



# Hampton Academy & Winnacunnet High School Alumni Association Annual Newsletter - May 2019

The Hampton Academy and Winnacunnet High School Alumni Association cordially invites you to attend the 113<sup>th</sup> Annual gathering of members:

**Saturday June 22, 2019**

Grill 28, Pease Golf Club 200, Grafton Road, Portsmouth, NH 03801

11:30 Doors open, Cash Bar, 12 noon Buffet Luncheon served

**\$25 per person with reservation made before June 15th**

\$35 per person after June 15<sup>th</sup> and at the door

RSVP with enclosed reservation slip and check made out to HA & WHS Alumni Association or you can pay online using PayPal at [www.winnacunnetalumni.org](http://www.winnacunnetalumni.org). Make sure to include your name, class year, and contact information. Email us at [info@winnacunnetalumni.org](mailto:info@winnacunnetalumni.org) with any questions. Mail us at: HA/WHS Alumni Association. PO Box 81, North Hampton, NH 03862

## Announcing Guest Speaker Jim Willey, '60



Betsy (Patterson) Willey '61 & Jim Willey '60 have been married since 1963 and have 2 sons and 2 granddaughters.

Jim Willey graduated Winnacunnet in 1960. He played football for 4 years and was an All-State half-back in his junior & senior years; MVP his senior year. Jim also played varsity basketball and ran track. In his Junior year he was class President, and became Student Council President in his senior year. Upon graduation from Winnacunnet he attended and graduated from Nebraska University in Omaha with a degree in Sociology. Jim served in Vietnam for the U.S. Army, First Cavalry as a helicopter pilot and was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross, the military's highest honor for army pilots. Jim then returned to the states and began a 21-year career at Polaroid Corporation, before leaving the corporate life to become an entrepreneur. He was, at the time, a Divisional Vice President. In 1983, Jim and his brother, Tom founded Willey Brothers, Inc. The company provided merger services, branch design/build, and merchandising solutions to financial institutions. In 2001 Jim and Tom decided to sell the business in order to retire. It was at this time that Jim began focusing his time on charitable activities. Jim made his first trip to Haiti in 2005 and, after that, he knew his life would never be the same. He went back time after time with the goal to help change the lives of Haitian kids. He began to feel God urging him to launch Help for Haiti in order to bring hope to these courageous and worthy people, and in 2011 the organization became a reality.

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2018-2019 Alumni Association Officers: President: Lori Cotter '76; Vice President: Terri Thomson '72 Secretary: Sue Brooks '81; Treasurer: Ellen Lavin '70; Chairman of the Board: Ted Davis '61; Trustees: Bruce Aquizap '51; Andrea Condon '61; Lydia Estey '64; Kevin Cushing '74; Linda Libbey '81; Tracy Williams '81

## President's Corner

Dear Alumni,

I am proud to report that your Alumni Association continues to prosper and work hard at doing what it knows best...to create a firm foundation of interest in our high school, maintain two renewable scholarships to two Winnacunnet High students, network with our graduates to promote professional interests for all alumni, assist with advertising reunions, and provide an Annual Gathering to continue our acquaintances. Our presence at various sporting events, concerts, and awards ceremonies helps us to connect with many of our alumni. As your high school days were but a short story of your life, so we continue the tradition of support and friendships. We thank our business sponsors, for whom the Annual Gathering can be made possible. We thank our alumni who has stepped forward and graciously donated to help this tradition continue. Most of all, we thank all the volunteers who give of their time to coordinate efforts to make your alumni association thrive. The HA and WHS Alumni Association will truly miss Shirley Carter '45, a lifelong supporter of our group, who put in many hours of service. We will miss Ted Davis '61, who is stepping down as Board Chairperson, on to bigger and better things in his coaching role; our number one set up guy. As we continue to look for more volunteers, please think what you can give back to your alumni association. Sit back, enjoy your favorite beverage, read this newsletter and reflect on your days in high school. Call a classmate and renew an old friendship. Donate to a loved one. Contact us if we can be of service at [info@winnacunnetalumni.org](mailto:info@winnacunnetalumni.org), or join us on Facebook....and if the time is right, join us at our meetings. We look forward to continuing this tradition with you.

