Dear Fellow Alumni,

Greetings to all of you!

With the start of 2010, we find a new decade upon us. We hope that each of you is enjoying happiness, good health AND, of course, you remember to stay current on your HAA dues!

You likely noticed a new picture accompanying your President’s Letter. After seven years of dedicated service as HAA President, Cathy Potter Kimball has stepped down. We would like to thank Cathy for the excellent job she has done, the commitment she has shown, and the time & effort she has given to making the Alumni Association a successful organization. Thank you, Cathy, for everything.

Now, the two of us are sharing the role of President and the responsibilities that go along with that role. We want to thank the Board members for their support as we take this organization into the future. In particular, we want to thank them for their hard work and commitment throughout the year. It is their energy and enthusiasm that keeps this organization going strong.

The past few years have seen Americans enduring a struggling economy and working to turn that economy around. As bleak as things have gotten, it seems that you, our alumni, have continued to support our scholarship efforts with your donations. One hundred and twelve (112) of last year’s graduating seniors received $114,050 in scholarships and grants to help them pursue their academic goals. On behalf of the recipients, their families, and the Board, we thank all of you who are responsible... Alumni, local merchants, and organizations. We are so grateful for your continued support.

As co-presidents, we will continue to maintain and promote the Alumni Association as those who have preceded us have done. If we can make a difference by helping our graduating seniors fulfill their dreams of furthering their education, then we have done our job.

You have probably heard that our HHS varsity football team won the New York State Class B State Championship this year. This is the first time in school history that our football team has won this honor. Congratulations to the coaches and all of the players. Your season and post-season march to the top ranking in the state brought this community together. What an incredible ride it was! Read more about this amazing milestone in the sports section of your newsletter.

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Go Red Raiders!

Robert Rosell ’56
Ray Schwartz ’57

Past-president Cathy Potter Kimball ’80 (center) was honored for her service at the HAA Banquet last June. She was presented with a plaque and a beautiful bouquet of flowers. As a new decade begins, so begins a first for the Hornell Alumni Association. We now have two Board members serving as Co-Presidents. Bob Rosell ’56 (left) and Ray Schwartz ’57 (right) will lead our organization and share the responsibilities of this role.

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Meet the Hornell Alumni Association

Co-Founders of the Hornell Alumni Association
Charles Giallanza ’40 and Jack Kohnke ’41

Superintendent’s Letter

Dear Alumni,

Dramatic physical changes have started to take place in the Hornell City School District. To begin with, the newly renovated Bryant School was opened in September. A wonderful learning environment has been created for our kindergarten through second grade students at Bryant. In April, renovations began at the High School starting with a total renovation and expansion of the cafeteria. These renovations will continue throughout the year and will include restoration of the auditorium, music rooms, and other facilities in that area of the building.

On the academic side of things, we are proud to announce that Hornell High School’s graduation rate has increased over the last four years from a low of 58% to what we anticipate to be in the mid 80’s this school year. Our graduation rate was 81% last year which was a remarkable turn-around for our community.

With the economy in our region being at a low point, the school district has to make difficult choices in programming and staffing as we move forward through the year 2011. We will not downgrade what we are doing for our students because they are the future of Hornell and our nation. We have to remind ourselves that “we must prepare them for their future, not our past.”

Sincerely,
George A. Kiley

H.A.A. Endowment Fund

The Hornell Alumni Association is a recognized charitable organization under the rules and regulations of the I.R.S. The Alumni Association is a 501 (C) (3) charitable organization so that donations made to it are deductible.

Since approximately 1995, the Alumni Association hired the Steuben Trust Company to provide investment management services through a Trust Agreement for some of its excess money. The fund has grown in value due to its diversified investments between fixed income and equity investments. Since it has grown in value, it enables the Alumni Association to grant more scholarships.

For people who want to make a deductible contribution to the Endowment Fund, make checks payable to the Hornell Alumni Association and mail to:
Hornell Alumni Association
P.O. Box 135
Hornell, NY 14843
Congratulations, good luck, and best wishes to the HHS Class of 2010!

How Are Scholarship Recipients Chosen?

The Hornell High School Alumni tradition strives to encourage and support lifestyles that have strong work ethics, public service and academic achievement by rewarding students who exemplify these characteristics with recognition and financial assistance for their education.

A silent committee serves at the pleasure of the President of the Alumni Board. This group is always kept confidential.

It may come as a surprise, but this is truly a secret committee and never discussed. Board members don’t have a clue! A meeting is called by the Superintendent of Schools and the President of the Alumni Board.

The Silent Committee, school officials, teachers and guidance counselors meet for the first time. Every senior is offered an opportunity to fill out an application.

The Superintendent provides a detailed resume of all students: student class ranking, financial need, student activities, desire for higher education (school choice), cost, student character, personality, and potential leadership.

All selections are final. No records leave the school and resumes of the students are returned and kept confidential.

Please Note: The HAA memberships run on a fiscal year beginning June 1st – May 31st. Your annual dues are $5.00/year. The membership form is located in the center of this newsletter.
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The Grant in Memory of George A. Fawcett in the amount of $3,000, and the Elianna Testani Memorial Grant in the amount of $1,000 to ERICA ROKENBROD

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The Grant in Memory of John “Jack” Koskie ’41 in the amount of $3,000, and the Hornell Association Grant in the amount of $300 to YVONNE LAMONT

The Grant in Memory of the Past, Present & Future of Hornell Alumni Military Men & Women in the amount of $3,000 to ERICA ROKENBROD

The Grant in Memory of Helen G. Argentieri Kerr in the amount of $2,500 to STEPHANIE BERQUIST

The Grant in Memory of Helen G. Argentieri Kerr in the amount of $2,500 to KATELINN PETTITT

The BoCES Grant in the amount of $750 to KATELINN PETTITT

The BoCES Grant in the amount of $750 to KIRSTEN PETTITT

The Margaret "Peg" Spitulnik Memorial Grant by family in the amount of $2,000, the Penny Mehlenbacher Bassage ’77 Memorial Grant by family & friends in the amount of $500, and the Hornell Association Grant in the amount of $300 to ATHENA SCAVO

The Stephen G. Terry ’77 Memorial Grant by family & friends in the amount of $1,500 to GLORIA GAMBINO

The Sarah Bradley Deuell Grant in the amount of $2,000 to ROBERT STEEN

The Class of 1984 Grant in the amount of $500, the Hornell Association Grant in the amount of $300, and the Francis K. "Frank" Fawcett ’68 Memorial Grant by the Fawcett, Terry & Prete Families to JESSICA SMITH

The Class of '52 Grant in Memory of Lucy Brown Olds in the amount of $400, The Class of 1984 Grant Celebrating 25 years in the amount of $500, the Hornell Association Grant in the amount of $300, and the Francis K. "Frank" Fawcett ’68 Memorial Grant by the Fawcett, Terry & Prete Families to NATHAN DONAHUE

The Class of 1948 Grant in the amount of $1,300 to MATTHEW WILCOX

The Class of 1948 Grant in the amount of $1,300 to CLAIRE PERROTT

The Class of 1956 Grant in Memory of the 44 Deceased Classmates in the amount of $2,000 to SHYAMKUMAR PATEL

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The Class of 1957 Grant in the amount of $1,000, the Fagnan Family Class of 1956 Grant Celebrating 50 years in the amount of $1,000, and the Hornell Association Grant in the amount of $500 to AMY MORRISSEY

The Robert C. Young '39 Scholarship Grant by the family in the amount of $1,000 and the Elianna Testani Memorial Grant in the amount of $1,000 to JOSEPH MAURO

The Leslie Gray Memorial Grant in the amount of $1,000 to RACHAEL WOOLEVER

The Karl J. Weyand '49 & Marjorie Burkart Weyand '52 Memorial Grant given by the children the amount of $1,000, and the Clair and Ada McNitt Cornue Memorial Grant given by the family in the amount of $500 to JACQUELINE KERR

The Ernst H. Weyand Memorial Grant in the amount of $1,000 to ANTHONY SCIOTTI

The Wal-Mart Foundation Grant in the amount of $1,000 to BRITNEY ORMSBY

The Charles J. Giallanza Memorial Grant in the amount of $1,000, and the Hornell Association Grant in the amount of $300 to FRANCIS MATACALE

The Lieutenant John D. “Boots” Day '94 Memorial Grant by his parents in the amount of $500 to TAD LAWRENCE

The Henry Guenther ’28 Grant in the amount of $1,000 to QUADE BUTLER

The Anthony “Butch” Ermy ’49 Memorial Grant in the amount of $1,000 to BRITTANY GUARGLIA

The Catherine “Cathy” Bossard ’71 Memorial Grant in the amount of $1,000 to CASSANDRA GIGLIO

The Elianna Testani Memorial Grant in the amount of $1,000 to JOSEPH SIRIANNI

The Elianna Testani Memorial Grant in the amount of $500, and the Class of ’41 Grant in Memory of Glenn Sprague (Music Teacher) in the amount of $500 to ROBERT MULLEN

The Adam Davidson ’47 Memorial Grant by his family in the amount of $1,000 to MATTHEW ASHDOWN

The LaVerne “Short” Brown Memorial Grant by the “Short” Brown Memorial Golf Tournament in the amount of $1,000, and the Francis K. “Frank” Fawcett ’68 Memorial Grant by the Fawcett, Terry & Prete Families in the amount of $500 to ADAM DWYER

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The Matthew DeGaetano ’42 & Jeanne Griffin DeGaetano ’42 Memorial Grant by Family in the amount of $1,000 to STEPHANIE DASHNAW

The Barbara Weyand Miles ’43 Art Scholarship Memorial Grant in the amount of $1,000, and the Hornell Association Grant in the amount of $300 to DANIELLE ALEXIN

The John L. Miles Alred University Science Scholarship Memorial Grant in the amount of $1,000 to NATHANIEL CHAPMAN

The Betty Pease Gray Ranger ’34 Memorial Grant by children in the amount of $1000 to SARA HAMMOND

The Martin J. “Marty” Bossie Memorial Grant in the amount of $1,000 to ANGELO KULYSIE

The Class of 1959 Grant Celebrating 50 Years in the amount of $1,000 to KYLE MURPHY

The Class of 1958 Grant in the amount of $1,000 to RAVEN SMITH

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The Hornell Association awarded scholarships to ten (10) Hornell High School graduating seniors from the Class of 2009. Each student received $300 to be used for future educational expenses. Because of their large membership at the Hornell Association, they have been privileged to distribute scholarships to many area schools. Thank you for your continued generosity, support, and commitment to the Hornell community. It is truly appreciated.

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After having one full semester under their belt, the HHS 2009 scholarship recipients were introduced to the Hornell Association Board of Directors last January. The graduates expressed their appreciation for the money that they received for college. They also shared some highlights of their fall semester.

Pictured are: Row 1 (l. to r.): Jaime Hillman and Jessica Smith. Row 2: Fran Matacale, Athena Scavo, Amy Morrissey, Claire Perrott, Brianne Sexton, and Daniel Argentieri. Standing are the Hornell Association Board of Director’s Lonnie France, Kelly Reynolds, David Price (president), Jim Frost (secretary), Art Burdick, and Aaron Eicher (treasurer). Missing from photo: Danielle Alexin ’09, Rich Dunning ’09, and Steve McKibben (vice-president).

Good luck and best wishes to our future leaders!

2009 Scholarship “SPECIAL GROUP” Photos

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Pictured are Christine Egmond Donlon, Joe Christianso from Santa Rosa, CA, Philip Bartlett, Robert who is holding his sister Vanessa, Robert’s mother Denise Bartlett, and Angela Daniels Markel (HAA treasurer). Congratulations and enjoy your college experience, Robert!

Amy Morrissey (center) was awarded one of several scholarships from the Class of 1959. Pictured with her are Bill and Yvonne Fagnan Fisher ’59. In honor of her 50th year reunion, Yvonne generously donated $10,000 to the Hornell Alumni Association’s 1959 Scholarship Fund. This money will be distributed in increments of $1,000.00 per year over the next ten years. Amy enjoyed the opportunity to meet and talk with the Fisher’s at the HAA banquet last June. A BIG thank you to Yvonne for her continued support of our HHS graduates. Your kindness is truly appreciated.
The HHS Class of 1958 awarded a $1000.00 scholarship to Raven Smith who is currently attending Mansfield College. Pictured with members of the reunion committee are Carol Marino Wauffle, Helen Spiwak Spencer, Norma Buono Maglier, Raven Smith, and Anne Lisi Watt. Raven expressed her appreciation to the class after meeting them at their 51st reunion picnic last summer. The HHS Class of 1958 awarded a $1000.00 scholarship to Raven Smith who is currently attending Mansfield College.

The Leslie Gray Memorial Scholarship in the amount of $1,000.00 was awarded this past June to Rachael Woolever ’09. The Gray family has supported the HAA scholarship fund for many years. This Grant is given each year by his son, Les Gray, in memory of their father who was an English teacher and Junior High School principal for the Hornell City School District.

Pictured is (l. to r.) Tammi Doremus Fitzwater ’97, Sue Gray ’64 who is holding her beautiful grand-daughter Elizabeth “Lizzi” Olga Fitzwater (born July 6, 2009), Rick Doremus ’01, and Rachael with her parents Donna McManus Woolever ’76, and Dave Woolever ’77. Missing from the photo is Sue’s twin brother Les Gray ’64. Rachael is currently completing her freshman year at Messiah College in Pennsylvania.

The HAA awarded Jennifer Georgek the Jerry Kelly Memorial Grant in the amount of $4,500.00 during the 2009 graduation ceremonies. Jennifer and her family enjoyed meeting and visiting with the Kelly’s in the fall.


Members of the Class of 1956 invited the recipient of their 2009 scholarship to a reunion picnic last summer. Shyamkumar “Sam” Patel was awarded a grant of $2,000.00. He had the honor of meeting and thanking those 1956 classmates who were in attendance.

Pictured are Joann Dugo (sitting) and standing (l. to r.) Dottie Nicholson Perkins, Bob Rosell, Sam Patel, Alan Joe HerrNeckar, Margaret Richichi Dunn, Sandra McManus O’Heron, and Eileen Gleason Connors.

Stephanie and Emily Bergquist (front and center) each received an HAA Memorial Scholarship during the graduation ceremony last June. Stephanie was awarded the Helen G. Argentieri Kerr Grant in the amount of $2,500.00. Emily was the recipient of the Geraldine “Jerry” Wesley Oxx Grant and received $2,500.00.

Pictured with them are Joanne Kerr and her son Nick Carpenter (kneeling). Standing (l. to r.) are Roger Wilcox ’65, Claudia Kerr Wilcox ’65, Steve Kerr ’71, Rick Bergquist, Cathy Racalto Bergquist ’79, Sandra Oxx Smith ’55, Johanna Oxx Curtis ’60, and Jerilyn Oxx Prentice ’64. Good luck and best wishes to the Bergquist twins.
I would like to say thank you to the Hornell Alumni Association for choosing me as the recipient of the 2009 Wal-Mart Foundation Grant Award. Thank you again,

Britney Ormsby

Thank you very much for your 2009 Grant-in-aid. It has been very useful for college.

William VanScoter

Thank you very much for the Alumni Scholarship that was granted to me during the graduation ceremonies last June. I am very grateful to live in a town that really reaches out to the community and especially to the students. Please know how much I appreciate your support.

Sincerely,

Matt Wilcox

Thank you for choosing me as the recipient of the George Fawcett Memorial Grant. This money will help me tremendously with my finances at Alfred State College. Thanks again,

Ann Marie Postilli

Thank you for the two alumni awards in memory of Lucy Brown Olds ’52 and Penny Bassage ’77. It is an honor to receive these awards and is a great help with my college expenses.

Sincerely,

Emma Drake

Thank you very much for the generous scholarship you so kindly gave to me. It is much needed and deeply appreciated. This money will be a tremendous help in my college experience.

Sincerely,

Benjamin Clifford

Thank you for awarding me the Elianna Testani Memorial Grant and the Robert C. Young ’39 Scholarship Grant. I am very appreciative that you are able to award so much money to Hornell graduates.

Sincerely,

Joe Mauro

I am truly honored to be the recipient of the Grant in memory of Gerald “Jerry” Kelly ’58. The money will be put to good use as I continue my education at SUNY Geneseo. Again, thank you very much for this generous award.

Sincerely,

I would like to thank you for the generous scholarship that I received. This award will be put to good use in furthering my education.

Sincerely,

Zackary Alger

First of all, Thank You So Much! The Hornell Alumni Association does so much for the seniors at HHS. You deserve awards, too! So, to thank you, I put some of my historically famous art work on the other side of this card. THANK YOU for the grant in memory of Mary Louise Thacher Hammond ’36. I will be spending my first year of college with no debt because of this award. It will also be significant in paying for my college next year. This truly means a lot to me.

Millions of THANK YOU’s to all of you,

Dylan Joseph Sequoia Stein

Thank you very much for the 2009 Grant-in-aid Scholarship. It will help greatly with my finances at college.

Love,

Jaime Hillman

I was honored to be selected for the James Dagon Memorial Award. My dad spoke about Mr. Dagon as a kind and generous man that gave his time freely. I am proud to be selected for an award recognizing a person’s character. I try to work hard and do my best in everything that I pursue. To have other people recognize me for these qualities means a lot. Please accept my sincere thanks for the generous scholarship that will help me in my studies at Alfred University.

Respectfully,

Amy Morrissey

Thank you for the Sarah Bradley Deuell Grant. It will be very helpful with my financial fees at Finger Lakes Community College.

Claire Perrott

Thank you so much for choosing me as the recipient of a $3000 scholarship award. My studies in college and my success in the future will prove to be an excellent investment. I hope to someday be able to give to the community as much as it has given to me. Thank you for this opportunity,

Erica Roknenbrod

I would like to say thank you for the awards that I received at graduation. It will truly help in many ways.

Thanks again,

Robbie Donovan

Thank you so much for awarding me the 2009 Hornell Alumni Association Grant in memory of Eleanor P. Fitzgerald. It will really help a lot with college expenses. Your generosity is very much appreciated.

Sincerely,

Yvonne Lamont

Thank you so much for the grant I received at graduation. College, and my trip to Cornell, is coming up fast and costs are growing fast, too. Every bit of assistance helps. I can’t thank you enough for your generous donation.

Yours Truly,

Brian O’Toole

I would like to say thank you for the 2009 Hornell Alumni Association Grant in memory of Helen G. Argentieri Kerr. This will help a great deal as I continue my studies at Nazareth College. Once again, thank you for your generosity.

Stephanie Bergquist

Thank you so much for selecting me as the recipient for the 2009 Alumni Association Grant in memory of LaVerne “Short” Brown. This award will help me immensely in the upcoming years at Alfred State College. This only makes me look more forward to beginning my college career.

Thanks again!

Sincerely,

Kyle Conine

Thank you for the 2009 Hornell HAA Grant in memory of Geraldine “Jerry” Wesley Oxx that I received at graduation. This scholarship will help me immensely in the upcoming years at Alfred State College. This only makes me look more forward to beginning my college career.

Respectfully,

Emily Bergquist

I am writing to thank you and all of the members of the Hornell Alumni Association for selecting me for the 2009 Class of 1943 Grant. I was truly honored to have been chosen. This $500 Award will help me as I continue my education at Geneseo Community College this fall. Thanks again.

Sincerely,

Alexa R. Berry

Thank you for the $750 award I received. It will help me in college next year. Thank You.

Kirsten Pettitt

Thank you very much for awarding and honoring so many graduates with the several grants and scholarships during the 2009 HHS graduation ceremony. Without your hard work and dedication it would not have been possible. I appreciate and am honored to have received the Mrs. “Peg” Spitalnik, Mrs. Penny Bassage, and the Hornell Alumni Association Scholarships. Again, I would like to thank all of you for your kindness.

Sincerely,

Athena Marie Scavo

Thank you very much for the $2,000 scholarship. It has helped so much with my college payments. I greatly appreciate everything that the Hornell Alumni Association has done. Your generosity in financially helping and supporting the 2009 HHS senior class with future educational expenses is simply amazing.

Thanks again,

Charise Nankivel

I really appreciate the scholarship award that I received. I would like to thank you for helping me to further my education next year at Cornell University.

Richie Dunning

Dear HAA Board, Thank you so much for selecting me as the recipient of the 2009 LaVerne “Short” Brown Memorial Grant and the Francis “Frank” Fawcett ’68 Memorial Award. Also, thank you to the families that made these scholarships possible. I want you to know that this money has helped me out tremendously towards making tuition payments and purchasing my books & supplies. I think you do a wonderful job in distributing monies out every year to HHS seniors. I don’t think there are any other schools of this size that are so charitable. I feel so fortunate to have received these funds and hope someday I may be able to return the honor.

With sincere gratitude,

Adam Dwyer ’09
This photo of Elmhurst Dairy on the corner of Seneca and Fulton Streets in 1940 was submitted by Lee and Donna Ryan of Almond. The store later moved to the corner of Seneca and State Streets.

This photo of the St. James Women’s Board tea in the early 1960’s was submitted by Rose Ann O’Connor of Hornell. From left are Mrs. Anieta O’Connor, Mrs. Margaret Dean (seated), Mrs. Roger Haggerty (seated), Mrs. Mary Acker and Mrs. Mary Patti.

Holding American flags presented by the Auxiliary to Corp. J.J. Mooney Post No. 2250, Veterans of Foreign Wars, the Hornell and area Blue Bird groups are: Kneeling from left, Karen Burdette and Michele Jarrabet. Standing, from left, are, Cathy Brown, Karen Piccirillo, Mrs. Doris Manry, auxiliary president; Mrs. Harry Spitulnik, first vice president of Camp Fire Council; Mrs. Fern Chapman, auxiliary Americanism chairman: Susan Vet and Kathleen Giglio. This photo taken in 1960 was submitted by Kathleen Giglio of Hornell.

This photo of Argentieri’s Meat Market on the corner of River and John Streets in Hornell taken in the late 1930’s or early 1940’s was submitted by Norman E. Annis of Hornell.

Bars, Restaurants & Places To Get Together (submitted by Norman Annis)

Steuben Grill on Broadway

Interior of Steuben Grill on Broadway

Sherwood Hotel Bar
Spot a relative or friend from school? See a picture you’d love to have?

New Life Printers Inc. in Hornell is now offering prints and enlargements of many of the photos in this year’s News Journal and photos from the past four years’ journals as well. All prints are on photo quality paper and suitable for framing or scrapbooking. Many newer photos are also available in color! Shipping is available for out-of-area Alumni. Just stop in at 30 Park Drive or call 607-324-1760 for pricing and availability.
Do You Remember?

This 1961 Christmas photo of Velma Chapman’s 6th grade class at Bryant Elementary School was submitted by Nancy (Allison) Berger, formerly of Hornell.

