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

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

President's Message

By Terry McSheehy



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

As I end the fifteenth year of my presidency, I want to take a moment to thank the many people who have helped me over the years. They are truly appreciated and I will long remember their generosity and friendship.

We had our 26th Hall of Fame induction ceremonies on March 19th at the Radisson Hotel in Nashua, NH. We had nine outstanding candidates. It was a great night and everything went very well. The food got rave reviews from everyone in attendance. I want to thank the Hall of Fame committee.

I am again asking all members and any non-members who read this to tell us at the CHSAA how we can better serve you. We are seeing a disturbing lack of renewals from our membership and are trying to understand why. If we could retain only 50% of those who drop out

we could raise our membership significantly and make for a much more solvent and viable organization. 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 Bob Pariseau, Kris Pisarik and Steve Normandin for their efforts with regard to the Web site which has been successfully fully redesigned and updated. They have worked very hard to coordinate this and have created a very user friendly and dynamic site. Please take a moment to check it out at CHSalumni.org

At this writing are preparing for our annual Endowment Fund Awards night where we will present 140 awards to 108 deserving students and alumni of CHS totaling over \$42,000.00. When this year's awards night is completed, we will have given out over \$700,000 to the students of CHS. This is a very enjoyable evening for all of us who are involved and we hope that in the future some of you will find the time to join us for this evening and see how wonderful it is to give back!

It is always an honor to be the President of the CHSAA, and I hope to be writing to you again in the fall as the president. Thank you for allowing me to be your President.

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



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EDITOR'S NOTE

By Kris Pisarik • Class of 1977

The Kids Are All Right!

Another CHSAA Hall of Fame induction is in the books, and it was a great one, as usual. Nine outstanding inductees from diverse backgrounds graced the stage, sometimes making us laugh, sometimes cry, as they shared their journeys to this moment.

Somewhere in the back of the auditorium at the Radisson Hotel in Nashua sat two special guests, to whom I owe an apology: CHS seniors Megan Johnson and Monica Chang. The pair were guests at the same table as the CHS class officers, who have been attending the Hall of Fame banquet the past few years as the organization continues its mission to enlighten our hopefully future members to what we're all about.

But Megan and Monica are special because they are my first student writers for the alumni magazine. I'd been wanting to (enlist, coerce, strong-arm, you can pick your own verb here) students to work on the magazine for several years for not only selfish reasons (easing the workload on our all-volunteer magazine), but also to engage current CHS students in what we do and to give them a chance to be published.

For a host of reasons I won't bore you with, it didn't happen right away. But enter Matt Bartos, my

daughter Kristi's favorite English teacher from her CHS days. When I reached out to him last year, he found my two (volunteers/victims); again, you choose the noun. In all seriousness, he did a great job finding me two kids who could not only write but cared about the task at hand. And even as I write this, Mr. Bartos has lined up new writers for next year to continue the tradition.

I need to apologize to my young writers because on induction night I was so caught up in lining up my own interviews and note-taking for the induction article you'll hopefully read across other pages in this issue, that I didn't get to visit

their table until they had left for the evening. They deserved better for their hard work this year. In fact, one final student profile appears in this edition written by Monica.

I also want to thank Megan and Monica for their hard work, willingness to help our organization and for always making deadline. I can't say that about all of the magazine's contributors, even its editor.

But what did they think of the experience?

Megan called the experience of working on the magazine "awesome."



Megan Johnson



Monica Chang



Chelmsford High class officers and student writers for the Lion's Pride magazine attended the 2016 CHSAA Hall of Fame induction in March. They are, top row from left: guidance counselor Jennifer Orsini, a class advisor, Courtney Moore, class secretary, Greg Hausley, class vice president, Jimmy Smith, class treasurer and Landon Cass, class president. Bottom left to right: Claire Markey, Student Rep to the Board of Directors, and student writers Megan Johnson and Monica Chang.

I'm pretty sure I had little to do with that, but if we can get bright CHS students excited about working for us, sharing the youth perspective, we might just survive as an organization.

She said she enjoyed writing, even though her college plans are most likely pointed in the direction of electrical engineering and computer science at UNH (at this writing at least). I told you they were smart kids.

Megan also enjoyed the banquet, and its emcee.

"I love Mr. Simonian," she said.

OK, who doesn't, but that just goes to show there is hope for our future.

"It was a great group of people," she said of the inductees. "I loved hearing about their experiences and what they think."

Monica also said her year toiling

for the Lion's Pride was rewarding in that it was a different type of writing than she was used to doing in high school, where things were more essay-focused.

As for the induction ceremony, well, she admitted the girls left a little early.

"It was a bit long," she said.

But she was impressed that there were a "whole bunch of people from a variety of years" being honored for a host of reasons.

She also said she would encourage all seniors to become involved, as most students don't understand what the CHSAA does, from the induction ceremony to scholarships many of them receive each May before heading off to college.

Speaking of which, Monica is most likely headed to UMass Amherst as a business major.

Girls, I can't thank you enough for being my (our) pioneers.

And to Mr. Bartos, "Matt, I think this is the beginning of a beautiful friendship."

Can't wait to see what next year's student writers do.

On a separate but somewhat related note, if anyone knows of any students – particularly web/digital-media savvy ones – interested in helping keep the CHSAA's new website current and vibrant, please send them my way at Pisarik_2000@yahoo.com. Just be sure to include CHSAA in note field so they don't get deleted with my daily purge. Have a great summer.

Kris Pisarik is The Sun's Managing Editor/Nights and the editor of the Chelmsford High School Alumni Association's magazine, "The Lion's Pride." ♦

Article and Photos by Fanny Riand • Class of 2018

Chelmsford Lions 5K gives Boosters, Alumni a run for their money



*Jonathan Sanborn
Winner of the Kid's Mile*

In April, the New England weather is hardly reliable: one day it's sweltering hot outside, and then the next, it's frigid and snowing. It takes much more than just a little rain and gray weather, however, to stop the Chelmsford Lions from showing their pride and running their hearts out.

On April 23, the Chelmsford All Sports Booster Club and the Chelmsford High School Alumni Association hosted their 4th annual Lions 5k Run and Kid's Mile. The 5k was first organized 4 years ago in order to help finance a much-needed new track at McCarthy Middle School. Since then, it has become a regular tradition that Chelmsford can look forward to each year. This year, dozens of faithful members of our community, both young and old, remained undeterred by the chilly weather and came out to support this great event once again.

The 5k begins at the parking lot of McCarthy Middle School and ends with a victorious final lap around the new Carl Olsson track. It is an event everyone can enjoy, whether running, walking, or lending a hand. All age groups are encouraged to participate, and there is even a Kid's Mile after the road race for those under 12. The variety of people brought together at the 5k is amazing: devoted students,

parents, high school volunteers, and even entire CHS sports teams!

The top three finishers of the 5k for each gender were generously awarded prize money: \$100 for first place, \$75 for second, and \$50 for third. For the men, the winners were Greg Bray, Dominic DeSilvio, and Jeff Robinson, in order. For the women, the winners were Julie Dragon, Kristina Pisarik, and Meg Mullins, in order as well. Julie is 36 years old and an avid runner, and especially enjoys running half marathons. In an interview, Julie explained this was her first Lion's 5k, but she would "definitely come again." Congratulations to all!

Also joining the 5k for the first time was a duo of Spartan racers! These two talented women, Nizzy Alayon and Lilian Sarano, carried on their shoulders 35 pounds each for the entire 5k as part of their training. At the end, they were cheered on greatly by the crowd. "It was actually a great race -- not too tough. We'll be coming back next year!" Nizzy said confidently.

But let's not forget the winners of the Kid's Mile! These kids are the future cross-country stars and track captains. The winner of the mile was Jonathan Sanborn, a fourth-grader from Center Elementary School, with an impressive time of just 8 minutes and 16 seconds!



Greg Bray, Men's First Place

Second place went to Sophie Lamar, 8yrs old, also a fourth grader from Center. When asked if she would like to run in middle school, she nodded excitedly and said, "I like running a lot."

The 5k is one of the biggest fundraisers of the year for the Boosters Club and CHSAA. Some numbers were still being crunched, but this year, approximately \$4,500 was raised at the 5k. The funds will be split evenly between the CHSAA's capital campaign and the Boosters to fund scholarships, varsity jackets and plaques. Without fundraisers like the 5k, our many deserving CHS students and athletes would not be rewarded.

A huge thank you goes out to Nick DeSilvio, president of the Boosters Club, and Terry McSheehy, president of CHSAA; along with Jim Lane, Tom Curran, and Greg Piper for orchestrating the entire event.

"We had to start planning way back in November," said Curran. Since, they have devoted countless hours and lots of energy to ensure its success. We are also very grateful for the hard work of School Committee Chairman and former CHS Principal Al Thomas, and of course CHSAA Executive Director and former CHS Principal George Simonian.

A special shout-out goes out to the 5k's sponsors, especially John Chemaly from Trinity EMS for his hard work and generous donations. Thank you also to Sal's Pizza, Bikramyoga, Enterprise Bank, Ameriprise, Body & Mind Therapeutic Massage, and George Simonian and family, among many others. Events like this one, bringing the community together for a good cause, wouldn't be feasible without your support. ♦



Julie Dragon, Women's First Place with A.D. Scott Moreau, Greg Piper announcing.



CHS Volunteers at Registration
Chevonne Forgan and Zahava Erikson

PRINCIPAL'S *Report*

By Stephen Murray *Class of 1988*



It is hard to believe that the school year is winding down. We have a lot to be proud about. The CHS Theater Guild had a phenomenal year. As I mentioned in the last Alumni magazine, they performed "The Sound of Music," to three sold-out shows. This show was amazing both in the production and scenery. The Theater Guild continued their string of success with the play, "Rapiendis Dei." This one act play made it all the way to the state finals. This is the second straight year that the CHS Theater Guild qualified for the state finals. They received awards for acting and for the music.

Chelmsford's music department became nationally recognized for music education programs. Chelmsford ranks among the nation's top communities for support of music education for four consecutive years. Chelmsford High School's music success is a direct result of the work done at the elementary and middle school levels. All of their hard work paid off. Chelmsford High School's band earned a GOLD medal at the annual M.I.C.C.A. state conference. This is an amazing accomplishment.

Our Science Organization Club (Sci-O) competed in several competitions this year. Many students worked very hard to make their competition go so well and they certainly deserve congratulations for their efforts and accomplishments. They won 1st place with the wind turbine they built and 5th place for GeoLogic Mapping which was an event demonstrating knowledge of topographic mapping.

Carol Bruell, one of our science teachers, is working on a project, which was funded by Merck KGaA, Darmstadt, Germany through Donorschoose.org Ms. Bruell earned funding for her, "Growing Smarter, Together with Plants in the Classroom." This project will supply AP Environmental Science Students with materials to grow experimental gardens in the classroom. Students test soil types on germination seeds, testing the effects of salinity on the growth of plants. They do this while designing experiments involving the effects of organic and inorganic fertilizers and investigating hydroponic gardening. This is project-based learning in its finest form. It is engaging, relevant and meaningful.

One of our other science clubs spent the day at MIT competing in the Blue Lobster Bowl which is a regional bowl for the National Ocean Sciences Bowl. The competition is structured as head-to-head rounds against other schools. It has buzzer-style questions and open-ended response team challenge questions. Their work in this competition earned them the Judy McDowell Award for Excellence in Academic Collaboration and Problem Solving. It was one of the best performances from our science club. Due to

their performance, the students earned a day trip on a science research vessel run by Woods Hole Oceanographic Institute. Students said this experience was rewarding and inspiring. I am jealous...I would have loved to have gone.

Last but not least, our Eco-Club is trying to lessen our carbon footprint. Working with Food Services, they planning to start a composting program at CHS. In additions, they recently applied for a grant to obtain combination water fountain and water filling stations to replace existing water fountains in the building. The water filling stations will provide students with free clean filtered water. Our hope is to provide students with great tasting water while cutting down on the consumption of plastic water bottles. We are hoping to install up to four water-filling stations throughout the building.

What we are most proud about is the work that our students did to support Stop Hunger Now. Led by Chelmsford's Rotary Club, approximately 150 students and staff used an early release day to make food packets/dinners which will be delivered to people in need around the world. In two hours, they made over 12,500 food packets for Stop Hunger Now. It was quite a scene seeing the students, staff and Rotarians bopping to music while completing each order with care and love. This exemplified the true spirit of Chelmsford High School.

We wish all of our graduates the best of luck in their new endeavors and we welcome the class of 2020 to CHS. Thank you for your support have a safe and happy summer.

-Stephen Murray ♦

ALISHA MITHAL

STUDENT *Profile* ▸ By Monica Chang *Class of 2016*



This issue's student profile is on an admired and very distinguished peer and student, Alisha Mithal. Alisha is the daughter of Ashu and Ashish Mithal, and the younger sister of Arnav ('13), who also graduated from CHS. From her brother, Alisha grew to know Chelmsford High School as a place that is diverse and inclusive, where anyone could find and participate in an activity they loved.

When she entered CHS, Alisha also became very involved in numerous respected clubs and events, truly leaving a legacy behind her. Despite her rigorous course load of all AP classes ranging from AP Computer Science to AP Psychology, just to name two out of seven, she miraculously manages to be dedicated and involved in clubs and events including but not limited to Math Team, Chelmsford Science Organization, Interact Club, Key Club, and High School Quiz Show.

When asked about what she liked about all the various clubs, Alisha stated that she loved how students come together to work on a variety of projects, and she truly embodied the very statement through her enthusiastic participation in a myriad of prestigious clubs and competitions. Math Team Advisor, Ms. Alexandra Swanson, says that "Over her four years of high school, she has become more involved with the Math Team by taking the role of secretary her junior year and as co-captain in her senior year. As co-captain, Alisha, has created mathematics lessons and games for her fellow Math Team students in order to prepare them for upcoming meets."

Just talking to Alisha any given day or moment, her love of knowledge and learning is amazing and inspiring to behold! It is evident that Alisha's drive to learn more is not lost not on fellow students and faculty of CHS. English teacher Matthew Bartos

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STUDENT Profile *Continued*

stated that “Alisha embodies what it means to be “all in” when it comes to her work ethic. Alisha’s talents extend beyond merely composing great writing and excelling at her assignments. She has shown the determination to take her skills, and her passion, in order to effect change. She debates with her friends, argues her points with a fiery attitude, yet maintains a smile as she participates in lessons.”

Beyond CHS, Alisha’s outstanding efforts are recognized through awards and honors including the Award for Aspirations in Computing and an extraordinarily impressive 20 Under 20 Award! Within CHS, Alisha is also an active member of NHS and SHS, and was the female September Student of the Month for Hawthorne House.

In addition to Alisha’s academic achievements, she is also an extremely gifted artist, receiving a Boston Globe Scholastic Art and Writing Silver Key. She can also proudly boast of having artwork published within the Celebrating Art National Magazine, having also been awarded “High Merit” in this national art competition. Not only is her art seen around the community and nationally, but her aptitude for helping others is evident as well. Alisha spent 300 hours over the summer helping the Chelmsford Technology Department!

Besides that impressive volunteer service for our community, she also continuously volunteers for Minuteman Senior Services and the We Care Charity. Alisha clearly loves helping others within the community; she is additionally a student mentor and tutors at Kumon Math and Reading Center.

It cannot be denied that Alisha has left a genuinely positive legacy at CHS. Dean Blagg did not hesitate to say that Alisha was a “highly intelligent, hardworking, passionate, driven independent young woman” with a “bright future,” and that she is a “force to be reckoned with.”

With her black belt in karate, I believe we all would agree that she is definitely one to be reckoned with! When asked about her favorite thing about CHS, Alisha was quick and confident to say that she loved the people within CHS, who made it a special place. Alisha is truly a talented, extraordinarily capable and dedicated individual that CHS will miss when she graduates, but her impact will last a lifetime. Please join me in wishing Alisha best of luck and well wishes in her bright future at Cornell University for Biomedical Engineering. I have no doubt that wherever she goes, she will make it a special place. 

