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Saturday, July 26, 2014
6:30 p.m. Banquet
Social Hour 4:30 to 6 p.m.


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ALFRED ALMOND ALUMNI ASSOCIATION
1960-2014
54th ANNUAL AACS ALUMNI
ASSOCIATION BANQUET
THEME: BEATLEMANIA - CELEBRATING 50 YEARS
ALFRED STATE COLLEGE CENTRAL DINING HALL
ALFRED, NEW YORK

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Alfred Almond Central School
Alumni Newsletter

Alumni Banquet

by Donna B. Ryan, '58 and Kathy Curran Snyder, '68



Steve and Neva Johnson Galle, left, chat with Kier and Lisa Dirlam

A Tough Mudder Rally in Andover may have contributed to lower than usual numbers at the 53rd annual banquet held on July 27th, but certainly didn't dampen the excitement of the attendees. A crowd of around 250 alumni, spouses and special guests came to celebrate their memories of AACS, and the recognition of AA's excellent students and special alumni.

AA Superintendent Rich Calkins generously provided AA bus transportation from the parking lots of Alfred State College to the informal social hour. It was a fun opportunity to renew friendships and relive AACS events and happenings. Enthusiasm continued to run high as classmates gathered in the large dining hall at their respective class tables, greeting young and old AACS alumni and friends. Following a buffet dinner, raffle drawings for more than twenty beautiful gift baskets, filled with a variety of items donated by local merchants and artisans made for more excitement throughout the evening (see story on page 31). Impressive powerpoint and video presentations created by Lindsay Baker Palmer, '06 highlighted the awards to scholarship winners and the Sports and Humanitarian Hall of Fame induction ceremonies.

President Lee A. Ryan, '55 welcomed the group, and turned the program over to Brent Reynolds, '70 who served as master of ceremonies. Karl Grantier, '55 led the group in the pledge of

allegiance and recognized the veterans in the audience. Mike Stuart, representing the 50-year class, gave the opening prayer. Then the room resounded with the entire audience singing "God Bless America".

As Brent conducted the traditional roll call of honored classes, animated response and cheers came from all parts of the dining room.

Bill Crandall, '38, celebrating the 75th anniversary of his graduation from Alfred High School, was awarded an eagle statue in honor of his being the oldest alumnus in attendance.

Mike Stuart, '63 presented greetings from the 50-year class, sharing highlights and laughs and thanking his classmates for coming to support their reunion weekend events. The 25-year class held its own gathering elsewhere, and had no attendees at the banquet, therefore no speaker.

Geoffrey E. Blyth, Senior Vice President & Investment Officer for Genesee Valley Trust Company, spoke briefly, extending his thanks for the AAAA's hospitality, and also their faith and confidence in GVTC's ability to manage the scholarship funds.

Kathy Curran Snyder, '68, assisted President Ryan in awarding the scholarship checks to the 2013 winners in attendance. Ryan explained that the awards are merit scholarships: Criteria include leadership, character, reputation, academic effort, service to the community, and involvement in extracurricular

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Kathy Curran Snyder, Shelley Curran Blakey, Kelly Snyder and Ron Snyder

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in-school and non-school activities. He also explained that during the selection process, the committee considers this question: “Will this person be a good ambassador for the Alfred-Almond Central School?”



Bill Pulos congratulates Kristi Williams

Assisting in the presentations were **Bill Pulos, '73** who greeted **Kristi Williams**, daughter of Andrew and Teresa Williams, with a check for \$2500 for the **Juanita Whitaker Pulos Fine Arts Scholarship**. Upon completion of her first semester, she will receive the second check for \$2500. Mrs. Pulos’ sons instituted this scholarship in 2006 to honor their mother, a 1948 graduate of Anderson University, Anderson, IN, for her outstanding contributions to music education at AACCS and the community for decades. This year, their increased pledges of financial support to the AAAA board for this scholarship enabled the award to be increased to \$5000 annually.

Checks for half of the \$2,500 scholarships were presented by:

Doug Norton, '78 presented a check for \$1250 to **Shelby Allen**, daughter of Amy Padden and Larry Allen, '68, for the **Greg Norton Memorial Scholarship**. This scholarship was initiated last year by Scott Yelle, '86, to honor his classmate Greg’s sportsmanship, integrity and character

Mig Pierce Amato, '58 attending her 55th class reunion from her home in Florida,

presented a check for \$1250 to **Pooja Patel**, daughter of Piyush and Jigisha Patel, the recipient of the **Rachael Amato Baldo/ Tom Murphy Memorial Scholarship**. This award was established by Dr. Glen Feltham to honor two of his Class of 1984 classmates and is given to a senior who is entering the health care field.

Lee and Kathy then presented the remaining \$2500 scholarships, named for **Jean Hanks Palmiter/Dale Lorow**, who were instrumental in the formation of the AAAA more than fifty years ago. Winners are: **Jenny Acker**, daughter of Gary and Phyllis Acker; **Chris Charles**, son of Steven Charles and Amanda Charles; **Chris Cook**, son of Dan, '81, and Ann Cook; **Kaitlyn Flaitz**, daughter of Kevin Flaitz and Tammy Charles; **Allie Henry**, daughter of David, '75, and Shaune Burdick Henry, '80; **Cassie Ingalls**, daughter of Dean and Shelly Freeland Ingalls, '85; **Kaleigh Kenney**, daughter of Tom and Debi Schwartz Kenney, '83; **Stacy Mayes**, daughter of John and Debra Mayes; **Pramod Rao**, son of Mohan and Prabha Rao; **Allie VonStackelberg**, daughter of Peter VonStackelberg and Karla Back; **Brittany Washburn**, daughter of David and Sandra Law Washburn, '88; **Marah Watson**, daughter of Dale, '77, and Tiersa Watson; **Julie Wilcox**, a daughter of Timothy and Traci Wilcox; **Jessie Woughter**, daughter of Paul, '80, and Lisa Woughter.

For the second year, the scholarship recipients chose one of their own to respond in thanks to the AAAA for these



Amanda Snyder congratulates David and Jan Porter, Humanitarian Hall of Fame

scholarships. Allee Von Stackelberg’s heartfelt comments, resulting in a standing ovation from the alumni attending, are found on page 24.

Rich Calkins, AACCS Superintendent, officiated at the induction of **Mark Aultman** and **Andy Marlatt** (posthumously), both members of the Class of 2000, into the AAAA Sports Hall of Fame. An emotional video, reviewing the two athletes’ sports careers at AACCS was presented, followed by plaques given to **Mark** and to **Bryan Marlatt, '98**, who represented Andy’s family.

A touching video account of the myriad volunteer projects of **David and Janice Stearns Porter, '64**, and highlighting their work in establishing Hart Comfort House in Wellsville, preceded their induction into the Humanitarian Hall of Fame, conducted by **Amanda Stevens Snyder, '60**.

The evening concluded with the singing of the AACCS Alma Mater.



Bryan Marlatt, Rich Calkins, Mark Aultman

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Thank You

From the 2013 Camp Scholarship Recipients

The AAAA offers opportunities to assist AACS underclassmen in attending summer camps for sports, music, the arts, and technology. Camp fund donations can be designated on the dues/donation/reservation form enclosed in this newsletter.

The **Jim Baker Sports Camp Fund** was set up in 1987 as a memorial to the 1960 AACS graduate who was a three-year letter athlete during his high school years. His late mother, Mildred Baker, and his brother, **D. Phillip Baker, '54**, were instrumental in setting up the fund to honor the Viet Nam vet's love of sports and competition.

The **Arlene Champlin Roberts Fine Arts/Technology Camp Fund** was started in 2010, honoring her involvement with the Alumni Association, which goes back to its beginning in 1950, the year she graduated. To honor her decades-long involvement as AAAA secretary, the board felt it was fitting to establish the camp fund as a lasting memorial. Monies donated to this fund help students attend art, music and computer camps.

You would be blessed and encouraged to read the more than eighteen handwritten thank you notes that the AAAA received from the 2013 camp recipients. In this day and age when the importance of Emily Post handwritten notes seem to be fading from our culture, we are excited to be able to share a few of those received here:

Connor Calkins' letter to the AAAA is deserving of being published in full in this newsletter, as it sums up the feelings of the AACS students who are the recipients of our assistance, enabling them to attend camps of their choice:

"My summer/fall has been busy wrestling at the Cornell Regional Training Center, going to wrestling camps, lifting with a weight trainer and attending wrestling tournaments around the country. (You helped pay for many of these endeavors.) But more importantly, I am presently a senior at your alma mater, getting one of the best educations around.

"However, this note is to remind you that YOU are truly making a difference. Over the last five years, your financial support has given me opportunities that I would never have had otherwise. Most of you don't even know who I am, yet you have unselfishly donated your hard-earned income to help kids reach heights that they never knew were possible. And I want you to know that your generosity has not gone unappreciated.

"I am living proof that dreams come true. . . ones that kids from small schools and rural America rarely live. This week, I signed a National Letter of Intent to wrestle at Division I Binghamton University. I am so grateful for this opportunity, one that less than 1% of high school wrestlers get.

"I would like to meet you all personally and thank you, but I can't. Therefore, I want you to know that I intend to pay it forward. Right now, there is a 10-year old soccer player at Almond Lions' Park, pretending he's Ronaldo. On the sidewalk in Alfred, there is a girl wearing a tutu dreaming of dancing in 'The Nutcracker and still, there is another kid like me, who is wrestling with his friends and putting holes in his parents' walls. They all have big dreams, in little towns. I will forever support them because you have shown me how small gestures build big things.

"And for the next five years, while I'm out on that collegiate wrestling mat, please know that I will work hard to represent you. I will fight hard as a Binghamton Bearcat, but in my heart I will always be an Alfred-Almond Eagle. With much gratitude, Connor Calkins." (Ed. note: Connor won the 2014 New York State 285 lb. Championship)

Your investment enabling students to go to camp helps them individually, but also benefits the AACS sports teams as well. In his application for a 2013 award, **Logan Calkins** wrote: "Last year the AAAA graciously gave me a scholarship to attend Cornell University's wrestling camp. I learned so much. So much that I made it to the Sectional Championship as a freshman, and help the A-A Eagles win their very first Sectional wrestling title in 23 years!"

Kyra Kress attended a track camp at Cornell University: "This helped so much and I ended up breaking the school's pole vault record last year. This year I am very excited to attend a soccer camp to help improve my soccer skills and contribute to the team. Thank you again for this wonderful opportunity." **Keri Surita**, commenting on the Houghton College Tennis Camp that she attended, wrote: "I had a wonderful experience and learned a great deal. I'm looking forward to using all that I have learned to help my team continue to succeed."

A seventh grader, **Olivia Ormsby** wrote: "Thank you for choosing me for the Jim Baker Memorial Scholarship. Houghton Basketball camp was a lot of fun and I met so many new people not just from around here. Also I learned a lot more about the game of basketball than I had known before the camp. I will never forget any of the information that I learned at this camp. It definitely made me a better player of the game. I'm so excited for next year!"

Many attended various soccer camps: **Sam Gorman** said "thank you" and noted "this will truly help my goalkeeping skills and benefit my team for the upcoming year." **Nora Looney** noted "It was a great experience to learn many new soccer skills and to play soccer with my friends and other people at the camp. Thank you for giving me this great opportunity." **Colin Johnson** said: "I learned many skills at soccer camp and can use them in the future and help bring home a sectional title." **Ellen McInnes** noted: "I think this season my skill level will have gone up and I will be more at ease on the field. Thank you again for your generosity." **Emily Kokot** attended Camp Woodward, Woodward, PA. "I'm writing to thank the AAAA for the support to help with camp. I did several things like go-karting, paintball, learned to wake board, skateboarding, and of course snowboarding. I'm hoping to go next year since I got tapped (invited back next year with a discount)."

Trevor Kokot, a recipient of the Arlene Roberts award commented: "I would like to thank you again for helping me out financially to go to Robotics Engineering Camp at Alfred University. I had a great time there, learning lots of new information and skills. I also met a whole group of people with the same interests as me, which was great as I could talk to them about engineering and they would understand. Currently I am working with Homell, Arkport, and some students from my school on a robot for a First Tech Challenge competition. I'm also an assistant to Mr. Levey, who is the local tech teacher, with the robotics program at my school."

AAAA Dues, Donation and Banquet Reservation Return Form 2014

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This is our main scholarship given to qualifying seniors, named in honor of the AA AA founders. \$ _____
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Richard (Dick) Mueller '75
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KEEPING OUR DATABASE UP TO DATE

Probably the hardest job associated with the AAAA is the one which Teresa Stuart Johnson does for us. Keeping our database up to date is very important, and very time-consuming. You can help by notifying us of address changes (which also reduces our costs related to returned postage). Parents, if you are paying dues for your children please include their address and class year.

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CALLING ALL VETERANS!

For the past 10 years, Karl Grantier, '55 has been collecting the names of all AACS alumni veterans (AACS grads as well as attendees) who have served in the military. These names have been placed on handsome walnut plaques which hang in Alumni Hall. To date, Karl reports that there are 465 names on nine plaques – alumni from the classes of 1940-2013.

If you know of a classmate, friend or relative who attended AACS and served in the military, please check to be sure their names are on the plaques. You can email Karl Grantier at kgrantier@gmail.com and he will let you know if the name has been recorded.

We also are looking for the names of alumni who have received awards for heroics such as Silver Star, Bronze Star, Purple Heart, Air Medal, Airman's Medal or Distinguished Service Medal. The names of those honored in this way have been placed in a special frame in Alumni Hall.

Your help in finding these alumni who have served the USA in the military is much appreciated.

KAY SNYDER CHAPMAN, '57 RETIRES FROM AAAA BOARD

“She knows everyone” . . . “She is AACS’ super fan!” . . . “She is the face of the AAAA” Those are some of the comments describing Kay Snyder Chapman, who is hanging up her hat as an AAAA board member after decades of service. A 1957 AACS grad, Kay was elected president of the AAAA in 1986 after serving on the board under the presidency of Dale Lorow for several years. She retired as president in 1999 when Lee A. Ryan took over the helm, but continued serving on the board for the next 14 years.

Kay is a familiar face at the AAAA banquet registration table – and she assures us that she will continue to be there for us. A willing worker on the board, she has been diligent to collect items from local merchants and artisans for our annual raffle. Her long-time association with local families has given her the ability to make contacts and assist in updating our database, helping us find addresses for alumni whose information had been lost.

Kay’s connections with AACS continued long after graduation: Kay was a familiar face at Alfred Stations’ famous eatery, Stearns’ Little Red Hen, for many years. Then she went to work in the AACS cafeteria for 20 years, serving as cafeteria manager. Her three sons are AACS grads: Craig, in 1978; and Donny and Mark in 1980. Craig has been an AACS elementary teacher for twenty-two years, and his four children are also AACS graduates. Donny is a high profile employee in the athletic department at James Madison University, Harrisonburg, VA, and Mark is president of National Right to Work. All together, the boys have made her the very proud grandma of twelve grandchildren. Kay is a Meals on Wheels volunteer, and also serves the Alfred Station SDB Church food pantry customers on Tuesdays. A NY Yankees fan, throughout the years she has also been AACS’ ultimate supporter, almost always being found in attendance at AACS events. In fact, in 1980, she was recognized during a boys’ basketball game and named AACS’ “Super Fan”. AU football games also command her attention and regular attendance.

Thank you, Kay, for your many, many years of service to the AAAA Board! You are appreciated!



AAAA BOARD RE-ORGANIZED
By Kathy Curran Snyder, ‘68



Front row, l/r: Cass Dobson Lorow, Butch Lorow, Kathy Curran Snyder, Lisa Patrick Porter, & Karl Grantier
Second row, l/r: Ervilla Dungan Crandall, Kim Lowrey Gayhart, Becky Schwartz Comer, Lucinda Snyder, & Donna Burdett Ryan
Back row: Don Jefferds, Debi Schwartz Kenney, Carl Leathersich, & Lee A. Ryan

The AAA board has regretfully and respectfully accepted the resignation of President Lee A. Ryan. Instrumental in developing our organization, his calm, intelligent leadership will be missed. He will remain with us, however, as a board member, so we will still be able to take advantage of his good advice. Our new co-presidents Richard (Butch) and Cathy (Cass) Dobson Lorow from the classes of ‘61 and ‘62 respectively, have graciously stepped in to take up the gavel, and have the full support of our members. Donna Burdett Ryan ‘58 has handed her secretarial duties to new board member Kim Lowrey Gayhart from the class of 1973, but will remain onboard as newsletter editor and advisor to our many committees during the transition phase.

After many decades of service, Kay Snyder Chapman ‘57 has also submitted her resignation (see story on page 5), but we are lucky to be gaining two new members: Lisa Patrick Porter ‘78 and Debi Schwartz Kenney ‘83.

Many changes are in the works, but with a fine blend of old wisdom and young enthusiasm, we are ready to forge full steam ahead!

Greetings From Your AA AA President

Dear Alumni,

We would like to introduce ourselves as the newly elected co-presidents of your Alumni Association. We are **Catherine (Cass) Dobson Lorow ‘62 and Richard (Butch) Lorow ‘61.**

We know that we have some very big shoes to try to fill. We will do our very best to do our part, along with the help of the other AAAA Board members, to continue awarding scholarships, assisting students to attend sports and arts camps, adding to our Hall of Fame members, and honoring our Alumni Veterans.

We want to thank the board members for the support and confidence they have shown us.

Sincerely,

Butch and Cass Lorow: rclorow@yahoo.com

DEAR FRIENDS . . . From Lee and Donna

Dear Friends:
What a ride it has been! Donna and I have been privileged to serve as president and secretary of the Alfred Almond Alumni Association board for nearly 15 years. We have been blessed by the commitment, dedication and enthusiasm of our fellow board members who have stepped up and together as a team have taken the AAAA to new heights: Since 2000, more than one hundred twenty AACS seniors have received over \$300,000 in scholarship awards, and loads of kids have had a chance to go to summer camps. . . . our veterans are being recognized and honored and we’ve created our very impressive Alumni Hall . . . and our annual newsletter reaches thousands of alumni. This could never have been accomplished without a TEAM – and what a team we have been privileged to serve with! And it could not have happened without you, our alumni, opening up your pocketbooks and giving so generously! We have been blessed by the trust that you have placed in us as president and secretary of this great AAAA.

