

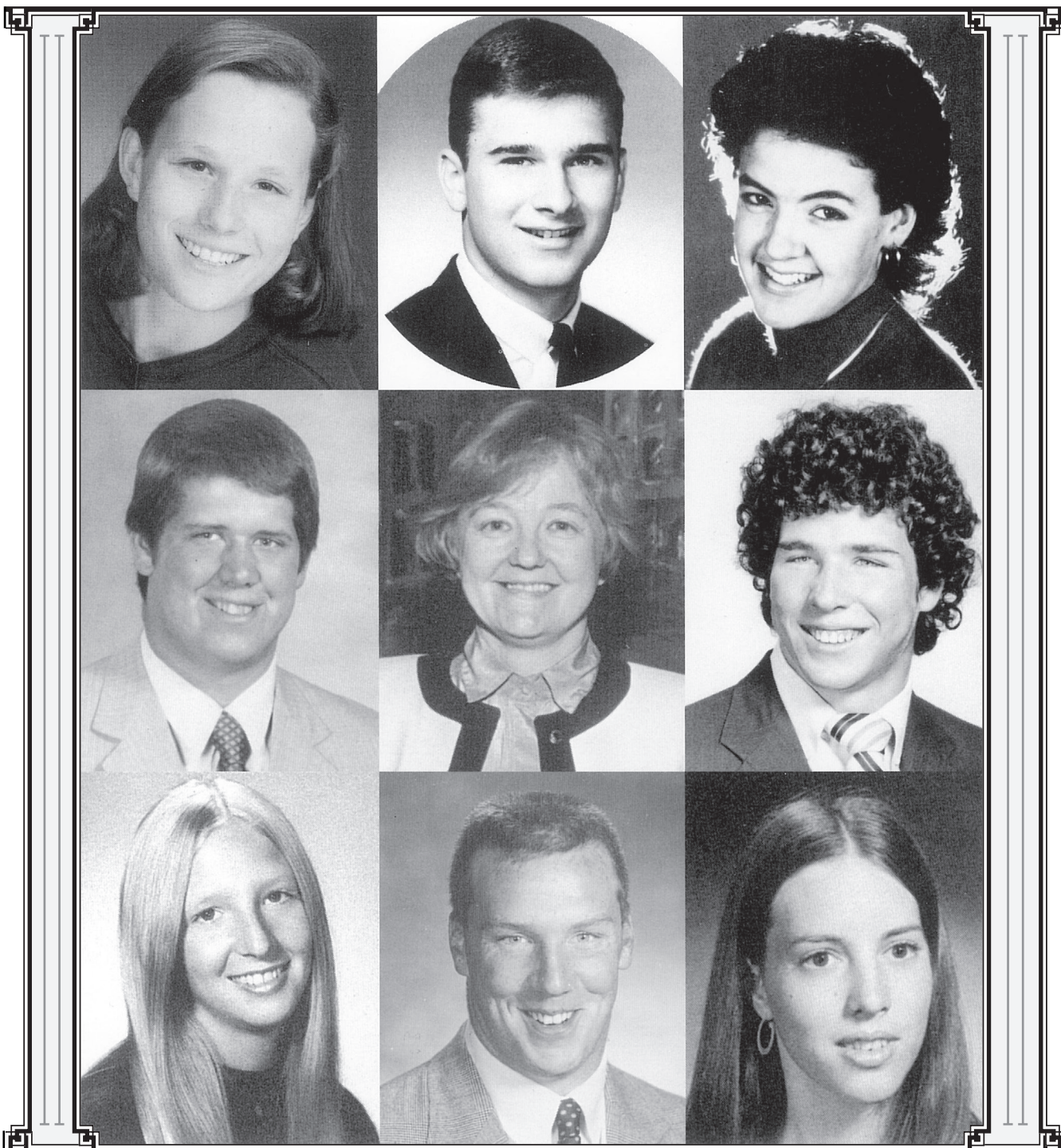
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2017 HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES

President's Message

By Terry McSheehy

Happy St. Patrick's Day!

I hope everyone has survived the winter so far. It is early January as I write this and looks like we may be in for an easy winter here in the Northeast. Hopefully I have not just jinxed us!

I want to take the opportunity in this space to announce the re-institution of the CHSAA Capital Campaign and to explain what we are hoping to accomplish with it.

There are three phases to the Capital Campaign.

Phase One is to raise 2 million dollars to endow a full time Executive Director and Administrative Assistant to handle the day to day tasks required to keep the CHSAA running. We have been extremely fortunate and blessed to have had George Simonian fulfill this role since the very inception of the CHSAA. He has given freely of his time to grow this organization from a dream of three people into what is one of the only public high school Alumni Associations of its kind in the country. He had the full support of his lovely wife Lucy for much of this effort. I know George works 50-60 hours most weeks and his new Administrative Assistant gives another 10 plus hours a week to the CHSAA. Going forward there is no way I foresee anyone giving that much time to the CHSAA for free. No one else would have the love and drive to do that. Therefore we will need

to pay an Executive Director and an Administrative Assistant to perform those tasks on a daily basis.

Phase Two is to raise another 2 plus million to endow the day to day operating expenses of the CHSAA. They include printing cost, mailing cost, buying of supplies, running programs such as Scholarship Awards night, the SHARE program (a mentoring program for CHS seniors), the annual meeting just to mention some. But anyone who manages a home or a business knows that there are a myriad of costs associated with its operation.

Phase Three is the monies necessary to build and maintain a building. I know that some people have questioned the need for such a facility. I will explain why I am convinced that we need an Alumni Hall. Right now all meetings take place either in the High School or at George Simonian's home. Now I don't know of many people who would enjoy having hundreds of people traipsing through their house on almost a daily basis. I know how fortunate George was to have had such a willing partner in Lucy who not only allowed but embraced having people in her home at all hours of the day and evening. I do not see this happening again. Therefore we need a place to conduct the business of the CHSAA on a daily basis. We also need a place for the Executive Director and his Administrative Assistant to work together. Right now the Executive Director and

his Admin work separately out of their own homes. This is not conducive to a well-run and efficient operation. We need to have a central location where they can work side by side to smoothly maintain the operation of the CHSAA.

Every year the School Department/CHS disposes of artifacts and historical memorabilia due to a lack of space to store it. The function of the School department/CHS is not to preserve the past of CHS but to look to the present and future of CHS and its students. It is the responsibility and our mission to preserve and maintain the history of CHS for future generations so that they might see who their parents/grandparents/great-grandparents/great-great-grandparents were and what CHS and the town were like in those days. The records that we would keep in such a building would be a window into the past. The town motto is "Let the children guard what the sires have won." Our duty is to assist in this effort and to have a place to maintain the historical records (whether they be sports/the arts/yearbooks or whatever) of CHS for future generations.

We also would like to have a place for alumni to gather to promote fellowship with and among alumni of all years. It would serve to allow us to hold social events (i.e. reunions, homecoming) to gather alumni from all years to converse and share their histories with each other.





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EDITOR'S NOTE

By Kris Pisarik • Class of 1977

Thanks for the Help

I usually use my winter column in the Lion's Pride to write about one or more of the incoming Hall of Fame inductees who I have had personal connections or experiences with. And while this year's class of honorees is another impressive group, I know very little about them. I hope to learn more about their accomplishments in person on induction night.

Instead, this time I thought I'd use this space to remind members to be sure to tell their Chelmsford High students and recent graduates – whether they're your children, grandchildren or some other relation – about two great scholarship opportunities: the Chelmsford High School Alumni Association Scholarship and the Town of Chelmsford Scholarship.

The Town of Chelmsford Scholarship Program was started in 1954 when organizers saw the various school PTOs giving out scholarships and thought it would be a good idea to coordinate the effort, according to fund Chairman Bernie Battle, himself a CHSAA Hall of Famer for his stellar career as a social studies teacher and dean at CHS.

Since that time, the fund has given out well over \$1 million to deserving students, Battle said, including a minimum of \$50,000 a year for the past two decades alone. Last year about \$56,000 was disbursed and this year's recipients could be receiving close to \$65,000, he said.

Any Chelmsford resident graduating from any accredited high school – public or private – is eligible for the Town of Chelmsford Scholarship. And graduates can reapply during their undergraduate years in college.

The CHSAA scholarship parade began in 1991 a year after George Parkhurst donated \$1,000 to begin an endowed scholarship. The association gives out two types of scholarships: general and designated. For instance, the George Simonian Scholarship is given to the “senior who has demonstrated outstanding leadership qualities, as determined by the high school administration.”

Since 1991, a total of 1,556 scholarships have been awarded by the CHSAA worth well over \$700,000, according to Simonian, the CHSAA's executive director.

Any graduating CHS senior or alum is eligible to apply. Graduating seniors from Wilmington High, where the late Carl Olsson was social studies coordinator, are also eligible to apply for the Carl A. Olsson Memorial Scholarship. Olsson was not only a great educator and community servant – with multiple terms on the Chelmsford School Committee – he was a CHS and state record holder in track for 220-yard dash.

Another reason I wanted to give ink to these scholarships – besides them being a great benefit to CHS students and alumni – is to say thank you to both organizations.

While I never benefitted from either as a student, since the CHSAA fund hadn't been established yet back in the Dark Ages, and the

Town of Chelmsford Scholarship wasn't as expansive as it is now, all four of my daughters did. Both organizations were very generous with Beth (Class of 2006), Alyssa (Class of 2008), Kristi (Class of 2011) and Jennie (Class of 2013.)

These scholarships, which ran the gamut in terms of dollar value, came in especially handy before my wife had returned to work full time, helping us scrape up – along with generous financial aid packages from Brandeis University and UMass Lowell – the funds necessary to get all four through their undergraduate educations. Thanks to that financial help, and, of course, their hard work, they are all doing quite well.

Beth is a doctor finishing her residency this spring in pediatrics at Mass. General in Boston, Alyssa is a guidance counselor in Newton, Kristi is an audio/visual specialist and clinical photographer/videographer at Bicon Dental in Jamaica Plain and Jennie will graduate from UMass Lowell with a degree in Exercise Physiology this spring. A day or so later she begins her three-year doctoral program at UMass to become a physical therapist.

So thank you CHSAA and the Town of Chelmsford Scholarship committee members who helped us all of those years. The entire Pisarik family is truly grateful.

For more information on the scholarships, visit online at chsalumni.org and townofchelmsfordscholarship.org and click on the scholarship and application process links respectively. ♦

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

We are half way through another school year. A lot occurred since the last publication. I will take a few moments to give you some highlights of life at CHS. I am always amazed at what students can do. Fortunately, we have six students from Ms. Kiernan-Bell's Computer App Class that will never have to ponder what their mark will be. They devised an app for Android phones. Students and parents will be able to download the app to their phone and it will give them instant access to our 7 day rotating schedule, homework assignments as well as connect them to all of our social media links. The boys who created this are Michael Sylva, Jake Coombes, Ayush Chandhay, Kyle Rosa, Ryan Callahan and Jacob Courtemarche. After seeing their work and accomplishments at their ages, I look back and wonder what did I do in high school to leave my mark. Sadly, I am still pondering that thought.

As those boys display their ingenuity, we have a whole team of students demonstrating their content knowledge. Our after school CHS Quiz Show Team won its preliminary match against North Andover. This means that for the second time, and second year in a row, CHS has one of the top 8 Quiz Show teams in the state. They are now competing on television at the WGBH studios. We are so proud of this group and hope they march to the finals

Chelmsford High School is the proud recipient of grants to support our newly redesigned robotics course. We want to thank Analog Devices, 3M and Lockheed Martin for their financial support of the revision of



our Robotics course and Robotics Team. With their generous support we were able to move to the Vex Robotics platform, which is the largest and fastest growing robotics program. CHS Robotics added the next dimension to The Project Lead The Way Automation and Robotics course. CHS students are learning more complex concepts and will build and program devices for competition. This course develops engineering skills, computer science skills and contributes to students thinking themselves as future innovators.

Our science department is taking full advantage of this momentum. Our science teachers are trying to find new, exciting and engaging ways to incorporate engineering concepts into their lessons. Thanks to BAE Systems, we are able to send two teachers to a summer institute at Worcester Polytechnic Institute for professional development. The work at this institute will help build lessons with

these 21st century skills as well as develop two new engineering courses that we hope to include next year in our program of studies.

What I love the most about working in education is that you never know the impact you have on a student. Last fall we lost a long-time and much loved member of our faculty. Michlyn Queenan passed away unexpectedly. She was in her 47th year teaching World Language at CHS. The outpouring of support and condolences from current and past students was truly overwhelming. Ms. Queenan touched so many students over her years of teaching. All of us admired her positive energy and unbridled enthusiasm for teaching. She championed the disenfranchised and always encouraged students to do an act of kindness each and every day.

Thanks to the orchestration and coordination from Kelley Moreau (Administrative Assistant at CHS) and Carolyn Lindstrom (Para-Professional at CHS), they started Madame Queenan's Boutique. Ms. Queenan was a fashionista. In her tradition, the boutique was started. The boutique accepts new and gently used dresses, gowns and suits. Students who might be experiencing difficult financial times can shop for free at the boutique and leave with a beautiful dress or suit. This carries on Ms. Queenan's mission of helping those in our community. I cannot think of a more fitting (no pun intended) way to honor an amazing teacher.

Best regards,
Stephen Murray ◆

HALL OF FAME ANNOUNCEMENT



HALL OF FAME 2017

ROBERT F. BROWN, JR.
CLASS OF 1981

LINDA KRASNECKI CHEMALY
CLASS OF 1971

LORI CIOLETTI EWELL
CLASS OF 1975

MICHAEL R. FLANAGAN
CLASS OF 1990

HENRICK R. JOHNSON, JR.
CLASS OF 1966

DENNIS F. KING, II
CLASS OF 1983

CAITLIN KLICK-McHUGH
CLASS OF 1999

LAURIE CARSON SHUFRIN
CLASS OF 1990

ANNA M. SWIERZBIN
TEACHER

Hall of Fame 2017 March 25th, 2017

THE CHELMSFORD HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION HALL OF FAME SELECTION COMMITTEE HAS SELECTED THE 27TH CLASS OF INDUCTEES TO THE HALL OF FAME.

THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION WILL ALSO PRESENT ITS "LUCY E. SIMONIAN GOLDEN LION AWARD" WHICH IS GIVEN TO AN ORGANIZATION OR AN INDIVIDUAL WHO HAS BEEN AN EXTRAORDINARY SUPPORTER OF THE STUDENTS OF CHELMSFORD HIGH SCHOOL OVER THE YEARS.

THIS YEAR THE RECIPIENT WILL BE THE TRINITY EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE COMPANY, INC. AND THE PRESENTATION WILL BE MADE AT THE INDUCTION CEREMONY.

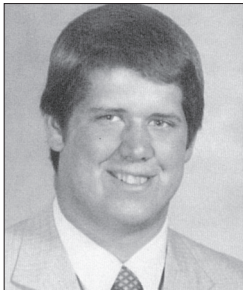
THE INDUCTION CEREMONY AND DINNER WILL BE HELD AT THE RADISSON HOTEL IN NASHUA, NH ON SATURDAY, MARCH 25, 2017.

TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE AT \$50.00 PER PERSON.

