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#### WHEN CHSAA ARRIVES AT ITS CROSSROADS, WHO WILL BE OUR FLAG BEARERS?

When I found out about Executive Director George Simonian's new flag, bearing the logo of our association, I thought it might make a nice cover shot for the fall issue. He, of course, dismissed the notion initially. He said no one would care what he's flying below the American flag in his front yard. But as our conversation transitioned to the topic of the future of this organization - and how concerned we both are about that -- it struck me that it was the perfect photo. After all, he's been the proud and tireless flag bearer of the CHSAA since its inception.

Perish the thought, but when the time comes that he needs or wants to move on or can't handle the myriad tasks he so deftly juggles now, shall that flag – and our association – be left twisting in the wind?

"That's an excellent question, and one with no easy answer," Bob Pariseau, a Hall of Famer and former vice president and board member of the association, replied when I broached it in September.

As I examined the picture before emailing them to the printer, I found it a bit fitting, if scary, that we had lowered the flag to half-staff so that Simonian could fully display it for my camera on a windless day. Sure, I helped him raise it back up when we were done. But if I'm being honest, there is much to be done to also get the organization back at full staff. And some of the



CHSAA's key players are working on it. But they need your help.

As Simonian sees it, the CHSAA is like "growing an oak tree without roots." The organization has survived for 26 years now strictly on dues. But as members die and not enough new ones join, that base is diminishing. "We need funding to stabilize the organization," he said bluntly.

The original capital fundraising goal launched several years ago was \$5 million, with an eye toward a paid executive director, endowing the scholarship fund and the organization, and building an Alumni Hall on CHS grounds.

"The idea was, if you build it, they will come," related Hall-of-Famer Tom Curran, Class of '78. "But the goal has changed," partly because of the economic collapse several years ago.

Curran, the Board's vice-president who is spearheading a grassroots fundraising effort, said the new goal is to come up with \$1 million

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to endow the association and be able to pay a full-time director to "do what he (Simonian) does." Once the organization is on a solid footing, "somewhere down the road we can look at a building."

But the important thing right now, said Curran, is making sure the CHSAA sustains and expands on what it's doing, and that means funding a future director.

Curran said golf tourneys, road races, speaking to the community – and that means all of us –- about "all the good stuff" the CHSAA does is where the fundraising has to start. And if enough smaller donations begin to add up, some alumni or community members with more ample checkbooks might be more willing to write that big check.

That "good stuff" includes not only inducting nine new deserving members into the CHSAA Hall of Fame each March, it also awards thousands of dollars in scholarships to deserving CHS seniors and postgraduates each May. To date, more than \$650,000 has been awarded, said Simonian. That's 1,275 checks written over 24 years from an endowment fund that at the end of August stood at \$1,384,610.

"We want this thing to continue," said Simonian, adding that he wants the association to do even more. "We should be assisting with reunions. Some classes don't get reunions, because it's a chore. But it's something that should happen. So to grow, plus do what we said, we've got to put some roots under this tree. And that's money."

The other roots that need watering is a push to get younger members involved and invested in the organization's future. Part of that will mean "digitizing" things like the Lion's Pride, since most young people get all their news and communications online these days, said Pariseau.

A lot of people wonder what we do, said Pariseau. "They know about the Lions Pride, the Hall of Fame, and the scholarships, but no one really knows what goes into doing it, so we came up with this idea to get a presence in the high school," he said. Because right now, people don't know "what we offer for the greater good."

Pariseau said the effort to get that message across needs to begin "with kids and parents."

Terry McSheehy, longtime CHSAA president, agrees.

"We need to give them an understanding of why we as an alumni association are important, and why it's important that we are strong," McSheehy said.

McSheehy said the organization will continue to have a presence during Senior Week to try to show potential members what we're about.

If the capital fundraising goes well, he said, every graduating senior will automatically become a member without having to worry about dues, and they could receive the Lion's Pride magazine or online.

Another way the CHSAA is trying to bridge the gap is by having two student members on its board of directors.

And the effort to show students the real tangible benefits of the organization in more practical terms is by building a mentorship program through the CHS career center.

"We need to get alums in there, in a database and put alums in touch with students and parents" to help students decide on majors, colleges, careers, said Pariseau. "It would give kids access to the "pros" and help them "have a more personal visit to college with alums' knowledge from those schools."

"We need to become entrenched as a go-to resource," Pariseau said.

Enter Hall of Famers Dennis Hunt, a retired Mass. Science Teacher of the Year, and Selectman George Dixon. While Dixon is out beating the bushes looking into grant opportunities for making the CHSAA a relevant resource in the career center, Hunt is working on what he calls the SHARE program (Students Hearing Alumni Relate Experiences).

Once a data base is established, links to valuable alumni resources can be posted on the alumni website, chsalumni.org, Hunt said. Students can communicate with alumni about "what they do, where they are today and how they got there."

Hunt said the SHARE program will not only be for present students, but graduates as well.

"We would be excited and happy to share our stories so that you can learn from our success and make your journey down the career path a little more certain and rewarding," Hunt said.

In addition to the extensive CHS alumni database the association hopes to build, "we will be featuring alumni presentations in the career center focusing on the alumni area of expertise with informative handouts and opportunities for questions to be answered."

In the end, "it's doing something for people," Simonian said of the CHSAA's mission. "Wherever I go people come up to me and tell me they went to CHS (and how great it was). They want to know how I'm doing. It's nice. It makes you feel good."

And that, he said, is why the CHSAA wants to continue to give back.



#### CHELMSFORD HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION



#### MISSION STATEMENT

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.

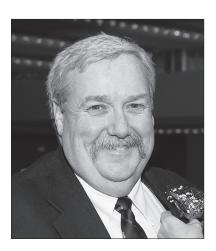
#### VISION STATEMENT

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

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

#### \* President's Message \*

Terry McSheehy ('64)



Happy Thanksgiving. I know that this is a bit early but I am not sure if we will be published and to you by Halloween.

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

I want to thank Jessica Del Llano for her efforts with regard to the Web site. Jessica has worked very hard to coordinate this and has created a very nice looking site. While it does not have all of the bells and whistles I had originally envisioned, every day it gets more user friendly and informative for our members. Please take a moment to check it out at CHSalumni.org.

I want to thank George "Bucko" Dixon and Dennis Hunt for their agreeing to take the concept so clearly and wonderfully developed by Bob Pariseau and turn it into a reality. The concept is one for a mentoring program resident in the career center of the High School. Also I want to thank Charlie Caliri, Principal, and Cindy Acheson, head of the Career Center for their embracing of the concept enthusiastically. This cooperation between CHS and the CHSAA is what makes us such a strong organization.

Happy Thanksgiving and Merry Christmas to everyone, and I wish you all a very happy and Prosperous New Year.



#### CHELMSFORD HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

#### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT \*

Charles Caliri ('90)

The other day I went over to Andover High School to see a guest speaker. The Principal at Andover started the same year that I did, and we've had a number of conversations about our transitions into the roles and the challenges and benefits of being in large schools. In consult with our collective community groups, we both had been looking for speakers to talk to our students about healthy decision-making. Over the past few years, CHS has brought in a number of speakers who were all former athletes, and had challenges with addiction and have reformed their lives largely due to some individual perseverance and huge levels of support from friends, family, and their community. Each speaker has had a powerful story to tell our students, but the feedback we had received from our students, especially our upperclassmen, was that they were ready for a change. They were tired of hearing all the "don'ts" that go with these kinds of presentations - don't drink, don't do drugs, don't drink and drive, don't leave your friends behind. The messages are all important, but it was clear that the kids wanted to hear something a little different.

So, here I am in the auditorium at Andover, and I'm introduced to the speaker. He and I are talking for a little while when the normal small talk of travel and the results of Monday night's football game, gets interrupted as the students start to walk in. The speaker introduces himself to the kids as they arrive, and then gets called to the stage. His message, or shall I say messages were quite powerful. He clearly connected with the students with stories of his life and positive



his life overcoming his share of obstacles. I was listening from the perspective of a Chelmsford High School student, trying to hear if his message would meet the needs of our kids. Among the many things he shared, there were two that stood out for me and potentially for our kids at CHS. First, was about wishing for kids, and all of us really, to live in the now and enjoy the journey. As students, teachers, and parents, we always seem to be focusing on the future. Whether it's thinking about when I'll get my license, or when I graduate from college, or when I buy my first house, or when my kid starts sleeping through the night, or when I retire, we sometimes forget to appreciate the journey we're on. The second piece that stuck with me was about gratitude. He shared his own personal story about health challenges that he's had, and how grateful he was just to have "hands....and feet.....and ears.... and a chance to be here." Highschoolers, and teenagers in general, tend to float through school without

thinking about the opportunities that they are given. In most instances, they just take it for granted. In this day and age, teenagers tend to feel as though they are entitled to things before they work to earn them. This then leads to the cycle of blaming others instead of taking responsibility. What resonated with me about this piece is that in Chelmsford, whether it be from the parents, the teachers, the students, the community, or the traditions that are present in the school, kids in Chelmsford, unlike others I've worked with really have a great deal of thanks and appreciation for what they have and where they are. I wanted to share a few more things that we are grateful for as we start this next school year.

- In June of 2014, we celebrated the careers of eleven of our faculty members and the indelible contributions they made to Chelmsford High School during their careers. Some had been with the district nearly 40 years, and had impacted thousands of students. We truly appreciated their dedication, commitment, and Chelmsford Pride. I wanted to share my personal thanks to Carl Rondina, Andrew Pasquale, and Jeff Doherty for the wisdom and support they provided to me as I returned home.
- Even though the summer was short, we were super busy installing new doors in the career center; installing seven new projectors and interactive white boards, multiple class sets of iPads and laptops, and multiple new wireless access points; installing new valves and controls for

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#### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT Continued...

the new heating system; the installation of a new Black Box Theatre in what used to be the Lecture Hall on the main floor; removing the wall-mounted televisions from the 1980s; and painting the rest of the interior doors with CHS colors.

- Special thanks to Marty Peal (CHS Class of '99), of Marty's Landscaping, for taking the time to beautify the grounds as you enter the building. The building has never looked so welcoming.
- CHS had 11 students recognized as NMSQT commended scholars this year; five of whom were also recognized as semi-finalists in this competition making them eligible for scholastic awards of up to \$5,000.
- CHS was named to Newsweek's Top US High Schools for 2014. This is the second time we've been on their list in as many years. A few years ago we were 774th out of 2000. This year, only 500 schools made the list we were 246th. Go Lions!
- CHS maintained its rating by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts as a Level 1 school. Based on our overall achievement on MCAS, our ability to reduce the proficiency gap, our high graduation rate, and our low drop out rate, we have been rated by the in the top quartile of public high schools. We're grateful for our faculty and staff, students, and families and their commitment to our success.

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#### CHS STUDENT PROFILE

By Debbie Haywood '74

## CLASS OFFICERS 2015



Zachary Davidson (Treasurer), Mrs. Elizabeth (Avila) Loiselle, '74 (Advisor), Kristina Gorski (Secretary), Shannon Nagle (President), Ryan Loftus (Vice President), Mr. Craig Vitale, '03 (Advisor)

The school year at Chelmsford High School is up and in full swing, in part due to the hard work of the class advisors and class officers of the Class of 2015. The class is led by dedicated and enthusiastic class advisors, Mrs. Elizabeth (Avila) Loiselle '74 and Craig Vitale '03. It is interesting to note that both advisors are CHS graduates, so they are well versed in the traditions of CHS. Being an advisor involves many, many hours of hard work. As a former class advisor to three classes, including Craig's class, I will say it is also one of the most rewarding experiences I have had as an educator. Now let's meet the class leaders.

The class president is Shannon Nagle, daughter of Sean and Mary Ellen (McManus) Nagle. Her parents are both graduates of the CHS Class of 1983. Shannon is a very busy young lady. In addition to being class president, she is a threesport athlete (volleyball, ice hockey and softball), a member of both the National Honor and Spanish Honor Societies, class representative for all four years and was selected to be a freshman mentor. Shannon is a very active community member, volunteering for a wide variety of programs, including St. Mary's Youth Ministry programs, Summerfest, Table of Plenty, 24-Hour Relay and coaching in the Chelmsford Youth Basketball League. Shannon has enjoyed her four years at Chelmsford High School. When I asked her if she felt like she was prepared to go on to college, she answered, "I feel like CHS has taught me how to be part of a community. It has taught me how to work with many different personalities and interests. This will

be very helpful when adjusting to college life." Shannon also stated, "Our class has really come together and we are all set for a successful, great senior year." Shannon plans to attend a four-year college.

Ryan Loftus holds the office of vice president. Ryan is the son of John Loftus and Ann (McManus '80) Loftus. Ryan is a very active member of the CHS community. In addition to his duties as vice president, he founded the CHS Badminton Club, has been a class representative for four years, a member of the Thomas Jefferson Club and has served as a freshmen mentor for the past two years. Ryan is a member of the tennis and ice hockey teams and plays in the Chelmsford Youth Basketball program. Academically, he challenges himself in the classroom as well. He is a member of both the National Honor and Spanish Honor Societies and is the recipient of the St. Michael's College Book Award, which is presented to the top 10 in the class. Ryan is also an accomplished musician and artist. He is a member of the awardwinning CHS Orchestra and was recognized with a first-place finish in Chelmsford's Fourth of July Student Art Show. He spends many hours volunteering at such events as Free to Breathe Lung Cancer Race, Camp Paul Haunt for a Cure, Run for Ryan's Cup and Family Promise. It is hard to believe that he would have any more time, but he also works part time. He works as a landscaper and as a Town of Chelmsford

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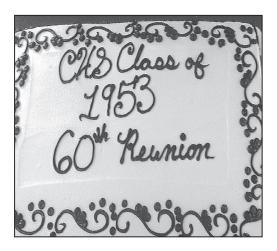
Election worker. Ryan echoes his cousin Shannon, in saying that the Class of 2015 is an amazing group. When asked his favorite part of CHS, he stated, "All of the kids, especially how involved the Class of 2015 is with a variety of activities and accomplishments. The class brings such a positive atmosphere to CHS, both in the classroom and at all the events." Ryan plans to attend a four-year college upon graduation.

The class secretary is another amazing individual. Kristina Gorski, daughter of David and Kim Gorski, is the class secretary. She is also very involved in life at CHS. In addition to serving as secretary, she is a class representative, member of the Interact Community Service Club, member of the National Honor Society and is a very active community volunteer. Some of her volunteer experience includes Friends of Music monthly can and bottle drive, House of Hope, Chelmsford Food Pantry, 24-Hour Relay, many activities at St. Mary's Parish, Lowell Humane Society and at the Chelmsford Senior Center. Outside of school, Kristina is a very active dancer. She was recently honored as a 15-year dancer with Dance New England. She is trained in Irish Step, ballet, pointe, contemporary and modern dance. Kristina plans to attend college down South and major in education. When asked about what she likes best about Chelmsford High School, she answered, "Definitely the outstanding school spirit. The Class of 2015 is just awesome and pulls everyone together!"