Sincerely, Lori White Cotter '76, President, HA & WHS Alumni Association

## Thank You for your Support!

The Trustees would like to thank all our alumni who have supported the Alumni Association this past year by volunteering time, attending restaurant nights, purchasing 50/50 raffle tickets, and sharing news about your class reunions. We would also like to acknowledge alumni who made monetary donations to the Association between May 2018 and April 2019 in response to the May 2018 Annual Newsletter and the Fall 2018 Capital Campaign appeal. Your generous contributions allow us to continue the scholarship program and other activities to support alumni. **Class of 1941:** Viola (Carlson) Reed (in memory of sisters Ustina C. Simons '33 and Greta Trowbridge '36) **Class of 1943:** Evelyn (Allen) Bates, Cedric Dustin (in memory of Frances H (Dustin) Winch '45); **Class of 1944:** Carolyn (Wentworth) Brown, Marion (Allen) Scaggs; **Class of 1945:** Anonymous (for all the Parr family; Harry, Richard, Robert, Doris, Lorraine and Neal); **Class of 1946:** Wayne Elliot (in honor of class of 1946); **Class of 1947:** Forrest Brown, Robert 'Cliff' Wing; **Class of 1948:** Alfred Casassa (in memory of Gerry Grenier '48), June (Elliot) Chevalier (in memory of Dick Chevalier '45), Phyllis (Stickney) Hefler, Allen Palmer; **Class of 1949:** Gwendolyn (Paul) Aubrey (in memory of Earl D. Midgley), Homer Johnson (in memory of Judy Johnson '49), Priscilla (Hoyt) Thoen; **Class of 1951:** Alfred Carlson, Beverley (Brown) Frenette, Alan Marston, Frances (Purrington) Paul; **Class of 1952:** Sandra (Moore) Baker (in memory of Esther F. Moore '23 and Paul R. Moore Jr '48), Eleanor (Hammond) Crow, Geraldine (Mahar) Thomas; **Class of 1953:** Karlene (Young) Comeau, Betty Hart, Lucy (O'Dea) McIlveen (in memory of Richard McIlveen, class of 1952), Paul Vatcher (in memory of Stephen Kuchtey '51); **Class of 1954:** Ann (Gilman) Freeze, Elaine (Scruton) MacDonald (in memory of Doris Creighton Tanner '54), Ida (Worster) Whitt; **Class of 1955:** Albert Moody; **Class of 1956:** Deborah (Bourne) Bailey, Kendall Chevalier, Sue (Hollis) MacKenzie, Fred Rice; **Class of 1957:** Anonymous; **Class of 1958:** William Anderson, David Chevalier, Beryl (Noble) Marshall, Anne (Johnson) Rinalducci; **Class of 1959:** Judith (Outten) Badavas, Linda (Norwell) Coburn, Susan (Bragg) Donnelly, Edward F. Mills (To honor the HA/WHS Alumni Association for all the good work they do), Mary (Wilbur) O'Shea (in honor of class of 1959); **Class of 1960:** Timothy Brooks, Susan (Cote) Cronshaw, Bill Cunningham, Paul Panaccione (in memory of Dr. & Mrs. Wayne P. Bryer), Douglas Stoddard; **Class of 1961:** Andrea (Collins) Condon (in memory of Shirley Carter), Richard Holloway, Beverly (Goodhue) Knowles (in memory of William Jackson '61), Wendell Kuntz III, Judy (Nelson) St. Laurent, Peter Mudge; **Class of 1962:** Diane Shaw; **Class of 1963:** Neal Parr, Edmund Waters; **Class of 1964:** Leigh Smith; **Class of 1967:** Mary Ann Ross; **Class of 1968:** Michele Demarest; **Class of 1969:** Martha Thomson; **Class of 1972:** Terri Thomson (in memory of Shirley Carter); **Class of 1974:** Anonymous (in memory of Kevin Carroll '74); **Class of 1975:** Anonymous (for classmate Mike Robinson '75); **Class of 1976:** Anonymous, Lori (White) Cotter (in memory of Shirley Carter), Valerie Fowler, William Smith; **Class of 1978:** Anonymous; **Class of 1981:** Sue Brooks, Sherri (Carter) Thayer, Tracy (Emerton) Williams; **Class of 2015:** Amanda Cestrono (in memory of Michael and Laura Cote)