This photo of Miss Tucker’s Bryant School 6th grade class in 1951 was submitted by Marilyn Norton of Hornell. Front row, from left are ?, Den Woolever, ?, ?, Bill Tsibulski, Pete Babcock, Larry Mead, Douglas Brown, Bill Kinney, Ronald Drake, ?. Second row, from left, are Barbara Sherman, Marilyn Andrews, Judy Clark, Hazel Swim, Gail Allen, Joyce Scholes, Jeanette Daniels, Mary Ann Roon, Lois Minor and Carol Secondo. Back row, from left, are ?, ?, Howard Hamilton, Ivan Prior, Robert McNaughton and Roy Schumaker.

Visit www.hornellhome.com to bring back memories of Hornell, view pictures, a message board, HHS yearbook pages, missing classmates, and much, much more. This is a great site!

This photo of the Lincoln School Christmas play in 1946 was provided by Joe Robbins of Arkport. From left are Jack Larow, Iva Stiles, Joe Lynch, Joe Hicks, Joe Robbins, Merle McCormick, Mary Houghton, Delores Jacobs, Mary Power, Jackie Donlon, Dick McGee and John Scroxton.

Dear Sally,

Thank you so much for sending me the 2009 News Journal. I received the newsletter before I got Pat Young’s note letting me know about her contact with you. Pat lived in the 6th Ward while growing up in Hornell. We walked to school together. Also, I played basketball in high school and your dad was a very good player. More importantly, he was a very good friend. Judging from your picture in the newsletter, you appear to have Jim’s height! Thanks again. I am sending you some old photos of students who attended Bryant School in the late 1920’s and early 1930’s. Don Sibly, my #2 best friend at HHS, sent them to me many years ago. Please put them in the Hornell Alumni Association archives. Thanks again for all that you and the HAA Board members do. It is truly appreciated.

Sincerely,
Chuck Schane

Editor’s note: Thank you for your kind words, Mr. Schane. Below please find one of the several pictures that you mailed to the HAA. I apologize, in advance, if any of the names are spelled incorrectly. Some of them are rather difficult to read. Take care and God bless you, always.

The HAA Board members recommend and encourage our Hornell High School alumni to submit old photos or memorabilia for the newsletter. We periodically receive items throughout the year and do our best to include them in an upcoming publication. Charlene Crowley Heard, an HHS graduate of the class of 1976, found and submitted the following pictures to us. They appeared in the Hornell Evening Tribune back in the early-mid ’70s. Charlene is married to Scott Heard and is currently living in Wolcott, Connecticut. They have two children and two grandchildren. Charlene retired in 2006 after serving as an administrative assistant for twenty-four years. Thank you, Charlene, for your photo submissions!

6/5/70: Putting the final polish on their performance, members of the Hornell All-City Elementary Band will join the Senior High School Stage Band and the Junior High School Band for the annual spring concert. Pictured are Larry Hurd, Kevin Davis, Bill Woodworth, Kim Miller, and Charlene Crowley.

10/29/75: The TOP TEN students at Hornell High School were announced recently. Reading their class listing are the students with the four highest averages. From left are Diane Lachey, Nancy Price, Karyn Giese, and David Barber.

3/13/71: Junior high students Paul Shephard and Bill Schu, seated, and senior high students Mary Koch and John Dessena practice for their joint band concert.

3/25/72: Band members of a special Latin percussion section at the Middle School are Matt Neu, Wes Stearns, Dave Lorow, Bill Schlossberg, and Bill Woodworth.

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August, 1971: The Hornell Cinderella All-Stars successfully defended their World Championship Title when they defeated the Corning Americans with a score of 15-4. Kneeling are Kathy Dean, Bonnie Peterson, Terri Walker, Jo Anne Capurso, Linda Slaght, Charlene Crowley, and Cheryl Brown. Standing are Linda Hunt (assistant manager), Karen Stiles, Melinda Wood, Jackie Waight, Norma Young, Cindy Mauro, Susan Hunt, and Kathy Stiles.

Keep in touch, alumni!

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Eagle Scouts

Less than five percent of all Boy Scouts earn the highest achievement in scouting which is the Eagle Scout Award. Yet, the class of 2010 at Hornell High School has five young men who have attained this award and one more that is ready to receive his, pending the Board of Review.

To earn the Eagle Scout Award, a scout must earn twenty-one (21) merit badges ranging from camping to citizenship, personal fitness to personal management with thirteen of the merit badges mandated to advance to this rank. All of this must be accomplished while living the Scout Oath: “On my honor I will do my best to do my duty to God and my country to obey the Scout law; to help other people at all times, to keep myself physical strong, mentally awake, and morally straight.” They also abide by the Scout Law which says “A scout is trustworthy, loyal, helpful, friendly, courteous, kind, obedient, cheerful, thrifty, brave, clean, and reverent.” Once they reach the rank of Eagle they have to create a comprehensive project to benefit the community by using volunteer help. This requires many hours in which they are the organizer and leader.

The members of the class of 2010 that have obtained this prestigious scouting award are: Kevin McAllister, son of Daniel ’76 & Joan Christiansen McAllister ’76; Daniel Murray, son of Theodore ’74 & Tammy Perkins Murray ’83; Ryan Smith, son of Daniel ’77 & Sharon Sleggs Smith ’82; Samuel Moore, son of Timothy ’73 & Gail Pettibone Moore ’78; and Dominic Matacale, son of Thomas ’75 & Kelly Clifford Matacale ’81. Also included in this group, pending his Board of Review, is Shawn Smith, son of Kevin ’78 & Deb Prete Smith ’84.

Congratulations to all of the boys for earning such a great achievement. The Hornell Alumni Association and its members are very proud of you.

Don’t miss Gus Macker Weekend in Hornell this summer....
July 24th & 25th

The Hornell High School Class of 1989 donated $1,000 to the YMCA “Changing Lives Forever” Campaign for a new facility. From left are David Sexsmith, class treasurer; Mark Morrissey, YMCA director; Daniel McManus, class chairman; and David Logan, class sergeant at arms.

Maple City Kids Quarter-Miler

The top three place winners in each division at last year’s Kiwanis Maple City Kids’ Quarter-Miler.

The 20th Annual Kids’ Quarter-Miler took place on Saturday, June 6, 2009 at Maple City Park. This event, which is a fun race for children ages two (2) through twelve (12), is jointly sponsored by the Hornell Kiwanis Club and St. James Mercy Health.

Where Are They Now?

Captain Daniel J. McAllister

Daniel J. McAllister graduated from HHS in 2001 and was the valedictorian of his class. He was awarded several academic scholarships through the Hornell Alumni Association as well as other local organizations. Dan continued his education at the United States Academy at West Point where he graduated with honors in 2005. After college, he served fifteen months as a Platoon Commander in Baghdad, Iraq. Dan is currently a Captain in the US Army with the 4th Infantry Division out of Fort Carson, Colorado. He was deployed to Afghanistan this past year and will return to the United States in June. Dan has been accepted into the MBA program at the Harvard Business School where he is looking forward to attending in the fall. He will graduate from Harvard in June of 2012. Daniel is the son of Dan ’76 and Joan Christiansen McAllister ’76. Congratulations, good luck, and best wishes to a fine young man. The HAA as well as the Hornell community are very proud of you.
Dear Co-Presidents Bob and Ray,

This year will mark fifty (50) years since my graduation from St. Ann School in Hornell. I am enclosing a class photograph taken on Jun 26, 1960. It would mean so much to me if you could publish this photo in the May 2010 issue of the Alumni News Journal. I believe that I have spelled the names correctly. However, I have not lived in Hornell since 1965 so am not absolutely certain. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,
Thomas W. Curry

Row 1 (sitting): Mary F. McKeveitt, Maureen Tobin, Mary A. Argentierei, Francis DeGaetano, Alice Murphy, Peggy Kubiat, Anne Ciancosi, Marilyn Bertram, Mary Colomio, ?, Dina Ciangalini, Madeline Palmesano, Alice Chase, and Barbara Brill.


As alumni, you know of the high quality education students receive at St. Ann School and their outstanding scores on state exams especially in science, math and reading. You’ve seen numerous St. Ann students earn membership to the HHS National Honor Society, become valedictorians and salutatorians of their high school & college classes, and go on to successful careers as business & community leaders. At St. Ann School families find small classes for greater individual attention, a faith and values based teaching approach, state of the art technology and after school social, academic and physical fitness clubs that go to 6pm. At St. Ann School, teaching faith and values goes hand in hand with academic excellence; as such we are a premier, early education institution for families in Steuben and Livingston counties.

If you are a former student of St. Ann School, we would like to give you the opportunity to share what St. Ann’s means to you with future and current students. As part of our new marketing initiative to promote St. Ann School and increase enrollment in the coming years, we are extending to you the opportunity to become an active Alumni Recruiter for St. Ann School and/or to share your story with us for marketing initiatives. Please email Randy Regan (rregan@dordcs.org) for more information or to share your story. Submissions can be made anonymously if you so desire. We look forward to sharing your success stories with future students and parents. Thank you again for your continued support.

To find out more and be part of the exciting growth going on at your alma mater, please call, write or stop by the school with your updated contact information (27 Erie Ave. Hornell, NY 14843, 607-324-0733), visit the schools website (www.stannhornell.org), and facebook pages (“Friends and Alumni of St. Ann School Hornell, NY” and “St. Ann School Alumni and Friends-Hornell”). These are great places for the exchange of memories whether through pictures of stories of your years as a friend, student, and/or faculty member at St. Ann School. Many class and band photos have already been uploaded.

“A BIG thank-you to Peg and Tom for your photo submissions!”

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ST. ANN ALUMNI: HAVE YOU HEARD THE GOOD NEWS?
St. Ann School is primed to continue its mission for many years to come!

In the last several months St. Ann School has achieved a number of major accomplishments that have brought about NEW LIFE FOR THIS GEM OF THE HORNELL COMMUNITY.

- Created a permanent development board, made up of prominent local business leaders, parishioners and alumni to increase enrollment and raise funds
- Raised over $130,000 with donations still coming in
- Established scholarships and other forms of tuition assistance making it possible for any child to attend St. Ann School
- Increased enrollment since the beginning of the current year
- Strengthened our curriculum with addition of the world renowned Rosetta Stone Foreign Language-class room edition program. All students from Pre K through sixth grade will be exposed to a foreign language course and have access to this web based series from home.
- A new playground is in the works with a number of other building and grounds improvements
- Expanding it’s summer program to meet the need in Hornell and surrounding communities
- Continue to register new students weekly, increasing enrollment for 2010 - 2011

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Hornell Housing Authority

After serving for over thirty years as the executive director of the City of Hornell Housing Authority, Lawrence “Larry” Vetter has retired. He was first appointed to the position in December of 1978. Thanks to his hard work and dedication to the Hornell community, Larry has given thousands of needy residents the opportunity to live in quality and affordable homes. Hornell has become a better place through his superb leadership. Mayor Hogan recognized Larry’s diligent work and is sad to see him go. The city will be hard pressed to find a replacement with his devotion. The HAA would like to congratulate Larry and wish him a happy retirement.

Hornell’s Own Piano Man!

Bill Loree, an HHS class of 1954 graduate, has been playing piano for most of his life. In fact, he was even nicknamed “Broadway Bill” because of his penchant for playing popular Broadway songs. He once played for a straight 78 hours and one minute in a piano marathon sponsored by Fletcher’s Pianos. This was held in Union Park where Burger King is currently located. After that feat, Bill caught the eye of the owner of the Sherwood Hotel, a famous night club in Hornell years ago. He started to perform there on a regular basis. Bill stopped entertaining people on location, Ismail helped set up a much needed hospital with an operating room and emergency room. The hospital treated about 400 injured people each day and could keep patients overnight, if necessary. This was a volunteer mission and people who went on the trip paid for all of their own travel expenses. Ismail graduated from HHS in 1991.

Local Doctor Helped Save Haitians

Dr. Ismail Mehr went to Haiti at the end of January to help with the relief effort for the aftermath of the earthquake that struck there on January 12th. While on location, Ismail helped set up a much needed hospital with an operating room and emergency room. The 2009 player of the year broke many records his senior year and led the Hornell Red Raiders to the Section V State Championships. Austin Dwyer was named NYS Class B player of the year by the New York State Sports Writers Association. Austin finished his last season as a Hornell Red Raider with numerous new records. Coach Gene Mastin said choosing Dwyer as the player of the year for this football season was possibly the easiest decision they’ve ever had to make. Dwyer helped Hornell to win its ninth Sectional Championship and its first state title in the twenty-six years that Mastin has coached. Austin was a backup for two seasons to David Zapata, Section V’s all-time career rushing leader, before he gained 1,500 yards in the fall of ’08 as a junior. He broke Zapata’s record for the most rushing yards in a season in the state quarter finals and concluded his season by leading the Raiders to a State Championship Victory, defeating Nanuet-16-14. Congratulations and best of luck to a fine young man!

Hometown Highlights • Hometown Highlights

With sincere appreciation, we would like to acknowledge Mr. Tim Berardi and his Advanced Placement English students at HHS for adapting the Hometown Highlight articles. A special recognition goes out to the following 2010 seniors for their submissions: Josh Burdett, Omer Chaudhry, Devin DeMarco, Gabrielle Drone, Colleen Flansburg, Jessy Hess, Seth Fuller, Kevin McAllister, Hannah Mikolajczyk, Julie Nichols, Zach Nichols, Cody Romanos, and Ryan Smith. On behalf of the Hornell Alumni Association Board of Directors, we would like to say “Thank You” for your assistance!

VA Police Officer of the Year Awarded to Lt. John Day ’94

John Day, 1994 HHS graduate, was selected out of 4,600 officers from 272 police departments throughout the nation, for Veterans Administration Police Officer of the Year. On April 29, 2009 the US Department of Veterans Affairs hosted its annual law enforcement banquet in New Orleans. Bath Veterans Administration Police Chief Lawrence Schuermann, who nominated Day, attended the banquet, where the award was announced. Schuermann said, “John had gone above and beyond what I’d expect from an officer.” In October of 2008, Day was killed in an auto accident on State Route 36 as he travelled to work. While employed, he served as a training officer, designing simulated crisis exercises using Air soft guns that fire plastic pellets. This created a more realistic training experience. Day also organized the child-safe program for the department which provides free gun locks to families to keep children away from weapons. Day had served as a police officer in Portville, North Hornell, and Canisteo as well. After his death, Day was promoted from Sergeant to Lieutenant.
Snowden Makes a Splash Across Continents

Ben Snowden, an HHS graduate of 1998, is highly recognized and acknowledged for his talent of BMX bike riding. For the past number of years, he has traveled across continents to compete in many competitions including the pro BMX games. Snowden’s outstanding skills have landed him with numerous awards, including a bronze medal. He has received several recruitments to do stunts for movies and music videos. Ben is a great inspiration for adolescents and young adults. He is the son of Mike and Susie Snowden of Hornell and is one of twelve children. He truly enjoys life’s adventures.

Local Man Ordained As Catholic Deacon

Robert “Bob” Colomaio of Bath, NY and an HHS graduate of 1981, was ordained last May by Bishop Matthew Clark as a permanent deacon in the Roman Catholic Church. Deacon Colomaio’s ordination followed four years of theological and pastoral studies at St. Bernard’s School of Theology & Ministry and pastoral internships at Our Lady of the Valley Parish, St. James Mercy Hospital in Hornell, and Catholic Charities of Steuben County. Deacons are primarily ministers of Word and Service. Typically, this ministry also includes liturgical service to a parish. Diaconal ministry is oriented toward continuing Christ’s care for their brothers and sisters in need. Since most deacons are married at the time of their ordination, the spouse and family remain with the deacon. Bob, his wife Pamela, and their daughters Mary Catherine and Theresa are members of St. Mary’s Church in Bath. He celebrated and preached his first Mass as a deacon on May 31, 2009. Following mass, over 100 parishioners and visiting family members continued the celebration at a pancake breakfast to honor him.

Golden Milestone

Since Dwight Eisenhower was president of the United States, Ann Perry has proudly been Hornell’s “Avon Lady”. Now in her 50th year of cosmetic sales, Perry was twenty-four years old when she picked up a 1959 newspaper and found an advertisement for the job. The best part of the job for Perry has always been meeting and working with people. She does no door-to-door selling anymore but she passes her commission on to the five sub-sellers that work under her. In 2008, Perry said she was third in sales for the district of around 500 sellers. She held the first place position for several years. Along with the sales came recognition. Perry has earned many prizes such as decorative cups, plates, dolls, and other awards which take a special place on several shelves, cabinets, and walls in her home. Ann’s high sales also earned her many exciting vacations. She has travelled to Hawaii, the Bahamas, San Francisco, Disney World, Disney Land, and a Mississippi Riverboat Tour. Ann continues to keep herself busy with her Avon business.

A Trophy Elk

Jim Crain, a Hornell native, got his chance to take down the BIG one. Last September, he and some family members went to Wyoming for their hunting trip that they take every five years. Jim has hunted the wilds of Wyoming for three decades, but the bull elk that he harvested from the Madison Mountain Range this year was unique in its perfection. It was the biggest elk he had ever killed and it had a perfect 6x6 rack. Jim made the shot with his bow from approximately thirty yards away from where the elk was standing. He found it fifty yards away and his family helped him drag it out of the woods. The group spent about a month together which was very enjoyable. And, he got his once-in-a-lifetime catch!

Mike Greene Meets A Prince!

A 1995 graduate of Hornell High School, Mike Greene had an unexpected encounter this past summer in the Scottish town of Dunbar. Greene currently lives in Colorado and has traveled the world to places like Mongolia, Alaska, and the Antarctic. He recently journeyed to Scotland to research his roots. However, his journey turned out to be much more than what he had expected. On June 3, 2009 the Prince of Wales was also visiting Dunbar. Prince Charles arrived with all the security and pomp expected with a visit from a member of the royal family. Greene said he also knew exactly how to get close enough for a hand-shake. Like everyone else, he quietly waited to wave and take pictures of his arrival, although Greene was not happy with just that. With knowledge of the prince’s love of architecture, Greene knew exactly where he would go. “Prince Charles did as I expected, he walked to the Muir’s statue, admiring its strength, and turned to look at me. As he looked at me, I asked him if I may shake his hand.” Greene had a wonderful conversation with the Prince of Wales that lasted approximately five minutes. His day began with a historical search and ended with a remarkable encounter with a royal audience.
Three Hornell Grads Run the Marine Corps Marathon

Bill Coleman ’83, Margie Fawcett Terry ’77, and Bill VanScoter ’81 ran the Marine Corps Marathon on October 25, 2009 in Washington DC. Last spring, Coleman, combining his love for running with his own military service, discussed participating in the marathon with VanScoter who is a retired Marine master sergeant and fellow runner. Bill agreed to the challenge that was offered to him. Terry ran the marathon as a charity runner for the American Cancer Society. Charities bought slots and offered them to runners who supported their cause. Several members of her family lost their lives to cancer including her husband, father, and brother. The group’s time was 5:18 which is not exactly first place but it didn’t bother them. “We started together and we ended together.” This was quite an accomplishment for these three HHS graduates.

Bill VanScoter, Margie Fawcett Terry, and Bill Coleman proudly display their medals that they received after running the Marine Corps Marathon.

Hornell Native Wins Best Original Production Award

Hornell native and HHS graduate, Jimmy Wachter ’82, currently resides in Syracuse, NY. He is a part-time waiter who has worked in the theater and acting business for approximately thirty years. Jimmy graduated from Alfred University in 1986 with a Bachelor of Arts degree in theater and moved to Los Angeles to pursue a career in acting. He landed several roles in plays and appeared in many commercials before moving back to the area.

Most recently, Jimmy wrote and produced a satirical play called Colour Me Streisand which is a 90-minute, two-actor musical that caricatures Barbra Streisand. Wachter’s friend, Josh Smith from Syracuse, co-stars with him. The play is about a supposedly huge concert that is fired up about the plans for an “eight-tractor square dance” that is in the works.

Hornell City Judge Joseph Damrath was honored for utilizing peaceful conflict resolution in his courtroom. Damrath, a 1969 graduate of HHS, has been a judge in Hornell since January of 1990. The Center for Dispute Settlement presented Damrath with the Distinguished Jurist Award at its 20th annual awards luncheon which was held in Rochester. This organization trains mediators and helps resolve civil court cases in the Seventh Judicial District which includes Steuben County. Damrath was selected by a panel of judges from all over the district. Approximately ten candidates were nominated and considered for the award. He was selected because of his aggressive use of alternative means as a resolution. Joe was very excited and quite honored to have received this award. Congratulations to Judge Damrath!

A Wonderful Honor

John Johnson graduated from Hornell High School in 1942. He was drafted by the US Army Air Force shortly after graduation and was sent to aircraft mechanic school at Fort Niagara. He served in World War II for three and a half years before returning to the Maple City. John was the owner and operator of Waldorf’s Jewelry Store from 1963-1989 and served as the Hornellsville town justice for twenty-six years.

Last fall, Mr. Johnson was selected by the Honor Flight Rochester to fly to Washington, DC to view the WWII Memorial on the National Mall. He was encouraged to fill out an Honor Flight application by his granddaughter. Approximately fifty other World War II veterans joined him on this wonderful trip. The fast-paced and event-filled celebration also included visits to the Iwo Jima, Lincoln, Air Force, Korean War, and Vietnam War Memorials as well as the Arlington National Cemetery. Johnson stated that it was a wonderful honor to have been able to participate. When the veterans returned to the Rochester International Airport, hundreds of people greeted them. They were clapping and shaking their hands and thanking them for their service to our country. Today, there are around three million World War II veterans alive and the youngest of them are 80+ years old. Honor Flights are free for veterans and funded entirely by donations. For more information about the program or for an application, go online to www.honorflight.org or call 937-521-2400.

Bill Pullman ’71 on Broadway

Bill Pullman, an HHS graduate of 1971, recently starred in the Broadway debut of David Mamet’s Oleanna. The Production was staged at the Golden Theatre in New York City. Pullman paired up with Julia Stiles in the play. It was about a college professor (Pullman) and his female student (Stiles) who become embroiled in a war of words that takes a dangerous turn as their serene campus transforms into a battleground for justice. Many area residents had the opportunity to see the play and reported that it was absolutely wonderful. The most recent movie that Bill has come out with is Surveillance which became available on DVD and Videos on Demand last August. He said that it is a gnarly, defiant, and somewhat controversial movie. Pullman appeared in plays in the 1980s, but focused on film for almost two decades until he returned to the stage in Edward Albee’s play The Goat in 2002. Bill and his wife love the Maple City and visit the area as often as possible. He said that he is so busy with all of his obligations in the Southern Tier that it’s hard to do everything that he wants to do. He really would like to make it to the Hartwell Old Home Day on Aug 8th and is fired up about the plans for an “eight-tractor square dance” that is in the works.