The fourth class officer is the treasurer, Zachary Davidson. He is the son of Randi and Scott Davidson. He is active in and out of CHS. He is a member of the yearbook staff, International Relations Club and DECA. He has volunteered at a variety of events, including the 24-Hour Relay, South Row Elementary School and Central Congregational Church. Zach is an active Boy Scout, serving as Senior Patrol Leader and was awarded the John Carson Memorial Campership program. Zach is planning a gap year next year and will be spending it as a volunteer with City Year, which is part of the Americorps program. He is planning on working in Boston with kids at risk. The following year he plans to go on to college and then medical school. When asked what his favorite memory of CHS is he answered, "The Junior Cotillion! I especially liked how everyone came together, decided on the theme and then we pulled it off. Walking in that night was amazing! I kept thinking we, along with a dedicated group of parents, did all this! It was incredible."

Now that you have met this remarkable group of students, I am sure you join me in wishing them nothing but success, not only this year but in life after Chelmsford High School. Best Wishes Class of 2015!

## PLANNING A REUNION?



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#### CHS ALUMNI PROFILE

By Sandie Johnson Taylor ('69)

## EVA CLARK MORIN ('33) RUTH CLARK WILSON ('32)



#### Twin Centenarians: Candidates for the Guinness Book of World Records

"We were young and pretty chipper at ninety-one, but now that we are getting older, we are starting to slow down," remarks Ruth.

"She's a Republican, and I'm a Democrat," declares her not so identical twin sister, Eva.

Born in 1914, the year that witnessed the outbreak of WWI on the one hand and the rise of Charlie Chaplin in silent film on the other, Ruth and Eva have lived through most of the twentieth century on into the twenty-first. To be more specific, they have lived through seventeen presidential administrations from Woodrow Wilson to Barack Obama, through both World Wars, the Roaring Twenties, the Great Depression, Vietnam, the Civil Rights Movement, the fall of the Twin Towers and so much more!

Last May, twins Ruth Clark Wilson ('32) and Eva Clark Morin ('33) celebrated their 100th birthday with five generations of their families and their many friends at the Groton Senior Center. These two centenarians are the third-oldest

set of twins in the country, making them possible candidates to be entered into the Guinness Book of World Records.

So how is it that when asked about her life, Ruth replies, "I don't think I have anything spectacular to say." And Eva suggests when writing about her life, "Keep it simple." Not an easy task considering the 100 years of stories they each have to share.

Born on May 19, 1914 on a farm in Carlisle to Romey and Rose Clark, Ruth and Eva had an older brother Charles, a sister Katherine, and two younger brothers, Romey, Jr. and Edwin.

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#### CHS ALUMNI PROFILE

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They later moved to Chelmsford where they attended fifth and sixth grade at the Parkerville School in South Chelmsford, the seventh and eighth grade at the McFarlin School and went on to Chelmsford High School, which had opened on Billerica Road three years after they were born. "I had three high school friends, and we had a good time together," Eva, who graduated in 1933, reminisces. "I'm wondering if anyone from my class is still alive." Ruth recalls her eighth grade teacher Susie McFarlin. "She was a good teacher; she was very strict."

After Ruth completed nurse's training at the Tewksbury School of Nursing, she married Frank Wilson in 1943 and had two daughters. She worked at EmersonHospital for twenty years, retiring at sixty-five and then worked as a private duty nurse for a while. When that ended, she began a job at Auto Snack in Lowell working from five o'clock in the morning until one o'clock in afternoon until she retired at seventy-five.

Eva moved to Hudson, MA and later married Roland Morin. When Roland joined the Navy during WWII, Eva went to work at an elastic factory in Hudson where Eva says, "They made large elastic cables used to slow down aircraft as they landed." After the war, Eva and Roland had a son and a daughter. Eva was instrumental in organizing the first PTA in their school. Roland eventually went to college to become a minister. In 1962, Eva and Roland moved to Chelmsford where Roland served as minister at the Unitarian Church in Chelmsford center for sixteen years. During that time Eva worked for the IRS in Andover.

"Through grammar school we had no running water, no electricity, no refrigerator," Eva recalls and adds, "When we were little, we lived pretty primitive, but back then we took it for granted." Ruth remembers "bathing in a galvanized tub in the middle of the kitchen floor by the stove on which the water had to be heated. The first one in, got the clean water. Before we had electricity, I remember my mother and my grandmother trimming wicks, pouring kerosene, and washing the smoky chimneys."

Ruth considers two of the most memorable inventions to be the refrigerator and the bathroom, recalling that they had outhouses as very young children and that they had to get chunks of ice from Heart Pond to keep food cold in the ice chest. Eva recalls her awe when she would see a plane fly through the air. Ruth remembers seeing television for the first time, amazed by the fact that "pictures could come through the air into your home." Today she watches very little television, appalled at much of what she sees and wonders about its effect on children today.

"This is a great place to live," says Ruth of Groton Commons, where she has lived for the past twenty-three years, continuing to be able to live on her own. There, she enjoys attending the coffee hour on Tuesdays, and can be found in the evenings playing games or chatting with a group of the residents. "In the past, I was always very active, going to the senior center to exercise three times a week, doing aerobics and lifting weights. I also did a lot of walking around town.

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#### CLASS OF 1933 -



CLASS OF 1932 -Ruth Clark Wilson



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I stopped driving when I was ninety-five." Ruth even went kayaking on her ninetieth birthday.

Eva, who lives in Keene, NH in assisted living, remarks, "I'm happy now and feel very fortunate. Life can be hard, but I'm a stubborn person and just rise above it." She goes on to say, "You have to have interest in things and keep busy." Eva's interests include: playing scrabble, reading mystery novels, doing crossword puzzles, and in the last few years dabbling in watercolor. About her paintings, Eva says, "Once in a while something comes out well." In the past, she also enjoyed spending time working in her flower garden.

"I don't have much faith in any religion," says Eva. You have to have faith in yourself. That's what's important." Ruth, on the other hand feels that her "faith and trust in God and his word is most important in my life."

Both sisters are grateful for their health and sound minds. Ruth clearly recites a passage, which she recites daily, from 2 Timothy 1:7 saying, "God did not give me a spirit of fear but of power, love, and a sound mind." She also recites part of Psalm 91. "It is the protection Psalm; I know it by heart and say it every day. I'm thankful for God and the way he has taken care of me." Like Ruth, Eva shares, "I am thankful for my health, my intelligence, and that I still have my mind, and for this beautiful world."

Both are grateful for their families, as well. Ruth lovingly says, "I have a small family, but my two daughters are wonderful. They are the best ever." Ruth has four grandchildren and one great grandchild. Eva replies, "I have a large family, and I am so thankful. Family is important. It means connection and loving each other and being interested in their welfare." Eva's family is, indeed, large with six grandchildren, nine great grandchildren and five great, great grandchildren.

"One thing that is wrong with our country today is that they have taken God out of everything," declares Ruth. She adds, "Politicians aren't trying hard enough. I'm amazed at our wonderful world but also disappointed that everyone is at war. I worry about our grandchildren's lives." Similarly Eva replies, "We need to get our country back on its feet to be a strong country again. Young people today need to get a good education, so they can help to fix their country."

When asked what advice they might have for young people today, Ruth shares, "Trust in the Lord. Walk,

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talk, and act in a loving way. Be honest. Have integrity and do the best you possibly can do." Ruth adds, "A lesson I wish that I had learned sooner is that your words are extremely important. They guide your life. If you talk positive, you'll receive positive. Talk about prosperity and expect the good." Eva advises young people to "have confidence in themselves, to get a good education, and to fight for things they believe in."

These two candidates for the Guinness Book of World Records, who both want to be remembered simply as "nice" people, certainly will be remembered for so much more. They will be remembered for their wisdom and wit, their energy, their optimism, their gratitude, for their love of people and for their deep love of family. At 100, Ruth and Eva remain "young and pretty chipper" with many more stories to tell and lessons to share.

A special thanks to Eva and Ruth's niece, Dottie Simpson Marinel ('50), who suggested this article and who provided some of the background details, as well as the pictures of young Eva and Ruth and of Eva and Ruth, celebrating their 100 birthday.

According to the Census bureau, there are approximately 55,000 centenarians in the US. That number is projected to grow to 440,000 by 2050.

#### FINE AND PERFORMING ARTS REPORT

### IN THE ARTS

By Christina Whittlesey

I hope you all had a restful and enjoyable summer! This was a busy season for the CHS Fine and Performing Arts, and I am pleased to provide you with information regarding developments within our department.

Before I begin to outline all of the exciting department news, don't forget that the Fine and Performing Arts Department has its own TV show! Spotlight on Fine Arts is aired daily at 10:00 a.m., 1:00 p.m., 4:00 p.m., and 10:00 p.m. on the TeleMedia educational channel (CTM ED) on Comcast 22 and Verizon 36. Episodes can also be viewed on the school website and online at http://www.chelmsfordtv.org I invite you to watch the department TV show through the year to keep abreast of Fine Arts news!

Now for the updates! First, we have had some personnel changes at CHS this year. In the art department, we welcome three teachers who have transferred from other levels: Madalena Alves, who has been teaching at Center Elementary, is now teaching Studio II and Appreciating the Arts Classes. Allison Gover, formerly at Parker Middle School, is teaching multiple levels of our Digital Photography Classes. Lastly, Virginia Cramer, also from Parker, is our new Studio I and AP Art Teacher.

We also have a new CHS Chorus Director this year. Amanda Roeder comes to us from Marblehead High



Flute Camp students work over the summer to improve their skills

School, where she directed the choral program since 2002. Under her direction, the choral enrollment at that school increased by 400%. She also pioneered Marblehead's award-winning a cappella program. Amanda has served as a director of the American Music Abroad organization since 2007, traveling each summer to Western Europe with a group of high school musicians from across the east coast. She is also the co-founder of the New England Voices Festival for high school a cappella groups.

I hope you will join me in welcoming these new faces to the CHS Fine and Performing Arts Department! This August, the third annual Chelmsford Summer Flute Camp, directed by CPS Music Teacher Allison Lacasse, was held at the Chelmsford Center for the Arts. This Camp provided the approximately 15 student participants with a unique opportunity to play music in a setting designed just for flute ensemble, or as they call it, "flute choir." This experience differs from the academic band setting, when all of the band instruments play together. This mixed-grade level camp provided students with opportunities to expand musical skills, develop playing technique, and build lasting relationships. One parent who attended the culminating performance at the end of the

week said of her child's experience, "They worked really hard at camp – but they had such a good time together. She came home every day smiling and eager to return the next day. This is so rewarding for her!"

Also this summer, the Music Department hosted our 7th Annual Band Camp, Directed by CHS Director of Bands Matthew Sexauer. I am pleased to announce that this year, Band is bigger than ever, and we have 99 students marching in the ensemble! Students are excited to be performing a field show this year featuring the music of John Williams. At the Band Camp Show for families at the end of the week, Mr. Sexauer explained that all year, students in the ensemble will be

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#### FINE AND PERFORMING ARTS REPORT

preparing for their upcoming performance representing the State of Massachusetts at the 4th of July Parade in Washington, D.C. in 2015.

If you have not heard this ensemble's dynamic arrangements of the Prologue from Hook, music from Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone, and "Adventures on Earth" from E.T., I invite you to attend one of our home football games this season!

In art news, two new courses were developed over the summer to expand upon students' digital art skills: "Graphic Design" focuses on typography, branding, design layout, package design, and graphic design career options. Students also learn to use Adobe Illustrator, and Adobe InDesign programs. "3D Design and Animation" focuses on creating 3D spaces, and 2D & 3D animations. In this class, students learn to use Autodesk Maya, Adobe Flash, and Adobe Premiere programs. These classes are taught in our state-of-the-art Mac lab, providing students with quality opportunities to prepare for careers in the digital art industry.

Theater Director Lauren Cochran was a "regular" at CHS over the summer, as she was involved in developing a curriculum for our new course, "Improvisational Theater." Since the core of acting is developing strong physical and vocal awareness and control, this course will teach students to become more comfortable using their body and voice as an actor of improvisation. This should be a fun, informative, and exciting course for our 9-12 students!

Ms. Cochran also worked over

the summer with her students to transform Lecture Hall II into a new Black Box Theater! Phase one of this project was completed after Ms. Cochran and students removed risers, installed tile, painted walls and ceilings, and designed a new mural to create a whole new, professional performance space. Phase two will be accomplished next summer, when new lights and a curtain will be installed in the Theater to finish the project, expanding the opportunities for performances by the Theater Guild in the future. I invite you to stop in to visit Ms. Cochran and see the new Theater, and purchase tickets for the October "Murder Mystery" production in the new space! As always, you can learn about upcoming events and purchase tickets for shows on the Theater Guild website, www. chelmsfordtheater.com.

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

#### **OCTOBER**

- 23rd-24th: CHS Theater Guild Production: Murder Mystery Show in the Black Box Theater (visit www.chelmsfordtheater.com for tickets)
- 24th: Fourth Annual "Band Night:" Students from CHS, Parker Middle School, and McCarthy Middle School Bands join forces at George Simonian Alumni Stadium to perform a special halftime show.

#### **NOVEMBER**

• 20th-22nd CHS Theater Guild Production: Fall Play (visit www. chelmsfordtheater.com for tickets)

#### **DECEMBER**

- 11th CHS Winter Concert at PAC, 7:00 p.m.
- 19th: Grade 5-12 All-Town Wind Ensemble at PAC, 7:00 p.m.

#### **JANUARY**

- 13th: Grade 6-12 Chelmsford Public Schools String Orchestra at PAC, 7:00 p.m.
- 21st-24th: Theater Guild Children's Play (visit www. chelmsfordtheater.com for tickets)
- 28th: CHS Student-Led Ensemble Concert featuring the CHS Symphony Orchestra and the CHS Wind Ensemble at PAC, 7:00 p.m.

As we do every year, we are also looking forward to and many art competitions and exhibitions, Junior and Senior Districts, All-State, MICCA, theatrical competitions, and other exciting opportunities for our students to explore possibilities within the Arts.

We are fortunate to have such a supportive community and school system for the Arts, and the faculty and I look forward to another great year in 2014-2015.

#### FINE AND PERFORMING ARTS REPORT

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

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

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

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

#### Best Regards, Christina Whittlesey

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CHS Band Rehearsing at Band Camp – 99 Students Marching this year!