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▶ ATHLETICS REPORT ▶

By Nick Beati *Class of 2016*



The past winter season the Chelmsford High School Athletic Teams were extremely successful. Individually and collectively our athletes achieved great success. Congratulations to the Wrestling Team which won both the Division 1 State Championship and All State

Championship! Chelmsford was the only Massachusetts team to finish in the top 10 at the New England Meet, coming in eighth overall. Individually, Kyle McQuaide, David Goodall, Phil Kimera, and Joey Vecchione won state championships and Griffin Murray won the All State Crown. The Boys Hockey Team also had a tremendous year, finishing with a record of 15-4-2. They also finished tied for first in the MVC, and had an incredible shutout win in the state tournament before falling to a very talented St. Mary's Lynn Team in the Division 1 North Quarterfinals. Our Girls Basketball Team once again won the MVC Small and had an awesome season. They also qualified for the state tournament beating Cambridge in the opening round before losing to Woburn, one of the best teams in the state. Our Boys Basketball Team fought hard all year in a very strong MVC, coming up short in qualifying for the state tournament. They had some tremendous wins over the course of the year, beating a top 15 Tewksbury team and large school wins against Lawrence, Methuen and North Andover. The Girls Hockey Team had some great wins this season, beating Central Catholic twice and notching a shutout performance over Westford Academy. They battled till the end and just came up short of the state tournament. The Boys Swim and Dive Team finished 6th at the MIAA Division 1 meet, where 4 new schools records set by David Cote, Noah Johnson, Ben Cote and Luke March. The Boys continued to improve throughout the season and swam their best at the sectional and state meets. They finished 5-6 overall. The Boys and Girls Ski teams had great seasons. Congratulations to Matt Lopresti, Jay Lopresti, Kyle Hansen, Amanda Homsten, and Ryan Hart who all raced at the Division 1 State Alpine Races. Our Boys and Girls Track Teams worked hard all year. Individually, Kristin Hohenstein won the Mass State Coaches Pentathlon and came in 4th in the 55 Meter Hurdles at the Division 1 State Meet. Finally, both our Girls Gymnastics and Cheerleading Teams were successful and got better as the season progressed. ♦

SUSAN RINGWOOD CLANCY

ALUMNI Profile

By Sandie Johnson Taylor Class of 1969

It's all about FAMILY

For twenty-five years, Susan Ringwood Clancy has been giving back to CHS by serving as a valued member of the Chelmsford High School Alumni Association's Hall of Fame committee, and in the past by serving as class agent, along with her husband Jim, for the Class of '77. In addition, she and her husband are life-time members of the CHSAA. Clancy is proud of "the CHSAA's groundbreaking concept of a Hall of Fame," which, unlike most other schools, honors not only athletes, but also other alumni and staff who have made significant contributions to Chelmsford High School and their communities. In the past, Clancy held the position of vice president under CHSAA's first president, Bill Keohane '74, and for many years was a member of the CHSAA Board of Directors.

After twenty-five years of service on the Hall of Fame committee, Clancy has decided to step down. Bruce McMaster applauds Clancy for her many years of commitment and dedication, saying that "I have been fortunate enough to serve on the CHSAA Hall of Fame Committee with Sue Clancy for many years. She has always provided great insight when we are in the process of discussing, evaluating, and voting for the nominees each year. She represents a unique perspective, which the other committee members and I have

valued highly. Sue is so humble that she has no idea how much her wise counsel will be missed by the committee. She is truly a special person and a real treasure."

Clancy grew up in an old Chelmsford farm house on four acres of land, where she nostalgically recalls "there was lots of room to run around." Her father, Clancy says, "had the foresight to move from Lowell to Chelmsford," where his children would attend Chelmsford schools. When asked about why she decided to settle in Chelmsford, Clancy quickly answers, "There was just no question, the community, the school system." Chelmsford was the town in which she had grown up, the town she had grown to love.

Many of Susan's childhood memories include her lifelong friend, Karen Lebedzinski Clement ('77). "We rode bikes to each other's houses when we were little; we've known each other since elementary school," Clancy reminisces. We were the maid of honor in each other's weddings. Karen just had her first grandson, and I'll be having my first granddaughter in a month," muses the proud soon-to-be grandmother."

During her CHS years, Clancy wrote poetry for the school literary magazine, *Mosaics*, which was advised by then English teacher Polly Chase Cleary. Clancy adds that Peter ('78) and Paul Reynolds ('78) were part of the group. When asked about a favorite teacher, Clancy remembers her sophomore English teacher, John Kamal. "I loved his class, and

I learned a lot from him." Today Clancy laughs as she relates a CHS moment which was embarrassing for her as teenager. "I remember walking into the music room one day after lunch to hang out with my friends. I flipped on the lights only to find that the room was full of students watching a movie." When Clancy blurted, "Oh my Gosh! You're watching a movie," a boy in the back of the room sarcastically answered back, "No, we just like sitting in the dark."

After graduating CHS, Clancy attended Rivier College for one year, and then transferred to UMASS Lowell, where she earned a BA in Elementary Education and Psychology. She went on to teach pre-school for a few years, was married and started a family. Her husband, Jim Clancy '77, is a 1981 graduate of UMASS Lowell. Jim continued his education at MIT, earning his Masters in Mechanical Engineering. Today, he is the co-owner of an investment and banking firm and deals mostly in mergers and acquisitions. His job has taken him to such countries as Sweden, Germany, England, Israel, Italy and Korea, to name a few.

On the home front, Clancy has worked full time as an awesome mom to her five amazing children. Jim ('02), Michael ('07), Kathryn ('14), Matthew ('16), and John ('19). Her eldest son, Jim ('02), an attorney, and his wife, Christine, a civil engineer, are currently living in the Chelmsford house in which his dad lived as a child. There is no lack of enthusiasm in her voice when Clancy announces



Front: Susan Clancy, Michael, Jim and Jim. Back: John, Kara (Michael's wife), Kathryn, Christine (Jim's wife), Matthew. Not to be left out, Sophie, our Westie.

that Jim and his wife are expecting their first child in June. Recently, Jim was named chair of the town of Chelmsford Finance Committee. Michael ('07) and his wife, Kara Defreitas ('07), have been living in San Francisco for the past three years. Following in his father's footsteps, Michael works in mergers and acquisitions, while Kara works as an actuary. A proud and excited Clancy adds that Michael and Kara will be coming home to Boston where he will attend Harvard Business School. She adds, "They will be journeying west from San Francisco and arriving in Boston at the end of a cruise around the world." Clancy's daughter, Kathryn ('14) is majoring in elementary and special education at Salve Regina, where she was a Pell Fellow, one of only twelve sophomores

selected from a competitive field of applicants to participate in the Pell Leadership Program.

Clancy's two youngest children are currently students at CHS. Matthew ('16) has been accepted into the Honors College at UMASS Lowell for mechanical engineering. He was recognized as a CHS Student of the Month, has been an active member both of CHS (LIME), *Leadership in Motion Everywhere*, and *Theatre Guild*, and has served as co-president of the band. An awesome pianist and percussionist, Matthew received the *Director's Award* for band. Recently at the May CHS Award's Night, Matthew received a *Prudential Spirit of Community Award*, an award that honors middle and high school students for outstanding service to others in their own communities, as well

as at the state and national level.

John, the youngest, will be graduating from CHS in 2019. A straight "A" student, taking mostly honors classes, John plays the trombone in the marching, concert and jazz bands and was selected for Senior District Band as a freshman. A Boy Scout, he is about to reach Life Scout rank, on his way to becoming an Eagle Scout, an honor which his brothers Jim and Michael have achieved. Also, John plays baseball, pitching for the town's Senior Travel League. Recently, John was asked to join the staff for National Youth Leadership Training. Both Matthew and John work as sound techs for events at the McCarthy Middle School and at the recently dedicated Carl Rondina Per-

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forming Arts Center (PAC).

When asked about her greatest challenge, Clancy responds proudly and joyfully, "Raising five children!" And what has made it work for this mother of five, whose husband frequently travels for his business? "Team work! You have to be willing to compromise. People can't hear this enough. You have to put other people first." Clancy certainly has made it work; she has done a truly remarkable job and, in today's world, that is no easy task. As for her words of wisdom, Clancy goes on to say that "it is important to set expectations for your children and to let them know that you will not accept less. Setting the right example is also key. 'Think twice; be nice' is a saying that I came across in a book. Kids as little as three certainly can understand these words. Be respectful of yourself and of others. Live with integrity."

The impressive, collective achievements of Clancy's five children speak volumes about Susan and Jim's stellar accomplishments as parents. When asked what her children might say about her, Clancy laughingly says, "I shudder to think." While she may "shudder to think," this writer is certain that Clancy's five children are as proud of their amazing mom, as she is of each one of them!

Asked about the greatest invention of her lifetime, Clancy quickly answers: "The cell phone! It helps me to keep track of my children. I think it's great. Family texts provide instant communication where everyone is able to chime in," and that is a lot of "chiming." Clancy goes on to say that while her son, Michael, has been living in San Francisco "texting has allowed the family to stay connected; we would not have been able to do that years ago."

While Clancy has enjoyed gardening and sewing in the past, she says she has little time for hobbies these days as she attends the many activities in which her two high schoolers are involved. Bruce McMaster can attest to this. He says, "Sue has been and continues to be a great supporter of the Chelmsford School System. It seems I never attend an event, whether it be a football game, school musical, or Jazz Band concert without encountering her. Sue and her husband Jim and all of their children are great examples of the kind of family that we in town should appreciate."

Three years ago Clancy went back to work teaching pre-school at the ABC Nursery and Pre-School in Chelmsford. "A pretty big accomplishment," she says, "after being away for so long." It is clearly evident that Clancy loves working with her three-

year-olds. She adds, "It's a lot of fun. If you ever need an ego boost, this is the place to be."

When she does find some down time, Clancy enjoys reading biographies. "I'm fascinated by people's lives and the different life paths that they have chosen. I really enjoyed reading *Mrs. Kennedy and Me* by Clint Hill." Clancy's favorite book is Canadian author Lucy Maud Montgomery's 1908 novel entitled *Anne of Green Gables*. "I have no idea how many times I walked from my house to the McKay Library to sign out that book," Clancy remarks, recalling that the book's binding was held together with green duct tape. "I remember as a child going on a trip to Prince Edward Island. We visited Green Gables. It was an awesome experience for me."

It seems somewhat symbolic and most fitting that *Anne of Green Gables*, a story that embraces the importance of family and of strong family values, happens to be Susan Clancy's all-time favorite book. It is obvious that Clancy not only embraces those same qualities, but also has imparted them to her five children. When asked for what she is most thankful, she quickly answers, "My family." She recalls that her father-in-law always used to say, "It is all about family." For Susan Clancy, it truly is "all about family." ♦

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HALL OF FAME *Review*

By **Kris Pisarik** *Class of 1977*

Every year I attend the Chelmsford High School Alumni Association Hall of Fame induction wondering how the nominating committee will come up with nine more interesting and deserving people to enshrine. But every year they do it, and the accomplishments of some of this year's honorees have once again left me breathless.

From my family's friend, Meghan Curran, Class of 2005, whose heroic and groundbreaking military exploits serving special ops in Afghanistan were chronicled in the book, "Ashley's War," as well as in my columns for The Sun, to long-time CHS girls' swim coach Harriet Kinnett's monumental record of success in the pool, this year's inductees excelled at a wide swath of endeavors on their road to the Hall.

But before we delve into brief snippets from their speeches, the approximately 230 guests that packed the ballroom at the Radisson Hotel in Nashua March 19 were updated on alumni association business as well as some recent highlights at CHS.

CHSAA President Terry McSheehy spent a few minutes updating the crowd on then-upcoming events, like April's Lions 5K to raise money for both the association and All Sports Boosters, as well as May's Scholarship Awards Night and the annual golf tournament.

McSheehy also noted that the endowment fund has grown to approximately \$1.4 million and

has given out around \$700,000 in scholarships since its inception, with 132 different awards given out in the past year alone.

CHS Principal Stephen Murray proudly shared how last year 95 percent of grads went on to post-secondary school with a third of them taking AP tests. Their SAT scores were 32 points above the state average and 52 points over the national tally, he said.

But beyond academic accolades, Murray said CHS students also have a sense of compassion, helping their fellow man by "raising money and spirits," with everything from the Prayers for Paris initiative when the Paris terrorists attacks happened to raising \$2,500 in just three days when teacher Tom Gallagher's house burned to the ground a few weeks earlier.

And now on to this year's Hall of Fame inductees:

BRUCE BYAM, Class of 1963

The "Voice of CHS Football" has only missed seven games since 1957 and has been broadcasting the games on Chelmsford Telemedia for the past 15 years after retiring from a 35-year career teaching in Acton, where in 1975 he was nominated for Massachusetts Teacher of the Year.

Byam thanked his family and CHSAA Executive Director George Simonian for their support.

"Listening to George describe my life to you, I had to smile," Byam said. "For I am being honored for



doing things in my life that I loved. A beautiful family, teaching, athletics and now as a funeral assistant at Blake Funeral Home all seem to be what I was meant to do.

"Fate seems to have played a rather large role in my life," he continued. "As an example, being a member of the Class of 1963 was indeed fortuitous. I will become the 18th member of that class to be inducted. So many talented people, so many lifelong friends. Our class had fun, but we pursued excellence in everything we did, then and now. So many are here tonight and I thank you for that."

Byam gave special shout-outs to Bob Pariseau for his nomination, as well as longtime CHS football coach Bruce Rich, "a friend for 50 plus years and winningest football coach in CHS history, and yes, I saw every one of them."

Byam said that when he entered

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high school in 1959, now the McCarthy Middle School, it was a “sparkling new building.”

But it was just a building, he said. “The people who occupied it made it special. For 4 years it was the center of my life. Administrators, teachers, coaches, and even our custodian created an environment that fostered learning and achievement. Beyond that, they all cared about us as people. They were our teachers, and we also cared about them as people too.”

“Basketball was a big part of my life at CHS. Henry McCarthy, our coach, was revered by all of us. He taught us how to play and also how to live... We were extremely successful... How could you not be successful with captains like Brad Perham and Hank Brown. Together we scored 2500 points. OK, so Hank and Brad scored 2400 of them.

“In conclusion, thank you to all who helped make this dream become a reality. I will always remember tonight. I am proud to be a member of the CHS Hall of Fame.”

MEGHAN CURAN, Class of 2005

At 29, Curran became the youngest alum ever inducted into the Hall of Fame. And while she could have easily made the cut based on her high school and college athletic careers as a standout track and cross-country runner, Curran’s military service as a member of an elite Community Support Team alongside Army Rangers in Afghanistan certainly sealed her induction.

The retired Army captain delivered a poignant and powerful speech that not only thanked family and friends, and her important Chelmsford beginnings, but also spoke to a deeper sacrifice that anyone who puts



on a uniform representing the U.S. military may some day face, as was the case with her good friend Ashley White Stumpf. She also spoke of her struggles returning home, to a place that hadn’t changed, even though she had in profound ways.

Here are some excerpts:

“In April of 2012, I watched Kandahar Airfield disappear from view for the last time,” she said. “As my helicopter lurched into flight in a cloud of red earth which American Soldiers had fittingly nicknamed ‘moon dust’, I made a silent promise to my friend Ashley White Stumpf, who would never be returning home. I promised to live a life worthy of her sacrifice. I promised to someday be as good a wife as she had been; as good a daughter. I promised her that I would seize every day, that I would continue to push my personal limits, as she had always done.

“I am conscious of the fact that I represent a tiny portion of my generation, to whom this war, which drags on, is not just mere background noise.