PLEASE CONTACT
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HALL OF FAME

Meet the Inductees



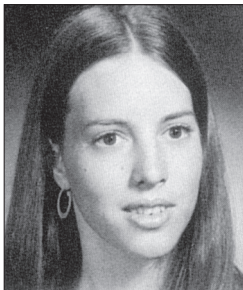
Robert F. Brown, Jr.
Class of 1981

- Outstanding CHS and Division 1 Athlete at University of Pittsburgh
- Successful businessman
- Community benefactor, generous with financial support, goods and services
- Youth coach



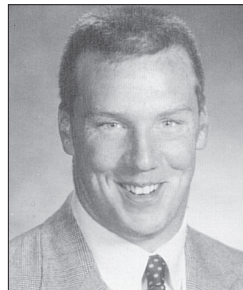
Linda Krasnecki Chemaly
Class of 1971

- Follows example of community-oriented parents
- Provides visionary leadership in philanthropic endeavors
- Teams enthusiastically with her husband to give generously of time and treasure



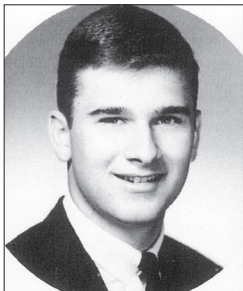
Lori Cioletti Ewell
Class of 1975

- Involved in diverse scientific and artistic interests while at CHS
- Visionary product developer, leader and mentor in her field
- Beneficent contributor in her community and church



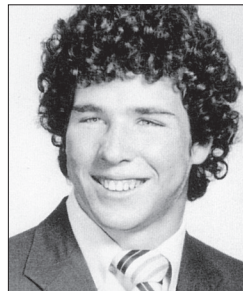
Michael R. Flanagan
Class of 1990

- Impressive high school and college athlete at College of the Holy Cross
- Committed collegial and influential educator
- Dedicated and creative philanthropist
- Unstinting youth coach



Henrick R. Johnson, Jr.
Class of 1966

- Active student and athlete at CHS
- Both elected and volunteer board participant in town government for over 30 years
- Contributing member of multiple non-profit organizations
- Successful businessman



Dennis F. King, II
Class of 1983

- Outstanding scholar/athlete in high school and at Boston University
- Highly successful high school teacher and wrestling coach
- Volunteer youth coach
- Non-profit fundraising volunteer



Caitlin S. Klick-McHugh
Class of 1999

- Exceptional scholar/athlete in high school and at Boston College
- Highly respected classroom teacher
- Outstanding youth and high school swimming coach



Laurie Carson Shufrin
Class of 1990

- Scholar and 3-sport All State athlete at CHS
- Record-setting basketball player at College of the Holy Cross
- Volunteer youth basketball coach and PTO officer



Anna M. Swierzbina
Teacher

- Dedicated, creative high school math teacher and class advisor
- Committed CHS, town and church volunteer contributor
- Continuing enhancement of educational experiences of Chelmsford students and teachers



LUCY E. SIMONIAN
GOLDEN LION AWARD
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JOHN MACISAAC

DEAN OF WHITTIER HOUSE *Interview* ▶ **By Fanny Riand** *Class of 2018*



One of the top reasons Chelmsford High is so beloved is because of its exceptional staff. John MacIsaac, the Dean of Whittier House, is this year's promising newest addition to the ranks.

Though MacIsaac is the new dean, he is far from new to CHS. In fact, he graduated from CHS in 2001, and is finally returning over a decade later. He knows first hand the great community that is built around this school, and is ready now more than ever to continue strengthening it.

MacIsaac, 33, lives nearby in Littleton with his wife and 3 year-old son. He has lived in Eastern Massachusetts nearly all of his life. He moved around several times growing up, going from Bedford to Winchester, to Woburn, and lastly to Chelmsford, where he successfully finished the larger part of his high school education. MacIsaac then went on to complete both his undergraduate and graduate studies at the University of New Hampshire in Durham, a place he holds very close to his heart. After deciding that education was definitely the path he wanted to take, he received his bachelor's degree in physical education in 2005, and then his master's degree in education right afterward in 2006.

Coming out of college, MacIsaac quickly found a job teaching at John W. McDevitt Middle School in Waltham. For ten years, he taught physical education and health education passionately to students there. Later, he even took on the role of Assistant Principal, earning him valuable experience as an administrator. On top of that, MacIsaac coached not one, but five different sports at Waltham High School. Among them, he was head of varsity softball, something that

he loved. It's clear that he was quite active in his school community. He said, chuckling, he was a bit "all over the place." Now, he's prepared to bring the same energy and enthusiasm with him to CHS.

The roots of MacIsaac's desire to pursue a career in education can be traced back to his own time in school. MacIsaac reflected, "I had a really good experience growing up through education- in all my schools, especially Chelmsford High School." Education was something MacIsaac was naturally drawn to, something he felt he could be good at. And so, as he put it with a smile, "here we are, fifteen years later."

When asked what it was like to return to his old high school, the Dean commented that it's "a really neat experience." He continued, saying that he is glad to have found familiarity in the structure and layout of the school building, which hasn't changed much since it opened in the mid-70s. "It was nice to come back to, to have that comfort level." Obviously, the student body has changed since his time here as a high schooler, but he can recognize and appreciate the similarities there as well. Regarding the staff, he noticed that there are almost all new teachers since he graduated. Though he is always happy to see old faces, he is also pleased to see that there has been a healthy turnover. He realizes the importance of having young, energetic adults, "ready to push the next waves of kids through."

Dean MacIsaac can be counted on to become one such positive force in this process. As the new dean, he already has many goals in mind for the year. Above all, he plans to get to know the kids that make up CHS: as many of them as possible, which is quite an ambitious endeavor. He noted that it can be difficult in this job. Often, administrators like the

deans see only a certain percentage of the school population. In their offices, they often have either the students with disciplinary issues, or on the opposite end of the spectrum, the high-achieving students. MacIsaac, however, wants to ascertain that he doesn't miss everything in the middle. Over the next years, he looks forward to interacting with the whole range of students at CHS by attending all sorts of school activities, from sporting events to fashion shows to musicals to after-school clubs. In addition, MacIsaac is very excited to work and form strong relationships with the wonderful adults at CHS.

QUESTION: WHAT IS IT LIKE TO RETURN TO YOUR OLD HIGH SCHOOL?

ANSWER: "A REALLY NEAT EXPERIENCE."

When MacIsaac isn't busy fulfilling his duties as dean, he enjoys exercising and working out. He also loves spending time with his family, especially going to places with his wife and rapidly growing son. Evidently, MacIsaac is not one to remain idle, as we will most surely see as he enthusiastically takes on the role of Dean of Whittier House.



OUR MISSION

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

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

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

THE VISION

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

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

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR'S *Report* ▸ By Scott Moreau

THIS PAST FALL WAS ANOTHER VERY SUCCESSFUL SEASON FOR CHS ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT!

We had 449 athletes competing in 10 Varsity Sports, 13 subvarsity programs and a student-training program with 9 students volunteering their time. Our Field Hockey and Girls Swim Team both won Merrimack Valley Conference Championships.

We are also really proud of our fall programs for their work in the community this past season. Each team was charged with doing a community service project that the captains led. Whether it was working with youth groups across the town or doing something else that was important to them, they gave their time.

Cheerleading: Free to Breathe Walk, CPW Cheer Night and Cheer Camp for the Youth Cheerleaders.

Boys Cross-Country: Bay State Marathon Water Stop

Girls Cross-Country: Bay State Marathon Water Stop and Haunt for a Cure at Camp Paul.

Field Hockey: Coached and Refereed Youth games and donated clothes for Catie's Closet.

Football: Helped move books at the Annual Town Library Book Drive and helped at the summer youth football clinic.

Golf: Helped teach younger players at the course.

Boys Soccer: Ran free clinics for Chelmsford Youth Soccer.

Girls Soccer: Youth Soccer Clinic and Breast Cancer Awareness initiative.

Swim Team: Hosted it's annual Katie Bleck Swim-a-thon and volunteered at Haunt for a Cure.

Volleyball: Worked at the Chelmsford Farm Fair Concessions.

Individually we had a strong showing with 18 MVC All Conference Selections and 25 MVC All Star Selections. Field Hockey Captain, Steph Gilet and Swimmer Megan Keene were each named MVC2 Players of the Year. Our Field Hockey Coach and CHS alum, Maura Duah-Asamoah earned MVC Coach of the year.

The winter season is now upon us and all of our teams are poised to make a run in the Merrimack Valley Conference and hopefully into the MIAA Tournaments as well. We look forward to seeing all of our community supporters throughout the winter season.

Check out our Twitter page at @CHSAthletics_

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FALL 2016 MAJOR ATHLETIC AWARDS

<u>Cheerleading:</u>	MVP:	Lauren Hamilton
	MIP:	Kaitlin Pearson
	Scholar Athlete:	Melissa Arsenault
<u>Cross Country - Boys:</u>	MVP:	Zachary Jarnagin
	MIP:	Connor Nunnery
	Scholar Athlete:	Jason Shin
<u>Cross Country – Girls:</u>	MVP:	Sophia Haywood/Shannon Lustiber
	MIP:	Stephanie Brogdon
	Scholar Athlete:	Abigail Morrissey
<u>Field Hockey:</u>	MVP:	Isabelle Danahy/Stephanie Gilet
	MIP:	Clare O’Neill
	Scholar Athlete:	Lily Cardonne
<u>Football:</u>	MVP:	Sal Lupoli
	MIP:	Jack Gump
	Scholar Athlete:	Ryan Gamer
<u>Golf:</u>	MVP:	Michael Dionne
	MIP:	Griffin Green
	Scholar Athlete:	Nicholas Glekas
<u>Soccer - Boys:</u>	MVP:	Joshua Ofosu
	MIP:	John Fox
	Scholar Athlete:	Alvaro Carrillo-Sanchez
<u>Soccer - Girls:</u>	MVP:	Giulia Rabbito/Kelsey Tinker
	MIP:	Jordan Hoffman
	Scholar Athlete:	Elenna Beati
<u>Swimming/Diving – Girls:</u>	MVP:	Megan Keene/Naomi Wright
	MIP:	Jessica Wagner
	Scholar Athlete:	Emma Goldberg
<u>Volleyball – Girls:</u>	MVP:	Grace Maniscalco/Lila Boyd
	MIP:	Samantha Sturzo
	Scholar Athlete:	Lindsay Ambrosino

DEVEN D'EON

STUDENT *Profile* ▶ By Kristin Hohenstein and William Zouzas *Class of 2017*



If you're scrolling through Instagram and come across an account called Atlas News (@atlas.news), with over 48,000 followers and over 8,000 posts, you may be surprised to know that it is run in part by Chelmsford High School senior Deven D'Eon. In the past year, this account has grown in following and proves to be a legitimate news source for easy reading on the go with daily and hourly news updates on current events and important developments around the world. Deven is a dedicated student who has immersed himself in his passions of journalism and politics, capable of taking his skills from the classroom and applying them to Atlas News. This is only one of Deven's many extracurriculars that make for a busy senior year.

Atlas News is not a one-man show. Deven is the owner and acquired the account last year as a junior in high school, however, because of the wide array of topics they cover worldwide, there are a few other writers and contributors to the account that make it such a success. Today, Atlas News is a growing online Instagram account that is handled by Deven, along with fifteen other writers, and two editors.

A lot of work is necessary to churn out essential news information and updates to their followers. Everyday, Atlas News produces articles and updates by scanning news outlets, social media, and other internet sources for major news stories. Some of the writers even traveled across the world to see the events first hand and take photos for the account from their own experiences. An example of this is pictured to the right.

Deven and his team have reported on "the Paris attacks, Nice attack, Brussels attack, Orlando attack... New York bombing... Mosul offensive... migrant crisis" and the list goes on and on, including other national and international events like the U.S. presidential election and newly established Trump administration. To be specific, one of the biggest news stories that broke out was the Turkish coup on July 15, 2016. When this happened, Deven and his team were immediately involved. Deven "put in over 12 hours of continuous work in the Turkish coup and the election. On both events he reported for hours and saw little to no sleep." This kind of dedication allows Deven to make Atlas News the best that it can be for his followers.

For Deven, running Atlas News is his passion, but also a very time-consuming commitment. He jokingly referred to it as "a job that I don't get paid for." He took over Atlas News because of his love for politics and writing.

STUDENT Profile *Continued*

He noted how the “journalism class at CHS really helped with my writing skills” so that he could make Atlas News a comprehensive and detailed news source. With his love of learning and enthusiasm for extracurricular activities, he feels that CHS is a special place to go to school because of the opportunities it has given him to succeed, whether it be in the classroom, or on the slopes as a member of the ski team, and the teachers that have helped him to do so. Deven’s parents and step-parents, as well as his four siblings, have been a crucial support system for him all throughout high school. Deven says that “without them I don't think I would be at my position in school, sports, or the opportunities I can strive for.” His current interests of writing and politics are something he wishes to continue to pursue in the future.

Deven’s top choice of college is the United States Military Academy at West Point, New York. He emphasized that this “has been my top goal for the past eight years.” Deven focused on West Point because it has excellent academics that provide “a great job afterwards.” Deven explained how he grew up in a military family and became instilled with the ideals of an upstanding and hard-working citizen. After West Point, Deven plans on pursuing a career in military intelligence for the FBI, to work on counterterrorism. ♦



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JENNIFER VARANO BARALDI ('76)

ALUMNI Profile

By Sandie Johnson Taylor Class of 1969



When 15-year-old Jennifer Baraldi entered her favorite CHS teacher's classroom for the first time, Mrs. Queenan greeted her, remarking that she loved what Baraldi was wearing, to which Baraldi responded, "I love what you have on, too." Baraldi explains that a bond was established with those words, a bond that would grow through the years from one between a student and a teacher, to one between fellow parents, to one between CHS colleagues. With sadness in her voice, Baraldi adds, "Michlyn was always so much a part of my life, influencing me with her style and with her kindness." Michlyn Scarpitto Queenan, who died on November 9, 2016, as the result of an accident in her home, will always be remembered for encouraging her students to live a life that embraces performing random acts of kindness.

Sharing other fond memories of her high school years, Baraldi recalls her involvement in Majorettes and Color Guard and her coach, Eileen Greenwood Fletcher ('41). "The CHS majorettes, the cheerleaders and the band were such a unified group." She adds, "I loved going to the Saturday football games and to Howard Johnson's with my friends before the games. Those were the best years." Today, Baraldi continues to remain friendly with Phyllis Kecz Gervais ('76) and Jane Kelly Fletcher ('69). Lovingly, she shares, "My best friend is my sister, Andrea. ('75)" Baraldi also has a brother Stephen ('77).

Baraldi remembers that she "had the honor and the privilege of being one of the students in Principal George Simonian's homeroom, which met in the Senior Commons." Today, with a few doors added, that same space is home to the Career Education Center. Back then homeroom served as an advisor-advisee period, and Baraldi notes that "Mr. Simonian had wanted to be a hands-on principal." When asked about his decision to take on this role, Simonian replies, "If I were asking my teachers to participate as advisor-advisees, I felt that I should be doing it, too! It allowed me to work closely with those students for three years and really get to know them." Another memorable experience for Baraldi was participating in a program organized by Emerson House guidance counselor, John Jarema, in which students from CHS went to the Lowell Y, where they would help special-needs children learn how to swim.

A UMass Boston graduate with a degree in early childhood education, Baraldi worked for several years in the early 1980's in the personnel department of the MITRE Corporation. She married Michael Baraldi ('74) a UMass Boston graduate, who taught industrial arts and science at CHS in the early eighties until 1988 when he started his own Business, M. Baraldi Construction LLC. Michael is the brother to John ('76), Stephen ('78), Nancy ('78) and Julianne ('82). After Baraldi's daughter, Kristina, was born, she made the decision to stay at home to raise her children.

When asked about her decision to settle in Chelmsford, Baraldi answers quickly and with an upbeat voice, "I really never left! I love the sense of community in Chelmsford." Baraldi adds that many of her good memories come from Chelmsford schools, and that those memories continue to be made today!

As for her greatest accomplishment, Baraldi proudly responds, "That would be my

children!" She and Michael have three children. Kristina ('00), a graduate of Southern New Hampshire University and of the Catherine Hines Institute of Esthetics, is an Esthetician. She and her husband are the proud parents of four-year-old twins. Michael Jr. ('07) was the captain of the football, baseball, and hockey teams at CHS and as a senior was the quarterback in the 2006 five-overtime Thanksgiving game when Chelmsford defeated Billerica 53-51. For the next four years, Michael went on to play quarterback for St. Lawrence University. Currently, he works as a director for Cushman & Wakefield in their Manhattan office. Elizabeth ('11) played field hockey for CHS and was captain of the field hockey team her senior year. A graduate of St. Anselm College, Elizabeth works as an account executive for Catalant Technologies in Boston. Baraldi says that her three children "had a wonderful experience at CHS."

Thirteen years ago Baraldi returned to CHS to serve as a substitute for the secretaries in the main office and in the house offices. Ultimately, Jennifer was hired for the position of Whittier house secretary to then Dean Heather Gallante, who left CHS this past year to become the principal at Bedford High School. Baraldi, now the secretary to Whittier House's new dean, John MacIsaac ('01), says that the transition was easy. "The new dean is awesome. He understands teenagers! It's almost as if the job was made for him. I think that he is a great asset to CHS."

John MacIsaac shares that Baraldi is "an extremely hard worker, very witty, and always willing to help others." He goes on to say that "she acts as a second mom to all Whittier House staff and students."

What does she like most about her job? An enthusiastic Baraldi answers, "I love it! Hands down, it is the



kids who make you want to go to work every day. If you treat every student, no matter what the issue, with respect and kindness, and you do that enough, they will follow suit." Baraldi also loves the camaraderie in the office and the energy of the new teachers. "I couldn't ask to work in a better place." As for her advice to students: "Be true to yourself. Follow your heart. Never stop learning. Be tolerant and understanding of others and of their personal views. Be kind! It's simple."

When asked about regrets, Baraldi quickly replies, "I have no regrets! Never any. That is a waste of time." And about technology? "I'm not a gadget person but I have to say with the cell phone, I can always stay in touch with my kids. Texting is awesome." Baraldi, however, is not certain that her children agree. "I think it was my son who asked my daughter, 'Who the heck taught mom to text?'"