It is now time to let others lead the team. When we told the board after last year’s banquet that it was time for us to step down, they put their heads together and asked board members Richard (“Butch”), ‘60, and Cass Dobson Lorow, ‘62, if they would serve as co-presidents. They went to work last fall, reorganizing and delegating leadership roles and assignments. It is so encouraging to see the board step up and take responsibility for our various projects and events.

We need you – our alumni – to help us continue to make this AAAA strong! Please pay your dues, and make donations to help AACS students as you are able. Please be enthusiastic when your class coordinators contact you and jump on board with them to make your class reunions great events! Come to the alumni banquet and celebrate our time together at AACS and all that it has meant to us over the years!

Sincerely,

Lee, ‘55 and Donna Burdett, ‘58 Ryan

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TOURS OF AACS: Remember to include a tour of AACS in your alumni weekend plans! Don Jefferds, ‘60, will be on hand Saturday, July 27, from 2 – 4 to show you the many changes that have transformed AACS into the beautiful campus that it is today. One of the features you will want to see is the old gymnasium, transformed into an auditorium! And don’t forget to drive up on the hill behind “the pines” and take a look at the modern sports complex, complete with six tennis courts, soccer, softball and baseball fields with lighting, a concession stand and bathrooms. Karl Grantier, ‘55, will be posted in the Alumni-Veterans Hall, (the corridor between the “old gym” and the swimming pool/gymnasium complex) where you can view our impressive displays honoring our veterans, Hall of Fame recipients, and outstanding alumni. Don’t forget to sign the guestbook!

IF YOU MOVE – PLEASE NOTIFY US: If you change your address and don’t tell us, your AAAA Blue and Gold will be tossed in the wastebasket at the Post Office, since the newsletters are sent via bulk rate and are non-forwardable. Then we lose track of you! So please remember to let us know if you move: Contact Donna B. Ryan, leedonna.ryan@gmail.com or Teresa Johnson, dtjmjt@gmail.com, the keeper of our database.

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BONFE AND FELTHAM ARE 2014 SPORTS HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES

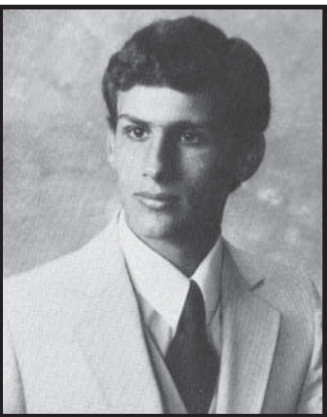
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LAUREN BONFE

Nominations for candidates for the Sports Hall of Fame typically contain superlatives, but few are as succinct or all-encompassing as that by Bill Pulos describing Lauren Bonfe from the Class of 2004: “arguably the most successful athlete ever to graduate from AACS.” In his recent book on the swim program at Alfred-Almond, Bill has a great

deal more to say about Lauren: “To cap her stunning high school career, where she set nearly every school record (including an astonishing nine still standing at A-A) and many pool records across the countryside, Lauren was named a United States High School All-American in the 100 butterfly and 100 backstroke.” She is the only A-A athlete ever to receive this honor. Heavily recruited by Division I coaches, Lauren went on to swim at the University of Kansas. While at Kansas, Lauren became a three time NCAA Academic All-American and NCAA Big 12 First Team member. She served as co-captain of her college team and continued to break school and pool records as a college athlete, reaching the finals in both the Nike Cup and the NCAA Big 12 Championships. Now Lauren Bonfe Culbertson, she lives and coaches swimming in Alabama.



GLEN FELTHAM

The name Glen Feltham has floated across nomination records for the Alfred-Almond Sports Hall of Fame Committee for years, but few of us were personally acquainted with his athletic prowess during his years at A-A until we resolved to track him down and find out what he was all about. To quote Coach Keith Holmok, “No matter the sport, Glen was the guy you wanted on your team.” As a

soccer player, he captained the team and ran the midfield, helping the team to win a sectional championship. He went on to play soccer at the Division I level for the University of Dayton. In basketball, he captained the team and served as its point guard and leading scorer during his senior year. In track, he again served as captain, and led the team to three sectional titles, personally earning six sectional championships along the way. He excelled in the 800 meter run and the triple jump and was part of a sectional champion 1600 relay team that held the school record until recently. As a senior, he was named the Jake Stuart Outstanding Athlete, and nominated for Big 50 Player of the Year. Now a physician, Glen remains actively involved in the A-A Alumni Association as a scholarship sponsor.

DOUGLAS BURDICK, '57, COUNTY LEGISLATOR, POSTHUMOUSLY RECOGNIZED BY ALLEGANY COUNTY BOARD OF LEGISLATORS

Douglas D. Burdick of Alfred Station passed away unexpectedly Sept. 15, 2013. A longtime local farmer, he had served the Town of Alfred as highway superintendent and supervisor, and was currently on the Allegany County Board of Legislators.

Following his passing, this statement recognizing Doug’s service was issued by the board’s chairman, Curt Crandall:

As chairman of the Allegany County Board of Legislators, I am deeply saddened by the passing of Legislator Doug Burdick as are our entire Board of Legislators, department heads, and county employees. Our thoughts and prayers go out to Doug’s wife, Mary Jane, and the Burdick family.

Doug played a key role in the progression of Allegany County. Since Doug took office in 2006, he has used his common sense approach to issues to influence the Board of Legislators in a positive way. We will miss Doug’s quick sense of humor and ability to ask the proper questions for all of our benefit even though many times Doug already knew the answer.

As Chairman of the Human Services Committee, Doug had the commissioner of social services, public health director, Office for the Aging director, and community services director report to him and his committee on a regular basis. Collectively, these departments make up the largest portion of our county budget. Doug took special interest in each so he could better understand their operations and better serve the people of Allegany County. Besides chairman of the Human Services Committee, Doug was vice chairman of the Personnel Committee, and served on the Ways & Means and Public Safety committees. Doug also served as the legislative representative to the Office for the Aging Citizens Advisory Council, county Board of Health, and Soil & Water Conservation District Board, along with involvement in other organizations.

Allegany County has lost a great legislator and citizen with the untimely passing of Doug Burdick.

Greetings
from the AACS Superintendent

Dear Alfred-Almond Alumni Association,

In the past, I have recounted to you how my own children have benefited (and continue to do so) from the support provided by the Alumni Association. In keeping with this theme, I wanted to relay a conversation that I overheard in the hallway, as it is representative of the tremendous impact that your organization makes on the lives of our students.

Student 1: “Are you going to camp this summer?” Student 2: “Nope, I can’t afford it, way too expensive!” Student 1: “ What? That’s stupid. I go every year.” Student 2: “How?” Student 1: “The Alfred-Almond Alumni Association gives scholarships, all you have to do is ask.” Student 2: “That’s awesome! I can’t believe I can go to camp!”

Your commitment to our students, school and community continues to provide an example of what can occur when stakeholders share a collective goal and are dedicated to advancing this mission.

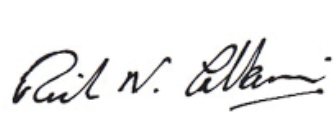
I was absolutely overwhelmed at graduation when the Alumni Association presented scholarships totaling \$45,000 to seventeen deserving students. Because of this generosity, I know that many of these young men and women will be able to fully embrace the college experience while not worrying about the needed funds for tuition, books, meals or lodging.

The Alumni Hall continues to inspire me. It serves as a standard of achievement for our future graduates. The service wall is humbling and the addition of the Alumni Hall sign is a reminder of the tremendous impact made by the association and the alums who have passed through these halls.

You have all done so much to help make our Alfred-Almond community a great place to live! You should be proud of your efforts and pleased to know that the whole community is extremely grateful and supportive of what you do!

If there is anything that I can ever due to help, please ask, as it will be my distinct pleasure and honor to lend support.

My best and warmest regards,



Rich Calkins
AACS Superintendent

MATCHING FUNDS? Does your company offer matching funds for your charitable giving? Please check with your HR department! YOU CAN DOUBLE YOUR DONATION!

REMEMBER US IN YOUR ESTATE PLANNING: The AAAA’s goal is to give back generously to Alfred-Almond students. With your help we can raise significant scholarship for the upcoming group of worthy AACS graduates. Please consider us in your estate planning. We are a 501 (c) (3) organization.

2014
AAAA ALUMNI BANQUET
COME ON ALL YOU
BEATLES FANS
BEATLEMANIA 2014

By Carl Leathersich, ‘60

“Dear Prudence” and all Alumni:

“Do You Want to Know a Secret”. . . “Something” is about to sweep across the Alfred State College campus in late July. “Get Back” to Alfred “Honey Pie”, “I Call Your Name.” Don’t wait till “Yesterday”, “Because” you may “Cry, Baby Cry”. It will be Alfred-Almond’s 54th Annual Alumni Banquet. We want you to say “Yes it Is” and I want you to be there. Don’t wait and say “When I am 64”. “You Know What to Do” . . . Fill out and mail in your registration today. Don’t “Wait”. There will be fellow classmates “Here There and Everywhere”. . . “Tomorrow Never Knows” what’s going to happen, it won’t be a “Hard Day’s Night”.

OK..... you’ve already realized by the song titles above, this year’s theme is “BEATLEMANIA”! The 1964 class will be celebrating fifty years, and it will be fifty years since the BEATLES landed in the U.S. “What Goes On” your body is up to you. Beatle style or Beatle era clothing is optional, but fun to do. Otherwise come dressed to “Twist and Shout”. . . Jump in a car, bus or a “Yellow Submarine”. . . “With a Little Help From My Friends” we will have the place all decorated up in Beatles’ style. “I’ve Got a Feeling” you’re going to love it!

We are anticipating a big turn-out this year, so urge you to **make reservations early**. We do our best to fit everyone in, but cannot guarantee seating after the first of July. If reserving late, please call Kathy (607-587-8211 kksnyder@yahoo.com.) **We also appreciate a notification if you will be unable to attend after making reservations.**

We are looking forward to seeing you at our BEATLEMANIA in July!

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Jeff Calkins ‘75 Receives Honor

Interviewed by Doug Lorow ‘70

DL: You were honored last year with the Charlie Wagner Award. Must of been a great thrill for you. How did this come about? Did you just receive a phone call one day saying you would be honored?

JC: I received a call from sportswriter, author and personal friend, Scott Pitoniak. After talking sports for a few minutes, he told me he was calling officially as a member of the Rochester Press Radio Selection Committee, and that I had been voted the Charles Wagner Award recipient.

DL: Specifically what is the Charlie Wagner Award for?

JC: The award recognizes an individual in the Rochester community who has made major contributions to local sports. As the committee phrased it: “The Blue Cross Arena is the home to the Rochester Amerks (AHL), Knighthawks (NLL), Razorsharks (PBL), and Lancers (MISL). Calkins has been instrumental in bringing many annual sporting events to the arena, including St. Bonaventure Basketball, RIT Hockey, Section 5 Basketball Tournament, the Atlantic Hockey Collegiate Championship, and several NCAA events.”

DL: Over the years have you been involved with this banquet with your position at the BCA?

JC: Only as a spectator, I’ve always respected the incredible work they’ve done over the years, not only in assembling an impressive dais, but their involvement in fundraising efforts for many local charities.

DL: The Press-Radio Club honors local athletes who may have gone on to become a pro player, like Abby Wambach for example and many high school and college athletes in the area. Raegan Ryan of Canisteo-Greenwood was so honored after her senior year of high school basketball. If you are involved in the process at all, how does the committee decide on who will receive the awards?

JC: The Press Radio Club is comprised of the who’s who of the local sports media and members of our community actively engaged with all levels of sports. Rochester has a rich history of individuals and teams whose accomplishments are well documented, and this organization is dedicated to spotlighting those who continue that tradition.

DL: How was it standing up in front of the assembled audience and accepting the award?

JC: I have made my share of speeches and addresses to all types of audiences, but it was a humbling to stand in front of such an impressive audience, nearly 600 people. I was doing fine as Rich Funke introduced me, but as I stood there and saw my entire family and people from our community who have done incredible things, my calmness turned to terror. It was a great honor and I was proud to be able to

DL: You are currently the General Manager of the Blue Cross Arena at the War Memorial in Rochester and have been for a number of years. When did you start there, at what was the old War Memorial and how did this specific position come about?

JC: I moved to Rochester in 1980 to become a Physical Education teacher at St. Ambrose School, a K-8 school in the Rochester Catholic Diocese. Having the following summer free, I applied to work for the company providing security at the PGA Championship at Oak Hill CC in Rochester. I worked the entire summer at Oak Hill and by chance the



same company received the contract for the War Memorial, so I taught during the day and supervised security for events at the arena nights and weekends. In 1984, the General Manager at the time offered me a full time position as an Event Manager and I jumped at the chance. I was given the opportunity to be involved and learn all facets of the business, including ticketing, marketing, scheduling, operations; everything but drive the Zamboni. I was fortunate to have a mentor who guided me, and impressed upon me the importance of professional integrity and taking care of employees who rely on your decisions. It was advice that has served me well that I pass along to interns who work in our organization today. A few years later that GM was promoted and gave me an opportunity to assume that role. Since then, I take pride in surviving six company changes and four different Mayors of Rochester.

DL: Obviously there are a number of things you do and have done on a daily basis at the BCA but fill us in on your main responsibilities. From a daily basis to planning ahead by the week-month-year.

JC: My days are consistently “inconsistent”, every day is different with new challenges, and I like that aspect of it. The big picture is to keep the arena active and viable, so I spend considerable time searching for new tours and shows, contacting agents and promoters in New York, Nashville, and Los Angeles to stay on top of any leads that may arise. The entertainment business has changed so much with the development of amphitheaters, casino facilities, and new venues that it’s become very competitive. I am presently booking events into 2017, primarily family shows like Ringling Circus, Disney Ice Shows, NCAA events, and Monster Truck shows.

On a daily basis, my routine is consistent; I’m in the office by 7:30am, I’ve always tried to be the first one in the office and last one to leave; I think it sets an example and I enjoy greeting my staff in the morning-it sets the tone for the day. I’ll use that quiet time to respond to overnight emails, scan news reports for any relevant stories, and review ticket counts for all my events so I can quickly evaluate where we need to concentrate our marketing efforts. Social networking through Facebook, Twitter, and Ticketmaster has become critical to communicate with our customers.

I have a strong staff that I empower to make decisions based on our common goals, and I challenge them to take responsibility so they have a sense of ownership in what they are doing. My management team consists of directors responsible for finance, operations, ticketing, and food service. I’ve found my sports background has benefited me in regards to how I manage them, fostering team concepts of working together. It makes the job easier when everyone is rowing the boat in the same direction. We also manage the CMAC Amphitheater in Canandaigua during the summer, so communication between us is critical to maintain our sanity!

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DL: You have been very fortunate to meet a host of celebrities over the years at the events. Any one performer stand out for any given reason?

JC: I have many that stand out for different reasons, but I have two personalities I really was star struck by: Frank Sinatra and Bruce Springs-teen. Frank was near the end of his live performance career and was not seeing anyone, but I knew he had a love of trains. So I created a tabletop plaque utilizing trains and landscaping with a message thanking him for coming to Rochester. When he saw it he asked his manager to bring me in and I was able to meet him and take a picture of us. After his death, his Palm Springs home was opened to the public as a museum. A friend of mine toured the home and saw my plaque displayed in his train room. And Springsteen is a personal favorite, but he also is one of the hardest working performers I’ve seen. He told me once how he remembers his previous shows in a city and how the crowd responded; it helps him put together his song list for that night.

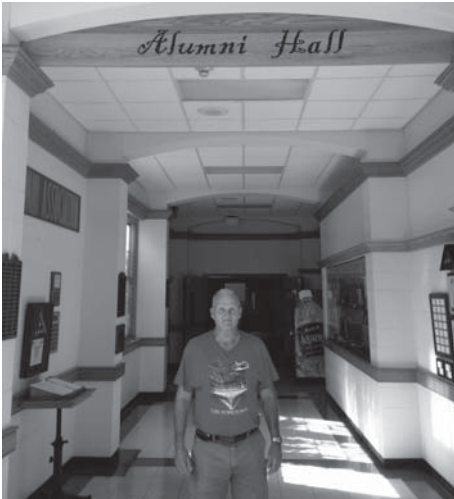
I also have fond memories of working with NBA Hall of Famer Les Har- rison on the Rochester Basketball Classic for many years. Les owned the Rochester Royals (now the Sacramento Kings) in the original NBA. He was in his 80’s but still a great storyteller, and had so many stories of the origins of the league and dealing with legends like Red Auerbach. To this day, one of the most famous trades in NBA history was Les trading the draft rights to Bill Russell to Boston in exchange for a week of the Ice Capades. Les told me Russell stated many times he wouldn’t play in Rochester, so at least he could make some money for the team by promoting the ice show.

DL: First award since Cody gave you the "Hole In the Bat" Award at the A-A baseball banquet after your senior year with the Eagles?

JC: I was proud of my Hole in the Bat award, though over time my memory has improved my batting average immensely as my children will attest. But this is my first award that acknowledges my career, and I’m truly humbled by it. It’s difficult to believe I’ve worked on over 3,700 events that brought over 18 million people through the turnstiles since I’ve been here. But as I told my mother after the ceremonies, the only praise that matters is from her. She is an amazing person and it’s reward enough to know she’s proud of my accomplishments.

Jeff Calkins is married to Liz Vega, and resides in Pittsford, NY with their daughters, Claire (15) and Margaret (13). His son, Ben (26), resides in Seattle and works for the Seattle Thunderbirds of the Western Hockey League.

Butch Lorow stands beneath sign that he created for the Alumni Hall at AACS.



