saluting at every intersection. These were the final honors for the man who had been involved in the town politics and community service for 50 years."

As in the past, we were saddened to learn of the loss of another classmate.  
~ Linnea

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## CLASS OF 1961

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## CLASS OF 1962

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Sad to report that we have lost two classmates, Sandy (Dudevoir) Chapman and Cynthia (Hoyt) Abely. We remember them fondly and they will be missed by their many friends

*Editor's note: Due to what may have been a cyberspace problem . . . or whatever (including very possibly, my own error), the following 1962 Class News (which should have appeared in the Winter Issue) is in this Spring issue. My apologies and I'm sorry for any inconvenience this may have caused.*

Hi Everyone,  
Happy New Year! Time sure flies!  
Hope you all have a wonderful 2018!

I received an email and picture from John Wilder last summer. Because he was in Maine, I wasn't able to see him.

John Wilder and his wife Bonnie, retired music teacher in Chelmsford Schools, celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary recently in Wayne ME, at their summer home, with their son Keith and Kelly Wilder and their two children of Elgin, SC; and their son Lance Wilder, ('86) and his four children; Nathan, Jake, Jessica, and Miranda Wilder of Burbank, CA. Lance Wilder was inducted in 2007 as a member of the CHSAA Hall of Fame.

I was able to see other classmates though. Marian (Dupee) Currier and Martha Dupee were staying in my neighborhood for their annual family reunion and we had a chance to visit. I also saw Sally (French) Bourque when she was visiting with her son Eric's family.

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

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

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

- The donor must be 70½ or older.
- The gift must be made directly from the IRA to an eligible charitable organization.
- Gifts to all charities combined cannot exceed a total of \$100,000 per taxpayer for the year.
- The gifts must be outright, and no material benefits can be received in return for the gifts. Thus a transfer for a gift annuity, charitable remainder trust, or pooled income fund is not permitted.
- Gifts cannot be made to a donor advised fund, supporting organization, or private foundation.
- The gift is not included in taxable income, and no charitable deduction is allowed.

### The difference your gift will make:

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One concern that I had was that Merrie (Shay) Meckley had to evacuate her home during the hurricane. She went to Georgia to stay with her grandson and fortunately did not have much damage to her home.

I had a wonderful Christmas lunch in Portsmouth NH with several classmates. Maryeileen (Callahan) Haley and her daughter Robin came from Falmouth to pick me up and we met Martha Dupee and Marian (Dupee) Currier, Eunice (Pearson) Rheume, Cheryl (Marchand) DeMoulpied, Hilde (Roymans) Gilman, Sally (French) Bourque. We had such fun reminiscing and laughing about old times! I feel so blessed to have friendships that last over the years.

I do hope to hear from some of you soon with news to share with other classmates. ~ Laura

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As summer approaches, Terry and I hope that everyone is in good health and that any challenges will be dealt with successfully. Sandra (Swenson) Mousseau has had some of those challenges this year. She had bypass surgery and a bout with pneumonia, but we wish her a total return to good health and the opportunity to take a long-planned trip to Alaska

later this year! By the time this is published, we will have tried our best to have at least a mini-reunion at Kimball's on June 13th, with the plan to meet for lunch at 11. Please let me know if there is other news that you would like me to share with our class in future issues of the Lion's Pride. It's a little tricky to decide if what people post on Facebook is for 'general distribution.' I'm going with my intuition and hoping for the best! Have a wonderful summer!  
~ Lynne



Class of 1962: The Wilder Clan Reunion: Summer 2017: Back row: L to R: Kelly and son Keith Wilder of SC, Bonnie and John, son Lance Wilder ('86) of CA Front row: L to R: grandchildren: Ashley and Chris Wilder of SC, Nathan, Jake, Jessica, and Miranda Wilder CA.



Class of 1962: Christmas Lunch in Portsmouth: Clockwise: L to R: Robyn (Maryeileen Haley's daughter), Martha Dupee, Eunice (Pearson) Rheume, Cheryl (Marchand) DeMoulpied, Hilde (Roymans) Gilman, Sally (French) Bourque, Marian (Dupee) Currier, Laura (Flannery) Masson, and Maryeileen (Callahan) Haley.

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It is late afternoon on May 1st and I'm sitting here on my front porch soaking up the last rays of sun. I have been jotting down thoughts and ideas for Lion's Pride. It is a perfect day to begin my piece for our Alumni magazine by wishing George Simonian a Happy 90th Birthday. Mr. S is the "HEART & SOUL" of the CHSAA. I did a bit of research and discovered that Mr. Simonian first year as a teacher at CHS was 1957 - 58.

That first year our amazing Mr. S. became Chelmsford High's the Athletic Director. His support of CHS athletic programs would be acknowledged years later with huge outpouring of former students, faculty, and townspeople on a chilly fall evening for the dedication of The George Simonian Alumni Stadium. Mr. S was also the Science Club Adviser. The first of many Science Fairs under his direction was held on March 6, 1958. I am sure if we asked Mr. Simonian today, 60 years later, which 4 projects went on to be judged at Lowell Tech he would, without hesitation, not only tell us who those four budding scientists were but also would give us a detailed description of each entry!