## 2018 Yearend Awards



### Scholarships

The Alumni Association awarded 2 scholarships in June 2018 to WHS Seniors who are children of alumni. Each scholarship is for \$1,000, and is renewable for 3 years, making the total value of each award \$4,000. 2018 marked the 56<sup>th</sup> year the Alumni Association has funded scholarships to children of alumni, for a total value of over \$100,000.

Ted Davis '61, Chairman of the Board, scholarship recipients Zachary Waterhouse '18 and Taylor Yeley '18

Zachary Waterhouse is the son of Alumni Jeff ('81) and Amy (Kadish) Waterhouse ('87). He was a member of National Honor Society, and participated in Basketball, Soccer and Tennis while at WHS. In his Senior year he was voted MVP of the Varsity Basketball team and played on the New Hampshire 1<sup>st</sup> All State team. Zach is now attending Emerson College in Boston where he has continued to play Basketball and is studying Media Arts Production.

Taylor Yeley is the daughter of Alumni Maria Carmen Martignetti ('91) and was ranked 14<sup>th</sup> in her class. She was Vice President of the Senior Class, participated in Cross Country and Interact Club, and was Producer at WHTV and Editor of the yearbook in her Senior year. Taylor is attending Miami University with a goal of working in Media Production.

### Evening School

Trustees of the Alumni Association attended the Winnacunnet Evening School graduation on June 5, 2018 where 32 students graduated from the Evening School program. Lori presented the Alumni Association's 1<sup>st</sup> Annual "Warrior Spirit" Second Chance Award to WHS Evening School graduate Bruce Hamilton.

Photo on right: Ted Davis '61, Linda Libbey '81, Bruce Hamilton '18, Lori Cotter, '76, Sue Brooks '81



### MCJROTC

A number of Trustees attended the WHS MCJROTC Annual Awards & Banquet Night on May 23, 2018. President Lori Cotter presented the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual HA/WHS Alumni Association MCJROTC Warrior Spirit Award to Chloe Swanton. Chloe was the cadet that exemplified the "Warrior Spirit" of commitment, dedication, and loyalty to fellow cadets and students within the high school and the MCJROTC program.

Photo to left: Lt Col Michael Antonio, Cadet Chloe Swanton, Alumni Association President Lori Cotter '76.



## Supporting Young and Future Alumni

Since 2012, the Alumni Association has organized a **Young Alumni Networking Fair** in January that facilitates connecting current students with young alumni to give advice about the college search, post-secondary training, and the search for a career. This year we had 40 alumni & guest participants representing 26 colleges and training programs and over 30 different majors/course of studies. Over 1000 Winnacunnet students interviewed and networked our alumni and the other volunteers. Feedback from students and staff was that it was the best such event to date.



Young alums Emma Doyle and Marley Mann give advice to a student interested their colleges



Young alums and Hampton Police officers Brandon Whitehead and Harlee Felch answer student questions about their career path and education



Young alum Kiely O'Leary speaks with a student about her school and career choice of being a cosmetologist



21 Alumni attended the Annual WHS Career Fair representing 50 careers this year.



The Board of Directors of the HA/WHS Alumni Association voted to grant **Trustee Emeritus** status to Ted Davis '61 at their April 2019 meeting. This is to honor his many years of service, fortitude, dedication and commitment to this Association. We recognize that without his influence and perseverance, the Alumni Association may not exist today. We thank Ted for giving so much of his time and energy to further the mission of creating an everlasting interest in our school!

