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#### President's Letter

Dear fellow Alumni,

word 2020 was exhausting; the quarantine, separation from loved ones, fear, sickness, and unfathomable death toll have been all difficult to digest. Our lives have been put on hold for a time and we are all tired in one way or another. In some small way, it is our hope that this journal will help connect you to bits and pieces from your past and



community, that will make you smile, reminisce, and add a ray of sunshine into a somewhat overcast year. So find your most comfortable chair, sit back and start turning the pages... ENJÓY!

Our alumni, area merchants and community come together to award over \$129,000 in scholarships and grants to our 2020 graduates. I and to be part of such an amazing community

and a graduate of an outstanding alma mater. Thank you from the bottom of my heart... ③

Please give a standing ovation to your Hornell Alumni Association Board of Directors. These 23 alumni dedicate their time and effort to work together to keep this organization running smoothly. Without them we could not keep this association running. Thank you!

The Alumni banquet will be held Saturday June 26th at The Main Place (former K of C). This year we will continue to plan our banquet until we are told otherwise. More than ever it is imperative that you Cathy Potter Kimball ('80) make your reservations early because of last year's banquet

cancellation. We will be honoring six classes. Class of 2010 and 2011 Welcome to the 34th edition of Hornell Alumni news journal. In a celebrating 10 years, the class of 1995 and 1996 celebrating 25 years, and the class 1970 and 1971 celebrating 50 years. Please follow us on Facebook for updates and changes, if any, on the banquet. In the event that we are unable to hold the banquet, any reservations made ahead of time will receive a full refund. Be sure to read the reservation insert for guidelines on the banquet.

A special invitation is always extended to those alumni celebrating 70 or more years. You will be our special honorees of the evening. Please contact me, Cathy Potter Kimball '80 at (607) 382-6964 or Angela Daniels Markel '71 at (607) 661-6004 to make your reservation.

Don't forget our website www.hornellalumni.org. You can make never cease to amaze me. Once again, they have your reservations, pay your annual dues, make donations, get updated on reunions, and view all past news journals. Also, please like us on Facebook "Hornell High School Alumni Association". Hope to see am so incredibly proud to call Hornell my home everyone in June for what should prove to be one biggest banquets ever!

In closing, remember to RENEW YOUR DUES and in the words of my beautiful, late Aunt Julie DeGaetano Delaney '44, "May your moccasins make happy tracks in many snows... and may the rainbow always touch your shoulder."

Forever a Red Raider, Carry Potter Kintall '80



#### Hornell BOE Approves Bryant School Closing



The Hornell Board of Education approved a resolution to close the Bryant Elementary school. The district's decision to close the school at the end of June will save the school system \$550,000 annually while reducing the number of building transitions students make during their academic careers. The school's closure will shuffle the grade levels in some of the district's remaining buildings. With the addition of the district's 3PK program, North Hornell Elementary School will now house grades 3PK-1, while the Intermediate School will

have grades 2-6 after picking up second and third grade from Bryant School. The closing has no impact on the Junior-Senior High School as it will continue to have grades 7-12. Falling enrollment was a major driver in the decision-making process to close the school, Palotti said, noting that from 2010-20, Hornell enrollment decreased 22 percent or by nearly 400 students. District officials said there will be no employee layoffs as a result of the school closing

The proposed sale of the school building is moving forward and will require voter approval in May. "A'No' vote would mean that the empty building would remain the responsibility of the district and its taxpayers, including maintaining it into the future, without aid from the state," the school district said.

The district has an agreement with Park Grove Realty, LLC to sell the building to the Rochesterbased developer for \$500,000. Park Grove has outlined a plan to convert the school building into a 39unit "workforce" housing complex, utilizing Bryant's exterior, its playground and green space in the conversion. According to a Park Grove site plan, the development would include two studio apartments, 22 one-bedroom units and 14 two-bedroom apartments.



Our success depends on you "our alumni". Please feel free to write us at any time with suggestions or questions. Please note: Our Alumni Association memberships run on a FISCAL year, NOT a calendar year. It begins on June 1st and expires on May 31st of the following year. Our goal is to publish a journal you will accept and read. We are indebted to our readers and your response to our News Journal.