CHS Art Students in the first day of their new class, "Graphic Design"



The entrance of the new CHS Black Box Theater

#### LION'S PRIDE, CHS ALUMNI MAGAZINE

## MEMBERSHIP UPDATES

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

Patricia Moore 1957
Diane (French) Mathews 1960
John Dionne 1964
Ann (Cooke) Leggat 1966
Frances (Merrill) Radgowski 1969
David McCarthy 1970
Robert Parker 1971
Annmarie Roark 1972
Marc Brovender 1974
Moira Prager 1976
Martin Krikorian 1977
Ryan Kuchler 1989

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

Joyce (Bailey) Waun 1950
Mary Anne Tabor 1964
Russell Mann, Jr. 1965
Donna Sargent 1970
Marcia (Cady) Dana 1974
Kathleen (O'Keefe) Gerow 1975
Ronald Carye 1976
Barbara (Coppinger) Whitney 1976
Dawn Belleville 1980
Thea Tully 1983
Kurt Heinrich 1990
Stephanie Quinn 1994
Drew Jenkins 2001
Jeff Breton 2013

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

Jennifer Donlan 2002

(We would like to apologize to Jennifer for misspelling her name in the last issue!)

Doug and Sue (Tulley) Anderson 1970. The Andersons split time between Lowell and Englewood, FL. Both are retired – Doug from the US Postal Service and Sue is a former Lowell school teacher.

Carol Richardson 1971. Carol is employed as a nurse. She lives in Merrimack, NH.

Kathy (O'Reilly) Larmand 1978

Cindy Teele 1979. Cindy lives in Los Angeles. She is a Senior Vice President with CBS Television.

Brett Fay (1990) and Kelly (Kinney) Fay (1992) are married and living in North Chelmsford. Brett is owner of The Middlesex Group

Jennifer Gannon 1998. Jennifer is currently a journalist living in Chelmsford.

Rebecca Driscoll 2014

Brad Hausler 2014

Matthew O'Keefe 2014. Matt is an international business major at Temple University's Fox Honors School of Business.



#### CHELMSFORD HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

## \* SIXTEENTH ANNUAL \* SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS NIGHT

By Sandie Johnson Taylor ('69)

#### A Showcase of CHS Pride, its Uniqueness and its Phenomenal Spirit of Giving Back

It was an evening that celebrates the accomplishments of CHS seniors and earlier graduates; but more than that, it is an evening that keeps alive the memories of former teachers, students, family members, and community members; an evening that brings together many generations of the Chelmsford community; and an evening that showcases CHS pride, uniqueness, and phenomenal spirit of giving back. It was the Chelmsford High School Alumni Association's Sixteenth Annual Awards Night that took place on May 15, 2014 at the newly and aptly named Carl Rondina Performing Arts Center.

CHSAA President and Master of Ceremonies for the evening, Terry McSheehy ('64) spoke about that CHS uniqueness in his opening remarks. "The Chelmsford High School Alumni Association is an all-volunteer organization that produces a forty page newsletter, Lion's Pride, which is one of the finest publications of its kind for a public high school. It has an all-inclusive Hall of Fame that each year inducts nine new members who have made a significant contribution to his or her school, college, profession or community." McSheehy went on to point out that CHSAA membership is key to its success and that those interested in becoming members or renewing their membership could do so easily at www.chsalumni.org/membership.

McSheehy then welcomed members of the School Committee, the Board of Selectmen and the school administration including: Superintendent of Schools Frank Tiano, CHS Principal Charles Caliri ('90), CHS Deans Josh Blagg ('91), Jeff Doherty, and Heather Gallante, and Town Manager Paul Cohen. Before introducing Principal Caliri, McSheehy thanked the Scholarship Committee and the Awards Committee for making the evening possible.

In his opening remarks, Caliri praised the award recipients, telling them that the evening was "a testament to your character, your accomplishments and your potential as well as an investment in your futures." He went on to say that "there are not many high schools in The Commonwealth, let alone in the country, that have an alumni association that supports events like this one."

Caliri shared that when he had asked CHS teachers who were retiring last June what makes CHS special, they responded that "CHS is unique with core values unlike any other place they had taught. They reminded us as I am reminding you to treasure that and hold onto it."

Caliri emphasized that those core values include: CHS pride and the notion of giving back. He appealed to the seniors and alumni in the audience "to someday find a way to give back to a community and a school that has taken pride in you." Caliri concluded by saying that "this current principal of this fine institution could not be more proud of your accomplishments nor more appreciative of the dedication and commitment that the CHS Alumni Association has made to the students and staff of CHS." Caliri expressed his "deepest thanks and appreciation" to George Simonian and Terry McSheehy for all of their support.

CHSAA Executive Director George Simonian then shared the history of the CHSAA scholarship program, which consists of both General and Designated Scholarships, recognizing George Parkhurst ('32) who in 1990 donated \$1000.00 to begin the endowment concept for the association. Simonian remarked with his effervescent CHS pride that "this year four new scholarships have been established bringing the total number of designated

scholarships to 102 with five more in the works for next year."

Simonian pointed out that "Any family, individual, or organization may establish a scholarship in recognition of a person, organization, or group by donating a minimum of \$5000.00 to the CHSAA Endowment Fund." Simonian remarked that the "fund continues to grow because of generous contributions of graduating classes, alumni, parents and friends of CHS." And in keeping with the theme of CHS pride and of giving back, Simonian, as he does every year, reminded everyone in the words of Albert Schweitzer that "We all make a living with what we get, but we make a life by what we give." He ended with "let the giving begin."

Ready to begin the awards ceremony, McSheehy, elicited a spirited response from the audience when he declared with excitement in his voice, "Welcome to Fenway Park! Let the game begin!" McSheehy added that "the guiding principle of CHS is that alumni give something back. This evening is the finest example of that."

By the evening's end, 134 CHSAA Awards had been presented to deserving CHS seniors and alumni who walked across the stage not only proud of their individual accomplishments, but also proud of CHS. Excitement, applause and cheers emanated from the audience as the recipients accepted their awards from presenters including CHS principal, teachers, deans, and alumni; as well as

parents, firefighters, the Chief of Police, the Town Manager.

One of the recipients, Meghan Morrison, was delighted to have received the Jennifer Renna Ferreira Memorial Scholarship in memory of Jennifer, who had practiced law at the Attorney General's Office for eight years. It was fitting that Meghan, who is attending UVM this year, receive this award as a result of her commitment to her Government/Mock Trial class. According to Mock Trial teacher Ben Cole, Meghan excelled in the class. Meghan shared that being involved with Mock Trial was the best experience of her CHS years. In last year's case, Meghan assumed the challenging role of attorney, recalling her cross-examination and her closing statement with excitement in her eyes. "I loved the teamwork and that all of our hard work was not only put on display in the court room but also applauded by a judge."

The Frances Marie Cameron Memorial Scholarship, designated for a CHS graduate planning to enter the nursing field, was established by Katherine M. "Kayce" Cameron ('39) in memory of her sister, who became ill and passed away while they were students at the Westlands Elementary School. Cameron, who for many years had presented the award herself, passed away at the age of ninety-three on May 8, 2014 shortly before the 2014 CHSAA Awards night. Rose Eppolito was the recipient of this award.

CHS English Teacher Kathy Zimmerman and Ryan Donaher ('06) presented the *Liza* Crowley Memorial Scholarship to Alexandra McCafferty. Established in 2012, this scholarship is awarded every year to a "deserving student who intends to further her or his education beyond high school- one who has demonstrated exceptional character, compassion, and considerable academic growth." Kathy Zimmerman commended Alexandra as a student who arrived in class every day with a smile and a sincere work ethic which surpassed most other students. "A great kid, Alexandra was downto-earth, always polite, kind, and very humble," Zimmerman adds. When Zimmerman told Alexandra about Liza Crowley who had taught English at CHS, Alexandra responded with, "Mrs. Zim, thank you so much for telling me about your friend Liza, this award means even more to me now!"

Alexandra reminds us that each of the 137 awards does "mean even more" because each award tells a special story from that of George Parkhurst ('32) to those of the present. And woven together, these stories create a tapestry rich in the spirit of giving back. After the ceremony, the recipients, their families, and the presenters, who together represented many generations of CHS Alumni, gathered to enjoy refreshments, take "selfies," and hopefully share some of those amazing stories.

#### SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS LISTING

The CHELMSFORD HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION GENERAL SCHOLARSHIPS are awarded to deserving alumni and who are continuing their education.

Kirsten Bruell '07 Leah Cole '11 Bridget Doherty '13 Emily Moreau '13

The GEORGE A. PARKHURST MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP is awarded to the highest academically ranked senior who plans to major in science. *Paul Huang* 

The CLASS OF 1957 SCHOLARSHIP is awarded to a graduate who after two years since graduation is pursuing a college education. *Jennifer Bellissimo '94* 

The CLASS OF 1963 SCHOLARSHIP is awarded to a senior who has performed outstanding service to Chelmsford High School and is ranked academically within the top 63 members of the class. *Jennifer Day* 

The CLASS OF 1985 SCHOLARSHIP is awarded to a senior who has shown outstanding improvement in the study of mathematics. *Danielle McGinty* 

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

CLASS OF 1956 SCHOLARSHIP Nicolle Belanger

CLASS OF 1994 SCHOLARSHIP Colin Wang

CLASS OF 1996 SCHOLARSHIP Eleanor Almeida

CLASS OF 1997 SCHOLARSHIP Casey Beaudoin

CLASS OF 1998 SCHOLARSHIP Jocelyn Strong

CLASS OF 1999 SCHOLARSHIP Matthew Brown

CLASS OF 2000 SCHOLARSHIP *Emma King* 

CLASS OF 2001 SCHOLARSHIP Nicole Harrison

CLASS OF 2002 SCHOLARSHIP Christopher Brown

CLASS OF 2003 SCHOLARSHIP Stephen Kender

CLASS OF 2004 SCHOLARSHIP Sandra Hovsepian

CLASS OF 2005 SCHOLARSHIP Jackson Gamer

CLASS OF 2006 SCHOLARSHIP Sophia Upton CLASS OF 2007 SCHOLARSHIP *Mrudula Gadgil* 

CLASS OF 2008 SCHOLARSHIP Caitlin Coggins

CLASS OF 2009 SCHOLARSHIP Dorothy Chung

CLASS OF 2010 SCHOLARSHIP Andrew Sheu

CLASS OF 2012 SCHOLARSHIP Edward Luo

CLASS OF 2013 SCHOLARSHIP William Cassels

LEO J. AUGER FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP is awarded to a deserving senior who plans to further his or her education. Tanuj Sane

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

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

Kayla Ducharme Katherine Moreau '12 The F. EDWIN BALLINGER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP is awarded to a high ranking senior who has performed outstanding service to Chelmsford High School. Sadie Hansbury

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

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

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

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

Michael Calicchio
Abigail Desrosiers

#### The MICHAEL A. CAITO MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

is awarded to a deserving college bound senior who has earned a varsity letter in football.

Jonathan Morse

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

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

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

The DELANEY
FAMILY MEMORIAL
SCHOLARSHIPS
are awarded to high
ranking seniors who have
performed outstanding
service in youth ministry.
Derek Bossi
Cynthia Hovsepian
Katherine Howard

Brenda Lapierre

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

Katrina Rega

The MICHAEL DZEDULONIS
MEMORIAL
SCHOLARSHIP
is awarded to a
deserving senior who has
demonstrated leadership
in the Live Smart Club.
Alicia Steepes

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

Ian McGinty

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

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

Meghan Morrison Tiffany Shu

The PATRICIA
McSHEEHY
FOURNIER
MEMORIAL
SCHOLARSHIP
is awarded to a deserving
graduate who is enrolled
in an undergraduate
degree program pursuing
a degree in special
education.
Alison Waszak '12

The FOX FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP is awarded to the President of the National Honor Society. Samantha Miller Melissa Roy

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

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

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

Bradford Hausler

The ALAN B.
GENDRON
MEMORIAL
SCHOLARSHIP
is awarded to a deserving
graduate who is
attending Middlesex
Community College
Timothy Patno '05

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

The GLENVIEW STEVEN SAMPSONIS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP is awarded to a deserving graduate who is enrolled in an undergraduate degree program majoring in culinary arts or a related field. Wan-Yi Chou '13

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

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

Paul Huang Jeffrey You Daniel Erdosy '13 Graham Lustiber '13 Luomeng Yu '12 Neil Cholli '12 Maximilian Maybury '11 Parthiv Patel '11 The HALL OF FAME SCHOLARSHIP is awarded to a graduate who is currently in a graduate degree program and who exemplifies the Hall of Fame standards. *Kristina Pisarik* '11

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

The JEFFREY HEROUX MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIPS are awarded to deserving collegebound seniors who have earned a varsity letter in football. Denis de la Flor Louis Hughes Thomas Stolki

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

HARRIETTE F. HOUSE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP is awarded to a graduate who is enrolled in an accredited two or four year college or university and has demonstrated community service to the Town of Chelmsford. Sheima Marand '10

The RALPH E. AND

The RALPH J. HULSLANDER, SR. MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP is awarded to a deserving graduate who is enrolled in an undergraduate degree program in criminal justice. *Rachel Couto '13* 

The HOWARD AND ELIZABETH HUMPHREY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIPS are awarded to a deserving senior who plans on studying architecture and to graduates who are continuing their undergraduate studies in architecture.

Ethan Russell-Benoit Allison Turner '13 Emily Totten '12 Rebecca Krupkoski '11

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

Carley Snelson

The JUDITH ANN KEEN MEMORIAL ROTARY CLUB SCHOLARSHIP is awarded to a deserving senior who best exemplifies the Rotary Club's motto: "Service Above Self". Shelagh Curran

The JOHN W. KERINS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP is awarded to a high ranking senior who has

ranking senior who has provided outstanding service to the music department.

Kate Burgess

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

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

Sara Patno '05

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

The McGOVERN FAMILY COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS are awarded to a senior and three graduates who have excelled academically. Elizabeth Sperry Amanda Chang '13 Elissa Ladwig '12 Alyssa Fiore '11

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

The CARL A. OLSSON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP is awarded to a deserving senior who plans to attend a community or jumior college. *Michael Fahy* 

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

Haley LaFreniere

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

Sara Patno '05

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

Colin Wang

The PARISEAU FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP is awarded to a deserving senior who is going to further his or her education and has demonstrated an outstanding w ork ethic and perseverance while a student at Chelmsford High School *Meaghan McCormack* 

The HECTOR AND SHIRLEY PARKER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP is awarded to a deserving graduate who is enrolled in an undergraduate or graduate program pursuing a career or graphic arts.