When School is out in the warmer months, Jennifer and her husband Michael enjoy their home on Lake Winnepesaukee in Wolfboro, where they spend time boating, hiking, and antiquing. In the future, Baraldi envisions that she and Michael "will be retired, in a boat, on the water

somewhere...on a lake or on the ocean!" During the fall and winter, they take frequent trips to Boston where they enjoy walking the streets of the North End, looking for a new place to have lunch, or visiting their daughter, Elizabeth, and taking her to dinner. Jennifer also loves shopping and coordinating outfits. Both Jennifer and Michael have a passion for sports. While in the past they volunteered their time for such organizations as Chelmsford Youth Hockey, today they still attend CHS football and hockey games. Baraldi adds, "I especially enjoy watching Jane Kelly Fletcher's grandson, Ben, play hockey." And now, as the Whittier House Secretary, Baraldi enjoys going to the games of some of the students with whom she interacts daily.

Today, Jennifer Baraldi is paying it forward as she treats her Whittier house students with the same kindness and understanding with which she was treated as a teenager in Mrs. Queenan's classroom, all those years ago. "I just want to be remembered as a kind, descent person. You never know what people are going through. No matter how people are treating you, always be kind."



FINE & PERFORMING ARTS

By Christina Whittlesey

Happy New Year! Have you been watching our Department TV show, *Spotlight on Fine Arts*? If so, you have an idea just how active the Fine and Performing Arts teachers and students have been this season. We are looking forward to another great year in 2017, and I am very pleased to share our Department's exciting news with you!

Chelmsford High School art students have been involved in a number of exciting projects, and many have submitted work to competitions and exhibits. Several students have submitted art for selection for The Marble Collection: Massachusetts High School Magazine of the Arts (TMC). TMC is a nonprofit organization that publishes the only Massachusetts statewide print and online magazine of the arts featuring jury-selected artwork, writing, poetry, photography, and music by students in grades 8-12. TMC's mission is to cultivate creativity and excellence in the arts by engaging teen artists and writers in a publication process that affirms their voices and deepens their learning. TMC also offers e-mentoring workshops in which teen writers and artists are partnered with college student mentors who

help them refine their voices and guide their work to publication.

The students whose work was selected for this publication are:
Mariana Floria
Shauna Ozana
Medha Purushotham
Alex Stanichuk

These students' work will be published in The Marble Collection magazine and online. In addition, each will have the opportunity to participate in TMC's e-mentoring workshops.

Students are also exhibiting work for the Massachusetts Arts Education Association Youth Art Month in Boston's Transportation Building through January, and the Westford Parish for the Arts Exhibit in February.

In addition, many of our CHS art students recently had work submitted into the annual Boston Globe Scholastic Art & Writing Award Competition. Students involved will be awarded Gold Keys, Silver Keys, and Honorable Mentions by an experienced jury panel; Gold and Silver Award

winning submissions will be exhibited at the Massachusetts State Transportation Building in Boston, and Gold Key works will travel to New York City for a national review. We will learn the results later this winter, and teachers and students are keeping their fingers crossed!

Of course, a lot of art is happening on the local front as well. Our own Chelmsford Public Library will also host a K-12 exhibit through the month of March; this is always a fabulous exhibit, and I encourage you to drop by during that time! The reception for the exhibit is March 2 from 5:00-7:00 p.m. Snacks will be served, and student musicians will provide music for the artists and guests in attendance. In addition, CHS Art Students currently have their artwork on display in the Special Education Office and House Offices, the Art Wing Display cases, and the CHS Learning Commons. I would encourage you to stop by when you can to see all of the student artwork on display throughout the building.

If you cannot make it to CHS to see our art on display, please consider visiting our online art gallery at www.lionart.net that features



Into the Woods cast members Tristan Heck, Will Marcotte, Sydney Baron, Phil Ferdinand Jr., Nadya Lisciotto, Michael Xavier, Deb Veizi, Gabby Cruz



The CHS Set of Into the Woods, this year's musical



Nadya Lisciotto sings as the Witch in Into the Woods

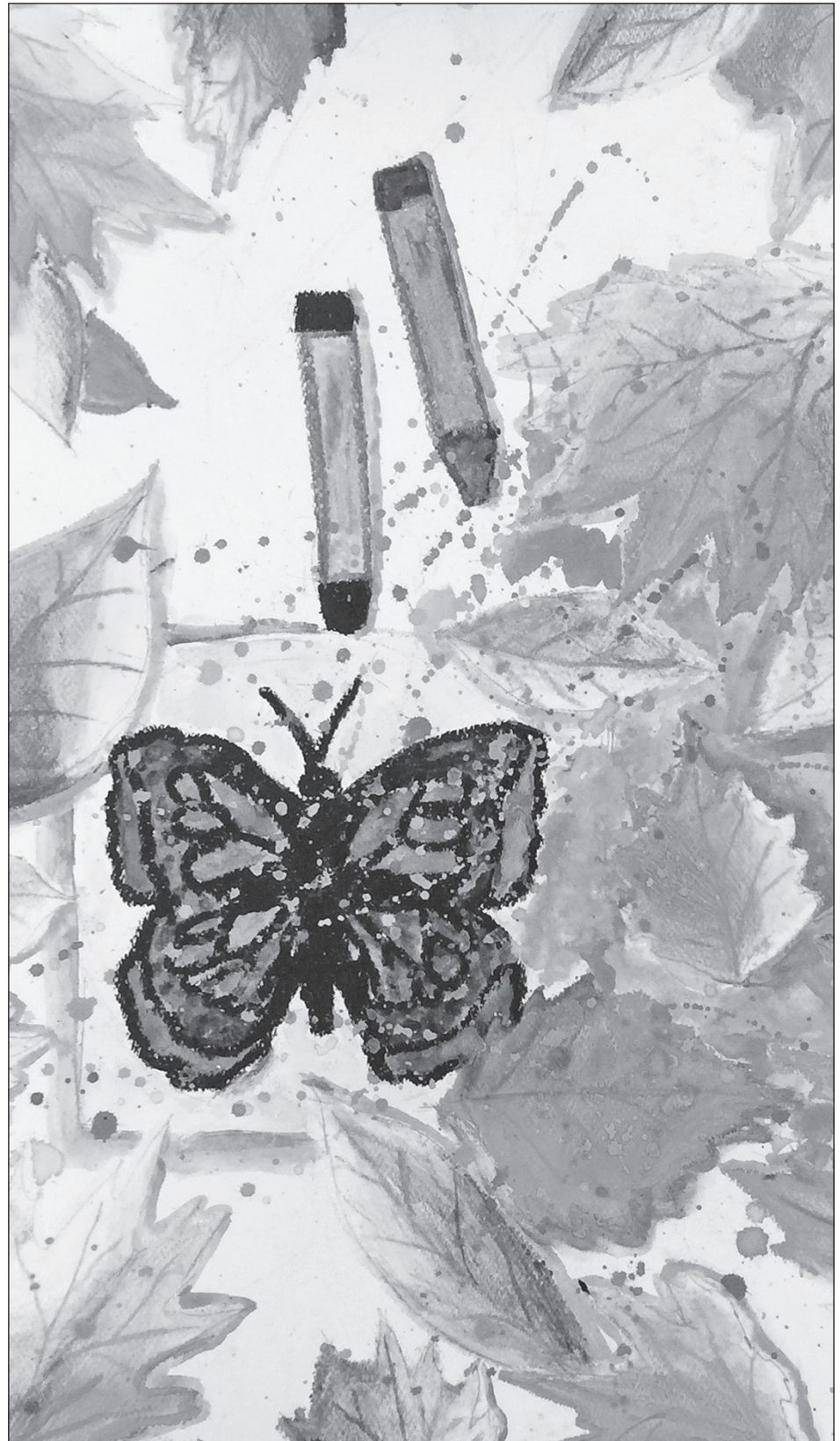
student work from our digital art classes, including Introduction to Photography, Digital Photography II, Graphic Design, and 3D Design and Animation.

The CHS Theater Guild has been hard at work this year, and enthusiastically presented their first December musical to packed houses each night, as theater-goers were treated to our production of the Stephen Sondheim romp *Into the Woods*. This show explores the famous Grimm fairy tales, and audiences were introduced to Little Red Riding Hood, The Big Bad Wolf, Cinderella, Rapunzel, the Witch, Jack and the Beanstalk, and many more fairy tale characters! With musical direction by Amanda Roeder and Matt Sexauer, direction once again under the helm of veteran theater teacher Lauren Cochran, and technical direction by Craig Robertson, the cast, student orchestra, and crew created a truly unique and unforgettable immersive theater experience.

The cast and crew literally took audience goers *Into the Woods* with them, as guests encountered woodland creatures, Snow White and the Seven Dwarves, Sleeping Beauty, mysterious trees, the Frog Prince and Princess, and many more exciting characters as soon as they entered the lobby of the Performing Arts Center.

The talented cast included Sophie Bellone as Little Red, Nadya Lisciotto as the Witch, Connor Frugoli as the Wolf, Rachel McMillan as Rapunzel, Philip Ferdinand as the Baker, Sydney Baron as the Baker's Wife, Victoria Sebastian as Jack's Mother, Michael Xavier as Jack, Gabi Cruz and Deborah Viezi as Milky White, Nathan Sullivan and Connor Frugoli as the Princes, and many more.

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Medha Purushotham's watercolor artwork, published in the Marble Collection Magazine.

FINE & PERFORMING ARTS *Report*

The Theatre Guild is currently preparing its competition play, *Family Album*, which presents vignettes of a family in a summer cottage in NH. Chelmsford will once again be hosting the preliminary round of the Massachusetts Educational Theater Guild One-Act Festival in the Carl Rondina Performing Arts Center on Saturday, March 4, 2017. The performances begin at 9:00 a.m. Please check www.chelmsfordtheater.com for more details, as start times for each school have not been scheduled. Tickets can be purchased at the door on the day of festival.

The Guild will also be presenting original "Winter Shorts" in the early spring. Please check back on the Guild's website, www.chelmsfordtheatre.com, for information as the show approaches!

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



300 Middle and High School Band Students perform together on the field as part of Chelmsford Public School's Annual "Band Night"

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

In addition to in-district musical activities, On November 19, over 1100 music students from public and private schools across the Northeastern part of Massachusetts auditioned for the 2017 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, 15 of which were from Chelmsford High School. These



Dominick Flores, Aidan Hennessey, and Robert Cunningham perform with 300 Middle and High School Band Students

students performed for a concert at UMass Lowell's Durgin Hall on Saturday, January 14.

In addition to having these 15 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, nine band, chorus, and orchestra students received an All-State recommendation!

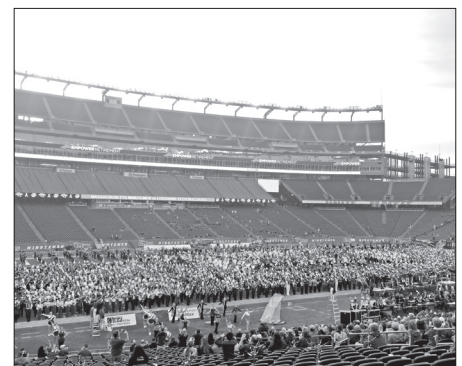
The following CHS students have been selected to participate in the following Northeast Senior District Music Ensembles (students who received an All-State audition recommendation have an asterisk next to their names):

CHS CHORUS

Gina Castellano*
Phil Ferdinand
Nadya Lisciotta*
Grace Rigney
Delaney Schiefen*
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CHS BAND

Moira Andrews*
Emily Bruce
John Clancy
David Cote*
Erick Lee*
Megan Long*

Those students selected for the All-State Ensembles will stay in Boston March 9-11 to work with world-renowned conductors. After a few intense days of rehearsal, the ensembles will perform at Symphony Hall in Boston on March 11, 2017.

The following CHS students have been selected to participate in MMEA All-State Ensembles:

David Cote (CHS Band)
Nadya Lisciotta (CHS Chorus)
Delaney Schiefen (CHS Chorus)

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

In other music news, this season we have organized some special collaborative projects that included the Chelmsford High School Marching Band, the middle school ensembles, and other ensembles from around New England. On Friday, October 14th, the Chelmsford High School Marching Band extended an invitation to the McCarthy and Parker Middle School Band Members to participate in a combined halftime show at the CHS Varsity Football game. Approximately 200 middle school musicians took part in this unique experience where they could see what it is like first-hand to be a member of the high school band.

For this event, the students took part in a large group rehearsal in the afternoon on the day of the game. The high school student leaders did a phenomenal job of welcoming the younger students and making them feel at home. Each instrument section treated the grades 6-8 students to token gifts, taught them a few basic marching commands and went over the music for the performance that evening. All of the students had a pizza dinner together and marched over to the stadium for the big event.

The game was exciting for all. The middle school students cheered as the high school performed the fight song and national anthem for pregame. They excitedly took the field at halftime and performed their best as a 300-person marching band. The middle school students were beaming with pride as they exited the field. Parents and family members were equally proud and very excited to see their children perform in such a large-scale setting.

This event is an annual tradition that is put on by the Chelmsford Public Schools Band Faculty. Their philosophy is to unite the grade 5-12 band program in an effort to boost the program's sense of family and community. Another major benefit is that it is a major recruitment tool for the high school program.

If that weren't enough excitement for one weekend, on Saturday, October 15, the Chelmsford High School band boarded buses headed to Gillette Stadium for the annual University of Massachusetts Amherst Band Day event. Each year, the UMass Band invites high school programs from all over New England. This event is similar to Chelmsford High School's Band Night for middle school band members. The students joined forces with 67 other high schools and performed in a large ensemble of approximately 3500 band members.

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Approximately 10 middle school musicians received a special invitation to attend this event as well, which was a huge thrill for them.

CHS vocalists are making things happen as well! Our a cappella group, "The Thursdays," under the direction of Amanda Roeder, have recently been accepted to perform at this year's N.E. Voices Festival! N.E. Voices is a two-day comprehensive festival experience for high school vocal ensembles and their teachers. The festival features dynamic performances, a competition, master classes, and workshops by experts in the field of contemporary a cappella. Founded and managed by high school teachers, N.E. Voices offers a festival experience that is educationally sound, affordable, and current with contemporary a cappella trends. This is the third year that this ensemble will participate in this event. Also attending the N.E. Voices festival is The Crescendos, a new select female vocal ensemble. The Crescendos have spent this school year preparing a variety of repertoire and are looking forward to singing at the MICCA Solo and Ensemble festival in May.

In February, the Thursdays will also compete at the Northeast Quarterfinal of the Varsity Vocals International Championship of High School A Cappella for the second consecutive year.

Finally, I am very pleased to announce that the Thursdays will be participating in this year's season of "Sing That Thing"- a vocal competition show on WGBH! "Sing that Thing" is local TV series showcasing New England's best

amateur singing groups in a friendly competition that celebrates the diversity and joy of song making.

Twenty-four groups have been selected to compete in three competition categories: High School, College, and Adult. The singers will perform over eight episodes including a Semi-Final, featuring the top six groups (two from each category), culminating to a grand finale featuring the top group in each category. Locally based luminaries offer performance advice in one minute "Master Class" segments.

The series features three on-air coaches who will provide constructive feedback to the groups and determine which will move on to the finale: Larry Watson, an educator, lyricist, civil rights activist, and professor at Berklee College of Music; Annette Philip, a vocalist, composer/arranger, and faculty member at Berklee College of Music, winner of the 2014 National Harmony Sweepstakes A Cappella Championship with her quartet, Women of the World; and Jared Bowen, WGBH News Executive Arts Editor and host of Open Studio with Jared Bowen, Boston television's only local arts series.

The Thursdays will tape live in Boston on Feb 11, and tickets are available through the WGBH website. Congratulations to these students, and to Ms. Roeder for her leadership and vision!

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

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

Best Regards,

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I asked my niece, Christy (Risska) Guerra, to write an article for her Class of 1967 for the upcoming issue of the Lion's Pride. It appears in this issue and I hope you will enjoy reading it.

As for our Class of 1937, it may be that Pauline (Lundberg) Breen and I are the only surviving members of our class of 56 (as I recall, although my "recalling" is not so good these days) students! I heard from Pauline's daughter, Nancy. On Dec. 9, 2016, Nancy wrote that they were preparing for the cold weather. She said that Pauline is now in a nursing home. Pauline's daughters, Linda, Nancy, and Karen had kept her home as long as they could with 24/7 care.