NAOMI HOUSE, ’95 RECEIVES PRESTIGIOUS “MOVER & SHAKER” AWARD

Naomi House, ’95, founder of INALJ.com has been named a “Mover & Shaker” in the library industry by the national publication, Library Journal. In its March 15, 2013 issue, Library Journal named 50 outstanding profes- sionals committed to providing excellent service to meet the needs of the people they serve. Library Journal hon- ored Naomi because of her commitment to finding librar- ians and other info pros jobs. “Each member of this year’s Movers & Shakers class embodies service to their commu- nity and a passion for advancing libraries and their profes- sion,” said Mike Kelley, Library Journal Editor-in-Chief.

Naomi’s website, <http://inalj.com/> tells her story: “INALJ is the work of over 180 volunteers and myself, but it start- ed on October 16, 2010 when I sent an email out to sev- eral of my Rutgers MLIS friends asking for ideas on shar- ing jobs we all found through listservs. I had been lucky enough to find my job as a reference librarian half way through my Masters degree and wanted to share the jobs I had found. We are on Facebook, Twitter and LinkedIn and this website and we are looking to expand. INALJ covers all 50 states, Canada and many international jobs as well. Over 1,400 fans have found jobs so far.”

Naomi and her husband Sana Khan recently moved from the Washington, DC area to New Orleans, LA. Besides her work on INALJ she assists him in his house flipping business. In the past year she has also been asked to speak at library conferences and schools including the National Press Club, in Washington DC, keynote at the Virginia Li- brary Association, ALA Annual and speaking engagements in Dubai, Hawaii, Montreal, Alaska and next up, Cape Town, South Africa.

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Carol Davis Neeley
Nicholas Obuhanich
Arthur Ormsby
Ruth Mullikin Page
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Linda M. Brownell Walker
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Charles Cameron
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Donald Cook
Linda Ryan Cornell
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Joseph Decker Jr.
Betty Kay Patrick Drake
James Evans
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Audrey Hardy Lamprey
Carolyn Richmond Leach
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1964
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Martha Parish Kackley
Kenneth Kernan
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David Porter
Janice Stearns Porter
Cynthia Rogers Rudolph
Susan Thomas Shaffer
Eileen Bird Turner

1965
Beth Clare Castaldi
Mary Kay Ormsby Davis
Joan M. Davis
Janice Mullikin Haynes
Barbara Goodwin Helling
John Kenyon
Philip Lockwood
Christine Lobdell Morawski
Cynthia Ordway
E. Allen Ormsby
Stephen J. Patton
David Ryan
Linda Mullen Ryan
Donna Davis Sherman
Andrew F. Stevens
John Woodruff
1966
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Gerrit Benjamins
David Bordeaux
Janice Wheaton Briggs
Patricia Ormsby Brutsman
Joanne Tinklepaugh Burdick
Marianne Cameron
Patricia Almeter Childs
Betsy Judson
Daniel Coleman
Linda Stearns Conner
Wayne Cott
Linda Rawleigh Johnson
Borden Mills
Carol Smith Mullen
Cynthia Kellogg Neville
Katherine Ninos
Mary Rhodes Ormsby
William Parish
Richard L. Smith
Sharon Smith
Jon Wakefield
1967
Sandra Young Baldwin
Shelley Curran Blakey
Steve Bracken
Deborah Hitchcock Erickson
John Hurne
Kathy Stuart Isaman
Gary Kellogg
Mary Neville Libby
Sandra Winters Matteson
Susan Snyder Meacham
A.J. Neville
Bob Ormsby
Sharon Henry Patton
John Patton
Elizabeth Rulon Perry

Brian Perry
Carolyn Newman Pratt
Deborah Morgenfeld Schmieding
Margaret Benson Smith
1968
Alice Sick Allen
James Brutsman
Richard Buckmaster
David Burrington
Priscilla Hurne Button
Dennis Butts
Carol Clarke
Deborah Soule Esposito
Anne Mills Fewster
Sue Stockweather Graves
Shirley Hadsell Groves
Donald Hardy
David Lockwood
Ann Leathersich Lugo
Sally Thomas Mayes
Christine Hanks McCabe
Joyce Benjamins Mills
Richard Place
Susan Rawleigh Puglisi
Mary Liz Gorton Schwartz
Ronald Snyder
Kathy Curran Snyder
Deborah C. Thompson
James Tucker
Terry VanDuser
Linda Lawrence Walters
Sandra Wells
Patricia Palmer Woodman
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Jay Evans
Terry Fraser
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Holly Horton Hogan
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Michael Obuhanich
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Margaret Rulon Bowers
Alyce Lewis Carpenter
Sharon Snyder Crowe
Michael Knudsen
Doug Lorow
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Steve Smith
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Lisa Turner
Bruce Tuttle
Keith Weitzel
Hugh Young
1971
Mark Ahrens
Leon Clare
Patricia Carter Humbert
Rebecca Calkins Kelleher
Roger McGraw
Audrey Reid Ordway
Gary Ordway
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1972
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Karen Palmiter Fassel
Martin Giedlin
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Wayne Johnston
Wendy Smith Kopal
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Ben Palmer
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Leslie Bloomquist Taylor
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Kim Lowrey Gayhart
Peter Gradoni
John Hall
Kimber Lee Beckhorn Hall
Bette Wightman Henry
Ann Bernreuther Lewis
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William Pulos
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1974
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Karen Fraser Geary
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Cathy Rossman Harvey
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David Hardy
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James Gaisser
Luis Greiff Jr.
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MISS KING . . . A FACE FROM THE 1940s

by Donna B. Ryan ‘58

Last summer, Teresa Williams, who tends the ALUMNI page of the Alfred-Almond Central School website (**www.aacs.wnyric.org**) received an interesting e-mail from a gal whose mother, Celeste King, taught first grade at AACs in the 1940s. Marilyn Kelly Chetwynd wrote from Westwood, MA: “My mother, **Celeste King** (now Celeste Kelly), taught first grade at Alfred Almond Central School from 1943-1945 . . . which would mean the students she taught during those years would have graduated in the 1950’s and would be in their early to mid 70’s now, I would guess.



“Mom is a spry and beautiful nonagenarian (92 this past March) currently living in NH. She and I communicate by phone and email between visits, and she will be easy to contact via her email address. Our families still visit New York State because we have many relatives there, especially in Cortland, Broome, and Cayuga counties.

“If anyone remembers Mom ... perhaps even had her as a teacher . . . I know she would love to be in touch ! Thank you in advance for any information you can uncover ... whether people Mom can contact who remember her, or pictures from 1943-1945, or whatever else might exist in the annals of Alfred Almond Central School that would be of interest.”

This editor contacted Miss King (now Mrs. Kelly) and asked her if she would write a little of her memories of the infant stages of AACs for our readers. This is what she sent:

MEMORIES OF ALFRED-ALMOND YEARS by Celeste King Kelly
In the summer of 1943, I drove from Genoa, NY, where I grew up, to Alfred to apply for the first grade position at the Alfred-Almond School. I remember going to meet a Mr. MacMichael, a member of the school board. He was working on a farm. I didn’t mind having to walk out to the field to be interviewed by him, as I had grown up on a farm. When I was notified that I had been accepted for the position, I was elated that I would be teaching in such a beautiful school.

John Gilmore was the principal during my two years there. He was a great leader and a fine gentleman. I “loved” teaching and spent a great deal of time “after hours” and on weekends, making my first grade room attractive and doing interesting lesson plans for my students.

My first year I roomed and boarded with Jane Colligan, a second grade teacher, and Isabelle Johnson, a junior high teacher, at Mrs. Lewis’ home in Almond. I roomed with the same teachers in an apartment in Alfred during my second year. Living in a university town was interesting. Several of my students were children of the faculty there. I still have a tiny doll made from clay and a hand-blown amber vase given to me by two of my first graders.

I thoroughly enjoyed and have happy memories of my teaching experiences at the Alfred- Almond school.
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The “Mr. MacMichael” that Miss King speaks of is the father of two AACs grads, the late Marilyn MacMichael Lockwood, ’42, and Phil MacMichael, ’45. Upon receiving my email about Miss King, Phil immediately wrote to her: “I am Philip MacMichael, the son of Harold MacMichael that you mentioned. I am 87, and I graduated from AACs in 1945 so was there when you were. My older sister passed away in 1997 and had been a secretary at school for many years. We were the only children of Harold and Ellen and lived in Almond many years. I am so proud of dad as he had a lot to do helping to establish the school and served on the board many years, being president for some of them. He was also very active in other positions. I remember well being ‘shooed’ into another room of the house when he interviewed potential teachers or when purchasing school items, even like busses, etc. Anyway your account of talking to him in a farm field wasn’t surprising. We lived on my grandmother’s farm many years during part of the depression until he could return to his job as a draftsman at the Hornell Woodworking Corp. I now live in Scio, NY and was also a draftsman many years, then an Alfred State College prof. But retired many years now. I was pleased to read your accounting of him and was anxious to send this.”
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How fascinating that the internet re-connected this proud teacher – and that she, at 92, is anxious to connect with former students via email! Friends of Miss King (now Mrs. Kelly) may contact her at: clkh102@aol.com Her mailing address is: Celeste Kelly, 55 Kent Lane H102, Nashua, NH 03062.

YOU CAN GO HOME (TO AACS) AGAIN
AND WE WISH YOU WOULD!

By Kim Lowrey Gayhart, ‘73

I began attending Alfred-Almond Central School in the fall of 1967, as a seventh grader. I came from a very small school, so A-A seemed big and intimidating, but full of possibilities.

I have never regretted becoming an Alfred-Almond student and I am proud to say I am an alumna. I am proud that my mother taught fifth grade here for fourteen years, my dad served on the school board in the 1970’s, and my two children graduated from A-A in 2001 and 2005. Now I am proud to be serving as the Secretary of the Alumni Association, one of the most active and hard working alumni groups to be found anywhere.

You may think, “I don’t care about class reunions or the Alumni Banquet. I don’t want to see anyone again or think about my school days.” As someone who has attended several reunions, I can tell you that you are missing out on a great opportunity to reconnect with people who share a common experience with you, your school years at Alfred-Almond. You could ask any of my classmates from 1973 who have come back for our class reunions and/or the Alumni Banquet and they would tell you they had a good time and really enjoyed getting to know each other again or even better than before.

I have learned that people do grow and mature as they get older, but you don’t have to wait for your 30th reunion to see that. It can happen as early as the 10th or 15th! Whatever differences you may have had in high school that used to seem important, really aren’t. You probably have more in common now than you ever did. We all have our unique experiences, which is good because it would be pretty boring if we were all exactly the same, but we also have a connection that will always be there – we are graduates of AACS and proud of it!

If you think that nobody cares if you come back or not, you are mistaken because your classmates want to see you. They want to reminisce, but they also want to know what you are doing now and more importantly, how you are. You may think that today, with all our communication devices, with Facebook and Twitter, people don’t need to see each other in person, but as great as Facebook is, you can’t hug someone or share a meal together on Facebook.

Those of us from the class of 1973, and from other classes, who attend reunions really miss our classmates who don’t. We are truly interested in you and your life, but not in a judgmental way, and we would love to spend time together catching up. It is fun to see each other in person, to compare notes, to play games, to eat together, to toast each other, sing a song from your era together, and to represent your class at the Alumni Banquet. The banquet is also good because you can see people from other classes and maybe even some of your former teachers.

So, now you know what you miss when you don’t attend class reunions and the Alumni Banquet. You will always be part of the AACS family and just like your family, we always want you to come home again.

<div><i>Our Condolences</i></div> <div>for Friends Lost</div> <div>March 28, 2013 – April 27, 2014</div>	
Class of 1935	Rheubena Potter Knapp Ruth Sherwood Wilson
Class of 1943	Gene Jacox Roy
Class of 1946	Herman Hilsdorf
Class of 1948	Walter Brooks Willard Sutton
Class of 1949	Clayton Tuttle Ronald Coleman
Class of 1950	Bob Studley
Class of 1951	Duane Green
Class of 1956	Nancy Minnick Tuzzeo Bruce Porter
Class of 1957	Douglas Burdick
Class of 1958	Beverly Davison Trimble Joseph Doorley
Class of 1959	Rose Marie Sheridan
Class of 1963	Michael McMahon
Class of 1964	Sharon Smith John Raschiatore Dorothy Burrow
Class of 1966	Joanne Tinklepaugh Burdick
Class of 1968	Milton Brown Betty Dungan Washburn
Class of 1969	Nancy Butler Gamer
Class of 1970	Verne Higgins
Class of 1971	David Studley
Class of 1975	Mary Dobson Crosby
Class of 1979	Cindy Sherman Crosby
Class of 1995	Katherine (Kate) Smith Horn
Class of 2013	Eric Green
ALMOND HS	Mervin Babcock Louise Sherwood Giglio Ruth Sherwood Wilson Rheubena Potter Knapp Nina Champlin Prentice Lyle Palmiter
ALFRED STATION	Ellen Brasted Hardy
AAAA FRIENDS	Judy Grogan
FACULTY	
AACS Administration	John Harcharek
(This list was compiled by Donna B. Ryan, ’58, and Kay Snyder Chapman, ’57. If you know of other alumni who have passed away in the past year, please let us know.)	

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1937 Ollene Kenyon Smith	1938 Clara Hilsdorf Clark William B. Crandall	1940 Mildred Vars Dudley Betty A. Robinson Melton William B. Turck	1957 Lyle Barron Sharon Mason Barron James Burdett Kathryn Snyder Chapman Francis Clancy Sally Smith Doty Keith Doty James Dunn Patricia Mensinger Hurd Marjorie Tucker Lange David E. Mott Joyce Clair Pulver Jeanette Burdick Retorick Larry R. Ryan Jane Thacher Schulitz Virginia Gillette Schwartz Beth Jacox Slack Margaret Clancy Sleggs Raymond Wilson	1960 Everett L. Brooks Dr. James Burdick Marilyn Zirkelbach Habern Nancy Clicquennoi Davis Douglas H. Davis Marilyn Rice Deaton Terry Sue Marshall Griffiths Sandra Perry Hackett Carolyn Vanderhoef Homminga Karl Hurd Donald Jefferds Sally West Kuck Carl Leathersich Virginia Saltzer McInnis Kenneth Patton Sharon Kelleher Pool Stephen Reitnauer Louise Newman Schwartz Judy Bordeaux Seiler Amanda Stevens Snyder John "Pat" Wasson Llewellyn Willard Charles Wilson
1941 Waneta A. Perry Ormsby-Allen	1942 Bernadine Davis Williams	1943 Janice Pierce Crocker Thelma A. Gardiner Mix Donald Polan Ronald R. Rawleigh	1954 Russell Allen D. Philip Baker Eugene Briggs Donald Brundage Ronald Brundage Charles DeLavergne John David Fenner Sally Zimmer Hooker Donald Lewis Gladys Pierce Payne Stacy Pierce Paul Spencer Kenneth Stebbins Lcis Heers Stephens Betsey Burdett Stout Fred VanOrman Ruth Watson	1958 Mig Pierce Amato Philip Brown Anne Langer Carmin Mary Spaine Cott Richard Cott Raymond Dunn Jack Glover Alise Ogden Irwin Joanne McMichael Kame Gayle Harvey Manupello Edythe Allen Monahan Shirley Watson Morey Frederick Olin Shirley Emerson Pickering Robert W. Post Donna Burdett Ryan Beverly Allen Schmidt Roxanne VanOrman Waight Stuart Weinland Harold Williams Clifton Woodworth
1944 Miriam Tooke Polan Charles Robinson Evelyn Jones Silco Norma Jacox Stoneham	1945 Elaine Gardiner Decker Frances Brooks Hoffman Philip MacMichael Mazella Wilcox Schoenborn Elizabeth Hicks Schwartz Frank Snyder Kenneth Wirt Jr.	1946 William Biehl Louis B. Cornelius Geraldine Davis Goss Lockhart Harder David Hildebrand Francis Schwartz Morgan Wirt	1955 Barbara Allen Baker Merrilyn Campbell Barney Joan Gilmore Barrie Audrey Hurd Burrow Shirley Bird Faisst Karl Grantier Walter Mills Roger Mullen David Palmer Ann Parish Rogers Brian Rogers Lee A. Ryan Virginia Buchanan VanderVeer Nancy Warren Warren-Oliver Donna J. Farley Williams	1959 Bonnie Allen Allen Carol Meeks Burdett Walter Cook Sandra Lemen Dempewolf Luan Sutton Ellis Arthur Guild Donald McCrea Lois Biehl Miner George Moraitis
1947 Cyrus Bryant Irena Maxine Henry Robert Hitchcock Elizabeth Binns Linville	1948 Ralph Allen Eileen Pendleton Anderson Johanna Gach Beckhorn Daniel Beckhorn Charlotte Cornelius Davis Thelma Babcock Green Francis Green Betty Amberg Lawrence E. Ward Phillips Patricia Johnson Reichert Jean McGraw Riker	1951 Betty Nye Allen Donald Burdett Carolyn Gilmore Hitchcock Corinne MacIntosh Kober Robert Lawrence Joyce Kame Lawson Richard McLane Mary Jane Parish Phillips Louis Roberts Ardis Hinkle Savory Beverley Plank Snyder George S. Travis Jr. Sara Jacob Vollmar Richard Wirt	1952 Alberta Ormsby Brown W. Richard Brown Eloise Phillips Draggett Dorothy McCrea Drumm Anne McIntosh Hardy-Holley Everett Harris Margaret Mulligan Ingalls Eugene Johnson Phillip A. Ormsby Alyce Lebohner Pierce Charles Pierce	1962 Marsha Crandall Andrews James Bay Virginia Thomas Briggs Earl Briggs Dale Buts
1953 Roberta Snyder Baker Bob Baker Shirley MacIntosh Ballard Mary Anne Bailey Button			1956 Donald Coleman Joan Greene Craft Floyd P. Farley Roger Greene Zona Pierce Hitchcock	



STEVE WHEELER, '74, TEACHES P.E. 35 YEARS

ByTristan Abbott, staff writer at the Bozeman Daily Chronicle Bozeman, Montana:

(ALFRED SUN Thurs March 28, 2013 Ed note: This story first appeared in the September 2012 Bozeman Daily Chronicle. The Alfred Sun has received permission to publish it. Steve Wheeler is a 1974 graduate of AACS and 1978 graduate of SUNY College at Cortland, where he majored in physical education. He is the son of the late Lewis and Paulena Crossett Wheeler, long-time Almond residents. His mom was an AACS physical education teacher, and later worked in the AACS main office.)