A Wonderful Honor
Hornell Native on NBC's “Trauma”

Jay Pullman ’61 currently resides in Arkport with his wife, Terry. He is the oldest of seven children born to Dr. James and Johanna Pullman. Jay has always loved art and wanted to be a painter. He began his career teaching high school English in Ithaca for thirty-three years and continued on for five more years at the Monroe County Sheriff’s office for seventeen years. Approximately four years ago, Marino began modeling and experienced much success. Shortly after, he decided to move to San Jose, California. “It’s a lot of fun. I’m going to take what I can get from this and keep working with things as they pop up. I think a lot of people are out here to be a big name actor but we’ll just wait and see what happens,” said Marino. Well, his hard work has finally paid off. Marino currently appears in the NBC television series, Trauma. He plays the role of a medical technician, K-Sly, and can be seen in the show after accidents and during emergencies. Marino supports the lead actors in several scenes. “Trauma is basically replacing ER for the NBC network. It’s ER with an adrenaline rush,” said Marino. In December 2008, he began to do print modeling and appears in some global campaigns, commercials, and advertisements. He has also advanced in his acting career by taking on minor roles in a few movies. Congratulations to Carl and best wishes for a successful career.

One Painter’s Passion

John Piano, a 1985 graduate of Greece Olympia High School, is a Hornell native who spent his childhood years in the Maple City. John recently won GQ Magazine’s “Better Man Better World Search 2009” Award. Piano’s pioneering work in the field of transplant records through his software company, Transplant Connect, helped him clinch the award. According to its website, Transplant Connect is involved with half of all transplants that occur in the United States. Piano’s humanitarian work has had a significant effect on the lives of many Americans including some higher profile citizens such as Apple CEO Steve Jobs. For winning the award, Piano will be included in an issue of GQ. He also received a $10,000 donation to a charity of his choice, a $1,000 Nautica gift card, and a $2,000 cash award. Although Piano spends many of his holidays here in Hornell, he is currently a bachelor residing in Los Angeles.

St. James Nurse Practitioner Treated Patients in Peru

Kim Meacham, a Nurse Practitioner at St. James Hospital, recently travelled to Peru with 28 other health professionals to help the less fortunate. It was an “eye opening” experience she won’t ever forget. Meacham stayed with a group of Catholic nuns in a remote Peruvian village where medical treatment was considered a luxury that only the wealthy could afford. The majority of her time was spent treating adults, who suffered from numerous ailments. Later in the trip, she moved to an even more remote mountain village that had no running water, sewage system, trash collection, or electricity.

HHS Grads Enter NYC Theater Scene

Christopher Hallowell and Audrey Ellis graduated from HHS in 2006 and have been friends since childhood. They have made their debuts in the Broadway theater scene in New York City recently and have started their careers in the arts. Ellis directed a contemporary rendition of The Bully Pulpit in January at the Medicine Show Theater. Hallowell had the lead role of ‘Bully’ in the play. Ellis has been dancing in NYC for a couple of years and working on various choreography projects. She spent several years practicing ballet at the Alfred Ballet Academy but never thought it would lead to stage production. She has since been offered a few projects because of its outcome.

Hallowell graduated from Ithaca College with a Bachelor’s of Fine Arts in acting. He moved to the Big Apple about a year ago and began taking on various acting jobs. He has worked with dozens of producers but can’t praise his friend enough for her leadership as a new director. Chris stated that he would not have been able to do the production without her. “I couldn’t ask for a better person to collaborate with or to be my friend. It’s great to work with somebody you respect and have grown to love.”

GQ’s “Better Man”

John Piano, left, and is father, Donald Piano of Hornell.

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Local Grad Inducted!

Michael Coleman, a 1988 HHS graduate, has been inducted into the University of Rochester Athletic and Recreation Hall of Fame. Coleman was an important piece of the Yellowjackets basketball program during his tenure at the U of R. The Yellowjackets won the 1990 NCAA Division III Tournament and later posted a runner-up finish in 1992. During the 1990 Final Four, Coleman grabbed ten rebounds in a semifinal victory over Washington College, and then scored seven points and hauled in nine rebounds during the championship game victory over DePaul University. Coleman was awarded Second Team All UAA honors in both 1991 and 1992. He is second in the all-time record books with 172 career blocked shots in 170 games. Coleman worked as an assistant coach for the Yellowjackets from 1993-1996. He is currently a Vice-President at RJ Hanafin Insurance, Inc. in Endicott, NY.

Keep in touch, alumni!

www.hornellalumni.org
This year's HAA Kick-Off Night had a twist on the usual festivities as the threat of rain was in the air. Our typical evening of entertainment on the Broadway Mall was diverted into the Hornell Association. With folding chairs in hand, a wonderful turn-out of former Alumni were welcomed into the Club to enjoy an evening filled with music, friends, laughter, and fun!

The evening began with Jimmy Dagon ’71 playing his guitar, harmonica, and vocals to an eager crowd. There was finger tapping, foot stomping, and a number of folks who joined in singing some of our favorite tunes from the past. Thank-you, Jimmy, for bringing back the memories that are held with those good ‘ole songs that we all love.

Next, former Alumni were kicking their heels up on the dance floor to the upbeat sounds of one of Hornell’s favorite bands, The Badgemen. Again, our former graduates carried on the tradition of really knowing how to have a GOOD time as they showed off their dancing skills.

Our sincere thanks to the Hornell Association for opening their doors and welcoming our Alumni for an evening filled with new memories to cherish! Please note: This year’s Kick-Off Night will be held on Thursday, June 24, 2010. Please feel free to join us on the Broadway Mall.

Front row: Manuel Psyhos, Missy Pomeroy, Erin Dagon, Ashley Hogan Stryker, Brittany Head, Dorothy Sirianni Nisbet, and Howie Nisbet.

Back row: Jim Dagon, Ellen Dagon, Carol Hagadorn Laker, MaryEllen Poorman Cometta, Angela Day Yanni, and Sandy Lamard Johnson.

Kick-Off Night entertainers for Thursday’s fun-filled evening include:

(Front row) Jimmy Dagon ’71 and Josh Burchard.

Joining them are:


Enjoying the evening are three members of the Brown Family: Barbara, Bill, and Margaret “Pug”
Enjoying time together with both family and friends is what Alumni Weekend is all about. **Sitting in the front** is Johanna Oxx Curtis, Sandy Lecceardone Layton, Jimmy Marino, Carolyn Kuhn Kelly, Susan Gray, and Frances Kuhn Shute. **Standing:** Rick Oyer, Ron Harold, Michelle Raish Curtis, Mike Curtis, Debbie Bartlett Ambuski, Bill Nash, Ray Skinner, Dick Oyer, and Cathy Potter Kimball.

Celebrating from the Class of 1937 are Charlie Davis and Roberta Goff Bishop. In Honor of their 72nd high school reunion, the Hornell Alumni Association presented them with HAA coffee mugs and lap blankets.

**Margi Pollinger Secondo ’59, Eileen Secondo Marino ’84, Rick Oyer ’84, and Dick Oyer ’59 were celebrating their 50th and 25th class reunions during Alumni weekend. The classes of 1959 and 1984 were honored at the banquet last year.**

**Pictured are (l. to r.)** Don Felker, Maruth McInerney Dieter, Irene Oyer, Dick Oyer, Sally Taylor Brown, Margaret Brown Nasca, Stanley Hill, and Joann Titus Smith.

With sincere appreciation to
Keith Guthrie ’88 (owner), Damon Harris, Mickey Flansburg Stone, and the staff at New Life Printers for their advice and expertise in organizing the final submissions of the newsletter!
Hornell High School Alumni Banquet
Saturday June 27, 2009

In the back bar of the K of C, we find even more Alumni enjoying the evening! **Seated:** Bill Hogan, Hilary Burdett, Joe Aini, Mary Jane Price, John Price, and Joanne Maher Price. **Standing:** Leo “Buddy” Burdett, Erin Hogan, John Carbone, Colleen Perkins Harrison, Ryan Harrison, Kelly Criss, Calvin Weaver, Brian Wilsey, Robert McLaughlin, and Kathy Canty.

(LEFT) We were able to snatch away a few of the 2009 scholarship recipients from their graduation festivities long enough to take this photo. They were introduced to everyone attending the banquet and received a big round of applause. **Pictured here are** Adam Dwyer, Justine Rose, Amy Morrissey, Jessica Smith, Athena Scavo, Brianne Sexton, Allysia Sirianni, Jacob Giglio, and Francis Matacale. We hope that all of our 2009 scholarship award winners enjoyed their first year at college.

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It was with great appreciation and excitement when a few members of the HHS Basketball Team accepted checks from the alumni classes of 1959 and 2009. These generous donations made it possible to purchase a lighted score table for the high school gymnasium. This beautiful table has been used at all sporting events this past year. **Pictured are:** Kelley McMordie Argentieri (Class of 2009 advisor), junior Jordan Schwartz, senior Josh Burdett, sophomore Dominic Scavo, Linda McHale (Class of 1959 chairperson) and school board member Richard Scavo.

Dolores Sherwood Andrus ’38 (front) enjoyed spending time with her daughters, Ellen Andrus Stewart ’75 and Mary Andrus Tindall ’64 who traveled from Kentucky to attend her 45th class reunion.
A Big Thank You to Our 2009 Reunion Committee Members!


Do You Remember?
Bars, Restaurants & Places To Get Together
(submitted by Norman Annis)

HAA Board of Directors Holiday Party

The Hornell Alumni Association Board of Directors and their spouses/guests celebrated the holiday season at the Italian Villa in Hornell last December. They enjoyed playing their “gift exchange swap game” after being served a delicious dinner. We hope our alumni are experiencing a healthy and happy 2010. A BIG thank you for your membership dues and scholarship donations.
Class of 1937 ~ 72 Year Reunion

A luncheon was held at J. C.’s Café on Saturday, June 27, 2009 for the 72nd reunion of the class of 1937. A short business meeting took place followed by a wonderful lunch. The afternoon was spent talking about old times and fond memories of our days at Hornell High School. Special thoughts were with those classmates who have passed or were not able to attend.

Class of 1942 ~ 67 Year Reunion

It was a wonderful Saturday for the 66th and 65th reunion for the classes of 1943 and 1944. Approximately fifty alumni and guests were in attendance on June 27, 2009 at Veteran’s Memorial Park in Hornell. The word “great” really describes the day—great food, great drinks, and most importantly great company! It seems that every year we tend to appreciate our old friendships more and more. The classes wish to extend their thanks and gratitude to Mayor Shawn Hogan and his “able assistant” Rick Recktenwald for giving up their day to barbeque the steaks and chicken. The companionship was truly wonderful. These classmates will hold onto that feeling while looking forward to their class reunion next year!

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On December 12th, twenty-two graduates and guests from the 1943 and 1944 classes met at the home of Thelma “Tolly” McCarthy Pelych for their annual Christmas party. As usual, Tolly had her house beautifully decorated from top to bottom for the event. Many stories were exchanged during the evening. Jack Graham read a poem to everyone which was titled “Christmas at Tolly’s 2009” and written by Betty Masters Cary. Prior to a scrumptious meal that was catered by JC’s Café, hors d’oeuvres and beverages were served. A good time was had by all who were in attendance!

A big thank you to Tolly McCarthy Pelych (right) for hosting another wonderful holiday party. Pictured with her is Ricki Dagon whose late husband, Jim, graduated with the class of 1944.
The class of 1949, aka “The 49’ers”, celebrated their 60th reunion during Alumni Weekend. On Friday evening, classmates gathered at Club 57 Restaurant with cocktails starting at 5:30pm and dinner served at 6:30pm. Tom McCarthy gave the welcoming speech. Door prizes were won by Mary C. Cole Garrigen of Myrtle Beach, Sr. Veronica Casey of Rochester, and Mary A. Argentieri Crosby of Hornell. The evening was wonderful and a lot of fun. Those in attendance even sang all of the words to the HHS Alma Mater! Some classmates attended the Alumni Banquet on Saturday evening at the Knights of Columbus. A great time was enjoyed by all that were able to make it. On Sunday, many classmates attended a brunch at the Hornell Golf Club. It was difficult to say goodbye but classmates are hoping to see one another again next year.

Taking time out for a photo are (sitting, l. to r.) Mary Celestine Cole Garrigen, Mitzie McEntee Murphy, and Lillian Guthrie Hanks. Standing (l. to r.): Sr. Veronica Casey, Shirley Maglier Benson, Marilyn McClary Grillo, Mary Ann Orihuel Leon, Patricia Egmond Severon, Tom McCarthy, Mary Agnes Argentieri Crosby, Don Crosby, and Florence Matacle Rice.

The class of 1951 held its 58th reunion with a picnic on Sunday, September 13, 2009 at Veteran’s Memorial Park (formerly known as James St. Park). The weather held out beautifully for the approximately twenty-five members and spouses in attendance. Some classmates traveled from Texas, Fairport, and Baldwinsville. Charlie Brewer did a great job with the grilling and there were snacks in abundance. Pat Shiner McEvoy won the 50/50 raffle. Next year’s reunion will take place at noon on the Sunday following Labor Day which is September 12, 2010. Once again, it will be held at Veteran’s Memorial Park.

HHS 1951 classmates and their guests enjoyed a wonderful afternoon picnic.

The class of 1952 celebrated their 57th reunion by having a picnic on July 18, 2009 at Veteran’s Memorial Park in Hornell. In honor of their 57th anniversary, this class proudly presented the Hornell Alumni Association with a donation of $2,400 (6 scholarships @ $400 each) to six 2009 graduates. The recipients were Matthew Dinwoodie (grandson of Carl Benedict), Jessica Smith (granddaughter of Francis Smith), Erinn Smith (granddaughter of Hoke Smith), Alexa Berry (granddaughter of Richard Berry), Emma Drake (granddaughter of Marcia Roosa), and Dan Argentieri (grandson of Gerard Connors and Jim Argentieri). These grants were given in memory of Lucy Brown Olds, past chairperson of the class of 1952 reunion committee. Similar grants are planned for the 2010 HHS graduates.

Grant donations and raffle contributors were Chris Haughton Loftus, Ed O’Heron, Martin Cameron, Betty Hall Monaghan, Joanne Dixon Curran, Marilyn Simms Heers, Tom Deegan, Richard Miller, Jean Howard Young, Francis Smith, Mary Tobin Vet, Ed Cleveland, Ron Weaver, Velma Loper Weaver, Marcia Roosa Merring, Sue Grill Christensen, Mary Moretti Purtell, “Lee” Pryor Ewing, Betty Tuttle Wilson, Carl Benedict, James Tolan, Betty McClary Caville, “Dorrie” Schneegas Towne, Josie Ciacaglini, Dick Berry, Joanne Hammer Mastin, Lorna Schreck Brink, Mary Gibbs Doran, Tim McDaniel, Tom & Barb Scott Clancy, Jim Connors, and Mary Coyle Mongoose.

In addition, twenty-five people purchased raffle tickets. The winners were Tom Clancy and Bob Headley. Both gentlemen donated their $50 back to the class scholarship fund ~ thank you! Reunion committee members were: Ed O’Heron, Lorna Schreck Brink, Jean Howard Young, and Jean Quartz Pollinger.
Members of the class of 1954 celebrated their 55th reunion on June 26, 2009 at the Moose Club on Seneca Street in Hornell. Cocktail hour began at 6:00pm and was followed by dinner. After dinner, classmates discussed future plans and a summary of finances & scholarships took place. We always did have a “mouthy” class. Some things never change, thank goodness! We had a good turnout, as usual. The reunion committee was surprised to see a total of fifty-three people in attendance. Our next reunion will be our 60th which is hard to believe! We all have plans to be there. See ya in June of 2014! Committee members included Carol Alexander Rice, Mary Coleman Raish, John Congdon, Jim Gentile, Jim Gleason, Gerri Howard VanSkiver, Dave Jacobs, Deanne Jensen Didas, Peggy King Brewer, and Jackie Knapp Daniels.

Classmates enjoyed meeting and talking with their 2009 scholarship winner, Skyamkumar “Sky” Patel, who is pictured with them (center & kneeling).

The class of 1956 celebrated their 53rd anniversary on Saturday July 25, 2009 at the Arkport Village Park Pavilion. Long distance travelers included Phil Evans of South Carolina, Lorraine Sirianni McElroy of Arizona, Marla Skinner Galley of Florida, Jim Ivey and Fred Cook of Virginia, and Annette Logan of Pennsylvania. Others attended from the local areas such as Buffalo and Rochester. The Sunset Restaurant, owned by Tom & Marcia Davis, catered the buffet luncheon and the reunion committee provided desserts. Brad Reisman of Arkport was the winner of the 50/50 raffle—congratulations Brad! The class of 1956 gifted $2,000 to the Alumni Association Scholarship Fund in memory of their forty-four deceased classmates. The recipient of the award was Skyamkumar “Sky” Patel. The grant will be distributed to him over a four year period. Congratulations to Sky from the class of 1956!

Although the class of 1957 didn’t have a formal reunion last summer, they do continue to raise and donate $1000.00 to the HAA scholarship fund every year. Amy Morrissey, a 2009 HHS graduate, was the recipient of the award. She received the scholarship during the graduation ceremony last June. Amy is currently attending Alfred University where she is majoring in Early Childhood Education. Amy is the daughter of Mark ‘75 and Kathy Dean Morrissey ’76. The class of 1957 meets on the second Tuesday of every month at the Italian Villa for a luncheon get-together. All classmates are welcomed and encouraged to attend.

HAA past president, Cathy Potter Kimball ’80, drew the winning ticket for the 50/50 raffle drawing while Anne Horvat Schwartz and current Co-President Ray Schwartz look on. The winner of the raffle drawing was Nancy Kull Glynn who graciously donated the money back to the class of 1957 scholarship fund. Thank you, Nancy! This photo was taken during a recent luncheon. Pictured are sitting: Ray Schwartz, Anne Horvat Schwartz, and Sharon Shannon Henry. Standing: Donna Barney DeSanto, Madelyn Padden Dugo, Marilyn Muchler Ahearn, and Margaret Brown Nasca.
Members of the class of 1958 celebrated their reunion at Veteran’s Memorial Park in August, 2009. A delicious picnic was catered by JC’s Café. The turnout was great with quite a few coming from out of town. Fun was had by all! The weather was perfect and the food was wonderful. The reunion committee did a fantastic job. They were Helen Spiwak Spencer, Anne Lisi Watt, Carol Marino Waufle, and Norma Buono Maglier.

Raven Smith (front) was the 2009 scholarship recipient of the class of 1958 grant. She stopped by their reunion last summer to thank everyone for their generosity.

The class of 1959 celebrated its 50th reunion during Alumni Weekend and classmates found it to be a very rewarding experience. A wonderful donation of $10,000 to the 1959 scholarship fund was made by classmate Yvonne Fagnan Fisher. With this terrific and generous donation, a $1000.00 award will be given each year to a graduating senior who plans on furthering their education after high school. Amy Morrissey received the first increment last June. This annual scholarship will continue until June of 2019. Thank you again for your kindness and support, Yvonne. Also, the class of 1959 donated $1,500 to the HHS gym for a new scoring table. Many thanks to Dolores Cieslak Cansfield for the thoughtful floral boutonnieres that were presented to all returning graduates at the Saturday evening banquet. Dolores was missed as her husband, Walter, and her family were celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary. Congratulations and best wishes to both of you! A special thanks goes out to Pete & Barb Buono and the class committee for the beautiful plaque that was presented to reunion chairperson Linda Burse McHale. It was certainly the hard work of all committee members that made this weekend a complete success!

Evelyn McLean Brady, Yvonne Fagnan Fisher, Bill Fisher, and Elaine Gray

Linda Burse McHale, who is pictured with her husband Steve, is the class of 1959 reunion chairperson. She worked very hard throughout the year in organizing this special 50th celebration. Linda was honored for her continued effort, support, commitment, and dedication in being the “LEADER” of the group. Thank you, Linda. You are truly appreciated.

The class of 1964’s 45th reunion weekend started on the “HAA Thursday Night Kick-Off” with several classmates getting together for dinner. Then, they headed over to the Hornell Association to listen to Jimmy Dagon ’71 on the guitar and the local band, The Badgemen. They met up with several more classmates there and had an enjoyable time catching up on old times. On Friday evening, an informal mixer was held at the Hornell American Legion with over 100 people in attendance. Food was catered by J.C.’s Café. Music from the 1960’s was provided by Sharon Dick Prentice and Joe Cieslak. Classmates renewed friendships, laughed, reminisced, and had a very good time. A moment of silence was held for all deceased members.

On Saturday, Dr. Susan Gray graciously opened her home as she has done for our previous reunions. Several classmates that were unable to attend the Friday evening festivities joined us to renew friendships with a pleasant afternoon of conversation. Everyone had a wonderful time at the picnic. We all enjoyed the Saturday evening gathering at the Alumni Banquet which was held at the Knights of Columbus. The food was delicious and many enjoyed the dancing. The recipient of our $1,200 scholarship was Brittany Howell who is currently enrolled at Keuka College. A big “thank you” to all who attended our reunion events and helped make this weekend a big success. Classmates came from near and far including places such as California and Indonesia.

The class of 1964 reunion committee included: Dr. Susan Gray, Barbara Rauber Arnault, Lynn Rymal Wilson, Larry Carroll, Joe Donlon, Sharon Dick Prentice, Joe Cieslak, and Sharon Brunskill Simons. The committee did a great job organizing our 45th reunion. We look forward to seeing everyone in 2014 to celebrate our 50th!
Hornell High’s Class of ’69 gathered together to celebrate their 40th reunion the last week in June, 2009. Approximately 90 people attended. On Friday evening, a party was held at the Hornell Golf Club (formerly the Country Club). Those who were there were able to reminisce to the tunes of THE ASSOCIATES (the Nash brothers, Lee Skinner and Terry Bertram). And, YES, they were a HIT! How they were able to get together after all of these years, practice once the night before, and entertain us all for the entire evening is anybody’s guess, but, they did! AND, our own Dennis Deninger was kind enough to act as our emcee. The food was delicious, and the company was outstanding. I think it’s safe to say that a good time was had by all!

On Saturday morning, our local radio station hosted a ‘Class of ’69 Hour’. Some of our classmates reminisced about the good old days at HHS and filled us in on what life has been like since then. Dennis was able to arrange this special addition to our weekend and did a fine job interviewing his Class of ’69 guests. On Saturday night, many returned to spend time together at the annual Alumni Dinner Dance held at the Knights of Columbus. This event particularly honors the 50th and 25th year classes, but our class was seated together. We had no trouble making some noise! Dennis was the Guest Speaker after the banquet dinner. He made our class very proud. Again, this was another great evening.

Finally, a few of us (twelve to be exact!) braved the pouring rain and chilly day on Sunday, and spent the afternoon together at Pollywogg Holler. If you have never been there, this place is a treat. There was music, pizza, wine, and snacks. Our own Bob Nash once again shared his wonderful talent on stage that afternoon. When the band that was playing took a break, he was invited to sing a few songs! Nice job, Bob!

All in all, we would have to say that the old saying is true: “We aren’t getting older – we’re getting better”! For three too short days in June, the class of 1969 showed that they still have a lot of spirit and pep! A HUGE “thank you” to Dennis Deninger, Bob Nash, Bill Nash, Lee Skinner and Terry Bertram for providing us with great entertainment, to the Class of ’69 Reunion Committee for all of their hard work, and most especially to all of you who attended and made our weekend a success. It was great to see everyone again!