Victoria Russo '12

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

Delaney Gembis

The PROFESSIONAL FIREFIGHTERS OF CHELMSFORD, MASSACHUSETTS LOCAL 1839 SCHOLARSHIP is awarded to a deserving senior or graduate who is studying for a career in fire science or a related field. *Nicholas Imperillo '12* 

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The GEORGE AND LUCY SIMONIAN SCHOLARSHIPS are awarded to the Treasurer of the Senior Class and the President of the Student Council. Derek Bossi Tiffany Shu

The LUCY E. SIMONIAN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP is awarded to a deserving graduate who is enrolled in an undergraduate or graduate program pursuing a career in nursing. *Nina Harris'13* 

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service.

Rachel Armstrong

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WETMORE
MEMORIAL
SCHOLARSHIPS
are awarded to two
deserving seniors who
have earned varsity
letters in football and
who best exemplify the
importance of team
spirit and dedication to
the needs of the team.
Jeffrey D'Auria
Shawn Lefebure

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

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Ethan Russell Benoit Ryan Sullivan

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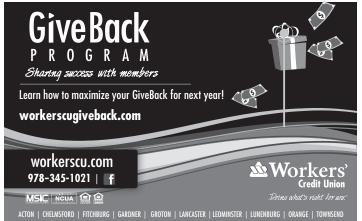
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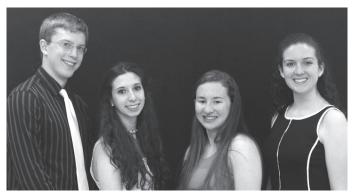
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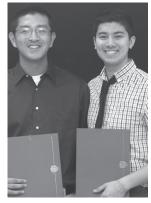
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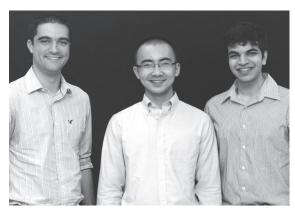
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#### **\* ATHLETIC DIRECTOR'S REPORT \***

Scott Moreau ('93)

The 2013/14 school year was another extremely successful year for our athletic teams. Five of our teams won league championships and 26 out of 31 teams qualified for the post season and our Girls Swim Team won the Division 1 State Title. Individually we had 12 Boston Globe/Herald All Scholastic selections, 2 individual state champions, 6 league players of the year and 5 of our coaches were recognized as coaches of the year. The department offered 31 varsity sports and 48 sub-varsity sports in which 1,453 student athletes participated in, the overall varsity record was 297-176-21.

Our athletes and coaches again have worked very hard preparing for this year and can't wait to start competing.



The recently renovated athletic facilities continue to be a huge advantage for our student athletes and community members. All

summer long they have been in use around the clock. This fall most of our athletic programs and community youth organizations will continue to benefit from the new fields and track.

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

If you would like to follow us on twitter please go to @CHSAthletics\_

## Remembering: Ed Carpenter



The many friends of beloved Chelmsford High School English teacher, Edward D. Carpenter, Jr., announce the establishment of *The Edward D. Carpenter, Jr. Memorial Scholarship* to honor Mr. Carpenter's forty years of devotion to CHS, his craft, his colleagues, and especially his students.

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#### **CLASS OF 1936**

#### Class Agent Needed!

To become a Class Agent contact: Jeff Gallant 181 Lexington Street #37 Newton, MA 02466 gallanje@bc.edu

Submitted by Dorothy E. (LeClair) Mackey, Class of 1937.

I read in The Sun newspaper that your classmate, Marguerite A. (Larkin) Shugrue, had died Wednesday, August 27, 2014 at age 96, at Sunny Acres Rehabilitation Center in Chelmsford. Marguerite had married Charles Shugrue many years ago and he preceded her in death. As we were growing up in North Chelmsford, Marguerite's home and mine were in view of each other and we were always "friendly acquaintances". I remember one occasion when we accidentally met at the corner of Highland Ave. and Middlesex St. as we were both walking to the Post Office in Vinal Square to collect our mail. It was a long walk and we enjoyed each other's company walking both ways. That's how it was in those days. The obituary also included a beautiful and glamorous picture of Marguerite. It also mentioned that she had worked for the New England Telephone Co. in Lowell. Those were the days when a married woman was not allowed by the N.E.T.C. to work

#### CLASS OF 1937 -

Dot (LeClair) Markey and the baby blanket crocheted by her for her newest great-grandson, Tristan Jeremiah Haley



as a telephone operator (as married women also were forbidden to teach in our schools in that era). It also mentioned her love of music and how she played the baritone horn with the Polish Band of Lowell. We join her family and classmates and recognize your sorrow at your loss.

An aside: Another classmate of yours, Mary O'Donnell, who was my chum during grade and high school, used to dance to the music of

Marguerite's brother, Bernie Larkin, when he and his band played at Lakeview Ballroom in Dracut every Wednesday and Saturday nights. The dance floor was surrounded by a two foot high fence with a gateway and the dances were ten cents each, three for twenty-five cents. The men / boys always paid for the dances. We lived for those nights when most of the dancers wanted only to enjoy dancing for the love of it.

#### **CLASS OF 1937**

1937 Class Agent:

Dot LeClair Mackey 20 Longcreek Drive Murrells Inlet SC 29576 (508) 265-3353 merrymacks@sccoast.net

The photo on the previous page shows me (now 95 years old), on August 16, 2014, displaying the blanket I finished crocheting for my newest great-grandchild (and 2nd great-grandson) who arrived on August 25th at 5:33 PM. Proud parents are Angela (Conrad) and Jeremiah Haley, of Bangor ME. Check out the Class of '66 for more news about Steven (Angela's father) Conrad's family. –Dot

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Mary Barron Partridge 7 Waverly Avenue Chelmsford, MA 01824

Here we are again. Summer is supposed to be over, but it is quite warm. The children are back in school and college. We had a good summer, but I am looking forward to fall.

In my last column, I told you about losing my sister Rita (Barron'42) Keane. Two weeks later, I lost my oldest and dearest friend, Irene (Boucher'40) Foster. I met Irene when I was 3 years old and we were friends forever. She resided at the Town & Country Nursing Home for five years. Her only child, Michelle, died there five years ago. Then two months after Irene died her only sister Lorraine (Boucher'47) Proulx died.

It was quite a spring and summer for me, as I had so many funerals to attend.

Right now, everything is quiet and I am looking forward to the Holidays.

Hope you are all well. -Mary

#### **CLASS OF 1942**

#### Class Agent Needed!

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Howard Nickerson sent us news that his sister, Shirley (Nickerson) Cszimesia passed away in May at her daughter's house in Silver Springs MD. Howard ('40) of Colchester VT and Earl ('47) of Vancouver WA, visited their sister before her death. We extend our sympathies to her family.

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Hello fellow octogenarians! Each time I hear from an old classmate, I can never forget Ruby Emery from my father's Class of 1917, Chelmsford North High School.

In September, I received a letter from Dr. Richard (Dick) D. Mochrie who provided us with his current address and phone number (below) so old friends may call or write.

300 Kildaire Woods Drive, Apt. 336 Cary NC 27511

Phone: (919) 467-1552

You may know he was a professor of animal science. He says "hello to all my old friends and also to Bessie (Blackie) Sadlier; we used to bag potatoes together on her dad's farm." "Spread the word for me that I am in good health at 86 years young." Thanks, Dick, great to hear from you! - *Mert* 

#### **CLASS OF 1946**

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George Merrill 108 Dunstable Road N. Chelmsford, MA 01863 G7ram2@aol.com

We are saddened to inform you that Lorraine (Boucher) Proulx died in late July. We extend our sympathies to her family.

#### **CLASS OF 1948**

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After a cool, rainy summer, we have had a beautiful fall here in WV. We will soon return to Charlottesville where the turning of the leaves is a few weeks behind WV. When we go to MA for our 65th reunion in October, we will have our third viewing of autumn foliage!

Fifty invitations to our reunion were mailed out in July. Ten were returned with address unknown. On further investigation via the web, we found that Elizabeth "Betsy" Durkee had moved from Kennebunk ME to Winthrop MA. Sadly, we found that four our classmates had died: Beverly (McMaster) Sleeper, Nancy (Lamb) Skinner, Teresa (Gonsalves) Flynn, and Father Ward Letteney; we send our deepest sympathy to their families.

Mail was returned for a second time from Sybil (Sargent) Swenson and Dawn (Scrizzi) Cantara.

Pat Flynn replied by sending a packet of earlier reunion pictures. We've been leaving messages for each other. We hope all is well with Pat and his wife Betty who traveled from Arizona for our 60th reunion.

Calls from Phyllis (Palmgren)
Almgren, Rick and Dolores Hadley,
and Don and Dottie Reid all
regretting that they will be unable
to attend our reunion for various
reasons.

An email from Doris Beausoleil, who lives in New York City, said she hopes to come.

We are looking forward to the reunion. Next issue of the Lion's Pride will have news of the event and pictures too.

Take good care. - Skip

#### **CLASS OF 1950**

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George Shepherd P.O. Box 507 Westford, MA 01886

It was great to get together for lunch recently with Charlotte Vayo and Sheila Richardson and catch up on family news. Sheila's daughter, Debbie, was recently ordained as a minister. Charlotte's son, Rick, keeps everyone in the family wondering how he finds the time to do all that he does. He runs Pre Press and develops land and buildings on the south shore into condos, etc. as well. Our daughter, Judy, left for Maracaibo, Venezuela in August to take up her duties as Athletic Director at a high school there. The three of us are happy to be still able to meet and have good visits. As Charlotte commented, "Did we ever think back in the 1950's that we'd still be getting together as 80 year old ladies??" I know I didn't think that far ahead.

What's your news people?? - Pat

#### **CLASS OF 1952**

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Gary Wilson 2 Vine Street Franklin, MA 02038

While visiting in New Brunswick recently, it was surprising to read in the Quoddy Tides Newspaper (Eastport ME) an article about a CHS 1952 graduate. "Archie Carter and his wife Cynthia organized a

Carter family reunion that was held at the Pembroke Elementary School on July 19, with 87 in attendance. The person who traveled the longest distance was from TX, and the oldest person attending was 93 years young.

Family members visited the James Carter family cemetery. The group traveled to Ox Cove Rd. and saw where the James Carter residence was when he first settled in Pembroke. Family history, stories, and pictures were exchanged with hopes of compiling this information and using the material to fill several genealogy books with Carter Ancestry."

Great Job Archie--Reunions are lots of work as well as fun!

Submitted for Carole Greenman (1952) by Pat Merrill (1951)

#### **CLASS OF 1953**

1953 Class Agent:

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Can you believe that a six week strike by the employees (and customers) of a grocery chain in New England known as Market Basket has severely affected the quality and quantity of this edition's 1953 Class News?! The strike paralyzed the exchange of news and bits of gossip among many of our classmates and affected the social life they enjoy at Market Basket and other stores when they shop. When I made my monthly call to Nancy (Wilder) Dziczek to find out what's new in Chelmsford and New England, she promptly informed me that she has seen almost no one for weeks! They say no news is good news, but in this

case, it seemed, to me, a disaster. I immediately went into recovery mode -- this is the summer everything slows down -- and I convinced myself no one expects much this time of year anyway. So, my fellow classmates, you'll have to grin and bear it! My sincere apologies. But now, with the strike finally settled and the stores almost totally restocked, we're hopefully back to normal - and with so much back news to report, you should come to expect one heck of a Class of 1953 column in the next edition of the Lion's Pride!

Regardless, however, there are some noteworthy items:

Franklin Warren is home! Mary has converted their living room into Franklin's and her bedroom. She took the washing machine and dryer out of a first floor bathroom and installed a handicapped shower. An aide comes in three days a week along with visiting nurses, a physical therapist, and other health personnel. Franklin's improvement to this point is a great example of the power of prayer. Mary tells me he still has another blocked artery that he is not in strong enough physical condition to have operated on at this time. Obviously the hope is that it will stay dormant until it can be removed and not cause Franklin to have another stroke in meantime.

Claire Ann Berger, the wife of our classmate Charlie Berger, passed away on August 3rd at the Lowell General Hospital. Claire Ann and Charlie were married for 57 years. Two sons and a sister also survive her. People who knew her tell us that her greatest enjoyment was the time she spent with her family and friends.

John Buzzell is home! I called Camarillo CA expecting Mary to answer the phone and I was ready to inquire as to John's situation, as previously when I spoke with her, he was in the hospital. Much to my surprise John answered the phone and I talked with him for about ten minutes - his voice was mostly clear and strong. John obviously has a weak heart. It took several days for doctors to determine if he was strong enough physically to survive a pacemaker installation, finally they decided to install one along with a special defibrillator. John also had pulmonary fibrosis (scarring inside the lungs) along with cancer of the esophagus which radiation cured. All of this has combined to weaken John's kidneys. On the positive side, John personally sees improvement in his heart beat and pulse rate.

John needs our daily thoughts and prayers. The first word in his yearbook write up calls him versatile - but my God, versatility only goes so far with your health. We're all rooting for you John, keep the faith!

A personal note -- Ruth and I returned to Florida in early August, spending only two months, instead of the normal 4-5 at our summer condo in Billerica. At this point, I felt uncomfortable being away from my Florida doctors for too long a time. We did get to Cape Cod where Ruth's youngest son has a place in Orleans (2 1/2 hours from our condo using Rt.495). Well, Hurricane Arthur chased us home early -when we arrived in Billerica the TV was warning of tornados in the northwestern Boston area. We could have stayed home in Florida and had the same forecast! I take 15 different pills or vitamins a day (some more than once) and overall, I am feeling better and getting stronger. Last week I could keep up with my son gardening in the 100+ temperatures we experience this time of year. My biggest problem is still Myasthenia Gravis (the deterioration of your muscles all over your body). I have joined the Wellness Center at the

Cape Coral Hospital (15 minutes from my home) which is a very well-equipped exercise and water center with two salt water pools, one four feet deep and heated. The Counselors and instructors are most helpful - I find I get the most out of the water exercises.

Lastly, the CHS Class of 1953 Class News is not called "Roy and His Friends." We are concerned and want to know about every classmate. I have a cell phone (239-246-5354) on which I welcome anyone --- and for those of you with computers, my e-mail address is zabierek@aol.com. Share your news - let us know what's happening in your life. One classmate refused to be interviewed for the Snapshot Program (although I was willing to visit him in his FL community) because nothing of any significance or newsworthy ever happened in his life - nothing! I feel very sad - very sad - for anyone who is in the twilight of his life thinking he has lived for 70+ years, and feels like that. Hey, not every snapshot I write is about presidents and chief financial officers, but instead about good citizens doing good things in their own environments. That's America!