"Success is no accident. It's hard work, perseverance, learning, studying, sacrifice and most of all, love of what you are doing or learning to do."

THANK YOU ALUMNI!

#### Past Presidents of the HHS Alumni Association

1946-50	Carl Wellington, Sr. '22
1950-52	Robert Hillman, Sr. '25
1952-53	Charles Maher '19
1953-55	Elinor Brunskill Mullen '25
1955-56	Matthew J. DeGaetano '42
1956-58	William Argentieri '45
1958-59	Charles Henderson '28
1959-61	Andrew Mazzella '51
1961-62	Harry Shinebarger '55
1962-63	Thomas Sheedy '43
1963-65	Angelo Gallese '33
1965-66	Vernon Belknap '37
1966-67	Angelo Gallese '33
1967-71	Josephine Roselli Stickles '36
1971-74	James O'Connor '47
1974-79	David Generalli '43
1979-80	Rona Burnard Kinback '57
1980-87	Robert Griswold '48
1987-90	Joann Titus Smith '55
1990-91	Richard Crandall '42
1991-92	Matthew J. DeGaetano '42
1992-93	David Generalli '43
1993-99	Chauncey Watches '75
1999-2003	Susan McKay Argentieri '56
2003-09	Cathy Potter Kimball '80
2009-15Во	b Rosell '56 & Ray Schwartz '57
2015-18	Pam LaVerde '67 &
	Cathy Potter Kimball '80
2019-present	Cathy Potter Kimball '80

#### 2019-2020 OFFICERS

President	Cathy Potter Kimball '80			
Vice President	Lynda Nasca Losecco '81			
Treasurer	Angela Daniels Markel '71.			
Secretary	Pamela Markel '97			
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Comp. CoordinatorMargi Foreman Pomeroy '65				
Comp. Assistant	Margie Fawcett Terry '77			
Social Secretary	Janice Hauser Daniels '04.			
News Journal Editor	Pamela Markel '97			

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Thomas Fagnan	'70
Amy McMordie Mayo	'94
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Patricia Shiner McEvoy	'51
Joe Bassage	'03
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Joan Christensen McAllister	'76
Ellen Andrus Stewart	'75
John Lewis	'99
Marieka Clark Woolever	'00
Athena Scavo Ackley	'09
Ashleigh Hogan Striker	'99
Andrea Stiles	
Sharon Sleggs Smith	'82

#### HONORARY LIFETIME MEMBERS

Joann Titus Smith	5
Susan McKay Argentieri	6
Chauncey Watches	5
Alberta "Bertie" Dugo Cleveland	



After much research on this topic, the Hornell High School Alumni Association would like to posthumously honor & recognize Carl L. Wellington '22 as our official founder and creator. He and his voluntary committee who consisted of Francis M. Cameron, Virginia Leahy, Francis Conz, Kenneth Gray, William G. Hollands Jr., Henry Copeland, Sherman Shutts, and Gertrude Case got the ball rolling back in the mid-1940's, worked effortlessly, got other alumni interested, entertained informal gatherings, planned the first HHSAA meeting on 12-5-45, presented the organizations bylaws, and officially gave birth to our beloved Hornell High School Alumni Association. On behalf of the current HHSAA Board of Directors and its members, we want the families of these nine volunteers & the countless other Hornell High School alumni who were involved in the organization process to know just how grateful, appreciative, and truly thankful we are today. We will always remain.....HHSAA STRONG.



#### Meet the HHS Alumni Association Board of Directors

This year has created some changes for everyone, including our Board of Directors. With the need for social distancing and the limitations on gatherings we have been able to meet via Zoom to discuss matters pertaining to our Alumni.