Most in this room can probably

concede that over 14 years of war has affected their day-to-day lives very little,” she continued. “And that’s a good thing. ... A veteran is someone who, at one point, wrote a blank check made payable to ‘The United States of America’ for an amount of ‘up to and including their life.’

Curran spoke about how running through the streets of her hometown rekindled memories of hard work and camaraderie, leadership, how to be gracious in defeat, with a special nod to her coaches Jack Lang and Brian Crane, who were in attendance. Two days after White Stumpf was killed by an IED, Curran moved her gear into her space and contemplated her own death.

“I wondered if I had ever done anything worth remembering,” she said. “I wondered if I had even been a good person. I wrote letters to my family members, my close friends, and one to my high school teammates. I had lost touch with several of them over the years, but I wanted them to know how much they had meant to me, how often I thought of them, and what they had taught me.

To those teammates of mine who are in attendance tonight, thank you for teaching me what a team is, what loyalty is.”

JEFF DOHERTY, retired dean, teacher, coach

The affable educator spent a great deal of his speech thanking colleagues – far too many to mention by name here -- for giving a Tewksbury High graduate a chance in Chelmsford. He gave a special salute to his fellow deans, who he called his “fellow Four Tops,” Steve Meidell, Al Thomas, and Bernie Battle.



“Steve, Al, and Bernie, you are like brothers to me but George said I only have 20 minutes for my speech, so I will have to tell you at a later time how much each of you means to me, the tremendous influences each of you have been on my life and especially the respect and love I have for each of you.”

Doherty was emotional in thanking his family, in part because his father had passed away less than a year earlier.

“The person who has been my best friend throughout my life is not with us tonight. My dad is my role model, my hero, my greatest supporter and he is truly a gentle man. I am the person I am today because of his love, support and example. Dad passed away last May and every day and in every way I live by the motto WWDD what would dad do. Love and miss you, dad.

He credited his mother, Veronica, for teaching him “the love of literature and theater and that the most important thing we can do in life is to give of ourselves to others. You have supported me though everything I have done and I am who I am today because of you. Love you.”

Doherty said he’s often asked what

he misses most since his retirement from a more-than three-decade career at CHS a couple years earlier.

“My friend Al Thomas says CHS is not a good school, it’s a great school. Al, I have to disagree. CHS is not a good school, or a great school or any kind of superlative school. CHS is large raucous and at time dysfunctional but always a loving family. And like a family CHS is a place where students are supported, cared for, and challenged to be the best people they can be. Our students are given opportunities to excel in academics, extracurricular activities, athletics, the arts, and as people. As within a family the teachers and staff are there to cheer our students’ successes, help them overcome obstacles, and listen to their problems and their dreams.

“There is an ‘it’ factor at CHS. People have come to our school and tried to put into words what this ‘It’ factor is, but the ‘It’ factor is not something that lives in the brain rather it resides in the heart. It is demonstrated by the compassion, concern, and support seen in each interaction among members of this large family we call CHS. This is especially seen when one of our family members at CHS is in need. These are the times of sorrow, stress, or loss where our student body, teachers, administration, and staff reach out to support and to guide the person through these difficult life situations.”

ELLEN HANSON, Class of 1987

Hanson cut her teeth on her impressive run of working with children with special needs at the Paul Center, formerly Camp Paul, in Chelmsford. The doctor of psychology is now the director of the Neurodevelopmental Disorders Phenotyping Program at Boston Children’s Hospital, where she recently celebrated her 20th year as well as two decades at Harvard Medi-



cal School, where she’s an assistant professor, researcher and clinician.

Hanson thanked her teachers at CHS for her solid foundation.

“I learned, learned how to learn and learned to love learning. I had too many teachers who were very gifted to list them all, but I will say that one of them, Mr. Doherty, is here today, and, even if he wasn’t here, would have been given a shout-out in my speech for being fabulous.”

In addition to the educational aspects of the teachers’ support, Hanson said they helped her and her classmates navigate “serious issues such as parental deaths, suicide, anorexia, alcohol issues, trying to deal with drugs and trying to understand AIDS. We were lucky to have a number of parents and teachers who were able to help us discuss these things as we struggled to understand HOW to talk about these things, deal with these things.... And I guess just how to grow up.”

“Way back then I had no idea I wanted to do what I am doing today. I thought I wanted to be an actress. I was Wendy in Peter pan -- got to fly on stage. One of the highlights of my high school career, I have to say. I guess I was just lucky that

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so many of my friends were much more talented than I,” she said. “... Thank goodness I realized early on I wasn’t as good as them and decided to double major in psychology...

“ I always had a passion for the issue of developmental disability. I worked at Camp Paul for kids with special needs and baby-sat for families with children who had disability... I was lucky that no matter what I had the support of mentors at CHS to just figure it out and follow what I felt was a good fit. People like Mr. (Donald) Boucher who always told me to ‘follow my dreams.’ Well, I really did... I love my job. I love the families that I am lucky enough to come into contact with every day. I hope that I have helped some people over the years.”

F. RAYMOND HARDY, Class of 1951

Many people in education speak about the importance of being lifelong learners. Ray Hardy epitomizes not only that quest, but also being essentially a lifelong teacher and civic-minded citizen.

His volunteer resume is long. He has helped the Lowell Rotary Club, the Lowell Humane Society, Salvation Army and International Institute, to name a few.

In his induction speech, Hardy shared his history of moving through the Chelmsford schools, beginning in grammar school here in 1939 he began in a one-room schoolhouse in the Westlands on Steadman Street. The class of Depression Era babies was too big, he noted, so four more rooms were added to the Westlands School. He fondly recalled their opening exercises, Pledge of Allegiance, a Bible reading and short prayer, which he said took on



greater meaning for him and his classmates during World War II.

When Hardy went to high school, it was in the same building where the present Town Offices are at 50 Billerica Road. In his graduating class of 80 students, it was easy to bond, he said. His classmates Pat Merrill and her husband, George, and Sheila Richardson attended his induction. Hardy was of the first members of the newly-created Student Council back in his high school.

Favorite teachers included Miss Booth (Latin and Algebra II), Mrs. Poland for biology, Daisy McBrain for English, Mr. Shannon for history and Murray Hicks for physics and chemistry.

Hardy went on to be a student at Lowell Technological Institute. When he enrolled, one professor told him and his classmates, “look to your left and look to your right. One of you will graduate in four years.”

Not only did Hardy graduate, but he became a student teacher at LTI and was hired upon his graduation in 1955. He taught math, physics and computer science. He became

an assistant dean in the College of Science in 1975 and even though he retired in 1994, he to this day continues to teach a class every semester.

He relishes receiving letters from former students, one of whom attended his induction, Joseph Smith, LTI Class of 1962, who wrote in a letter that Hardy’s “relaxed demeanor certainly reduced the pressure of coming up to speed in difficult subjects.”

Smith was just one of more than 8,000 students Hardy taught in his continuing career.

In conclusion, he gave a nod to Newton’s Third Law, “for every action there is an equal or opposite reaction.”

Clearly, Hardy’s lifelong dedication to education has had many positive reactions.

HARRIET KINNETT, Girls Swim Coach

To say that the 20-year CHS girls swim coach has made a splash would be a gross understatement. At the time of her nomination, she had amassed a record of 208 wins, 25 losses and three ties. The Tampa, Florida-raised Kinnett grew up loving the water and in school would swim her “tail off” so she “could move up a lane and be next to the cute boys. That was motivation enough for me,” she said.

Still speaking with her Southern accent, Kinnett explained how she met husband, Mel in graduate school in South Carolina. After they married, they returned to his native Boston area to start their family.

She thanked her family for putting up with so much of her time studying race times and making copi-



ous notes about upcoming meets.

“Mel loves to tell our friends that I study my swimming the way a bookie studies the races,” she related.

She said that before the Internet, she would drive to public libraries of CHS’ opponents to get their swimmers most current times from their local newspapers.

“I would score out a meet ahead of time, and move swimmers into different events to attack our opponent’s weaknesses,” Kinnett shared.

Kinnett said she has been blessed with outstanding assistant coaches over the years.

“Following in Al Thomas’ and Pat Peterson’s shoes was not easy to do. What a wonderful program was set for me.” She also thanked former assistant coach Josh Blagg, now a CHS dean, Principal Murray and Athletic Director Scott Moreau for attending meets to support the team.

She also gave a nod to retired AD Jack Fletcher.

“I know Jack Fletcher would always razz me when I came into the athletic office. He would say, ‘Here comes Harriet, stop what

you’re doing and do whatever she wants!’ He seemed to think I was demanding something that needed immediate attention! Then he would tease me about using my Southern charm to get my way. Was I really like that, Jack?”

Sometimes Kinnett wondered if she might be in too deep, like the year she fought breast cancer.

“I was able to rely on those past assistant coaches, who came out of retirement for the love of the program,” she said. “Al Thomas, Josh Blagg, Caitlin Klick, Shauna McHugh, and Tom Wright rotated coaching to get me through those several weeks. My surgeon was a bit shocked when she wanted to schedule my surgery on a Monday, but I told her I had a big meet with Lexington on Tuesday, so could we schedule the surgery for Wednesday?”

“Wanting the best for my swimmers has always been a high priority of mine,” she continued. “My swimmers tease me about how I always want the best spot on deck for them to sit at Sectionals and States. One year when I was on crutches, I was ushered onto the pool deck before the other teams. My swimmers were convinced the crutches were a ploy to get them great seats! That year we won states!”

Kinnett said she is grateful for the athletes and others she’s met on her Hall-of-Fame coaching journey.

“It is so exciting seeing my swimmers come in as young freshmen and leave as mature, young ladies. After being with them for four years, it is very rewarding and so hard to say goodbye to them.

“When people ask me how long I hope to coach, I used to say I’ll stop when it’s no longer fun, but I now realize that will never happen, and it is probably not safe to be running up and down a pool

deck when I’m 90,” she concluded. “I’m looking forward to a few more great swim seasons at Chelmsford High School. Thank you!”



JIM LANE, Class of 1983

The former selectman and Planning Board member began his speech on a humorous note, saying he was so excited by the honor of being inducted he wanted to “scream out like Sally Field, ‘you like me, you really like me,’” as the actress did on national television several years ago upon winning an award after years of not having done so.

Lane said his success in the facilities management field, where he is senior vice president of EMCOR, can be traced to several factors, his parents, for one.

“There were three golden rules in the Lane house that we were consistently reminded of (sometimes with a little more emphasis than other times), 1) Always finish what you begin 2) Don’t be afraid to try new things and whatever you do, give it your all and you’ll never have any regrets 3) Never forget who you are, where you’ve

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been and especially who has helped you along the way,” he said.

Lane said his years at CHS were also a huge help. He said high school can be a polarizing place.

“Looking back on your time, you either loved it and realize how it made you the person you are. Or you hated it and realize...how it made you the person you are. Luckily, I’m someone who loved it and realize every day how Chelmsford High School helped make me the person, the husband, the father, and the professional I am today,” Lane said.

Lane said his dean, Angie Taranto, “always made the time to stop me in the hallway, just to say hi and ask how things were going.”

His principal, George Simonian, who he called “Mr. CHS, Mr. Everywhere,” was another big influence.

“Back then, we played our football games on Saturdays and you could always count on Mr. Simonian to be at his usual spot, the 50-yard line cheering us on! Remarkably, he remembers every student’s name and the year they graduated from CHS.”

Lane concluded by thanking Donna Sargent for her efforts on his nomination, his wife Deanna and his parents. He also thanked Selectman and fellow Hall-of-Famer George Dixon for his guidance over the years. He called Dixon “a proud son of Chelmsford as any and someone who always puts the needs of others before his own. You’re truly an inspiration my friend, and continue to teach me the importance of never forgetting where you come from and the gift of giving to others who may need our help.”



KEVIN McCARTHY Class of 1987

McCarthy made his mark as an Academic All American and a state champion wrestler. The managing director of Intex Solutions was a pioneer for developing sophisticated financial instruments.

“There’s a famous quote from Abe Lincoln that reads, ‘I’m a success today because I had a friend who believed in me and I didn’t have the heart to let him down.’ The headmaster at my sons’ school often refers to it when he offers a promise to each student that they will be known and loved by the faculty, administration, and fellow students, and from that love will be borne a desire and confidence to achieve,” McCarthy said. This quote “resonates and makes me reflect on the people that have supported me during my upbringing in Chelmsford,” he said, offering math teachers Robert Bradman and Rebecca Nordengren and Deans Ed Quinn and John Conrad and Principal Simonian as examples.

“I remember my amazing teammates, especially those from our

1986 championship team. They are sitting over there in the land of misfit toys,” he joked. “Sure, they may be misfits with their cauliflower ears and rough exteriors, but they are my misfits. And when you battle, sweat, bleed, and cut 10 percent of your body weight with someone you develop a unique respect and admiration that others may not fully comprehend. Take my word, those guys are special.”

McCarthy also thanked his wrestling coaches, Randy Whitehead and Bruce McDonald and Bruce Rich.

Rich “taught us that hard work and preparation were, as he called it, “money in the bank.” Push-ups, spin drills and wind sprints were simply deposits that were available for withdrawal when you needed them most in the third period of every grueling match. Bruce led us with a gentle respect and confidence that was contagious. We felt his belief in us wholeheartedly and every time we stepped on the mat we succeeded because we didn’t have the heart to let him down.”

He also said he was grateful for Billy Keohane and Bob Gagnon, who mentored him with “such undeserving care and generosity. They taught me that the workplace should be fun, and that every individual in a business, regardless of their role, should be treated with respect. I rely on those teachings every day in my professional life.”

Growing up in his Irish family, McCarthy said teasing was a way of life, with conversation often revolving around who was the best athlete, student, the coolest, or even, Mom’s favorite.

“While the answer always seemed obvious to me, my siblings seemed to

have their own selfish opinions that were clearly not based in reality,” he said. “As a wrestler, I’ve been coached to capitalize when an opportunity presents itself. With that in mind I would like to use this my induction as a means to end this longstanding McCarthy family debate. As such I created these special mugs. The front has a picture of me with my glorious 1980’s hair and the back simply says 2016 HOF and Mom’s favorite. Every day when we have our morning coffee I’m certain I will fondly remember this wonderful honor and I hope my siblings will find peace in knowing the truth.”



**ANNMARIE ROARK,
Class of 1972**

Hers was not the typical road to stardom. An admittedly “reluctant student,” Roark wasn’t sure what path she should follow after high school. Her guidance counselor tried to steer her toward Lowell State College on a teaching or nursing track, because apparently at that time, that’s what women were expected to do.

“The problem was I had no career interest at all,” she said.

But off she went.

“And surprisingly, I knew how to

study, I had the basics, I had what I needed,” Roark said. “Despite my best efforts, my teachers at CHS had prepared me to be successful in college – who knew?”

“But elementary school teacher? Really? If you know me, you know that was never going to work out well. I am impatient and I like routine and control. Student teaching was a disaster, fifth grade girls. Very frustrating, like trying to herd cats, and don’t get me started about the parents. Big mistake.

While a student at Lowell State, she became interested in community service.

She became involved in student governance; a student liaison to the Board of Trustees and the City of Lowell.

Her father recommended law school.

She worked days and weekends as a private investigator, and studied when she could, at the gun range, while on stakeouts, “on the plane tailing that adulterous wife to Pittsburgh, whenever.” The job helped put her through New England School of Law and she was the highest-ranking female graduate in 1980.

Against the odds, following graduation she interviewed for an associate position with a local law firm. The interview went well, but she was told that as a female candidate I would also have to be vetted by the most senior partner, who was resistant to hiring a female associate.

“I was hired,” she said.

Roark now practices law with her daughter, Elizabeth.

She is a former member of the CHSAA board of directors, a former Board of Health member and has served on numerous nonprofit boards in the region.