“Okay, everybody ready. Set . . . “

An air of excitement fills the gym. Only stifled giggles cut through the silence, as with every second, the tension is building.

“Go!”

A multitude of first-graders burst forth from underneath a rainbow colored parachute and run screaming toward all corners of the gym.

Their teacher, Steve Wheeler, lets loose a small smile and watches the chaos unfold. After a brief second, he then goes to work organizing the kids and getting them ready for the next game.

Wheeler, a physical education teacher at Longfellow Elementary School in Bozeman, has been teaching and working with kids for 35 years. He has loved every minute of it.

Wheeler got involved with teaching at a young age. His mother was a teacher, and when he was in high school (at Alfred-Almond Central School), he worked with elementary children in upstate New York with the help of his physical education teacher.

Wheeler said helping kids stay active is one of the perks of his job.“For a lot of these kids, this is the only exercise they will get all day, so it’s fun to keep them moving,” he said. While he tries to keep his students moving for his entire class, the students do their part in keeping him active. “Working with these kids definitely keeps you young,” he said with a grin.

Wheeler started teaching in 1978 and has taught in many schools, but he chose to come back to Longfellow due to the smaller class sizes and greater sense of community. His passion and love for educating and interacting with children is what keep him coming back year after year. “It is definitely the kids that keep me around,” he said.

WE’VE GOT SPIRIT!
HOW ABOUT YOU?

Submitted by Kim Lowrey Gayhart, ‘73

Do you remember pep rallies, Spirit Week, Field Day? In the tradition of these great Alfred-Almond memories, the Alumni Association would like to challenge the honored classes from 1954 – 2004 to take part in a friendly competition to see which class still has the most school spirit.

You may show that spirit by paying your alumni dues, by donating to the scholarship and sports camp funds, by attending the Alumni Banquet, and by encouraging others in your class to attend. The winning class will be rewarded with “bragging rights”, recognition in the Blue and Gold Newsletter, and a surprise to be awarded at the banquet.

Even if you are not in one of this year’s honored classes, you also are encouraged to show your school spirit in the same ways. We are all in this together and the ultimate goal, of course, is to support the students and alumni of Alfred-Almond.

If you would like more information about the Spirit Competition or the honored classes, you may contact Kim Lowrey Gayhart at 607-587-8805 or through email at ajg@eznet.net, or contact your Class Coordinator (see the list in this newsletter).

We’ve got spirit! Yes we do! Go Eagles!!

Compiled from Alumni news returns by Donna B. Ryan, '58

ALUMNI NEWS

Bernadine Davis Williams, '42, Toledo, OH: I was honored twice last year. First one was at the alumni banquet (and what a wonderful one), and the second on becoming a great-great grandma to a little girl. First time.

Janice Pierce Crocker, '43 Kirkwood, NY: So sorry I’m not physically able to take the tour of AACS offered to Alumni on July 27th. I have good memories of the Sept. 2, 1940 day when classes were again there.

Charley Robinson, '44 Gulf Breeze, FL: Greetings from Gulf Breeze, FL. To us it is truly the western gate to the Sunshine State, where thousands live the way millions wish they could. Where the warmth of our community comes not only from God’s great sunshine but from the hearts of the people who live here. Welcome to Gulf Breeze, just across the bay from Pensacola, Florida’s first city and the place where America began. Home to the most beautiful beaches in the world. Pensacola Beach, home to me for 36 years. Come and see for yourself what I have said.

Elaine Gardiner Decker, '45, Joppa, MD: I read all the newsletter. Thanks for a good job.

Frances Brooks Hoffman, '45, Hornell, NY: My brother Walter H. Brooks, 1948 passed away December 24, 2012

Ken J. Wirt, '45, Henrietta, NY: In 2006, after 79 years in NYS, a medical problem sent us to our villa in Florida for 2½ years of pleasant weather, some family and new friends. We returned to Henrietta, NY in Oct. 2012 and reside in a Legacy ‘Independent Living’ apartment off from Erie Station Rd. It is nice to be back home to see more family and renew previous acquaintances. Favorite memories: Winning both the basketball and baseball championships in our district and the baseball championship in Rochester during the 1944-45 season. Sodus beat us 43-42 for the basketball title.

Louis Ben Cornelius, '46, Wellsville, NY: Thank you for allowing me to give credit to my older brothers (in the 2012 newsletter). Sandy’s only son by his second wife got a good education after his death; he is one of three general managers at the new Lowes store in Hornell. I have two grandsons, both college grads who have also done well. The oldest got his masters from AU and works there now as Director of Retention. His younger brother graduated from Ag.Tech and is one of the top machinists at GE Oil & Gas which was previously called Luftkin, here in Wellsville. They have a huge new operation at the Wellsville airport. The oldest boy almost gave up before we urged him to go to Alfred University for his masters, but it worked

out well in the end.

Lockhart Harder, '46, Bath, NY: It is better every year!

Irena Maxine Henry, '47, Hornell, NY: 2013 the last of my twenty-five grandchildren, Allie Katlyn Henry, graduated from AACS and now has a year of college. I have done family tree history for years, which I enjoy very much. Your newsletter is a joy I always look forward to. I truly miss one of my dearest friends, Phyllis Watson Griswold Tinch. I so enjoyed the gathering of our class last year. Thanks to all who spend so much time and work on the alumni board. Very good job.

Daniel '48 and Johanna (Gach) Beckhorn '48, Lake Mary, FL: Favorite memories: Mrs. Violet Sharrett, home ec. teacher, for teaching me to properly darn a sock, a skill worth having. Recycled a sock and learned patience.

Betty Amberg Lawrence '48, Dansville, NY: Great job! I haven’t talked to any people from other high schools that have anything like what AACS has in regard to keeping alumni informed or in contact.

Vic Wirt, '49, Nokomis, FL: Again, thank you all for your great task of keeping us informed!

Donald Armstrong, '50, Stow, OH: Favorite memories: I thought

long and hard about this question. One memory is that we learned square dancing: what a great way to mingle for those of us who are just clumsy! Does our school still make that fun available?

Irene Wheaton George, '50, Almond, NY: You do a great job with this newsletter, I enjoy it very much. I enjoy needle work and helping others.

Bob Studley, '50, Painted Post, NY: Bob’s wife, Mary, wrote: I wanted to let you know that Bob passed away on Feb. 14th. He has had a lot of health problems and most recently he had an aortic valve replaced (Sept,10,2013). He went through that surgery and was doing very well and on 9/11/13 he had a blood clot and they had to do more surgery to get that cleaned out. He was in Strong Memorial Hospital for 10 days and then went to Monroe Community Hospital for another 4 weeks for re-hab and then we went to our daughter’s in Henrietta where he continued therapy for another 4 weeks. We finally got back to our own place on January 11th. He was doing pretty good and was hoping to get around better by the time spring rolled around. I am just so happy that we spent 58 wonderful years together.

Harold '50 and Bev Plank Snyder, '51, Alfred Station, NY: Sixty-two years on Edgewood Farm one mile from Alfred. 20 grandchildren

and 15 great grandchildren. Dancing twice a week with many new friends 60-95 years old. Thankful for our many years of happiness and memories. Favorite memories: Friends, sports and Field Day. Newsletter: Read it from stem to stern when it comes. Grateful for all the time and energy that goes in to a wonderful outcome.

Richard J. McLane, ’51, Chesapeake, VA: Upon graduation I helplessly staggered in a freshman year at Alfred University and decided to enlist in the Navy. After a four-year enlistment as an aviation storekeeper and married to June, I re-enrolled at AU, majored in history and political science, graduation in 1960 with a master’s degree. I taught social studies at East Rochester High School from 1960-1970 and during that time, June and I adopted two children (Cindy and David). We moved from East Rochester to Norfolk, VA in 1970 where I continued my teaching career, retiring in 1994. June was employed on the administrative staff at Old Dominion University and she retired in 1993. We remain active at gardening, home maintenance, and our beloved church. Our greatest reward is living a life blessed by God and family. I received the newsletter this past week and read it from front to back. What a well organized and informative publication. Excellent! . Our E-mail address is r-jmclane@hotmail.com

Anne McIntosh Hardy-Holley, ’52 San Antonio, TX: I do so appreciate the newsletter which reconnects me each year with so many memories of my happy years at AACS. Thank you all who devote your time to this exceptional publication. I thought you might be interested in a little story of

mine. As you may know, I attended Texas A&M some time ago and received my Ph.D. in adult education from there in 1990. There was a woman in my program name Karla Back, and she I became good friends and graduated at the same time. She went her way and I went mine, and where do you suppose she ended up? In the little village of Alfred, NY, teaching at Alfred State College. Ever since then, we have kept in touch – I through reading the Alfred Sun about her children, Nikolas and Allee as they went through AACS and beyond, and she through my emails to her. So now there is a connection with you as Karla told me that Allee spoke at the AACS alumni reunion banquet. She was impressed with organization and you who keep it going so faithfully. Karla told me that she and Peter were so moved by Allee’s presentation and that I may see it in the next alumni newsletter. I hope so. They are lovely people. What a nice coincidence that they ended up in my home area. It really is a small world.

Gene Johnson, ’52, Rochester, NY: Great job!

Everett ’52 and Barbara Warren Harris, ’53, Wakefield, RI: Wonderful job the group does getting this all together!

Sean Jennings, son of RoseMarie Emerson Jennings, ’53 I just wanted to let you know that I did see the article you included in the Blue and Gold alumni newsletter about mom’s yearbooks. I traveled home (to the Rochester area) to see family toward the end of June and Aunt Shirley mentioned the article which she later sent to me in the mail. Thanks again for including that. I hope it reached a wide audience

and let others know that yearbooks always have a purpose, even decades after their final printing!

Patricia Spaine Curran, ’53, Alfred, NY: Finishing fifth book in my family genealogy series. Very busy with church and its OP Shop! Favorite memories: Jack in sports-- Me in cheerleading. The walk home after getting off the bus in Alfred. Our Jericho Hill group (Snyders, Spaines, Pierces, Smiths and Bakers) walked home together, dropping off at each home, sometimes freezing-but wonderful memories. Newsletter: Wonderful. Don’t know how you out do yourselves every year.

Meredith Drake Hurst, ’53, Weatogue, CT: Keep up the good work! So sorry I can’t be there for the reunion!

Nelson ’53 and Amanda Stevens Snyder, ’60, Alfred Station, NY: Thank you for the hard work, Donna and team, for a great newsletter! Nelson and I are pleased to be able to support the graduates and their families for their future educations, musical, art and sports camps. On a trip to see our daughter, Melissa, ’82 and Rod Noel’s daughter graduate from Elon, NC, we got to meet two of her teachers; Bill Webb, ’82 and Rick Earl, ’82. On our way home we visited with Kimberly Gesner Cheek, ’89 and family. With an overnight in Winchester, VA, we visited Shirley MacIntosh Ballard, ’53 and son Jim. The alumni directory that our classes have received from AA AA is a helpful tool for connections. Favorite memories; Amanda- Miss Mullen, 1st grade; Miss Sanford, 2nd; Mrs. Ells, 4th; Mrs. Williams, 5th; Mrs Mensinger, 6th; Mrs Deverell, 8th & 9th social

studies, a very sincere, dedicated teacher; Miss Thomas-English and French (found out my grandmother H. Gertrude Batcheller Allen was Miss Thomas’ teacher at Alfred High School); Mr. Gerace-Physics. I can’t forget all the plays, music teachers, especially Mrs. Pulos in grade school, chorus (Jan Moran) and band (Mr. Al Schmidt) teachers. All these people were so supportive and encouraged me to go on to college. Favorite memories: Nelson- Miss Burlingame who was his 4th & 5th grade teacher; all the sports and music trips; plays and musicals; good friends, good times and good education.

Gladys Pierce Payne, ’54, Leesburg, FL: Favorite memories: From kindergarten to graduation, I found joy in every year. I have so many wonderful memories of friends who started or joined our class over the thirteen years. The musicals (and the literally dozens of times Mrs. Pulos accompanied my sister, Mig Amato, and me at school talent shows and many, many other occasions where we were asked to sing. Her kindness was beyond measure.) The school plays; one especially memorable when Phil Baker was supposed to catch me when I fainted in a scene and he “wasn’t there”. I can still hear the laughter of the cast and Mr. Willard, who was our director that year. Actually, I found it hilarious too, after I picked myself up unharmed. The Field Days, the pep rallies, the fun on the bus rides to and from the basketball games and having the blessing of being a cheerleader for the great AACS teams. Then there were the yearly Student Council elections when the presidential candidates paraded before school in the halls where banners,

BECOMING THE VILLAGE POTTER: A REVIEW

by Jeanette Burdick Retorick, ‘57

First, let me thank **Andy Phelan, ’61**, for writing this wonderful biography of the life of his father, Linn L. Phelan. It brought back many memories of my favorite AACS high school teacher, Mr. Phelan. Due to information I gleaned from Mr. Phelan’s art class and Mrs. Crusen’s homemaking class, I was able to earn a full scholarship to Doyle Beauty School, in Buffalo, NY.

I had dreams of becoming an artist, but the closest I came to that goal was to become a very successful self-employed cosmetologist for some twenty years: first in my hometown of Alfred, New York and later, when my three children were all school-age and no longer dependent upon full-time child care, I moved my salon to my home in Hornell, NY. Thus, I could be home to see my children off to school and also to welcome them home at the end of the day.

I remember one important lesson Mr. Phelan taught me: to keep a pad and pencil at my bedside, because some of our best thoughts come when sleeping, and we should get up and make notes before the idea(s) could be forgotten. How true: I remember one time in particular when I had an idea for a three-dimensional project and was able to create this from my notes.

There was another time when I was on the staff for our 1957 Alcen. Mr. Phelan encouraged me to make some drawings for the cover of this book, but I was very bashful and lacking in self-confidence and therefore did not share my drawings with the committee. We picked an already designed cover. Mr. Phelan was disappointed with our choice and told the committee that I had designed some appropriate covers: why weren’t they considered? The staff informed him that they never saw the drawings, which was true. How different the 1957 Alcen might have been had I had the courage to submit my drawings. Water over the bridge and a missed opportunity for me.

I highly recommend this book for anyone who ever knew Mr. Phelan or had an interest in the Art world.

(Ed. note: This book can be purchased through the Almond Historical Society for \$40 plus S&H by contacting Donna B. Ryan, PO Box 236, Almond, New York 14804 leedonna.ryan@gmail.com),

Muhleisen & Holmok Named All-Americans by USCAA

by Paul Welker: Alfred State SID

Alfred State sophomores Kali Muhleisen (Alfred Almond) and Hannah Holmok (Alfred Almond) were named All-American by the USCAA. Muhleisen was a 1st team while Holmok was named 2nd team.

Muhleisen led the Lady Pioneers in scoring for the second straight year. She netted 21 goals and passed out two assists. Nine of her goals were game winners. Her best game was vs. SUNY Canton when she scored three times and passed out an assist. She found the back of the net more than once in a game seven times.

This follows a freshmen season in which she scored 31 times and passed out eight assists en route to being named 1st team NJCAA DIII All-American.

Holmok was second on the Lady Pioneers with 19 points. She scored five times and passed out a team high nine assists. Her best game of the year came at Jamestown CC when she scored once and passed out three assists. At the USCAA Championships, Holmok scored in both of the Lady Pioneers contests.

During her freshmen season, Holmok scored 12 goals and had six assists. She was named a 2nd team NJCAA DIII All-American.

The Lady Pioneers were 12-5-1 on the year and advanced to the semifinals of the USCAA National Championships.

AA BANQUET ANNOUNCEMENTS

AG TECH BANQUET FACILITIES HANDICAP ACCESSIBLE: This entrance is located on the UPPER DRIVE. There is also an elevator on the who can’t climb stairs.

BUS TRANSPORTATION FOR BANQUET ATTENDEES: Thanks to AACS District Superintendent Rich Calkins, a school bus will be available to give you a ride from the campus parking lots to Central Dining Hall. Just park your car and watch for the bus!

Please consider the Alfred-Almond Alumni Association in your estate planning. The AA AA is a 501 (c) 3 corporation

Does your company offer matching funds for your charitable giving? Please consider that possibility when sending your gifts to the Alfred-Almond Alumni Association.

RAFFLE 2013: A GREAT SUCCESS!

By Kathy Curran Snyder, ‘68

Our annual banquet raffle is always a big success, averaging ticket sales of \$1000, which are used to support our scholarship funds. In 2013 we changed our “pot-luck” raffle into a Chinese Auction, in which we had a record number of participants, including many AA Alumni. Banquet attendees could take a chance on winning any of 20 bags or baskets filled with various items and gift certificates.

Local artisan shops that donated their wares included Celtic Woodcraft (Alec MacCrea ’01), Len Curran Artistic Jewelry, Santanoni Glass, and Sundance Forge. Ceramic mugs by sculptress Tracy Teagarden ’02 perfectly complemented a coffee maker from Alfred Pharmacy, and a beautiful handmade purse from Louise Newman Schwartz ’60 was filled with Scentsations products from The Nail & Waxing Parlor and a 31 travel pack given by Kate Crandall Palmer ’96. Liz Rossington Cronin’s handmade wine tote was tucked into a wine basket from West Side Wine & Spirits (Kathy Curran Snyder ’68). AA alumni authors Adam Gayhart ’01, John David Fenner ’54, Harold Snyder ’50, and William Pulos ’73 generously donated books to be included in the auction.