The 1969 reunion committee worked very hard throughout the year to provide their classmates with a weekend full of activities and good times. Pictured at the Friday evening festivities are the committee members. Front: Mary Ellen Poorman Cornetta and Carol Berry Rawady Back: Sandy Larnard Johnson, Ellen Dagon, Debbie Gessner Dupont, Dan Racalto and Tim Ingalls. Hats off to all of them!

Christy Schnit Whitman, along with her classmates, enjoyed dancing to the tunes of The Associates. Oh, what wonderful memories from years ago!

Pictured are the Nash brothers, Bob and Bill, from the band The Associates. Great job, guys!

The class of 1971 had their 38th reunion last August. These classmates have been meeting informally every summer since their 35th HHS reunion. Approximately fifty members and their spouses gathered at the summer home of Jimmy Dagon on Loon Lake. Food and beverages were plentiful. Classmates shared many memories and told several stories about their days at HHS. The 1971 reunion committee continues to raise money for the HAA scholarship fund. With the donations collected, a grant will be awarded to a graduating senior during their 40th anniversary celebration in 2011. This award will be given in honor and memory of all deceased classmates. Contributions can be sent to Angela Daniels Markel, HAA Treasurer, PO Box 135, Hornell, NY 14843. Updated addresses and emails can be sent to Nancy Notz Fagnan at nl1213@yahoo.com or Jim Dagon at jimdagon@earthlink.com

Janet Wills Cohan and Jimmy Dagon spent time reminiscing about the good ‘ole days at HHS!

The class of 1974 had an informal 35th reunion on Friday, June 25, 2009. Classmates met at the Hornell Association for happy-hour which included drink specials and delicious hors d’oeuvres. Everyone enjoyed seeing and talking to one another. Some of the people who were in attendance are pictured on the left. They are (sitting) Joe Richardson ’73 and his wife, Rene Porcaro Richardson, Bob Scholes, and Marianne Racalto. Standing are Molly Dagon Andolina, Mike Murray, Don Sheridan, Nancy Allison Berger ’73, and Nick Berger. Nick was an HHS Art teacher back in the seventies. He remembers this class VERY well!

The class of 1979 held their 30th year reunion the weekend of July 17th and 18th. The Friday night festivities started at Vinny’s in Hornell and continued on to Illusions Nite Club where The Trolls entertained classmates and friends. What a blast from the past! Saturday night included dinner and dancing at the American Legion. A great time was had by everyone in attendance.

The class of 1984 celebrated their 25th reunion at the Alumni Banquet held last June. Classmates were pleased to celebrate this event with members of the class of 1959 who were being honored for their 50th reunion. Classmates began the weekend by gathering Friday evening, June 26th, at an informal mixer at the Maple City Bowl where hors d’oeuvres were served. Later that evening, the Bowl was open to the public with Karaoke. On Saturday afternoon, classmate Jim Testani invited the class and their families to open bowling. A huge thank you to Jim and the Maple City Bowl for their generosity in allowing our class to gather there for the weekend. After a day of fun, a delicious meal was served at the Hornell Knights of Columbus. Following dinner, memories of the past and present were discussed by fellow alumni. The evening ended with lots of dancing. A fantastic time was had by all! Reunion committee members include: Bill Headley (speaker for the class), Kim Hillman Weyand, Rick Oyer, Debbie Prete Smith, Michele Raish Curtis, Jim “Jut” Sexton, Kim Smith Courtney, and Jim Testani.
The class of 1989 held their 20th high school reunion the weekend of July 23rd, 2009 without severe injuries or harm to any animals! Our ‘motley crew’ of organizers included Dave Logan, Mary Ellen Letson Roselli, Cherie Prior Smith, Jim Clancy, Bryan “Skinny” Wise, April Hall, Colleen Stocum Wilson, Christina Larnard Smith, Dave Sexsmith, Angela Day Yanni, and Danny McManus. There were many others that helped with odds & ends and last minute details. You know who you are……and, we thank you! We were not sure at first how to go about finding all of our classmates. Luckily, with the power of facebook and other net-working sites, we were able to find and actually get in touch with 162 of the approximately 175 members of our class. Our 20th year reunion was a HUGE success with 119 classmates attending!

On Friday evening, we had a pizza/wings/cocktails…and, more cocktails…gathering at the Hornell AmVets Bar on Broadway with entertainment by the Hornell natives band, “The Badgemen”. Saturday evening events were held at the Hornell Golf Club which was catered by John Carbone. Of course, there were after-hours festivities both nights which we won’t get into!

We planned and accomplished many of our goals to cut costs for our class by having fundraisers throughout the year. These include a soda can drive, a yard sale, a 50/50 raffle, and an auction. Of our proceeds, we were able to donate money in memory of Dillen (Carol Mosher) McCormick, scholarships for the children of our classmates who graduated from Hornell in 2009, and present a donation to the Hornell YMCA in the amount of $1000. It was a lot of work and many late nights planning our reunion. But, it all paid off! Once again, the committee wants to thank all of you who attended the weekend festivities and/or sent in donations. We are looking forward to seeing you again at our 25th!

(Pictured at right) The Badgemen: Dan McManus (center), dressed in his stunning shorty-shorts and strumming the tennis racket, enjoyed his guest spot on stage as Dave Woolever (left) and John Lewis (right) look on. After singing a few songs, Dan was “gonged off” and released to his classmates.

The class of 1999 celebrated the end of summer by hosting their 10th year reunion which was a two night event that brought old friends together from near and far. Many classmates traveled back to their “old stomping grounds” from out of state to take part in the celebration. On Friday, August 21st, members of the class held a happy hour gathering at RBI Sports Pub in Hornell. The night was very well attended by class members with approximately 90 people in attendance. It was a great chance for everyone to catch up and relax. Our celebration Saturday evening was held at the Hornell Golf Club. Classmates enjoyed great food provided by John Carbone and music was provided by class members John Lewis and Dave Woolever. The class of 1999 had a great time reminiscing, eating, drinking, and dancing the night away! The reunion weekend was coordinated by Dave Woolever, Ashleigh Hogan Striker, and John Lewis. All in all, the class of 1999’s first reunion get together was a great success. Classmates are already looking forward to making their 20th reunion even better that their 10th!
Do You Remember?
Bars, Restaurants & Places To Get Together
(submitted by Norman Annis)

Park Inn, Canisteo Street

Angie's Bar on Broadway

Racalto's on River Street

Ike's E&L on River Street

Where Are They Now? Kristen “KC” Conklin '03

KC is pictured above with her parents, Kevin and Jean Conklin.

Kristen “KC” Conklin, an HHS graduate of 2003, is one of 215 members of AmeriCorps National Civilian Community Corps (NCCC) who has completed ten months of full-time community service to communities in need. Conklin arrived at NCCC’s Southwest Region Campus in Denver on October 6, 2008 and graduated on July 23, 2009. Conklin and her team of ten other members (called Fire 4) completed a series of projects which lasted six to eight weeks in four different communities across the country. NCCC projects assist with disaster relief, improve the environment, enhance education, increase public safety, and address unmet human needs.

Conklin was first stationed in New Orleans. She helped run the kitchen at Camp Hope, a place where people could stay while they volunteered their services to help rebuild the city from Hurricane Katrina. From there she went to Beaumont, Texas to aid FEMA in long term community recovery for Chambers, Jefferson, Orange, and Galveston counties. Her third placement was working for the City of Fort Myers, Florida where she and her team cleaned transient camps, tore down unsafe structures, and built wheelchair ramps. Finally, she ended up in Colorado Springs, CO. working as a camp counselor for children of deployed soldiers at an outdoor adventure/leadership camp called Operation Purple.

The graduating class responded to 23 disaster call-outs nationwide this year in partnership with the American Red Cross, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), and the United States Forest Service, including a large scale response to Hurricane Ike. AmeriCorps NCCC certifies 100 percent of its members in disaster relief and has responded to every national disaster since the program began in 1994.

Before joining the NCCC, Conklin attended The State University of New York at Fredonia. She graduated in December 2007 with a degree in Biology and a minor in coaching. KC is the daughter of Kevin ’72 and Jean Alexin Conklin ’64. She is currently employed by the Hornell City School District as the Senior High School Security Monitor.

Thank You! Thank you! Thank You!

Ed Flaitz ’84, owner and operator of EDS Computer & Technologies on Main St. in Hornell, generously donated a laptop computer to the Hornell Alumni Association last November. This wonderful device has been used on numerous occasions and is very helpful in organizing data, photos, and general information for the News Journal. Pictured is a group photo of Ed & his family, HAA Officers, and employees of EDS Computers. Front row: Elaina Flaitz ’23, Donna Haraty, Emma Flaitz ’20, Michele Loper Flaitz ’88, Anna Marie Flaitz ’18, and Angela Daniels Markel ’71 (treasurer). Back row: Jason Kaszynski, Ray Schwartz ’57 (co-president), Ed Flaitz ’84, Bob Rosell ’56 (co-president), Rick Sirianni ’72 (vice-president), and Barb Berry Perrott ’74 (secretary). On behalf of the entire HAA organization, we would like to recognize Ed and thank him for his generosity and thoughtfulness. Your donation is truly appreciated.
The beautiful 2009 homecoming candidates were Lyza Hornbeck, Julie Nichols, and Katie Coleman.

The Queen and Her Court: Congratulations to Katie Coleman (left) for being crowned the HHS homecoming queen during the halftime festivities last September. Pictured with Katie is her escort Stuart McHenry '08, Lyza Hornbeck and her dad, Mike Hornbeck, and Julie Nichols who was also escorted by her dad, John Nichols.
2009 Inductees

NANCY WALKER STEWART ‘82

Nancy earned letters in soccer, basketball and track, with her greatest accomplishments coming in track and field. Stewart set a school record in the high jump. Her mark of 5’1” stood for 14 years. In the 400M, she was a Steuben County champion and went on to win the Class A Sectionals, eventually competing in the State competition that year. In 1978, Stewart was a winner at the Jesse Owens games in Buffalo and went on to Nationals in California.

LEONARD CARUSO ’63


ALISON ARGENTIERI ’99

Alison is being inducted into the Hall of Fame on her first year of eligibility. While she lettered in five sports and amassed 14 letters, Argentieri’s greatest successes came on the hardwood. She got her first taste of varsity basketball action as a seventh grader. Over the course of a five year career, Argentieri piled up a multitude of awards, including First Team Sullivan Trail, Section V All Tournament Team, First Team Spectator Great Eight and Spectator Great Eight Player of the Year. She became just the third female to score 1,000 points, accomplishing the feat as a junior. Argentieri earned a scholarship to Boston University where she helped lead the team to a league title.

KYLE JOHNSON ’99

Kyle is being inducted into the HHS Hall of Fame in his first year of eligibility. He was a three-sport athlete during his career, lettering in football, baseball and basketball. As a senior, Johnson quarterbacked the Red Raiders to a 9-2 record and a Section V Class B title. Johnson was named the MVP of the championship game. He set a school record that season by tossing for over 1500 yards and 23 touchdowns. Johnson played four years of varsity basketball, setting a school record with 1154 career points. He was chosen to the Livingston County Division I All Star team, as well as the Great Eight Spectator First Team. Kyle went on to play baseball, and pitch, for SUNY Cortland for four years and participate in two college world series.

RICH HEAD ’71

Richie earned seven varsity letters in three different sports (baseball, basketball and soccer) during his high school career. On the hardwood, Head captured the squad his senior year, posting team-high averages of 16.4 points per game and 9.4 rebounds per contest. Head played three years of varsity baseball. During his senior campaign, the shortstop batted .346 and led the team in hits, walks and total bases. Richie was named to the All Sullivan Conference Team in both basketball and baseball his senior year. He attended Alfred State College after graduating from HHS and was named an All Conference shortstop both seasons, finishing his career with a .360 batting average.
Lenny Caruso (center) began coaching the HHS varsity baseball team in 1971. Pictured with him are Hall of Fame members of his first team that year, Rick Sirianni ’71 and Rich Head ’71.

Joe ’76 and Debbie Hogue Rose ’72, who own Stone Cottage Cakery in Hornell, did a beautiful job baking, preparing, and decorating the cake for the banquet festivities.

The Sports Hall of Fame committee did a wonderful job planning a get-together after the football game for the inductees and their guests. The event was held at the Carducci Club in Hornell. Pictured are (l. to r.) Bill Johnson, Tom Fagnan, Kyle Johnson, Angela Daniels Markel, Rich Head, Teddy Van Order Ormsby, Lenny Caruso, Alison Argentieri, and Bob Codispoti.

Past Inductees to the HHS Hall of Fame

Elliott Hartman
William Havens
Francis Hogan
Harold Coddington
Robert Flaitz, Sr.
Jim Moretti
Charles Young
Margaret Jones
Bert Myers
John Foreman
Robert Rohan
William Rohan
Lorenzo Castiglione
John Caprarulo
Louis Babcock
Richard Durkee
Ernst Weyand, Sr.
David Guenther
Salvatore Fiscina
John Dailey
Harry Alexin
Benjamin Spulnik
Alex Tsibulsky
Mildred Hunt
Donald Foreman
Donald Kelley
Glen Boylan
James O’Connor
Joe Curran
Joe Bob
Charles Swift
Robert P. Young
Sandra Huffsmith-Hillman
Joe Mauro, Sr.
Penny Bassage
James Dagon
Tom King
Cathy Potter Kimball
Richard Todd
Charles Libordi
Paul Egger
Phil Patti
Patricia Sheedy
Francis Mauro
Gerald Crowe
Mike Goth
Bob Baumgarten
Paul Quinlan
Richard Congdon
Ervin Chambliss
Robert Young, Sr.
Bob Griswold
James Argentieri
Ernie Downing
Richard Scott
Bob Ellis
Frank Wyant, Jr.
Mike Wauffle
James Cleveland
Arland Hanning
Fred Penfold
George Cliquennoi
Kelly Simon
Joe Piccirillo
Jacob Flaitz
Robert Fiacco
Charles Fagnan
John Kelleher
Wally Amphlett
Paul Curran
Art Foreman
Maria Bottone
Robert Binney
Paul Powers
Bud Vanderhoef
Henry Burke
Nancy Hill Freeland
Ernie Weyand, Jr.
Theodora “Teddy” Ormsby
Richard Fiacco
Dr. C.E. Patti Anthony
“Butch” Ermy
Ray Cudabec
Al Stook
DeMario Ridgeway
Jim Murphy
Murray McNaughton
Robert Carlin
Mike Coleman
Donald Coogan
Joseph Mauro, Jr.
William Mosgrove
Daniel Swift
Harold Paul
Mario Argentieri-Bill Livingston
Salvatore Catalino
Linda Piccirillo Hinckley
Jim Coleman
Elizabeth “Beth” Farrell
Loveless
Tori Walker Mauro
John Burke
Marianna Norton Hayes
Edmund Mark O’Neil
William Bobownik
Rick Sirianni
Jerry McLaughlin
Dave Jacobs
John Dagon
Greg Helmer
John Gemmell
Debbie VanScoter
Carl Mauro
Brett White
Dan Schwartz
Brian Andrews
Billy Yergens
Don Furlong
David Jeffery
Katie Hillman
Sal Brundu
Andy Fiaiza
Patricia Shiner McEvoy
Steven Terry
Eileen Secondo Marino
Dawn Reinhart Gardon
Robert Talbett
Mike Davidson
Don Fortuna
Brian Young
Yvonne Spellecy Crowley
Rich Head
Nancy Walker Stewart
Alison Argentieri
Kyle Johnson
Leonard Caruso

Wanted:

Hall of Fame nominees for 2010. Nominations must include a complete biography of the sports in which they participated along with any awards, achievements, or distinctions inclusive of post high school years. Send to: H.H.S. Alumni Sports Hall of Fame; PO Box 135; Hornell, NY 14843-0135

The H.H.S.A.A. Sports Hall of Fame committee is presently and always accepting nominations for individuals to be considered for induction. Nominations received by June 15th are considered for the following year’s induction. As of June 2006 any new nomination that has not been selected for induction after a three-year period must be resubmitted.

Persons who make a nomination should include:

1. A resume that accurately describes the nominee’s high school accomplishments. This information should be as detailed as possible with dates and activities. Archival material from newspapers, yearbooks, and any other source would be most appreciated and is always useful.

2. Post high school accomplishments may also be included. Please be specific in the information.

3. Family information: addresses, phone numbers, and email addresses allow the committee to contact the family.

4. The name, address, phone number, and email of the person making the nomination is needed in case the committee needs to make contact with them.

Please submit all nominations to: H.H.S.A.A. Sports Hall of Fame; PO Box 135; Hornell NY 14843-0135

The committee is made up of nine members. The committee elects six members and the Hornell High School Alumni Association appoints three. The nine members meet in July to select the fall class of inductees. All nominees are considered. Each person to be nominated must receive a majority vote of the committee. Voting is done by secret ballot with a maximum of six athletic inductees and a possible contributor each year.
Class of 1956 Scholarship Fund Donors

The class of 1956 will present a $2,000.00 scholarship to a Hornell High School student that will be graduating this June. This grant will be given in memory of all forty-six (46) classmates that have gone before us. This gift is a tribute to their collective accomplishments since their days at HHS. Sadly, we have lost two classmates in the past year. All of them are with us in spirit and will never be forgotten. Scholarship contributions were received from the following classmates:

- Phillip Breunle
- Gwendolyn Brown Peters
- Luciano Brundu
- Phyllis Buono Frierson
- Mary Jo Colamarino Jacobs
- Robert Cole
- Frederick Cook
- Lyle Crosby
- Donald Crowley
- James Davis
- James Eveland
- Peter Galbo
- Thomas Gallagher
- Jean Geleta Finch
- Angela Gibi VanAllen
- Eileen Gleason Connors
- Elliott Hartman
- Alan Joe HerrNeckar
- James Ivey
- Frederick Jensen
- Harvey Labour
- John Linehan
- Annette Logan
- Francis Mauro
- Sandra McManus O’Heron
- Deloris Nicholson Perkins
- Robert Oyer
- David Persing
- Dale Pollinger
- Barbara Rahmlow Brown
- Margaret Rechichi Dunn
- Robert Rosell
- Lorraine Sirianni McElroy
- Thomas Spencer
- Sally Taylor Brown
- Donald Vaine
- William White
- Mary Widmer Birdsell
- Eleanor Yeoman Brown
- Sandra Zimmerman Bruney

Donations in memory of classmate
James W. McFarland
- Phillip Breunle
- Robert MacNaughton
- Edith Puffer

Donations in memory of Sharon I. Nasca
(wife of classmate Louis Nasca)
- Elizabeth Hall

#1 Red Raider Fan!
William “Wallboard” Johnson ’41

If you have attended any Hornell Red Raider football or basketball game over the past twenty years or so, then chances are you’ve also seen Bill “Wallboard” Johnson cheering on the Red and Blue. Whether he was watching his sons play back in the 1960’s or his grandsons in the middle to late 1990’s, you can still count on seeing Bill at almost every game.

Having turned eighty-eight (88) years old this past March, the class of 1941 alumnus and his longtime companion, Arlene Huff Dennis ’51, travel to both home and away games from the beginning of each season and right on through to the completion of sectionals. They are often accompanied by his sons, Bill, Jr. & twins Gregg & Jeff, and/or Arlene’s sister and brother-in-law, Phil & Ruth Huff Harvey ’49. Bill and Arlene insist on leaving for the away games early enough so they can have dinner at one of their favorite ‘out-of-town’ restaurants.

Bill continues to be an active golfer and tries to play as much as possible. We are looking forward to seeing him at future HHS sporting events and on the golf course for many years to come. Bill “Wallboard” Johnson is truly our #1 Red Raider Fan!

Congratulations to Todd and Kyle Stewart!

Todd Stewart of Canisteo and Ellen Andrus Stewart of Hornell graduated from HHS in 1999 and 2001, respectively. Todd is a Physical Education/Health teacher at McQuaid Jesuit High School in Rochester. Staff Sgt. Kyle Stewart graduated from HHS in 1997 and is currently residing in Canton. He received his 2nd Army Commendation Medal for meritorious work in the U.S. Army. He is a member of the 479th Engineer Battalion out of Watertown. A ten-year veteran, Todd enlisted in the U.S. Army Reserves in 1999 and in 2004 enlisted in the active Army Reserve. He received his 1st Army Commendation Medal while he was a member of the 94th Combat Engineer Division in Attleboro, Mass. While there, Todd also received the high honor of “Soldier of the Year.” He is currently a heavy equipment mechanic in the military.

Todd and Kyle are the children of Ken Stewart of Canisteo and Ellen Andrus Stewart ’75 of Hornell.

Attention Hornell Alumni Association Members:
The HAA News Journal is sent during the first week in May. The mailing goes out in “bulk rate” and may take anywhere from two days to three weeks before you receive it.
ATTENTION: Please read!
Are you or a family member celebrating a class reunion from any of the following HHS classes: 1940—70th? 1939—71st? 1938—72nd? 1937—73rd? 1936—74th? 1935—75th? or higher? On behalf of the Hornell Alumni Association Board of Directors and its members, we would like to cordially invite any graduate who has been out of high school for seventy (70) years or more to this year’s HAA Annual Banquet. You would be attending as our honored and special guests. It would be a wonderful way to acknowledge and pay tribute to you. Please consider this as an invitation to attend the dinner on Saturday, June 26, 2010. For more information, you or a family member can email and/or telephone the HAA co-presidents to make a reservation. They are: Bob Rosell at rrosell2@stny.rr.com (607-324-0921) or Ray Schwartz at yabut68@yahoo.com (607-324-1026). The HAA organization would love to see you there. Please consider attending this wonderful and memorable event.

Class of 1942 - 68 Year Reunion

Members of the class of 1942 will once again gather for their reunion luncheon at J.C.’s Café on Canisteo Street in Hornell on Thursday, July 1, 2010 at 1:00pm. Class members look forward to an afternoon of catching-up, chatting, and visiting with friends. We hope to see you there!

Class of 1949 - 61 Year Reunion

The class of 1949…aka “The ‘49ers” and the “WOW” class…will be observing our 61st anniversary. A brunch is being planned for June 27th at 12:30pm at the Club 57 Restaurant in Hornell. We are inviting all classmates to attend. A letter will be mailed soon so that everyone can make their reservations. So, watch your mailbox! If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Lillian Guthrie Hanks or Mitzie McEntee Murphy. We hope to see you there!

Class of 1950 - 60 Year Reunion

The reunion committee members for the “NIFTY” class of 1950 are working hard reaching out to all of our classmates for a memorable get-together during Alumni Weekend. On Friday, June 25th, we will be having a cocktail hour beginning at 6:00pm at the Hornell Elks Club. A buffet dinner will follow at 7:00pm. On Saturday evening, we will be gathering at the Knights of Columbus for the HAA Annual Banquet. Cocktail hour commences at 5:30pm with a sit down dinner to follow. A DJ will be playing some of our favorite tunes later on in the evening. On Sunday, June 27th, a class brunch will take place at the Sunset Inn, beginning at 10:00am. Please fill out your reservation form as soon as possible. We are so excited about this special weekend….celebrating our 60th reunion!