*Top Row (L-R)* Andrea Stiles '00, Pamela Markel '97, Pat Shiner McEvoy '51, and Joan Christensen McAllister '76. *Second Row (L-R)* Ellen Andrus Stewart '75, Janice Hauser Daniels '04, Margi Foreman Pomeroy '65, Lynda Nasca Losecco '81 and Joe Bassage '03. *Third Row (L-R)* Margie Fawcett Terry '77, John Lewis '99, Tom Fagnan '70, Cathy Potter Kimball '80. *Fourth Row (L-R)* Marieka Clark Woolever '00, Ashleigh Hogan Striker '99, Angela Daniels Markel '71, and Athena Scavo Ackley '09. *Bottom* - Colleen Clark Amidon '03

#### Please Welcome our New HHSAA Board Member Sharon Smith '82

A lifelong resident of Hornell, Sharon is a proud member of the 100th graduating class of HHS, Class of 1982! Sharon graduated from nursing school in 1986 and worked as an RN in the Emergency Department at St. James Hospital and as a Nursing Supervisor. She graduated Nurse Practitioner school in 1996 and is currently a Family Practice Nurse Practitioner at UR Medicine St James Primary Care.

Sharon is married to Dan Smith (77') and they have 3 children- Ryan (10'), Aryn (11') and Lauryn (16'). She recently became a proud "MiMi" with the recent birth of her granddaughter Janie Grace!

Being impressed with all the Alumni Association does for Hornell student and graduates, Sharon is looking forward to networking with them.



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It was another successful fundraiser for the HHS Alumni Association. Even when times are tough we appreciate the support from our fellow alumni. We were able to give away approximately \$9,650.00 in cash prizes with the proceeds benefiting our scholarship fund. While we were unable to host a party to anxiously await the grand prize winner, we were able to live stream our event thanks to Bob Peisher. Our board members were able to safely distance and "mask up" thanks to Forever 6ix Apparel for supplying our custom-made masks. Most importantly our event could not have happened without the hospitality of John Carbone and staff at The Main Place. As we hope to be able to continue this as an annual event, please be on the look out for tickets sales for December 2021.



*Front Row (L-R)* Mark Van Durme, Molly Mahoney, Ellen Andrus Stewart, Janice Hauser Daniels, Colleen Clark Amidon, and Margie Fawcett Terry. *Back Row (L-R)* Tom Fagnan, Cathy Potter Kimball, Angela Daniels Markel, Pamela Markel, Joey Bassage, Lynda Nasca Losecco, Andrea Stiles, and John Lewis.

The HHS Alumni Committee would like to give a big thank you to Beth Ann McDermott Jacobs '83 for continuously working as our typesetter for our News Journal. This annual publication would not be possible without her hard work and dedication. The final product, which we all hope you enjoy, is primarily due to her efforts. Thank you, Beth, for making another successful News Journal.





#### Greetings from Hornell High School!

Dear Hornell High School Alumni,

As much as a new year is a time for new hopes and new resolutions, it also allows us to reflect. Looking back over the past year, it's one that I will never forget, and has shaped my personal and professional life. I am so proud of our devoted professional staff who overnight made the Herculean effort to instruct our students as we moved to a fully remote model over a year ago. While the pandemic was fraught with challenges, it showed me how much we as a district can accomplish as a professional learning community. We appreciate our staff being great at their job, and for their professional commitment during some very difficult and uncharted times.

Academically, twenty-five members were inducted into the National Honor Society. Thirty-three seniors achieved honor graduate status, twenty-one students were inducted into the National Art Society, fifteen were inducted into the National Technical Honor Society, and three students participated in the state DECA competition. In May, we will recognize a strong class to join our National Business and Marketing Honor Society, and our Academic All-Star team is again very competitive, looking to finish the year strong while potentially winning a league championship.

Athletically, our girls' soccer team won a sectional title on their home field. What an amazing feat it was to celebrate on our turf, something that has never happened before or will again due to the pandemic. Additionally, our wrestling team brought home the block winning the B1 team title, their first in 16 years!

Speaking of graduation, Seniors will make their final steps at HHS as they walk across stage on June 25. We are finalizing who will be our guest speaker, and hope you can join us!

Despite the direst of circumstances facing the performing

arts world in our lifetime, music is alive within our building. Our student musicians continue to strive for excellence, better themselves, and are determined to provide music to our community.