Faithful annual donations were a stained glass ‘A’ from Gummer’s Glass (Gary Ordway ’71), beautiful flower arrangement bowls from Hillbottom Pottery (Bruce Greene – Faculty), and an herb garden from Comes Greenhouse. Soft leather gloves from Deerskin Products (Gary and Mary Jane Lloyd – Faculty) went into a yarn basket from Alfred Knitting Studios. Soft alpaca socks from Fiber Factory, embroidered or printed items from Kampus Kave (Marc Rawady ’66), Alfred Sports Center (Phil Curran ’71), AU Barnes & Nobel, and Alfred State College Bookstore joined Pampered Chef products from Jenny Ryan Baker ’81, beauty products from Hott Spot (Mike Green ’81) and merchandise from Tinkertown Hardware and Hair Care. A special offering came from Anne Mills Fewster ’68, who brought two souvenir filled baskets from Canada. Sweet local treats donated were Honeypot Candy from Connie McGraw ’76 and maple syrup from Fran Clancy ’57 and Don Jefferds ’60.

Service and merchandise certificates were included, donated by: Alfred Auto, Flint’s Auto Center, Alfred Hair & Spa, Barb’s Creative Hair, Bicycle Man (Peter Stull ’74), Canacadea Country Store, Kimberley’s Hair Salon, Mullen Carpets, Renewal Wellness Center, and Way To Gro Greenhouse.

Every bag contained at least one certificate for excellent local food provided by: Big Dipper (Dick Stuart ’70), Collegiate Restaurant & Terra Cotta Coffee House (John Ninos ’73), Fox’s Pizza (Cameron Duke ’07), Hedgerow Bakery (Jamie’68 and Peggy Brown ’85 Eisenhardt), Kinfolk Natural Foods, Little Sicily, Muhleisen’s Restaurant, Quest Farm Produce, and Uncle Alfred’s Sub Shop.

Rather than go into the auction, an Eagle statue donated by Leathersich Antiques (Carl ’60 and Jan Burdett ’62 Leathersich) was presented to the oldest alumnus in attendance, Bill Crandall, from the Class of ’38. He looks like he should belong to the Class of ’58!

During dinner, tickets were sold for a 50/50 raffle, which was won by Steve Reitnauer from the Class of 78, who very graciously donated half of his winnings back to the AAAA.

We are very appreciative of the businesses and people from our community who support our organization so faithfully.

Our Love Story

Marilyn Zirkelbach and Jim Habern, AACS Class of 1960



Jim and Marilyn Habern Jim Habern grew up in Thacherville, and I (Marilyn Zirkelbach) grew up in Almond. We, of course, attended Alfred Almond Central, were in the graduating class of 1960; but never dated each other. We went our separate ways: Jim into the Marines and later into the police force, and then settled in VA. I ended up in Rochester, NY working at Kodak. We both married and life went on.

In 1982, I thought it would be nice to attend the Alfred Almond alumni reunion and find out what former classmates were doing. So my husband, Jesse, my sister Patti (Zirkelbach Dye), ’50, and I went back for our first time reunion. Jim in VA also thought he would return for his first class reunion. It was at the Moose Club in Hornell, and Jim met up with the three of us. Being “newbies”, the three of us kind of hung out together. Over the years we would meet up at the reunions and again life went on.

In 2007 Jim lost his wife Peggy to cancer, and in 2010 I lost Jesse to cancer. Jim had returned that year for our 50th class reunion and learned of Jesse’s death.

In October of 2012, Jim’s name came to my mind, and I wondered what he was doing. So I went on the computer to check out where he was living, thought about contacting him, but chickened out. Unbeknownst to me, Jim was curious as to what I was doing, and so he contacted fellow classmate Pat Wasson, ’60, who gave Jim my e-mail address. (Thank God for E-mail). On November 10, 2012 I was checking my e-mail and about fell over when I saw a message from “James Habern”. I knew it was not a coincidence; the Lord had HIS hand on this. We e-mailed back and forth over the following months, and now and then would talk on the phone.

Easter of 2013 was coming up and my sister Patti was coming to stay at my home. Jeannie (Carpenter), ’64, and Bob Brown and Bev (Allen), ’58, and Woody Schmidt were in the mobile home park where I live in FL, and we were getting together for Easter, along with others. So I invited Jim to join us, And HE DID. It didn’t take long, before we knew we had something very special, so more e-mails and visits.

Jim asked me to marry him on June 22, 2013. We were married on Nov. 30, 2013, and Pat Wasson was at our wedding!!! Thank You Pat, and that is our story.

posters and balloons were displayed while some of the band members played. I had the privilege during my sophomore and senior years of delivering the “running candidate’s” speech that was given just before the voting was done. I was very happy to see them each win. Especially my senior year, as the candidate was my husband to be, five years later. We also had the fun of looking forward to a movie each year at the end of final exams in the school gym/auditorium. That was in the days before TV. (I believe they ended the year after we graduated with the showing of “The Babe Ruth Story”) And even if we might like to forget, there were the visits to the school dentist, the eye exams and the dreaded immunization shots (with everyone trying to be “brave”), we had art and music every week which today would not be “in the budget”. How blessed I am to have been born in the “good ole days”. Newsletter: Thanks for all the hard work you faithfully do each year!!!

Kenneth Stebbins, ’54, Olean, NY: I have recently moved and now live on Wolf Creek road, in Cuba, NY. It’s out in the country as the address sounds, and we love it. The ‘we’ is me and my special friend Nell Stocum. Favorite memories: All the friends, no cliques, just friendly people. That hasn’t changed through the years. Newsletter: I have seen other alumni associations through my family and none can compare to the high quality of the AAAA or the alumni weekend. By the way, the 4 A’s is probably more than I got in four years of AACS High School.

Betsey Burdett Stout, ’54, Canandaigua, NY: We received the AA Alumni newsletter on Saturday and have enjoyed reading it. It’s

a great newsletter and you do a great job. It helps hold the organization together. We all enjoy reading about AA people we have known and learning about others we have not previously known. I am looking forward to the reunion in 2014. It will be my 60th. I hope a lot of classmates will attend.

Fred VanOrman, ’54, Vassalboro, ME: Wonderful job on the newsletter. So enjoy reading it cover to cover.

Ruth Watson, ’54, Olean, NY: Play golf – Tour

Phil Baker, ’54, Washington, DC: Received the AAAA newsletter today and sat right down and read it through. Always a pleasure to stay in touch this way with so many familiar names of friends from oh so many years ago at AACS!

Merrilyn Campbell Barney, ’55, Frederick, MD: I am now a full-time caregiver for my husband Bob, who suffered a stroke in Oct. 2011. It’s not the easiest of jobs, but he is a very patient patient! Favorite memories: The day we had a field trip behind the school and boys picked and ate leeks. School bus windows were all open that afternoon! Newsletter: A wonderful source for keeping in touch with my hometown. I was really impressed with young Nico Sluyter-Beltrao’s remarks about Alfred-Almond. Helen Thomas would have been so impressed with his language skills!

I read the newsletter from cover to cover, forward and backward. I’m right back in Alfred when I’m doing that! Thanks for another fantastic newsletter.

Audrey L. Burrow, ’55, Vancouver, WA: I have been enjoying retirement, keeping busy with family (ever expanding), church, and crafting. Still sort of active in spite of joint replacement. Favorite memories: English literature, Mr. Phelan’s art class, Mr. Torrey’s history class, especially American history. This is a most excellent endeavor on all participants, fulfilling many young peoples’ dreams.

Ann Parish Rogers, ’55, Mesa, AZ: After 45 years in Arizona, our home is for sale and we are working our way to the East coast. As much as we hate to leave, it is time to move closer to our family. Our closest relatives are in S Carolina and Florida. Hope to see some familiar faces when the time comes. Thanks to many years of faithful alumni papers and the “Blue and Gold” we have been able to keep pretty good track of many. What a wonderful job they have and are doing!

Jeanette Burdick Retorick, ’57, Harpers Ferry, WV: 20 years as self-employed hairdresser,10 years FDA Consumer Safety Technician; Campfire Girls leader, 2 yrs. Single parent of three. Real estate agent, two years. Youth fellowship counselor, 1994 retired to Harpers Ferry, WV with love of my life Bill. Now spending children’s inheritance updating our house to make our “golden” years a little more “golden”. Favorite memories: FHA, Mrs Crusen’s homemaking classes and Mr. Phelan’s art classes, whose training helped me earn a full scholarship to Doyle Beauty School. Newsletter: Great job AAAA for a thankless job of keeping us all informed. Love the well-done newsletter; read it front to back as soon as it arrives (several times).

Beth Jacox Slack, ’57, Wellsville, NY: Thanks for all you do to keep AACS memories and friendships alive!!

Mig Pierce Amato, ’58, Leesburg, FL: Favorite memories: Friendships - I read somewhere “Friends are gifts. Cherish them.” and I do.

Ann Langer Carmin, ’58, Maumee, OH: Favorite memories: Fifty five years later, my favorite memories are special school mates that make my heart sing when having happy thoughts about special times with them long ago. Wow! As a retired teacher I’ve seen many school newsletters. AACS alumnus’ Donna, Kathy are tops!

Edythe Allen Monahan, ’58, Leroy, NY: Enjoy working in my garden and outdoor landscaping. Baking, but not as much as I used to do. Enjoy the grandchildren and great-grandchildren who are growing way tooo fast and doing their thing in life. Really enjoy car shows in custom cars my Larry builds!! Always a great job on newsletter. Kudos to all for their hardwork.

Shirley Watson Morey, ’58, Hornell, NY: Still doing real estate. Glad to see everyone at the alumni dinner! Favorite memories: The original part of the school, the gymnasium and stage, also the cafeteria. Liked gym class and basketball. Field Day was always good. Nice newsletter, I read it several times.

Shirley Emerson Pickering, ’58, Rochester, NY: Retired Rochester General Hospital. Hospice volunteer, Red Hat group, was a bow hunter, scout leader, coached soccer,

softball and basketball for town athletic assn. Currently am active at YMCA-water aerobics. Favorite memories: The cookies Bachelor Club used to make and sell. Band: especially St. Pat's and Memorial Day parades; first swim team at AACS; most of all the friendships. Newsletter: It's great: I really appreciate all the updates.

Bonnie Allen, '59 Cushing, TX: A great job well done on this year's newsletter. I enjoy reading the letter very much.

George Moraitis, '59 Fort Lauderdale, FL: Favorite memories: Great school; great friends; great teachers. Newsletter: Great job

Marilyn Zirkelbach Cimino, '60, Lakeland, FL: Excellent.

Sandy Perry Hackett, '60, Almond, NY: Great newsletter and association. Always fun to hear from other alumni. We were part of a wonderful community.

Virginia Saltzer McInnis, '60, Wayland, NY: Retired; Four grandchildren, three children; Sabrina Cronin, Syracuse, NY; Michael McInnis, NYC; Brigitte McInnis-Day in Media, PA. Winters in Wayland and summers at camp at Black Lake, NY. Favorite memories: Many favorite memories, the most memorable ones did not come from books or homework. The memories are very dear to me and they are from Mr. Torrey and history class and Mr. Phelan and his bow ties and our art classes. All of the knowledge that gave me for my future life. I live with it every day. Re: AAAA – Look forward to the newsletter every year. Great job and a big thank you to all who make in possible. Love reading it: brings back so many wonderful memories.

Carl '60 and Jan (Burdett) Leathersich, '62, Canisteo, NY: Carl retired from the Gunlocke Co 2001. Jan semi-retired; nutritionist for the Office for the Aging part-time. Buy, restore and sell antiques and collectibles. Love being with our family (three adult children and seven grandchildren) our faith community, friends and loved ones. Volunteer activities with AAAA. Hobbies: singing in Maple City Barbershop Chorus-Officer, working in woodshop, gourmet cooking and travel. Favorite memories: Band, chorus, sports events. We were blessed to be with our friends and classmates from K-12 in our great school with caring teachers and staff. Newsletter: Terrific and informative newsletter and AAAA work. We know it's a tremendous undertaking and we appreciate all your hard work! Congratulations for very successful reunions, generous scholarships and donations etc.

Martha (Martie) Clair Mickle, '61 Zephyrhills, FL: Favorite memories: Ms. Mullen first grade. She was wonderful. Also Mr. Clicquennoi coming into our class to introduce himself and said he would learn our names before we could spell his! How true. Also in grade school, going to the gym to watch a baseball game on TVs that were set up on the stage. Of course we had to be quiet – not a small request for some of us. Newsletter: Excellent once again.

Megan Greene Shook, '61, Baltimore, MD: I retired in January and am re-inventing my life, trying to keep a balance between fun and service! It's wonderful to have time to play bridge, workout, cook, socialize, garden, etc. Get a lot of

pleasure from newsletter.

Jim & Melanie Bey, '62, Venice, FL: I am mostly retired. We live in Florida about nine months a year (no state income tax). As I try to slow down, my children in our business continue to expand and grow the business. I try to play golf three times a week. We love our beaches and laid back lifestyle in Venice, FL. Favorite memories: I have great memories of all the sporting events, especially the basketball season. The newsletter is great. It is really informative and does a good job of tying the AACS community together.

Bill Frechette, '62 Easley, SC: Awesome newsletter! Great AAA Association. None finer anywhere.

Audrey Hunt Eno, '62, Newaygo, MI: Excellent newsletter! Good to see photos and information about alumni and the school.

Dorothy Snyder Goodridge, '62, Dover, NH: What a great job on the newsletter! It gets better every year. Thanks to all who work so diligently to make it fun and so informative!

John Lewis Sr. '62, Edgewater, FL: It is good to get the newsletter which helps keep us up on news of all our classmates. Keep up the great work. I enjoy this in my retirement years.

Susan Thomas Shaffer '64 Rochester, NY: Great newsletter as always! Looking forward to our 50th in 2014.

Cynthia Rogers Rudolph, '64, Norwood, MA: It's been nearly 50 years for the class of '64, yet many memories of AACS are clear as ever! Mr. Phelan--all that he was (and still

is); a very pregnant Mrs. McEvoy playing volleyball in gym class with us; stern but lovable Mr. and Mrs. Stillman; the ever prim-dressed in white Miss Lilly and the various selections of cafeteria food. Remember the Neapolitan ice cream wrapped in paper blocks and the ice cold ten-cent bottles of milk? I work full time in a library and also do art and calligraphy. Hope to see many of my classmates in 2014.

Joan Davis, '65, Rochester, NY: Semi-retired; work 20 hours/week at Valley Manor on East Ave. as office assistant to VP and Exec. Director – love it. Favorite memories: Cheerleading; Memorial Day parades as a majorette; Field Day.

Steve Patton, '65, Houston, TX: As always love to read all the info; everyone does a great job! Thanks.

Andrew Stevens, '65, Gary, TX: Started working as soon as my dad thought I was able to help him in Stevens Garage, which I did unwillingly, but am glad I learned as much as I did. Joined the US Navy in their 120-day delay entry program. Active duty from January 1966 through November 1969. Boot Camp at Great Lakes Illinois, then Class A school in Pensacola FL. 25 months in Kamisaya Japan as a CT (R) branch. Held a top secret security clearance my entire time in the Navy. After my tour in Japan, my final tour was on Adak, Alaska, which is one of the Aleutian Islands. Worked for Dad at Stevens Garage. Worked part time at Tech Lanes with John Gorton as my boss. Worked at AACS as a custodian/ bus driver. One year college at Ag. Tech. (Deans list). Married January 7, 1977 to Carol Lewis. Moved to

HOW TO DOUBLE YOUR DONATION TO THE AAAA

by Donna B. Ryan , '58

When the AAAA received a very generous donation from AutoZone CFO Bill Giles, '77, we were thrilled: But soon after that, we received a matching gift from his company! What a great way to capitalize on one's giving! Thank you, Bill, one of our elite Triple Eagle contributors!

In an email, Bill encouraged the AAAA to “increase the awareness that many companies match their employees' contributions. The purpose as I see it is that rather than the company trying to determine what organizations to donate to, they in essence allow their employees to choose and then the company matches it. I always remember where I came from and the life experiences I had at AA that contributed to many of the successes I have had throughout my life. So when I have the opportunity to give back and help others walking a similar path, I am more than happy to do so. Let me know if there is ever anything I can do to help. Good luck and thank you for all that you do to support the AAAA.”

According to Great Non-Profits blog, “At least \$10 billion in workplace matching funds go unclaimed each year; often, corporate employees do not even know about the opportunity for their employer to match their charitable gifts. In response, we've released the 2012 List of Top 100 Corporate Giving Programs. Matching donation programs are a big part of corporations' social responsibility initiatives, but awareness of them is often shockingly low. As a result, billions of dollars that can go to deserving non-

profits, towards vital social programs, are never distributed.” For example, if you work for Bank of America and you donate \$250 to a the AAAA, Bank of America will “double the donation” by writing a check for \$250 to us!

How you can help the AAAA: Donors / employees go through the following three-step process to submit matching gifts:

1. Make a donation to the Alfred Almond Alumni Association (we are 501 c3 organization)
2. Determine if your employer offers a matching gift programs.
3. Locate and submit the appropriate matching gift form from your company.

When the matching gift form is received by the AAAA, we will verify that you actually made the donation and submit the form back to the company. Then they send their matching gift to us!

It's east – simple – but we need to have YOU, our donors, take that step of checking with your HR office and see if the matching gift program is in place.

Here are a few of the myriad companies who offer this matching gift benefit:

General Electric
Ford
IBM
AT&T
Pepsi Co.
Merck & Co.
Phillip Morris International
Walt Disney
McDonald's
Occidental Petroleum
United Technologies Corp.
Target Corp.
Wells Fargo
Pfizer
Mondelez International
Coca Cola
Bank of America
Emerson Electric Company
Berkshire Hathaway
Lockheed Martin
Johnson & Johnson
Eli Lilly and Company
Verizon Communications
Microsoft
Dell

MY TRIP BACK “HOME” FOR MY 60TH CLASS REUNION

By Elaine Schnautz Eggleston, '53

When my daughter, Kathryn, announced she would accompany me from my home in Stockton, CA to my 60th reunion, I was elated. I don't do freeways or drive after dark. We planned two extra days for traveling. Arriving in Canisteo at the Victorian B&B at midnight we crawled in for some sleep.