I arrived at CHS in September of 1961 and was immediately drawn to Mr. Simonian's room to check out what the Science Club was all about. I am pretty sure that within an hour, I had been recruited to "help out" with the guinea pigs. In less than six months, one of those beloved critters,

Black Bottom, was comfortably living in my basement on Rainbow Avenue.

Fast forward to the late 1980's and the beginning of CHSAA. Mr. Simonian said, "Welcome to the Alumni Association AND call me George!" (I still have hard time with that - sorry Mr. S)

I have, since those first days, been a Class Agent, served as a Board Member, and as Editor of The Lion's Pride. (Editor's note: The first issue, Volume I · Number I was issued in the Fall of 1989!)

Most of all, I am extremely proud to say George Simonian has touched my life.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY Mr. Simonian!

PS: Not only do we celebrate Mr. S's birthday on May 1st, National Principal's Day is also observed on that day; I'd say it is the perfect compliment to pay to our Mr. S!

I have very little class news. Hopefully I will hear from classmates this spring and summer.

Sadly, another classmate, Richard Thompson, passed away on February 27, 2018. His wife Tammy said it was totally unexpected. Dick was a Viet Nam veteran and a Purple Heart recipient. He was a proud member of the Armed Forces Motorcycle Club.

The Rockledge FL chapter held a Celebration of Life for their fallen brother on March 17th.

Now to Camp Grandma & Grandpa happenings:

Our three Londonderry grandchildren received ice skates for Christmas. It was decided that their first ice skating experience should be

on grandma and grandpa's pond, AKA Forge Pond here in Westford. Their dad learned to skate on Forge Pond. About an hour before the big lesson, Grandpa Bob announces that he is sure his old skates are safely tucked away in our attic; indeed, they were just where he had stored them at least 35 years ago. They were in pristine condition, the leather and blades looking as good as the day Bob put them back into the Lull & Hartford box. Oh, the original price \$12.99 was quite visible! No, I did not join them on the ice. I did bundle up and walk down to our beach to watch them. It should be noted that Grandpa is the only one who did not fall down!!

Grandpa and I clocked dozens of hours at Nashoba Valley Ski Area watching Jake at ski school and making extra runs after class. Jake's dad is a skier so he joined Jake after most of his classes. They went to Loon for a weekend of skiing in February and enjoyed a trip to Cannon in March.

Ski season is behind us and the spring soccer season is underway. Jake is in U - 12 division which is an inter town group that includes teams from Londonderry, Salem, Derry, and Windham NH.

Jake's sisters Lila and Isabella are preparing for their first gymnastics exhibition. I'll have photos to share in the next Lion's Pride.

All three decided to participate in the National PTA's Reflections in the Arts Program. It was Jake's 3rd year.

His photography placed 1st at both local and in NH State judging and received an honorable mention in 2016 - 17. Last year and this year, his photography pieces placed 1st at the local level and received honorable mention at state level.

Much to our delight, Isabella age 6,

placed 1st in both local and statewide judging and is waiting to hear the results from the national judging committee. Lila age 8 placed 3rd in both local and state levels. Both girls were truly excited because it was their first experience with a camera. Jake was wow "Good Job!"

Photography is a wonderful hobby that I hope our granddaughters will enjoy for life.

Big brother Jake picked up a camera at age five. He loves the craft and says being a Photo journalist would be a great career then adds that being an Army Photo Journalist would be even better.

I think there will be many adventures for all of us to photograph this spring and summer. We will share some of them with you.

Until next time take care, enjoy life and please keep in touch, ~ Mary

*(Editor's note: Mary also submitted a tribute to Marie (LaHaise) Duncklee which can be found in the Class of '55's Class News.)*

From the desk of Nancy Hughes Ahhh - - - the Tuesday night supper club; it's gone through some changes. Some of us have remained loyal, some of us have moved away, some of us have moved on, and some of us are AWOL!

We don't always get together on Tuesday evenings. We've had breakfast at Rosie's Diner in Vinal Square, North Chelmsford and had a wonderful afternoon at Andiamo's in Chelmsford center. With planning a visit to The Mile Away when the days are warmer.

I was happy to flip over my calendar page for February and welcome the month of March. Closer to the spring or so I thought. We sure were hit with a powerful storm. National

Grid said the Merrimack Valley was the hardest hit by the Nor'easter. I went 19 hours without power. My home, built in 1840, must be pretty solid; the temperature dipped to just 56 before the power came back on. Chilly, yes, but with layers of clothing, I was just fine. I hear we're in for more snow soon. I hope the old house and the old "me" do as well as last week.

March also brought sadness to me when I opened the Lowell Sun and read the obituary of a dear friend John "Duffy" Holroyd passed away on March 1st. John came to Chelmsford when we were in Jr. High. He was "the new kid" from Waltham and made friends right away. John was very popular but not a good student. He left CHS in his sophomore year and joined the Navy. We wrote to each other often and remained friends. John was very fond of my mother and she loved his visits through the years. We would reminisce of watching American Bandstand, skating at Crystal Lake, and double dating, John with Anne-Marie De Palma and me with Bobby Parkhurst. So many good times. John would try to guess how many tollhouse cookies or how many bowls of potato chip he ate and how many Pepsis he drank at "Ma's house" while a teenager. Now he and Bobby are both gone.