Photo at left: Ted tending the Alumni booth at 2018 graduation

## 2018 Annual Gathering & Luncheon

The 112<sup>th</sup> Annual Gathering was held on Saturday June 23, 2018 at Grill 28 in Portsmouth. Over 110 Alumni of Hampton Academy & Winnacunnet High School attended. President Lori Cotter '76 called the meeting to order at 2pm, Bruce Aquizap '51 led the pledge of allegiance and Cedric "Dusty" Dustin '43 offered the invocation. Lori provided a summary of the activities of the Association for the year. Principal William McGowan provided an update on the high school and thanked the Alumni Association for all they do to support the students and alumni. Jon Rineman '01 gave an entertaining speech highlighting his experiences at Winnacunnet and how this helped mold him with skills for his future career. Secretary Sue Brooks '81 summarized the Secretary and Treasurer's reports which were available on each table. 2018 scholarship recipients Taylor Yeley and Zach Waterhouse both spoke of their plans and thanked the Association. 2014 scholarship recipient Sara Schwab talked about her journey to her recent graduation from University of Hartford, and Sue read a letter from 2014 recipient Cameron Hauze who had recently graduated from Southern Maine University. Ted Davis '61 and Andrea Condon '61 lead the roll of classes; oldest class represented was 1943, youngest was 2018, the class with the most members present was the class of 1976 with 12. Bruce noted the necrology for the prior year and offered a prayer for those who have passed. Betsey Davis '61 and Lydia Estey '61 awarded the 50/50 proceeds to Henry March '61 who graciously donated his winnings back to the Association. Raffle prizes were also awarded. Lori closed the meeting thanking all, and encouraging all alumni to engage with the Association.



Wayne Elliot '46, Betty Elliot, Carolyn Brown '44, Cedric Dustin '43, Forrest Brown '47 and Charlyn Brown



Don Foote '61, Ted Davis '61



Wendi Morgan '78, Donald Walker '49, Linda Mason '78



Maria Martignetti '91 and Taylor Yeley '18



Jon Rineman '01



Amy '87, Zach '18 and Jeff '81 Waterhouse



Priscilla Thoen '49, Carolyn Brooks '50



Sara Schwab '14



## Class Reunions

Class of 1946 held their 72<sup>nd</sup> reunion on Sept 22, 2018 at the home of Wayne & Betty Elliot in North Hampton



Photo at Left: The class of 1968 held their 50<sup>th</sup> reunion over the weekend of July 28, 2018 and included a tour of the high school



Photo at left: The Class of 1978 held their 40<sup>th</sup> reunion on Oct 13, 2018 at the Ashworth

The Class of 1988 held their 30<sup>th</sup> on Nov 10, 2018 at the 401 Tavern. No photo



Above: Class of 1993 - 25<sup>th</sup> on July 21, 2018 at Community Oven

Above: Class of 1998 - 20<sup>th</sup> on Nov 24, 2018 at 401 Tavern

Email us with updates on your class reunion plans, to request assistance, or schedule a tour of the high school. We will provide you with contacts we have, and can post your reunion information on our Facebook page and website. Send us pictures of your reunion this coming year for next year's newsletter! Email us at: [Info@winnacunnetalumni.org](mailto:Info@winnacunnetalumni.org)

## *Alumni Association in the Community*

Alumni Restaurant Nights: October 2018 Country View Diner, December 2018 Shane's Texas Pit, February 2019 Logan's Run, March 2019 Britt's Pub

Other Fundraisers: October 2018 Scentsy Alumni promotion, November 2018 Hannaford Bags program



Trustees attended every home football game, this was the Exeter game, WHS won 21-7!