The next day we drove thru Hornell, Almond, Alfred Station and into Alfred. We went up Jericho Hill to find Nelson Snyder's home and he was in his driveway. He didn't look much different than he did the last time I saw him. (By the way, he and Amanda visited us in Stockton many years ago.) Then we ventured on to find Bob Baker's home.

We checked out the corner where I used to live in Alfred Station where there is no house. Kathryn wanted to see Hartsville Hill where we used to ride down on a bob sled. Crazy.

It was fun just trying to get my bearings and remembering where friends used to live. We even drove into the Almond Dam entrance and realized it was a road to nowhere.

We had lunch at the Collegiate in Alfred and visited Patty's (Curran) family in their store. Renewing friendships at Bob's, Nelson's and Doris' (Martin) gave us a great opportunity to again see old friends. After about fifteen minutes, it was like all of those years in between disappeared. What a wonderful experience. The time was too short and went too fast.

I'm so glad we made that trip and got to see so many of our classmates. Kathryn enjoyed herself as she checked pictures in the Alcen we took along and matched them to the "living legends".

When we arrived home, Kathryn put together a photo book for me with all of the pictures she took and the ones Bob sent.

A wonderful time to remember.

DEICHMANNS
RECEIVE HOPE
AWARD

Compiled by Donna B. Ryan, '58

Chuck, '82 and Julia Schmidt Deichmann, '85, owners of Willow Creek Farm on Rt 244 in Belmont, were recipients of the prestigious Horizon Organic Producer Education (HOPE) Award presented during the September 2013 Farm Aid concert in Saratoga Springs.

Willie Nelson (yes – THE Willie Nelson) is president of Farm Aid, which fosters connections between farmers and eaters by growing local and regional food systems and promoting good food from family farms. A crowd of 25,000 people attended the 2013 Farm Aid music and food festival, which lasted nearly 12 hours at Saratoga Performing Arts Center.

The Deichmann family received this year's HOPE award for its community involvement, ongoing support for farmers interested in transitioning to organic and their innovation in being the first organic dairy farm in the country to install robotic milkers. They have also helped establish the organic dairy farming community in Western New York.

Currently the Willow Creek Farm owns 100 cows which they raise from birth. In 2007, to aid in efficient production

of their product, a machine, which Chuck refers to as a "Robot" was purchased. The cows are trained to enter the machine where their individual numbered tag is read. The information is then transferred into a computer, which determines if the cow is ready for milking. When in the machine, the cow is fed, her udders cleaned and milked. Two robots are currently owned by Willow Creek Farm and they produce 60 pounds of milk per cow, per day. Within a year, the Deichmanns produce 1.8 million pounds of milk for Horizon Organic that is sold in stores throughout New York State.

Throughout the year, the Deichmanns host field days, pasture walks and school tours of their 365-acre Willow Creek Farm to help educate families and other farmers about organic agriculture and sustainable practices. Chuck has served as a valuable resource to countless farmers, both those interested in transitioning to organic and those interested in adding robotic milkers to their operation. The family has nationally represented organic farming, including hosting Senator Hillary Clinton at their farm in 2005. Chuck also spoke at the Organic Trade Association's conference last year in



Washington, D. C.

Julia is also an advocate for healthy eating habits for children as a teacher in her community and within the organic industry. "It's great to produce a product that we feel really good about and that consumers want," Chuck Deichmann said.

A trip out to Willow Creek Farm proves very interesting. They now have two robotic milkers and another robot that pushes feed to cows in the barn. It is a family operation, with their children involved: Josh, 18, Michael, 16, Alexis, 11 and Zachary, 14. In addition, Julia is in her 24th year as an elementary educator, and presently teaches 5th grade at Genesee Valley Central School (Belmont/Angelica).



Houston in June of 1977. Graduated Columbia School of Broadcasting in Houston in 1978. Worked as disc jockey in Lufkin, TX for several years at country stations. Worked as a class A machine operator for Lufkin Industries until the oil downturn of the early 1980's. Worked as a forklift operator for a grocery warehouse in Lufkin, then as receiving foreman for several years. (total 15 yrs) Volunteered at KAVX KSWP Christian radio for over 10 years as a disc jockey. Part time rural letter carrier in Nacogdoches, TX. Took city carrier test in 1998 and hired for the Center, TX Post Office. Became disabled in June 2007, but had vacation/sick time enough so I left the USPS in 2008. Lost my wife of nearly 35 years due to cancer August 7, 2011. We have two wonderful children, Rachel Fisher of Nacogdoches and Jeremy Stevens of Ft. Carson, CO., two grandsons Phoenix Conditt of Nacogdoches and Joshua Stevens of CO. Favorite memories: I loved AACS, especially the last four years during which time John Sharrett and I were best friends. The time Dale Baker and I were sent by Miss Moran to one of the kindergarten classes because we were acting childish. We were in 9th grade chorus. We got to play with little kids. In our senior year, Mr. Clicquennoi caught me with a squirt gun squirting Dale Baker thru the vents in the door to the men's room. Teddy Bear Bill McAlee caught me smoking in the boys' room. "Expletive deleted..... Stevens, your pants are on fire." (they weren't). I did learn many things throughout my years at AACS. Thanks to Mrs. Burdett who took time to come to my house to help me learn to read. Thanks to Mrs. Stillman for letting me check out books from the "adult" section while

I was still in Junior High. These two ladies instilled a love of reading in me which I still have. Mr. Torrey: "We hold these truths to be self evident". Last but not least my thanks to Mrs. Deverell for giving me a love of history. I love the AAAA newsletter; just wish I were closer so I could help with it.

Gerrit Benjamins, '66, North Ft Myers, FL: Retired field service manager and head of electrical engineering department. Designed, built and commissioned \$10 million machinery lines in USA, South America, Far East and Europe. Now living in sunny Florida and playing tennis four days a week. Favorite memories: Mr Gerace's science class; radio club; rock and roll band "The Bloomin' Idiots"; swim team. Newsletter: Looking better all the time, Great job!!!

Dave Bordeaux, '66 Almond, NY: I have been retired for seven years, enjoying golf and my six grandchildren. Favorite memories: Art trips with Mr. Phelan. Always enjoy the newsletter. Keep up the good work!!

Joanne Burdick, '66, Allegany, NY: Retiring as of Sept. 1, 2013. Moving to Cortland, NY to be closer to my daughter, Robin, and son-in-law Dan and 2-year old twin grandsons Dawson and Devin.

Linda Stearns Conner, '66, LaFayette, IN: Retiring as of 7/13/2013 after 35 years at Purdue University. Last position: Director of Student Services for the College of Health and Human Sciences. Received Special Boilermaker Award for 2012. All my siblings, their spouses, our son and nephew attended the football game when the award was announced. A great time was

had by all!!!.

William Parish, '66, Mechanicsburg, PA: I retired December 2012. I now work part-time as a taxpayer advocate representing taxpayers before the IRS. I am an IRS enrolled agent and fellow of the National Tax Practice Institute (NTPI). I now live in Mechanicsburg, PA near my daughter, Christine. Favorite memories: Field Day.

Susan Snyder Meacham, '67, Alfred, NY: Great job on the newsletter!

Robert 'Bob' Ormsby, '67, Alfred Station, NY: Still working. Growing potatoes. Put in a new house here on my six acres of the home farm. At present on the ballot as candidate for Alfred Town Board; Fall election 2013. Favorite memories: One principal, one guidance counselor. One FFA, one FHA, one gymnasium/ auditorium, one cafeteria. Oh, by the way, over 1000 students K-12 in a building less than one half the current size building. Oh well, onward and upward. Congratulations on all the improvements and achievements. Excellent newsletter.

Carol M. Clarke, '68, Branchport, NY: Favorite memories: Drama Club with Helene Phelan. Senior play "Berkeley Square" in "period" dress, powdered wigs and floor length dresses. Newsletter: Great job! Thank you!

Anne Mills Fewster, '68, Caledon, ON. Canada: Retired in 2010 after 20 years with the Town of Caledon. Started as an instructor and personal trainer and was program coordinator for the fitness component, Fun & Fitness. Favorite memories: Field Day-gym class. I really enjoy

reading the newsletter. It always takes me back to my roots. Thank you to the tireless efforts of the AAAA volunteers – particularly Kathy Curran Snyder. Kathy is the glue that keeps our class together.

Sue Stockweather Graves, '68, Mendon, NY: Proud to be a grandma of eight and happy to enjoy quieter days in Mendon and Lake Wylie, SC. Wish my grandchildren could go to Alfred-Almond! Favorite memories: Looking back and remembering the love, discipline and security of being part of such "bigger than life events at the time!!" Newsletter: Cannot thank you all enough as you keep the "threads of life alive and well for so many", for all of us far and away, my hat goes off to you!!

Sally Thomas Mayes, '68, Mendon, NY: I retired from the Eastman Kodak Company in 2011 after 40 years. Now I am loving my free time, although there are plenty of items on my "To Do" List. We are so fortunate to have a dedicated newsletter team. Great Job!

Christine Hanks McCabe, '68, Fulton, NY: Retired from Oswego County Sheriff's Dept. in 2012. For fun. I march with the Island Band, well known in this area We march at every 6:00 parade at the State Fair in Syracuse. Also sing with the Alfred Alumni Jazz Choir (Alfred State). Concert every April at Orvis. Favorite memories: I struggled, but loved my teachers. I do remember, though, singing in talent shows and at our graduation. Also had a good senior trip. We had a good class. Newsletter: I know this is a lot of work. You all do a great job. Enjoy reading about other alumni.

Debby Thompson ’68, Hornell, NY: The old adage holds true! “If you want something done, ask a busy person!” Thanks to Kathy Curran Snyder, Donna B. Ryan and all of the folks who work so hard to put this newsletter out, and keep us informed on the rest of our alumni!

Elyn Lewis, ’69, Hillsboro, OR: Retired nurse practitioner. We have become “snowbirds” dividing our time between Oregon and Arizona. We recently became grandparents and the baby boy lives in Portland, Oregon with his parents. Thanks for the newsletter! I read it all.

Barb Snyder Welch, ’69, Arkport, NY: Thanks for another great job on the newsletter. I read Rheubena Potter Knapp’s note and was impressed that she graduated from Almond High School in 1935. She lived below Anna McCormick at the Canisteo Manor, and she was loved and enjoyed at the Manor for many years. I am writing to let you know that her note is now posthumous. She died on April 20, 2013 at 97, and they just had her memorial service last weekend. She was affectionately called Benie. I am sharing this with you for inclusion in your archives. I also need to inform you that Ruth Sherwood Wilson also graduated with Benie in the class of 1935, and she died at 96 on October 9, 2012. She also was a close friend of mine. Thanks for all the details you pull together for the A-A alumni. Your diligence and faithfulness is greatly appreciated.

Alyce Lewis Carpenter, ’70, Wellsville, NY: Great job on the newsletter; always enjoy reading it as soon as it comes!

Dr. Lisa Turner, ’70, Hayesville, NC: Currently a manufacturing engineer for MOOG Inc., in Murphy, NC. I am responsible for the manufacture of the all-electric brake motor components of the Boeing 787. I reside in the Town of Hayesville with my husband, Jerry, who restores antique aircraft. I am also an FAA licensed aircraft and powerplant mechanic, and have built and flown two experimental aircraft. As a columnist for a local paper in Hayesville, I write about technology, gadgets, do-it-yourself projects and home maintenance.

Leslie Bloomquist Taylor, ’72 Bakersfield, CA: Had a great time at the banquet last year (2012) and looking forward to our next trip East.... Newsletter: Great as always. So happy to be able to buy Alcens to complete my “library”, Thanks, Donna and Lee!

Elizabeth Galle Cole, ’73, Cocksackie, NY: I’m starting to think about life after a first retirement. I’m still working in public health even though I’ve been retired two years. I’m ready to see what else I’d like to do before my next retirement. My newest joy in life is an eleven-pound poodle mix named T-Bone. He keeps me busy walking and exploring. I may just retire to spend time with him. Favorite memories: The Latin banquets (best pickles ever), honey and great bread, watching everyone figure out how a toga could be successfully secured. Washington, DC in the spring: -excellent senior trip memories. I look forward to receiving the newsletter annually. The commitment of the staff in producing a quality greater each year shows in the product achieved.

Kim Lowrey Gayhart, ’73, Alfred, NY: I am in my third year of retirement, after working at Allegany County for 30 years, and I love it. I am active at my church, play lots of tennis, read lots of books, and joined the Alfred-Hornell branch of American Association of University Women this year. My most important roles are wife and mother and that’s great! Favorite memories: Playing sports; attending boys’ basketball games, being with my friends, Latin banquets. Newsletter: Thank you for all the hard work. It is much appreciated by so many.

William W. Pulos, ’73, Alfred Station, NY: Awards: The Martindale – Hobbell lawyer rating of AV-Preeminent Rating – the highest possible rating nationwide for Ethical Standards and Legal Ability. Martindale Hobbell is the oldest lawyer rating service in the USA – for over 130 years. Less the 14% of all lawyers nationwide achieve this ranking.

Jeffrey Vagell, ’73, Marlborough, CT: Continue to operate my soccertoons camps and clinic throughout CT, NY and PA. Still teaching PE and health at Vinal Tech H.S. Favorite memories: Soccer; giving a supportive speech for Bill Pulos when he ran for class president. Fantastic, enjoy the news of all alums.

Karen (Irene) Cushing, ’74, Alfred, NY: Worked in the art field for many years and I am still working as a silk screen printer. After high school, I lived away until the birth of my daughter in 1990. Essentially I have been in the Alfred area ever since. I love Allegany County and am very attached to Alfred; can’t live without living in the hills of Allegany. Favorite memories: Moving

Up Day assembly: The skits especially but it was fun “moving up” to next year’s designated seats. Also as a very young person (second grade) I used to love going to the school store and buying my favorite item, a 10 cent notepad of different colored paper. I loved it when the classroom Scholastic Book orders arrived and we would each get our purchases. I also loved buying fresh maple sugar candy from friends at school when in season!!! I love getting the newsletter and I read every inch of it, twice!! Thank you!!!

Mark Gillette, ’74, Rochester, NY: Semi retired, married, three sons, two married. Favorite memories: “scrubbage” games, collecting paper for senior trip, good times with classmates.

Bob Pulos, ’75, Cuba, NY Congratulations to all scholarship winners and Hall of Fame inductees, especially Michael Coughlin. A special thank you to all Juanita Whitaker Pulos Scholarship donors honoring our mom. We are most appreciative of your gifts and generosity.

Donna Wilkins Fryling, ’77, Hudson, FL: Still in Florida. Love collecting cars and doing car shows all over the state. Just got back from Key West. Favorite memories: Too many memories to list: The great halls of A-A and our friends made us who we are today.

Dale R. Watson ’77, Almond, NY: I recently graduated from Alfred State with an associate’s degree in Building Trades. I am currently working at Alfred University as a landscaper/ groundsman.

1973 began its 4th grade in the “new” elementary school, almost fifty years ago. . Attending one or more events were Kathy Boyd Costello, Sue Dickinson McMullen, Tom Dobson, Susan Drumm Hoffman, Kathryn Fasano Foster, Elizabeth Galle Cole, Mike Gorton, Jennie Hanks Wright, Kim Lowrey Gayhart, John Ninos,



CLASS OF 1978
Front row, l/r: Doug Norton, Jim Gaisser, Lisa Patrick Porter and Steve Reitnauer

Members of the **Class of 1978** celebrated at Muhleisen’s for a few drinks and socializing, with Jim Gaisser, Doug Norton, Lisa Patrick Porter and Steve Reitnauer representing the class, at the banquet.



CLASS OF 1983
Front row: Todd Larsen, Keith Dixon, Amy Wenslow, Bob Mullen, Tim Lloyd, Joe Flynn, Coral Lee Link, Ellen Cartledge Boldt, Sonja Brink Dickinson, Deb Yelle Walach, Gail Lawrence, Neva and Steve Galle.
Back Row: Calvin Timmer, Kier Dirlam, Lonnie Herrick, Dawn Burdick, Becky Bergren, Luann Richmond Bolden, and Debi Schwartz Kenney.

Kier Dirlam and Becky Bergren, who organized events for the 30-year **Class of 1983**, commented that the weekend activities were “great!” “Quite a few people who had not been back in 30 years came from as far away as Los Angeles, CA, and TX. They got together for “meet and greet” at Café Za on Friday night, with nineteen classmates attending. Then, as a group, they attended classmate Todd Larsen’s show at Alfred Tech. On Saturday, they had a picnic at Almond Lake, and then went to the banquet together. Attending one or more events were Becky Bergren, Sonja Brink Dickinson, Dawn Burdick, Ellen Cartledge Boldt, Kier Dirlam, Joe Flynn, Steve Galle, Lonnie Herrick, Todd Larsen, Coral Lee Link, Tim Lloyd, Bob Mullen, Mark Ordway, Luann Richmond Bolden, Debi Schwartz Kenney, Calvin Timmer, Amy Wenslow, Lisa Woodworth Mallaber, and Deborah Yelle Walach.

This **Class of 1988** report was given by Andrea Zaruba: We had a nice turn out at our house for a picnic that lasted into the wee hours. Cynthia Luger Fullone, Kevin Frederes, Geoff Forrester, Renee Raner Johnson, Cindy Conderman Gonska, Julie Ellington, Chad McEvoy, Kimberly Bostwick, and myself represented the



class of 88. But we also had people from other classes share in our celebration. Dan Drumm, Anton Flint, Adam Jefferds, Martin Flynn, Ryan McEvoy, Porter Hanks, and Lauren Link. It was a wonderful time seeing everyone. It would have been a bit nicer had the weather cooperated but the kids still had a great time fishing and swimming in the pond and we grilled and talked until the light was coming up the next morning!