There are two snapshots: Norma Dinnigan and Bill Clement; they represent what is good about our class - both are hard-working and patriotic model American citizens:

#### Class Snapshot: NORMA DINNIGAN

When you read Norma's yearbook write-up, what one of the items says about her is that she makes enviable bowling scores. Perhaps one of the reasons was that her father owned and operated a bowling alley in Vinal Square in North Chelmsford. In 1973, Charlie Dinnigan, Norma's Dad, was elected to the Bowler's Hall of Fame.

For twelve years, Norma and two of her friends were members of the Ladies Pro Bowling tour traveling the upper East Coast competing (and most often winning) duckpin bowling matches. One interesting point about Norma's bowling style is that although she is left- handed, she bowls right-handed!

After graduating from CHS, Norma worked for 14 years as an Inspector for Sylvania. Norma was married twice, both husbands passing.

During this time, she served as office manager for Elston Plumbing and United Ambulance. Her last job prior to retirement was as a Drafting Coordinator at Analytyx in Hudson, NH. She is the proud survivor of lung cancer surgery.

Norma devotes her time today visiting nursing homes and volunteering for the March of Dimes and the Salvation Army.

Her sport today is cribbage. She belongs to two leagues and most often plays in a walk-in league as well. She did spend four years living in Lady of the Lakes Florida, sitting her sister Charlotte's home--which Charlotte purchased four years prior to retirement. At the end of her house sitting Norma decided she was a New Englander at heart and chose not to live in Florida but return to Lowell -- after all, what's a little cold and snow?

#### Class Snapshot: BILL CLEMENT

Bill began his 38 year career at Raytheon in 1955 after studying drafting for 2 years at Lowell Tech (now the North Campus of the University of Massachusetts at Lowell). Beginning as a Draftsman, Bill moved up the career ladder into mechanical engineering and completed his working career at Raytheon as Section Manager for designing test equipment.

#### CLASS OF 1953 -

Jan and Bill Clement



Jan and Bill had six children. Their oldest son passed away from pancreatic cancer at age 54 in 2013. There are 16 grandchildren of which five are girls. Today they have one great-grandchild with another, we understand, on the way. Who knows, by the time this is published, there may be more "on the way." Bill retired in 1993 at 57 years old. It was then that he and Jan set out to tour the world (including many trips to Europe). Among the territories they covered:

- Africa, Morocco
- Normandy and Brittany, France (extension of a river-cruise)
- Scandinavia
- British Isles
- Dalmatian Coast, small cruise ship
- France
- Spain/Portugal
- Germany
- Austria
- Switzerland
- Italy
- River cruises (4)
- Belgium (extension of river cruise)
- Netherlands
- Rented apartment in Tyrol, Austria
- Rented apartment in Bavaria, Germany

The Clements consider ocean cruises just an extension of living in Florida, instead they prefer European River Cruises which are smaller ships, generally about 50-140 people.

Bill and Jan consider the success of their family their greatest achievement. When you sit down with them, on their deck on Dunstable Road - as I did - you can just feel the love they have for each other, which has gone on now for all of 57 years. - *Roy* 

George Brown has let us know that he has a new address and is now living at 2919 Las Vegas Blvd., Sebring FL 33870.

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Hello everyone! October is here and the end of 2014 is right around the corner. That means 2015 will soon be here, our 60th reunion year. Where? Vesper Country Club, Tyngsboro MA. So mark your new 2015 calendar for Wednesday, September 16th for a come together with your mates.

The Remembrance of Paul --- I am repeating myself, I was not ready to hear of yet another passing; I am devastated and broken hearted. It gets harder and harder with each passing to dig through old memories. Our good friend Mary (McCarthy '56) St. Hilaire, emailed me with the very sad news that our dear classmate and friend Paul (Pete) Peterson of Westford and Chelmsford, passed away unexpectedly on Friday evening, June 20th at the age of 77. He would have celebrated his 78th

on July 12th.

Paul Francis (Pete) Peterson was born July 12, 1936 in Lowell, MA. Paul married the love of his life Eileen (Cummings '56) Peterson, with whom he would have celebrated their 58th wedding anniversary on November 10th. Please see the photo taken on their wedding day in 1956, of Paul, Eileen and his brother Bobby who predeceased him. They have two sons, Michael and his wife Laurie of Newburyport, Larry of Salisbury, three daughters, Susan of Eugene OR., Tracy and her husband David Crocker of Groton, Jill and her husband Stephen McDonald of Westminster and a daughter Deborah of Pacifica CA. who died April 4, 2008. Paul also has a brother Douglas (Bud) '47 and his wife Jeanne living in Banning CA. as well as seven grandchildren. His Celebration of Life was held on Wednesday, June 25th at the Dolan Funeral Home in North Chelmsford. The interment took place at Strawberry Hill Cemetery in West Chelmsford.

After graduating from high school, Paul attended Bentley School of Accounting and Finance, where he earned an Associates Degree with the Class of 1957. Paul also graduated from Northeastern with a Bachelor of Science in Accounting with the Class of 1967. He worked at Raytheon of Andover for a short time. Paul owned and operated Paul Peterson Financial Services for over 20 Years. He never really retired in the "true" sense of the word. Paul was always hard at work for several clients, to keep his hand in the ever-changing laws, new technology, and just to keep in touch. His office at this time was at his home, in Westford. He was a member of the H.E. Fletcher Club in Westford and the Chelmsford Elks.

Our Yearbook Highlights: "Pete"

--- reverts now and then to juvenile ways---well liked---three-letter man---Eileen, his one and only---Pete, the part-time accountant---a former Quessy boy in grammar school. In our Class Will, he left his high jumps to Philip Molleur. Pete earned letters in football, basketball, and was Co-Captain with Bob Farrow in baseball. Pete was an avid fan of all sports, especially the Boston Red Sox. In the winter he would plan his many winter vacations in Fort Myers FL, in order to go to the spring training games of the Red Sox, the Twins, and the (old) Milwaukee Brewers, who at one time were the Boston Braves and now are the Atlanta Braves.

It was fun to talk to Lenny Leedburg, Bill Vennard, and Wendell Luke reminiscing about Pete in their Quessy School days. They played many games of fun, pick up baseball with Benny LaCourse, Bob Wetmore, and Red Molleur. They rode everywhere on their bikes to find a pick-up game. Ken (Pin Ball) Carter remembers them coming over to Varney playground in North Chelmsford and said that at times Harvey Miller would join them along with others. Wendell recalls that they would make up their own rules as they went along because there weren't enough players - such wonderful times in those days. Carol (Abrahamson) Bovill was Pete's first cousin. They both lived on School Street, West Chelmsford, a stone's throw away. Everyone hung around together. She remembers that when she lived in Colebrook NH, she would have family reunions with her two boys Bruce and David, and that Pete, Eileen and their family, along with brother Bud from CA would often join them, coming up every summer while all the kids were growing up. She said Pete was a great guy; he was dedicated to his Mom and in later years looked after Eileen's mom.

I didn't really get to know Paul until the eighties. I'd only see him at our joint class reunions. Out of the blue one evening, Joe Marcotte '54 called to say that a group of classmates was helping to organize a CHS Alumni Association and would I be interested in being a Co-Class Agent? Then later Paul called and asked if I would help him out as Class Agent. OK, now, what does that mean?? He said all you have to do is write a few words about classmates for the Newsletter, the Lions Pride. When Paul resigned as class agent in the nineties, because he was very busy with his business, Bob Wetmore came on board. Paul was very a big help as treasurer and with our class reunions; we all worked so well together. See the photo of Paul, Ron Taylor, and Dick Burtt, taken in September 2010, at Ron Taylor's home, at a meeting putting together the final touches of our 55th class reunion.

Paul (Pete) - you will be truly missed, but not forgotten. Pete had a great sense of humor and loved everyone. Paul was a faithful email buddy to me. Time will soften our pain, grief will pass, and our love for you will last. Paul is now in a better place--now as a handsome teenager playing his beloved game of baseball, running around the bases, and hitting home runs. Thank you so much Paul for being our friend.

We extend our heartfelt and deepest sympathy to Bob Costello, of Ormond Beach FL on the loss of his wife Pat at the age of 65 on Saturday, May 10, after a long illness. Barbara (White '56) Costello of Port Orange FL emailed me the sad news. Bob was her brother in-law and did say that Bob is lost, as taking care of his beloved Pat was a full time job, morning, noon and night. Bob has a son living in NH, two other children, and one grandchild.

School Mates Reunite---On May 8, 2014, the 4th Annual GIRLS of '55' get-together was held at the Java Room at The Old Chelmsford Ginger Ale Building. Dottie said they gabbed and gabbed. With warm and fuzzy feelings, they departed ending a fantastic time. Till next time! Attending were Carol (French) Miller of Hudson NH, Carol (Abrahamson) Bovill of Center Harbor NH, Judy (Bomil) Killeen of Kittery, ME, Pat (Elliott) Bernard of Chelmsford, and Dottie (Tassios) Zahos of Westford. Check out the picture!

#### Across the Pond---

I recently received a wonderful travel story in my email from Wendell Luke, which he wanted to share with his classmates. Wendell and Reba flew into Madrid for a fantastic trip touring Spain in June. They arrived a day early and were able to see the Spanish modern museum of art, Reina Sofia, which houses, among others, fine collections of Juan Miro, Velazquez, and Picasso. He said it was very moving to see Picasso's war protest painting Guernica. Then they travelled north through Burgos and stayed at Santander on the Bay of Biscay. Wendell and Reba stopped at Bilbao to tour the architect Gerry's amazing Guggenheim art museum on their way to San Sebastián and on to Pamplona. They missed the running of the bulls by a few days. Then they traveled on to Barcelona; Wendell said it is an amazing place, fully alive. They spent some time in a park with a collection of exciting playful buildings designed by Gaudi. It is in Barcelona where construction continues (130 years so far) on the incredible cathedral envisioned by Gaudi. Wendell and Reba toured Montserrat, a monastery built high against a rocky cliff. They then continued down the Mediterranean coast to Valencia. Wendell says it is

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In loving memory of Paul Peterson



# CLASS OF 1955 Paul and Eileen Peterson on their Wedding Day, November 10, 1956



true; their oranges are wonderful! All during their trip, they were treated with miles of orange, olive, lemon, peach, pear, almond trees, grape vines, sunflowers, and artichoke fields, depending on the region and weather. There were areas with sheep or cattle. The storks were raising their young in huge nests at several spots along their travels. In

#### CLASS OF 1955 -

REUNION MEETING IN SEPTEMBER 2010. L to R: Paul Peterson, Ron Taylor, Dick Burtt standing



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4TH ANNUAL GIRLS OF '55 GET-TOGETHER. May 8, 2014. L to R: Dottie (Tassios) Zahos, Judy (Bomil) Killeen, Carol (Abrahamson) Bovill, Carol (French) Miller and Pat (Elliott) Bernard



Valencia, especially, but throughout Spain, they ate various versions of Paella, a rice dish mixed with meat, vegetables, or seafood. From Valencia, they went to Granada and the famous Alhambra. Then they attended an evening of gypsy dancing. At one point along their way, they stopped to tour cave homes, some of which had wooden facades built as entrances.

Wendell and Reba stayed on the coast, their room with a balcony overlooking the Ocean, close to Malaga. While in Malaga, they visited an olive oil farm and factory, and then visited Picasso's birthplace. On their way to Seville, they stopped off at Gibraltar and toured the caves built for protection and hung around

with the famous monkeys for a while. In Seville, they took in a wonderful program of flamenco dancing. Wendell said the dancers are amazingly athletic. Then they went to Cordoba where they were led through the cathedral, which records the changing history from Christian to Moslem to Christian rule. Each time the rulers changed, the building was redecorated to celebrate that religious tradition: geometric tiles representing the Moslem faith or the ornate symbols representing the Roman Catholic tradition. Wendell and Reba ended up back in Madrid and toured the wonderful Prado where their guide emphasized El Greco, Goya, and Velazquez. They took one last trip to Segovia where they walked under the incredible double-arched remains of a Roman aqueduct and its remarkable medieval castle. Of course, they visited several other cathedrals, castles and palaces. Wendell and Reba were also impressed by the large displays of wind turbines and solar panels.

I so enjoyed writing this up for Wendell. He wrote the story all I did was change the words of we, our etc. I learned a lot about Spain and its rich history as I hope you did too. Some of us will never have the opportunity to travel across the pond. Having said that, it was wonderful for Wendell to share his story through his eyes. Do you have a story you wish to share with your classmates which they would enjoy reading? If so, email or call me.

#### Out-n-about---

In April, Dan and Bonnie Pushee, of Crystal River FL, went on a fantastic cruise with some of the family. They embarked on the Dream Cruise Ship of the Carnival Cruise Line, out of Port Canaveral FL. Ports of call were Aruba, Jamaica, Grand Cayman, and Cozumel. The cruise ended in New Orleans LA from where they flew back home. On yet another note, Dan has a new position in the Masons. He was appointed Grand Superintendent for the Florida Grand Council of the Allied Masonic Degree. He will be responsible for thirteen Councils all over Florida, from the Panhandle to the Peninsula, which will include, naming a few, Pensacola to Ft Myers, and Miami to Jacksonville. Photos of Dan and Bonnie at the Mayan Ruins in Cozumel, Mexico and of Dan in his full Masonic Regalia nearby!

This past July, Eileen (Harrington) Collomb, of St Augustine FL, spent a great week entertaining her daughter Rene and the two grands Cooper and Owen from CO, and her daughter-in-law from Baltimore. They first spent a few days in Disney then her daughter rented a condo on St Augustine Beach. They had a grand time touring the Oldest City and spending time on the beach. They drove back to Baltimore where Rene spent more of her vacation, before flying back to CO. Eileen then had to pack to get ready to fly out to Rene's in Wellington CO, to take care of the two grands for a week in mid-August. Such fun!

Around-n-about---

Carol (French) Miller went on a three day "Runaway from Home" to New York City with her two daughters, to, among other activities, attend an opera at the Met. Carol, her daughters Laurie, and Lisa and her friend, all took the train to the Big Apple out of Boston on Monday April 14th. They stayed in a midtown Manhattan hotel and went to the Metropolitan Opera in the Lincoln Center to see "LaBoheme" that evening. Carol said it was beautiful with fantastic singing, and of course, the always amazing Met! Tuesday morning they had breakfast at the Brooklyn Diner on 57th Street and walked around a bit. Then they all headed across Central Park to the

Guggenheim Museum. Tuesday evening they met up with Carol's oldest grandson, John, who is living in New York City practicing Patent Law, along with his girlfriend, who is also a lawyer in the City. They all dined at a wonderful Italian restaurant and had a lovely visit. After breakfast on Wednesday morning, they all boarded the train back to Boston. Carol said it was a fabulous "Runaway from Home." Pictures nearby!