Reunion committee members for the HHS class of 1950 are (l. to r.) Betty Crowe Ebert, Howard Nisbet, Helene Mitchell Yergens, Clarence Cady, Phyllis Beard Bottomley, Frank Bottomley and Natalie Weyand. Missing from photo are Mary Brody Flaitz, Rosemary Overton Clifford, Jeanne Morris Piatt, and Betsy Werner Pomeroy.

Pictured is the class of 1949 reunion committee members. They are (sitting) Lillian Guthrie Hanks, Marilyn McClary Grillo, and Rosemary “Mitzie” McEntee Murphy. Standing are Shirley Maglier Benson and Shirley Averill Petersen.

The YMCA is proud to be serving the local Hornell area.
They build strong families, strong kids, and strong communities, proudly!
Check out their website for information on their Building Campaign fundraiser:
www.hornellymca.com
Class of 1952 - 58 Year Reunion

Members of the class of 1952 are looking forward to their 58th class reunion. Classmates will meet for a picnic on July 17, 2010 at noon in Pavilion #1 at Veteran’s Memorial Park (formerly known as James Street Park). The picnic will be catered and refreshments will be served. The cost to attend the picnic is $10.00 per person. There will be a raffle to benefit 2010 scholarship grants. The drawing will be held at the picnic on July 17th. The following 2009 graduates each received a $400 grant from our class scholarship fund. They are: Daniel Argentieri (grandson of Gerald Connors), Alexa Berry (granddaughter of Richard Berry), Matthew Dinwoodie (grandson of Carl Benedict), Emma Drake (granddaughter of Marcia Roosa), Erinn Smith (granddaughter of Hoke Smith), and Jessica Smith (granddaughter of Francis Smith). Congratulations and best of luck to these recipients. Classmates are encouraged to submit the names of eligible grandchildren who will be graduating from HHS. We look forward to seeing you all at the picnic. There is also the possibility of a golf outing or brunch on Sunday. If you have any questions about the picnic or scholarship raffle, please contact Ed O’Heron at 607-324-1653 or eoheron@stny.rr.com

“King and his Court”:

The 1952 reunion committee recently enjoyed a luncheon meeting while finalizing plans for their 58th celebration. Sitting is Ed O’Heron. Standing are (l. to r.) Jean Howard Young, Lorna Schreck Brink, and Jean Quartz Pollinger.

Class of 1955 - 55 Year Reunion

The HHS class of 1955 will hold their 55th reunion at the Knights of Columbus on Friday, June 25, 2010. Cocktails will be at 5:30pm, followed by a sit down dinner at 6:30pm. A DJ is scheduled to play our favorite '50's music following dinner. We are looking forward to some great conversation, meeting old friends, reminiscing, dancing, and having an enjoyable evening with our classmates. For more info call Dottie White (607) 324-1700 or George Prior (607) 698-9273. We hope to see you there!

Class of 1956 - 54th Year Reunion

The HHS class of 1956 will celebrate their 54th anniversary by having a picnic on Saturday, August 21, 2010 at the Arkport Village Park Pavilion. The party will begin at noon. The reunion committee will host the event and provide the desserts. Tom and Marcia Davis, owners of the Sunset Restaurant, will cater the buffet lunch. An informational letter was sent to all classmates in January explaining the details. Please consult your social calendar and plan to attend. Direct your reservations to Dottie Nicholson Perkins by August 10, 2010. The winner of the 50/50 raffle will be drawn at the picnic. There is an ongoing scholarship drive to benefit a worthy HHS student who will be graduating in June. We hope to see all of you at the picnic!

“The King and his Court”:

The 1956 reunion committee took time out for a group picture during a February meeting. Sitting is Joann Dugo. Standing are (l. to r.) Alan Joe HerrNeckar, Robert Rosell, Margaret Rechichi Dunn, Sally Taylor Brown, Sandra McManus O’Heron, and Peter Galbo. Missing from the photo are Eileen Gleason Connors, Louis Nasca, Delores Nicholson Perkins, and Eleanor Yeoman Brown.

Class of 1957 Graduate Shows Off Her Hornell Pride!

Do you recall the bumper sticker that was inserted into each newsletter a couple of years ago? Well, Elaine Sherman Boyle, who is a proud graduate of the HHS class of 1957, sent this photo of the back of her car. She included the following quote with the photo: “I’m showing my Yankee pride in the Heart of Dixie!” She currently resides in Auburn, Alabama. Thank you, Elaine, for your continued support of the HAA!
UPCOMING REUNIONS

Class of 1960 - 50 Year Reunion

“Hey, class of 1960... are we there yet?” Oh, yes we are, and be sure you are there, also! We will be celebrating our 50th year reunion during Alumni Weekend, June 25th and 26th. The HHS 1960 reunion committee has another fun-filled weekend planned. The event starts off with a Friday night ‘Social’ at the Hornell American Legion beginning at 7:00pm with a cash bar, buffet, and music. Details will be forthcoming in a letter. Saturday evening, our class will be honored at the annual Hornell High School Alumni Banquet at the K of C. Please refer to the reservation form in the center of this newsletter for more banquet information and to make your reservation for the dinner. If you have attended our previous reunions you know what a great weekend it is. If you have not, be sure you attend this one. It is the only fifty year high school reunion you will have. Come! You will be glad you did.

As with all our reunions, the focus will be twofold. The first is to have a fun time renewing friendships and reliving the fabulous fifties. The second is to provide a significant scholarship grant in the name of our class. Do your class proud. Whether you are able to come or not, please contribute generously to the “Class of 1960 Scholarship Grant” in celebration of our 50th year reunion.

Help is needed in the search for the following classmates: Donna Beyea Harding, Thomas Lynch, Barbara Dayton Gurskey, Donna Preston VanSkiver, Sandra Wheaton Cianciosi, Sandra Sayer Graham, Thomas Gibson, and Thomas Saubier. Contact Carolyn Kelly at ckkelly003@stny.rr.com or telephone her at 607-324 6377.

Class of 1965 - 45 Year Reunion

The class of 1965 will be celebrating their 45th reunion on Friday, June 26th and Saturday, June 27th. Classmates will meet Friday at 6:00pm at the Hornell Golf Club for cocktails, hor d’oeuvres, and music. The price will be $10 per person. On Saturday, classmates are invited to golf in the morning. In the afternoon, we will gather at the Veteran’s Memorial Park (formerly known as James Street Park) at 4:00pm for a picnic. This will be catered by John Carbone. Classmates are invited to attend the Hornell Alumni Association Banquet at the Knights of Columbus for dancing that evening. We look forward to seeing you all! Committee members include Pat Hogan Lewis, John Petrelli, John Cleveland, Linda LaVerde Fucci, Delores Giglio Porter, Jim Sparro, and Joanne Caruso LaVerde.

Class of 1970 - 40 Year Reunion

Plans are underway for the 40th reunion of the HHS class of 1970. The reunion is scheduled for the weekend of August 13th and 14th. The weekend will kick off with a golf outing on Friday morning at the Hornell Golf Course. Friday evening, Axis Power (Tim Tyson, Mike Kays, Bill Rokenbroid and Mick Galatio) will return to Hornell to provide us with music from the 60’s at the Hornell Golf Course. The public is welcome to attend and all proceeds will go towards an Alumni Scholarship. On Saturday afternoon, there are tentative plans for a picnic with the class of 1971 at Jimmy Dagon’s cottage on Loon Lake. This is a day to relax, renew old friendships, and catch up on the last forty years. Members of the reunion committee are Janet Rogers Bertram, Gregg Johnson, Bill Rokenbroid, Judy McFadden Grillo, Tom Fagnan, Sue Panter Chapman and Fran Daniels Tucker. By now, the 1970 graduates should have received information about the weekend. If you haven’t or know someone who hasn’t, please contact Fran Daniels Tucker at fetucker@hotmail.com (607-698-2884) or contact any member of the reunion committee. We look forward to a great weekend and hope to see you on August 13th!

Class of 1971 - 39 Year Reunion

Jimmy “Digger” Dagon will be hosting another picnic in celebration of the class of 1971’s—39th reunion. This gathering will be held at his summer home on Loon Lake sometime in August. An official date has not been set although it is tentatively scheduled for Saturday, August 14th. There has been some discussion to have a combined picnic with the class of 1970 who are celebrating their 40th reunion this year. In the past, the committee has mailed invites to classmates in July. If you have moved and/or need to update your personal information, please feel free to contact Jimmy @ 607-324-3500 or e-mail him @ jimdagon@earthlink.net.
UPCOMING REUNIONS

Class of 1975 - 35 Year Reunion

The class of 1975 is looking forward to celebrating their 35th reunion during HHS Alumni Weekend. On Friday, June 25th, there will be a mixer at the Hornell Golf Club (downstairs) beginning at 7:00pm. There will be a cash bar, hor d’oeuvres, and music. The price is $10.00 per person. Donations towards the class of ’75 scholarship award will be accepted during the evening.

On Saturday morning, June 26th, there will be a Golf Outing. Please let the committee know if you are interested in participating. Classmates are encouraged to attend the HAA Annual Banquet in the evening. Cocktail hour begins at 5:30pm with dinner at 6:30pm. The banquet reservation form can be found in the center of the News Journal. If you choose not to attend the dinner, please feel free to come to the K of C from 9:00pm-1:00am. There will be a DJ playing your favorite tunes and a lot of dancing going on!

On Sunday, the committee has scheduled another Golf Outing at the Hornell Golf Club. Brunch will be served for all classmates beginning at 11:30am at a cost of $11.00 per person. In the afternoon, committee members have reserved pavilion #1 at James Street Park for a BYOP…Bring Your Own Picnic…event.

For more information or if you have any questions, please feel free to email a committee member at: HHS75@yahoo.com This should be a great weekend!

Motels and Hotels: Please mention the Hornell Alumni Association group rates when making your reservations.

Days Inn: (607-324-6222) Route 36 & Webs Crossing Road, Hornell; $89.00 – $109.00
EconoLodge: (607-324-0800) 7462 Seneca Road, Hornell; $69.99 (includes continental breakfast, HBO, and fitness room)
Saxon Inn: (607-871-2600) 1 Park Street, Alfred, NY; $99.00 includes continental breakfast
Comfort Inn: (607-324-4300) 1 Canisteo Square, Hornell, NY; $132.99 (includes continental breakfast, microwave, fridge, DVD, coffee pot, iron, indoor pool, and fitness center)

Class of 1980 - 30 Year Reunion

Attention HHS class of 1980! It has been five years since our 25th reunion. My how time flies. It seems like just yesterday we were all together. This year, in celebration of our 30th reunion, we will be gathering at RBI Sports Pub (formerly known as Joe’s Tavern) on June 25th at 6:00pm. There will be a class mixer which will include a cash bar, hor d’oeuvres, and music. On Saturday, June 26th, we will join the Hornell Alumni Association at their annual banquet at the Knights of Columbus. Happy hour will be from 5:30pm with dinner starting at 6:30pm. In honor of our 30th reunion, we would like to give a scholarship to a graduating senior. Please help us in this endeavor. Classmates are asked to send their banquet reservations and scholarship donations to: Ronni Chevalier Porcaro, 11 Armory Place, Hornell NY 14843 (607-324-2627). We hope to see everyone there! Reunion committee members include Jimmy Ciancaglini, Cathy Potter Kimball, Candy Brundu, Sherry Drake, Ronni Chevalier Porcaro, Becky Shick, Steve Freeland, and Nancy & Dave Watt.

Class of 1985 - 25 Year Reunion

The HHS class of 1985 held an Oktoberfest in 2009 with Beer Tasting and Love Berger! We also had a Pre- St. Patty’s Day party in February with Wine Tasting and The Wild Rovers! Both of these events were held at the newly remodeled Hornell Golf Club. Kicking off Alumni Weekend, the class of 1985 will be having a Chicken BBQ on Thursday, June 24th on the Broadway Mall. It will take place under the tent in front of the Elks Club. Pre-sale tickets are available until June 10th and can be purchased from any committee member. For more information, please get on Facebook, email us at hhsclassof85@gmail.com, or call Mark Kelly at 607-542-7625. All proceeds will benefit the HHS class of 1985 Scholarship Fund.

On Saturday, June 26th, we will continue celebrating our 25th reunion with other HHS alumni at the Knights of Columbus. Get your reservations in early!

Class of 1990 - 20 Year Reunion

The class of 1990 is anxiously awaiting their 20 year reunion! The festivities will begin on Friday, July 30, 2010 at 7:00 pm at Illusions Night Club. This casual gathering will give former classmates a chance to catch up on what has been going on in their lives and reminisce about the good ‘ole days at HHS. Everyone will want to stick around for the band at 10:00pm as they play memorable music from the ‘80’s & ‘90’s. Saturday, July 31st, we’ll move the fun to The Hornell Golf Club in North Hornell (formerly the Country Club). The festivities will begin at 6:00pm with a dinner buffet, cash bar, and a DJ to follow. The cost per person for the entire weekend is $30.00. The committee members have been working hard and are looking forward to a great turnout! If you have any questions, please contact a committee member or send an email to hhs1990classreunion@yahoo.com If, for some reason, a classmate does not receive their invitation, please contact us. We hope to see everyone there!
Where Are They Now?

**Steve Shinebarger ’94**

Steve Shinebarger graduated from HHS in 1994 and was ranked 4th in his class. After high school, he continued his education in the undergraduate program at Alfred University, majoring in Biology and Chemistry. He graduated Cum Laude from AU in 1999. He then attended the University of Vermont where he received his Masters in Chemistry. In 2004, Steve began his focus in the dental program at the University of Connecticut School of Dental Medicine. Four years later, he obtained his DMD and moved to Richmond where he completed his residency training in General Dentistry at Virginia Commonwealth University. In 2009, Steve returned to the Maple City to be with friends and family. He wanted to practice dentistry in a community where he was raised and truly loved. Currently, Steve lives in Hornell and works at Dansville Dental Professionals. He is the son of Steven Shinebarger ’68 and Patty Fenton Schwartz ’69. He is engaged to Erin Wiggins ’02 who is a special education teacher at Alfred Almond School. Congratulations and good luck in your future years to come, Steve!

Dr. John R. Nordell ’65

John R. Nordell, Jr. is a 1965 graduate of Hornell High School and the author of two books. His latest book, "Brooklyn Dodgers: The Last Great Pennant Drive, 1957," tells the story of the Dodgers’ mid-season surge in the standings during their last year in Brooklyn. He also draws on his own youthful memories of that year and describes the unforgettable thrill of seeing a game at Ebbets Field. An excerpt and some of the thirty-seven photographs from the book can be seen at www.brooklyndodgersbaseball.com. Dr. Nordell’s first book was "The Undetected Enemy: French and American Miscalculations at Dien Bien Phu, 1953," which concerns the decisive battle of the French Indo-China war and America’s early involvement in Viet-Nam. Some of the photographs from the book and additional information can be seen at: www.indochinawar.com. Dr. Nordell received his Ph.D. in History from Pennsylvania State University. He is a member of the Organization of American Historians and lives in Old Forge, Pennsylvania with his wife, Marianne.

Hornell Businesses and Merchants provide a $1,100 grant each year for which the Alumni Association is most appreciative.

The Hornell Merchants Grant in the amount of $1,100 was awarded to ANNE DEEBS SMITH

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The Varsity Red Raider Football Team set Hornell School History winning the school’s first State Championship!

November 29, 2009  Hornell vs. Nanuet, 16-14

The Team arrived back home late Sunday night greeted by a NYS Trooper and Hornell Police & Fire Department escort through the Maple City followed by approximately 130 cars. Players, coaches and fans celebrated at the Italian Villa following the parade. The Red Raiders participated in Hornell’s St. Patrick’s Day Parade and received State Champion Rings. The rings were made possible by donations from area businesses and individuals. Hornell Football has had seven season appearances in the NYS Tournament since its inception in 1993. They include: NYS Western Regional 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2004, 2005, 2009; NYS Semi-Final 2004, 2005, 2009; NYS State Championship 2009.

The Red Raiders had a perfect 13-0 record, with many highlights throughout the 2009 season filled with excitement and thrills for the Hornell Community. Large crowds of Hornell Fans could be found at every game, outnumbering opposing teams at every venue. Hornell finished the regular season vs. archival Bath (ranked #1 in NYS), defeating the Rams 43-22 and winning the Livingston County Div I Title. They continued play in the post season, winning the Section V, Class B Title vs Livonia (32-7). Standout Running Back, senior Austin Dwyer, was awarded the Section V Class B Player of the Year and MVP of the game. Other outstanding awards were given to HHS seniors Issac Spike and Cody Recktenwald, junior Jordan Schwartz, and sophomore quarterback Dominic Scavo. Hornell became the only Section V Team to advance into the State Tournament during the 2009 season.

Following the season, several Hornell football standouts were named to honor teams. Livingston County D-1 All-Stars: seniors Austin Dwyer, Cody Recktenwald, and Issac Spike, juniors Dylan Dunn, Sam Stonerock, and Jordan Schwartz, and freshman Zack Bacon. Honorable Mention: senior Colby Testani and sophomore Dominic Scavo All-Greater Rochester (AGR): Austin Dwyer--Player of the Year, Issac Spike--Lineman of the Year, and Gene Mastin--Coach of the Year All-State Team, Class B: Austin Dwyer--Player of the Year, Issac Spike--Offensive Lineman, First Team, and Sam Stonerock--Linebacker, Third Team. This marks the first time any Hornell player has been named to AGR or the All-State Teams.

Individual records on the season include: Coach Gene Mastin became Section V All-Time Winning Leader on October 9th with his 207th career win. Coach Mastin finished the 2009 season with 214 wins. The former record was 206 wins. Austin Dwyer set a new school record for single season rushing, finishing the season with 319-2836 and 34 touchdowns. The former record holder was David Zapata in 2005 (281-2236, 25 touchdowns). During the NYS Semi-Final, Dwyer broke the NYS Tournament Single Game Rushing Record (35-399--former record was 394 yards). He also broke the Section V Single Season Rushing Record 284-2667 (former record was 2394 yards). Austin is the son of Joe and Mary Kay Ciancaglini Dwyer ’76.

Thanksgiving Day Practice was a tribute to the Hornell Alumni as 70+ members of former Red Raider teams attended. They wanted to show their support in preparation for the State Title Game. More pictures of alumni and the season can be seen on the football website at HornellFootball.com. Also notable, the Hornell JV program enjoyed an undefeated season under the direction of JV Coach Kirk Scholes who graduated from HHS in 2000. Congratulations to Gene Mastin, his staff, and the entire football team!

“Once A Raider ... Always A Raider!!”

Zach Smith, Josh Day, Dave Zapata, Chris Koechner, and Christopher Koechner

HHS Alumni look on during practice.

Coach Mastin gives a talk in the final moments of practice and thanks alumni for their support.
BASEBALL
The team finished the season with an 8-13 record and advanced to the sectional semi-final, losing to Bath 5-2. The season saw many younger players getting experience in different positions due to injury and illness. Tony Scelotti was selected to the Livingston County All-Star team, batting .344 and hurling 2 wins on the mound. Junior Jordan Schwartz led the team with 4 wins pitching and a .354 batting average. Junior Keegan Pierce batted .343 and drove in 16 runs.

SOFTBALL
The 2009 Softball season went very well for us. The kids worked really hard pre-season as we took our annual trip to Myrtle Beach. We came out of the tournament placing runner-up in our bracket. Our overall record was 15-9. Some of the games we lost.....we lost by 1 run.......in extra innings. We played with a lot of senior experience and the kids were very versatile. Charise Nankivell was our ace on the mound. The southpaw kept many teams off balance in the batter’s box. She was the catalyst of our season. She and five other seniors will be missed this season. The team placed second in the LCAA Division 1 League.

During our post season, we ended up losing our starting catcher, Hallie Fenti, to an ankle injury. Therefore, we had to make some lineup changes for sectionals. Senior Jamie Hillman stepped up to replace Hallie. We were seeded 4th and went all the way to the sectional semi-finals losing to our arch rivals Wayland Cohocton, 2-0. Charise Nankivell , Jamie Hillman and Athena Scavo all received All-Star selections.

BOYS' TRACK
These 2009 HHS graduates, Adam Dwyer, Robbie Donovan, and Eliot Butler, the squad finished the LCAA season at 3-2.

It was another successful post season for the Raiders as well. League Champions were Robert Mullen--400M hurdles, Joe Acor--400M Run, the 1600M Relay team of Mullen, Acor, Kyle Murphy and Adam Dwyer; Eliot Butler--Pole Vault, and Isaac Spike--Shot Put. Mullen, Spike, and the 1600M Relay continued their winning ways at the Sectional Meet and earned Section V Championships in their respective events. Eliot Butler won the State Qualifier in the Pole Vault with a personal best leap of 12'9". The 1600M Relay....refusing to be denied after last year’s photo finish and record shattering race only to place second....sprinted to a first place! They moved on to the NYS Championships at Cicero-North Syracuse.

At the State Meet, Butler took the champions podium in 5th place with a career best vault of 13’0” demonstrating nothing but determination, focus, and mental toughness. And the 1600M Relay raced to a 4th place finish breaking the school record time set in 2008 after hitting the tape in 3:26.05. It was a close finish at the line with less than a second separating the top teams.

A final comment must go to exchange student Renzo Rigamonti from Italy. A soccer player at home, Renzo had never participated in the sport Track and Field. But with tremendous team spirit, a strong competitive nature, and outstanding athleticism, Renzo took on the Pentathlon which is a five event challenge of 110M hurdles, long jump, high jump, shot put, and 1500M run. With fire in his eyes and a smile on his face, Renzo went toe-to-toe and shoulder-to-shoulder with the LCAA and Section V’s best athletes, many of whom had been training for years. Renzo finished 2nd at the LCAA League Meet, 3rd at Sectionals, and 4th at the State Qualifier Meet winning several of the individual events along the way. With fine young men like these and the assistance of a great coaching staff comprised of Lisa Rosica, Gerry Mcanney, and Tom Fagnan, it was a memorable and successful season.

GIRLS' TRACK
Hornell Girls Track and Field had a productive spring. The team finished 3-2 in Livingston county Division 1 and garnered the combined team trophy at the Wayland-Cohocton Invitational. Senior Amy Morrissey earned league all-star status in the 200 meter dash. Sophomore Aubrey Wilkins did likewise in the pole vault. Aubrey added a sectional title and earned a trip to the state meet in Cicero-North Syracuse, where she placed 6th. Despite the loss of several seniors, a nucleus of strong underclass athletes promises more success in the future.

TENNIS
Hornell reached the sectional championship losing to Midlakes, 3-2. Garth Brungard won the Livingston County Singles Championship. Joe Siriani and Chris McAneney placed 2nd in doubles. Garth Brungard and Kyle Conine were Livingston County Division I 1st Team All-Stars.