Cheryl Cleveland-Rightmyer reported that a group of classmates from the **Class of 1993** met at GJ’s on Friday night. On Saturday afternoon, they had a picnic at Jodie Bracken-Emo’s house and then came to the reception/banquet.

Nicole Bordeaux reported for the **Class of 1998**, noting that fifteen- twenty classmates had a small gathering at Paddy’s in Hornell on Friday night. classmates who turned out for the reunion, Donna was enthusiastic about the weekend: “You guys do a great job, keep up the good work and I am going to try and get more people interested for our 40th.

TOURS OF AACS:

Remember to include a tour of AACS in your alumni weekend plans! Don Jefferds, ’60, will be on hand Saturday, July 26, from 2 – 4 to show you the many changes that have transformed AACS into the beautiful campus that it is today. One of the features you will want to see is the old gymnasium, transformed into an auditorium! And don’t forget to drive up on the hill behind “the pines” and take a look at the modern sports complex, complete with six tennis courts, soccer, softball and baseball fields with lighting, a concession stand and bathrooms. Karl Grantier, ’55, will be posted in the Alumni-Veterans Hall, (the corridor between the “old gym” and the swimming pool/ gymnasium complex) where you can view our impressive displays honoring our veterans, Hall of Fame recipients, and outstanding alumni. Don’t forget to sign the guestbook!



CLASS OF 1963
Front row, l/r: Mike Leach, Mike McMahon, Donald Cook, Linda Ryan Cornell, Bruce Cornell.
Back row, l/r: Mike Stuart, Audrey Hardy Lamprey, Carolyn Richmond Leach, Charles Cameron, Karl Barron, Betty Kay Patrick Drake, Jim Evans, Norma Jackman Ebert and Bill Martin

to having been involved in putting soap in the cookies that were given to Ernie Moore. On a very sad note, just a few weeks after the AAAA Banquet we lost a dear classmate - Mike McMahon.” The Leaches added: “We thoroughly enjoyed the chance to visit with old A-A. classmates at Mike and Diane Stuart’s. Good times and old memories were shared—some long since forgotten. Many thanks go to the Stuarts for their hospitality. Carolyn and I also had a great time revisiting Alfred-Almond for the first time in 50 years. Old memories of classrooms, teachers, and friends came back to life as if it were yesterday. The class consensus seemed to be that we should repeat a reunion every five years going forward.” Bruce and Linda Ryan Cornell stated: “We really enjoyed our get together at Mike and Diane’s. Lots of memories, laughs and a wonderful lunch. Wish more could have attended. The alumni banquet was a continuation of more good food and laughter. Great job!”

Eleven members representing the **Class of 1968** attended the alumni banquet including Deb Soule Esposito, Anne Mills Fewster, Sue Stockweather Graves, Don Hardy, Priscilla Hurne Button, Dave Lockwood, Chris Hanks McCabe, Ron and Kathy Curran Snyder, Jim Tucker, and Terry VanDuser: “Sue brought copies for everyone of our panoramic Washington Senior Trip picture (with a George at both ends), and Anne brought



CLASS OF 1968
Front row (L to R): Terry Van Duser, Jim Tucker, Jim Woodruff, Sally Thomas Mayes, Anne Mills Fewster, Carl Hilsdorf, Tommy Benson, Ron Snyder
Back row: Dennis Butts, Chris Hanks McCabe, MaryLiz Gorton Schwartz, Don Hardy, Joyce Benjamins Mills, Kathy Curran Snyder

Patrick Drake, and Mike Stuart. Mike commented: “We were blessed to have a small class that has stayed in touch primarily because of the AAAA. Thank you.

We all enjoy being together and sharing memories, photos and to find out after 50 years that Karl Barron finally confessed

to having been involved in putting soap in the cookies that were given to Ernie Moore. On a very sad note, just a few weeks after the AAAA Banquet we lost a dear classmate - Mike McMahon.” The Leaches added: “We thoroughly enjoyed the chance to visit with old A-A. classmates at Mike and Diane Stuart’s. Good times and old memories were shared—some long since forgotten. Many thanks go to the Stuarts for their hospitality. Carolyn and I also had a great time revisiting Alfred-Almond for the first time in 50 years. Old memories of classrooms, teachers, and friends came back to life as if it were yesterday. The class consensus seemed to be that we should repeat a reunion every five years going forward.” Bruce and Linda Ryan Cornell stated: “We really enjoyed our get together at Mike and Diane’s. Lots of memories, laughs and a wonderful lunch. Wish more could have attended. The alumni banquet was a continuation of more good food and laughter. Great job!”

2 Canadian-product filled baskets for the raffle. The morning rain let up just in time on Sunday, for our five-year picnic at Curran’s Pond, where we were joined by Tom Benson, Dennis Butts, Bob Davison, Carl Hilsdorf, Sally Thomas Mayes,

Joyce Benjamins Mills, Scott Reid, Mary Liz Gorton Schwartz, Debbie Thompson, and Jim Woodruff. Honorary ‘Classmates’ Jay Evans, ‘69, and Shelley Curran Blakey, ‘67, helped make the event special, and we had a wonderful time catching up. We all agreed that we have the best class ever!”

The Alfred-Almond Elementary school has some new equipment to use this fall, thanks to the generosity of the **Class of 1973**. According to Mr. Todd Goho, AACS Elementary Principal, the school received three Heavy Duty Yellow Bus Tricycles made of durable tubular steel, a pair of robotics kits with thirty applications each and a pair of Erector Mode Multi-Model construction sets consisting of fifty models each.



CLASS OF 1973
Front Row l/r: Bill Pulos, AACS Elementary Principal Todd Goho, AACS Elementary Teacher and Class of 1996 alumna Jessica Snyder Dwyer
Middle Row l/r: Robert Stuart, Terah Soule, Kate Fasano Foster, Sue Dickinson McMullen, AACS Elementary Teacher and Class of 1994 alumna Jessica Dunning, Kathy Boyd Costello, Nancy Wakefield Chapman, Sue Drumm Hoffman, Liz Galle Cole
Top Row l/r: Jeff Vagell, Kim Lowrey, Tom Dobson, Mike Gorton, Tom Sharrett, B.G. Wightman Henry, Jennie Hanks Wright

The gift from the **Class of 1973** was celebrated with a catered dinner at Ninos’ Terra Cotta Restaurant on Friday night and a Stearns Chicken Bar-B-Que at the historic Hagadorn House pavilion on Saturday. Both John Ninos and Jud Stearns are members of the 1973 class and both generously donated their entire services for each event.

At the Hagadorn House, Mr. Goho met with class representatives and elementary teachers Jessica Dwyer and Jessica Dunning. Together they shared lunch with the class and, on behalf of the school, thanked them for their efforts. The event was hosted by a committee of the Almond Historical Society who was on hand and gave all a tour of the Hagadorn House and the brand-new office/archives building.

According to Goho, “This type of gift is unprecedented in my tenure at AACS. All of the items will be put to good use. The gifts give our faculty increased ability to teach our students while having fun. The turnout and participation of the Class of 1973 is really remarkable. On behalf of Mr. Calkins, the school board and our faculty, we thank you and we are very grateful for your thoughtfulness.”

The Class of 1973 reunion committee consisted of Kim Lowrey Gayhart, Kathy Boyd Costello, Terah K. Soule, Jennie Hanks Wright and Bill Pulos. The committee was very pleased to announce that over \$2,600. was raised and spent to support this initiative, with additional class funds donated directly to the annual AAAA scholarship fundraising efforts. During their presentation with the AACS faculty, it was noted that in 1964 the Class of

Luis Greiff, Jr., ’78, Rochester, NY:: Member of a local stamp club, Rochester Philatelic Association. The club turned 100 years old, so we had a banquet in March. Plus the American Topical Association is having their national show with the Rochester club next week, May 17th-19th (2013) . The show will include a first day ceremony for the Flags for All Seasons Stamps issued by the U.S. Post office in Rochester. We will also have on display the Air-Mail error stamp called the Inverted Jenny, with the airplane upside down.

Michael Wenslow, ’78, North Hollywood, CA: Still working in technology at Bank of America. My son Jerrick was a member of the 2012 national champion high school cross country team at Arcadia High School.

Lynne Hardy Pitts, ’79, Richmond, NH: I currently work for CrossFit Inc. as their Operations Manager; I’ve been with them for the past five years. CrossFit is based in CA, but I work from home when I’m not traveling out west or elsewhere, which is an amazing blessing after spending almost ten years driving 140 miles a day! In addition to my USAF career, I worked in nuclear security operations for five years at the Vermont Yankee

Nuclear Power plant, was a DoD contract information technology project manager, and worked as a Government civilian managing the Contingency Plans department at Hanscom AFB, MA.

Fred Taft, ’79, Pinellas Park, FL: Regional Sales Director for Celleration, Inc. Great job with the newsletter! Great to know so many A-A grads are doing such great things with their lives!

Kier Dirlam ’83, Almond, NY: Work for Allegany County as the County Planner. Still playing music a bit, playing guitar. Do some website design on the side. Mostly working on the house we bought in Almond a few years ago as the projects never end. Favorite memories: playing drums in the musicals, talent show bands, and a few lifelong friendships.

Heidi Ryan Lindley, ’84, Anderson, IN: Working part time as the athletic director’s secretary at our children’s school. Favorite classes: gym, band with Mr. Gilbert, Home Ec. Senior Year with Dan Scofield, Angela Osborn and Steve Kowalczyk. Many great memories from AACS.

Adam B. Gayhart, ’01, Alfred, NY: Since leaving

Alfred-Almond I have obtained my Associate of Applied Science at Alfred State College and later my Bachelor of Arts Degree at Empire State College. At Alfred State, my major was computer art and design. While I took communications at Empire State, I used that education to help me self-publish two poetry books, *Poetic License* and *The Sound of My Own Wheels*. My favorite memories at A-A are art and hanging out in the library.

Kelly Snyder, ’05, Alfred, NY: Work at Collegiate, volunteer on Alfred Fire Dept., dispatch and radio. Favorite memories: Senior trip to NYC.

Kathryn Pilgrim. ’07, Fredonia, NY: Finished music ed. at SUNY Fredonia and will now work as a campus minister through InterVarsity Christian Fellowship there. Favorite memories: swim meets.

Justin Shardlow, ’08, Alfred, NY: 2012 graduate from Alfred University with a bachelor’s degree in accounting. Currently enrolled in the MBA program at A.U. for accounting.

Tina Cornell (parent), Almond, NY: Even though I personally never attended

AACS, I am thrilled my children have been able to be a part of this great community and school system.

Joanne Wietgreffe, (faculty), Ithaca, NY: Many students recall how beneficial their education at AACS was. I’d like to mention that it also was a wonderful atmosphere in which to work. We had many opportunities to collaborate and change the status quo in ways that resulted in improvements. Some faculty felt working here was a delight. Thanks again for a memorable newsletter. You always strike a chord in my memory about AACS and my 25 years there. My donation is included for the Juanita Pulos Fine Arts Scholarship.

Teresa Williams, (faculty), Hornell, NY: I just had a chance to read through the newsletter - what a WONDERFUL job!! I don’t know how you do it - it gets better and better each year! If you have a pdf version to post online, please send it my way and I’ll get it linked. Thanks!

At the Nascar race in Watkins Glen last August, **Kelly Snyder '05**, saw a face he recognized from TV and asked for help finding his idol, Dale Earnhart Jr. This person happened to be King of the Track Richard Petty, who graciously posed for a picture. Kelly's parents Ron and Kathy Snyder '68 were green with envy!



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LEE AND DONNA RYAN 2014 HUMANITARIAN HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES

By Bob Baker '53



“It’s about time!!”

Although several folks have sought to nominate Lee and Donna for HHOF induction in the past, it wasn’t possible until now because of their serving in leadership roles on the AAAA board.

Unbeknownst to them, the AAAA board met in executive session . . . and now---it’s a reality!! Where do you start--what with all of their involvement in so many organizations over the past 55 years that they’ve been together? We’ll attempt to go back to the earlier years and do a thumbnail sketch up to the present:

--Lee and Donna both graduated from AACS: Lee in 1955 and Donna in 1958. They were high school sweethearts. They started married life together on the family farm, but then Lee started his 33-year career with Nationwide Insurance in 1962.

--In 1968 Lee served as a co-founder of the Maple City Barbershop Chorus in Hornell. He was a charter member, past president and show chairman, and sang in several quartets.

--In '72 Donna helped organize and start a Sweet Adelines chapter, and served as director for a season. She was also involved in “coaching” barbershop quartets for many years.

--As a young man, Lee served the Almond Volunteer Fire & Ambulance corps for over 15 years.

--In their early years, Lee was treasurer for the Almond Boy Scouts and Donna served as den mother with the Cub Scouts.

--In 1959 Donna took over as organist for 17 years at the Almond Union Church upon the passing of the legendary Jesse Ostrander.

--In '76 Lee and Donna were instrumental in the beginning stages of the Alfred Almond Bible Church, where Lee has served as an elder for 34 years and Donna as lead pianist since its inception.

--There is little doubt that Donna has played for literally hundreds of weddings and funerals over her lifetime. She has also served as accompanist for AACS choral groups for many years. (As a side note, while still in high school,

upon the recommendation of Al Schmidt, she accompanied the All-State chorus at Kleinhans’ Music Hall in Buffalo.

--Both have been very involved with the Hornell Camp of Gideons International (the distribution of Bibles world-wide) for 40 years

--For years Donna served as the Almond correspondent to the Alfred Sun, and did a vast amount of writing for the Hornell Evening Tribune (including many feature articles!)

--Since 1978 Lee has served alternating terms on the Board of Directors at Family Life Ministry in Bath, NY

They did all this in addition to running their own business together as agents of Nationwide Insurance Company! Lee was inducted into the Nationwide “Hall of Fame” in 1994—an honor very few have ever achieved!!

Since retirement:

--In 2004 Lee assumed the presidency of the Almond Historical Society where Donna has served as secretary and editor of the society’s newsletter since 1997.

--In more recent years they’ve poured myriad hours into the discovery and preservation of Indian Trail Trees--photographing uncounted specimens! Their photos have even appeared in a recently published book entitled *Native American Trail Marker Trees: Marking Paths Through The Wilderness*. As a result of their findings, they have done numerous presentations all over our area! --They have pursued their passion for antiquing, their travels taking them to many unusual places!

BUT---it’s their leadership of the AAAA that is so astounding!!

What is it they say? “If you want a job well-done—ask a busy person(s)!!” These two people were BUSY! But, they have taken what Dale Lorow, Jean Hanks Palmiter, Anita Evans, Kay and others started, and moved it up another level! Lee and Donna will say: “It’s all about the team”--but---without the right leadership none of what has been accomplished over the past thirteen years would have been possible! Lee became president in 1999, and Donna has served as secretary and editor of the AAAA newsletter, which literally keeps thousands of our alumni informed of what’s happening at AACS. (a HUGE job!)

When you look at the statistics, they speak for themselves: --Scholarships in 1999 were \$250 for two graduates, whereas this year (2013) it was \$45,000 for 17 graduates!! Sports and Fine Arts camp awards totaled \$4500 to 33 AACS students.

--Those are just a couple of examples of the impact we’ve

Honored Class 2013 REUNION NEWS

compiled by Donna B. Ryan, '58 and
Kathy Curran Snyder, '68

On Friday, July 26th, members of honored classes began arriving to attend special gatherings organized by their class coordinators. Local establishments, homes, and picnic areas provided space in which classmates could “meet & greet”, having fun exchanging news, browsing ‘Alcens’ and reminiscing. Many took advantage of the AACS tour, and the festivities continued throughout the weekend.



Celebrating 65 years since their AACS graduation, Dick Hamlin joined Betty Jane Amberg Lawrence (class coordinator), and Ralph and Betty Nye Allen

CLASS OF 1948 (L to R): Ralph Allen, Betty Jane Amberg , & Dick Hamlin

for lunch at the Terra Cotta Coffee House on Saturday. They took the AACS Tour, then spent some time at the Allen’s home prior to attending the banquet.



CLASS OF 1953 First Row (L to R): Elaine Schnautz Eggleston, Barbara Weaver Horton, Edith Thomas Congdon, Nelson Snyder, Patty Spaine Curran, Jackie Paine Walker, Shirley MacIntosh Ballard, Joyce Tucker Hance, Larry Hargraves.

Back row: Bob Jefferds, Carolyn Bird Powers, Meredith Drake Hurst Doris Bird Martin, Bob Baker, Glenn Odell, Bob Schwartz. Missing: Roberta Snyder Baker.

Bob Baker reports that several events were enjoyed by more than seventeen returning classmates (out of 25 surviving class members) of the **Class of 1953**, with several travelling long distances: “Elaine Schnautz Eggleston came from Stockton, CA. and, Larry Hargraves came from Las Vegas, NV!!! What an amazing blessing!” Bob,

along with wife Barb Allen Baker '55 hosted the group Friday night at their home, with a total of thirty classmates and guests present. Saturday morning, Nelson, '53, and Amanda Stevens '60 Snyder, hosted the group for breakfast, followed by several of them joining the AACS Tour. Prior to attending the banquet, they got together again at the home of Doris Bird Martin for snacks and chats. “We were the first class to start in the new AACS in 1940 and go through K-12 together,” Bob commented. “We had

a wonderful time together and there was a great commitment on the part of many to return again!” Coming together for weekend events were Bob Baker, Carolyn Bird Powers, Meredith Drake Hurst, Larry Hargraves, Bob Jefferds, Glenn Odell, Elaine Schnautz Eggleston, Shirley MacIntosh Ballard, Jackie Paine Walker, Bob Schwartz, Nelson Snyder, Roberta Snyder Baker, Patty Spaine Curran, Edith Thomas Congdon, Joyce Tucker Hance, Barbara Weaver Horton, and Doris Bird Martin. (See My Trip Back “Home” For My 60th Class Reunion, written by Elaine Schnautz Eggleston, '53 elsewhere in this newsletter)



CLASS OF 1958: Front row (L to R): Donna Burdett Ryan, Alise Ogden Irwin, Edythe Allen Monahan, Gladysanne Langer Carmin, Shirley Emerson Pickering, Back row: Ray Dunn, Fred Olin, Harold Williams, Philip Brown, Richard and Mary Spaine Cott, Mig Pierce Amato, Dianne Harwood Moore, Bev Allen Schmidt. Missing: Shirley Watson Morey.