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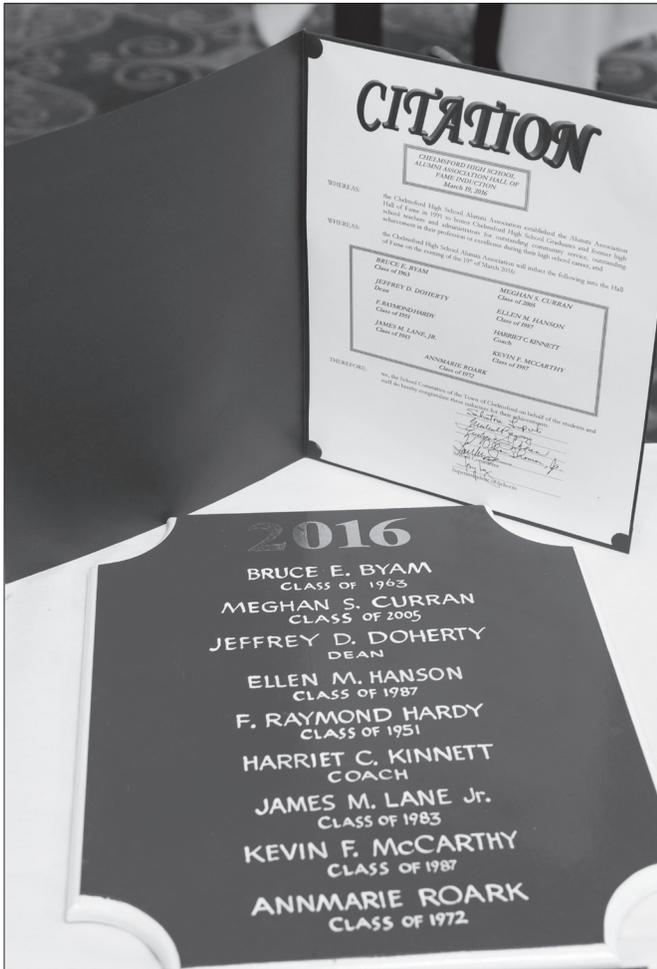
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Karen Johnson McCarthy, '87 and Kevin McCarthy*, '87



*Melvin Kinnett and Harriet Kinnett, Coach**



Ed Scollan, '72*



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Reception



Michelle Hamel Maybury, '82; Mark Maybury, '82 and Julia Maybury, '18*



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Bob Lyons, Dean; Ed Quinn, Dean; Jeff Doherty*, Dean*



Howie Neild, '63*



Martha Hanson; Elisa Simonian Ouellette, '87; Christine Frassica Scaplen, '87*



Barbara Kimball Mackey, '63; Jessica McSheehy Del Llano, '96; Terry McSheehy, '64*



Stephen Murray, '88; W. Allen Thomas*; Anne O'Sullivan O'Bryant*, '71; George Simonian*; Stephen Meidell**



Bruce Byam Family table



Seated: Kerry Machado; Jack Lang Coach; Bill Amirault*, '77; Alyssa Pisarik, '08 Standing: Lisa Sullivan, Ricky Sullivan*, '75; Brian Crane; Kris Pisarik*, '77; Jennifer Pisarik; Sean O'Hare*



Meghan Curran Family table



Seated: Martha Crane Flaberty, '58; Judy Cullen Thompson, '58; Carol Belleville Curran, '58; Jim Curran, '56 Standing: Bob Gagnon, '58; Bette Gagnon; George Merrill, '47; Pat Toms Merrill, '51; Sheila Reynolds Richardson, '51*



George "Bud" Mercuri, '84 table*



Seated: Bill Olsen, '66; Geoff Hall*, Teacher; Nancy Maynard; Barbara Maynard Scollan, '71 Standing: Kevin Regan; Eva Regan; Ed Scollan*, '72; Meghan Kennedy, Erin Sullivan, Amanda Cecere.*



Jeff Doberty Family table



Seated: Joanne Bousquet Sargent, '76; Michael Sargent*, '75; Bob Scharn, '62; Jackie Scharn Standing: Mike McGreevy*, '75; Kim McQuade McGreevy, '78; Peter Kaskons; Eileen Kaskons*



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Seated: Evelyn Thoren; Joseph Ready, '00; Dennis Ready, '60; Jay Lang, Superintendent of Schools; Leonard Doolan III* Standing: Glenn Thoren; Paul Cohen, Town Manager; John Harrington*, '64*



Seated: Norma Rondina; Linda Carson; John Carson; Jessica McSheehy Del Llano, '96; Lynne Marshall McSheehy, '64 Standing: Carl Rondina*, Teacher; Yvette Lemire Hunt, '64; Bob Pariseau*, '64; Sheila Pariseau; Dennis Hunt*, '64*



Seated: Edna Judge, Ray Judge, '44; Cynthia Judge Sandholm, '69; Charles Marcella, '70; Lynn Mercier Marcella, '73 Standing: Valerie Diggs; Glenn Diggs; Jim Clancy, '77; Susan Ringwood Clancy, '77*



Seated: Julia Maybury, '18; Michelle Hamel Maybury, '82; Mark Maybury, '82 Standing: Zachary Ouellette; Christine Frassica Scaplen, '87; Elisa Simonian Ouellette*, '87; Peter Hantzis*, '69; Linda Hantzis*



Seated: Pat Jamros, '63; Hank Brown, '63; Cynthia Picken Brown, '63; Barbara Kimball Mackey*, '63 Standing: Jim Parker*, '63; Donna Sargent, '70; Bernie Ready*, '63; Bob Mackey*, '63*



Seated: Ann Swierzbini; Richard Coffey; Denise Coffey, Teacher; Sandie Johnson Taylor, '69 Standing: Nancy Williams*, Teacher; Carol Rodgers; Fran Meidell; Stephen Meidell*, Principal*



Seated: Mary Taranto; Angie Taranto, Dean; Anne O'Sullivan O'Bryant, Principal*, '71; Ed Quinn*, Dean Standing: John Conrad, Jr., Dean; Donna Upton Foley*, '70; Josh Blagg, '91, Dean; Bob Lyons, Dean*



Hall of Fame Induction Dinner with CHS Principal Stephen Murray, '88 at the Podium*



Seated: Maura Devaney Duah-Asamoah, '88; Katie Sullivan; Debbie Haywood, '74; Joan Amirault Murphy, '79 Standing: Edmund Duah-Asamoah; Mike O'Keefe, '87; Tommy Peterson, '89; Tom Sousa; Mike "Doc" Economakos, Trainer; Jack Fletcher*, '68*



Jeff Doherty, Dean*



George Simonian, Principal Emeritus*

It's spring,

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

Before I share art, music and theater happenings at CHS, I want to relay information about an exciting achievement in PreK-12 our department. For the fourth consecutive year, the NAMM Foundation has recognized the Chelmsford Public Schools for its outstanding commitment to music education with a Best Communities for Music Education (BCME) designation! In its 17th year, Best Communities for Music Education (BCME) affirms school districts that have demonstrated exceptional efforts toward maintaining music education as part of the schools' core curriculum.

Chelmsford joins 476 of the nation's 13,515 school districts to receive this prestigious distinction in 2016. The Chelmsford Public School Music Programs play a vital role in our community, and are attractive to

families looking to move to a district that excels not only in math, reading, and science, but also in the Fine Arts. This award recognizes that Chelmsford is leading the way with learning opportunities as outlined in the new federal education legislation, the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). The legislation, signed into law in December 2015, replaces No Child Left Behind Act (NCLB), which was often criticized for an overemphasis on testing—while leaving behind subjects such as music. ESSA recommends music and the arts as important elements of well-rounded education for all children. We are extremely proud of being recognized by NAMM as a Best Community for Music Education, and this achievement is largely due to the great support that we receive from the Chelmsford Community – thank you!!

In spring theater news, the CHS Theater Department thrilled crowds with two productions, an original production of Rapiendis Dei and the popular Broadway musical Robber Bride.

Rapiendis Dei was our annual entry into the Massachusetts Educational Theatre Guild Drama Festival, a competition in which over one hundred secondary schools

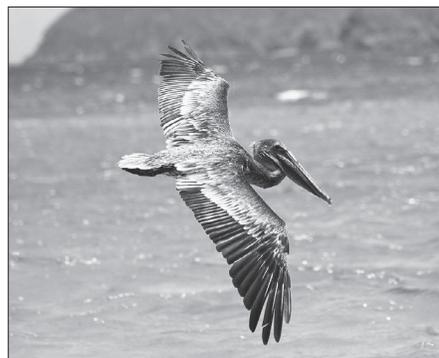
participated. On February 27, the Chelmsford High School Theater Guild hosted the METG theater festival at the Carl J. Rondina Performing Arts Center. Eight schools participated in the festival and presented a wide variety of one acts.

Chelmsford performed its own historic original production based on a story about a six-year old Jewish boy who is taken from his family by the Catholic Church for conversion into the Catholic faith. Rapiendis Dei features over 50 cast and crew members, including Julia Segal as Nina and Jake Wetmore as Priest.

The festival is organized into three rounds: preliminary, semi-final, and state. This year, Chelmsford was one of the host sites for prelims, where the production garnered 4 "All-Star Awards," which was the highest number of awards given to one production at the Festival! These awards went to Emily Norman for set, Jessica Holmes for lighting, Peter and Stephen Driscoll and crew for set construction, Sabrina Lambros for original musical score, Ryan Carey for acting and Jenny Mitchell for acting. Rapiendis Dei advanced to the semi-finals, and was chosen as one of two finalists from semi-finals to advance to the final round,



Matthew Rossman Boston Globe Gold Key Piece



Megan Driscoll award winning piece, "In Flight"



Theater Production The Robber Bride

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hosted in Boston in March! At the closing ceremony, Jenny Mitchell was recognized with an acting award, and Sabrina Lambros received an award for musical arrangement and composition.

For the first time ever, CHS presented a second musical in one academic year: *The Robber Bridegroom*, a down home country musical!

Currently in revival in New York City, *The Robber Bridegroom* tells the tale of Jamie Lockhart, a gentlemen robber, as he pursues the money of a rich plantation owner, Clement Musgrove. The only thing that gets in the way of his success is Musgrove's beautiful, rambunctious daughter, Rosamund and her evil stepmother, Salome. Throw in some bad guys, the infamous Harp Brothers, and a few dimwitted townspeople and you have the ingredients for some good old fashioned, foot stomping fun!

The show featured many new and familiar faces, including: Sydney Baron, Michael Xavier, Jake Wetmore, Ryan Carey, Jenny Mitchell, Stephen Driscoll, Michael Marchessault, Sophie Bellone, Gabi Huggler and many more. For the first time ever, the music direction was SOLELY done by students: Sabrina Lambros, Richard Kaminuma, and Matt Clancy. And on top of that, two unique members of the band joined the students onstage to present the music: faculty member Mr. Doug Greenfield and our returning Choral Director, Mr. Carl Rondina!

More information about the theater department's productions can be found at the Theater Guild's new Website, www.chelmsfordtheatre.com.

Our art teachers and students have been busy as well! In honor of "Youth Art Month," the Chelmsford Public Library hosted the annual K-12 CPS Student Art Reception, featuring excellent pieces from all levels of our art program with live music provided by CPS students. Kathy Cryan-Hicks of the CPL and Chelmsford Public Schools Fine Arts Department facilitated this event, and all K-12 art teachers contributed to the preparation and planning.

In addition, The Marble Collection High School Art Magazine Spring Edition has selected 5 Chelmsford High School student art pieces to be published in their magazine!

The Marble Collection (TMC) is a nonprofit organization that publishes the only Massachusetts statewide print and online magazine of the arts featuring jury-selected artwork, writing, poetry, photography, and music by students in grades 8-12. TMC's mission is to cultivate creativity and excellence in the arts by engaging teen artists and writers in a publication process that affirms their voices and deepens their learning. TMC also offers e-mentoring workshops in which teen writers and artists are partnered with college student mentors who help them refine their voices and guide their work to publication.

The students whose work was selected for publication are:

Meagan Cox
Kayla Gallo
Shailyn Farmer
Elizabeth Milner
Gwen Morris

These students' work will be published in The Marble Collection

magazine and online. In addition, each will have the opportunity to participate in TMC's e-mentoring workshops.

Shailyn Farmers artwork, "Wolf," was published in the fall edition of the Marble Collection High School Art Magazine, and was selected by the Marble Collection to be displayed at the Massachusetts State House from March 28- April 1, 2016. Her work "Self-Portrait" will be published in the spring edition of the magazine.

In addition to the Marble Collection Magazine, Elizabeth Milner's artwork will also be published in the international publication 100 High School Sketchbooks. Elizabeth is planning on majoring in Illustration in an Art College.

Kayla Gallo's artwork will not only be published in the spring edition of the magazine, but will also be featured at The Marble Collection's 3rd Annual "Spring Into Art Magazine Release Gala Pop-Up Gallery" at UMass Boston's Harbor Gallery. "Spring into Art" features an exhibition and sale of jury-selection teen artwork and a program of readings of original works, emceed by SLAM poetry champion and hip hop artist, Marion Casey. High quality, framed prints of teen artwork are also available for purchase on The Marble Collection's e-Gallery. The exhibition of teen artwork was on display in the Harbor Gallery from May 15 – May 22, 2016

Art students in grades K-12 from across Massachusetts were selected to display their creative works at the State Transportation Building in Boston. This multimedia exhibit is sponsored by the Massachusetts Art

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Education Association (MAEA) in conjunction with Youth Art Month, a national celebration that emphasizes the value of art education for all children and encourages support for quality art programs in Massachusetts' schools. CHS Art Teacher Madalena Alves submitted several student pieces for this March exhibit.

The CHS artists featured in this exhibit were:

- Megan Driscoll, CHS Grade 11
- Katelyn Nicholas, CHS Grade 11
- Laura Grasso, CHS Grade 10
- Robbie Farrell, CHS Grade 11
- Matthew Piper, CHS Grade 12

CHS Student artwork was also featured at the Westford Regional Art Event, an annual juried art show for adults, young adults and children. It is designed to showcase emerging and established artists within Westford and surrounding communities. The event aims to encourage individuals of all ages to share their personal artistic expression through an open forum.

This year, CPS students at multiple levels won awards for their work; Parker Middle School 6th grader, William Lambert, placed 1st in the grade 6-8 category for his piece "Mixed Media Robot Drawing." In addition, seven Chelmsford High School students received awards:

Megan Driscoll, 2nd place
Photography, "In Flight"

Ethan Levine, 3rd place
Photography, "Red Wing Farm"

Karen Keller, HM Mixed Media,
"Autumn Portrait"

Matthew Piper, HM Mixed Media,



Director Matt Sexauer '96, and Representatives of the MICCA Gold-Medal Winning Band

"Landscape Abstrated"

Domenic Romano, HM Mixed Media, "Working World"

Sarah Williams, HM Watercolor, "The Hallway"

Yashika Sing, HM Sculpture, "Sino Dragon"

Last but definitely not least, Art students from the Chelmsford High School, Parker and McCarthy Middle Schools in Chelmsford earned 21 awards at the Boston Globe-Scholastic Art Awards this year! Since 1923, The Scholastic Art Awards have offered millions of students the opportunity to display their art works for regional and national recognition. The objective of the program is to foster the confidence of young artists and to invite students to broaden their horizons while winning national recognition. The Scholastic Art and

Writing Awards are the largest and longest running programs of their kind in the country.

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

Art Teachers Madalena Alves, Ashley Cormack, Virginia Cramer, Allison Gover, and Teresa Karangioze submitted student artwork to this competition.

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

- GOLD KEY**
- Duncan Dean
- Peter Curtis
- Matthew Rossman
- Matthew Piper

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SILVER KEY

Dahlia Pecchia
Ariela Moreno
Sarah Williams

HONORABLE MENTION

(2) Karen Keller
Cameron Turner
Danae Barr
Peter Curtis
Laura Falardeau
Mariana Floria
Alisha Mithal
Megan Driscoll
Katelyn Nicholas
Shailyn Farmer

You can see examples of CHS artwork online any time at the art department's website, www.lionart.net.