I attended the celebration of John's life with Nancy and Sue Lajoie. We met John's children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. We all had warm and great stories of "Duffy." The first person I saw when we entered the hall was my brother. After all, he knew John through the years too. My brother, Pete, is sort of a hermit and yet I knew he'd be there. When I told him that, he nodded and said "Yeah, for Duff." Another schoolmate who showed up was George Vigeant. So many years had passed and it was so good to see



Class of 1965: Daddy & Jake helping Lila, Isabella yelling, "Look I'm Skating"



Class of 1965: Jake Smith's ski trip to Cannon

George again. The celebration was just what John wanted. People getting together and having some fun. Yes, there were some tears, and yet we all agreed, it was great knowing Johnny Duffy and staying in his circles for so many decades. I have an old faded black-and-white photo of John, sent to me during his Navy days. It's dated December 23, 1963, in his writing, on the back of the photo. I showed it to him that maybe eight years ago. He couldn't believe I still had it. I brought with me to his celebration of life and his son took a picture of it. I can only hope John is visiting and catching up with all his people that passed before him.

March also brings us St. Patrick's Day. I had another great day celebrating at the American Legion Post 313. Eddie O'Neil manages the Legion and once again, another great day for the Irish and those who want



Class of 1965: Lila, Jake, Isabella, "That was fun - but we're tired"



Class of 1965: L to R: Lila, Jake, Isabella Smith at NH State PTA Reflection in the ARTS Reception & Awards Ceremony

to be! A wonderful meal was served, as always, and many CHS grads were there to celebrate. I spotted John Harrington, Sheila (Welch) Gilet, Tom and Betty Cobery, Jim Robinson, Rhodes and Donna Johnson, Gerry Urban, Joe Ralls, Maggie Shaw, and best of all – !!– my son Stephen Hughes ('91). Stephen was with his wife Amy, mother-in-law Darlene, and his two daughters Paige and Molly. Paige graduates this June from CHS and has been accepted to Westfield State University. I'm so proud of her. She will study criminal justice. My grandson, Louie, (CHS '14), graduates from UMass Lowell this May 19th. So proud of him too.

I was happy to see "Mr. Lion" in a photo of class of '67's 50th reunion. "Mr. Lion" was a gift from Barbara (Kimball '63) Mackey to be passed along to attend every CHS 50th reunion. I named him "Lionel." He

was renamed "Token" the following year because "The Tokens" sang "The Lion Sleeps Tonight." It was good to see him again after he fell victim to a few hooligans from the class of '66. When you attend your 50th reunion, I hope "Mr. Lion" reminds you of your years spent at CHS. He's a symbol of when were LIONS. Just enjoy him and let him remind you of friendships made, special teachers, school dances, achievements, sports, school lunches, and everything we experienced at CHS. Mr. Lion needs no changes or alterations. He is there as a reminder of the four years that shaped us for the future.

March also brings us the CHS Alumni Association Hall of Fame Dinner and Induction Ceremony. Another wonderful evening was enjoyed by the sellout crowd. I love the stories told of what brought these people to be inducted into their school's Hall of Fame. Jacqi (Kelly) Barbera's son-in-law Michael Woodlock was inducted along with eight others. I'll be seeing Jacqi this Tuesday night we'll talk about the event.

And so --- I started this article about the Tuesday night supper club and how I end with it.

I hope my turning the calendar to April brings warmer days and GO SOX! Stay well be happy, ~ Nancy

PS: The CHS wrestling team was introduced as the North Division Champions at Fenway Park on Sunday, April 8th. Coach Bruce Rich had another great season. My grandson Patrick is a member of the team, and my son Stephen is an assistant coach. Yay team!

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We mourn the untimely passing of another classmate, Janet (Penney) Kennett. Callie-Sue (Patenaude) McMahan graciously represented our class at Janet's funeral in Milford NH in late April. Callie-Sue delivered some heartfelt words and memories, including those from Janet's close friend from her early childhood, Rhonda (Lambert) Frothingham who wrote a touching (and funny) letter about her memories but was unable to attend because her 70th birthday was the same day.

Pat (Duffin) Conrad is recovering nicely from a couple of recent surgeries to repair aneurysms in her brain.

Cindy (Dupee) Gale visited our class adviser, the esteemed Donald Boucher, while on a recent vacation in Florida and reports that both he and his dear wife, Margo, are still vibrant, active, and going strong now that both are well into their 80s.