Gemma Hoyt was nominated for Area All State for Mixed Chorus and participated virtually. The Marching Red Raiders are pleased to announce their return to the field for this year's rather unique Spring football season. The students have been working diligently preparing their first live performance in over a year.

On Tuesday March 30, 2021, the HHS Vocal Music Program videotaped and recorded music that will be submitted to WorldStrides Onstage, their regular partner for competition music festivals of the past 14 years. The performances were entered in their 2021 Virtual Competition Series. Their recordings will be adjudicated by professional musicians, have feedback provided, along with ratings/rankings of our performances and like always, we expect gold.

We continue to work on our districts' need assessment goals of post-secondary needs. Our staff has worked tirelessly on our safe environment work as well as embedding career opportunities into all curriculum courses that are offered, and offering shadow opportunities through our Career Development Council.

If you're around the weekend of graduation, please stop in and see your old stomping ground.

Go Raiders!

Scott C. Carroll '99 Principal





### HHS Class of 2021 Valedictorian and Salutatorian

Left - Alex Diehl, Valedictorian Right - Carter Browne, Salutatorian



#### Superintendent's Letter

Dear Hornell High School Alumni,

The 2020-2021 school year has been like none other across the country and in the Hornell City School District. Alumni from HCSD should be proud of our current students, faculty and staff for the grit, resilience, empathy, and determination that each and every one has demonstrated this year!

The year has brought many challenges, but through those challenges we have seen our school thrive and shine. From winning sectional championships, to performing music virtually and in gymnasiums, to working and learning in a blended virtual/in person environment, our students have shown their versatility, ability to adapt, and flexibility to deal with anything that was thrown at them. Our entire school community has responded with positivity and professionalism; as the superintendent of this amazing district, I couldn't be prouder of everyone involved. I am very grateful to be part of this "team".

Our school continues to evolve with the changing times. Through much planning and thought, we have decided to further consolidate our schools with the closure of our Bryant Elementary School. While our fond memories of experiences there will remain, future second and third grade students will spend these years in our Intermediate School. Sad as it is to see a school close, we are excited to be able to combine schools and provide for a smoother educational experience for students with fewer school transitions. This change not only helps the District long term economically, we are confident the benefits educationally will be even greater.

As we move forward through this pandemic, I am positive that with the lessons learned the Hornell City School District's academic and extracurricular programming will emerge stronger than ever. We thank the alumni for their ongoing and continued support and welcome the upcoming members, the class of 2021, to this special group.

Sincerely,

Jeremy Palotti Superintendent of Schools





#### **2021 Honor Society Graduates**



#### Left Photo:

*L to R—Row 1*: Carter Browne, Salutatorian; *Row 2*: Quinn Liberto; *Row 3*: Riley Farnham, Gavin McGowan, Clara Foreman; *Row 4*: Collin Wheeler, Alexys Robinson; *Row 5*: Paige Wise; *Row 6*: Virginia Campbell, Kristina Colby, Emily Sexsmith

#### **Right Photo:**

*L to R—Row 1*: Alex Diehl, Valedictorian; *Row 2*: Emma Colindres, Courtney Bailey; *Row 3*: Kayla Turner, Hailey Cansdale, Jackson White; *Row 4*: Kelsea Greenthal, Kolby Hess; *Row 5*: Gemma Hoyt; *Row 6*: Carlie Curtis, Jaden Sciotti, Lily Gaffney, Lexi Friends

*Missing from photo*: Ryan Boucher, Emanuelle Cotton, Luke Huffsmith, Allen Kilmer, Gervacio Maldonado, Michael McGregor, Netasha McIntosh, Natalia Mix, Jordan Sauerbier.





## 2020 H.H.S. Alumni Association Awards & Grants TOTAL AWARDS \$129,550.00



#### CONGRATULATIONS ARE NOW IN ORDER!

The Hornell High School Alumni Association proudly announces the recipients of the following awards for the year 2019. Funding was made available through membership dues and donations, special grants, perpetual class funds, memorial requests, and donations from downtown merchants.