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

After auditions of approximately 1,000 students from more than 95 public and private schools held on January 30, students from grades seven through nine were selected to participate in the prestigious Massachusetts Music Educators Association Northeastern Junior District Festival. The program is offered by the MMEA as an enrichment opportunity providing a musical experience to talented young people.

This year, 32 students from Chelmsford High School, McCarthy Middle School and Parker Middle School in Chelmsford were selected to participate in the MMEA Northeast Junior District Festival!

Students Representing CHS in the MMEA Junior District Festivals were:

CHORUS

Sophie Bellone
Katie Flynn
Madison Good
Ashlynn LoCoco
Kate Petka
Clare Rigney
Sam Segal
Andrew Sneeringer

ORCHESTRA

Emilia Caputo-Starkweather

BAND

Benjamin Cote
Michaella Weinbeck

These students rehearsed with guest conductors and performed in a concert at Lowell High School in Lowell, MA on Saturday, April 9.

Chelmsford Students also demonstrated excellence in the MMEA Senior Districts this year, with 18 CHS students accepted. Students who received a score in the top 50% of their area were eligible to audition for the MMEA All-State Ensembles at the end of January.

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

CHORUS

Sydney Baron
Ryan Carey
Landon Cass
Gina Castellano*
Lora Coggins
Julia Segal*
Jake Wetmore*

ORCHESTRA

Richard Kaminuma*

BAND

Moira Andrews
Emily Bruce
John Clancy
David Cote*
Matthew Fransisco
Erick Lee*
Megan Long
Rafaele Nicoletta
Katelyn O'Donnell*
Evan Sayer

Chelmsford High School had three students selected to participate in the All-State Ensembles this year:

Gina Castellano (CHS Chorus)
Jake Wetmore (CHS Chorus)
Richard Kaminuma (CHS Orchestra)

These students performed at Symphony Hall in Boston in March. Congratulations to these musicians and their teachers!

Several Chelmsford Public School Performance Ensembles participated in the 2016 Massachusetts Instrumental and Choral Conductors' Association (MICCA) Concert Band and Orchestra Festival, held from April 1-3 at several different sites throughout the state. Over a hundred ensembles participated throughout the three-

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day event. The festival, sponsored by MICCA, seeks to encourage and support the development of high musical standards. The MICCA Marching Band, Choral, Concert, and Solo and Ensemble Festivals provide a forum for musical groups to be evaluated by qualified adjudicators. Participation in the festival also affords young musicians and their directors the opportunity to observe the varied performances of other groups from around the state.

At every festival, MICCA intends to present educational experiences for all who participate. The evaluation process identifies a standard of excellence with which each group can compare. Every group is evaluated in relation to the standard of excellence rather than in relation to other groups, and each performance is scored on a medal system based on a rigorous rubric.

The CHS Performance Ensembles that participated in the 2016 MICCA Festival received the following awards:

CHS Symphonic Band, Matt Sexauer Director: **GOLD!**

CHS Orchestra, Kate Comeau Director: **SILVER**

CHS Chamber Orchestra, Kate Comeau Director: **SILVER**

Grade 5-12 All Town Wind Ensemble,

Allison Lacasse and Sean Wright, Directors **BRONZE**

All of the Chelmsford Performance Ensembles did an outstanding job, and the students and directors are to be commended for their preparation and participation. In addition, this is the first time the CHS Band has won a Gold Medal at MICCA, and the faculty, parents, and students are thrilled with this accomplishment. One CHS Band Parent commented

on the MICCA results, saying, "These directors are superstars. They have changed my child's life." To honor their Gold Medal designation, The CHS Symphonic Band performed at Mechanics Hall in Worcester on Saturday, April 9.

As always, the CHS Spring Concert will showcase the talent of our students and the dedication of their teachers. This year, the Pops concert will feature the CHS Orchestra, Chamber Orchestra, Symphonic Band, Percussion Ensemble, Concert Choir, Jazz Band, Treble Choir, and a cappella ensemble "The Thursdays." In only its second year of existence, The Thursdays earned second place at the Northeast Quarterfinal round of the International Championship of High School A Cappella in March, advancing to the semifinals, competing in a pool of nine groups selected from the northeastern U.S. At the Quarterfinals, Gina Castellano was awarded the prize for Best Soloist. Congratulations to this ensemble and their Director, Amanda Roeder!

I am pleased to share that many of our CHS Band students will once again perform at Fenway Park with the Chelmsford All Town Wind Ensemble (ATWE)!

The ATWE is a spirited group of enthusiastic young musicians, all dedicated to rehearsing after school hours to play advanced music of high artistic merit. The band is comprised of approximately 60 volunteer student musicians in grades 5 through 12 from the McCarthy Middle School, Parker Middle School, and Chelmsford High School Band Programs. The group was selected to perform The Star Spangled Banner for the Red Sox game against the Rockies on Tuesday, May 24 at Fenway Park. The ensemble was invited back after their successful debut performance at Fenway last April.

The students are currently working on memorizing their arrangement of The Star Spangled Banner for this performance.

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

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

VISUAL ART:

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

PERFORMING ARTS:

Lauren Cochran
Kate Comeau
Amanda Roeder
Matthew Sexauer

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

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

Best Regards,
Christina Whittlesey
Fine and Performing Arts
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Violet (Howard) French, passed away at age 97 on March 7, 2016. Daughters Sally Bourque ('62) of Chelmsford and Susan Leavitt ('64) of Nashua, and son John ('66) of Louisville, KY, all have our deepest sympathy.

CLASS OF 1937

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In three more years, I'll be 100 years old and I've been your Class Agent since the first issue of Lion's Pride. I even retired last year but my memories of Chelmsford High School classmates and teachers (Miss

CLASS OF 1937 -

Dot Mackey with a "Beanie Chemo Hat" she crocheted.



McCarthy, Miss Maynard) continued to draw me back. About three years ago, I mailed a letter to every address I had of those in our class and I had NOT one reply. Do you suppose everybody else in my class has predeceased me?

I received a notice from Blake Funeral Home that Frank Woodhead had died and have since lost the notice so I don't have any more follow-up news. Frank and I had been in touch the past few years and he must have requested someone from his home to notify me of his passing.

A few pleasantries occurred during 2015. I received a phone call from my nephew (Dr. Arthur Lowell) whom I had not seen since 1984 when his father (my brother, Charlie), died. He was calling from Orlando, FL and said he was going

on a cruise through the Panama Canal and could he and his wife stop here on their way home to Ohio. I was delighted and a few weeks later we (my son, Bob Mackey, and his wife, Barbara Kimball-Mackey, both Class of 1963, and I), were entertaining them in Bob and Barbara's new home in Murrells Inlet, S.C. Murrells Inlet has many waterways where Blackbeard the Pirate roamed. We are 15 miles south of Myrtle Beach and a two-hour drive south to Charleston. After my honey, Peter Mackey, also Class of 1937, passed in 2007, I had placed myself in an Assisted Living facility in Chelmsford (being very independent) and one day Bob and Barbara surprised me with a visit to invite me to live with them in their new home. It didn't take me long to accept their invitation and I honestly believe it is their loving care which has kept me living so long. It's possible that 50 years of golfing and many years of playing Shuffleboard three times a week also contributed. I was 97 on March 5th. They take me to all of my Dr. appointments and handle my medications.

I have been able to care for myself to an extent and Bob and Barbara are mostly free to roam. Last summer, they received a gift of two round-trip tickets to Hawaii from Barbara's son and they spent a glorious three weeks there, leaving me in very reliable care. Now, though, I do have a Home Care aide come in once a week to help me with personal care and the cleaning of my suite,

a Sitting Room, Bathroom, and Bedroom, and that works out very well.

I'm sending along a photo which displays one of the "Beanie Chemo Hats" I've crocheted and donated to local cancer centers.

My brother, George LeClair, Class of 1939, died February 17, 2016. He had been living in an Assisted Living facility in Springfield, OR. His four daughters, Janet Snellely, Ann Geldart, Joan Pierce, and Mary Lachut all attended Chelmsford High School:

I have given you some personal information regarding events in my old age, feeling there are many of us "older" CHS alumni who might be interested in what I have to pass along. If you wish, feel free to contact me either by phone or email listed above. If any of this information might be of interest to some of you in the "younger" classes and you have any questions you think I could answer, please call me at the number above or write via email. Best Wishes to all. -Dot

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From Dorothy (LeClair) Mackey, Class of 1937: I am sorry to inform you that my brother, George A.

LeClair, died February 17, 2016, while residing at an assisted living facility in Springfield, OR. He was due to turn 95 years of age on March 19th!

George served in the U.S. Navy during WWII and was bombed and torpedoed by a German warship. He was rescued after two days on the open seas.

During a furlough during WWII, George and Eleanor Mochrie, ('44) married. After the war, George graduated from Bentley College, and then went to work for the Internal Revenue Service as an IRS Agent until his retirement. He and Eleanor retired to Florida and found a home that had a golf course and became residents of that State. Unfortunately, Eleanor died March 2, 1993. George and Eleanor leave four daughters: Janet (LeClair '67) Snellely, Ann (LeClair '70) Geldart, Mary (LeClair '73) Lachut, and Joan (LeClair '76) Pierce. Later, George remarried and was residing with his wife, Nancy, in OR at the time of his death.

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I had a letter from Dot (LeClair '37) Mackey a couple of weeks ago. It was nice to hear from her. She has a few medical problems. There were four in her family and there are only two remaining, Dot and her younger brother Raymond.

Here it is May again and I am helping at The Old Chelmsford Garrison House with their Out of Town School Program, "A Day in the Life of a Colonial Child". I demonstrate baking soap. I have been involved with the Garrison House for 45 years.

Not much news around town. I haven't seen or heard from anyone in a long time.

Hope everyone has a wonderful Summer! -Mary

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Bessie Blackie Sadlier, '48 writes: I am writing today about my brother, Harold M. Blackie, Jr., Class of '42, as some of his friends have inquired about him. Harold turned 92 years young this past April. He lived in Dunstable for many years working as a heavy equipment land excavator. He grew some crops, including hay and raised beautiful Morgan horses. Now he lives in Palatine Bridge (just twenty miles from Cooperstown) in central NY, in the heart of the majestic Mohawk Valley. There are many Amish folks in residence and they are regularly seen about town in their horses and carriages. It truly is corn and cow country! He moved there to be near his daughter Pamela and granddaughter KayLee. He still attends Horse Shows when they are competing for ribbons.

Last year, when he attempted to renew his driver's license, he failed the test due to his loss of peripheral vision. He only lives four miles from the center of town, so when he needs to go to the post office or the barbershop - he has found a

new method of transportation. It's a bright red Farmall tractor. He hops up and runs (plows) his errands. As he travels, the townsfolk sometime take his photograph because they love his new set of wheels! Keep Smiling! :) -Bessie, Class of '48

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Dr. Robert Jones passed away March 22nd. His wife Betty (Hardy '49), their children, and their grandchildren survive him. Our sympathies to his family.

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Dear Classmates,

Here I go again beginning with some sad news. In our homeroom class at the start of the alphabet, we had two Eleanor Browns, Eleanor Ruth Brown from the Westlands and Eleanor Daisy Brown from North Chelmsford. Eleanor Daisy was the student who always played the piano at the Assemblies. She has recently passed away. She was married to Buddy Kiberd, Class of '47, and will be sadly missed.

Recently, I had lunch with a few ladies from the Lowell Garden Club and I sat beside Shirley Colmer. We had an enjoyable time reminiscing about our old homerooms with Miss Scoboria and Mr. Hicks. It does not seem that long ago.

At the Senior Center in North Chelmsford, I saw Mary (Avila '48) DiMartino, and her kid sister, Beatrice (Avila '53) Donnelly. They also grew up on a farm, the Avila property upon which Chelmsford High School was built. It's nice being local (not loco) and running into ol' friends.

By the way, the McCarthy Middle School on North Road, named after high school teacher Miss Edith McCarthy, was also built on farmland. It was the property of the Zaher family where George Zaher, ('46), and Charles Zaher, ('50), grew up.

The whole Drum Hill area has changed. It all started when Route 3, the state highway, was built through the cow pasture on the Blackie farm. The Enterprise Bank, Boston Market, Applebees and Hannafords are in the old cornfield. The Walmart store is situated where the house and cow barn (Bessie the Cow) used to be located. Wow! I used to deliver the Lowell Sun for three cents per day/six days a week. There was no Sunday edition back then. It was eighteen cents per week and if someone gave you two dimes, they probably wanted their two cents in change. Where Palm Manor is located now used to be Noel's chicken farm. Irene and Pauline Noel attended Chelmsford schools. Mr. Noel had some scary dogs that looked after the chickens and no one wanted to deliver papers there. I could, because I did it on horseback and he gave me fifty cents per week and let me keep the change. I made certain that he received his papers in a timely fashion.

Look what happened to Bradford Emerson's farm in Chelmsford at the corner of Fletcher Street and North Road. No more cows in the pasture but lots of doctors' offices, banks, etc. You can't go into the very center of town and give your horse a drink because the watering trough is full of flowers.

When I was very young, my grandparents told me about the name Drum Hill and its origin. Much ledge and rock exists beneath the soil all around the area and especially where the rotary is located. The name started long ago when the Indians roamed the land. When they galloped or ran their horses, one could put his/her ear to the ground and listen for the bumps or drumming sound the hooves made. They could tell the difference whether the horses were shod or not by the sound. The Indian ponies

were not shod so they knew that they were friendly!

Take good care and God Bless, -
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As I write this, it is springtime and beautiful here in Central Virginia, with the dogwood and redbud trees all in bloom. By the time you read this it will be summer and we will be all settled in our new "home," a lovely senior living community located a dozen miles west of Charlottesville, VA, where we have lived since 1971.

(Please note our new address above.)
As you may imagine, we have been busy downsizing - aka getting rid of six decades of "stuff." We feel very fortunate to have children nearby to help us with our move.

Sadly, I must report that two of our classmates have passed away since the last edition of Lion's Pride. Paul Vayo, who attended our 65th reunion with his wife Charlotte ('51), died this past winter. We send deepest sympathy to Charlotte and their family.

George Welsh died in March in Florida. George worked many years for the telephone company. He received a prize at our 60th reunion for being the first one to respond. Our condolences go out to George's family.

Our classmate Betty (Hardy) Jones's husband Dr. Robert Jones ('45) passed away March 22nd, in Orleans. Bob was an OB/GYN in Framingham. He and Betty moved to the Cape after he retired. We send

caring thoughts and prayers to Betty and the family.

Please do keep in touch. My email address remains the same: cs.tewks@frontier.com.

Your classmates and I would love to hear your news. Take good care.
- Skip

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This is the start of summer I think, but my plants aren't so sure! The highlight of this spring was CHSAA Hall of Fame dinner. It was interesting group of inductees and I was impressed with the number people attending.

Prior to the inductees going into the assembly area, I had a chance to talk to Meghan Curran and while doing so I noticed a tall individual standing by who after Meghan left spoke to me. It was then that I noticed his nametag as Kris Pisarik, always doing his job.