L to R: Addison Conrad (6), Ben Conrad, Bob Mackey, Dorothy Mackey, Barbara Mackey, Lucy Conrad (8)

Nancy said that Pauline was content where she was and the staff was very good and kind to her; the food was great. Nancy said her Mom has dementia (she's not alone, so do I!). Nancy, please tell her I said that. On Dec. 26, Nancy told me that I could tell you what she wrote and I feel it may help some of us elderly by reading it; I know it helped me. So here is what Nancy said:

"Hello, Dot. So nice hearing from you. I'm sorry about your brother, sad to let go, but when there is sickness involved, it's a blessing. My Mom is doing well, doesn't really know where she is, but 'loves the big beautiful house' she is in! She's happy and content! She eats so much; the food is excellent there, so she gobbles it down as if she has never eaten before! It's fun watching

her eat and enjoying her food. Tonight she ate her turkey dinner, then the fruit and ice cream and, when offered a brownie, well, she jumped at it. Loved it! Sometimes after a full meal and dessert, she goes back to her room and says she's still hungry! Can't believe it. At least she doesn't ask to go home or cries like some do. It's sad for us to see her like that, but we take it one day at a time. You (Dot) can quote me on anything about Mom; she's happy, enjoys the food, and sleeps most of the time. What is sad is that a vibrant woman (like my Mom was) has ended up like this! Enjoy your clear mind, for with it you can still know what is going on. You may forget things. I DO, TOO! But you can email, carry on a conversation and somewhat get around...count your blessings! You take care now

and any blurb about Mom would be appreciated—written up in the Lion's Pride. I can read it to her. She would be pleased, for sure. Love to you from Mom and me. Nancy”

FROM DOT: I remember Nancy telling us a few years ago how Pauline loved to sit on the porch or outdoors and watch the birds chirping around the yard, sitting in the sun and enjoying the fresh air. I always remembered how beautiful Pauline was, and still is. She was voted “the most beautiful girl” in our Class of 1937. I never forgot that.

NOTE FROM DOT TO ALL: Let's all write a note to Pauline (Lundberg) Breen at 14 Naylor St., N. Chelmsford, MA 01863 wishing her well. I have a feeling she'd love to receive a handful of mail! Or send an email to her at ngianoulis@hotmail.com.

"Matthew", a Category 1 Hurricane, visited us in October and did a tremendous amount of damage. Many people lost their homes due to the flooding, which eventually leaves so much mold that they are no longer livable. Those who lived in a Code 1 area, which ran parallel to the Atlantic Ocean, had no choice but to evacuate; we are in a Code 2 area and Bob and Barbara chose to stay. It was uncomfortable but, in the end, it worked out better. Trees fell into homes. We lost our power Saturday at twilight and regained it on Sunday about 2 p.m. On Sunday morning, I missed my coffee, as one needs power for the Keurig! We could hear a generator or two at work in the neighborhood. The children are still making up lost school days. The pond in our back yard overflowed and crept toward our patio and house but stopped when halfway there. We had four inches of rain.

Year 2016 was an unhappy year for the LeClair family. On February 17,

2016 my brother, George LeClair ('39) died, just short of age 95, in OR where he was sharing an apartment with his second wife, Nancy, in an assisted living facility. George's first wife, Eleanor (Mochrie) graduated with him from the Class of 1939. They leave four daughters, all CHS graduates: Janet Snelley '67, Anne Geldart '70, Mary Lachut '73, and Joan Pierce '76. My brother, Raymond ('41) died, age 93, on Christmas morning 2016 in St. Petersburg FL. He and his wife, Alice (Collinge) LeClair, had resided in Largo FL for a quarter century, and she predeceased him seven months earlier on May 15, 2016, age 93, in Largo. Alice was a graduate of Billerica High School. She and Ray are survived by three children: Raymond, Jr. of Chelsea, MA, Kenneth of W. Chelmsford (?), and Linda (LeClair) Strand, who just moved with husband, John, into their new home in San Marcos, TX. Ray and Alice would have celebrated their 70th Wedding Anniversary on May 30th!! Alice informed Ray she deserved the large diamond engagement ring she had never received in her 70 years of marriage. Ray bought it for her and they and their friends had a lovely ceremony! Dot said, “I wish I had thought of that; Peter and I had just celebrated our 65th Wedding Anniversary the past November 20th—too late!! While growing up, Ray and I sat on one side of the table at dinner and the other three children sat on the other side. One evening, when Ray was about 15 and I about 19, I happened to glance toward Ray's side and noticed he had a cup of coffee and was putting sugar into it—I could hardly believe I counted to six teaspoonsful. But, he didn't stir them in. So, when he wasn't looking, I stirred them in, and then went on with my dinner. Soon, he took a sip. I assure you; they heard him howl from Vinal Square! Children are such fun!! On Dec.

30, two of our great-grandchildren, ages 6 and 8, arrived with their Mom and Dad, Jacqueline (Gallagher) and Ben Conrad. Ben's father is Steven Conrad, and Steve is the children's grandfather, their grandmother being my daughter, Lynn (Mackey) (Conrad) Applegate. Lynn and Steven graduated in 1966 from CHS. Do you remember, Lynn had the lead of Lauren in Oklahoma? Ben and Jackie had been visiting Steve and his wife, Ketta, in Ravenel, near Charleston SC, where Steve is a semi-retired Golf Pro. It was a beautiful day and the girls played in our back yard, which includes a retention pond. They spent some time showing us how well they could do cartwheels. In between each one, the little one, Addie D'Arcy, would check to see if we were watching from the porch. Then Lucy Lynn followed suit. They had planned a three-hour stop here on their way from Charleston to Silver Spring MD where they reside. My son, Bob, and Ben then drove to Mike's Subs to pick up the subs we had ordered for lunch before they got on the road again. We sat at the dining room table which Barbara (Kimball) had beautifully decorated and “picnicked” on our subs and lots and lots of Oreos, “Double Stuf,” of course. Our guests arrived at 10:30 and left promptly at 1:30. All too soon! What a good time we had!!

-Dot

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Happy 2017 to all! Our holidays here in Central Virginia were marked by a lovely brunch and gift exchange with family at son David's home Christmas morning, followed by a "trip" to the Emergency Room precipitated by my falling exiting

the elevator in our building. After six and a half hours in the hospital, I was sent home with the diagnosis of a fractured pelvis and a walker to use during my 4-6 week in-home recovery period. In spite of the fall, Chuck and I were able to get dressed up for New Years' Eve dinner and dancing with a 16-piece swing band at the wonderful senior living community we moved to mid-year. I am feeling quite spoiled with prepared meals at the ready, and a surprise visit from daughter Zan, who recently moved to New York City.

In other class news, I am happy to report that classmate Betty (Hardy) Jones' inclusion in the In Memoriam column of the last issue of Lion's Pride was, to quote Mark Twain, greatly exaggerated. In fact, she is alive and well and still living on Cape Cod. This came directly from Betty when I called her home to check up on her.

Phyllis (Palmgren) Almgren wrote on her Christmas card that she is enjoying attending musical events. Despite the lack of rain in California, she reports her garden did very well this past summer.

Don and Dottie Reid, also of California, called at Christmas to report that it was now raining there. They are also great-grandparents and enjoying this newest generation of the family.

May you all enjoy good health and avoid accidents in the coming year. In other words, do as I say and not as I do (did). As always, I would love to hear your news. Please note my new mailing address:
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Take care til next time, Skip

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Today, December 7, 2016, I am starting to put together the next Lion's Pride due January 6, 2017. You might ask, so what's the rush? Our listing of those receiving the pride, the class of 1950, is thirty-three. Since the last issue of the pride, four classmates died, and we were saddened to hear that two classmates recently lost their spouses. We extend our sympathies to all their families.

Beverly (Cochrane) Parker passed away at her home on Tuesday, July 5, 2016. She was the wife of the late Lester Parker who passed away in 2006. She worked for the Chelmsford Newsweekly, the Atlantic Parachute Company in Lowell, and was a lunch aide for the Chelmsford Public Schools. Beverly was active in the Rainbow Girls organization and was a volunteer at All Saints' Thrift Shop.

She is survived by her children, Robert Parker and his wife Annmarie Roark of Chelmsford, Cynthia Gavriel and her husband Ted of Tyngsboro, David Parker of Dunstable, Suzanne Starr and her husband Stephen of CO and AZ, Douglas Parker and his wife Darlene of Chelmsford, Jeffrey Parker and his wife Judy of Townsend, and Kimberly of Nashua. She also leaves seven grandchildren, Amy Parker and her husband Steve Norander, Elizabeth Parker and her husband Gilbert "Coe" Kittredge, Jessica Parker and her fiancé Michael D'Angelo, Heather Parker, Kerry Parker, Stephanie Parker, Jacob Parker, and Justin Parker, and three great-grandchildren as well as his sister-in-law Mildred McAulay.

Class Agent Note: Beverly and I were in the same homeroom four years at CHS. Her husband and I both worked for Raytheon. I met him at the Bedford plant, which is next to Hanscom Air Force Base.

Robert Kydd passed away on November 6, 2016. He was the husband of Jean (McAllister) Kydd with whom he shared 61 years of marriage. Born on November 7, 1932, he was the son of the late Jack and Edie Kydd. He was captain of his football and basketball teams. He served in the Army as a Staff Sgt. during the Korean War. In his early years he worked for his grandfather at Kydd's Dairy and Ice Cream Stand and Kydd's Diner (later known as Skip's), before becoming co-owner of Jack's Diner in Chelmsford Center. In 1957, Bob and Jean founded Elm Hill Breeding Labs raising guinea pigs for research. Elm Hill's guinea pigs were instrumental in the development of the polio and TB vaccines, as well cochlear ear implants. Bob was a member of the Chelmsford Board of Appeals, a founding member of Chelmsford Elks, a trustee of Lowell Five Bank, a member of the William Sewall Gardner Lodge of Masons, and a member of the Holiday Lighting Committee. Bob was inducted into CHSAA Hall of Fame in 2012.

Seasoned travelers, Bob and Jean visited 20 different countries over the years. In 2005, they established the Jack's Diner/Kydd Family CHSAA Scholarship. Bob was a member at the following golf clubs: Vesper, Nabnasset, Mount Pleasant, and Stony Brook (in Sarasota FL). Bob is survived by his wife Jean and their children Robb of Tyngsboro, Kathy Stokes (Terry) of Steamboat Springs CO, Kenny of Chelmsford, and Cindy Tessier also of Chelmsford. He was the proud grandfather of Jessica, Breanna, Gregory, Katelyn, Jenna, Kevin, and the great-grandfather of four. He was

predeceased by siblings, Margaret Tyler of Chelmsford, and Jack Kydd of No. Kingston RI.

On December 5, 2016, I received a call from Carolyn (Burt) Bennett who said that she received a call from Jim Kerrigan's daughter Kathy. She said that Jim had passed away last week and that his wife Lorraine is in the hospital. Carolyn wrote, "When will this stop ????? I'm getting afraid to answer the phone or read the emails. Would you believe this is the sixth passing since November 3, all friends and some very close friends."

James J. Kerrigan, Sr., 84 of Venice FL passed away on November 30, 2016 following a brief illness. Kerrigan was born in No. Chelmsford MA on March 6, 1932 to the late Thomas and Ellen Kerrigan and was predeceased by his four siblings, Margaret Cote, Helen Baker, Thomas Kerrigan, and Mary Strand. He was the son-in-law of the late Catherine Lord and her husband, the late Raymond J. Lord, former mayor of Lowell, State Representative, and Lowell City Councilor.

Kerrigan is survived by his wife of 64 years, Lorraine F. (Lord) Kerrigan and his four children and extended family including his daughter Katherine Judge and her husband John Judge of Sandwich MA, and his three sons John Kerrigan Jr. and his wife Kathleen Kerrigan of Plymouth MA, Kenneth Kerrigan and his wife Elizabeth Kerrigan of Fairfax VA, and Mark Kerrigan of Bourne MA. He will be remembered by his nine grandchildren, Kerri, Brian, Kara, Katelyn, James, Kenneth Jr., Sean, Kyle, Kaleigh, and his three great-grandchildren, Samuel and Beau Judge, and Owen Crean.

Kerrigan graduated from Chelmsford high school in 1950. He was a star athlete and was best known as an outstanding football player. Kerrigan

was also a boxer in the New England Golden Gloves and then had a brief career as a professional boxer. He served as a police officer and detective with the Chelmsford Police Department for 28 years before retiring due to serious gunshot wound while on duty in 1985. Kerrigan spent the first several years of his retirement in Sandwich MA before moving to Venice FL in 1996. While in Sandwich, Kerrigan played softball for many years in the Cape Cod Senior Softball League and enjoy participating in several national softball team tournaments with his teammates.

He was the former owner of Elite Motors in No. Chelmsford and coached Little League baseball for many years in Chelmsford, once leading his team to Chelmsford's first District Little League Championship.

Kerrigan has often been described as a man who loved spending time with family and friends. He particularly enjoyed times with his grandchildren and great-grandchildren. While living in Florida, he remained a passionate and loyal fan of the Red Sox, the Patriots and the Boston Bruins.

Jim was a member of the Massachusetts Retired Police Officer's Association, Massachusetts County Municipal Employees Association, Chelmsford Lodge of Elks, and the Venice Loyal Order of Moose.

We recently heard from Connie (Pomeroy) Stone of the sad news that her good friend and our classmate, Gail (Shawcross) Colella died on December 29, 2016. She was married to William Collela with whom she celebrated their 59th anniversary this past August. Born in Lowell, she was the daughter of the late Royal and Nellie (Butterfield) Shawcross. She graduated from Chelmsford High

School with the class of 1950 and then earned a Bachelor of Science from the University of New Hampshire.

Gail retired in 1993 from the Peabody Public Schools where she was a middle school Home Economics teacher.

After her retirement, she was a Legal Advocate for HAWC (Help for Abused Women and Children) in Gloucester, MA and was a volunteer for the Wellspring House in Gloucester, MA.

Gail was an avid reader and loved traveling and spending time with her family.

Besides her husband, she is survived by her son, William "Biff" and his wife, Pamela of Lakeland, FL; daughter, Lee Ann and her husband, Robert Alden of Westford; grandchildren, Alexander Dinola, Joseph Alden and William Alden and many nieces and nephews. She was the sister of Lee Shawcross, and Carol (Shawcross '45) Grunditz.

We were saddened to learn that the husband of classmate Janet (Bomil) Georges, George Georges, of Nashua NH, died at home surrounded by his family on Tuesday, November 15, 2016. He and Janet would have celebrated their 67th wedding anniversary on January 21, 2017. Born in Lowell, he was the son of the late John and Rose Georges and graduated from Tilton Academy (Tilton NH) with the class of 1948. He earned his BS in Business at BU. He proudly served with U.S. Air Force during the Korean War. George owned and operated George Georges General Contracting of Nashua. He had previously managed the Blue Moon Night Club in Lowell. He was a communicant at Saint Patrick Church in Nashua. George loved flying. He was a flight instructor and auxiliary pilot for the

NH State Police. He was a winter resident of Florida and enjoy flying there every year with his wife. In addition to Janet, he is survived by two sons George Georges Jr. of Groton MA, and Dana and his wife Kathryn Georges of Nashua NH, his brother Peter and his wife Nona Georges of Dunstable MA, sister Dorothy Beckwith of Westford, three grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews. He was the brother of the late Dennis Georges of Lowell MA, Martha Melanson of No. Chelmsford MA, and Evelyn Silva of Nashua. It being his wishes, there was no visitation and services were private.

We were saddened to hear of the death of Marilyn (Watt) Dana's husband Edgar P. "Ed" Dana of Chelmsford on November 25, 2016. He was born in Lowell, son of the late Russell and Leslie (Pullen) Dana and graduated from Lowell High School in 1950 and Burdett College in 1952. His wife Marilyn, daughter June (Dana) Medina and her husband Vinicio "Vin" Medina, daughter-in-law Marcia C. Dana, six grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren survive him. He was also the loving grandpa to Kiara and Noah Beira-Medina. He also leaves his brother-in-law, Charles E. Watt as well as his nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his beloved son Gregory A. Dana ('73), as well as his brother George and sister Phyllis (Dana) Wilcox. A veteran of the US Army, Ed served in Berlin, Germany during the Korean War. At age 23, he began working for U. S. Gypsum Company, where he spent 18 years, leaving in 1967 as Boston and New England District Manager. In 1968, he and his wife formed Danco Building Supply, which they owned until 1975 when they founded Dana Wallboard Supply, Inc. Ed remained president of the corporation until 1995 when he and Marilyn both retired. He was a member of Christ Church United in Lowell and was a

parishioner and member of Aldersgate United Methodist Church in Chelmsford. He served on the Board of Directors and as President and Treasurer of the town of Chelmsford Scholarship Fund from 1964 until 1994. He was also a member of the Chelmsford Historical Society and the Lowell Whistler House. He enjoyed going fishing.

For those who didn't attend the 26th annual CHSAA Hall of Fame Induction Dinner, I would like to mention one honoree in particular, Meghan Curran. She is a "character" in the book, *Ashley's War*, by Gayle Tzemach Lemmon, which is about the first group of women selected as members of the Army's inaugural Community Support Team (CST). The team's mission was to help conduct raids with Army Rangers and Navy Seals and gather intelligence from women and children in Afghanistan. (Class News Ed. Note: see Lion's Pride Editor's Note in the Winter 2016, Volume XXVII for detailed story about Meghan Curran.)