Ted, Terri, Betsey & Andrea represent the Alumni Assoc @ Hampton Historical Society 380<sup>th</sup> July 14, 2018

## **Hampton Academy Renovation Update**



New gym unveiled at Open House November 10, 2018

The end of October, 2018, saw the moving in of the 7th and 8th grades to the wings of the newly renovated Hampton Academy building. It is cleaner, brighter, and more spacious to accommodate today's growing young teens. This includes a brand new gym that is already housing championship teams! Next on the list, to finish repairs on the older section and complete a state of the art auditorium. Stay tuned for more tours coming soon.

### **Calling all Alumni.....**

Volunteers are needed for our alumni association! As we grow, manage and participate in more local events supporting alumni, we find a need for people who might be interested in helping to spread the word!

Volunteers would help us attend WHS sporting events, set up tables of information at community functions, help with restaurant fundraisers, volunteer at the annual gathering, assist with technology and writing news articles. Representing us at reunions is always a plus. Contact us if you would like to join the fun!



# In Memoriam



Stanwood S. Brown '43  
Ruth E. (Lord) Pelton '43  
Shirley (Brown) Carter '45  
Richard B. 'Dick' Chevalier '45  
Elinor L. (Godfrey) Gadsby '45  
Harold E. Fernald '49  
Thelma (Inglis) Pretty-Brown '51  
James Robert Burke '51  
Bruce Ely Johnson '51  
Geraldine S. (Pevear) Wilbur '51  
Stephen L. Kuchtey '52  
Arlene C. (Abbott) Gilmore '53  
Robert Paul Lavigne '53  
Jackquilyn (Spear) Manix '53  
Fred C. Sherburne '53  
David J. Lamprey, Sr. '55  
Sonia (Hobbs) Spagnola '56  
Betty Ann (Davis) Seavey '57  
John 'Johnny K' Kristiansen '60

Paul Stuart Marston '60  
William H. Jackson '61  
Michael Glenn Miller '64  
Albert J. Wright '64  
Robert E. Parkhurst '67  
Robert L. Brindamour '68  
Henry 'Skip' Burbine '71  
Charles Kevin Inglis '71  
Meredith (Lilly) Ricker '72  
Dana Kirk Shields '72  
Robert E. Moaratty '73  
Paul Jerabek '76  
Steve Francis Sarson '79  
Michael S. Dwyer '81  
Robert M. Linnehan, Jr. '81  
Jeffrey Roy Bishop '82  
Bambi J. Beckman '83  
Richard C. Merrill '84  
Carol J. (Edwards) Wilde '85

Harold 'Hardy' Nedeau, Jr. '87  
Erin E. McGowen '89  
Sheri Ann (Booker) Schmitt '91  
Debra T. (Fowler) Clare '92  
Stacey M. Aversano '93  
Shannon H. Blake '94  
Christopher John Britton '95  
MacKenzie Thistle Dewar '96  
Paula M. McLeer '96  
Jeremy V. Boyd '03  
Josiah M. Beringer '06  
William J. Emery '08  
Jonathan Currier '15  
Lily Amanda Dore '18  
Carol Downer – Teacher 33 yrs  
L. Russell MacDonald – Teacher

We do our best to identify all In Memoriam additions, but if you know of any classmate or teacher we have not received word of this year, email us at [info@winnacunnetalumni.org](mailto:info@winnacunnetalumni.org) with name, class year and source of information.

## Shirley (Brown) Carter – May 9, 1927 - February 7, 2019 Trustee Emeritus

Shirley Carter graduated from Hampton Academy High School in 1945. She was actively involved with the Alumni Association for over 60 years and dedicated many hours to support the mission. She held various offices over the years: Secretary: 1947-1948, 1948-1949, 1989-1990, 1990-1991; Vice President 1980-1981, 2001-2002; President 1981-1982, 2002-2003. In honor of her years of service to the Alumni Association, in 2015 she was granted Trustee Emeritus status. We thank Shirley for her many years of service!



L to R: Incoming President in June 1981 (with retiring President Ray Gilmore '53); Leading Class Role Call at June 2013 Alumni Dinner (with son Harlan Jr '69); June 2014 Alumni Dinner with grandson Ben Thayer '16