On March 27, 2018, the CHS Alumni Association announced its first Giving Day to create a campaign to establish financial grants for enhancing after-school learning activities for students. If you are interested in donating and desire to learn more about this campaign, you can get additional details at <http://www.chsalumni.org>.  
~ Chaz

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News from Martha (Damon) O'Neill: "I wanted to share the trip I took last summer with Cheryl LaBrecque ('71) from Reno NV to Chelmsford. Cheryl moved back home from San Francisco CA to be closer to her parents and I offered to make the drive back with her. We had a great time and once we arrived, I tried to make as many connections with high school friends as I could in the short time I was "home." There's never enough time to see everyone, but I totally enjoyed the visits with Cheryl LaBrecque, Betsy Coggins, Nancy Lewis, Eileen (LeDrew) Colton, Karen (Everleigh) Miller, Susan Galusha, Peter Cicco, Karen (Nastasia) Frederick, and Leslee (Hardman) Stewart (who went to Quessy School and Chelmsford JHS with me and moved to PA before high school)."

After flying home to Reno NV, I was asked to teach at a local high school with the largest marching band program in northern Nevada for 6 weeks until they could find a permanent teacher. I am also teaching concert band at a community college for the fifth straight year and playing flute/piccolo in a local wind symphony. In June, I will take on a position of Chair of the Band Council of NAFME (National Association of Music Education) for the next 2 years. Ah, the life of a retired music teacher!

Accompanying this article are photos taken in many places with many folks – what fun!! I hope all is well with you – hope to see you next time!!"  
Martha (Damon) O'Neill



Class of 1971: L to R: Cheryl LaBrecque, Martha (Damon) O'Neill, Betsy Coggins, Nancy Lewis



Class of 1971: L to R: Leslee (Hardman) Stewart, Martha (Damon) O'Neill



Class of 1971: L to R: Cheryl LaBrecque, Martha (Damon) O'Neill at the 4th of July Parade



Class of 1971: Photo # 4: L to R: Martha (Damon) O'Neill, Eileen (LeDrew) Colton



Class of 1971: L to R: Martha (Damon) O'Neill, Karen (Everleigh) Miller



Class of 1971: Susan Galusha



Class of 1971: L to R: Cheryl LaBrecque, Martha (Damon) O'Neill, Peter Cicco, Karen (Nastasia) Frederick

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Darlene (Leroux) Costos reports that “life is great!” She is employed as the Office Manager by Finest Builders Inc. located in Chelmsford. Darlene and her husband Alan have been married for 41 years, live in Chelmsford, and have four beautiful grandchildren – 10-year-old twin boys Matthew and Nathan Costos, and 5 year old Jonathan Jr. and 3-year-old Cassidy Young.

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Oh my, that was a long and cold winter for those of us who are still New England based. It’s nice to see

the initial signs of spring as we write this.

Bob and I heard from a nice group of classmates over the past couple of months and here are their updates:

First, congratulations to Andrea (Todaro) Sullivan who has been named Chief Executive Officer of the Merrimack Valley Accountable Care Organization. Andi holds a Bachelor of Arts in biochemistry from Bowdoin College and an MBA in healthcare management from BU.

Bob and I loved the updates from the following two classmates. It’s awesome to see how everyone’s journey on this planet differs.

Bill Colbert was kind enough to share his life’s journey with us. “Like many of us, I went to college after CHS. Being a shy introvert in a fairly large high school class, led me to go to a large university where I could continue my studies in anonymity. My plan was to become a history teacher. I wanted to see the world and big cities like LA and New York. Chelmsford seemed like such a small town. I managed to bungle through college in “three terms” (Ford, Carter and Regan). A series of odd jobs and adventures led me to meet my God and later my wife. Still, not having decided on a career, I took a job with the US Postal Service to tide me over until I made a decision. 32 years and three states later, I still work as a letter carrier. I discovered that I like to meet and talk with people. I’ve met millionaires, Mafioso, politicians, paupers, and the lost and lonely. I believe my calling is to deliver a kind word, a smile or a joke. We all have our struggles and they can’t be judged by outward appearance. Many years ago, I made a “blood brother” pledge with classmate Dave Decker to try stand-up comedy. I did it for a while and as many of you know,

Dave is still a successful comedian throughout New England. I am happily living with my life partner Lori in Dover NH. My 31-year-old son is graduating from college this year (he beat my record) and we are enjoying our grandchildren and travel to Mexico or the Caribbean once a year. I am very happy to live in New England where we have some of the best beaches in the country.”

We also had a great update from Marianne Nowacki. “It’s no secret that Arizona has a wonderful climate. Sure, it’s hot for several months but one learns to cope with it. It’s similar to coping with cold weather in New England. That’s what drew me to the state, the climate, the mountains, and the beauty of the landscape. I sold my Methuen home two years ago after sprucing it up and downsizing my clutter. I put everything in storage and came to Arizona to find a home in Mesa. I had been looking on Zillow and talking to realtors for months then, within 5 days, I had a contract on my dream home; a lovely pool that came with a bedroom.

I’m a gardener and I can do that year-round here. Everything is different and I’m happily learning new plants, watering schemes, and the lack of real dirt (what is that rocky, sandy mess that plants grow in here?). There is a crazy spike growing out of an agave in my front yard that is about 14 feet tall and the javalina’s ate my prickly pear cactus. Javalinas are large, pig-like rodents that roam the desert looking for water. I replanted the prickly pear and it came back.

Having hobbies is important when one retires and a good way to meet friends in a new place. I am a quilter and have joined quilting groups, which I enjoy very much. I have also joined a book club and have found many volunteer opportunities.