GOLF
The 2009 HHS Varsity Golf team finished the season undefeated 8 - 0 in league play and 9-1 overall. The golf team secured its fourth LCAA Division I league championship over the past five seasons. Team leaders included sophomore Alex Fitzpatrick (39 ave.), senior Dan Argentieri (42 ave.) and Junior Ahren Henby (42 ave.). Rounding out the championship team were senior John Kelley and junior Josh Burdett. Alex Fitzpatrick and Dan Argentieri also qualified for Section V play and were named to the LCAA All-Star Team.
named Outstanding Offensive player in the State Championship game, and Pat McCormick was named Outstanding Defensive Player in that game. Hornell Coach Gene Mastin was named New York State Coach of the Year, Section V Coach of the Year, and broke the Section V record for coaching wins, now at 214.

With many returning starters and a JV team that finished 9-0 in 2009, the Raiders look forward to a great 2010 season ahead.

**BOYS’ SOCCER**

The 2009 Varsity Boys’ Soccer Team finished with an overall record of 14-2-1. We advanced to the sectional semifinals before losing in a shootout. We started our season by winning our 5th consecutive Olean Tournament. We took 2nd place in the Livingston County Division I Race. We also ended our season with a top 20 State Ranking. There were three boys who were Livingston County All-Stars: they are Kevin McAllister, Jens Edholm, and Garth Brungard. We look forward to another strong campaign in 2010.

**GIRLS’ SOCCER**

The Girls Varsity Soccer Team had another successful season this year finishing with a record of 10-5-3. The team featured a number of younger players this year due to injury. The leading scorer and point-getter was sophomore Rachel Cunningham with 19 points on 7 goals. Another sophomore, Emily Kerr, played the majority of minutes in the goal in her first year. Junior Aubrey Wilkins was the only player selected to the first team for Livingston County All-Stars. Allie Argentieri, Rachael Kelly, and Julie Nichols were selected to represent Hornell as Exceptional Seniors. We are looking forward to a strong season next year with many returning players and some key underclassman additions.

**CROSS COUNTRY**

The Hornell harriers took to the trails again this year looking forward to a successful season. They were not disappointed. The boys narrowly missed winning the league’s Division 1 title, finishing the season with a 17-4 record. The girls won 14 times (with only 7 losses) establishing themselves as a top team in the league. Chris Walsh, Mike Pitcher, and Shawn Buono earned league all-star status, as did MacKenzie McNelis and Megan Dussault. Chris and MacKenzie also brought home sectional patches by finishing in the top ten in the Class C race. Megan, Philippa Ashdown, and some other young faces will offer great hopes for the future of the team. Of course, they learned from the fine examples set by seniors Chris Walsh, Katie Coleman, Devin DeMarco, Chelsea Larson, Carrie Edwards, and Alex Poklinskiowski. These players will truly be missed.

**VOLLEYBALL**

This past season the girls varsity volleyball team showed that not only is the team continuing to improve but the program is also gaining respect. The girls took a majority of their matches into extra games, taking games from some top teams such as Cuba and Livonia. Sophomore Mercedes Bossard received honorable mention All Livingston County for her performance this past fall. Senior Hannah Mikolajczyk received 1st team All Livingston County honors for the 2nd year in a row. The girls have a promising two years to look forward to as we are only graduating one senior this year.

**GIRLS’ SWIMMING AND DIVING**

This year, the team co-captains consisting of Samantha Campbell, Airelle Macool and Heather Remchuk led the Hornell Lady Raiders Swimming and Diving Team to a 5 and 6 record. Highlighting the year were Heather Remchuk, Morgan Lomax and Alexie Palmer who were named to the LCAA All-Star Team. At the LCAA Championship and Section V Championships, the Lady Raiders finished 4th. Andy Smilinich and his coaching staff are really looking forward to the next crop of young swimmers and expects nothing but good things in the future.

**GIRLS’ BASKETBALL**

The Hornell Varsity Girls Basketball Team finished the regular season with a 1-17 record and 0-8 in the division for Livingston County Division 1. The team lost to Midlakes in the first round of sectional play. The Raiders consisted of four juniors, five sophomores and two freshmen. With the youth involved in the program, there is a bright future for the program.

**WRESTLING**

Austin Dwyer ’10 (center) had a very successful season while participating of the HHS wrestling team this year. Pictured with him are his coaches, Scott Johnson and Collin Hall ’02.

The overall record this year was 3-16. We had difficulty wrestling dual meets with our low numbers. Low numbers wasn’t an indication of their talent, though. We had several tough wrestlers who won most of their matches. We had three wrestlers with 20+ wins (Dylan Hansen, Jordan Harrison, and Seth Fuller) and two wrestlers with 30+ wins (Zack Bacon and Austin Dwyer). Austin Dwyer won the Portville, State Farm, and LCAA League Tournaments. He finished 2nd at Sectionals and won the Super Sectional State Qualifier, beating the eventual state champion in the finals. Overall, Austin finished 4th at States. We had two other wrestlers, Zack Bacon and Dylan Hansen, qualify for Super Sectionals.
**BOYS’ SWIMMING**

The Red Raider Swimming and Diving team may have been small this year but we sure made a few teams stand up and look! We finished the season with six wins and seven losses. The swim team qualified ALL of it’s swimmers for sectionals and finished 5th out of 16 teams. “We are looking forward to next year and the younger talent that we expect to get,” reported Coach Andy Smilinich.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2009 SECTION V CHEERLEADING CHAMPIONS!**

The Hornell Lady Raider Varsity Cheerleading Team placed first in the Class B Fall Sectional Competition held at R.I.T. on October 31, 2009. These eighteen girls held the highest score of the day while beating seventy other schools in their own class divisions. Coach Regina Gambino said, “The girls worked so hard and are so deserving of this title! It has been nine years since the last cheerleading banner has been dropped in our HHS gym. What an honor it is to be a part of this program and see the girls work as a team, build long lasting friendships and have FUN!! Great job, Lady Raiders!”

**INDOOR TRACK**

Although having low numbers, the Boys and Girls Indoor Track team did produce some positive performances this season with the Girls Team placing 4th of 15 schools at Sectionals. Top performances were put forth by Megan Dussualt who placed 2nd in the 1500m Run. Our 4x400 Relay team consisting of Donna Nupp, Rachael Cunningham, Hannah Perno and Gabriel Macool also placed 2nd. The Boys Team posted top performances by Mike Pitcher and Chris Walsh who placed 3rd and 4th respectively in the 3200m Run at Sectionals. With many young athletes returning, coaches Tom Fagnan and Mike DeGaetano are hopeful for continued success next season.

Coach Regina O’Connor Gambino ’77 (sitting in front) is very proud of her girls. Pictured with her are Row #1: Katlyn Richardson, Kristy Stephens, Christina Stewart, Cathy Cone, Dani Jo Pryll, and Ashley O’Dell, Row #2 (leaning down): Kari Pearl and Nikki Tychi Row #3: Sadie Flint, Meghan Mahoney, and Morgan Tobin. Row #4: Ashley Bebout, Tiffany Schwartz, Jessica Loper, Heather Sisco, Mercedes D’Amato, Kristina Burdett, and Lyza Hornbeck. Way to go, girls!

Congratulations to Coach Gene Mastin on being named Coach of the Year. Gene has been instrumental in shaping the lives of young men in our community for many years. Pictured with him are his daughter Nicole ’10 and Cheryl Tillman Mastin ’77.

“Victory meant so much!”

I grew up in beautiful Hornell in the 1940’s and 1950’s. I love that city so much that I have subscribed to The Evening Tribune for several years. When I learned that the Red Raiders Class B Football Championship was on television, I was literally “glued” to the set. As astounding as it was, I feel that their victory was more than just winning a football game. To Hornell residents, past and present, it was a symbol of pride, joy, and hope for a city like many in our country faced with economic hard times. Hats off to the coaches and players. Their victory meant more than they may ever know to all “Hornellians”.

John “Jack” Andrews
Vestal, NY

**LOOKING FOR DONATIONS:**

The Hornell Red Raider Basketball Teams are seeking donations for the purchase of a Lighted Scorer’s Table. This table will be used at varsity, junior varsity and modified home basketball games. It can also be used for volleyball and wrestling matches.

Any class or individual interested in making a donation, please send checks made payable to the “Hornell Booster Club”. (In the memo please indicate “Scorer’s Table”).
Please mail to:  “Hornell Booster Club” – C/O Mrs. Ceil Kelly
61 John Street Hornell, New York 14843

**Congratulations, good luck, and best wishes to the HHS graduating class of 2010!**
This photo of the Hornell High School basketball players was taken in 1962. From left, are Bruce MacArthur, Dominic DiNardo, Mike Rohan, Ray Skinner, Gary Knight, Rick Shearer and Arlie Harwood.

The Hornell High School Varsity Football Team in 1946. Can you name any of these handsome fellas?

A BIG thank you to Gene Mastin for providing the spring, fall, and winter “Sports in Review” articles.

This photo of the Hornell High School baseball team in 1968 was submitted by Nella Williams of Hornell. Kneeling, from left, are Dave McNellis, Mark Whitman, Tom Kelleher, Mark Huffsmith, Chuck Williams, Al Wheeler and Chris Quinn. Standing, from left, are Coach Jim Farrell, Bob Young, Jerry Pieklo, Kevin Cregan, Bud Burdett, Jim Moretti, Lou Capriccio and Mike Briganti.

Huguet Silk Mill officials pose proudly with their favorite Huguet baseball team in the 1920’s. Front row, from left, are Scotty Matson, Dana Canfield, Frank (Smokey) Phillips, Tom Kelly, Charles Colson, Bert Jeffery and Shorty Myers. Back row, from left, are A.B. Conover, Morris Cillette, Bill Van Horn, Herm Bill, Tom Collins, Tom Mooney, Bert Decker, Archie Halsey and E.J. Guttinger. The photo was submitted by Mary Lou McHale of Hornell.
My, How Time Flies!!  Bob & Jean Weaver

Bob & Jean Hendee Weaver were born and raised in Hornell, NY. Bob’s parents were Elmer and Verna Ames Weaver. His family consisted of a brother Malcolm and sisters Louella Weaver Evans, Beatrice Weaver Young, and Erma Weaver Clark. Erma still resides in North Hornell. Jean’s parents were Willard and Pauline Sick Hendee. Her siblings were Clark, James, and Dale Hendee.

Bob went to Bryant School and graduated from Hornell High School in 1939. Jean attended North Hornell School and graduated from 8th grade in 1938 (see photo). Jean is still in close contact with Harriett Hubert Bradley (Wellsville), Wynona Cleveland Nesbit (North Hornell), and Lottie Lou Stephens West (Orangevale, California). Jean and her classmates went on to graduate from HHS in 1942.

Bob and Jean met and began dating in 1945. Bob had been in the Air Force and was overseas for five years. They were married in June of 1947 and lived in Hornell for three years. In 1950, the Weaver’s moved to Denver, Colorado. Bob worked for the Erie Railroad and then the Burlington Railroad in Denver. Bob changed professions and learned the optical business. He and two friends started their own company, an optical lab called Professional Distributing Company. Jean was employed in Elmira after high school and then worked at Things Shoe Store on Main Street in Hornell. After moving to Denver, she worked for Penny’s Department Store and the Credit Bureau.

Bob and Jean have three daughters. Cheryl, Linda, and Donna are all living in the Denver area. They have six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

When Bob retired in 1985, Jean and he visited Harriett and Dick Bradley in Hawaii. A short time later, they purchased an RV and traveled throughout the United States and Canada. They have also taken several cruises. Bob grew up hunting and fishing in the roaming the hills of New York. Although he doesn’t hunt anymore, he still enjoys fishing in Wyoming on the Miracle Mile where he has a year round trailer. In the summer months, Jean takes great pride in being able to play golf every week on a Par Three Course!

Welcome Back, Isaarel Araya!

It took thirty years, but Isabel “Isa” Araya finally returned to the Maple City. Araya, 48, is a Nicoya, Costa Rica native. She was a foreign exchange student who attended HHS during the 1979-1980 school year. Her host mother during that time was Araya’s 8th Grade Graduation at North Hornell School (1938)

Front Row: Wynona Cleveland, Lottie Lou Stephens, Harriett Hubert, Jean Hendee, Bonnie Callihan, and Doris Strobel.
Back row: Donald Rauber, Bob Rowe, John Johnson, Principal Otto Stewart, George Smith, Bob Andrews, and Bob McCabe.

Where Are They Now?

Peter Manktelow ‘06

Peter Manktelow, son of Pam and Don Manktelow of Hornell, was awarded the prestigious Melinda Kleehamer Senior Seminar Award by the History Department at SUNY Brockport for his superb academic achievement. The award recognizes outstanding performance by seniors enrolled in a research intensive course. Manktelow was also named to the President’s List, the SUNY AC Commissioner’s List, and the All-Academic Team for Spring 2009. He was a member of the Brockport Golden Eagles Track Team and the National History Honor Society called Phi Alpha Theta. Manktelow is a 2006 graduate of Hornell High School.

Where Are They Now?

Bob & Jean Hendee Weaver (June 1947)

Last October, Jean turned 85 years old. The following month, Bob celebrated his 90th birthday. They traveled to the Maple City to attend a wonderful family reunion/birthday party hosted by relatives from Hornell and Little Valley. They enjoyed spending time with Bob’s sister, Erma and his nieces and nephews, Rodney Clark, Candace Caddell, Larry & Mary Clark, and Sharon & Jim Claire as well as many great nieces and nephews.

Bob and Jean have loved their life in Colorado but will always consider New York their home state. They have so many great memories of growing up in Hornell. The Weaver’s will be celebrating their 63rd wedding anniversary this June. The HAA would like to wish them a very special day with many more wonderful and happy years together.
**The Arcangeli’s**

Tom Arcangeli of Kingston, RI graduated from HHS in 1972. He recently participated in the Basketball Senior Olympics held in San Francisco, CA. Teams from 23 states competed. Tom was asked to join the Connecticut team and was the only player from RI. Five games were played during one weekend. Arcangeli has continued to enjoy basketball since his high school days and has been a member in a city league for several years. He manages a mental health clinic near Kingston, RI.

Matthew Arcangeli, son of Tom and Barb Arcangeli of Kingston, RI is spending several months as tour manager for the “Cobra Starship”, a band with a recent hit single and album. The band has recently appeared on the Conan O’Brien Show. Arcangeli is a graduate of James Madison University with a business management degree.

Michael Arcangeli, who studied film production and design at Boston University, is employed by Los Angeles advertising agency, where he produces television promotional material. One of his first assignments was for Desperate Housewives.

Craig Hoffman, son of John and Liz Arcangeli Hoffman of Schenectady and formerly of Hornell, recently returned from an assignment in Dubai. A graduate of Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute with an architectural degree, he is employed by the Burt Hill Architecture Firm in Philadelphia. In Dubai, he was involved in designing a very large hospital, specializing in construction of computer models of the facility. Hoffman found Dubai’s temperatures of 120 to be oppressive but enjoyed touring the area and commented on the kindness and courtesy of those he met.

Tom is the son of Betty Arcangeli who is a retired HHS teacher and guidance counselor. Matthew, Michael and Craig are Betty’s grandsons.

**“TenJooBerrymuds”**

It seems as if we all need to learn the NEW English language. Practice by reading the following conversation until you are able to understand the term “TENJOOBERMUDS”.

With a little patience, you’ll be able to fit right in with the growing trend!

The following is a telephone exchange between a hotel guest and room-service:

**Room Service (RS):** “Morrin. Roon sirbees.”

**Guest (G):** “Sorry, I thought I dialed room-service.”

RS: “Rye. Roon sirbees...morrin! Joowish to oddor sunteen???”

G: “Uh, yes, I’d like to order bacon and eggs.”

RS: “Ow july den?”

G: “What?”

RS: “Ow july den?!! Pryed, boyud, or poochd?”

G: "Oh, the eggs! How do I like them? Sorry, scrambled please."

RS: “Ow july dee baykem? Crease?”

G: “Crisp will be fine.”

RS: “Hokay. An sahn toes?”

G: “What?”

RS: “An sahn toes?”

G: “Ow july deep baykem? Crease?”

RS: “Rye. Roon sirbees...morrin! Joowish to oddor sunteen???”

G: “I......don't think so.”

RS: “No? Judo wan sahn toes??”

G: “I feel really bad about this, but I don’t know what…’judo wan sahn toes’...means.”

RS: “Toes! Toes! Why joo don juan toes? Ow bow anglish moppin we bodder?”

G: “Oh, english muffin! I’ve got it! You were saying ‘toast’. Fine, yes, an english muffin will be fine.”

RS: “We bodder?”

G: “No, just put the bodder on the side.”

RS: “Wad???”

G: “I mean butter...... just put the butter on the side.”

RS: “Copy?”

G: “Excuse me?”

RS: “Copy...tea...meel?”

G: “Yes. Coffee, please. And that’s everything.”

RS: “One Minnie. Scramah egg, crease baykem, anglish moppin, we bodder on sigh, and copy, rye??”

G: “Whatever you say.”

RS: “Tenjooberrymuds.”

G: “You’re welcome.”

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**The Hornell Merchants** - This is the 21st year the Hornell Merchants has provided grants of $600.00 plus. They gave $800 in 1994. In 1996, 1997, 1998 and 1999 $1,000.00 was given. In years 2000-2008 a grant of $1,500.00 was awarded. In 2009 a grant of $1,100 was awarded.

**Henry H. Guenther ’28** - This is the 28th year grants have been awarded to two graduating seniors.

**Wilson W. Sick, Jr. ’51** - This is the 19th year; 1991, 1992, 1993, a $1,000.00 award was given over a two year period to the same recipient. In 1994, a $2,000.00 award was given and in 1995, 1996, 1997 and 1998 a $2,500.00 award was given over a two year period to the same recipient. In 1999, 2000 and 2001 a $4,500.00 award was given over a two year period to the same recipient. In 2002 & 2003 a $5,000.00 grant was awarded. In 2004 a $1,000.00 grant was awarded and 2005 a $1,500 grant was awarded and a $2,000.00 grant was awarded in 2006. In 2007 a $3,000.00 grant was awarded. In 2008 & 2009 a $3,500.00 grant was awarded.

**Dr. Joseph Welch ’62** - Dr. Welch has provided grants in memory of Darla Bradley Welch. From 1992 – 1997 the grant amount was $500.00. In 1998 it increased to $750.00. And in 1999 & 2000 the award increased to $1,250.00. In 2001 & 2002 a $1,000.00 award was given. In 2003 & 2005 a $500.00 grant was awarded. A $500.00 Grant was awarded in 2007.

**The Dood Family** - Floyd ‘37, husband, daughters Kathleen Dood Silberman ’67, Christine Dood Bettinelli, ’70 and Mary Kay Dodd George ’76 – In memory of Wife and Mother Vincena Dood Williams ’41 provided a grant in the amount of $500.00. This is the 17th year the family has provided a grant in the amount of $500.00.

**Hornell Association** - This is the 21st year the Hornell Association has provided grants to graduating seniors. Thus far the association has awarded $116,200.00 in grants to 236 students.

**Knights of Columbus** - This is the 39th year the Knights of Columbus has provided a grant in the amount of $500.00.

**Dorothy Palma Grant** - This is the 11th year a memorial grant has been awarded. Dorothy was a teacher at the Intermediate School. This award was started by the staff and friends at the school. Her husband David has continued to give this grant in her name.

**Class of ’59** - In honor of their 40th anniversary the class pledged $5,000.00 to the Alumni. They met their pledge and $1,000.00 was given out in 1999. Two grants of $500.00 each have been given out each year since. This year the class celebrated their 50th Anniversary and awarded $4000 to 5 students.

**Suriani Family** - This is the 10th year the Suriani family has given a memorial grant in memory of Marcelene H. Suriani class of ’46. In 2000 a $500.00 grant was awarded and in 2001, the award was increased to $750.00. In 2004 an additional grant was awarded in memory of their dad Sylvester S. Suriani. In 2008 & 2009 a $1,000.00 grant was awarded.

**Class of 1938** - This is the 21st year the Class of 1938 has provided a grant of $500.00.

**Class of 1940** - This is the 21st year the Class of 1940 has provided a grant of $500.00.

**Class of 1954** - This is the 11th year the class of ’54 has provided a grant in the amount of $500.00. In 2004 in honor of the 50th reunion $5,400.00 was awarded to 6 students in the amount of $900.00 each.

**Class of 1941** - This is the 17th year the Class of 1941 provided a grant of $500.00 as individual memorial awards to past teachers. This year it was dedicated to Glenn Sprague - Music Teacher.

**Class of 1943** - Class of 1943 provided a grant in the amount of $500.00.

**Class of 1945** - Class of 1945 provided a grant in the amount of $500.00.

**Margaret “Peg” (Haggerty) Spitalnik Memorial Grant** - by Husband Myer ’43 – Sons – Daniel ’83 & Vanessa (Johnson) Spitalnik ’92 & Frank Spitalnik ’82. A $1,000.00 grant has been awarded to a student majoring in the field of Science. This is the 11th year a grant has been awarded. In 2004 the grant was increased to $2,000.00.

**The David Spitalnik ’72 Grant** - This is the 12th year David has provided a grant in memory of his parents Harry & Rissel Spitalnik.

**The Robert C. Young ’39 Grant** - This is the 11th year a $1,000.00 memorial grant has been awarded to a graduating student given by family.

**The Leslie M. Gray, Jr. Grant** - A $1,000.00 grant given by his son Leslie M.Gray III to honor his father’s commitment to excellence in the language arts.

**Wal-Mart Grant** - This is the 9th year a $1,000.00 grant has been awarded from our local Wal-Mart store.

**James Fisher ’55 Grant** - This is the 13th year Jim has provided grants. In 1998 & 1999 grants were awarded in the amount of $1,500.00. In 2000, 2001, & 2002 a $2,000.00 grant was awarded. In 2003 & 2004 a $2,500.00 grant was awarded. In 2005 in honor of his 50th graduating year a $5,000.00 grant was awarded. In 2006 & 2007 a grant in the amount of $2,500.00 was awarded. In 2008 & 2009 a $3,000.00 grant was awarded.

**The New Life Printers Grant** - This is the 10th year a $500.00 grant has been awarded to a graduating student given by owners Keith & Jennifer Guthrie.

**The Karl J. Weyand ’49 & Marjorie Burkart Weyand ’52** - This is the 11th year a memorial grant has been awarded to a graduating senior in the amount of $1,000.00 given by the children.

**The Ernst H. Weyand Memorial Grant** - A grant in the amount of $1,000.00 is awarded to a graduating senior given annually by his wife Janice Weyand.

**The LaVerne "Short" Brown ’53** - This is the 9th year grants were awarded at graduation. Each year the proceeds from the LaVerne “Short” Brown Memorial Golf Tournament sponsored by the Hornell Chamber of Commerce fund this scholarship.

**Egmond Family Grant** - This is the 7th year grants have been awarded to graduating seniors. This award started as a $500 grant and has increased each year. The family plans to continue this scholarship in 2010.

**Penny Bassage Memorial** - This scholarship fund started by family and friends raised a substantial amount of money so a scholarship can be given in Penny’s memory for the next several years. A $500.00 grant has been awarded for the last 8 years.

**William ’37 & Grace Coogan Dailey ’41 Memorial Grant** - This is the 9th year the family has awarded grants in memory of their parents. In 2001 two grants of $600.00 each were awarded and in 2002-2009 two grants of $500.00 each were awarded.