I found a copy of the above-mentioned book at Barnes & Noble and after reading it, ordered eight more copies to give to friends.

In the book, Meghan is listed as Tristan Marsden from Fort Sill OK. I especially suggest reading pages 271 to 273, important pages that may explain how Tristan handled situations and what was accomplished during CST missions. Also, the epilogue fills the reader in on what Tristan and her teammates did when they returned to their home bases after serving their nine months in Afghanistan. This book is a great read.

-Jack

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It is with sadness that I have to report another death of our classmates. Charlotte (Tibbetts) Vayo passed away early in January in her home in Middleboro. She will be missed by her 5five children, seven grandchildren, and four (soon to be five) great grandchildren.

Back in CHS days, we were dubbed "TNT" (Tibbetts & Toms) by our homeroom teacher and although we got into mischief, I don't think we did anything explosive!

I'll miss our luncheon dates that we managed a few times a year and also knowing that Charlotte was always as near as the telephone to listen with understanding whether the news was good or bad.

Rest in peace my friend. -Pat

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We extend our deepest sympathy to Ann (Morrow) Reardon whose beloved husband, Daniel "DJ" Reardon, passed away last summer. Our thoughts are with Ann and her family.

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Classes of 1956, 1954 and 1947
The White sisters, L to R, Barbara (White '56) Costello, Marcia (White '54) Keim, Margie (White '47) Peterson, in Las Vegas NV

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My-Dear-Classmates---
Happy-Happy Spring! For some mates it has been a long time coming. How exciting it is that, now with all the changes that spring has to offer, trees budding, flowers starting to bloom and the weather warming up. Yeah! --- A short memory, you shouldn't skip. Saw a cute article in our local newspaper. Do any of you girls remember Double Dutch, at the Westland School? It was a great schoolyard pastime, at recess. All we needed were two ropes and a pair of sneakers. There was a girl at each end of the ropes, one rope in the right hand and the other in the left.

Then the girls would turn the ropes. It was hard to get in and out, while the ropes were turning. Double Dutch was such a great playground pastime.

80th Birthday Celebrations --- On Saturday, September 10th, Carol (Abrahamson) Bovill, of Center Harbor, NH, enjoyed a nice family gathering, at her son David's home. It was hosted by Bruce and Angela Bovill, and David Bovill and his companion Judy, in Moultonborough, NH, to celebrate Carol's 80th Birthday. Carol and guests enjoyed a fantastic sit down dinner, with all the decorations. After dinner, they all went outside, where her sons David and Bruce, presented Carol with her birthday cake and sang the old Happy Birthday song. Then the happy tears started. Also attending her celebration were Carol's companion Lee and her grand dog Maddie, Tom and Barbara Bovill, and other friends. They celebrated way into night, with much fun and laughter. A few days later Carol and Lee took their annual trip to Cape Cod, for her birthday. Then in October, they traveled to up State NY, with friends.

Earl Guilmette had a very nice celebration for his 80th with the whole family on Thanksgiving Day at his home in North Chelmsford. Earl said he is very blessed to have, three daughters, seven grandchildren and one great granddaughter. Then of course, there is Charlie, Earl's 25 year old horse, who is always looking for a carrot or apple. When Earl heard that they were about to get some snow, just before Thanksgiving, he pulled out his mower and cut the grass for the last time, until spring 2017.

Out-n-about--- This past mid-August, Gertrude (GiGi) (Long) Kelleher, of Wilmington, DE enjoyed a visit

from her daughter Maureen and granddaughter Antonia. Antonia wanted to visit with grandma to celebrate her 7th Birthday. Antonia loves trains and her wish was to travel by train, round trip. Her father had to stay home, as his work got in the way. Her mom Maureen is a free-lance writer. Always on the go. On Labor Day Weekend, GiGi had a very nice surprise visit from Dona (Provencal) Gavin, of Cape Elizabeth, ME. Dona went down to Wilmington DE to have lunch with Gigi. Dona was in Philadelphia for the weekend with her daughter, who was visiting her grandson Zach. The last time she saw Dona was when they were settling Zach in at college. Dona says that she cannot believe that Gigi and she met when they were two --- that was 77 years ago.

In October, Larry and Pati Litchfield, of Laconia, NH, were happy to be closing, for the winter, Sawyer's, their restaurant and dairy bar in Gilford NH, after a great successful 10th season. Pati made 12,000 gallons of ice cream, this past summer! Larry enjoyed a week at the Deerfield (NH) Fair, selling coffee and some yummy apple-cider donuts out of his food truck. In between their busy times, they were able to enjoy a day off on October 16th by attending a New England Patriots game. --- On Christmas Day, Larry and Pati headed for FL. On the way, they stopped at Litchfield Beach, SC, (Pawleys Island) just south of Myrtle Beach SC, to visit that part of his family which had left Plymouth (Plimoth) Plantation MA. The story is that Nicolas Litchfield set sail for southern waters to start another plantation to produce rice. He ran out of stores off the SC Coast and beached the vessel, on what much later became known as Litchfield Beach! Originally, it was called Litchfield Plantation---a great history story. After leaving SC, they



Class of 1955 - Carol (Abrahamson) Bovill's, 80th birthday celebration in September. L to R son Bruce, Carol, son David.



Carol with David, after she blew out the candles.



Carol with her companion Lee (Woody) Woodworth.



L to R: Tom Bovill with Carol's grand-dog Mattie, Carol's son, Bruce.

traveled to Ponte Vedra Beach FL. While there, they drove down to St. Augustine to visit with Chuck and me. The next day they headed for



Class of 1955 - L to R: Carol with Tom's wife Barbara Bovill



Dan Pushee, DeMolay Legion of Honor Award recipient. L to R: daughter Peggy, Dan, daughter-in-law Cheryl, son George



Class of 1955 - Larry and Pati Litchfield at a Patriots Game in October

Longboat Key, on the west coast of FL, for a well-deserved months' long vacation. The next day Larry and Pati drove down to Venice FL to celebrate bringing in the New Year 2017, at his sister Deborah's and her husband Gordon's home.---Cheers!

George Daniel MacGregor Pushee III, better known to our classmates as Dan or Danny Pushee, of Crystal River FL, flew up to Boston in September. Dan traveled with his daughter Peggy, also from Crystal River. They stayed in Orange MA with his son George and his wife Cheryl. The reason for the trip was that Dan received The DeMolay Legion of Honor in Boston on September 24, 2016. The Legion of Honor is the Highest Honor Conferred by the DeMolay International. DeMolay International may confer the DeMolay Legion of Honor upon a Senior DeMolay, for outstanding leadership in some field of endeavor, or for success in Fraternal Life. Dan was Master Councilor of the Lowell

Chapter, Order of DeMolay in 1957. Dan has been an Active Freemason for 45 years and maintains membership in 25 Masonic Bodies. He has presided over 14 Bodies in MA, VA, and FL and has received distinguished service awards from 10 of these, plus the Citrus County Chamber of Commerce. Dan is currently serving the Grand Council of Allied Masonic Degrees of USA as its Grand Superintendent in Florida. Over the past 20 years Dan has created extensive national and state websites for the York Rite of Freemasonry with the primary site being --- www.yorkrite.org.

In late October, Eileen (Harrington) Collomb, of St. Augustine FL had a grand visit from her son Chuck of Baltimore MD. Chuck was here for a week, they had such fun going to lunch at the different restaurants on the water, and all had outside places in which to eat outside.

They were shocked to see all the damage caused by Hurricane

Matthew to homes, and household furniture and goods, from the flooding and tree debris, caused by falling trees on homes and branches on the roads along with all the wood from boardwalks and boat docks. On October 7, Big Bad Matthew, a category 4 hurricane, caused a massive amount of damage here in St. John's County. It was a devastating storm. Some people lost their homes and some are in limbo, because of the vast amount of flooding due to the storm surge along the Intracoastal Waterway and some areas from the St John's River. West of I 95, over 1500 acres of farmland was flooded from all the rain. Eileen and I were very blessed. Eileen evacuated to her niece's home in Orange Park, west of the Jacksonville area. Chuck, Dolly, and I did not evacuate, and some of our neighbors also stayed. At one point, the water from the Intracoastal Waterway came down our street like a raging river, we were so thankful that it did not reach our front door. We did have a lot of debris, as did

most people. Some had trees fall on their houses and some lost power for over a week. We lost power for 18 hours and no water for 3 days. Brought back memories of the funny farm.--- In Late October, Eileen's brother Bob ('62) and his wife Lynn Harrington, from Oregon, visited for a week. Her brother John ('66) and his wife Kiki Harrington drove down from Palencia, just north of St. Augustine to join them for a fantastic time doing daily lunches, at restaurants with a view or with outside seating. Eileen said it was good fun and created many memories.

Around-n-about---

On Tuesday, September 27th, Earl Guilmette, flew out to El Paso TX where Bunny's cousin picked him up at the airport. They traveled to New Mexico, where the cousin lives, to spend a well-deserved ten-day vacation. She lives in the desert area - no trees! Earl had a fun time but was glad to be back home, where there are trees and his horse Charlie in his back yard!

This past fall Dottie (Tassios) Zahos, took a couple of fantastic tours. The first was in October to Meredith NH where the group boarded the Winnepesaukee Scenic Railroad, for a two-hour train ride. It took the visitors along the scenic shores of Lake Winnepesaukee. Dottie called it the "Turkey Train." She thought they would be getting just a box lunch, but much to her surprise, it had been arranged to have a wonderful full course Turkey dinner with all the fixings catered by Hart's Turkey Farm Restaurant, located in Meredith. Dottie's next adventure was to Bretton Woods NH in November. The group tour traveled through the White Mountains to Cannon Mountain, in Franconia Notch. Then they were off to Polly's Pancake House for Breakfast a rustic country setting, with views of the

mountains, in Sugar Hill, NH. After breakfast, they stopped at the Sugar Hill Inn, to shop in the gift store, before going on to the Mt Washington Resort Hotel, in Bretton Woods, NH, located in Crawford Notch. After checking in, Dottie said they had a great dinner and service. Then Dottie and Chris went to one of the grand ballrooms, for a night of dancing to the Glenn Miller Band. That was the highlight of their trip. After a good night's sleep, Dottie took a nice long walk around the famous veranda from where one can see all of the Presidential Range including Mt Washington. A fantastic and yummy buffet breakfast was served in the dining room which has a panoramic view of the mountains and the lush grounds of the resort. On the way home the tour took them south to the Lakes Region and Lake Winnepesaukee and then to the New Hampshire International Speedway in Loudon NH, famous for the NASCAR Races. On the way to the racetrack tour, they stopped in Tilton at the traditional old-timey Tilt'n Diner, for a yummy meal and a wonderful family dining experience.

Bob and Gay McEvoy, of Westford, MA, celebrated Thanksgiving at their daughter Donna's home. Donna and Mike have had Thanksgiving at their home for 20 years, because Mike told her, that after they married, it was time for them to take over Thanksgiving for their mothers and have both families together. They had a very large fun crowd at dinner of 20 to 25 people, and more joined them for supper! Their grandson Billy is a junior at Wilmington High School and was the team's number one player on the golf team this past fall. He competed in the State Tournament, was selected Wilmington's MVP for the third year in a row, and was named to MVC All-Conference and Lowell Sun's All-Star Golf Teams, which, needless to say, made grampa and

nana very proud. Now Billy is on the Basketball team and hopes they have a good season.

Talked with Judy (Fisher) Chandonnet, in December. She and Louis spent the summer at their adorable summer beach cottage, in Sago ME. They were very busy with their family coming and going. Their daughter Susan flew in from CA for a visit with her family, and along with their daughters Kim, Ann, and son Greg, and families, who all live in the area, they all enjoyed the summer. Judy was delighted to have a few visits with Prue (Pouliot) and Mike McBride, of Cordova TN. Prue and Mike were here for five weeks at Ocean Park ME visiting with family who live in NE. One of their outings was a drive to see Judy's new condo in Fremont NH. --- At this time of writing, Judy and Louis have closed up their Sago ME summer getaway and are in their winter home in Fremont NH all decorated for the Christmas season with a fresh coat of snow.

In August, Richard and Priscilla Burt flew out to Littleton CO, for the celebration of their granddaughter Samantha's, eighth birthday. In the fall, Richard flew down to Miami FL to have a visit with their daughter Emily ('87). He "got out of Dodge" (so they say) in early October just before big bad Hurricane Matthew arrived. Richard and Priscilla hosted a wonderful old-fashioned Thanksgiving Dinner with all the New England traditions. Attending were all their family, son Rick ('91) his wife Kimberly, with granddaughter Samantha of Littleton, CO and daughter Emily of Miami FL. For now, the blankets are pulled up, while they wait for the arrival of spring. Sounds like a plan!

Ann (Dale) Davis, of Chelmsford, (remember, she was a Quessy School girl from West Chelmsford) would

love to share her news with her classmates. She writes that her family keeps her busy with the fun holidays. Her six children and many grandchildren and great grandchildren will carry on to the next generations. They travel from house to house, with all kinds of activities going on and have breakfast get-togethers, cousin play dates, gift swapping, along with Christmas Eve and Christmas Day gatherings. Church is also an important part of Ann's life and she is very active with her Church family as well. To all of her classmates, Ann says to have a blessed Christmas and thanks for the memories! We sure do have some great memories; it was the best of times.

A Grand California Wedding---
On November 1, 2016, Carol (French) Miller, of Hudson NH, headed to Santa Monica, CA with her daughter Laurie, of Plymouth MA, and Laurie's daughter, to attend the wedding of Carol's oldest grandson, John. They stayed at Newport Beach in a huge house with the rest of Laurie's kids and friends from Plymouth, MA, who arrived at various times. The weather was wonderful, of course.

On Wednesday, Carol, Laurie, her husband Mitch, and youngest daughter, Leanne a senior in High School, took a tour of the campus at UCal Irvine. Amazing!

On Thursday, they all headed up to the Marriott Hotel, nearer the wedding site where they met lots of friends and classmates of the bride and groom. Then they had a traditional Korean barbecue at the lovely home of the bride's parents in Irvine. The bride, who went to law school with John is Korean, born in the U.S. Friday night was the rehearsal dinner at a fabulous Italian restaurant in Santa Monica and Saturday the main event! Although

the day had been quite foggy, as the beautiful bride walked down the aisle towards the happy groom, the fog lifted and the sun came out! On Sunday, they took in the famous Santa Monica Pier and then they all collapsed at the hotel! On Monday, the New England "crew" flew home and the bride and groom, both lawyers in New York City, went back to work! They are planning a honeymoon trip in the spring. Carol says that perhaps, she will get to be a great-grandmother in the not-so-distant future!

80th Birthday Celebrations---
On September 12th, Carol (Abrahamson) Bovill, of Center Harbor NH, and on November 20th, Earl Guilmette, of North Chelmsford celebrated their milestone birthdays and shared their happy times with us (see beginning of our Class News). 2017 is a big year for our mates with lots of 80ths coming up, I hope you will do the same and will be looking forward to hearing all about your celebration, along with any photos.

Up-n-coming---
The 7th annual gathering of the "gals of 1955" will again be at the Java Room in Chelmsford, sometime in May. If you are interested in joining them for a good time, reminiscing of our fun school days, and sharing what you are up to today, please call Dottie (Tassios) Zahos, at 978-392-7979, or email her at dzahos@verizon.net.

Also, the 11th Annual Florida Reunion of CHS classmates will be held on April 5, 2017. We have decided to have the reunion, yet again, on a three-hour luncheon cruise, aboard The Barbara Lee, an authentic paddle wheeler. You will enjoy a full table service with five items on the menu to choose from, full bar, gift shop, and dance floor. You will enjoy cruising the beautiful

St John's River, out of Lake Monroe, Sanford FL. There is easy access from Interstate 4 and easy parking at dockside. All classes are invited; it is a great time to reminisce. Don't be bashful we would love to have you join our lively group. So let me know your wishes via e-mail or phone. My deadline for the final count is March 21, 2017.

New Digs ---
After 29 years living on Hornbeam Hill Road in Chelmsford, Ron Taylor has moved to a cozy apartment, in a separate building, on the same property as his daughter Diane's home. Ron's new address is 138A Main Street, Westford, MA. 01886. Same cell number and e-mail address. We sure had some great fun gatherings at Ron's lovely home during our reunion meetings and/or when classmates came in from out of town. We would gather in the house or in his adorable screen house, reminiscing about the days gone by and laughing till we cried, well into the night. Ron had a well-manicured yard with beautiful flowers lining the walkways. He was always a gracious host and we shared many memories - thanks Ron, you were always there for us. We all want to wish you much happiness in your new adorable abode.