A blast from the past. In July, Gertrude (Smith) Allaby, had a nice surprise phone call from Ken (Pin Ball) Carter to wish her all the best in her new abode. He was reading the Lion's Pride and read where Gertrude had move back to her roots in North Chelmsford, saw her phone number and said I must give her a call. They talked about days past and present. He mentioned to her that a couple of years ago, while in Vinal Square he went to the barber shoppe and bumped into Harvey Miller. Ken hadn't seen him in years. Gertrude called me to tell me the news and said that she still has warm and fuzzy feelings. They grew up together on Tyngsboro Road and sat next to each other at The Princeton Street School (where the North Chelmsford Firehouse now stands). Having not talked to Ken in over a year, I then gave him a call and we had a very long phone visit. Ken related that after high school, he signed up for the Army knowing he would be eligible to further his education. After serving for three years, he came back home and worked for a Company in Littleton MA. Ken presently is a Volunteer for the Fire Department in Charlotte ME. The firehouse planned to have a big social, expecting over 200 people, with all the goodies, over the Fourth; unfortunately, Hurricane Arthur hit. They had over 10 1/2 inches of rain along with high winds. You know what that meant, streets flooded and

trees down. The eye of Arthur went through East Point ME. Pin Ball has promised to make the very long trip down from his home in Charlotte to attend our 60th Reunion on September 16, 2015 with his wife Ann, Yeah! Pin Ball, I will hold you to your promise!

New Digs -

This past July, Judy (Fisher) and Louis Chandonnet moved from Hampsted NH to 91-4 Hall Road, Fremont NH 03044, new phone number (603) 244-5340.

Tid-Bits -

Tom Bovill had a nice phone visit from Ron Taylor last April. Then a few days later they bumped into one another while shopping at Lowe's on Chelmsford Street. (There is a new Lowe's in Lowell, for you mates out of town). They had a nice talk and had fun reminiscing about their school days, mentioning that they are the only two left from their group of kids that grew up together. As Barbara wrote in her email and Ron said during our phone call, "KINDA SAD!"That give us all another reason to make a special effort to attend our 60th reunion less than a year from now!

On the 4th of July, Judy (Fisher) and Louis Chandonnet celebrated Independence Day, at their Sago ME beach home with the whole family. They had an old-fashioned cookout (hamburgers, hot dogs, potato salad along with all the fixings). Daughter Susan and her family from CA, daughter Kim with her family from Andover, son Greg and daughter Anne with their families, both from NH, along with the twelve grandchildren joined them for the festivities. Judy had just talked to Prue (Pouliot) McBride of Cordova TN said that she and Mike were doing well but were not traveling to Maine for a family gathering this summer.

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Dan Pushee in his Full Masonic Regalia



#### CLASS OF 1955 – Bonnie and Dan Pushee at the Mayan Ruins in Cozumel in April



Congratulations to Tom and Barbara Bovill on the arrival of their first great granddaughter, Giulianna Faith, born July 3rd. Tom and Barbara's grandson Russell Jr. and his wife Cheryl are the proud parents. Carol (Abrahamson) Bovill and her friend Lee drove over from Center Harbor NH to visit with Tom and Barbara at their Silver Lake cottage

#### CLASS OF 1955 - RUNAWAY TO NEW YORK CITY!

Carol with her Grandson John, friends, and family at an Italian restaurant, in New York



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Carol (French) Miller (front) with her two daughters Laurie and Liza, along with a friend



in NH. They took a ride over to Hampton Beach to see the sand sculptures. Such talent these people have. The sand has to be brought in and then kept wet so the talented builders can sculpt their amazing creations.

I talked with Bill Vennard of Columbia MD. Said he and Coppy are taking it easy this summer. They had a very productive tomato crop providing enough for their family and the whole neighborhood. They have four grandchildren, the two little ones, five and eight, who love the pool and keep Bill and Coppy moving. The other two grands, twenty-one and twenty-four, are both in college. I also talked with Lenny Leedburg, same story; he and

Pauline are enjoying the pool, the garden, and the grands. He said that the garden was coming in great. I received a nice note from Earl and Bunny Guilmette. With the note, Earl enclosed Paul Peterson's obituary from the Lowell Sun along with his memorial card. Earl, thank you for sharing. I also heard from Linda Patton, of Tallahassee FL, Gigi (Long) Kelleher of Wilmington DE., Beverly (Bell) Collins, of Westford, and David Blackadar, of Marshall TX. Even if you don't have any news to share, it is always good to hear from you.

Up-n-coming Our big TENTH annual Florida
reunion is coming up! All classes are
invited to join us. Again, we are
planning a luncheon cruise on the
"Barbara Lee," an authentic paddle
wheeler, on the St John's River out of
Sanford, sometime in March. It is
always a good time to catch up with
old classmates and friends. Email or
phone me if you would like to join
us.

Till Next Time, Happy
Thanksgiving, Blessed Merry
Christmas and a very Happy,
Healthy New Year. Be happy, safe,
and well in our reunion year 2015.
- Marie

# **CLASS OF 1956**

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Summer in Chelmsford was delightful this year. We only had about four days of 90-degree weather. It was nice to look at my lawn in late August and see that it was still green.

Our sympathy to Eileen (Cummings) Peterson and her family on the unexpected passing of her husband Paul on June 20, 2014. Paul was from the 1955 class, but he was just as much a part of our class. Paul was a special guy and he will be greatly missed.

The prayer card handed out at his funeral so described Paul that you would have thought he wrote it himself.

I'd like the memory of me to be a happy one, I'd like to leave an afterglow of smiles when life is done. I'd like to leave an echo Whispering softly down the ways, Of happy times and laughing times and bright and sunny days. I'd like the tears of those who Grieve, to dry before the sun Of happy memories that I leave When life is done.

Besides Eileen, he is survived by two sons Michael and his wife Laurie of Newburyport and Larry of Salisbury, and three daughters Susan Peterson of Eugene, OR, Tracy and her husband David Crocker of Groton, and Jill and her husband Steven McDonald of Westminster; seven grandchildren; his brother Douglas and his wife Jeanne of Banning CA; and his sister in-law Dorothy Murphy of Lowell. He was the father of the late Deborah Peterson of Pacifica, CA who died April 4, 2008, and the brother of Robert who died December 25, 1988.

Our sympathy to Jane Doyle and family on the passing of her husband and our classmate Roland "Pudge" on August 18, 2014. Pudge always had a twinkle in his eyes and a hardy laugh to go with it. He realized his dream by living the last twenty years at Hampton Beach NH. Besides Jane, Pudge is survived by his three sons, Lawrence and his wife Christine of Tampa, FL, Michael of Lowell, and Steven and his wife Kathleen of Derry NH, two grandchildren, and his brother James and his wife Sandra of Moultonboro NH.

Our sympathy to Tom St. Germain and family on the passing of his brother Bill on August 30, 2014. Bill had worked for Hannaford Supermarket for twenty-two years.

He is survived by Tom and his wife Carol, and his brother James of Greenwood ME. He was the brother of the late Philip St. Germain, Ann Weglinski and John St. Germain.

Happy Holidays to ALL, Mary

# **CLASS OF 1957**

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I hope everyone had an awesome summer. We had a great one here in New England.

Janet (Bentley) LaCroix and her husband sold their home and moved to a beautiful independent living facility. They both have some health issues, so are very happy in their new home. The new address is 30 Sullivan Dr., Apt. 116, Canton NY 13617.

Patricia (Thompson) Moore is happy in her house in TX. She swims every day when the weather is good and enjoys her yard full of foliage and birds of all kinds. Pat is a property manager and a volunteer usher at many upscale venues in her town. She also enjoys playing bridge several times a week.

I had my second knee replacement in early March so I had to slow down for a while going through rehab.

The "Six Musketeers," Beth (Simpson) McHugh, Ann Marie (Schlstedt) Winkowski, Kay (Morrow) Stidsen, Helen (Popplewell) Hanafin, Berta (Jones) Erickson, and I are still going strong. Sometimes not everyone can make an event, but whoever can, does. We meet for lunches, ice cream, bean suppers, movies, shopping, errands, plays, musical events, baseball games, or whatever. The one constant is breakfast on the second Saturday of the month. Anyone is welcome!

I've known Ron Aubrey since we both went to second grade at Princeton Street School together and enjoyed his antics and friendship throughout our school years. He has a fantastic memory and I enjoy his many stories of our younger years. The following is one of Ron's notes of reminiscence to which I can totally relate:

Every time I receive and read through the Lion's Pride, it brings back so many memories. I spent my young life, during the 40s and 50s, in what I feel was the best time in

America. Monday morning all the kids in the neighborhood walked down Lake Street (now called Needham St.) to the bus stop. It would take us to Quessy School. I could list the route and all the names of the students and in later years, I had one of my paper routes that covered the route of the bus.

Ms. Hickey was the principal. She and Miss Sullivan, Mrs. Dexter, and Mrs. Macanenny were my four teachers during those years. I saw Ms. Hickey quite a lot as a first grader! In 1945, the school districting alignments were changed. I ended up at Princeton Street. The line was at either at Libedensky or Dirubbo. Princeton was a fairly old school with eight grades. Anyone who attended there during these next seven years could tell of many funny and crazy happenings. The teachers were great educators. They had to be to teach some of us! I give credit to those teachers for doing such a great job in math, spelling, and discipline. I always chuckle as my college-educated children and my grandchildren rely on a calculator to figure out how much to leave for a tip or how to divide things.

Among the number of events that stick out in my mind while attending Princeton Street, was the day someone challenged me to throw an apple through the open window into Miss Sullivan's room on the second story. I missed and took out an 8 x 11 pane of glass. I didn't know that Miss Sullivan and Miss Miskell saw the whole episode. Saturday morning, Mr. Ferron, the janitor, helped me put in a pane of glass.

Recess, as always, was the best time. Anytime Mrs. Hogan was on yard duty, I would run across Washington St., behind the town hall, climb the fence, and run down to Mrs. Buchannan's bakery for penny candy, and run back without getting caught.

When Donald Lusier and I were in seventh and eighth grades, we set up pins at night at Dinnigan's Bowling Alley for two cents a string. We made about \$25 a week. The teachers wondered why we were so tired in school. I also had a paper route that encompassed most of North Chelmsford. I started at Power's Drug Store, then down Middlesex St. to McKenny St., marched up Cottage Row, up Washington Ave., all the way to the canal where the Dubes and the Longs lived, and then to the start of Newfield St., around Varney Playground and ending at Betty Boumil's house. That was 157 papers!! To this day, I remember all the people. If only I could remember what happened last week!

High school was a blast! It is truly the best time in one's life. Thank God for sports and all the great teachers, especially Mr. Conrad, the principal. I also had two of the best cribbage players teach me the game, Bill Carruthers and Pop Conners, the janitors. I had many adventures in my four years at Chelmsford High; my favorite one is how I would go for lunch and end up fishing. I would leave the high school, walk to the hill to the lunchroom at McFarlin, walk by the door and head to town hall. From there I would hitchhike home and go fishing. One day was hitchhiking home and JT Conrad pulled up and asked me where I was going. "Home," I said, "I'm sick." He gave me a ride straight home. That ended my afternoon fishing. Mr. Conrad contributed greatly to my finishing high school!

Every now and then, I'll read an article about North Chelmsford and Ballo's Diner. Well, the boys who hung out in our group there were just like the character "Fonzie." We were just like the kids that hung out Skip's or Dolly's or Epicure in Lowell. What also brings back memories of Ballo's was the passing of one of

my best friends during that time, Bob (Batman) Wetmore. It was like yesterday that we were sitting in his '48 or '49 Chevy convertible. Then he moved up to a Bel Air convertible. I remember cruising the streets of Lowell. It was only for a few years, but we did everything and went everywhere. I can remember all of us leaning against the cars or in Ballo's playing the jukebox, having a Coke and a hamburger. If you got rowdy, Pop kicked you out. Ballo's was the center of our world.

In 1960, I moved to ME, near the ocean. Living here was like living in Chelmsford, but now here, as in Chelmsford, it has become overpopulated. I hope I can eventually move further north to what is now called "the real Maine." We have all been so lucky to have grown up and live our lives in New England.

After reading Ron's note, I know many of you are remembering those years with fond memories.

Please send me news, pictures, or events in your life. Your classmates are interested to know what's going on with you.

Hope our winter is a mild one!

Until next time, Sandy

We welcome Patricia Moore as a Life Member of CHSAA. She reports that she earned her Real Estate Professional Certification from Austin (TX) Community College and holds a Real Estate License in the state of TX.

# **CLASS OF 1958**

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Hi all, It's that time again and I'm back!!

As I type this, it is Labor Day weekend. Summer is almost behind us. The weather this year was a little strange but really nice for the most part. The kids and I did our annual hot air balloon festival in Stowe VT. There are 34 of us and only four were missing this year! What a good time we had. This was my 23rd year!! Hopefully, I'll make a few more!

My sister Judy and her husband Dennis were here from FL for the month of August. It was so good to see them. My other two sisters and I were able to see them and enjoy a few visits, including lunch up in Rye NH.

The girls from the class of '58 had some great lunches together. We went to Good Thymes in Lowell and Kimball's for the seafood that is so good!! Valerie (Broscombe) Bell came with us to Kimball's. "Poor" Val had not been back in the area recently and was amazed by the way Route 110 has changed with all the new stores, restaurants, and developments! We still managed to have a good time. We did miss Lee Gagnon though, as it was so crowded that she couldn't find a place to park; she turned around, and went home!!! I actually went to Kimball's today (Labor Day) and had a lobster roll yummy!!!

Speaking of Lee, she retired from

teaching at "good ole CHS!!" Their family had a really fun retirement party for her at their son's home. It was lots of fun, the food was fantastic and the company was amazing, so many people, lots of family and tons of friends. Our class was well represented, Judy (Cullen) Thompson, Diane (Archer) Chaney, and I went, of course, Ron and Val Bell, and Peter and Cathy Vennard were also there. What a great time!!

Not a lot of news this time... really hope some of you will send me some good stuff to print. Our classmates would love to hear your news!! Trips, new grandchildren, anything!!

Till next time, stay healthy, keep safe, and enjoy life!! -Martha

#### **CLASS OF 1959**

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# **CLASS OF 1960**

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Hi classmates, Summer is almost over and Chelmsford's Fourth of July festivities were great as usual. Hope you all had a good Fourth of July with the parade, cookouts, and family get-togethers.

Summer is winding down. Fall will soon be here soon and so will football.