**William J. Connors Memorial Grant** - This is the 7th year a grant was awarded to a graduating senior given by his children.
**THESE ARE YOUR ALUMNI SPECIAL CONTRIBUTORS FOR 2009**

We as “Alumni” directors are indebted to you for your many years of unselfish dedication to our cause. You are great supporters of your H.H.S. Alumni. This is truly an expression of love for your “Alma Mater.”

**The HHS Tradition lives on.**

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**Henry J. “Hank” Giglio Memorial Grant** - This is the 8th year a grant in the amount of $500.00 was awarded to a graduating senior given by Clarence & Debbie Giglio Bradley of Bradley Supply.

**Trooper Larry P. Gleason ‘91 Memorial Grant** - This is the 5th year this grant has been awarded to a graduating senior who is pursuing a career in law enforcement. The $4,000 grant is in remembrance of Larry who made the ultimate sacrifice while serving as a New York State Trooper. It is given through the Lawrence P. Gleason Memorial Fund by family, friends and fellow law enforcement officers.

**Matthew J. ’42 & Jeanne Griffin DeGaetano’42 Memorial Grant** - Given by the family Dennis ’67 & Lynda DeGaetano O’Brien ’67, Bridget O’Brien ’96 & Cynthia DeGaetano Schultheis ’66. This is the 10th year a memorial grant has been awarded.

**Francis K. Fawcett ’68 Memorial Grant** - This is the 6th year a grant has been awarded to a graduating senior by family & friends.

**Charles J. Giallanza Memorial Scholarship**

This is the 7th year a $1,000.00 grant was awarded to a football player with the highest average given by The Giallanza Family Foundation.

**Jeanne Elizabeth Oelwang ’48 - Memorial Scholarship** - This is 7th year a grant was awarded to a nursing student given by Robert C. Oelwang ’44.

**Clemenceau J. “Kelly” ’37 & Carmella Colamarino Simon ’43 Memorial Grant** - This is the 6th year a grant was awarded given by their daughters, Kellyann Simon, Rita Penque and Mary Buryta.

**Bessie Ellis Kelleher ‘43 Memorial Grant** - This is the 5th year a grant in the amount of $500.00 was awarded to a graduating senior given by the family.

**Joseph Rechichi Memorial Grant** - This is the 4th year a $500.00 grant was awarded to a graduating senior given by his family.

**Martin J. “Marty” Bossie Memorial Grant** - This is the 5th year a $500.00 grant was awarded to a graduating senior with musical interest given by his family & friends. In 2009 a $1,000 grant was awarded.

**Clair & Ada McNitt Cornue Memorial Grant**

This is the 5th year a grant in the amount of $500.00 was awarded to a graduating senior pursuing a degree in education given by the family.

**Anthony “Butch” Ermy ’49 Memorial Grant** - A grant in the amount of $1,500.00 was awarded in June 2008 given by his family, friends & classmates. A grant of $1,000.00 was awarded in June 2009.

**Stephen G. Terry ’77 Memorial Grant** - This is the 4th year a grant was awarded to a graduating senior from family & friends.

**Class of 1956 Celebrating 50 Years** - Grants totaling $20,000 raised by the class celebrating 50 years were awarded to several graduating seniors over a 2 & 4 year period. The class awarded an additional $2,000.00 grant in June 2007, 2008, and 2009.

**Adam Davidson ’47 Memorial Grant** - This is the 4th year a grant in the amount of $1,000 was in awarded to a graduating senior majoring in retail or business. This grant was given by his wife Martha Shults Davidson ’47.

**Elianna Testani Memorial Grant** - This is the 5th year grants were awarded to graduating seniors. This grant was given by her family.

**Elizabeth Lynch ’05 Memorial Grant** - This is the 3rd year a grant was awarded to a graduating senior majoring in Criminal Justice. This grant was given by her family.

**Catherine “Cathy” Bossard ’71 Memorial Grant**

Cathy was an elementary teacher in the Hornell School District. This is the 3rd year grant in the amount of $1,000 was awarded to a graduating senior. This grant is given by family & friends.

**Class of 1984 Celebrating 25 Years** - In June 2009 grants totaling $2,000 were awarded to 4 graduating seniors.

**Class of 1952 Grant** - In June 2008 grants totaling $1,000 were awarded to 2 graduating seniors. In June 2009 grants totaling $2,400 were awarded to 6 students.

**Barbara Weyand Miles ’43 Memorial Grant**

Art Scholarship – This is the 2nd year a $1,000 scholarship was awarded to a graduating senior pursuing a degree in art, given by family & friends.

**John L. Miles Memorial Grant - Alfred University Science Scholarship** - This is the 2nd year a $1,000 scholarship was awarded to a graduating senior pursuing a degree in Science and attending Alfred University, given by family & friends.

**Dan Berry & Henry Giglio Memorial Grant** - A $500 grant will be awarded in June 2010 donated by family & friends.

**Betty Pease Gray Ranger ’34 Memorial Grant**

This is the 3rd year a grant in the amount of $1,000.00 was awarded to a graduating senior pursuing a degree in elementary education given by her children, Elaine Gray Beetow, Richard L. Gray & Thomas H. Gray.

**Mary Frances McKeivit Clancy ’48** - This is the 3rd year the family awarded a $300.00 scholarship to a graduating senior pursuing a degree in nursing.

**Rosemary Griswold Argentieri ’57 Memorial Grant** - This is the 2nd year a $500.00 grant was awarded to a graduating senior pursuing a career in food service or business. This grant was given by her family.

**Fagnan Family Grant - Yvonne Fagnan Fisher ’59**

Celebrating 50 years donated $10,000 to be given as $1000 grants over the next ten years.

**Lt. John D. “Boots” Day ’94 Memorial Grant**

This is the 1st year a grant in the amount of $1,000 was awarded to a student pursuing a degree in Criminal Justice. This grant is given by his parents.

**Charles Adam Young ’39 Memorial Grant** - Two $500 grants were awarded in June 2009 given by his nephew.

**Class of 1957 Grant** - A grant in the amount of $1,000 was awarded to a graduating senior. This grant will continue in 2010.

**David Matthew Stoddard Memorial Grant** - 3 grants of $500 each will be awarded in June 2010, given by family & friends.

**Dillen McCormick ’09 Memorial Grant** - A grant in the amount of $500 will be awarded in June 2010 given by family & friends.

**Zachary D. Smith ’08 Memorial Grant** - A grant will be awarded in June 2010 donated by family, friends and classmates.

**Hoke A. Smith, Jr. ’52 Memorial Grant** - A $500 grant was awarded in June 2009 given by the family.

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**HHS ALUMNI: Thank you for your donations to the HAA Scholarship Program.**

**Your support is greatly appreciated!!**
Dear HAA Board of Directors,
Please accept my membership and donation toward the Alumni Association Scholarship Fund. Thanks again & again for the News Journal you mail year after year. It is wonderful. Please, don’t ever stop.
Thank you again,
Ralph Wichner

I enclosed the News Journal in a letter to my sister. Her comments: “Thank you for the Hornell High School Alumni Association News Journal. I really enjoyed reading it from cover to cover. I found so many people in there that I know. I would love to become a member”. Thank you for her membership.
Frederick A. Stone ’44

Hornell High School Alumni Association, Once again I’m delighted to receive the News Journal and I sincerely congratulate you on an excellent job! I realize it’s a tremendous amount of work. HHS students are very fortunate to have such an active Alumni Association. We alumni are happy to realize that our old High School is flourishing.
Sincerely,
Nancy Liggeti McColl ’40

Greetings! Enclosed is my check for the HAA banquet. I’ve also included my membership dues. I’m looking forward to seeing everyone again! Thanks to the Alumni Committee for all they are doing to make this event possible.
Sincerely,
Janice McKinley Dudley ’64

Dear Alumni,
Enclosed is a check to cover my reservation for the Alumni Banquet along with my membership dues to the Hornell Alumni Association. I’m looking forward to the dinner and celebrating my 60th anniversary with my classmates and friends.
Sincerely,
Sister Veronica Casey ’49

Thanks again for the HHS Alumni News Journal. It always brings back such wonderful memories that I have of friends and activities.
Jane Weirick ’69

The 2009 newsletter was great. Congratulations to the staff for another wonderful edition!
Betty Combs Caple ’42

I so enjoyed reading the 2009 HAA News Journal. As usual, you’ve done a superb job. It was great that you put the article in about Helen Hogan. She was a long time teacher and principal in Hornell. She loved the town and the school system. Kudos to you all!!
Peggy Hogan Fitch

Dear Alumni President and Staff,
Rick Kelleher was kind enough to send me the 2009 News Journal. Bob was always so proud of the HHS Scholarship Program. He enjoyed receiving the newsletter each year. We both would read it from cover to cover. I feel like I was from Hornell. It truly became my second home. I have enclosed my dues to continue as a social member of your organization and a donation for the scholarship fund. I look forward to receiving the 2010 News Journal!
Sincerely,
Joan Becker
Widow of Robert E. Becker ’40

Dear Cathy,
My daughter and I had a wonderful time at the reunion last year seeing old friends, making new ones and exploring “memories” and seeing all of the changes. Thanks for the research on the library. I’m sure all of us would enjoy more photos and memories of other landmarks. You all do a remarkable job with your work on “our” journal. See if you can “dig-up” any news on the Class of 1946. They seem to be missing. I’m already looking forward to next year.
Virginia “Gini” McLenin

Each spring we look forward to the arrival of flowers. So too, we await the arrival of this great News Journal! You people do a super job. Keep it up!!
John ’53 and Barbara Sheon Scroxton ’54

I received the HHS Alumni Association Newsletter and, as usual, it was very nicely done. One minor correction, though. The Park Inn was run by Charlie Sparrow, Whitman’s Tavern was next door and my father Teddy Whitman was at and behind the bar for many years (36 Canisteo Street).
Warm Regards,
John Whitman ’70

Dear Alumni Committee,
I was very pleased to receive this years’ HAA newsletter. As always, it was fascinating and informative. I read it from cover to cover! Enclosed is my check for my dues and annual donation to the scholarship fund. I’m so happy that the Alumni and other residents of Hornell give so generously to the graduating seniors to help them continue their education.
My best to all,
Carol L. Spooner ’52

Dear Angie,
Thank you for all that you do. The Alumni does a wonderful job and we truly enjoy getting the News Journal each year. You can tell that hard work was at hand. Thanks again to all of you for making it possible.
Margaret “Pug” Brown Nasca ’57

Congratulations to ALL of those who are responsible for producing the 2009 News Journal. It is outstanding! Memories are so wonderful. It is nice to have them recalled. Keep up the good work.
Eileen Sengstock ’55

Thank you for a better-than-ever Journal. I’m 87 years old now so I appreciate reading all the news that you folks include in it. I hope I can make my 70th reunion next year.
Fondly,
Mary Campbell Blake ’40

I would love to attend the banquet but it is too far to drive. I had a stroke and I can’t drive. Please tell all of my friends from the Class of 1938 that I said hello.
God Bless you all,
Anne Lawrow

Dear HAA Board of Directors,
I want to thank you for placing the Ohio State University information on my Alumnus Award in the 2009 News Journal (p. 57). The award was unexpected but I knew OSU was doing some research on what I did during my career with Honeywell. Jean and I look forward to the Journal every year. The people that organize and publish this newsletter do a wonderful job. Everyone that I have talked to says the same thing. I doubt that there are many high school Journals and none that come close to this standard. We had a wonderful trip to Hornell last September. It was a memorable occasion. Thanks again for the recognition.
Best regards,
Fred Dodge ’43
Hi from Fort Collins, Co.!
Please find my enclosed check for my dues and donation for 2009-10. I am pleased to continue my membership in the Alumni Association. I was determined to make plans and a full effort to return for my 60th class reunion. However, both finances and poor health do not allow me to travel. Thank you for being there to further the Alumni activities. I received this years’ News Journal and, once again, it was very well done. I sure do appreciate all the effort to those putting it together. It is great to remember “old times” but it is equally interesting to see the large numbers of participants and interest displayed by the newer and more recent classes. Good luck for this coming year.
Yours truly,
Hoxsie Crosby ’49

Dear Alumni Association,
The enclosed clipping is of the 6th grade banquet from Columbian School in 1961. This fine group of youngsters went on to become the HHS graduating class of 1967. It was a “big” night in Hornell. This fine group of youngsters went on to become the HHS graduating class of 1967. It was a “big” night in Hornell.
Sincerely,
Mary Bowles McBride ’67

Mary Marino Amato celebrates her 100th birthday!

Thanksgiving 2009 was a special treat for the family of Mary Marino Amato of San Jose, California. Mary, a former resident of Hornell, and grandmother of the Hornell Marino and Dessena families, turned 100 years old on Dec. 1, 2009. Her family attended a birthday party for her on Thanksgiving Day including nearly fifty of her family and friends.

Mary was the wife of Carl Marino of Hornell who passed away. Years later, she became the wife of Ralph Amato of Rome and San Jose, CA who is deceased. Mary lives at the Empress Gardens in San Jose and is one of the more active residents there. She moved to San Jose in 1965 and has lived there ever since. Her children are spread around the country with Carl (Carol) Marino, Jr. in Hornell, Julia (John) Dessena in Hornell, Delores (Joseph) Mainello of Painesville, OH all deceased: and her daughter, Janet (Vito) who lives nearby in San Jose. Her two surviving son-in-laws, Joseph Mainello and John Dessena both attended her party.

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Debbie Hogue Rose is an HHS graduate of 1972. She currently owns and operates Stone Cottage Cakery, located in the former Hornell Memorials building on 13 McLean Ave. Deb specializes in all-occasion cakes which include wedding, baptism, birthday, anniversary, graduation, and more. Cake decorating has been her passion for the past twenty-five years. Deb married Joe Rose ’76 in November of 1978. Joe totally renovated and remodeled the inside and outside of the structure. He did a magnificent job. Stone Cottage Cakery officially opened in February, 2009. Joe and Deb are the proud parents of four children and also love spending time with their two beautiful grandchildren. Pictured is the Rose family during a recent get-together. Andrea Rose is standing in the very front. In the back row (l. to r.) are Bryson Jones, Lindsay Rose, Maia Jones, Debbie Hogue Rose, Tony Rose, Jennifer Rose Jones, Joe Rose, and Eric Jones. Congratulations and best of luck with your future endeavors, Deb.

KRISTY SIRIANNI ’04

Kristy Sirianni, a graduate of Alfred University, was chosen as the recipient of the Richard V. Bergren Award during the Alfred University annual spring 2009 Honors Covocation. The Bergren Award is presented to the student in the division of Human Studies who has done the most outstanding work in the disciplines of history, philosophy, and / or religion. The award is a subscription to an academic journal or book. A student is selected by nomination from division faculty members and election by the entire division. The award is presented from funds given in memory of Dr. Richard V. Bergren. Sirianni is the daughter of Rick and Cheryl Brown Sirianni of Hornell and a graduate of the HHS Class of 2004.

TSgt TIMOTHY MCMINERNEY ’00

TSgt Timothy McInerney, a graduate of HHS Class of 2000, led the Aerial Port team that assisted the 452 Airlift Control Flight in the movement of 36 aircraft, 709 passengers and 991 shirt tons of cargo. There were numerous times that his expertise and attention to detail prevented mission stopping aircraft delays and his superior coordination resulted in the groups Navy hosts providing above and beyond support not normally possible. McInerney is the son of Tom and Julie McInerney of Hornell.

CRAWW ELLIOTT CHAFFEE ’01

Cragg Elliott Chaffee of Amherst graduated on May 9, 2009 from SUNY Buffalo with a Bachelor of Science degree in business administration. While at UB, Cragg was Chief of Staff for the Student Association overseeing seventy personnel. He was a member of the Board of Directors of Campus Dining and Shops. He participated in and was president of the University at Buffalo Ski Team. Cragg was a member of Phi Alpha Delta Pre-Law Fraternity which presented him an award as the Best Committee Chair. Chaffee served as board president of Sub-Board I, Inc. He has continued his education at UB to pursue a Master of Science degree in business administration. Chaffee is a 2001 graduate of Hornell High School and completed 4 years active duty in the U.S. Army Airborne. He is the son of Elliott and Janet Chaffee of N. Hornell.

CONGRATULATIONS DON FOREMAN ’49

Don Foreman, a 1949 graduate of Hornell High School, was inducted into the Genesee Valley Central School Hall of Fame Class of 2009. Foreman led Angelica Central School to its first Section V Boys Basketball championship in 1962. In 1977, Foreman accomplished the same feat, albeit this time with the girls’ team. Foreman was inducted into the Allegany County Hall of Fame in 2005.

COLONEL CHARLES WITZ DONAHEY ’39

Colonel Charles Witz Donahey graduated from Hornell High School in 1939. He was commissioned an Engineer Officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School on August 23, 1944 in Fort Belvoir, Virginia. His first duty assignment was Company Commander, 282nd Engineer Combat Battalion with numerous subsequent active duty assignments that followed in his career. Donahey’s military awards include the Purple Heart, Meritorious Service Medal, Good Conduct Medal, Army Reserve Components Achievement Medal, American Campaign Medal, European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal, World War II Victory Medal, Army of Occupation Medal, National Defense Service Medal, and Armed Forces Reserve Medal. He retired from the US Army Reserves in 1976 and is currently working as a part time Field Engineer at Stantec Consulting, Michigan. On March 27, 2009 Colonel Charles Witz Donahey was inducted into The United States Army Officer Candidate School Hall of Fame. Thank you, sir, for your commitment and dedication to serving our country. Congratulations on receiving this very prestigious award!
Achievers

SHANNAE VANCE MURRAY ‘06
Shannae Vance Murray, daughter of Dale Vance of Hornell and Bernadette Bledsoe of Olean, is currently attending The King’s College in NYC. She has accepted an internship with a major New York private label designer, Brian Reyes. Reyes’ designs have garnered editorial coverage in the world’s leading fashion magazines and have made his creations a favorite among actresses such as Jennifer Garner, Kate Hudson, Rachel Bilson, Cate Blanchett, and America Ferrera – who walked the red carpet in a Brian Reyes designed gown at the 64th Annual Golden Globe Awards. Murray was recently appointed to be the head intern for Reyes’ Spring 2010 collection showing by Reyes’ sales manager. She will be completing her Bachelor of Science degree in business management at The King’s College in May 2010. Murray is a graduate of HHS Class of 2006. She is married to Joseph Murray of Hornell, who is currently serving his country as a Sr. Airman First Class in the U. S. Air Force in Spokane, WA.

LYNDA NASCA LOSECCO ‘81
Lynda Nasca Losecco, Universal Health Network’s director of operations, has recently been promoted to chief operation officer and vice president. Losecco has been with UHN since its creation in 2000. She has played an integral part in the growth and success of the company and has proven herself both in management and leadership of the company. Lynda is a graduate of the Class of 1981, and attended SUNY Alfred. She lives in Canisteo with her husband Fran and their two children.

P. J. DYRING ‘87
P. J. Dyring was promoted to Police Lieutenant by the Corning Police Department on April 13, 2009. Dyring served in the U. S. Air Force from August 1989 to September 1998 in the law enforcement and security field, attaining the rank of Staff Sergeant. He was a former member of the Hornell Police Department where he served as a police officer for two and a half years. Dyring joined the Corning Police Department on Dec. 31, 2001 and was promoted to Sergeant of Feb. 23, 2004. He is the son of Karen and Peg Dyring. He is the grandson of former Hornell Police Sergeant James H. Martin. Dyring graduated from HHS in 1987.

SARA WOOD ‘__
Sara Wood, a graduate of Alfred University, was chosen as the recipient of the Andrew M. Rossington Scholarship during the AU’s Annual Spring 2009 Honors Convocation. This scholarship, established by Dr. Davis and Angela Rossington of Alfred in loving memory of their son Andrew Michael Rossington, is presented to a senior who demonstrated exceptional promise of becoming an outstanding teacher in the public school system. Wood is the daughter of Janice Wood of Hornell and a graduate of the HHS Class of ____.

CHIEF PETTY OFFICER
RAYMOND G. KURTZ ‘78
RETIRES!
Storekeeper Chief Petty Officer Raymond G. Kurtz retired from the world’s finest maritime service, the U. S. Coast Guard on July 1, 2009. He happily looked forward to retirement after thirty years of dedicated service. He is the father of three daughters and the loving husband of Sharon, his wife of over 29 years. Chief Kurtz is the son of Frances and the late Elmer Kurtz and the brother of Darlene. He was born and raised in Hornell, graduating from HHS in 1978. He had a wonderful career serving on duty stations up and down the East Coast, from New York City to the Tidewater area of Virginia. Chief Kurtz had been stationed in the Tidewater area for the past twenty-two years, taking a four year side trip to Coast Guard Group Moriches, LI between 1993-97. In addition to enjoying the company of his family and friends, Chief Kurtz enjoys reading, bowling, woodworking, watching Buffalo Bills and New York Mets on TV, watching NASCAR in person and on TV. You’ll find him rooting for anyone that fills the seat of the famous number “43”!

ERIN MURPHY ‘01
Erin Murphy graduated from Upstate Medical University with her medical doctorate on May 17, 2009. She is currently a resident in the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology at Abington Memorial Hospital in Abington, PA. Murphy is the daughter of Sandra Murphy and David Murphy of Hornell. She is the grand-daughter of Flora Drake of Almond and Maureen Murphy of Jamestown, NC. Erin is a graduate of HHS Class of 2001.

The HHS Alumni Banquet will be held on Saturday, June 25, 2011.
This year, the city of Hornell was shocked by the death of “one of its own”. Marine Lance Cpl. Zachary D. Smith died while serving our country in Afghanistan. He was on patrol with his unit and was killed by a roadside bomb on January 24, 2010. At his funeral, the U.S. Marines honored Zach, awarding him a Purple Heart on behalf of President Barack Obama and the Marine Corps for making the ultimate sacrifice for his country.

A native and life-long resident of Hornell, Zach was born on April 2, 1990. He was the son of Chris and Kim McDaniel Smith. On July 25, 2009, he married the former Anne Deebs ’09. Zach graduated from Hornell High School with the class of 2008 where he was a member of the football and golf teams. Upon graduation, Zach followed his lifelong dream of enlisting in the United States Marine Corps. He graduated from Recruit Training in Parris Island, South Carolina on October 3, 2008. He completed the Marine Corps School of Infantry and was then assigned to the 2nd Platoon C Company 1st Battalion 6th Marines, based in Camp Lejeune, North Carolina. On December 17, 2009, Zach was deployed to Afghanistan.

A member of Our Lady of the Valley parish and a communicant of St. Ann’s Church, Zach had a way of touching the lives of everyone he met. He will be remembered for his wonderful sense of humor, his contagious laugh and the “most genuine smile that God ever gave a human being”. Zach was a joy to be with and will be sadly missed by wife & family, his many friends, and his community.

An avid golfer, Zach was a member of the Twin Hickory Golf Club and the Hornell Golf Club. He enjoyed sports and was a fan of the New York Giants, New York Yankees, and Syracuse Orangemen.