Everyone is friendly here, maybe because of all the sunshine. I'm enjoying road trips through the desert and then on to the mountains. I have been to the Grand Canyon, Las Vegas, Tucson, Sedona, Globe, Prescott, and Payson as well as exploring the cities here in the Valley of the Sun. Last year I went to Vancouver BC and I plan to vacation to more western locations soon."

Our 60's are being marked by new and different milestones. Some are retiring, some becoming grandparents and some finally taking time to pursue their dreams and passions. Scott Sparks is an example of the latter. He's always been an entrepreneur and recently brought his latest creation to life. He opened Vermont Hempicurean in Brattleboro, VT. According to Scott, hemp has many uses and properties. "Today hemp is seeing a resurgence in popularity due to the rising popularity of CBD (Cannabidiol). This resin from hemp can offer help to people suffering from nervous disorders up to seizures as well as local or systemic pain. It is not FDA approved, so no specific medical claims can be made, but first person testimonials show evidence to support these claims. It is sustainable and can offer US farmers an alternative to crops that are more destructive to the environment". A few "old" friends took a road trip to Brattleboro to visit with and support Scott. It was a great day of adventure for all of us. Please check Scott's business out on Facebook or stop in for a visit.

On a sad note, we said goodbye to two more classmates. Robert (Bob) Gregorio passed away on April 17, 2018. Bob was a WPI graduate with a degree in engineering who also completed its ROTC Program. He was commissioned 2nd LT in the US Army and proudly served his country to 7.5 years attaining the rank of Captain. Anyone wanting



Class of 1975: At Vermont Hempicurean: L to R: Kathy (O'Keefe) Gerow, Carol (Gullion) Tarbell, Scott Sparks, Sue (McCarthy) Ubele and Sheila (Sullivan) Dempsey

to remember Bob in a special way can send a donation to Wounded Warrior Project PO Box 758517, Topeka, KS 66675-8517 or Rolling Thunder, Inc. PO Box 216, Neshanic Station NJ 08853.

Martin (Marty) Ally passed away on January 19, 2018. Marty developed a love for construction that never faded and took him and his family around the country. After high school he left for Texas, founded Ally Construction which ran eight crews at a time, and is still in existence.

A hard worker and dedicated father, Marty was known as "Dr. Framingstein" for his love of framing, and "Grumpa" to his grandkids for the love of his grumpiness, always followed by a laugh and a warm hug.

He was the Dad to call when his children needed him to fix it, to tell a

secret they could not share with their mom, or to hear his latest joke. He didn't have a bad bone in his body - only funny bones. He had the ability to put a smile on your face with his sparkling eyes, charismatic smile and devilish sense of humor.

~ Sheila (Sullivan) Dempsey and Bob Logan

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Michele (Marchand) O'Neil, class of 1976, enjoyed a successful night in March showcasing her contemporary artwork during a Cork and Canvas wine tasting event at the Essex

Wine Exchange in Essex MA. Michele has been painting for over a decade and is known for her love of landscapes. She gets inspiration from her natural surroundings on Cape Ann where she resides.

Michele has received several awards and was honored to receive "The Mary Bryan Memorial Award" for her watercolor "Road to Appleton Farms" at the Rockport Art Association and Museum in June 2017.

You can view her profile and gallery at [oneilfineart.com](http://oneilfineart.com)

Submitted by Suzanne (Marchand) Donigan



Class of 1976: Michele (Marchand) O'Neil with her award winning watercolor "Road to Appleton Farms."



Class of 1976: Michele showcasing her contemporary artwork during a Cork and Canvas wine tasting event in Essex MA

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Brad Gilbreth ran three races in Bermuda over a two-day period in October, a 5k, 10k and Half-Marathon.

Dave Adams is the owner of three restaurants in the lakes region of NH. Dave's restaurants are Bayside Grill & Tavern in Wolfeboro, Pinecone Café in Melvin Village, and Knotty Pine Grill & Tavern in Wakefield.

We congratulate Carolyn Clancy on her induction into CHS Hall-of-Fame in March.

John McEvoy is a Firefighter / Paramedic at the Westminster Fire Department

Tom Curran stepped down from coaching Lowell Catholic hockey team, after 10 years. He guided Lowell Catholic to a State Championship in 2017.

Kathy (O'Reilly) Larmand is the Senior Press Officer for global Health Technology Company, Philips. In her role, Kathy oversees media relations for Philips in the US market, and worldwide. With Philips global headquarters based in The Netherlands, one of the perks of the job is frequent travel to Europe, including multiple

trips to Amsterdam throughout the year. Kathy began her career as a television producer, following Graduate School at Pepperdine University in Malibu CA, working for 15 years producing nationally syndicated television magazine format and news entertainment programming. She left TV production in 1999 to shift to media relations. Prior to joining Philips, Kathy directed PR and media relations for Monster.com and Lycos.com. She and her husband Marc Larmand, a U-Mass Lowell Graduate, currently live in Dracut, Mass. They have three children, Andrew and Amanda, both graduates of Suffolk University in Boston, and Alexander, a graduate of Dean College in Franklin MA.