Fourteen members of the **Class of 1958** celebrated their fifty-fifth with Edith Allen Monahan and Bev Allen Schmidt coordinating the event. During lunch at the Terra Cotta Coffee House in Alfred, Edie made these comments: “On behalf of the Class of 1958 at AACS: Who would have ‘thunk’ we would be celebrating our 55th year class reunion with such a nice representation. We are so thankful. Our original class numbered 35 at the June 1958 graduation. Through the years we have lost a few, and some who were with us early on, but choosing another direction before graduation, have chosen to join us for our luncheon today. On behalf of we Allen girls, mostly Bev, I would like to thank everyone involved in helping us to coordinate this happy reunion. For those who were in our class but could not make it to our get-together for whatever reason, they are in our thought and prayers. We miss them and wish them well.” Many attended the alumni banquet in the evening. Returning for the events were Bev Allen Schmidt, Edythe Allen Monahan, Donna Burdett Ryan, Richard and Mary Spaine Cott, Ray Dunn, Shirley Emerson Pickering, Dianne Harwood Moore, Gladysanne (“Chickie”) Langer Carmin, Alise Ogden Irwin, Fred Olin, Mig Pierce Amato, Shirley Watson Morey, Harold Williams, and Philip Brown.

Fifty years after their graduation, thirteen members of the **Class of 1963**, gathered at the home of Mike and Diane Stuart for lunch, then went to the banquet. Attending were Karl Barron, Charles Cameron, Donald Cook, Bruce and Linda Ryan Cornell, Jim Evans, Audrey Hardy Lamprey, Norma Jackman Ebert, Mike and Carolyn Richmond Leach, Bill Martin, Mike McMahon, Betty Kay

ALLEE VON STACKELBERG OFFERS THANKS FROM 2013 SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS AT ALUMNI BANQUET

Hello. My name is **Allee VonStakelberg** and I have the distinct pleasure of speaking to you all tonight on behalf of my fellow scholarship recipients and former classmates.

As we prepare to take the next step of our lives, we each have the opportunity to look at those for whom we are grateful. The majority of the time we thank our friends, our families, our teachers, and our administrators. We thank them for all that they have done for us, for providing us with an infallible foundation that will allow us to build ourselves to the sky and become whatever it is that we want to be. We look at ourselves, not only as we are now, but also as the people we hope to become and we thank those who have helped us along the way.

We give thanks for the people that are obviously part of our lives. However, we often neglect those we cannot see. We do not give credence to all of you for the roles you have played in our successes thus far, as well as those that are sure to come in the future. You paved the way for us; you have helped to create a nurturing, supportive and amazing school that has aided us in becoming the fantastic young adults that we are.

I can tell you now, that we will never forget what you have been to us. You have been supporting family members, mentors, and friends. You believe in us and understand us, perhaps more than anyone. You know what we come from and because of that you know all of the great things that we can achieve.

Through these scholarships you are investing in our futures; you are investing in us. And although the financial support is amazing, the message you convey through these scholarships is just that much more valuable. You see, these awards aren’t just checks: they are statements that say “We believe in you. We have seen what you have done so far in your short time here, and we are excited to see what you can do in the future.” Your unwavering confidence in us allows us to push forward fearlessly. And as we grow older, I hope that my classmates and I can continue this cycle of giving which you all so generously preserve.

As we look to our futures, we cannot forget our past. I know that it is cliché, but it is absolutely true. We will look back at our time at Alfred-Almond and we will see the smiling faces of our friends as we goof around in senior area; we will see our hardworking teachers and administrators who refuse to give up on us; and now, we will see you, the optimistic faces of our community and our school who look at us and see the future.

In us, you are investing in the world’s next psychiatrists, lawyers and doctors; the next best musicians, architects, and cosmetologists. You are helping us to realize the potential that is practically exploding out of us. And in all of our adventures to come, we will continue forward knowing that our community has our backs. We know that even though our lives may take us to the far reaches of this earth, we will always have a home here. And as we endeavor to make all of our wildest dreams come true, I hope that we can make you all proud.

Thank you.

NATHAN TORKAMAN, ‘09, GOES TO JAPAN FOR ROBOTICS COMPETITION

From the Evening Tribune:

Clarkson University student **Nathan Torkaman**, a senior majoring in mechanical engineering, recently participated in a Japanese robotics competition. The Clarkson University team traveled to Japan to compete in the Japan Society for Precision Engineering’s sixth annual International Micro-Mechanism Contest on March 13, with support from Kyutech students and faculty.

Though half a world apart, students at Clarkson University and Japan’s Kyushu Institute of Technology (Kyutech) have forged a common bond through robotics. The Clarkson trio put their 30-by20-by-20-millimeter robot to the test against their competitors and won RThe Excellent Award as the only team to operate its device through a smartphone.

A 2013 Clarkson University graduate, Nathan is working for Corning Inc. as a controls technician.

IF YOU MOVE – PLEASE NOTIFY US:

If you change your address and don’t tell us, your AAAA Blue and Gold will be tossed in the wastebasket at the Post Office, since the newsletters are sent via bulk rate and are non-forwardable. Then we lose track of you! So please remember to let us know if you move: Contact Donna B. Ryan, leedonna.ryan@gmail.com or Teresa Johnson, dtjmjt@gmail.com, the keeper of our database.

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had under their leadership!

It’s been their passion for the organization, reaching out to graduates all over the country, upgrading the banquet, the program, expanding the scholarship and camp giving, recognition of veterans, and wanting more than ever to see it grow!

Despite all that they’ve achieved and accomplished over the years, the BIGGEST things in their lives remain: FAMILY---FAITH---FRIENDS

They have three children who all graduated from AACS: Jeff in 1979, Jenny in 1981, and Heidi, in 1984. Three of their ten grandchildren graduated from AACS: Lindsay Palmer, Ryan Baker and Tyler Baker. Four others graduated from Canisteo Greenwood: Brett and Bryce, Raegan and Slade Ryan; and Liberty Christian School, Anderson IN is the alma mater of Phillip, Erika and Patrick Lindley. They are great fans of these grandchildren, and live for times that they can be together and share their lives.

As some have testified: “Lee and Donna are always quick to help whenever there’s a need—no matter what the situation is: --someone in trouble along the road or anywhere—they’re ready to step in—providing transportation, financial assistance, willing to pray for them . . . --they’re not ashamed of their faith---always willing to share --they’re “great encouragers”

It’s an honor to present Lee and Donna Ryan for induction into the AAAA HHOF!!

HUMANITARIAN HALL OF FAME

This committee would like to remind all our Alumni that the Humanitarian Hall of Fame Committee would like to learn of more candidates for this award. Consideration is based on outstanding achievements and/or notable service; extraordinary contributions involving the arts or humanitarian causes; or, in special acts of valor, heroism, and patriotism where self-interest was courageously subordinated in the face of adversity.

- Category I** – Alumni Graduates of AACS or of its two predecessor schools (Alfred and Almond High Schools;
- Category II** – Contributors – Administration, Faculty, Staff of AACS or of its two predecessor schools (Alfred and Almond High Schools).

The committee needs more than a name and “He/she was a great person to me”. Detailed information is needed about the candidate. The committee is not able to do background work. We know there must be someone you know that fits the criteria listed at the beginning of this article.

Send information to alsnyd@gmail.com or Amanda Snyder, 1282 Randolph Rd., Alfred Station NY 14803.

This committee needs new people to be members of this committee. One member wishes to leave this committee. Chairman Amanda requests a new chairman. Committee members include **Amanda Stevens Snyder, ’60, Steve Crandall, ’72, Steve & Becky Jacox Metzger, ’61, David Palmer, ’55.**

If you would be willing to serve on this committee please contact Butch & Cass Lorow rclorow@yahoo.com

ORVIS AWARD HONORS BAYUS BROTHERS

(From the Alfred Sun)

Two brothers, AACS alumni, were recognized as outstanding seniors and inducted into the Alfred State College Academic Hall of Fame at the 2013 commencement exercises when they were presented the Paul B. Orvis Award for Excellence in their individual curriculums.

Jacob Bayus, AACS 2009 graduate, was honored in the School of Architecture, Management and Engineering Technology – baccalaureate recipient, and **Lucas Bayus**, AACS 2011 grad, was recognized in School of Architecture, Management and Engineering Technology – associate recipient.

The Orvis Award is presented to the outstanding senior in each of the College’s three academic schools--Arts and Sciences, Architecture, Management and Engineering Technology, and Applied Technology--and the baccalaureate programs. The award is based on four criteria: service, leadership, character, and scholarship. Faculty, staff, and fellow students carefully appraise the first three. Scholarship is determined by an analysis of the student’s academic standing in comparison to other students in the academic area. The award is named in honor of Paul B. Orvis, a former president of Alfred State and State University of New York (SUNY) dean for two-year colleges.

Thank You For Your Investment In These Lives

2013 AACS Seniors Appreciate Alumni Scholarships

compiled by Donna B. Ryan, '58

You can be very proud of the \$45,000 in scholarship money given by the AAAA to seventeen AACS seniors in 2013. The handwritten letters of appreciation that we have received from all of these recipients are most rewarding . . . and we trust will be an incentive for AACS alumni to continue to give generously to our scholarship funds.

Jennifer Acker, who is attending Houghton College, wrote: “I am so grateful not only for the educational foundation that I have received at Alfred-Almond, but also for the community support I have experienced all through my education. That support has followed me to college in the form of your generous scholarship. Thank you so much!”

The Greg Norton Memorial Scholarship winner, **Shelby Allen**, a freshman at College of St Rose, Albany, expressed her appreciation this way: “Words cannot express how fortunate I feel to have received a scholarship, and not only that, but the Greg Norton Scholarship. Being awarded this scholarship showed me that you believe that I embody the same characteristics as this man worthy of being remembered for all that he did. I will try, to the best of my ability, to live up to that expectation. I would also like to extend my gratitude to the family of Greg Norton. I appreciate what you have done for me, for students in the past, and what you will do for the students in the future. Thank you from the bottom of my heart. Thank you all for believing in me.”

Christopher Charles, attending Alfred University, writes: “I would like to thank you for selecting me for the scholarship. I am grateful for the generosity of the members and the financial assistance has been greatly appreciated. Because of the scholarship, I was able to purchase my books and defray my commuting costs.”

Chris Cook, attending LeMoyne College, noted that he was “very lucky to have graduated from a school with such generous alumni who continue to donate money in support of graduates continuing their education. Thank you very much for choosing me as a recipient of the alumni scholarship. It has been very helpful as I begin my college experience.”



Scholarship Winners: Front L to R: Marah Watson, Jenny Acker, Allie Henry, Kristi Williams, Brittany Washburn, Jessie Woughter Back L to R: Chris Charles, Shelby Allen, Puja Patel, Chris Cook, Allie Von Stackelberg, Cassie Ingalls, Kaleigh Kenney, Julie Wilcox

Kaitlyn Flaitz, a freshman at SUNY Brockport, wrote: “Thank you for granting me the alumni scholarship. It has allowed me to take part in courses in a field that will carry me through the rest of my life. It has also provided me the opportunity to study abroad in the coming years.”

Allie Henry wrote directly after the June commencement announcement: “Thank you so much for the alumni scholarship. It will really help me make that next step in my life,” Studying at Alfred State College, Allie noted that “it has really been put to good use, and I am enjoying my time at college.”

Cassandra Ingalls, also at Alfred State College, noted that “this will be a great help to me and my classmates as we move on to pursue our dreams and further our education. Having such faithful, generous alumni makes the Alfred-Almond community very special. With your support, AACS continues to produce successful graduates each year.”

Kaleigh Kenney expressed her thanks this way: “I would like to take the time to personally thank you for the opportunity that you have given me. I just finished my first semester at Cedarville University, and the scholarship that you awarded me has helped me grow and develop in my field of study more than I could have ever dreamed. Thank you again for all of your support, and I hope that you will continue to do so for the countless years of future high school graduates.”

Hobart and William Smith College was selected by **Stacy Mayes**, who expressed regret at not being able to attend the alumni banquet to receive her check. “Please pass on my appreciation to the association for having thought of me. Thank you for the scholarship. It is much appreciated!”

Pooja Patel, attending SUNY Geneseo, wrote: “I am very grateful for the financial support I have received from the AAAA as a recipient of the Rachel Amato Baldo/Tom Murphy Memorial Scholarship. You have provided me with an important stepping-stone in my post-secondary career as I pursue a psychology degree with a pre-dental track. I cannot fully express how much this scholarship has helped in purchasing my textbooks and paying a part of my tuition. It is nice to know that I have the support of the Alumni Association as I begin to build the foundation of my future career. Once again, thank you so much for the support that you have provided me and my fellow classmates with: it is greatly appreciated.”

University of Buffalo freshman **Pramod Rao** commented: “It is truly an honor to have the alumni in our community support our needs. Thank you for awarding me the scholarship . . .it will go a long way in fulfilling my aspirations of becoming a doctor. I am hoping one day to be a generous contributor to this alumni association.”

Allee VonStackelberg wrote: “As my first semester in college winds to a close, I find myself thinking of you and all of

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the generous alumni that made it possible for me to go to the school of my dreams. Without your generosity, it would have been incredibly difficult for me to attend the College of Saint Rose, a small school with one of the only forensic psychology pre-law programs in the nation. So again, I wanted to thank you all for this work you have done and all of the donations you have contributed to my classmates and me. Your generosity means more to us than you know, and I hope that you will continue this cycle of generosity for the many generations of Alfred-Almond students to come.”

A freshman at the University of Buffalo, **Marah Watson** commented: “As a member of the AAAA, I would like to extend my extreme gratitude toward this esteemed society. It was such an honor to be awarded a scholarship toward my education and my future. I am lucky to be a part of such an organization that takes care of generations to come of Alfred-Almond graduates, and I will certainly do my part to contribute as well. Your generosity is definitely something more people in this world should take part in. My gratitude extends greatly and I will work very hard to make my fellow members proud.”

Brittany Washburn, attending SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry at Syracuse, wrote: “Thank you

for considering and granting me the Jean Hanks Palmiter/Dale Lorow Memorial Scholarship. The money that comes with this honor will be used to help pay for tuition and other college expenses. I am truly honored to be a recipient of this award.”

Alfred State College is the choice of **Julie Wilcox**, who expressed her appreciation this way: “I want you to know how much this generous scholarship means to me. Without the help of you and the alumni, it’s very possible that I may not have been able to afford to go to college. I will most definitely help out with seniors in the future. I want to help every kid that wants to go to college be able to do so from Alfred-Almond. College is a wonderful experience, and has already helped me find out who I really am. I am ever so thankful for the help that I have been given. I hope to be part of the Alumni Association myself someday and help future children continue their education also.”

Kristi Williams, winner of the Juanita Whitaker Pulos Fine Arts Scholarship, wrote upon completion of her first semester at Mansfield University: “I would really like to thank the generous members of the AAAA and the Pulos family for this educational opportunity. I feel honored that I was chosen for this award that will help me pursue my dreams in music . . . Juanita Whitaker Pulos’ story is so inspiring; I think it’s incredible that her love of music

stemmed from as early as age 5 and that this had lasted throughout her entire life. She is a great role model in that she used her talents to help others; this had made a lasting impact on everyone who was privileged to know her. Everyone who knew her as a teacher, a friend, or a family member could clearly see that she was dedicated and hard working. I hope to live up to her example. Thank you so much for this scholarship and the many opportunities that it will provide.”

Jessica Woughter also commented on the generosity of the AAAA: “I am writing to thank you for the gracious scholarship you have provided me. Your generous support has helped me purchase the textbooks and design supplies that will help me in my pursuit of an Architecture degree at Alfred State College. I am very fortunate that I attended AACS: it has prepared me for the academic challenges that I face in my major. I am very proud to be an AACS alumna. I cannot stress enough how appreciative I am for the opportunity you have given me and knowing that you support me as I pursue a higher education. Thank you again for your generosity and all the hard work you do.”

So you see . . . your investment in the lives of these motivated AACS seniors will pay great dividends as they pursue their dreams . . . and endeavor to help others do the same in the future.

ALFRED-ALMOND’S FIRST SWIM COACH INDUCTED INTO THE ALFRED STATE COLLEGE SPORTS HALL OF FAME

By: Bill Pulos, ‘73



the team from 1967-1975, including four consecutive National Junior Collegiate Athletic Association championships 1971-1975 and for coaching NJCAA Swimmers of the Year.

From Alfred State, Coach Patton, his wife Joyce (an AACS elementary teacher 1965-1975) and their children moved to the University of Iowa, the NCAA Big 10 conference. While at Iowa, Coach Patton’s teams won the NCAA Big 10 Champion-

ship in 1981 and 1982 and produced athletes with over 100 All-American awards. Glenn Patton coached six undefeated NCAA Big Ten Championship teams! In 2009, Coach Patton was elected to the University of Iowa Sports Hall of Fame as Iowa’s winningest swim coach:

According to Coach Patton, it all started when former Superintendent Ken Clicquenois interviewed (and hired) him and his wife for teaching jobs in 1965 at an exit on the Massachusetts Turnpike near Springfield College on Mr. C’s travels to Boston. Alfred-Almond had just built its swimming pool and Mr. C was looking for a swim coach. He found one. Coach Patton laid the foundation for what became one of the most successful high school swim programs in Section V sports; for many years the smallest school in Section V with a swim team. For more on Coach Patton and his time with the AACS swim team: <http://www.lulu.com/spotlight/WilliamWPulos>

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