As Zach returned to the town of his birth on a bitter-cold January evening, hundreds of local residents lined the route in silence to show their respect for the young man who gave his life for his country. Many held flags, some held candles, but all carried sadness in their hearts as they watched the police-escorted cortège make its way into the city passing below the home of Anne Smith, his wife, and the Smith home on Mays Avenue where he grew up.

Hundreds of people filled St. Ann’s Church to say goodbye to their fallen hero. Mourners wept as family and friends offered words of remembrance. Zach’s father saluted as his son’s coffin was carried into church. Zach’s mother and his brother, Nate, were among many who shared their thoughts and feelings with those who were there that day.

In addition to his wife and his parents, Zachary is survived by one brother, Nathaniel Smith; one sister, Grace Smith; his grandparents, Sid & Alice Smith, and Darrell & Donna McDaniel; his mother-in-law and father-in-law, Mike and Andrea Deebs; his in-laws, Michael, Patrick, Mary, Brendan, Grace and Andrew Deebs; and several aunts, uncles, nieces & nephews.

A scholarship has been created in Zach’s memory. Those who wish may contribute by sending a check to the Hornell Alumni Association, P.O. Box 135, Hornell, NY 14843. Please indicate that your donation is in memory of Lance Cpl. Zachary Smith.

“He was always smiling, always able to joke, always respectful, and never a problem. He was your all-American kid. He was the type of kid that if you’re a parent and you had a son, you’d want your son to grow up and be just like him.” Bryan Dyring, HHS Physical Education teacher

“He was a great kid. Full of life and love.” Alice Smith (grandmother)

“He was always the life of the party. Excellent personality and always doing harmless, devilish things.” Sid Smith (grandfather)

“He was one of the most sincere, honest, and nice kids that you’ll ever meet. There was always a smile on Zach’s face. He always had a great positive attitude and took the time with the younger kids. He took them under his wing.” Mickey Carretto, former coach

Pictured at Left: Zach and Anne Deebs Smith on their wedding day.
The best way to describe Zach? He was an all-around likeable kid. He touched everyone with his humor. He was a wonderful individual. It was that simple. Zach was great to be around and he always lifted everyone’s spirits.”

Michael Brewer, Manager, Wegman’s

“He knew the value of a kind word and a gentle gesture. Through the example of Zach, sometimes in our lives, we can live in his example in peace, justice, and mercy. We’ll all live in a world that will make us happy.”

Mayor Shawn Hogan

“Some people live an entire lifetime and wonder if they have ever made a difference in the world, but the Marines don’t have that problem.”

Ronald Reagan, former US president

The infamous I-390 rock was painted by five HHS students soon after the announcement of Zach’s death was made. This was a beautiful piece of artwork and a special tribute to our hometown hero.

“As a student, an athlete, and a person, Zach was more concerned with helping those around him than he was for himself. He was a true giver. His ambition in life... for as long as anyone can remember... was to be a United States Marine. It seemed only natural to him that he would follow the calling to serve his country.”

Gene Mastin, HHS Athletic Director and Varsity Football Coach

May the road rise up to meet you,
May the wind be always at your back.
May the sun shine warm upon your face,
The rain fall soft upon your fields.
And, until we meet again,
May God hold you in the palm of his hand.
In Memory of
J. Dean Fisher
Class of 1950

J. Dean Fisher, a Hornell pharmacist for many years, passed away on May 19, 2009 in Charlotte, NC where he had resided for the last two years. Dean was born in Andover, NY and graduated as the Class Valedictorian there in 1950 at the age of 16. He graduated from the University of Buffalo where he earned a BS in Pharmacy. He also served in the United States Navy from 1950 – 1952.

In 1978, Dean moved to Hornell where he first served as a pharmacist with Rite Aid. In 1982, he opened Fisher Drug in Hornell. After operating Fisher’s for six years, he worked briefly again for Rite Aid, and then as the Pharmacist at Wal-Mart for eight years.

Dean was a member of Our Lady of the Valley Parish and served as a Eucharistic Minister at St. Ann’s Church, taking Holy Communion to parishioners unable to attend Mass. He was a member of the Hornell Knights of Columbus, the Hornell American Legion and the Hornell Association. Those who knew Dean not only knew him as a skilled pharmacist, but as a man with an excellent sense of humor who cared deeply for others in our community. He always wore a smile on his face and was always optimistic. “Words like compassionate, benevolent, warm-hearted, generous, knowledgeable and religious were used to describe Fisher’s character.”

Dean was married to the former Judy Schwebl in April, 1965. In addition to his wife, he is survived by his children Ann (Steve) Keith, Mary (Dave) Rushing, Corrine (Tim) Freer, Allison, and Tom (Amy) Fisher; his brother, Dr. John (Marie) Fisher; 10 grandchildren; several nieces and nephews.

Those wishing may make a memorial contribution in his name to St. Ann’s School Library or to the Salvation Army.

In Memory of
Marguerite K. O’Connor Mauro
Class of 1955

Marguerite O’Connor Mauro, a graduate of the HHS class of 1955, passed away on May 1, 2009 following a long illness. Marguerite was the daughter of Anthony and Helen O’Connor and resided in Hornell for most of her life. She graduated from St. Ann’s School. Following high school, she attended Mercyhurst College in Erie, PA, where she earned her Bachelor’s degree in Math with a minor in Latin. She earned her teaching degree from SUNY at Geneseo.

Marguerite served in several area schools as a teacher throughout the years. Locally, she taught at Hornell High School, St. Ann’s School, Jasper Central School, and Canisteo High School. A member of Our Lady of the Valley Parish and a communicant of St. Ann’s Church, she was also a member of the choir at St. Ann’s and the St. Ann’s Folk Group. She enjoyed dancing, reading, playing pinochle and going to the beach.

Married to Francis “Buzz” Mauro who survives, Marguerite was preceded in death by her son, David, in 2002. In addition to her husband, she is survived by a son, Francis “Buzzy” Mauro; three daughters, Lynn (Andy) Lincoln, Kathleen (Kevin) Rohan and Toni (Ron) Nasca; 11 grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Memorial contributions in her name may be made to St. Ann’s School, 27 Erie Avenue, Hornell, NY 14843.

In Memory Of & With Our Thanks....

This past year, the Hornell City School District lost three retired bus drivers, each of whom devoted many years to assuring the safe passage to school for hundreds of students over the years. Jane Harter Nisbet, Mary Jane Russell Houghtaling ’52 and Robert E. Sanford, all of Hornell, passed away this year. Together, they were employed by the district for well over 50 years. Many alumni may have ridden to and from school under their watchful eyes. The Alumni Association wishes to acknowledge their service to the district and their dedication to the students of Hornell. We are truly grateful to them for the many years they spent with us.
In Memory of
Walter Rutski, Jr.
Class of 1965

Life-long resident of North Hornell and an HHS graduate of the class of ’65, Walter Rutski, Jr. passed away on February 16, 2010 at his home. Walt was known for his honesty, sincerity, devotion, and dedication to his community and to the North Hornell Fire Department. Walt was the North Hornell village historian and president of the NHFD. He was a member of the Fire Department from 1963 – 1995 and served both as Chief and as president. He was instrumental in the planning and building of the new fire hall.

Walt was born on June 30, 1947. He was the son of Walter and Mary Ann Ordway Rutski. Following his graduation from Hornell High School, he went on to graduate from Alfred State College in 1967. He worked briefly for Acme Markets and then for the NYSDOT, retiring as supervisor of Regional Materials Engineer in 2002. He was also an adjunct professor at Alfred State College from 2003 – 2008.

Besides being active in the North Hornell community, Walt was a member of the Hornell Elks Lodge, the Hornell Association, Hornell Moose Club, the Knights of Columbus, the Sportsman’s Club, the NRA, HOG, and a member and president of Finger Lakes Abate as well as the State Abate. He enjoyed HO model railroading, motorcycling, NASCAR, collecting old cars, and competing in shooting events throughout the Northeast.

Besides his parents, Walt was predeceased by a brother, O.W. Rutski and his brother-in-law, Edward Grant. He is survived by his wife of twenty-two years, Cherlyn Grant Rutski; his aunt Genevieve Rutski; mother-in-law Margaret Grant; sister-in-law Linda Grant; brothers-in-law, Brian (Ronda) and Scott (Amy) Grant; one niece and two nephews.

Memorial contributions in Walt’s name can be made to the North Hornell Fire Department, 1 West Maplewood Avenue, Hornell, NY 14843.

In Memory of
Michael J. George
Class of 1974

Michael J. “Meatball” George, who was a life-long resident of Hornell and graduate of HHS Class of 1974, passed away on December 7, 2099 following a brief illness. Mike was born in Hornell on December 19, 1955 and was the son of Jimmy and Carolyn George who predeceased him. In addition to HHS, Mike also attended St. Ann’s School in his younger years. He had a great love for music, especially jazz, and passed on this appreciation to his youngest son. Mike also loved the game of golf and really enjoyed participating in fantasy football and baseball.

For several years, Mike worked in the “family business” at the Sunset Inn. In 1983, Mike got into the automobile business. He owned and operated M-G Auto Sales in Hornell for thirteen years. He also worked as a car salesman for several area automobile dealerships.

On August 17, 1985, Mike married the former Patricia Dennis. Besides his wife, Mike is survived by his three children, Anthony George, Matthew George and Jaime George; his two sisters, Kathy (Larry) Doty and Rosie George Cilano; and several nieces and nephews.

Those who wish may contribute in his name to the Music Department of Hornell High School, 134 Seneca Street, Hornell, NY 14843.
On Saturday, March 27, 2010, the First Abbot of Saint Benedict Abbey in Still River, Massachusetts, the Right Reverend Abbot Gabriel Gibbs passed away after a long bout with cancer. Many remember Abbot Gabriel as Joseph William "Bill" Gibbs, a graduate and the Valedictorian of the Class of 1944. Father Abbot Gabriel was the son of Sidney and Margaret Gibbs. After graduating from HHS, he entered Harvard College. During his freshman year, he enlisted in the Navy and served on the USS Passumpsic, AO-107 as the first radio technician.

Returning to Harvard, Bill discovered Saint Benedict Center, a Catholic student center in Cambridge run by Catherine Goddard Clarke and Father Leonard Feeney. Father Feeney and Saint Benedict Center inspired many, especially Bill. He left Harvard and entered Saint Andrew’s Seminary in Rochester, NY. After graduation, he entered St. Bernard’s Seminary. In November, 1949, Bill was dismissed from the seminary for upholding the Catholic doctrine Extra Ecclesiam Nulla Salus (outside the Church, there is no Salvation). He returned to St. Benedict’s and joined with others who believed as he did. Bill joined a new community, Slaves of the Immaculate Heart of Mary and eventually received the name Brother Gabriel.

Brother Gabriel became a leader in the Church very quickly. Shortly after he took his vows, he was assigned to the post of prior, beginning sixty years of service, fifty two of them in Still River, Massachusetts. With the deaths of Sister Catherine Goddard Clarke and Father Leonard Feeney, Brother Gabriel assumed a greater leadership role. In 1976, he was ordained a priest, becoming Father Gabriel, and in 1993 was elected first abbot of the community, St. Benedict Abbey. Abbot Gabriel played a pivotal leadership role in reconciling the community with the hierarchy of the Catholic Church and in incorporating the Community within the Benedictine Confederation.

Among his many honors, Abbot Gabriel was inducted into the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulcher with the title of Knight Commander with Star. A year later (2006), he and Owen Murphy authored the memoirs of his 60 year experience, Harvard to Harvard, The Story of Saint Benedict’s Center Becoming St. Benedict Abbey.

Throughout all of his years, Father Abbot Gabriel returned often to his family home on Hakes Avenue in Hornell. He always held a special place in his heart for his birthplace, a fondness for this community and a special love for his family and friends here. One of the events he looked forward to annually was his return to Hornell to attend the Alumni Banquet and his Class of 1944 picnic. He will long be remembered for his smile, his gentleness, and his love for God and his Church.

Father Abbot Gabriel was predeceased by his parents and his brothers, Thomas and James. He is survived by his sister and brother-in-law, Mary Margaret and Kevin Doran; his sisters-in-law, Kathleen of Hornell and Mary Catherine of Michigan; and many nieces, nephews. He is also survived by his monastic community at St. Benedict Abbey in Still River.

Memorial contributions in honor of Abbot Gabriel may be made to Saint Benedict Abbey, P. O. Box 67, Still River, Massachusetts 01467.

There's a very special garden
Where the trees of memory grow;
Nurtured by the kindness
And concern that good friends show.
The roots are cherished memories
Of good times in the past;
The branches tender promises
That souls endure and last.
It's a place of peace and beauty
Where bright new hopes can start;
It's memory's lovely garden
That soothes the hurting heart.
James I. Grimm, formerly a businessman in Hornell, passed away on March 16, 2010, surrounded by his family. Jim was born in Canton, Ohio, the son of Lillian and Ralph Grimm who predeceased him. In 1943, he enlisted in the U.S. Army and served our country during World War II.

In 1945, Jim married Mary Lois Hedges. Upon his discharge from the Army, he began his career as a reporter and photographer for the Hornell Evening Tribune. Not too long after moving to Hornell, he started Memory Studio and in 1961, he opened Meadow Brook Color Lab on the Airport Road. He also served as a Deputy Sheriff of Steuben County taking photos of crime scenes. In addition, Jim started Tree Barn, Inc., where he designed custom tables and bar tops.

Governor Nelson A. Rockefeller appointed Jim to the Job Development Authority. He was elected president of the Route 17 Association and facilitated the development of the Southern Tier Expressway. Jim was a past master of Hornellsville Masonic Lodge, a Rotarian, a member of Park United Methodist Church, a member of the Board of the WWII War Plane Museum, and the Chairman of the Hornell Republican Party. He was named “Mr. GOP, Hornell, NY” and earned the Lincoln Day Dinner Award. In 2002, Jim ran as a “write in” candidate for County Supervisor and won. In the fall of 2004, Jim and Mary Lois moved from Hornell to Bradford, PA to be close to family. Those who had the privilege of knowing Jim remember his warm smile, wonderful personality and great sense of humor.

Besides his parents, Jim was predeceased in death by siblings, John, Robert, Donald, David and Joseph Grimm. He is survived by his loving wife, Mary Lois; his children, Carol (John) LaSalle, Paul (Brenda) Grimm, Mary Beth (Carl) Lindquist, Rebecca (Ralph) Bailey, and his American Field Service son in London, Ronnie (Sandra) Ball; his grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Those wishing to donate in Jim’s memory may do so to The Angel Food Network at First United Methodist Church of Bradford, PA or to a charity of your choice.

Robert J. Lee
Class of 1970

Robert J. "Bob" Lee passed away unexpectedly on Tuesday, April 13, 2010. Bob was a well-known community figure who “wore many hats” over the course of his life. Born in Hornell on September 5, 1952, Bob was the son of Joseph and Mary O’Connor Lee. He grew up in Hornell and was a graduate of both St. Ann’s School and the HHS class of 1970. After high school, Bob attended Alfred State College.

Bob worked for a time for Connors Pharmacy and Saint James Mercy Hospital. In 1978, he was appointed to the Hornell Fire Department, serving the community he loved until his retirement in 2003. More recently, Bob was an employee of Steuben County Sheriff’s Department. During his adult life, Bob served as Code Enforcement Officer for Hornellsville, Canisteo, and Hartsville and was a voting machine custodian. He was a member of the Hornell Association, the Hornell American Legion, and the Knights of Columbus. He also served on the Cemetery Board for Our Lady of the Valley Parish.

Bob was a member of Our Lady of the Valley Parish and a communicant of Saint Ann’s Church. He was also a member of the AOH of Hornell. Bob enjoyed tending to his tree farm, was a master handyman, and a hard worker. He was always willing to help those in need.

Bob is survived by his wife of 27 years, Bonnie Swift, and his children Meghan (Jesse) Olsen, Bryan Swift, Jennifer Speed and Robert Pate; 4 grandchildren; his brothers, Thomas (Christine) Lee, John (Jackie) Lee, Daniel (Tina) Lee; his sister, Margaret (James) Kelsey; and, several nieces and nephews.

Bob will long be remembered for his service to his community, and his kindness and generosity. Those who wish may make a contribution in his name to the charity of their choice.
Obituaries  (April 16, 2009 - April 1, 2010)

Arthur M. Campfield ........................................... 1929
Lucille LaFaro Fawcett ...................................... 1934
Carol Babcock Mulford ..................................... 1934
Verlie C. Sherwood Davies .................................. 1935
Helen Green Allis ............................................ 1935
Virginia Young Smith ....................................... 1936
Donald F. Giglio ............................................... 1936
John “Jack” Sweeney ......................................... 1936
Mary Rose Daniels Cilano .................................. 1936
Lois E. Huff Cole ............................................... 1937
D. Bernadene House White ................................. 1937
Fred Charles Kelley ......................................... 1938
Rose Bamanto Cilano ........................................ 1938
Beatrice Doty Miller ......................................... 1938
Douglas Paul Montgomery ................................. 1938
Fannie Sayler Robbin ........................................ 1938
Dr. Francis James “Babe” Frantz, Jr. ....................... 1939
Anne Welgan Crittenden ..................................... 1939
Robert Evans Hollister, Sr ................................. 1939
Mildred Lewis Bob ............................................. 1939
Ruth M. Class VanDelinder ................................. 1940
Jean Esther Guild Whitman .................................. 1940
Margaret “Tootie” Lawrence Miller ....................... 1940
Commander John J. Pidkowicz, USNR ..................... 1940
Lucille A. Crane ................................................ 1940
William O. Drake ............................................. 1941
Robert W. Snowden .......................................... 1941
Anita Mae Tucker Hood ...................................... 1941
Warren W. “Wally” Amphlett ............................... 1941
Earl G. Weaver ................................................ 1942
Elizabeth Mahany Feigel .................................... 1942
Raymond E. Kring ............................................. 1942
Elsie Ruth Harter Everrill .................................. 1942
Eleanor Gould O’Neill ....................................... 1943
Martha Towle House ......................................... 1943
William R. Valentine ........................................ 1943
Ignatius “George” Trentanelli ............................. 1943
James I. Grimm ................................................ 1943
Robert G. Class ............................................... 1944
Jane Harter Nisbet .......................................... 1944
Right Reverend Gabriel Gibbs, O.S.B. .................... 1944
Patricia E. Generalli Patrick ............................... 1944
Norman F. Murphy ............................................ 1945
Virginia C. “Ginny” House Weaver ........................ 1945
Dolores Dewey Morin ........................................ 1945
Velma A. Greenfield Hilsdorf ............................. 1946
Audrey Allen Pettibone ..................................... 1948
Ella Mae Brunskill Wilkins ................................ 1949
Margaret Fie Norton ........................................... 1949
Robert L. Dunn ................................................ 1951
Ronald J. Shinebaenger ..................................... 1951
Richard F. Kellogg, Sr ....................................... 1951
Robert L. Congdon ............................................ 1951
Peter Angelo DeSantis ...................................... 1952
Paul Kukukva ................................................... 1952
Michael McInerney ......................................... 1952
Sister Joan L. Cullen ....................................... 1952
James H. Clark ............................................... 1952
Mary Jane Russell Houghtaiting ............................ 1952
James Louis Lambert ......................................... 1952
John “Jack” W. Tobin ......................................... 1952
Delores Goth Whitney ........................................ 1953
R. Marie Rechichi O’Dell .................................. 1953
Sterling W. Bebout .......................................... 1953
Robert S. Thuber ............................................. 1953
Nancy Shaw Fox ............................................... 1953
Celia Marie Coddington Kisamore ........................ 1954
Dorothy M. DeSanto ......................................... 1954
LaVerne Weber ............................................... 1954
Marguerite K. O’Connor Mauro ......................... 1955
James E. Blackmer .......................................... 1955
Thomas M. Raish ............................................. 1955
Estellen Ann Castle Brown ................................ 1955
James Warren MacFarland ................................ 1956
Mary Lou Pauley Patton .................................... 1957
James Paul Remchuk ........................................ 1957
Joseph M. Prete .............................................. 1958
Richard E. Han ............................................... 1959
Helen Stewart DeVore Huffling ............................ 1959
Ellen E. Greene Sheroshick ............................... 1959
Patricia Duffy Loid .......................................... 1960
Linda M. Wyant VanSickle ................................. 1960
Patricia Ainl Rivers ......................................... 1961
Dr. Richard B. Hammer ..................................... 1961
Ann M. Colburn .............................................. 1962
Sharon Kurtz Postilli ....................................... 1962
William H. Hedden .......................................... 1963
Walter O. Rutski ............................................. 1965
Gary “Snake” Flaitz .......................................... 1966
William Major Travis ....................................... 1966
Patricia Parks Dobson ....................................... 1970
Robert J. Lee .................................................. 1970
Michael J. “Meatball” George ............................ 1974
Mary S. Peck .................................................. 1974
Thomas Patrick Murphy .................................... 1977
Chief Petty Officer William J. Woodworth .............. 1978
James Jay “Jim” Griffin ................................... 1979
Tammy L. Miller Waters .................................... 1979
Sheri Kathryn Drake ......................................... 1980
Mark R. Arnault ............................................. 1986
Jason S. Leiter ............................................... 1992
Josephine McCallum Fliezt .................................
Geraldine M. “Gerry” Felix Buono ........................
Thomas W. Crosby ...........................................
Kyle D. Hamlin ............................................... 1978
George R. Willey ............................................. 1978
James A. LaVerde ............................................ 1978
Rosemarie Gibson Knaele .................................
Rita Root ........................................................
Janet Erickson Shay-Young ................................
Robert E. Sanford ...........................................
LaVerne Strobel ............................................... 1978
Richard P. “Rich” O’Brien ................................. 1978
David B. Foster .............................................. 1978
Helen L. Gallagher Persichilli ..............................
Lavonne L. “Tiny” Brott Hess ..............................

J. Dean Fisher - Pharmacist
James I. Grimm - Reporter, Photographer
Dona Argentieri - Community Contributor

On behalf of the Hornell Alumni Association, please accept our apology for any omissions of obituaries. Our only source of information pertaining to a deceased member of a Hornell graduating class is via The Evening Tribune newspaper. In the future, if you would like to honor the passing of a loved one and their obituary DID NOT appear in the local newspaper or did not include the fact that they graduated from HHS, PLEASE contact us with the information.

God Bless our deceased graduates.
The Hornell City School District’s mission is to assure that:
All students acquire the knowledge and skills necessary to become responsible and productive members of society.
Every student has the opportunity to develop to their fullest potential.

2010HonoredClasses

ALMA MATER
A song of praise is always in our hearts it speaks of love that's true:
The kindest thought we'll ever set apart for dear old red and blue.

CHORUS
Alma Mater school that we esteem, dear to us you seem.
Hail thy honor, may it live in greatness bringing fame unequalled to H.H.S.
The pride of Hornell High, we hold our own, its name our golden rule!
Work or play, in both we've known the progress of our school.

Lyrics by: Paul Egger '28
Music by: Thelma M. Enos '23