The 18th Annual East/WestC golf tournament is scheduled for Friday June 15, 2018 at The Overlook CC.

Our 40 Year Reunion scheduled for Saturday November 24, 2018, at the Radisson Hotel in Chelmsford, from 7 to 11 PM. The cost is 50 dollars. Light hors d'oeuvres will be served with a cash bar available. A block of rooms has also been set aside.

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Did you know? The Class of 1979 class is represented in the following locations: ME, NH, VT, MA, CT, RI, PA, NJ, DC, VA, NC, GA, FL, TX, NE, CO, NM, NV, CA, St. Croix USVI, and Prague, Czech Republic!

*Celebrations, Milestones & Accomplishments*

Carol Lee (Clark) Collins' husband Phil ran the 122nd Boston Marathon in April. Phil completed the grueling, wind-whipped, rain soaked 26.2 mile run with an impressive time of 3:26:57, way to go Phil!

Mark Tucker's son Clay Tucker ('16) attended Bridgton Academy and is now a freshman at Western New England University. In his first collegiate baseball start, Clay tossed five solid innings to a 14-1 victory earning the title Rookie of the Week! Mark was in FL to witness this achievement! Way to go Clay!

Patti (Duggan) Companion became engaged Christmas night and will wed this coming August at Rangeley Lake, ME! Congratulations and much happiness to Patti and her fiancé, Michael!

Denise (Fortin) Tucker's son Zachary was featured in The Grafton Times on March 22, 2018. Zach is the stage manager for the national touring production of Jersey Boys. Congratulations Zachary and to his proud mom!

Carole (Rotelli) Beaulieu's stepson Dylan was awarded the USMC Mameluke Sword and the National Sojourner award for his academic, physical, and leadership achievements in his Naval ROTC unit at Ohio State. Kudos Dylan!

Sherri (Freitas) Leatherman was at it again! Sherri completed the Mercedes Marathon in Birmingham AL in February. Congratulations Sherri!

Sherry (Byam) Loiselle's eldest son Drew is getting married. Drew proposed to Taylor Boulia this past November. All involved are thrilled and are overjoyed with wedding planning and looking forward to the wedding in October!

Cheryl (Dallmeyer) Ferrell is bursting with pride. Her son, Rick Ferrell, is a head brewer in the research and development department at Sam Adams. Rick was featured in a commercial for the introduction of Sam 76, which is the first beer recipe he has made for Sam Adams. The commercial was produced for their website and Facebook to introduce the beer to their followers. Rick is also featured on the FUSION TV channel program "Big Papi Needs a Job". David Ortiz goes to different companies trying out jobs (zookeeper, tour guide, chef, etc.). Ortiz goes to Sam Adams to learn how to be a brewer and Cheryl's son, Rick mentors him on how to brew beer.

Chris (Murphy) Brophy and her husband Steve began their 23rd season as owner/operators of Brickley's Ice Cream on March 15th. Here's to a great 2018 season. If you are in the area, please stop by to enjoy one of their many delicious flavors on a homemade waffle cone!

*New Addition*

Cheryl (Dallmeyer) Ferrell is a grandmother again. Vivienne Ferrell was born on the 8th of February weighing in at 9lbs 6 ozs! She is sister to Violet who is 20 months old. She is also half-sister to Penelope who is 6 years old.

*Changes*

Paul Clancy was named CFO at Alexion Pharmaceuticals this past July. Prior to Alexion, Paul had been with Biogen for the past 16 years, serving as CFO for the past 10 years. Prior to Biogen, Paul was with

PepsiCo Inc. for 13 years in various executive positions. Congratulations Paul! May you enjoy many fulfilling challenges in this role!

Michael O'Brien is a Senior QA Engineer at Payfactors in Burlington, MA. Payfactors is currently looking for Senior Software Engineers. Spread the word if you know anyone who is looking.

*Where in the World?*

A mini-reunion took place at the Lo-Kai in Dracut, MA on Saturday, April 7th. Mike Feehan and his wife Karen (McNamara '81) Feehan along with their bandmates, The Casuals, provided the musical entertainment. Those in attendance: Gary Levesque and his wife Cathy (Liva '80) Levesque, Steve Iseman, Linda Laliberte, Suzanne (Laliberte '80) Coppa, Alison Page, Laurie (Nelson '80) Leahy, Jay Apostolakes & his wife Karen Kaloustian ('80), Jay Matarano & his wife Gretchen and Chris Tucker ('85) and his wife Julie.

Chris Baird and his wife Jane live just outside of Las Vegas NV. They are RV enthusiasts and sometimes travel with their beloved dogs. Their most recent trip included hiking in Death Valley, specifically the Aguerberry Point, which is a promontory and tourist viewpoint in the Panamint Range in Inyo County in Eastern CA. They took in the spectacular 360 degree sights along with the Charcoal Kilns. The Bairds are happy to act as ambassadors to the Greater Las Vegas area when alums travel out that way. Mike Feehan and Karen McNamara ('81) Feehan recently enjoyed a night out with Chris at Bobby's Burger Palace in Las Vegas.