In May, our reunion committee meeting met for the first time. Some committee members were unable to attend. We talked about where to hold next year's reunion and whether to try to get the same DJ we had for our last reunion. If anyone would like to join our reunion committee, get in touch with a committee member. We'd be glad to have you join us, as 2015 will be our 55th reunion. Can't wait, it should be a great time.

Don't forget if you are not a member of CHSAA, please join. Get in touch with the CHSAA office at the high school.

Well, that's about it, have a good fall and remember to keep on rolling.

– *Jim Gifford* 

Diane (French) Matthews is an elder care Personal Care Attendant (PCA). We welcome her as a Life Member.

# **CLASS OF 1961**

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From Greg Cook:

Below is a note I received from Marcia (McLaughlin) Curran:

We have been out of school almost 53 years and yet many memories remain intact of our four years at C.H.S. Here are a few of mine: Mr. Nolan's homeroom in the basement of CHS on Billerica Road. The rows of lockers near the Janitor's room. Upstairs, Mr. Conrad's (our principal) office and the Guidance office. The classrooms had wooden desks with attached seats lined up in neat rows. The lunchroom was located in the basement of the McFarlin School and the walkway down to it was slippery in the winter. In our junior year, we were at the McCarthy School on North Road; everything was new and big. Miss Booth and Miss Wexler respectively, were my Junior and Senior homeroom teachers. I remember

Miss Wexler telling me my skirt was too short and it was mid knee!!! The lunchroom was busy and there was only one choice on the menu, and how about gym classes with those blue gymsuits!!! I remember ... some of the girls dying their hair green on St. Patrick's Day, the gibberish talk the boys couldn't understand, Skips, Jack's Diner, Page's Drugstore where we bought Mocha Poker lipstick and cherry cokes, Godin's where many of us worked after school, and the Donut Shop where we often met after school and on Friday nights.

Senior year when term papers had to be typed and double spaced on sheets of paper bought at Prince Stationery in Lowell, class pictures, yearbooks, and the prom. Graduation was in the evening and we walked across the stage to receive our diplomas.

We did it! We graduated!

We had dedicated teachers who for four years filled our minds with knowledge, wisdom and grace. They shaped us into young adults, sent us out into the world, and hoped the best for all of us. I think when we look back, we realize how fortunate we were. – *Marcia Curran* 

I thought Marcia's piece was interesting and it's given me an idea. I would like to solicit additions from my classmates, any and all, and have added a few of my own below:

Mr. Simonian's Biology class, in the classroom with the desks on different tiers; the mad rush down the hill to lunch; the move to the new high school; switchin' off the lights in the corridor where all the wings came together!

How 'bout it class? Got some more?

Thanks and regards, Greg Cook, Class Agent '61

1962 Class Agent:

Laura Flannery Masson 119 Beachwood Terrace Wells, Me 04090 lmasson@maine.rr.com

Hi everyone, the class of '62 has been traveling!

Sally (French) Bourque and I just returned from a very memorable trip to Ireland, land of my ancestors. We saw so many great places and sights, enjoyed perfect weather (in spite of reports that it rains there all the time), and sampled many new and delicious foods. The highlight of the trip for me was seeing the home of my great, great grandparents, birthplace of my great grandfather, and the cathedral where they were married and baptized. Another unforgettable experience was that of learning to drive on the left side of the road!! I know I will treasure the memories and pleasures of the trip for the rest of my life.

Hilde (Roymans) Gilman and her husband Bob also just returned from a great European River Cruise. The reports I've heard were that it was a wonderful experience.

Ed Walker and his wife, Kathy, spent a month in Hawaii. Their two children and two grandsons, Bryce and Brandon joined them. The accompanying picture was taken at the Maui Aquarium.

I love hearing news of classmates and the exciting adventures that they've experienced. Please send me any news that you'd like to share with the class.

If you're ever in Maine, please call or drop by!

Fondly, Laura Masson (207) 641-2283

## CLASS OF 1962 -

Ed and Kathy Walker with their grandsons Bryce and Brandon at the Maui (Hawaii) Aquarium



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### **CLASS OF 1964**

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As the deadline approaches for Class News, I've put a request out on Facebook for news from any of my Facebook Friends or their Friends. You certainly would be better off reading a variety of news from all corners of the country - or town! We'll see if any comes in. In the meantime, I'm so sad to have to tell you about Rosemary (McNulty) Lewis' passing. She was in a coma for many months, and died on August 5. We extend our deepest sympathy to her sons, brothers, sister, granddaughter and extended family. I know she is deeply missed by Sandra (Swenson) Mousseau, a forever friend.

We have other, happier news, as well. Sue (Farrington) Trombly spent a few days in Venice, Italy, with her

### CLASS OF 1964 -

L to R: John and Linda (Lessard) Harrington, Donna (Adams) and Rhodes ('66) Johnson



daughter Sarah and with her sister Faye Farrington ('67.) it was a wonderful trip!

We spent a fun long weekend with our Air Force/Army friends in Waterloo, IA in August. The highlight was the Iowa 2014 Irish Fest, but mostly the seven of us just hung out and visited. Perfect weather is always a treat.

Good times are best when shared with great friends. In early September John and Linda (Lessard) Harrington ('64) and Donna (Adams) and Rhodes Johnson ('66) – also celebrating their 28th wedding anniversary – shared a week of travel to London and Paris. The perfect weather made traveling on the double-decker buses, visiting Harrods, the Tower of London, Westminster Abbey, The Imperial War Museum (John and Rho), High Tea at Fortnum and Mason (Linda and Donna), cruises on the Thames and Seine, picnic at Notre Dame, the Eiffel Tower, visiting Parisian neighborhoods on the Left Bank, and sharing (several) bottles of wine while enjoying the people watching at Fouquet's and Laduree on the Champs-Elysees and at several other cafes. Beautiful cities to visit - but always great to come home to Chelmsford. The reunion was great! More about it next time!-Lynne

1965 Class Agent:

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Attention 1965 Classmates
Our 50th Reunion Committee held
its first meeting on September 9th.
More information will be coming in
Winter 2015 edition of the Lion's
Pride

It does not seem possible that today is Labor Day. Another summer is joining our book of memories. Although Bob and I are a bit tired, we surely are a happy Grandpa and Grandma.

Several years ago our daughter-in-law Melanie, David's ('90) wife, dubbed our house here in Westford "Camp Grandma & Grandpa." That first summer it was just the three boys, David's sons, Aidan and Dylan, and our son Bobby's son, Jake. Lila and Isabella have since joined the boys.

This evening I am sorting Hello Kitty decorations for Isabella's 3rd birthday coming up on September 5th. Our oldest grandson, Aidan, is entering the world of teenagers in October. Lila is approaching five and is so excited to be a prekindergartner. Dylan and Jake are 2nd graders. As you can imagine Camp G & G is filled with laughter and great adventures.

This summer's highlights were Kidz in the Kitchen, Teddy Bear Tea Parties, making rocket ships, moon sand, and meeting a real Astronaut, along with science experiments - do you know how to clean Mr. Lincoln's penny?

Aidan attended a week long "Lights, Camera, Action" workshop at the cable television station here in Westford. Aidan shared his new knowledge and experiences with his younger cousins.

There were a lot of picnics and popcorn/movie nights. Voted the most fun was old-fashioned water sprinkler and hose playtime! YEA, some things never go out of style! Summer may be fading and Camp G & G has officially closed for season, BUT Grandma and Grandpa will be busy. The boys play soccer (Londonderry NH and Augusta ME) and both girls are dance students at Northeast Dance Center, our niece Roshni (Chehna '92) Pecora's dance center.

School breaks are also going to be at G & G's.

Yes, I am retired! To quote Dylan and Jake "Grandma you are too busy to have a job!"

Bob is a senior hardware design engineer at a small company in Hopkinton. He loves the challenge and has no intention to retire. Bob does try to work shorter hours and take days off during Camp G & G season.

We celebrated our 47th wedding anniversary in August. It would be interesting to find out if we are longest number of years married to a fellow classmate.

Hmmm, that might be a good trivia question for our upcoming 50th Class Reunion!

Until next newsletter have a healthy happy autumn!

- Mary (Vaillancourt) Smith

We wish Sherry (Nelson) Jason the best in her retirement. She is keeping busy as church volunteer, working in the food pantry and the thrift shop.

Russell Mann is teaching Spanish at Southbridge (MA) Middle / High School and enjoys traveling, playing the drums, working out, and motorcycling.

# CLASS OF 1965 -

Mary (Vaillancourt) Smith's Grandchildren: Left Photo: Jake and Aidan, Center Photo: Jake, Lila, Isabella, Right Photo: Dylan (Aidan's brother)



# **CLASS OF 1966**

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News from Dot (LeClaire '37) Mackey

I am delighted to announce that my second great-grandson, Tristan Jeremiah Haley, has arrived. I already have nine great granddaughters. Mom is Angela (Conrad) Haley, from Bangor ME. Angela is the daughter of Lynn Mackey and Stephen Conrad (both class of '66). Lynn died in 1990 at age 42, and Steve now resides in Ravenel SC with his wife, Ketta, an attorney. Steve is still teaching golf although he is semiretired and works only when the phone rings with a request. He spends most of his time on his

six and one half acre "slice of heaven" in NC, just outside of Charleston. He spends much of his leisure time fishing in the two ponds on his property, catfish in one bass in the other. He delves into horticultural work, tending all the gardens. He calls the gardens his "Mona Lisa" of horticulture. Steve and Ketta, a retired General Court Clerk to a federal magistrate judge, love to travel and have visited all seven continents. Recently they traveled to the Seattle area, and then stayed several days in the San Juan Islands just prior to leaving on a ten-day Alaskan cruise. Steve and Ketta's most important trip this year though, likely will occur in September to visit Angela's new son, Tristan. Angela, coincidentally, is married to an attorney Jeremiah Haley, whose practices in Bangor. Steve is already blessed with three great granddaughters, Lucy, Lynn, and Addie D'Arcy, who reside in MD with their mom and dad, Jacqueline and Benjamin Conrad, and Reagan Amy Lynn, daughter of Angela and Jeremiah. After her "stay-at-home" with Tristan, Angela will return to her work as a Licensed Clinical Psychologist. Check the class of 1937 for a picture of the baby blanket that I crocheted for the new baby.

We welcome Ann (Cooke) Leggat as a Life Member of CHSAA.

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Paulette Grout 1 Hamblett Avenue Tyngsboro, MA 01879 Eileen Grunewald Sousa 3 Pleasant Street Chelmsford, MA 01824 emsousa@verizon.net The "all CHS classes' reunion" was held on August 23rd at the North Chelmsford Legion. It was the first time I was able to go to one of these reunions, and I was so glad I went! Tables were set up outside, there was a live band and food being barbecued, and a beautiful breeze coming off Freeman Lake. There were about 15-20 alumni from our class, and it was just a perfect day to relax and visit with everyone. Some of our classmates came from out of state to attend (Steve Mann from TN, Debbie (McSheehy) Sommer from KS, Doreen (Brouillette) Barkdoll from FL, and many, many more from other classes. I am looking forward to going again next summer.

Our deepest condolences to Susan (Decker) Buck at the passing of her brother Kevin Decker, and sympathy also to Doreen (Brouillette) Barkdoll who lost two brothers in August, Ricky Brouillette and Terence Keefe. Such a tragedy for Susan and Doreen to have their siblings leave us too soon. My heart goes out to both of those families.

From Roger Dean:

After working 45 years for the same company, Department of Defense, Roger Dean will fully retire effective Sept. 27th. He served 30 years in the Air Force, then switched over to supporting the DoD as a contractor. His military tours took him around the world, but somehow he managed to spend a total of 18 years on assignments to Germany. He also spent 18 years, both in uniform and then as a contractor, working in the Pentagon. He considers himself one fortunate dinosaur and knows that he will miss the travel among his military "family." Roger plans to spend his retirement bicycling around DC and VA, watching wildlife along the Potomac River, helping the local Historical Society preserve Colonial Beach VA and drinking good wine.

- Della Wickens Coffin

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#### **CLASS OF 1969**

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Linda P. (Vaillancourt) "Pat" Chehna moved from Chelmsford to Marlboro MA three years ago. Her six grandchildren, ages 6 - 17 have kept her quite busy.

PLUS Pat also has a small business: Mrs. C Alterations & Sewing Services specializing in "dance" Items, alterations, and custom made clothing. Pat's sewing talents are closely linked to her experiences at Chelmsford High.

This past summer she assisted daughter Roshni ('92) in preparation for the opening of Roshni's Northeast Dance Center and made the "The Little Ballerina" Quilt for a raffle at the Dance Center's Open House and Ribbon Cutting Ceremony on August 26th.

We welcome Frances (Merrill) Radgowski as a Life Member of CHSAA.

# **CLASS OF 1969 -**

Pat Vaillancourt's "The Little Ballerina" Quilt



## **CLASS OF 1970**

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# **CLASS OF 1971**

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We welcome Carol Richardson as a new member of CHSAA. Carol is employed as a nurse and lives in Merrimack NH.

# **CLASS OF 1972**

1972 Class Agent:

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Laurie Gullion is an Undergraduate Director at the University of New Hampshire.

#### **CLASS OF 1973**

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Happy Birthday to our classmates, most of whom have, or will, turn 60 in the coming year!

We send along our condolences to our Classmate Marybeth Sidebottom on the passing of her son Patrick Kinney.

From Robin (Greenwood) Doherty: I taught special education in the Lowell Public Schools. My husband and I are both retired and we live in Chelmsford. We have two sons, John and Tim. John is a teacher in Lowell and Tim sells computer software in Newton. Paul and I love to travel and play golf.

From Ann Marie (Chandonnet) Janeczek: I work at Brown and Caldwell (an environmental company) in Andover, as an Administrative Coordinator. My husband, Tony, and I have two daughters. One is a senior at UMaine this year, majoring in Nutrition. Our younger daughter is a freshman at Bridgewater State University, majoring in graphic design. My husband works, as a contractor, at Jacobs Systems at Hanscom Air Force Base, as an engineer. We live in Westford, near the famous Kimball Farm. We traveled to Hawaii. Switzerland and Austria, before kids and look forward to doing more traveling. We designed the web site: westford.com

From Judy (Merrill) Metz: I am currently serving as the Athletic Director and PE/Health teacher at Escuela Bella Vista, an American International School in Maracaibo, Venezuela. This is the second time

that life has brought me here. I often write stories home to my family titled "Toto, we are not in Kansas anymore!" Life here is very different from what we are used to in the US. It is an adventure most days just communicating; my Spanish is a little rusty but I am quickly gaining it back. Luckily, at the school, everything is taught in English; it is the shopping, dentist, bank, and things like that which make communication a challenge. It is a fantastic opportunity and I'm loving every minute of it; the only downside is missing my family, but I'll be flying home for Christmas and will catch up with them then.- *Lynn* 

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Marc Brovender notified us that he is now a Mortgage Banker.