Doris (Brooks) Lowe and her husband Ray have moved from Searsport ME to a new home at 46 Hudson Ave., Guilford ME.

Address Changes---
Don't forget to let me know, when you have a new address, e-mail, phone, a new grand or great grand, and news of your latest travels, photos etc.

Please contact me. Your classmates would love to hear what you have been up too.

Tid-Bits---

In late August, Gertrude (Smith) Allaby, had a nice long phone visit with Ken "Pin Ball" Carter, of Charlotte ME. Gertrude called me to say she had not received the fall edition of the *Pride*. I emailed the powers to be. Gertrude was so surprised to have it hand delivered by Terry McSheehy the president of CHSAA, for which she was most thankful. -- It was good to hear from Wendell Luke, but he had no news to speak of.-- Had a nice long talk with Lenny Leedburg, we walked down memory lane. Lenny remembers learning how to dance in the hall at Quessy School. They had the same partner, for every session. His was Pat (Sorbo) Carlson, (now deceased). Those of you who attended Quessy, do you remember who was your partner?! If you do, let me know! -- Don and Dottie (Charest '58) Clement, enjoyed their long trip from their Vero Beach FL winter home in the late spring to their Dunstable home for the summer. Donnie said he was busy doing odd jobs with his sons. They had a nice getaway when they spent their annual on July 4th week in Gilford NH. They are now happy to be back in Vero Beach FL for a warm winter.-- Tom and Barbara Bovill, had a busy summer tending to their veggie and flower garden. In between times, they were back and forth to their cottage at Silver Lake NH. Tom and Barbara did manage a day trip to Cape Cod in November to visit with Tom's cousin. Then back to the cottage in early December to watch the snow fly! Ron Taylor and Tom had a nice phone visit reminiscing about the old days. I also had a some great phone moments with Ronnie.-- Ron and Judy (Harrington '60) Leary, have been busy with both families and getting Ron's apartment all decorated. He is very happy in his new digs.-- Had a very nice note from Rick (Bill, Eric) Johnson's, wife Sharon, of Solvang CA. She truly misses Rick every day.

She takes care of her 6 year old grandson, Clayton, who keeps her busy, three afternoons a week. She is very thankful to have her daughters living nearby. Sharon, daughter Susan and grandson Clayton, went up to the Sierras where she and Rick used to fish in September every year. Clayton was happy to have caught his own trout. -- Carol (French) Miller started another season of choral singing in September. She was looking forward to performing with this new group. She commented that it would keep her brain challenged. -- I am sure Jerry Greska is looking forward to hitting the links in the spring.

Received a nice message from Betty (Morrison) Butler of Orlando FL, who was down in Hollywood Beach FL at her time-share, the week before Christmas. She was having a great time at the Flea Market.-- Received emails from Bill and Coppy Vennard of Columbia MD, Judith (Bomil) and Allen Killeen of Kittery ME, and Bill and Beverly Gould of Erie CO, Nothing new going on, just moving along, slowly of course. They all wanted to wish everyone, a Merry Christmas and a Happy New 2017.

Till-Next-Time---

Celebrate spring and the coming of its beautiful flowers! Have a blessed Happy Easter. As Rick Johnson's wife Sharon quotes in her note. "Live Well, Laugh Often and Love Much!!!"

- Marie ---

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Hello classmates, this is Ed Perzel's reporting on our 60th reunion of the class of 1956. Based on faulty memory, I apologize at the start if I leave anyone out. Many thanks to Mary (McCarthy) St. Hilaire, Mike Desmarais, Gene Gilet, Eileen (Cummings) Peterson, and Joan (Dodge) Weilbrenner for their relentless efforts to make sure those of us who want a reunion have one. Our class is proud of Mary's service to the town and her recent recognition of that service when the Chelmsford Housing Authority named the Community Center at Chelmsford Woods Residences for her. Gene Gilet provided the setting for our reunion in the beautifully restored mill buildings he owns, where Aprile's Restaurant is located. Glen Chambers, retired US Air Force officer, helped track down fellow classmates and did his best to act as MC for the event. He was successful in getting a few to reminisce. Dorothy (Vrouhas) Pitarys recalled how lucky we all were to grow up in Chelmsford and how things have changed. Her reflections did remind me of how we really did live in a Norman Rockwell setting. Thank you, Dorothy, for the memories.

James Curran, a regular attendee of our reunions who looks like he did 60 years ago, recalled a wild senior trip to FL with Joe Boyd and me. Joe (Boyd) Glover was one of the most mentioned missing class members. Where are you Joe? Supposed to be attending but called away by last minute family obligations were Eileen (Cummings) Peterson, Anne (Crowe) Sheeran, and Murray Hicks.

John DePalma told me about his duckpin bowling career. He gained success and fame on the circuit. He continues to run the alleys in No. Chelmsford established by his dad. Several of our classmates lead double lives moving back and forth from FL to New England. Larry Miller and



Class of 1956: 60th Reunion, September 24, 2016, Aprile's European Restaurant

Front Row: L to R: Barbara (Bowers) Velasco, Priscilla (McGaughey) Quinn, Mary (McCarthy) St. Hilaire, Joan (Dodge) Weillbrenner, Kay (Simpson) McGillivray, Judy (Philbrook) Fennell **Middle Row:** L to R: Paul Gaudette, Gail (Russell) Donahue, John Morrissey, Gene Gilet, Dorothy (Vrouhas) Pitarys, Nancy (Medin) Miller, Marylou (Ahearn) Prescott, Jim Curran **Back Row:** L to R: Dick Supple, Fred Reslow, John De Palma, David Pearson, Ray Marchand, Larry Miller, Ed Perzel, Mike Desmarais, Glen Chambers, Wayne Koles, Don McGillivray

wife Nancy (Medin) spend summers at the Cape, as does Wayne Koles, retired US Air Force Officer and banker. Judith (Philbrook) Fennell spends summers in ME and winters in FL. I enjoyed recollections about former grade- school acquaintance, Priscilla Babson, with whom Judith keeps in touch.

Ray Marchand contributed his wise cracks, vintage Ray, throughout the afternoon. Fred Reslow, another class cut-up, told of his ongoing battle with Principal John Conrad. Many years later, Mr. Conrad had to approve Fred for membership in a country club and Fred wasn't sure it would happen. (It did.)

Don and Kay (Simpson) McGillivray attended. Don has retired from a computer career and seems to be enjoying life. David Pearson is living in the Washington D.C. area after retiring from the government. I had a great time talking to Gail (Russell) Donahue and husband James during lunch. Both have a great sense of humor and we had lots of laughs.

Others attending that I didn't get a chance to talk with were John Morrissey, Richard and Marilyn (Vaipan) Supple, Paul Gaudette, Priscilla (McGaughey) Quinn, and Marylou (Ahearn) Prescott. From the noise level in the room, I am sure everyone had a good time. If you missed it, be sure to come next time.

On a personal note, my wife, Ellie and I, live in the mountains of NC on the VA and TN border, where we moved after retiring from Charlotte. While most of us tend to move, in old age, to be closer to children and grandchildren, two of my children, son Mark from Cincinnati, and daughter Kim from Bedford MA, have moved to the mountains. Now I have children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren that I see on a regular basis.

- Ed

With sadness, I have to report the passing of our classmate Robert Carkin on November 23, 2016. Our sympathy to his family. Robert was

lifelong partner of the late Owen Haynes. He retired in 1998 from the Vinfen Corporation of Cambridge, where he was Chief Financial Officer. He is survived by his sister Ruth (Carkin '63) Whitney of Windham NH and many nieces and nephews, and was predeceased by his siblings Howard ('54), Wesley ('60), and Judith (Carkin '62) Provencher.

In lieu of flowers, please send donations to the Robert Owen Scholarship fund C/O C.H.S.A.A. 200 Richardson Rd, N. Chelmsford, MA 01863

- Mary

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Hi all, it's that time again.....and I'm back!!! Hope that you all had great holidays with your family and friends!! Love this time of year with all the decorations and the music playing in all the stores! Wish they would hold off just a tad though... Halloween is a little too early for Christmas songs and decorations!!

I know a lot of you know my sister, Kathy (Crane '59) Lucier. She was a year behind us in school and hung out with us sometimes.....not too often, that wouldn't be cool!! Well, this past October my sister made the front page of THE LOWELL SUN. As some of you know, Kathy has Parkinson's disease. She was carrying a bowl of ice cream and went for a walk. Unfortunately, it was close to time when she needed her meds and she became disoriented. Kathy was missing for THREE very long days and nights. We were so lucky to have the whole town of Dracut on the lookout for her. Rep. Colleen Garry set up a great team of volunteers, dogs, helicopters, the whole works!! It was amazing to see and we were all so grateful for their help. Words are not nearly enough, "thank you" is not nearly enough, but she was found by some miracle.....I still say it was the "bowl" the ice cream was in! She was found by an off duty firefighter who also is her neighbor!!! Unbelievable that she survived.... but SHE DID!! She spent three days at LGH and then two months in rehab. She is now home and we are soooooo grateful!! Strong lady, our sister! She is now having nurses, physical therapists, etc. come to the house. She is making progress and hopefully will be her old self again

soon. One of the things that gave me hope when I visited her that she was still a wise a**! She'd say "you can go now" or if I asked a question she didn't like she said, "shut up"! Still fresh Kathy! But those times made me realize that she was still Kathy! Thank you to all of you who knew Kathy was missing; your words, thoughts and prayers meant more than you will ever know! There are a couple of pictures of Kathy with two of her grandchildren, Erin and Kiley! Please accept my apology for rambling on about this but I just really wanted you all to know that KATHY will be back!! And we all love her so much!!

A few of us from the Class of '58 had a nice lunch and get-together before Christmas. We had lunch at Greater Lowell Technical High School. Bob and Lee Gagnon are both substitute teachers and got it all arranged for us. The kids do a great job and we all had a very nice time,. Ron and Valerie (Broscombe) Bell, Carol (Belleville) and Jim Curran ('56), Judy (Cullen) Thompson, Peter Vennard, myself and of course Bob and Lee!!

One of our regulars Diane (Archer) Chaney couldn't make it but I happened upon a picture of Diane and her sister Donna (Archer) Wood at the Christmas Tree Festival.... so thought I would include it my newsletter.

No other news from classmates so I'll be saying so long for now! Again heartfelt thanks to all who do such a wonderful job on the Lion's Pride! Love reading the news from all the other classes!! GREAT JOB!!

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

-Martha



Class of 1958 - December Luncheon at Greater Lowell Technical School.

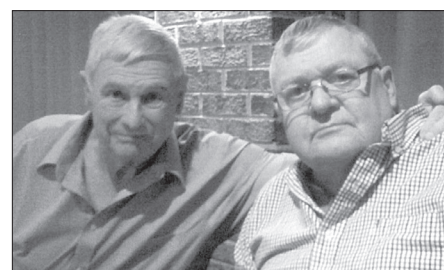
Front Row: L to R: Ron and Val (Broscombe) Bell, Lee Gagnon, Judy (Cullen) Thompson **Back row:** L to R: Jim ('56) and Carol (Belleville) Curran, Martha (Crane) Flaherty, Bob Gagnon, Pete Vennard



Judy (Cullen) Thompson and Lee Gagnon



Ron and Valerie (Broscombe) Bell



Bob Gagnon and Pete Vennard



Donna (Archer) Wood and Diane (Archer) Chaney

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Wishing all classmates in the Class of 1959, the very best and much health and happiness to everyone in the New Year.

We had our fourth mini reunion this past summer in So. Lowell at Fran (Zimba) Clark's home, a wonderful home with one very large room big enough to seat everyone. We all enjoyed a delicious turkey dinner with all the fixings. Everyone brought something to go with the dinner and many brought really nice dessert goodies to have with a cup of coffee or a cold drink. A big thank you to Fran and Bob and also a special thank you to Anne Marie Pine, family friend of the Clarks, for all her help. A sincere thank you to Lois (Gagnon) and Jack Proverb, and Fran for contacting all our classmates and getting us all together; it is a tough job. Lois tells me she enjoyed talking to the ones who didn't come as well. Some "new" classmates joined us this year and enjoyed catching up on the news over the years. These reunions are open to all, just call Lois at 978-256-9424 or Ruthie at 978-996-8166.

If any of you would like to work on our 60th class reunion, please let Lois or I know. We are looking for input and new ideas. Let's all get together and make this a great one to remember. As I'm writing this letter, Lois just returned from the hospital, where she just took Jack who fell in the kitchen and broke his kneecap. Do you believe this - he was just released from rehab the day before from other broken bones, bless you Jack.

A few months ago, our classmate, Kathy (Crane) Lucier, was reported missing. Kathy went for a little walk, took a wrong turn, and was lost for three or four days. Many prayers were said for Kathy and many families and friends were out looking for her, including classmates. Thanks to all that God came through and Kathy was found only a short distance from her own home. I talked to her son Bob and she appears to be doing okay, our prayers and efforts were answered.

Editor's note: See Class of 1958 News for update on your classmate Kathy (Crane) Lucier submitted by her sister Martha (Crane) Flaherty.

I came across Judy Maybury and her daughter at the Senior Center in December and had a nice little chat. She is doing fine and looks great. Maybe she will come to our next reunion this summer.

Our sympathy goes out to the families and friends of Bette (Constantine) French and David Johnson who have passed away - Bette last January, and Dave in December. Dave called and was going to attend our last reunion get together, but he got sick at the last minute and was unable to attend. They will be missed by all.

Lois (Giffin) Grenier has moved from NH to RI and sorry at this time to not have her new address.

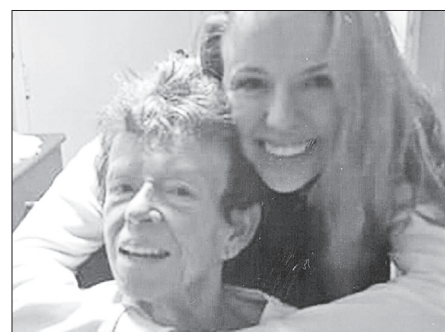
Until we meet again with more news stay happy - send me something to write about and most of all stay healthy!

By the way, I have a new address, Ruthie Grivers,
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I have lived here before and I love it here - "this is it!"



Class of 1959 - Summer Mini-reunion at Fran (Zimba) Clark's house



Kathy (Crane) Lucier with granddaughter Kiley Lucier



Kathy (Crane) Lucier with granddaughter Erin Lucier

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Sharon (Welch) Dean has published her third Susan Warner mystery, *Cemetery Wine*.

This book finds Susan at her New Hampshire home, which was once part of the Underground Railroad. As she searches for a murderer, she uncovers how the sins of the past connect to the present.
- Greg

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Happy New Year to the class of '62 (and any others that may read this)! As I reminisce about the many years since graduation, I am reminded of the many changes that have occurred since that day in June. It looks like the next year may be full of surprises and changes as we go forward with a new political landscape.

I have not heard from many people thus, not much news to report. Merrie (Shay) Meckley is presently enjoying her grandson from Japan who is currently living with her while going to college in Florida. She is the busiest person that I know!

Maryeileen (Callahan) Haley is basking in sunny Florida.

Life in Maine keeps me busy. I still volunteer as a Guardian ad Litem for CASA and I'm still exploring the possibility of opening a home for abused and neglected children! The need is so great and tugs at my heart!

I wish all of you a wonderful 2017 filled with happiness, good health, and peace! I would welcome any news that you want to share for the next newsletter.

-Laura

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Happy New Year to everyone! We certainly hope that your holiday season was a happy one and that the coming year will be full of good health and the making of happy memories!

The CHS Alumni Association continues to be an integral part of our lives, and we're so grateful that the visionaries Bill Keohane, Bill Logan and George Simonian got it off the ground way back when! In talking with a number of people who represent classes up and down the decades, we find that social media opportunities do have an effect on people's willingness to set aside time to share news with classmates via

the Lion's Pride. I hope that you will encourage your friends/classmates to share their news here. We had a great short visit with an older alumna who looks forward to reading the newsletter cover-to-cover as a way of staying in touch with Chelmsford and its graduates, near and far. It's keeping her young! There are always surprises in store for readers!

We got a wonderful note from Sal Ciulla, who left in March of 1966 for a 40-year career in the Air Force (20 years active duty, 15 years Civil Service and 5 years as a defense contractor), ultimately settling down in Blair NE, to give back to his chosen community. I think it's great that he has been recognized as a 'Lion!' This is the caption from the picture that accompanies this article. "Lion Bill Briggs, past international president of Lions International, with Blair Lions Dana Kaslon and Sal Ciulla. Kaslon and Ciulla were recognized with Melvin Jones Fellowship Awards. This award is the highest form of recognition and embodies humanitarian ideas consistent with the nature and purpose of Lionism." We are so grateful for those members of our class who live out the Class Motto, "By our deeds you shall know us!"