News from Connie Pomeroy Stone: "Hi Jack, Goings-on here: Yesterday, April 19th, I was in Portland, ME, watching grandson Kyle being sworn into the Navy. He's gone to the Chicago area. Last August another grandson, Chris, went into the Army, was at Fort Campbell Kentucky" and (late news from Jack) this month left for Iraq. Scary. He is in the Rangers. We all have to hope for the best and assume he was well trained. (Connie again): "Our only granddaughter Rebecca, is getting married in September so we have been a little busy here. Last week I saw my dear friend Gail (Shawcross) Colella and her husband Bill. Then I stopped to see Marilyn (Watt) and Ed Dana who were surprised to see me. Had a lady friend with me who grew up in Laconia NH and they knew some of the same people! I am still playing golf and loving every minute. I served eight years on the New Hampshire Women's Golf Association (NHWGA) and in 2002 as president of the New England WGA. Have had no responsibilities the last several years so I go out as often as I can and enjoy it. By the way, 495 is a nightmare at 4 PM. I don't mind doing 70 mph but some people are just plain nuts! Say hello to Judy"



Class of '50: (foreground) Jacky Storti "flying through the air"

From Jackie (Sidelinger) Storti: Not much news but wanted to let you know I spoke to Jimmy and Lorraine Kerrigan in Florida...mostly to Lorraine. As I'm sure you've heard Lorraine hasn't been all that well over the past five years. She had a stroke about a year ago and was in the hospital for five weeks. Recently she had hand surgery . . . both hands but not the same time. They don't run North every year anymore. They couldn't even go to one of their grandson's wedding because of broken ribs. However, they are planning on coming up this year for another grandson's wedding. I'm hoping to meet up with them while they are around. Lorraine said Jimmy is fine which helps, I'm sure, when she is unable to get around.

After talking to them, I called Carolyn (Burt) Bennett. Our phone connection wasn't that great but we talked for a few minutes. One of her sons has serious health issues so they are going back and forth between Florida and New England.

You will see a picture of Jackie (Sidewinder) Storti skydiving back in July. Having gone through jump school myself at Fort Benning at the age of 41, I am impressed that someone in our age bracket would try. I (Jack), sent her a jump wing, even though, at Ft. Benning, the requirement is five jumps. Most of my jumps, close to 100, were night jumps and that is a different ballgame. -Jackie

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It is with sorrow that we must announce the deaths of two CHS

Alumni, one a classmate and the other the husband of a classmate, in early February. Blanche (Cody) "Bunny" Guilmette is survived by her mother, husband Earl, and a loving family. Paul Vayo ('50), husband of Charlotte (Tibbetts) Vayo, leaves a large family and will be missed for his fun loving spirit.

Our sympathy to both families. - Pat

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Hello everyone---
Happy summer! Independence Day is fast approaching. One of summer's best celebrations; it is the day our country became free to make its own

decisions. While you are celebrating with your family and friends with an old fashion cookout, celebrate your own freedom.

On a very sad note---

We extend our heartfelt, deepest sympathy, and prayers, to Earl Guilmette and all his family, of North Chelmsford, MA, on the loss of Earl's soul mate, best friend, love of his life and beloved wife, Bunny (Cody '51), on January 29, 2016, following a brief illness. They celebrated their 57th Wedding Anniversary on August 2nd. Along with Earl, she leaves, her mother Esther, who will be 100 this year, three daughters, Earlene, Lori, and Wendy. Bunny also leaves seven grandchildren and a great-granddaughter. I remember Bunny as always having a smile on her face and the fun times on our class bus tours. I will sorely miss our phone visits. Dear Earl, may time and grief pass swiftly and your memories last forever. God Bless!

Classmates Reunite---

We did it again. Had a fantastic time on March 16th. It was a fabulous FL day weather wise, for a three-hour luncheon cruise. Ten attended our eleventh CHS Florida Reunion. We embarked on the "Barbara Lee", an authentic Paddle Wheeler. The Rivership cruised north on The John's River, out of Sanford, FL. Those attending and having a great time were, Betty (Morrison) Butler and her companion Don Sherman, of Orlando, FL., Barbara (White '56) Costello and her companion George Clarke, of Port Orange, FL., Bob ('50) and Charlotte (Dinnegan '51) White, of Lady Lake, FL., Larry and Pati Litchfield, of Laconia, NH., Chuck and Marie (LaHaise) Duncklee, of St. Augustine, FL. I think the best part of our luncheon, was Bob and Charlotte on the dance floor celebrating being the longest married couple on the Rivership. They will be married 64 years on



*Class of 1955, St. Augustine Lunch
L to R: Larry and Pati Litchfield,
Richard and Priscilla Burt, Marie and
Chuck Duncklee*



*Class of 1955, 11th Annual CHS
Florida Rivership (the "Barbara Lee")
Reunion, L to R: Larry Litchfield,
Charlotte and Bob White, Pati
Litchfield, Chuck and Marie Duncklee,
Betty Butler and Don Sherman, Barbara
Costello and George Clarke*



*Class of 1955, Rivership, L to R: Pati
and Larry Litchfield, Betty Butler and
Don Sherman. Aboard the "Barbara Lee."*

June 28th. We all missed those who were unable to attend - Maybe next year for our Twelfth--- (Check out all the Photos!)

Out-n-About---

In late December, Larry and Pati Litchfield drove down to St Augustine, FL, from their home in Laconia, NH. On the way, they stopped in Augusta, GA to have a visit with Pati's son. Then on January 1st, they unpacked the car, and moved into their rented adorable beach house, one block from the Beach, for three months. After settling in, they started to explore the area and having dinner with friends and us every Wednesday evening. Pati joined our Tuesday lunch out with the girls and at times Eileen. Always a great time, lots of laughs etc. Larry and Pati enjoyed their visits with his sister Debbie and her husband Gordon in Ponte Vedra, FL just north of St Augustine. Then there was the lunch in February with Richard and Priscilla Burt, Eileen, Chuck and me, as well as the Rivership reunion in March. They took a drive over to Venice on the west coast of FL to visit with family for a few days. All good things come to an end. They left on March 31st for home, but made a few stops along the way, Augusta and Newport, RI. Then the fun began with driving in the snow the rest of the way home. They were looking forward to reopening their restaurant *Sawyers* in Gilford, NH. Pati makes all the ice cream. Yummy! If you are up in that area stop in to say hello.

In late March, I talked to Betty and Don as they were driving across the Texas Panhandle, in their RV. They were on their way to Colorado Springs to attend a Sherman Reunion in April with three of Don's brothers and sisters. They had a blast and left with warm and fuzzy feelings.

Around-n-about---This past February, Richard and Priscilla Burt, flew down from Manchester, NH to Jacksonville, FL. Rented a car then drove to Amelia Island, on the East Coast. Amelia Island has about 12 miles of excellent beaches, is only about 3 miles wide, and is surrounded by the Atlantic Ocean and the Intracoastal Waterway. It has a charming waterfront town, Fernandina Beach, which is the islands hub. They stayed for a week's vacation, in the heart of the historic district, overlooking the harbor, where they could watch the island's cruise and shrimp boats. Richard and Priscilla had the convenience of many restaurants, featuring fresh Florida seafood, famous North Florida shrimp, one of a kind shops and unique Victorian homes, all within walking distance. The Island also boasts of having great links. The golf courses have lots of water, not to mention oceanfront holes, and oak lined fairways. Golf was not on their agenda. While in the area, they drove down to St Augustine to tour the oldest city. Chuck and I drove into town to pick them up to drive them over the Bridge of Lions, the entryway to Anastasia Island (St Augustine Beach) to have lunch with Eileen (Harrington) Collomb, Larry and Pati Litchfield. After lunch, we gave them a short tour of the Island, along with a drive on the beach, before driving them back to town. While still in St. Augustine, Priscilla and Richard enjoyed a good overview of the town on an Old Trolley Tour. Having said all that, Richard wrote that Amelia Island was a good place for them to spend their vacation. He was sure they saw all the touristy things. Tour boat trip on Amelia River, over to Cumberland Island National Seashore, GA. explored Fort Clinch. Drove down to Amelia Island Plantation. Richard said that Fernandina Beach is a nice walkable town. In all our travels thru the years, he says, I do not believe we were in a

locale with so many small boutique restaurants so close to each other and offering such good food choices and preparation. It suited them perfectly. They lucked out with the weather on the way home, as a snowstorm was all around them. Richard wrote that they arrived in Manchester on time safely and that their vacation was a nice Winter break. Check out the lunch photo, sorry to say, Eileen left before the photo shoot!

In mid-March, Don and Dottie (Charest '58) Clement, flew to Puerto Rico to embark on a seven-day cruise on a Royal Caribbean Line the Jewel of the Seas. Ports of call were the Virgin Islands, Saint Lucia, and Barbados. On December 18th, Don's grandson Derek of Townsend, MA called to say, Granddad! You have a new great grandson, Wesley Donald. They are so looking forward to their long trip from their winter home in Vero Beach, FL to their home in Dunstable, for a visit with Wesley. Wesley will be their second great grand.

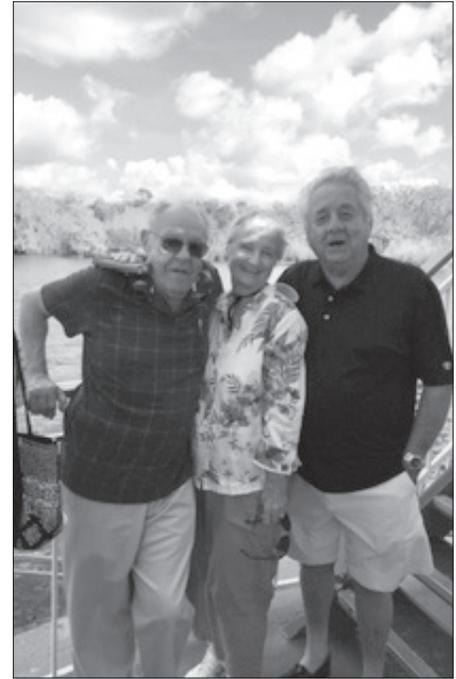
Had a nice phone visit with Judy (Fisher) Chandonnet, of Fremont, NH, the first week in April. She and Louis had just returned, from a month long fabulous stay at her daughter Susan's home with her fast growing family, in Los Gatos, CA, only to find winter had returned with snow and cold at home. The twins are teenagers now. Their school held a fifties dance. Such fun, with grandma helping them out with the fashion of our time. The only difference was the music was not of the fifties! We talked about how simple our life was growing up. Remember all the fun times we had at our dances? Judy and Louis were having a very busy spring and so looking forward to their summer retreat in Sago, Maine. She talked to Prue (Pouliot) McBride, of Cordova, TN. She said that she and Mike

were doing fine.

80th Birthday Celebrations---
On January 4th, Betty (Morrison) Butler, of Orlando, celebrated her 80th, by going to dinner with her companion Don Sherman. Then in February she and Don, went on a seven-day cruise. Embarking out of Tampa on the Royal Caribbean line. They cruised to Key West, FL, Cozumel, Mexico, and Belize in Central America. Betty said great food, great shows and great dancing. Ron Taylor celebrated his 80th on February 21st. The news of his celebration will appear in the Fall edition of the pride. So-stayed tuned!

Tid-Bits---

Gertrude (Smith) Allaby, of North Chelmsford, is thrilled to announce that she has another great-grandchild, Hunter born in January. Hunter is her fourth. In late February, Ronnie Taylor and Judy (Harrington '60) Leary drove on their long trek south to Sarasota, FL for a two-month vacation. On the way, they stopped for a few days to visit with Ron's son Ron and two grands, Emily and Wesley Gladstone Taylor in Roswell, GA. They went to a gathering only to bump into Richard Burt's sister Carolyn (Burt '50) and her husband Herb Bennett there. Got a few email notes from Bill Vennard, of Columbia, MD., Wendell Luke, and Bob McEvoy, commenting on photos sent, of Larry and Richard after lunch in St Augustine, as well our 11th Florida Reunion on the Rivership. Just saying - looks like we all still like each other after all these years - looks like we had a grand time - and looks like a fun time. Nice email note from Ann Carter, Ken's wife. He is going to retire from the Fire Department, but will be Radio Officer for the Town of Charlotte, ME. Ken loved the photos of the Whites on our Rivership Luncheon, and well yes, the rest of us too. In



Class of 1955, Rivership, L to R: Pati and Larry Litchfield, Betty Butler and Don Sherman, aboard the "Barbara Lee."



Class of 1955, Aboard the "Barbara Lee," L to R: Barbara Costello and George Clarke



Class of 1955, Aboard the "Barbara Lee," L to R: Charlotte and Bob White

addition, a nice note from Dan Pushee, he and Bonnie celebrated their fourth anniversary on March 31st. Good to hear from GiGi (Long) Kelleher, of Wilmington, DE. She said all was quiet there and was happy to have spring arrive, with the daffodils in bloom. Yeah! Gloria (Paduch) Bryum, of Columbia, MD also said she was looking forward to the warmer weather that spring will bring. Carol (French) Miller and Jerry Greska enjoyed three Red Sox spring training games in Fort Myers, FL this past March. They reported that Jet Blue Park is awesome. Beverly (Bell) Collins said nothing new in St. Croix. Eileen (Harrington) Collomb, of St Augustine, spent a lot of her time in March and April, with her golf club on the links. This past February, Tom and Barbara Bovill spent a nice lunch with Carol (Abrahamson) Bovill and her companion Lee. Joining them were Carol's two sons Bruce and David. At the time of this writing in April, Carol and Lee are enjoying a fantastic vacation in South Carolina. Dottie (Tassios) and Chris Zahos, were happy to have had a wonderful mild winter. Dottie has been keeping busy with her garden club, along with all her other activities.

Till-Next-Time---

Have a very Happy 4th and enjoy summer. Be safe, happy and well!!!
- Marie

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR!
Our 60th class reunion will be held

on Saturday September 24, 2016
12 noon-4PM, Luncheon
Buffet at 2PM (cost \$45) at
Aprile's European Restaurant
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Reunion notice will be mailed in July.
If you have any questions, please call
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I'm sorry to inform you, once again, that we lost another classmate.

Dennis Harrington passed away in March, one week before his 76th birthday. Our sympathies to Susan Olson, his longtime companion, his children Jeff, Sean, and Denise, and his brother John and his family. Dennis always lived in Chelmsford. He enjoyed working in his yard and was an avid fisherman and a sports enthusiast. He will be missed by his family and his many, many friends.

As I write this, it's supposed to be spring, but it still 10° below what it should be. I'm not complaining because we had a mild winter and not too much snow.

I heard from Ron Aubrey while he and Lottie were in Florida. They were hoping to connect with Connie (Grondine) Mullin while they were there. I also heard from Lorraine (Eno) Prescott. She and her family have had some serious health issues the past couple of years but she's feeling better now.

Kathi (Kulski) Martin and hubby

Bill spent some of the winter in Florida. Kathy had some health issues this year but is feeling better. She was able to attend our "Ladies of '57 Breakfast" in April.

Our group "Ladies of '57 Breakfast" has grown to 10 ladies. We meet the second Saturday of the month and welcome any of our classmates who are interested in coming. Give me a call!

We are having another "57 Breakfast" this month (May) and hopefully I'll get a picture for the "Lion's Pride."

We are also having a get together June either 22nd or 23rd because Ray and Dina Johnson will be visiting from California and we're looking forward seeing them.

Please send me your news! -Sandy

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Hi all, It's that time again! And I'm back!! Yes, I'm back, seems like just yesterday I was writing for the last Pride!! Sometimes it is hard to imagine that we have been out of school for 58 years. FIFTY-EIGHT YEARS, wow, where has the time gone?! When I look back, it seems like yesterday that we had our championship football team and that we spent months working on our yearbook. Even then, the days and weeks flew by, all of a sudden it was our senior prom, parties, and YIKES, graduation day!! Such wonderful memories. We had so much fun back then! I feel so lucky to have grown up in Chelmsford and have had such wonderful times and even more wonderful friends!!

A few of us go out to lunch and yes, we do talk about the “good old days” but more often than not, we talk about our kids and grandkids and yes, GREAT grandkids! We are all so lucky to have made it to a point in our lives when we can remember the fun times we had and now enjoy our children and their kids!