Sherry (Byam) Loiselle and her husband Andy enjoyed a vacation this spring, which included days in Zion National Park, UT followed by some fun and bright lights in Las Vegas!

Helen Hamilton added yet another stamp to her well-worn passport!! Helen traveled to Kenya to enjoy an African Safari. She enjoyed the sights and accommodations at the Serian Camp Maasai Mara and the Lewa Wildlife Conservancy reserve. Talk about a bucket list vacation!!!

Carol Lee (Clark) Collins crisscrossed the continent with her husband Phil. They vacationed in Tahoe and San Francisco CA and then onto New Zealand.

Judy (Jenkins) Theokas and her husband Jim enjoyed great weather, great wine, and great food during their trip to Palm Springs CA. Judy celebrated her birthday while on vacation!

Andrea Paschal enjoyed warm sun and fun when she traveled with a friend to Aruba in April.

Carolyn (White) Nye, Ph.D. is Program Director of Business and Assistant Professor of Business and Analytics at William Peace University in Raleigh, NC. Carolyn has an extensive background in research methods and data analysis having taught marketing, business strategy, international business, and analytics at both the undergraduate and graduate levels.

Michael Spanos owns the Floral Arts flower shop in Westford, MA. Michael is a certified Master Designer & blue ribbon recipient from the Massachusetts Horticultural Society for design with fresh flowers. He is also a featured lecturer at conventions for fellow florists, garden clubs, and social gatherings.

*From my inbox:*

“Rachel Virk (Susan Rachel Lewis) just joined the CHSAA and shares this news. “I finished a BS degree at the University of Miami FL, with majors in both Marine Science and Biology, and a Chemistry minor, then went on to get an MS degree in

Biology also at UM. My parents then moved to VA, and I returned “home” to Virginia, and went to Law School just outside of Washington, DC at the George Mason University School of Law, with hopes of doing Environmental Law. That did not happen, so 28+ years of Family Law later . . . here I am with my own very successful law practice that I opened in 2005. Find me at [www.virk-law.com](http://www.virk-law.com)!

I have been married to Vijay Virk since 1996 and was married in India. He is a Sikh. We have a son, now age 20 and pre-med in college (H.S. Junior Class President and School President Senior Year), and a daughter, age 18, who lives in DC and is attending The Washington School of Ballet, with realistic hopes of a career in dance. (Sorry, doing the Proud Mother thing.)

My highs have been skydiving and ballooning and a week-long sailing trip while in college, trips to Europe in the 90s when my sister lived there, earning a black belt in Tae Kwon Do, 13 years of regular English Riding lessons, more travel here and there and some nice cruises, “Triple Crowning” with my son with Boy Scouts Venture Crew, which included summiting 12,400+ foot Mt. Baldy (he also made Eagle Scout and was a Senior Patrol Leader), and writing a book called *The Four Ways of Divorce*.

I currently live in Leesburg, VA on about 10 acres with a nice wrap around porch from which I can sometimes hear the stream in the woods. I also can see our horses grazing in the pastures. For all these decades I have always tried to stay fit and to work out, which currently includes hot yoga. Life is good! Please reach out if you visit Northern VA!”

John Traphagan reports: “I left Chelmsford after high school, attending UMass Lowell for my BA

and then going on to Yale for my MA and Pitt for my PhD. After that, I spent a couple of years in Ann Arbor MI as a National Institute on Aging Postdoctoral Fellow in the Population Studies Center at the University of Michigan. After Michigan, we moved to California for a couple of years and then ended up in Austin TX, where I have been for the past 18 years.

I am an anthropologist and professor in the Department of Religious Studies and the program in Human Dimensions of Organizations at the University of Texas at Austin. I spend my summers as a visiting professor at Waseda University in Tokyo and have spent several years conducting research in Japan, about which I have published several books and articles. Most of my research has focused on the relationship between science, religion, and culture, and much of my work in Japan has explored how Japanese people think about health and illness. A second part of my research program focuses on how astronomers and astrobiologists use the concept of culture to imagine extraterrestrial intelligence and to conduct the search for extraterrestrial intelligence (SETI), and I’ve also published several books and articles on that topic.

I live in Austin with my wife and two children. My daughter is in 6th grade and my son is about to graduate from college and plans on graduate school in geology. In my spare time, I play drums in two different jazz trios in Austin that perform at various clubs and coffee shops in town. The trio I lead is called The Botolph Jazz Trio [www.botolphjazztrio.com](http://www.botolphjazztrio.com) which is named after St. Botolph Street in Boston!”

Enjoy all the beauty and blossoms of spring and summer! Please keep those updates coming. Cheers!  
~ Denise

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Dear Class of 1984, this is Dot Mackey, Class of 1937, "talking" to you. In two of the pictures accompanying this article, you will see a classmate, Peter A. Mackey, who is my grandson. I live in Murrells Inlet SC with my son and daughter-in-law, Bob and Barbara Mackey, both members of the Class of '63, who are Peter's parents. We are fortunate enough to often have visitors.