Sue (Farrington) Trombly, who has raised her three children (and has 5 grandchildren) in Milford NH, had quite a year of traveling in 2016. She spent three weeks in the South in February with friends, two in FL and one in New Orleans, and had a wonderful time. From late August into September, she and three friends did a marvel-filled tour of states in the West. They visited Utah as well as the Grand Tetons and Yellowstone National Park (including the town of Cody, which was named after Buffalo Bill) in Wyoming. They thoroughly enjoyed the SD Badlands National Park and Custer State Park, including a trip to the Mount

Rushmore National Memorial. Sue said that, as spectacular as the sculpture of the heads of the Presidents is, the evolving sculpture of Crazy Horse, which is a long way from completion, is even more amazing. It is designed to be both man and his horse, and only the face of the man is done. Years and years of work lie ahead! What a BEAUTIFUL country we have and everyone should try to get to the West if possible!!

Terry and I are psyched to follow in her footsteps!

Our deepest sympathy goes to Leslie (Parker) Horton and her family on Nelson's passing. He will be missed.

The next event on the CHSAA calendar is the Hall of Fame induction banquet, which will be held on Saturday, March 25, 2017 at the Radisson in Nashua. I always love this special evening, because it's like a 'reunion' of multiple classes. I highly recommend it as a neat way to spend an evening! Call us if you want a ticket. See page 6. - Lynne

John and Linda Harrington are both enjoying retirement - finally! The accompanying photo is of them attending the Chelmsford Business Association's Membership Appreciation Dinner November 19, 2016.

Ed. Note: Thanks to their daughter Kim (Cabill '82) Walters for sending us this item and the photo.



Class of 1964 - Far right: Sal Ciulla receiving the "Melvin Jones Fellow" award



Class of 1964 - L to R: Linda (Lessard) and John Harrington

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Happy New Year to All!
Nancy and I hope everyone enjoyed a wonderful Thanksgiving. Sadly, our CHS Lion's did not fare well against the Billerica Indians on Thanksgiving morning.

December flew by but hopefully you found time to celebrate the holiday season with family and friends.

December 22 - 24th Bob and I went up to Augusta to be with our son David ('90), Melanie, and our grandsons Aidan, 15 and Dylan 10. On the 23rd we all went to Boothbay Harbor. The entire area was decked out for the season and many of the shops were open which

was a delightful surprise. At dusk, we boarded a shuttle bus for a trip to the Coastal Maine Botanical Garden's Festival of Lights. It was absolutely gorgeous!! We completed our Boothbay visit with dinner at a quaint harbor side restaurant.

Christmas Day was celebrated at our oldest son's home in Londonderry NH.

Bobby and Kim reported they were up before 6AM that morning with Jake, who will celebrate his 10th birthday on January 23rd, Lila 7, and Isabella 5. Grandma and Grandpa do not do those 3 - 6AM wake ups! Our arrival at noon did mean another hour of flying wrapping paper, huge smiles, and hugs.

I have a handful of holiday news notes from classmates: Beverly (Reid) Wood was off to California to be with her daughter, son-in-law, grandson, Pierce and new granddaughter Lorelai. Bev added she would be back home in NH for a week before heading to Disney World for a family vacation.



Class of 1965: Gerry (McKenna) Bourke with Jake Smith, Mary (Vaillancourt) Smith's grandson

Bob and Carol (Richardson '71) Siebert spent Christmas Eve in Litchfield NH with Carol's brothers Paul and Larry. That was the wrap up to a busy day because Carol had performed a wedding with Larry as photographer earlier in the day. On December 26th, Bob accompanied Carol to another wedding in Bedford NH. Bob added that there was no road so it was a hike!

Note: please check out Class of '71 news: there is an awesome photo that Bob took of Carol at The Rock & Roll Hall of Fame in Cleveland Ohio during their vacation in late October.

Susan Sills sent holiday greetings from Belchertown MA. She is doing well and looking forward to her 7th year as part time researcher with Boston law firm.

Gerry (McKenna) Bourke was at home in Chelmsford for both the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays. Alison flew in from Texas on November 23rd. Gerry is off to Texas on February 7th to visit Alison.

That brings me to Camp Grandma & Grandpa happenings.

Here in Westford with all five grandchildren back to school it was fairly quiet this past autumn. That just means G & G are "On the Go!" I do pickup Jake every

Friday for gymnastics class at Roudenbush Community Center here in Westford; Jake has been enrolled at Roudenbush for over 6 years. Every Saturday from early September until early November grandma, grandpa, and Jake head to the soccer fields in Londonderry NH. Lila and Isabella are enrolled at Northeast Dance Center owned by Roshni (Chehna '92) Percora (my niece). We get to watch dance classes from time to time.

The highlight of this past fall was the PTA's Reflection on Arts weekend (November 10th - 13th) at the Red Jacket Inn, North Conway NH. Gerry (McKenna) Bourke joined us for the Saturday luncheon and awards ceremony. Gerry is our son Bobby's godmother.

As Jake, our grandson, says, "Gerry is very special and we all wanted her to share this happy occasion with us." Jake was the 1st place State of NH winner for Photography.

He placed 1st for his school district then Jack's piece was judged at state level taking 1st place in grade 3 - 5 division and to his joy he received an honorable mention at the National PTA's judging in May.

This fall, Jake decided to submit a collage of his photographs in the 2016 - 17 PTA Reflections in the Arts program. In late November, he was notified that his "the story of me" collage placed 1st. The state judging will take place in late January.

The photo of Gerry (McKenna) Bourke with our grandson Jake Robert Smith was taken at the New Hampshire State PTA's Reflections in the Arts Awards in Excellence celebration, November 12, 2016 Back to Camp Grandma & Grandpa - our grandchildren are definitely thinking ahead to spring

and summer activities at Camp Grandma and Grandpa, which will include a bigger garden with two kinds of tomatoes, more flowers, a new fire pit, as well as bigger floats to use on the pond which is Isabella's priority because she is "growing as big as her brother!!"

Until next time!!
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NOTE from Chaz:

Please note that I am the new agent for the Class of '66. Deadlines, etc., continue to be emailed to former agents Cindy Gale and Pat Conrad!!! Please send them to me!

Cindy (Dupee) Gale recently took a four-day trip to Iceland with a couple of friends and got to visit the famous Blue Lagoon with its hot geothermal springs. She had hoped to catch a show of the Northern Lights, but, unfortunately, cloudy and overcast nights hid them from view. She was impressed enough with the island that she plans to go back someday ... but at a time of the year when it's a lot warmer in the North Atlantic.

After several months in limbo, Joe Bergeron received some wonderful news recently when he learned he has been declared cancer free by doctors, and Mark Transue has recovered nicely from a poorly timed appendectomy that prevented him from attending our golden 50th Class Reunion.

- Chaz

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**Class of 1967 Class Reunion
Vesper Country Club
Tyngsboro MA
October 7, 2017**

SEE DETAILS BELOW!!

It's true, almost 50 years have flown by since we left Chelmsford High School. We are hoping our 50th reunion will be highly successful and reminiscent of our four years together. Joanne (McIntosh) Davidson organized the committee months ago. The reunion will be held on Saturday, October 7, 2017, at Vesper Country Club in Tyngsboro MA. Invitations will be mailed this spring, with a response deadline of September 1st.

The members of the reunion committee are Joanne (McIntosh) Davidson, Eileen (Grunewald) Sousa, Debbie McSheehy, Joyce (Cassidy) Wholey, Gene Fantozzi, Tom Firth, and me. We ask that you send any updated address, phone number, or email address to Joanne at joannedavidsoninsurance@gmail.com. All of the committee members are on Facebook, too, if you need any further information.

Joanne has done a lot of work spearheading these plans. Thanks, Joanne, for getting us started!

Eileen (Grunewald) Sousa is in

charge of creating the invitations, and from her sample ideas, I think she's very talented. For entertainment, we hired "Jimmy and the Jesters", our classmate Peter Previte's band. We are looking forward to dancing to your music, Peter! Debbie McSheehy hired a professional photographer for the evening. Vesper Country Club has a "no jeans" policy, so please dress appropriately.

We are compiling address booklets to be distributed at the reunion, so there are advertising opportunities for local businesses. The costs are as follows:
Inside front cover, full page ad: \$200
Inside and outside back cover, full page ad \$200
1/2 page ad: \$100
1/4 page ad: \$50
Business card size ad: \$25

Please contact Joanne if interested. You do not have to be a member of our class to purchase an ad.

As many of you may know, our 45th reunion was canceled a few weeks before the event because only 20 people responded. Once it was canceled, I received many emails from classmates who wanted to attend, but had not yet replied. We had to reorganize the reunion very quickly, and collect cash at the door. Forty-five classmates attended, but it surely was not our best effort. For this reason, early responses are requested. Let's try to hit the 100 mark or higher for attendees of our 50th!

Have a safe and happy 2017!
Della Wickens Coffin

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Our class extends deepest sympathy to Charlie Wotjas for the loss of his brother Frank ('69). In August, Frank suffered an accident while mountain

biking at the age of 65. Our thoughts are with you and your family, Charlie.

Ed. Note: The following was submitted by Christy (Risska) Guerra.

My aunt, Dot (LeClair) Mackey, Class Agent for the Class of 1937, asked me to write a note to you, my Class of 1967, for the next issue. I will start by writing a little about her through the eyes of others. She has received some fan mail recently from people who are as amazed by her talents and intelligence as I have always been. An admirer, Jackie (Sidelinger '50) Storti, who knows Aunt Dot solely through the enjoyment of reading her articles in the Lion's Pride, wrote a "fan" letter to Aunt Dot noting how "amazing" and "with it" she is at the age of 97 and what a role model she finds her to be. Lynne McSheehy, Copy Editor of the Lion's Pride, happily remembers Aunt Dot setting up her easel to paint around the Town of Chelmsford. While editing the Fall 2016 edition of the Lion's Pride, Lynne took a moment to cite her as an "inspiration" and "someone who uses her gifts of time and ability so well...not a moment wasted". Aunt Dot truly deserves these accolades and is amazing!

Two summers ago, my husband, Castulo Guerra, and I visited Murrells Inlet SC where Aunt Dot lives with her son and his wife, Bob and Barbara (Kimball) Mackey, both the Class of '63. It was such fun to enjoy dinners together one evening on the Intracoastal Waterway under a huge cypress tree at sunset, and the next night on a wharf overlooking the Atlantic Ocean. Barbara is an active member of many groups including The Red Hat Society and the Daughters of The American Revolution. She has made a beautiful home for Bob and my Aunt. Her daughter, Jennifer, from

ME, at times cares for Aunt Dot when Bob and Barbara are away, as does Bob's daughter, Becky (Mackey '89) Morgan of Manchester NH. I first met Barbara's son, Christopher, when he was ordained into the Episcopal Church here in Los Angeles. My cousin, Bob, has always had a special place in my heart; he is my hero and a symbol of courage. His new baby was one day old when he left for Vietnam and over one-year old when he returned. That's all he'll let me mention of that period. He remains dedicated to the men in his platoon. A letter he wrote to my late uncle, Peter Mackey (Dot's husband), Class of 1937, is published in the book, *Behind the Lines*, edited by Andrew Carroll. Bob is very interested in genealogy and has worked on Barbara's amazing family tree and his own. He has three children: Peter, Becky, and Scott, all who have children of their own. It was a joy to visit the Mackey Family in SC. I cannot mention the Mackey family without remembering my late cousin, Lynn (Mackey '66) (Conrad) Applegate. She was the song-bird of our family, having a solo part in her first three musicals at CHS, and she sang the lead of Lauren in "Oklahoma" during her Senior year. She also taught Biology in MA and Math in ME. My Aunt Dot keeps us connected. I just read that Lynn's husband, Steven Conrad ('66), was visited by his close friend, Neil MacLeod ('66) and his wife, Joan, who have recently retired from their careers as RN's. I remember Neil to be the nicest of men. Didn't Lynn, Steve, Neil, and I climb Mt. Monadnock in N.H. one day? Yes, we did! Aunt Dot doesn't want to be outdone as she, too, climbed to the top of Mt. Monadnock with her Girl Scout Troop and then had to take a few days out of work to let her legs recover! Steven needs a column of his own. He is semi-retired as a Golf Pro in Charleston. He would also be an excellent professional landscaper.



Class of 1967 - L to R: Castulo, Ian, Christy (Risska), Clarity Guerra in Los Angeles, CA



Class of 1967 - L to R: Christy (Risska), Castulo Guerra in sunny California

Because Aunt Dot is such a communicator, she ties together many strands of family and friends. I just read that Steve has put in his winter garden at his lovely home in Ravenel SC which he landscaped himself. The beauty of his gardens is well known to all. Recently, Dot connected my husband, Castulo, and me to Linda (LeClair) Strand and her husband, John. We met in Harpswell, Maine (a state we all love) one summer and also in the city I

have called home for 31 years, Los Angeles, to celebrate their son, Reid's, graduation from UCLA's graduate program in finance. They also have a son, Chad, who lives in San Antonio, TX. In 2016, Linda and John moved into their new home in San Marcos TX, which they had built for their retirement years.

At this time, I would like to stop and deeply express the sympathy of our Class to Linda and to my Aunt Dot.

Linda's Mom, Alice (Collinge) LeClair, passed on May 15, 2016 and her Dad, Ray LeClair ('41), both age 93, passed on Christmas Day, Dec. 25, 2016; and also, Ray and Dot's brother, George LeClair ('39), passed on February 17, 2016, in OR.

I still keep in touch with my oldest friend, Karen Nerpouni ('67), who is a continent away from me in MA. She's probably one of the most intelligent and accomplished women I know; she continues her work in education as a consultant. Everyone who knows her knows her passion for France...and tennis! Her sister, Sue ('72), and her family are also vital parts of her very active life. In the 80's, I saw Marc Sills ('67) on occasion when he attended conferences here in California. At that time, he was teaching international relations, fourth world politics, and American foreign policy at the University of Denver. I believe he is now living in Los Cerrillos, NM. Now that was an interesting guy! I noticed that Chaz Scoggins is Class Agent for the Class of 1966. I can remember the night his brother, Dick Scoggins ('67), along with Karen, Marc, and I shared a dozen Dunkin Donuts. Those were the days! Where is Dick now? He was such a caring man. When I ran a camp at Stedman Street School for children with special needs one summer, he would come by and play with the kids. It meant so much to me to have such a warm and compassionate friend!

Aunt Dot asked me to talk a little about my family, too. My husband, Castulo Guerra, and I have been married for 44 years. He was originally from Argentina. We met at the University of Kansas, moved to New York, and married at St. John Thethe Divine Church, the largest cathedral in the world. After 13 years in New York, we moved to Los Angeles where we have lived for 31 years. In Los Angeles, Castulo has

worked as an actor in theater and film, and as a voice-over artist in Spanish and English—one might say he has done just about everything you can do in this city to make a living! Right now, he is in a play entitled "Destiny of Desire," the plot of which is inspired by "telenovelas" or Spanish soap operas. It has audiences laughing every night seeing the extremely popular "telenovela" genre in an important social context. Next year the play will go to The Goodman Theater in Chicago. Castulo and I have two children. Our daughter, Clarity, is the manager of the Video Dept. in the Office of Strategic Communications at the University of Iowa. Our son, Ian, is following in his Dad's footsteps in the field of Voice-Overs. My brother, Rolvin Risska ('69), and sister, Regina (Risska '78) Booth, are both graduates of Chelmsford High School and also live in CA, San Francisco and Glendale, respectively. I am thankful my Dad, Rolvin Risska, at 95 years of age and step-Mom Marjorie at 89 are still quite well and live in FL. My dear mother, Gena (Makey '42) Risska, passed in 1967, the year I graduated, but is in our hearts always.

Well, thanks to Aunt Dot, I've been inspired to revisit a place that played a very important part in my life and that of my family—Chelmsford High School. We have shared many long phone conversations over the years and so many of them took us back to our lives in Chelmsford. Aunt Dot is a historian—and she remembers so much of the past: friends, floods, trains, factories, schools, work places, parades, sports, music, theater, the list goes on—it is a joy to listen to her stories. It is a joy to be her niece!

My best to all, Christy (Risska) Guerra, Class of 1967.

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Hi all! Not much going on now that the holidays are over. Our classmate Paul Harrington did his 30th year of the New Year's Day Polar Plunge to benefit the Rhode Island Special Olympics. God bless you Paul for doing this every year; it's such a great organization! I'm always happy to send along my small donation. I hope you are able to continue it forever!

On a sad note, our classmate Kathy (Kerrigan) Judge's dad (James Kerrigan, Sr.'50) and also our class president's father-in-law, passed away in early December. He was one of my favorites on the Chelmsford Police Dept. Always so kind hearted. We send along our sympathy to Kathy, Jackie, Jimmy, Mrs. Kerrigan (who is still as pretty as ever) and the rest of their family.