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We welcome Moira Prager as a Life Member of CHSAA.

1977 Class Agent:

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Kris Pisarik has informed us that he is now the Manager Editor / Nights at the Lowell Sun.

We welcome Martin Krikorian as a Life Member of CHSAA.

# **CLASS OF 1978**

1978 Class Agent:

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We welcome Kathy (O'Reilly) Larmand as a new member of CHSAA.

#### **CLASS OF 1979**

1979 Class Agent:

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Hello Fellow Chelmsford High Alums!

Back in 1979, my senior year at Chelmsford High, I was asked to design the class mug. The mug was finished in red lettering and I'd kept it with me for many years. Not long ago, the mug was taken from me with no way of retrieving it. The mug has sentimental value to me and was a keepsake from the Class Banquet. If anyone has one of these 1979 Class mugs, or knows of someone who does, and would be willing to part with it, it would mean a great deal to me. I would also happily reimburse the owner.

Please either drop me a line at the email below or contact the Lion's Pride. Thank you very much and "Go Lions!"

John Sullivan sullivanjohn4.com

We welcome Cindy Teele as a new member of CHSAA. She lives in Los Angeles and is a Senior Vice President with CBS Television.

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It is with sadness that we pass along the news of the passing of our classmate, Mike Bossi, who passed away unexpectedly on August 26, 2014, at the Lahey Clinic in Burlington MA. Michael was born in Exeter NH on February 15, 1964, the son of George E. Bossi of Plum Island, MA and the late Claire Morrisette Bossi who died Oct. 17, 2013. He graduated from Chelmsford High School with the

Class of 1982. During his high school years, Michael was a talented and dedicated athlete, who played football and wrestled. He was a two time Division I State Wrestling Champion, and in 1982, was the Lowell Sun Wrestler of the Year, and a Boston Globe All-Scholastic. While at UMASS Amherst on a wrestling scholarship, he qualified for two years for the New England NCAAs.

Mike proudly served in the Coast Guard for six years, where he attained the rank of Aviation Survivalman First Class, and these were amongst some of his happiest and most rewarding years. His job was to jump out of helicopters and into the ocean to save people, which was surely a job that well-represented what Mike was about as a man, father, and friend.

Mike's passions were football, wrestling, fitness, fishing, and rock and roll, but above all, Mike loved being with his family and friends. He is survived by his Dad, George, brothers Mark ('80), and Jeff ('83), and the four loves of his life, Jane, Matthew, Kristina, and Leah. He will live forever in their hearts and in ours. – *Jay* 

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# **CLASS OF 1989**

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Bill Gilet has recently been admitted to partnership at PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP. Bill will specialize in selling and delivering large-scale finance projects with a focus on the industrial

# CLASS OF 1989 -

Teresa (Chehna) Allen with the founder of "Zumba," Beto Perez, at the Zumba National Convention in August



products manufacturing sector. Bill is active in Chelmsford Community serving on the Varney Playground Committee and the Vinal Square Project. He serves on the boards of United Way, Big Brothers and Big Sisters, Lowell General Hospital and Washington Savings Bank.

Bill and his wife Maryann (Markham '89) live in Chelmsford with their two children, Kate (14) a freshman at CHS and Liam (12) a 7th grader at Parker School. The family enjoys Lake Winnipesaukee and York Beach. They spend time boating, fishing, golfing, biking skiing, and snowmobiling.

Teresa (Chehna) Allen resides in South Chelmsford with her daughters Kyra and Elina. Kyra, 11 is a student at McCarthy Middle School and Elina, 7, is a student at Byam Elementary School. Both girls love dancing and attend Northeast Dance Center.

Kyra has performed in productions of the Nutcracker and Snow White. Elina is looking forward to next year when she can join big sister Kyra in the Nutcracker.

Teresa is an IT Business Analyst at Worldwide Tech Services in Tewksbury MA. She also became a nationally certified Zumba instructor this past January. This fall, Teresa joined the teaching staff at her sister Roshni's Northeast Dance Center in Lawrence.

We welcome Ryan Kuchler as a Life Member of CHSAA.

#### **CLASS OF 1990**

1990 Class Agent:

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We welcome Brett Fay and Kelly (Kinney '92) Fay as new members of CHSAA. They live in North Chelmsford and Brett is owner of The Middlesex Group.

# **CLASS OF 1991**

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Deborah (Frantz) Wilkes is Chief of Staff of the National Partnership for Women and Families.

# **CLASS OF 1992**

Robert Flynn rflynn@ebcne.com

Congratulations to classmate Roshni (Chehna) Pecora, who on August 11, 2014 opened the Northeast Dance Center in Lawrence MA. Those who know Roshni, understand the

importance of dance in her life; what a wonderful accomplishment this is for her. A ribbon cutting and open house was held on August 26th. Northeast Dance Center will present a holiday favorite "The Nutcracker" in December at Rogers Center for the Arts at Merrimack College in North Andover MA.

Check NDC's website www. northeastdancecenter.com for performance dates.

We welcome Kelly (Kinney) and Brett Fay ('90) Fay as new members of CHSAA. They live in North Chelmsford and Brett is owner of The Middlesex Group.

#### CLASS OF 1992 -

Ribbon Cutting Ceremony at
Northeast Dance Center August 26,
2014. L - R Jennifer Monderer
(student from Andover), Roshni
(Chehna) Pecora, Kevin Willett (New
England B2B Networking Group),
Phyllis George (teaching staff) and
Sarah Strong (Roshni's former student
and current dance major at Dean
College)



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SAVE THE DATE!

Saturday, November 29, 2014 7:00PM - 11:00PM 110 Grill 116 Chelmsford St, Chelmsford More details to come.

## **CLASS OF 1995**

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Maral (jeknavorian) Regas shares the happy news that she and her husband Nick have welcomed Christian Levon, born May 26. He joins big brothers Nickolas (7) and Devan (5). The live in Westfield, NJ.

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#### **CLASS OF 1998**

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We welcome Jennifer Gannon as a new member of CHSAA. Jennifer is a journalist and lives in Chelmsford.

David and Melissa (Faubert) Schoenfeld are pleased to announce the birth of their daughter, Sylvia Fay Schoenfeld, born November 22, 2013.

# **CLASS OF 1999**

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Michelle (Baker) and George Simon welcomed their daughter, Harper Belle, to the world on May 22, 2014. She weighed 8 lbs 4 ounces and was 20.5 inches long. Big brother Gavin, now 4, is taking his new role in stride. The Simon family lives in Bow NH, with their dog, Rocky.

Nicole Acheson attended The Airline Academy in Dayton Beach, FL, where she graduated on April 28, 2014 as valedictorian (100% average) and with three awards: president's honor roll, most supportive, and team player. Before graduating, Nicole was offered a flight attendant position with PSA Airlines, a wholly owned subsidiary of US Airways, which is now part of the new American Airlines Group, Inc. She graduated

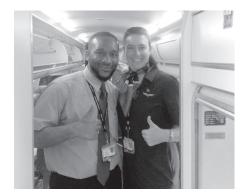
# CLASS OF 2000 -



Harper Belle Simon born May 22, 2014



Callum Andrew Dunn born July 4, 2014



Flight Attendant Nicole Acheson



Benjamin Aston Udstuen born May 24, 2014

# CLASS OF 2000 -



Wedding of Loren Smith and Catherine Ferrara on June 8, 2014



Mason Philip Leedburg born June 14, 2014



Colin Richard Brown born July 24, 2014



Bianca Linden and Blake Andrew Florie-Chiras born May 20, 2014

# CLASS OF 2000 -



Wedding of Johnathan MacDonald and Stephanie Leaf on July 11, 2013



Norah Rose and Abigail Martha MacDonald born June 2, 2014

ground training on May 28, 2014, again as valedictorian (98% average). Nicole is based and resides in Knoxville, TN, and is absolutely loving her life in the sky.

Philippa (McLachlan) Dunn, her husband, Dan, and big brother Gordon—now 3 years old—are pleased to announce the birth of Callum Andrew, another little firecracker! Callum was born on July 4, 2014 at Anna Jaques Hospital in Newburyport MA. He weighed 7 lbs 8 ounces and was 21 inches long at birth. The Dunn family lives in Amesbury MA.

Loren Smith married Catherine Ferrara, from Burbank CA, on June 8, 2014, in La Jolla, CA, and the couple honeymooned in Hawaii. Catherine obtained her master's degree in Marriage and Family Therapy, and Loren works as a test engineer for ForeFlight, a digital flight planning and navigation software company. Loren and Catherine are excitedly expecting their first child in March 2015. They currently live in Austin TX.

Congratulations to Kristen (Streb) Udstuen and her husband, Peter, on the birth of their son, Benjamin Aston, born on May 24, 2014 at Winchester Hospital. Benjamin weighed 7 lbs 3 ounces and was 21 inches long at birth. The Udstuen family lives in Chelmsford MA.

Leslie (Cantin) Leedberg and her husband Greg are pleased to announce the birth of their second son, Mason Philip, born on June 14, 2014 at UMass Memorial Medical Center in Worcester MA. Mason weighed 6 lbs 12 ounces and was 20 inches at birth. Mason joins big brother Timothy, 3. The Leedberg family lives in Southborough MA.

Katie (Stott) Brown and her husband, Nicholas, welcomed their first child, Colin Richard, on July 24, 2014. Colin weighed 6 lbs 12 ounces and was 19.5 inches long at birth. The Brown family resides in Haverhill MA. Photo by Dodge Imagery (Amy Dodge, '00).

Congratulations to Matthew Chiras and his wife, Erycka Florie ('99), on the birth of their twins on May 20, 2014, at the Medical College of Georgia in Augusta GA. Blake Andrew Florie-Chiras was born at 2:02 a.m., weighing 5 lbs 14 ounces and measuring 20 inches, while Bianca Linden Florie-Chiras was born at 4:19 a.m., weighing 5 lbs 9 ounces and measuring 19 inches.

Johnathan MacDonald married Stephanie Leaf on July 11, 2013, at the Atlantica overlooking the Cohasset Harbor in Cohasset MA. His twin brother Christopher ('00) served as best man, while his younger brother, Jason ('03), and Scott Gasparini ('01) were groomsmen. Ryan Dawson ('00), Jesse Erhartic ('02), and Christopher Panagiotopoulos ('01) were in attendance. For their honeymoon, the couple visited the beautiful islands of Kauai and Maui, Hawaii. Johnathan works in Chelmsford at Harris Corporation as a software engineer, and Stephanie works as a security specialist at Logan Airport. They live in Reading MA.

Vanessa (Flood) MacDonald and her husband, David, are pleased to announce the birth of their twin daughters, Norah Rose and Abigail Martha, at Winchester Hospital on June 2, 2014. Norah was born at 8:39 a.m. and weighed 4 lbs, while Abigail was born at 8:40 a.m. and weighed 5 lbs 1 ounce. The MacDonald family lives in Methuen MA.- *Amanda* 

# **CLASS OF 2001**

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Becky (Buckley) and Andrew ('00) Fleming have moved to 525 Pawtucket Blvd., Unit 604, Lowell MA 01854. Becky is now an Independent Consultant with Thirty-One Gifts.

# **CLASS OF 2002**

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We (again) welcome Jennifer Donlan as a new member of CHSAA. The Lion's Pride apologizes for misspelling Jen's name in the Summer Issue.

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### CLASS OF 2005

#### Class Agent Needed!

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2006 Class Agent:

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

#### CLASS OF 2007

2007 Class Agent:

Erin Quimby 30 Golden Cove Road Chelmsford, MA 01824 equimby@bridgew.edu Laura Coral Chelmsford, MA 01824 LCoral89@msn.com

## **CLASS OF 2008**

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# **CLASS OF 2009**

2009 Class Agent:

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

Meghan Coughlan has earned her degree from Boston College and now works as an Actuarial Associate.

Noelle Polce graduated from Villanova University and is now a mechanical engineer; we welcome her as a new member of CHSAA.

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# **CLASS OF 2010**

2010 Class Agent:

Sheima Marand marand.sh@husky.neu.edu

# **CLASS OF 2011**

2011 Class Agent:

Phillip Geoffroy 18 Colonial Drive Chelmsford, MA 01824 phillip\_geoffroy@student.uml.edu

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# **CLASS OF 2014**

Class Agent Needed!

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We welcome Rebecca Driscoll, Brad Hausler, and Matthew O'Keefe as new members of CHSAA. Matt is an international business major at Temple University's Fox Honors School of Business.



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First Name	Number of Children	
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	NamesDOB	
Telephone(Home)	NamesDOB	
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	Degree(s) Date(s)	
Present Occupation Employer		
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Class of
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1-5 Years	\$225.00
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26-30 Years	175.00
31-35 Years	165.00
36-40 Years	155.00
41-45 Years	125.00
46 Years +	75.00

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

# UPCOMING EVENTS

#### **Annual Thanksgiving Day Football Classic**

Chelmsford VS Billerica November 27, 2014, 10:00 AM George Simonian Alumni Stadium Chelmsford High School

#### 25th Annual Hall of Fame Induction

Dinner and Ceremony March 21, 2015 Radisson Hotel, Nashua, NH

#### 17th Annual Awards Night

May 27, 2015 Carl Rondina Performing Arts Center Chelmsford High School

# **REUNIONS**

#### Class of 1994 - 20th Reunion

SAVE THE DATE!

Saturday, November 29, 2014
7:00PM - 11:00PM
110 Grill
116 Chelmsford St, Chelmsford
More details to come.

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# IN MEMORIAM

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

Marguerite A. (Larkin) Shugrue	1936
Lucy (Dulgarian) Dumanian	1939
Deloris Frances (Stanton) Mullen	1941
Shirley (Nickerson) Csizmesia	1942
Alfred R. DeAmicis	1945
Nancy (Sweet) Keeffe	1947
Lorraine T. (Boucher) Proulx	1947
Virginia M. (Bartlett) Phillips	1950
Paul F. Peterson	1955
Roland S. "Larry" Doyle, Jr.	1956
Dorothy Hilma (Eaton) Clawson	1959
Daniel J. Sullivan III	1960
Doris S. Mainville	1963
Susan Jane (Farrington) Young	1963
Rosemary M. (McNulty) Lewis	1964
Michael J. McMullen, Sr.	1966
Jean I. (LeMasurier) Bear	1967
Richard M. Brouillette	1968
Stephen R. Callahan	1968
Daniel T. Strzepek	1970
Sean N. Horan, Sr.	1972
Kathryn P. (Kerr) Shibles	1977
Terence P. Keefe	1980
Karin (Dearden) Golledge	1981
Michael G. Bossi	1982
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