I attended the CHSAA Hall of Fame Induction again this year! Such a great night to celebrate the graduates or teachers of Chelmsford High School and all their great accomplishments! I am always so impressed that our little (?) town turns out such wonderful and giving people. I especially loved listening to Meghan Curran and her story of serving in the Army’s inaugural Community Support Team, where she and her fellow women soldiers were sent into Afghan villages alongside Army Rangers to gather intelligence from women and children. It was very interesting to hear of her coming home and now having to get back into a normal life. What a very special young woman she is and I wish her success in whatever she does!! Judy (Cullen) Thompson, Jim and Carol (Belleville) Curran, Bob and Lee Gagnon and I all had a really great time!!

As usual Mr. Simonian was the very epitome of Master of Ceremonies... he just never gets older...such a great job as always. It is always a great night and the CHSAA should be proud of its tribute to these wonderful folks. Great job!!!

Had a nice email from Phil and Nancy Johnson. Their grandson Alex is in a Residency Match with Temple University Hospital. Alex is finishing up at Drexel Hahnemann Medical School in Philly. According to Phil, Alex is a “Philly” boy and can ride his bike to work from where he lives in Center City now and his girlfriend

is at a nearby hospital as well. Good Luck Alex.....from your granddad’s friends back here in Chelmsford!!!

My family and I are gearing up for our 25th year in Stowe, VT for the Hot Air Balloon Festival. My granddaughter Brittany, Jim and I stumbled upon it when Brittany was only a toddler. It grew throughout the years and now 25 years later we sometimes have around 25-30 family members enjoying a wonderful long weekend in Stowe. It is so great to see all the kids whether young, teens, or adults have so much fun!! We are hoping for some good weather and some gorgeous balloons!!

Hope everyone has a wonderful summer and gets to go to great places with your families!! Happy 4th to all!!

‘Til next time. Stay healthy, keep safe and enjoy life!! -Martha

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Hi Everyone, after what has been a sad winter for some, the hope of spring is upon us. I say sad because several classmates have passed or been touched by the passing of a loved one. Maureen (McEnaney) Chisholm and Carl Frye passed as well as Maurice Spaulding, husband of Charlene (Imbernino) Spaulding. Our hearts and sympathies go out to their families. Thoughts of our classmates bring many fond memories. I had a wonderful phone call from Mary Lou (Brule) Landry and while the reason for the call was sad, the phone call was a pleasure. Mary Lou and her husband were close to Maureen so her passing was such a loss for them. Mary Lou lives in Vermont now but does manage to get back to MA to visit her kids and grandchildren fairly often. She has been in VT for quite a while and is happy there. I so enjoyed our talk!

Strange coincidences happen when you least expect them. While shopping with my daughter for a new cell phone, a very pleasant and handsome man came over to help us. After purchasing the phone, he gave us his business card. I looked at it and to my surprise, the name on the card was Jim Jason. I commented that my husband had been friends with a Jim Jason and it turned out that this is his son! We had a long conversation and he told me that his mother, Sherry (Nelson '65) Jason had passed in August of 2015. It was such a pleasure to meet and talk with this young man.

As I write this, I'm in the middle of packing for a cross country trip with my daughter as she will be working

at North Cascade National Park in Washington. I've never been cross country and look forward to seeing many interesting places!

I also look forward to the summer visit of Marian (Dupee) Currier and Martha Dupee when they come to Wells for an annual family reunion! They will be staying very close to my home so I hope we can visit!

I do need news to report so if anyone has anything to share with the class, I would welcome hearing from you.

- Laura Masson, 207 641 2283

We wish Hilde (Roymans) Gilman the best in her retirement from the Lowell Public Schools.

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Carolyn (Dittmer) Jehle is happily growing dahlias, quilting and staying busy with the Order of the Eastern Star, as well as being 'almost retired' and working with a provider of nursing services.

We wish Claire (Walsh) Greeley the best in her retirement.

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It's hard to believe that it's already April as I write this. We had a very mild winter, even though it kept coming back in little bits over the past couple of weeks - snow that did its job: MELTED QUICKLY!

Terry and I have had a couple of smooth but eventful seasons. Since last October, he has had successful chemotherapy, radiation, and surgery for esophageal cancer, and he's now poised to begin treatment for prostate cancer. The prostate situation originally led to the 'magical' scan that found the problem in the esophagus, so it's all good. We're keeping a positive attitude and are grateful for the wonderful support we've had over the past few months...

What a treat it is to pass along some news from classmates after my request went out on Facebook! ... Jerry and Kitty (Keane, '67) House recently moved to Gulf Breeze, FL with their granddaughter Catherine (Ceili) Dowd. Also moving to Gulf Breeze were daughter Christina (House '92) her husband Walter Roof, children Erin, Mark, and (newly-adopted) Jack Roof. Daughter Jessamyn (House '90) Dowd and granddaughter Amy Dowd ('16) will be joining the crew after graduation. Shortly after arriving on the Florida Panhandle, the area had two Category 3 tornadoes in one week. (The last Category 3 was 45 years ago.) Coincidence?

Pam (Damon) Truax emailed me a picture taken during Bob and Jeannie Bacon's visit with her and her husband Bob in Sarasota, FL, this February. Bob Bacon and Pam are old favorites of mine, and Jeannie's a new favorite, since we spent many Wednesday evenings together making May Baskets for North Congo for a number of years. So glad to see all of the wonderful places people are getting to see in the course of their well-deserved semi- or full retirements!

Bob Pariseau wrote: "Sheila and I fulfilled a longtime 'Someday we'll...' Last fall we travelled to Paris and the French countryside with longtime

friends Margaret & Larry Sander. Margaret and Sheila were University of North Dakota classmates and studied at the Sorbonne in 1968. They made a vow that 'someday' they were coming back! We took a Road Scholar Tour that was excellent. We hit all of the usual spots in Paris: Eiffel Tower, The Louvre, Seine River Cruise; went up the funicular (Tram) to Sacre Coeur; had croissants (melt in your mouth!!). Sheila and Margaret strolled down memory lane visiting their apartment location and the Sorbonne. Then we were off to tour castles, Mont St. Michel, Monet's home and the lily pad pond. The highlight of the trip was Normandy, Omaha Beach and the American Cemetery..."

I'm sending along pictures of both the Florida visit and the Paris visit. We'll look forward to hearing more from classmates as adventures continue! Have a great summer! Hope to see you on the 3rd or 4th of July! -Lynne



Class of '64, L to R: Pam (Damon) Truax, Bob and Jeannie Bacon in Florida



Class of '64, L to R: Bob and Sheila Pariseau in Paris

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The scent of lilacs and apple blossoms has finally arrived signaling a much anticipated celebration of spring here in Westford, MA.

Camp Grandma and Grandpa is gearing up for another fun filled summer.

Our grandchildren, now ages 4 - 14 have been planning new adventures for us that include visiting Don Mayer at Skydive Pepperell. I can't wait to share photos and commentary in the next issue of Lion's Pride!

Here goes:

Gloria (Gagnon) Roddy has a sweet granddaughter Mary Louise. Gloria sent me this adorable Easter photo of Mary. Gloria loves being "Mimere!" Gloria is also quite busy these days preparing for her youngest daughter Rebecca's September wedding.

Gloria and Karen (Dickinson) Poehler get together once a month for lunch. Gloria lives in Townsend and Karen lives in Pepperell. Karen and Dave are heading to Alpharetta, GA this month to visit son David and family.

Hopefully, Karen will share some photos with us in Fall issue of Lion's Pride.

Charlotte (Beers) Kerrigan is off to Boulder CO this month to celebrate her youngest granddaughter's 6th birthday. In her April 1st email, Charlotte said that the ice on Lake Pemaquid broke very early this year.

In fact, we joked about it being the "ides of March". Made us think of Miss Booth!

Donna Leggee also sent an email saying signs of spring had arrived early in her corner of Canada. My favorite line in Donna's mail was that someone had coined the term "Snit" to describe the remnants of winter. It does seem like an appropriate name for those dirty piles of snow we all see at edge driveways and parking lots.

Nancy (Delmore) Hughes told me she saw Steve Hadley recently. Steve is going to Iceland in June. He said it is a one of those items on his "Bucket List."

I received this from Phyllis (Belida) Fortin:

My sister, Vera and I went to Placitas, New Mexico to visit my daughter, Robin, her husband John and my grandchildren, Saja (10 years old) and Cade (8 years old).

They had the week planned for us. We had a great visit to the zoo in Albuquerque, the Explora, which is a great place for kids and some of us adults as well. The best thing was an elevator the size of a room; it had a couch, piano, and a chair in it. Awesome! We also spent time at their Learning Garden where they grow plants and food and socialize with other families and friends. We painted rocks for the garden.

We also spent time in Old Town, which is a great place to walk around and see the culture of the area. After all of this we were tired and spent time at the pool and ate lots of New Mexican food.

From Don Mayer: Opening Week 2016 at Skydive Pepperell

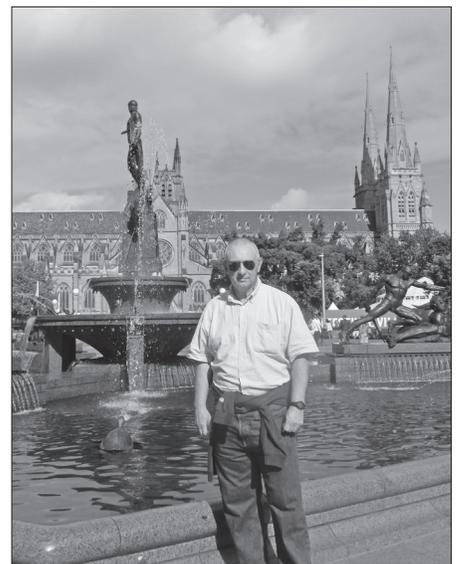
I started skydiving at Pepperell,



Class of 1965, Carol (Richardson) Siebert and her granddaughter Sienna



Class of 1965, Andy Dabilis in front of the Sydney Opera House



Class of 1965, Andy Dabilis on another of his travels

MA after leaving the military in 1973, took over the skydiving center in 1990, and have been here ever since. I have 2500 jumps, earned my commercial pilot's license, my skydiving instructor license, and still come to work every day and love every minute!

Recent Update from Andy Dabilis: My career as a journalist – the bug was working on our school literary magazine Potpourri – has taken me on an odyssey, starting with the South Middlesex News, continuing on with the Lawrence Eagle-Tribune, the Lowell Sun, UPI, the Boston Globe, New Europe, and now for the New York City-based National Herald covering the Greek economic crisis from Athens – to many destinations in the world.

I should have put bag tags on my luggage to keep track of the many places, including a plethora of states and cities in the US, many of them coming while twice escorting a group of visiting Japanese journalists around the country.

There's been Belfast, Shanghai, Mumbai, Beijing, New Delhi, Tokyo, Hiroshima, Kyoto, Mexico, Canada, Budapest, Sofia, Paris, Warsaw, Poznan, Rome, Strasbourg, Brussels, Tirana, Bruges, Istanbul, Prague and others.

Sydney this year was one of the best and so meaningful because it was with my partner, Yianna.

It's an arduous trip that seems like to the end of the earth. Even from Athens, it takes almost 24 hours, including layovers, but it's worth it from the moment you land.

Spread out before you is the Sydney Opera House, more dazzling up close than on TV.

It's right near the city's other iconic

image, the Sydney Harbor Bridge, towering over the world's most beautiful harbor in the City-by-the-Sea.

How fortunate I've been to see so many interesting places in my life!

I'm sharing a recent photo of my granddaughter Aoife. I go by "Papou" and can't wait for July when I'll be visiting Aoife.

Bob Siebert is one of our classmates with whom I try to keep in touch.

This is an excerpt from one of our early spring chats

I am actually still working part time at the Nashua Police Dept. running the Outside Detail Office. I book and find Officers to work details. I don't actually go out there and stand all day directing traffic. Not sure my body could do that anymore, lol.

I married Carol Richardson ('71) on September 12th, 2015 at the Alvirne Chapel in Hudson, NH. Her hand was given to me by her brother Larry Richardson ('67) and her younger brother Paul Richardson ('76), a Chelmsford Police Officer.

Our reception followed at the Princeton Station in Chelmsford and we spent our honeymoon at the Anchorage Hotel in Ogunquit, ME.

Our newest grand baby was born in mid-January and her name is Sienna.

Carol is so happy, she loves grandkids.

I hope you enjoy catching up with our classmates as much as I do. That wraps up my news for now. Have a GREAT SUMMER -Mary



Class of 1965, Andy Dabilis' granddaughter Aoife



Class of 1965, L to R: Wedding of Carol (Richardson) and Bob Siebert, September 12, 2015



Class of 1965, Gloria (Gagnon) Roddy's granddaughter Mary Louise



Class of 1965, Don Mayer with his twin engine Twin Otter at Skydive Pepperell



Class of 1965, Phyllis (Belida) Fortin with her grandchildren Saja and Cade



Class of 1965, The Learning Garden, Albuquerque NM Zoo visited by Phyllis (Belida) Fortin and her grandchildren

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REUNION NEWS!!

The committee for our 50th reunion at the Vesper Country Club on Oct. 16 regrets to inform our classmates that the Chelmsford Radisson is not offering rooms at a discount as was reported in the invitation letter all of you should have received by now. Special rates are being offered at the Marriott Courtyard in Lowell, the Westford Regency, and the Hampton Inn in Westford. Rooms need to be reserved at least 30 days in advance to qualify for the discount.

The reunion committee also recommends that tickets be purchased by Aug. 15 so that it can begin to finalize its preparations. Even though the Meet & Greet is free and reservations are not required, the committee requests that alumni do check off the item if they plan to attend the event on Friday night. Also, all CHS alumni from other classes and their husbands, wives, and significant others are welcome to attend the Meet & Greet at 7 p.m. at the 110 Grill (the former Skip's) on Chelmsford Street and get reacquainted with the same kids we mingled with in the halls, on the athletic fields, and in detention hall at CHS. No charge to you either! Just pay for your own food and drinks.

The Class of '66 mourns the recent loss of classmate David Buckingham. We 66ers also join our esteemed and devoted class advisor and mentor Mr. Don Boucher and his wife, Margot, in mourning the loss of their beloved

daughter, Heidi, this past winter.

While spending the winter at my Gulf condo in St. Petersburg, I ran into another resident who knew I had grown up in Chelmsford and asked if I knew Arnie Holtberg. Know Arnie Holtberg! Who in the Class of '66 didn't know Arnie? Turns out this fellow snowbird, named Bill Amanti, grew up in Westfield, and was a sports rival of Arnie when he lived there before moving to Chelmsford just before his freshman year. I emailed Arnie, and he remembered Bill very well.

Arnie, by the way, has retired as headmaster of a private school in Dallas, TX. He and wife Jan (Titsworth) now divide their time between Dallas, their vacation home in AR, and wherever their children and grandchildren happen to be.

If we had given out a Class Nomad Award when we were seniors, Joe Bergeron, who runs our class website, would have been the leading candidate. Joe, we're hoping you are at last putting down roots in Port St. Lucie, FL, where he lives almost within shouting distance of Mr. Boucher. As they sing on that annoying children's ride over at Disney World a few miles away in Orlando, it's a small world after all.

Your correspondent has received word from his publisher that one of the books he wrote about the Red Sox, "Tales from the Impossible Dream," co-authored with shortstop Rico Petrocelli, is being re-released next year to coincide with the 50th anniversary of that thrilling and unforgettable pennant year. The book reached No. 9 on The Boston Globe's local best-seller list when it was originally published. Fifty years! Where does the time go? -Chaz
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Greetings CHS alums from Wendy Marshall-Hudzik

I've been begging for news to put

in here and Debbie (Gaffney) Holmes, Harry Proudfoot, and Paul Harrington were good enough to send me some. So good to hear from you!