Class of 1984: Peter A. Mackey with his grandmother Dot ('37)



Class of 1984: L to R: Peter, Sarah Mackey, Dot, Taylor Colbert

Stopping by recently were Peter and his daughters, Sarah Mackey and Taylor Colbert. (Yes, Taylor is related to Steve Colbert and sometimes has tickets to his show!)

While here, they drove south to Charleston, about a 2-hour drive and enjoyed a day of touring there. On another occasion, they headed north toward Myrtle Beach, which is 15 miles north of us and enjoyed the many attractions in that area. On two evenings during their stay, we played Sequence, my favorite board game, and had lots of fun. They also enjoyed themselves poolside at our Club. Peter has his own business and lives in Rhode Island. Sarah is aspiring to be a surgeon and Taylor's goal is to be an accomplished tennis player.

Our next visitor was my niece, Marcia Mochrie, from Gastonia NC who arrived to spend a weekend with me. She's an Occupational Therapist and is my sister Mildred "Millie's" (Class of '43) daughter.

In July or August, my granddaughter, Becky (Mackey) Morgan, a medical assistant in Manchester NH, will arrive with her daughter, Haleigh, and Haleigh's friend since Kindergarten, Bella, who are both 14. Somewhere in there, Barbara's granddaughter, Halina, age 18, will arrive for a visit. I always look forward to our many visitors. As for me, I passed my 99th birthday on March 5 and now await my 100th.

God Bless You All. ~ Dot

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Rachel (Meyer) Markiewicz and her husband, Chris, welcomed their first son, Tyler Jon, on February 6, 2018 at 3:13 am. He weighed 8 lbs 13oz and was 21 inches long at birth. The Markiewicz family lives in Burlington, MA.

Nicole (Acheson) Waggoner and Weston Waggoner were married on April 14, 2018 at Margaritaville Island Hotel in Pigeon Forge, TN. Days of rain before and after the wedding day cleared for a beautiful outdoor ceremony. Nicole is a flight attendant for American Airlines, and Weston is the Director of IT for H.T. Hackney. They reside in Knoxville TN with their two fur babies, Bassie (a yorkie schnauzer) and Yogi (a yorkie lonza), who are both 5 years old. Nicole and Weston will honeymoon in St. Thomas in October.

Brian (Segien) Brandt married Ashley Bubanas on January 6, 2018 at Church Landing in Meredith, NH. They met at Witch's Woods at Nashoba Valley Ski Area in Westford MA, when they worked together



at the Halloween attraction. For their honeymoon, Brian and Ashley road-tripped with 15 friends and family members to Galveston, TX, where they all boarded the Royal Caribbean's Liberty of the Seas for a 7-day cruise of the Western Caribbean with stops in Grand Cayman, Jamaica, and Mexico. Ashley manages the Yogibo store at The Mall at Rockingham Park in Salem NH, while Brian works for a pest control company and is Show Director of Witch's Woods, which runs Thursday through Sunday every October. They live in Salem, NH.  
~ Amanda



Class of 2000: Tyler Jon Markiewicz, born on February 6, 2018

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Class of 2000: Wedding of Brian (Segien) Brandt to Ashley Bubanas on January 6, 2018



Class of 2000: Wedding of Nicole Acheson to Weston Waggoner on April 14, 2018

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- W. ALLEN THOMAS – PRINCIPAL EMERITUS

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# MEMBERSHIP UPDATES

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The following individuals have become Life Members of CHSAA.  
We thank them for making this commitment through their generous support.

Lea Auger Chapin - 1959  
Terry McSheehy - 1964  
Lynne Marshall McSheehy - 1964  
Henrick Johnson, Jr. - 1966  
Donna Adams Johnson - 1966  
Erwin Jalbert - 1968  
Judith Traywick Jalbert - 1970  
Lauretta Clough - 1977  
Patricia Arenstam Modzelewski - 1982  
Melissa Turner Kozusko - 1994  
Kathryn Feeney Small - 1994  
Linda Sandy Tanini - 1994

The following individuals renewed their CHSAA membership.  
We sincerely appreciate their commitment to the Association.

Lissa Ripsom - 1975  
William Amirault - 1977  
Michael & Gail Mullen Beaudoin - 1979 & 1983  
Kevin Oliver - 1982  
Robert Flynn - 1992  
Nathan MacKinnon - 2000

We welcome the following people as new members of CHSAA.  
Thank you for joining!

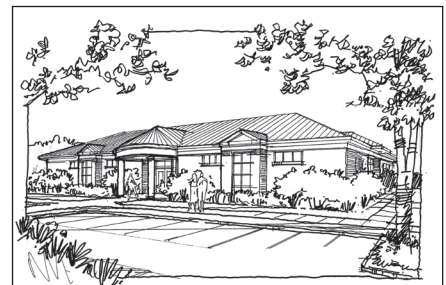
Ronald Loiselle - 1966  
Pamela Perham Sides - 1967  
Dorothy Bailey - 1979  
Paula Wolf Beckerman - 1979  
Leslie Green Eisenberg - 1979  
Sheila Gagnon Guilmette - 1979  
Val Peterson Shupe - 1979  
Rachel Lewis Virk - 1979  
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| Lisa M. Nocco                  | 1982          |
| George N. Klesaris             | Teacher/Coach |



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