I'm very excited that Johnny and I are breaking ground for our new home in the spring. We're only moving up the street but will have 4 acres and our very own barn attached. This constructing of a house is certainly going to be a test of our 25 year marriage but I think as long as Johnny gets the say of what his barn looks like, he'll let me have whatever I want. HA HA I am very spoiled!

I don't like to put all of what I know about people in this newsletter, unless I ask or if it's public knowledge. I do keep up with classmates but I don't think it's my business to print their business without their permission. So send it along!

I wish everyone a very happy, healthy new year! - Wendy Marshall-Hudzik

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Carol (Richardson) and her husband Bob Seibert ('65) visited The Rock & Roll Hall of Fame in Cleveland Ohio during their vacation in late October.

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Boston, MA, January 17, 2017
– Burns & Levinson announced today that partner Robert J. O'Regan has been selected as one of Massachusetts Lawyers Weekly's 2016 Lawyers of the Year for his outstanding professional accomplishments over the past year. O'Regan won two landmark decisions in 2016 – Pfannenstiehl v. Pfannenstiehl and Guardian v. Migell.

O'Regan will be honored at MLW's Leaders in the Law Event on March 2, 2017.

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One of the best things about being a class agent is that it gives Bob and me a chance to reach out to old friends/classmates. We all take different journeys in this life but in the end, it's the people we meet, and the love and laughter, that become the most important. Here's an update from Regina (Panzica) Pollard:

Like most people, I get up in the morning, shower, take the dog for a walk, make my lunch, jump in the car, and head off to work. If I'm not lost in the day ahead, I take a quick glance over the water and see the arch of the Harbour Bridge and the white peaks of the Opera House and think, oh my goodness - I live in Sydney, Australia!

My ex-husband is Australian and when we separated, I decided to stay in Sydney. Life is good here. It's a beautiful country with lots of opportunity. I'm fortunate in that Australia allows dual citizenship, allowing me to call both Chelmsford and Sydney "home". And I do - truly, my heart is in both places.

I've worked in Supply Chain Customer Service for 30 years. I've been lucky to work for iconic companies such as Campbell's, Intel, and Citrix, which brought me back to the states quite regularly. I've held regional positions being responsible for 17 countries in Asia Pacific giving me the opportunity to travel.

I've spent extensive time in Japan, Manila, India, Singapore, and China. Being immersed in other cultures and living among the locals gave me a unique perspective of what's important in life. Quite different from a two week vacation in these places. In the end, there are more things that bind us together than separate us. Family, friends, and food seem to be the connecting thread that runs through every culture and country.

These days I share my life with my 9 year old rescue dog, Clyde. In my spare time, I garden, cook, and am passionate about passing on the knowledge to younger generations. I often hold Friday night dinners at my home teaching pasta, cheese, and bread making, as well as the basics of how to properly boil an egg! Every year I teach a pasta class to raise money for Breast Cancer Awareness. What started as 10-12 people getting together for a lovely lunch, it has grown to 60-70 participants and three other instructors and we raise thousands of dollars!

At the end of my workday, I drive back over The Bridge and can't help admiring the view. It's a spectacular harbour - one of the prettiest in the world, I think. I wish more people could experience it. So having said that, my home is open to any and all - come visit! Australia is a country of contradictions, amazingly beautiful in its uniqueness and warm and welcoming. See for yourself!
- Sheila

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Rene Calvo's band "Goddess Lakshmi" released their third album

"Dreaming" in October. You can find the music on iTunes.

Sad to report classmate James R. "Jim" Bissonette, 58, longtime resident of Chicago, formerly of Chelmsford, died from complications due to an injury on December 1, 2016. We extend our sympathies to his family.

Updates of my own.

I've moved to Charlotte, NC, recently became an instrument rated private pilot, and am active in the Elon University Alumni group. In November, I won the San Juan 21 National Sailing Championship in the Spinnaker Division, defeating the 10 time National Champion by 4 points - very exciting!!

- Mike

CLASS OF 1977

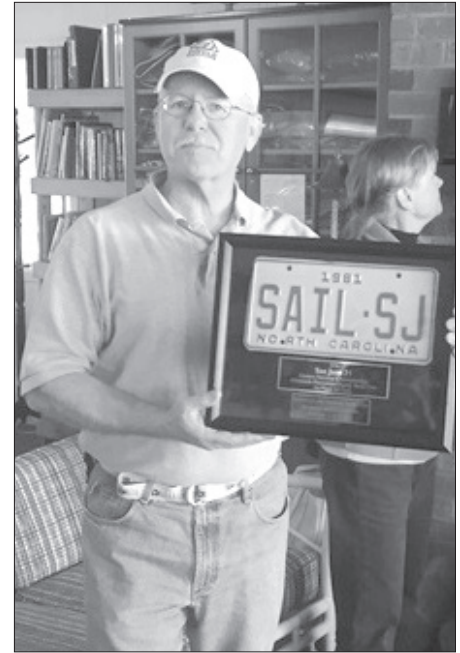
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Class of 1977 Class Reunion Radisson Hotel, Chelmsford June 24, 2017

Our 40th Reunion will take place at the Radisson in Chelmsford, MA on June 24, 2017. Please join our Facebook group Chelmsford High School Class of 1977 for updated information or send your current e-mail/address to clem6six@verizon.net

Thought it would be nice to feature our four class couples. Jim and Sue (Ringwood) Clancy have been married since 1981. They reside in Chelmsford MA and raised five children. A granddaughter has been a wonderful addition to their family. The entire Clancy family was featured in an article in the most recent Lion's Pride



Class of 1976 - Mike Robinson, 2016 National Sailing Champion, Spinnaker Division

Alumni magazine. The family truly exemplifies the meaning of family, promotes education, and supports both town/school involvement.

Mark and Kim (Patenaude) Normandin write: by the time of the reunion, we'll be approaching our 36th anniversary. Our first date was during senior year. We have two children that are young adults. They both live in Washington, DC. Our son is a captain in the Army working in the Cyber Warfare. Our daughter is a scientist engaged in vaccine research at the National Institutes of Health. We lived for a couple of years in Minnesota, but recently moved back to New England. We live in downtown Concord NH, which we love. Kimberly is a longtime elementary educator. Currently she is a reading specialist at a local elementary school. I spent a long career in sales and sales management. I recently retired from the 3M Company.

David and Diane (Bennett) Ekstrom live in Hollis NH. They have been married 35 years, raised three children and have seven

grandchildren! For over 25 years, they have owned Flint Rock Corp, specializing in new home construction.

Michael and Andrea (Lemieux) Mahoney live in Hudson, NH. They have been married 37 years and started dating seven years prior, between 8th and 9th grade! When asked about the longevity of their lives together, Mike stated, "God is in the center." They have two sons; one works for Fidelity and the other for the Alzheimer's Agency. Mike works in finance at Lockheed Martin and Andrea is a stay at home grandma who takes care of granddaughter, four year old Katy and grandson, eight month old Will.

I heard from Marty Weintraub. He says, "My daughters are 21 and 24, one just graduating from Madison and the next shortly." He is an entrepreneur, author, speaker & Minnesota wilderness guide. He founded Aimclear®, a driven marketing agency dominant in psychographic targeting, and was the 2016 winner of three US Search Awards, including Best Large Integrated Agency. A fixture on the international conference circuit, Marty has appeared in front of hundreds of international search & social marketing conference audiences, from Jerusalem to Sydney. Marty's Wiley/Sybex books, "Killer Facebook Ads" and "The Complete Social Media Community Manager's Guide: Essential Tools and Tactics for Business Success" are critically respected. He has been cited & quoted in flagship publications including WSJ, Forbes, Inc. MediaPost & Adage. Aimclear Blog is well read, having been cited as a Top 10 Small Business Blogs, Top Ten Social Media Blogs and PRWeb's 25 Essential Public Relations Blogs You Should Be Reading.

-Karen

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Classmate Paula (Pimentel) Fielding passed away in late October. Our condolences to her family, including her young daughter Jenna Rose and Jenna's Dad, Jim Martines, sons Joshua and Christopher Fielding, and her parents Joseph and Patricia Pimentel.

-Elisa

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Michael Costa was recently appointed Deputy Commissioner of the Department of Vermont Health Access by the Governor of Vermont. In this role, Michael is responsible for rate setting and payment reform for Vermont's publicly funded health coverage programs. At home, Michael plays with a growing number of toy trucks with his sons Lincoln (4) and Quincy (2).

Jessica (McSheehy) Del Llano graduated from Middlesex Community College in May with an Associate's degree in Nursing, and passed the licensing exam over the summer. Since October, she has been employed as an RN at St. Joseph Hospital in Nashua NH, and is continuing her nursing education at Southern New Hampshire University pursuing a BSN degree. She hasn't left the radio industry altogether, as she still manages to squeeze in a few weekend shifts on-air at Mix 104.1 in Boston whenever she can! Jessica and her husband Brian are proud parents to 7-year-old Sara.

- Jess

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Melissa Consalvo started a new job in Lancaster SC in January 2017 working for Nutramax as a product manager in their Equine Division. She lives in Charlotte NC and is excited for this new adventure!
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Congratulations to Anne (Shumbata) Wall and her husband, Thomas, on the birth of their daughter, Vivian Sue-Marie, born on October 26, 2016 at Newton-Wellesley Hospital in Newton MA. Vivian weighed 7 lbs 6 ounces and was 19 ½ inches long at birth. Vivian joins her 6-year-old big brother, Nathan, and her 3-year-old sister, Evelyn. The Walls live in Tyngsboro, MA.



Class of 2000 - Vivian Sue-Marie Wall, born October 26, 2016



Class of 2000 - Caroline Barbara Medina, born August 15, 2016



Class of 2000 - Gavin James Cassell, born December 14, 2016



Class of 2000 - Elle Catherine Welch, born September 27, 2016

Veronica McKillop and her husband Allan Medina are pleased to announce the birth of their daughter, Caroline Barbara, born on August 15, 2016 at Sibley Memorial Hospital in Washington D.C. Caroline weighed 6 lbs 3 ounces and was 19 inches long at birth. The McKillop-Medina family resides in Washington D.C. Jessica Adams and her husband, Nick Cassell, are pleased to announce the birth of their son, Gavin James, on December 14, 2016 at Virginia Hospital Center in Arlington VA. Gavin weighed 5 lbs 1 ounce and was 18.75 inches long at birth. The Adams-Cassell family lives in Reston VA.



Class of 2000 - Carleen Wilkish engaged to Bryan Delaney ('02)

Melissa (Shattuck) Welch and her husband, Michael, are pleased to announce the birth of their first daughter, Elle Catherine, born on September 27, 2016 at Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston. Elle weighed 6 lbs 13 ounces and was 19 inches long at birth. The Welch family lives in Boston.

Carleen Wilkish is engaged to Bryan Delaney ('02), owner of B. Delaney Construction in Chelmsford. The wedding will take place on June 22, 2017 at the Ocean Cliff in Newport RI. Included in the wedding party are: Rachel Meyer ('00), Jennie (Roake '00) Difrancesco, Leesa (Archibald '02), Hohman, Shauna Riley ('03), Sean Delaney ('99), Kevin Delaney ('04), Jeffrey Smart ('02), and Tom Donigan ('02).

Their engagement took place at the Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta this past fall in Albuquerque NM. Carleen owns Midnight Moon Stables, a show horse facility that runs out of the Parlee Farm in Chelmsford. While Carleen and Bryan are both from Chelmsford, they didn't start dating until 2010, when they hit it off at a mutual friend's cookout.

Amanda Emma (Allen) Kershaw, 34, died Saturday, December 3, 2016 in Oakland, CA. Born in Boston, MA, she was the daughter of Linda Regan and Paul Allen. She graduated from Chelmsford High School with the class of 2000, and Bridgewater

State University, summa cum laude, in 2004. Amanda moved to San Francisco with her husband in 2008 to pursue her dreams. In addition to working for nonprofit groups she believed in, Amanda loved music, dance and photography, and worked as a portrait and event photographer. She is survived by her husband Andy Kershaw of San Francisco, CA; mother Linda and Richard Regan of Chelmsford; father Paul and Meridel Allen of Wilmington; twin brother Patrick ('01) and Kassia Allen of Watertown; brother, Christopher ('04) and Heather Allen and niece Sophie Allen of Chelmsford; brother Brandon ('06) and Rachel Allen; niece Evelyn Allen, and nephew Stephen Allen of Nashua NH; aunt Sarah Smith and cousins Jamie Bateson Sr. and Jamie Bateson Jr. of Barrington NH; uncle Roy Allen and cousin Molly Allen of North Andover; and aunt Amber St. John of Tucson AZ. Amanda was loved by many friends and extended family on both the East and West coasts. She is preceded in death by her beloved uncle Stephen Smith of Barrington, NH. She was a beautiful, vibrant person who brought her effervescent personality into the lives of everyone she knew. Her many friends describe her as an ever positive light who loved all people. Amanda will be greatly missed by her family and friends but the joy and infectious smile she permanently displayed will forever bring fond memories to their hearts. Donations can be made in her name to the Red Cross or the MSPCA.

-Amanda



Class of 2000 - Amanda E. (Allen) Kershaw, died December 3, 2016

CLASS OF 2001

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Jen Atkisson moved back to Chelmsford in late 2016 and is excited to be back! She continues to work at Lahey Clinic in Burlington as a nurse in the medical ICU.

Chrissie (Pariseau) Schneider lives in Columbus, Ohio with her husband, Tom, and black lab, Lilly. She works as a veterinarian in an ambulatory, all-equine, private practice just east of Columbus. She and Tom vacationed in the Seattle area this summer and she has fallen in love with hiking!!

-Chrissie



Class of 2001 - Chrissie (Pariseau) Schneider hiking in Seattle, Summer 2016

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Julia Wilson and her husband Kevin welcomed a baby girl to their family.

Brandon Mui and Kerryn (Palmer) Mui welcomed their second child over Thanksgiving week.

Katie (Sullivan) Bourgeois and Jon (class of 2001), welcomed their second child earlier this year.

Laura (Kilroy) Cellucci and her husband Ronnie welcomed their first child earlier this year.

Joel Johnson and his wife Stephanie welcomed a son to their family earlier this year.

Jennifer Li married Guillermo Blanco.

Lindsay (McCarron) Liccardi and her husband Tom welcomed a son earlier this year and are happily living in Arizona.

Carolyn (McEvoy) Boss and her husband Steve ('98) welcomed a baby girl this year and relocated from NYC back to MA.

Heather Ryder and her husband welcomed a son late last year.

Aubrey (Goulet) Stevens married earlier this year and lives in MA.

Sonia Morais and her husband Hunter live happily in Florida with their daughter.

Lora (Mead) Blank and her husband Steve welcomed a baby girl earlier this year.
- Rebecca

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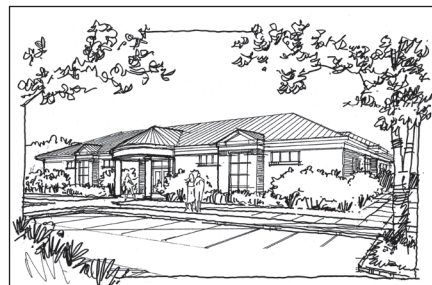
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MEMBERSHIP UPDATES

THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS HAVE BECOME
LIFE MEMBERS OF CHSAA. WE THANK
THEM FOR MAKING THIS COMMITMENT
THROUGH THEIR GENEROUS SUPPORT.

Omer "Mike" Desmarais - 1956
Thomas Palmer, Jr. - 1966
Charles Wojtas - 1967

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

Karen (Lane) Etter - 1991
Jennifer Atkisson - 2001

WE WELCOME THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE AS
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THANK YOU FOR JOINING!

Amy (Chevalier) Hohmann - 1987
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Raymond J. LeClair	1941
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Maureen (Dane) Perry	1947
Patricia A. Sweet	1949
Gail (Shawcross) Colella	1950
James J. Kerrigan, Sr.	1950
Robert L. Kydd	1950
Beverly (Cochrane) Parker	1950
Charlotte W. (Tibbetts) Vayo	1951
Robert B. Carkin	1956
Joseph J. Pimentel, Sr.	1958
Bette (Constantine) French	1959
David E. Johnson	1959
Robert A. Talbot	1960
Dennis J. Duarte	1961
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Pamela (Norton) Burns	1971
Kathleen (Tansey) Callahan	1971
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Karen (Gutwein) Laporte	1983
Paula Jean (Pimentel) Fielding	1987
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Jay G. Garnhum	1990
Amanda Emma (Allen) Kershaw	2000
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Mary Jane (McCauley) (MacDonald) Rhodes	Teacher
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Dennis Savosik	Teacher
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