From Debbie (Gaffney) Holmes:
We will be re-locating to The White Cliffs community in Plymouth after living in Chelmsford for almost 60 years!! We will miss our friends and this wonderful town but hope to make news ones and enjoy old age! Everyone is welcome to visit and keep in touch! We have a private beach! Please "Facebook" me, as I want to keep in touch.

From Harry Proudfoot:

Dear Wendy,
I lost my wife Jane, to NET cancer (ed. note: neuroendocrine tumors) in December of 2010, six months before we were supposed to retire together. I retired from teaching in the public schools in June 2011 and started working full time on NET cancer awareness and research funding the same day. In 2012, we established Walking with Jane, Inc. as a 501 (c) (3) charitable foundation to serve those two purposes and to fund scholarships in Jane's memory at the high school we taught at and at her alma mater, Bridgewater State, for students going into medicine, research, and teaching science.

In 2012 and 2013, I served as the chairperson of the Greater Fall River Relay for Life. Our Walking with Jane team has raised over \$25,000 for general cancer research and support through Relays since 2011. On September 25, I will do my sixth Boston Marathon Jimmy Fund Walk. Through that event, I have personally raised over \$80,000 for NET cancer research at Dana-Farber in the last five years, and the teams I have captained for that event have raised another \$80,000. Beyond that, I've raised another \$100,000 for Dana-Farber and have pledged to raise

another \$100,000 personally over the next five years for NET cancer.

Last September, the Program in Neuroendocrine and Carcinoid Tumors at Dana-Farber asked me to take volunteer point on an effort called "3-in-3: The Campaign to Cure NET Cancer." The goal is to raise \$3 million over three years for NET cancer research at DFCI. That may not sound like much money, but in 2010, we spent less than \$2 million in the entire US on NET cancer research. To put that in perspective, a single small Phase 3 trial of a new treatment costs about \$3 million to run.

I taught English and journalism for 34 years and worked with my students to create the first and only daily print high school newspaper in the country. My students ran the #1 ranked scholastic newspaper in New England for 13 consecutive years. I now spend six weeks each summer teaching in a summer journalism program run by the New England Center for Investigative Reporting on the Boston University campus. Pax et lux, Harry

Dear classmates,
"Every year I get a lot of support from CHS alums for my Penguin Plunge for Special Olympics of Rhode Island. This year marked the 40th Anniversary of our Plunge, the FIRST in the nation! Over the lifetime of the event, we have raised over \$3 million! I would like to publicly thank all who have supported me over the years. Jan 1, 2017 marks my 30th year, so advance warning, you'll be hearing from me in the fall!" Thanks, Paul Harrington

Classmates, please send me your current email addresses so we can keep in touch! Happy days, Wendy.

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Pat Merrill reports that her daughter, Judy (Merrill) Metz, is back in Venezuela for her 4th year as Athletic Director of a school there. As far as we know, she'll be returning next year.

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From John O'Shaughnessy - You need some life context to know why I am a Certified Grief Counselor. I spent almost 30 years doing sales and marketing in the corporate world. In 1983, I married my sweetheart, Ann. We had our two boys Eric (1986) and Collin (1988). We lived in big homes in Dallas TX, Kansas City KS, Cincinnati OH, and Plymouth MI. Then in 1998, just like that, I was a widower. Lung cancer. Forty-two. Didn't smoke. I was an "only parent" and I was only 41. In 2007, my memoir, *The Greatest Gift- A Return to Hope*, was published. It tells of a love story with many lessons. Lessons you don't learn in a classroom. This book led me to speak to other widows and widowers. I remembered the people who made a difference in my life when Ann was battling cancer for 36 months. Now I wanted to make a difference to others. I wanted to offer hope.

So in 2008 I left the corporate life and joined a non-profit grief support organization. I wrote grants, spoke before groups and was on the board of directors. In 2007, I was fortunate enough to find love again. In 2009, Sandy and I were married. Sandy traveled a similar road to me. In 2000, she was a widow, an "only parent" to two young children. In those early months of dating, we compared many notes. She was the last person to read the manuscript of my book. She approved.

The non-profit wasn't doing enough and wasn't moving in the direction we thought it should go. In 2011, we started our own grief support organization. "Good Mourning Ministry" is the only Catholic bereavement apostolate in the United States, if not the world. We have done 36 workshops with 20 different Catholic churches throughout MI and OH. About 1000 participants have attended. "I came in alone and left with new friends. Thank you so much." Sandy Noland. By countless testimonials, we have come to know how important this work is. We recently produced a DVD Series that is now in Texas, Indiana, Virginia, California, Tennessee and Pennsylvania. We are blessed to do what we do.

Sandy and I have lived through grief and now are educated in it. Sandy has her master's degree. Now you know why I am a Certified Grief Counselor.

For more information about our ministry and other books...
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GO LIONS! And Patriots! -John

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REUNION NEWS:

Chelmsford High School Class of '76! It's time again for all of us to reunite and celebrate our 40 year reunion. This year, we will be celebrating at the Princeton Station in North Chelmsford on Saturday, August 13, 2016 starting at 6:00 P.M! We promise great food and

drink, dancing and fun! The price per person in \$40.00.

Checks may be made out to Moira Prager and sent to 230 Spring Valley Way, Aston, PA 19014.

We realize that not everyone is on Facebook, so we are also advertising in the local newspapers and on websites. Please help us spread the word by sharing this information with those who may not be on Facebook.

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I regret to inform you that two more of our class members have passed away; Sharon Bridges and Beth David.

Phil Dubey (1977) and Melissa Heinser were wed in May of 2015. We wish them many years of happiness together.

In 2017, we will celebrate 40 years out of high school! Debbie Milisci and I are tracking down our 600+ graduates. Not an easy task!

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Eardley Dijkstra, exchange student from New Zealand is a member of

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Congratulations to Audrey for another outstanding year at Dance Expressions.

Audrey and her staff are busily preparing for their annual recital to be held on June 11th.

Audrey is one of only 40 dance instructors worldwide to achieve the goal and honor of being a Registered Dance Educator [RDE]

Her daughter Audrey and son Michael share their mom's love of dance. Both have performed in the Northeast Dance Center's presentation of the Nutcracker. (There were photos in the Winter Edition of Lion's Pride).

(submitted by Mary (Vaillancourt '65) Smith)



Class of 1986, L to R: Audrey, Audrey (Wetterwald), and Michael Dascomb

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Greetings Class of 1987!

Over the years since graduating from CHS in 1987, it is wonderful to see how many of us remain in touch or have become better acquainted with each other as adults. We like to think of our class as a special one, and the way we come together to celebrate victories and assist during challenges, is a testament to that.

For those who are not connected via Facebook, we have a class page to assist with reunion communication (we have another year and half before our 30th) as well as to keep each other posted as desired. "Chelmsford High Class of 87 Reunion".

The CHS Alumni Association inducted our classmates Kevin McCarthy and Ellen Hanson into the 2016 Hall of Fame. Congratulations to both on the recognition for their incredible achievements!

Applause goes out to Coleen (Kelley) Thurber, teacher with the Cherry Creek, CO Schools, who won the "LifeChanger of the Year" Award for the work she has been doing at the Rolling Hills Elementary School in Aurora, CO. Thurber was chosen from more than 620 teachers nominated for this national award for educators. She teaches an Assets program for students in Kindergarten through grade 5 that teaches life and character skills so they can become

the best person they can be.

The following was part of the nomination:

"Mrs. Thurber is a positive influence throughout the school ... (She) is a LifeChanger. She impacts adults and students every day at Rolling Hills Elementary with her passion and love. She will leave behind a long legacy of teaching students how to live happy and healthier lives because they have known her."

Coleen lives with her husband Craig and their two sons outside of Aurora, CO. They hosted classmate Kira Rukin as she passed through Colorado on her cross-country Airstream adventure with her family earlier this year.

Tom Peterson and his wife Gretchen celebrated the arrival of their son, Wells, in January. Wells joins the three other Peterson children in a very happy family of (still) Patriots fans, despite their VA residence.

Congratulations to Phillip Eliopoulos and his wife Sarah who welcomed baby Scarlett in October of 2015.

As we know, life has ups and downs. When classmate Tom Gallagher and his wife Annette suffered the loss of their home due to fire in March, fellow CHS alumni and townspeople were very supportive. We wish Tom, Annette, and their family well as they rebuild.

Chelmsford Police Department awarded Detective George Tyros with a merit award for community service for his work with Chelmsford High School, in particular the opioid education program. For the past 3 years, he and Detective Rebecca (McCarthy, '92) Tyros have collaborated with

the high school health department, sharing information about town, state and national trends, and serving as a resource for students.

-Christine and Elisa

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REUNION NEWS

FACEBOOK PAGE:

CHS Class of 1991 25th Reunion

EVENT DETAILS:

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

We have reserved the Chelmsford Elks for Saturday evening,

November 26th from 7pm to 12 midnight for us to prove we are still young and energetic!

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

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

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

Ticket Prices:

\$45 per person between now through June 30th

\$50 per person July 1st through September 30th

\$60 per person October 1st up until the night of our Reunion on Nov 26th

I am sure some of you are asking if we will take Apple Pay, PayPal, etc.,

however for now a check would be the easiest form of payment. You can make the check payable to: "CHS Class of 1991" and mail it to me at: John MacPhee, 14 Pendleton Road, Chelmsford, MA 01824. You can reach out to me directly on my cell at 978-852-2450 or via email at john.macphee@hp.com

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

Please post any questions you might have and encourage your classmates both on Facebook and others who simply don't believe in social media. We are excited to celebrate our 25th reunion to catch up on stories from the past and present!

Cheers,
John MacPhee
Dave Luro
Brian Taranto
Mike Sawyer

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Amy (Sheahan) Morrow was introduced as a new associate for Keller Williams Realty Metropolitan in Bedford, NH at the Nashua, Manchester REALTOR pinning ceremony.



Class of '92: Amy (Sheahan) Morrow at her Pinning Ceremony

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MEMBERSHIP UPDATES



THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS HAVE BECOME LIFE MEMBERS OF CHSAA.

We thank them for making this commitment through their generous support.

Marsha Brown 1957

Martha (Crane) Flaberty 1958

Carlyn (Dittmer) Jehle 1963

Cynthia Chase 1964

John Ullom 1964

Sandra Musgrave 1969

Thomas Wirtanen 1970

THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS RENEWED THEIR CHSAA MEMBERSHIP.

We sincerely appreciate their commitment to the Association.

Claire Greeley 1963

William Amirault 1977

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

Beverly (Reid) Wood 1965: Beverly is retired from TD Bank.
She lives in Litchfield, NH with her husband, Craig.

Patricia (Price) Harmon 1965: Patricia is semi-retired living in Charlestown, RI.

Donna Leggee 1965: Donna currently resides in Kirkland, Quebec, Canada

Geraldine (McKenna) Bourke 1965: Geraldine lives in Chelmsford.
She has retired from teaching kindergarten at Academy of Notre Dame in Tyngsboro.

Michael (1975) & Kim (1978) McGreevy:
The McGreevys live in Rye, NH and have two children, Daniel and Ryan.

Jerelyn (Rondeau) Serra 1998: Jerelyn lives in Chelmsford with her husband Glenn and their daughter Fiona.
Jerelyn is Blake Funeral Home's Funeral Director.

Amy (Meidell) Griffis 2000: Amy works for Staples, Corp.
She lives in Hudson, MA with her husband, Keith, and their three children, Sam and twins Grace and Evelyn.

Johannah Cramer 2012:
Johannah graduated from the University of Massachusetts Amherst in 2015 with a BS in Public Health.

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REUNIONS



CLASS OF 1966 - 50TH

The main reunion is SATURDAY, October 8, 2016 at Vesper Country Club. The cost is \$66 per person and \$132 per couple. We request all dress appropriately (no jeans.)

A cocktail hour will be held from 6-7 pm and dinner from 7-11 pm. The buffet menu will feature prime rib au jus, pan seared chicken breast with Meyer lemon and thyme, roasted seasonal vegetables, roasted fingerling potatoes with fresh herbs, garden salad, and apple crisp with ice cream for desert

FRIDAY, October 7, 2016, there will be a Meet and Greet at 7pm at 110 Grill, Chelmsford St. Chelmsford (old Skips.) There is no charge for this event, but you will be responsible for your own food and beverage expenses

SUNDAY morning there will be a catered brunch at McCarthy Jr. High (our real high school) from 10-12. It will be held in the cafeteria and the price is \$19 per person. We have a great caterer booked. There will also be a tour of the school for old time sake.

Rooms at a discounted rate have been blocked at several hotels in the area for those who need accommodations. The rates are approximate, but rooms should be about \$109.00 per night at the Courtyard Marriott, Lowell, \$119 at Hampton Inn, Westford \$125.00 at the Westford Regency. There is a 2 night minimum (not discounted) at the Chelmsford Radisson. You are free, of course, to book your accommodations wherever you choose.

If you're planning to attend, please note all the events you plan to attend and send your check (payable to CHS Class of 1966) to Dennis McHugh, Esq., 2 Chelmsford St. Chelmsford MA 01824. We do hope to see you Oct. 7-9, 2016!



CLASS OF 1976 - 40TH

Saturday, August 13, 2016

6 p.m. At Princeton Station

Details in Class News



CLASS OF 1981 - 35TH

Tentative dates: Columbus Day Weekend, 2016

If interested in helping to plan this casual event, contact Amy at alprovenca@gmail.com or on Facebook: Amy Lynn Provençal.



CLASS OF 1991 - 25TH

Saturday, November 26, 2016

7-12 p.m. At Chelmsford Elks

Tiered pricing: Dates and Amounts in Class News



CLASS OF 1987 - 30TH (Advance Notice)

See Facebook page: "Chelmsford High Class of 87 Reunion"

Chelmsford High School Alumni Association

BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTION

BALLOT - 2016



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ELECTION

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DIRECTORS TO BE ELECTED BY BALLOT
INSTRUCTIONS FOR VOTING

An election of Directors is authorized by mail as provided for in the by-laws.
The Nominating Committee submits the following nominees for Directors.
FOUR DIRECTORS are to be elected for a Three Year Term.

MARK (X) in the box opposite desired names.

Please tear out this ballot, fold in half and mail it back
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Three Year Term – Vote For Four (4)

- JESSICA McSHEEHY DEL LLANO - 1996
- DENNIS J. HUNT - 1964
- GEORGE SIMONIAN - AM
- JAMES M. LANE Jr. - 1983

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Fourth of July

July 3 & 4, 2016

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THE COMMON



27th Annual Hall of Fame Induction Dinner and Ceremony

March 25, 2017

Radisson Hotel

Nashua, NH



3rd Annual Road Race

April 2017

McCarthy Middle School



19th Annual Awards Night

May 2017

Carl J. Rondina Performing Arts Center

Chelmsford High School



3rd Annual Golf Tournament

May 2017

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

Violet (Howard) French	1936
George A. LeClair	1939
Charles A. Gray	1944
Robert L. Jones	1945
John Alan Smith	1945
Merilyn L. (Scott) Campbell	1946
Eleanor Daisy (Brown) Kiberd	1948
George R. "Dick" Welch	1949
Blanche "Bunny" (Cody) Guilmette	1951
J. Dennis Harrington	1957
Ann E. (Redican) Parks	1959
Charles A. Laughton	1960
Maureen R. (McEnaney) Chisholm	1962
Carl L. Frye, Jr.	1962
Lynda J. (Palmer) Hadley	1964
Carol L. Cabana	1965
Sherry (Nelson) Jason	1965
David A. Buckingham	1966
Richard D. Harvey	1972
Glenn Keith Foden	1974
Mark Joseph Caissie	1975
Tracy (Morrow) Clifford	1975
Richard B. McManimon	1975
Susan (Confort) Tremblay	1976
Sharon I. Bridges	1977
Beth David	1977
William P. McCann	1977
Heidi M. Boucher	1978
Daniel J. Wilkins	1979
Heidi (Patenaude) Reservitz	1988
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