Andrea "Spook" Testani Gordon '86 Memorial Grant-\$1.000 Michael Aini

Hornell Alumni Association Grant in Aid-\$500 Ethan Amann

Floyd '37 & Vincena DeGaetano Dodd '43 Memorial Grant Given by Daughters Kathleen Dodd Silberman '67, Christine Dodd Pettinelli '70, & Mary Kay Dodd George '76 —**\$750**; Maple City Lions Grant—**\$250** 

Lia Argentieri

Janice Jaye Whitman Raish '74 Memorial Grant Given by Nancy Whitman '65, Mary Whitman Walden '69, & Tiffany Tyler '98-\$1,000; Maple City Development Corporation Grant—\$500

Katrina Bown

Richard "Dick" K. Young '45 Memorial Grant-\$500; Hornell Alumni Association Grant in Aid-\$500

Justin Briggs

Richard '47 & Lois Biehl Tyson '47 Memorial Grant-\$1,000

Katerina Brock

Class of 1965 Grant-\$1,000; Hornell Alumni Association Grant in Aid-\$500; James Walton '54 Memorial Grant-\$350

Collin Buisch

Leslie Gray Memorial Grant-\$1,000

**Demetrice Cabic** 

HHS Alumni Association Grant in Memory of Mary Eileen Gleason Connors '56—**\$5,000**; Class of 1964 Grant-\$750; Class of 1966 Grant -\$500

Sophia Carretto

Hornell Merchants Grant -\$1,500 Braeden Caruso



Robert C. Hillman '25 Memorial Grant Past President of the HHS Alumni Association Given by Rosemary Hillman Walton '55-\$1,000; Class of 1966 Grant-\$500 Olivia Chace

Hornell Alumni Association Grant in Aid-\$1,000

**Dominic Coddington** 



William "Bill" Young '41 Memorial Grant-\$500; Hornell Alumni Association Grant in Aid-\$500

Ethan Curran



Hornell Alumni Association BOCES Grant-\$1.000

Kaitlin Cwynar

Natalie Delany

Grant-\$300

Grant-\$400

66-\$1,000

Jadie Faulkner

Trevor Fisher

Shawn Eveland

Breccan Donlon



Lt. John D. "Boots" Day '94 Memorial Grant -\$1,000; Hornell Alumni Association Grant in Aid—\$500 Julia Day

John L. Miles Alfred University Science

L. Brewer, Jr. '55 Memorial Grant-\$500

Barbara Weyand Miles '43 Art Scholarship

Memorial Grant-\$1,000; Egmond Family

Hornell Alumni Association BOCES Grant-\$1.000: Pulos & Rosell Scholarship

Matthew '42 & Jeanne Griffin DeGaetano

DeGaetano O'Brien '67, Bridget O'Brien '96, and Cynthia DeGaetano Schultheis

HHS Alumni Association Grant in Memory

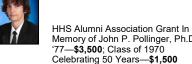
of A. Byron Collins, M.D.-\$3,500; Bessie Ellis Kelleher Memorial Grant-\$500

'42 Memorial Grant by Dennis '67 & Lynda













Zachary D. Smith '08 Memorial Grant-\$4,000; Ernst H. Weyand Memorial Grant-\$1,000; Richard Harris II 2000 Memorial Grant-\$1 000

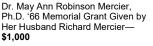
William '74 & Mary Malick Burke '76











HHS Alumni Association Grant in

Memorial Grant Given by Family, Friends, and Classmates-\$500

HHS Alumni Association Grant in

\$3,500; Class of 1966 Grant-

\$3,500; Robert C. Young '39

Scholarship Grant by the Family-

Hornell Alumni Association Grant in

Myer '42 & Margaret "Peg" Spitulnik Memorial Grant Given by Daniel '83 & Vanessa Johnson Spitulnik '92 &

\$4,500; Zachary D. Smith '08

Children-\$1,000

Aurora Foreman

Chase Freeland

**Chelsie Freeland** 

Aid-\$1.000

Emma Flaitz

\$500

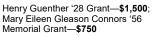
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Memory of Joseph N. Piccirillo '46-

Noah Fuller



Kali Giglio

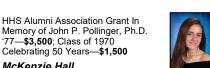


Ashley Gillette

McKenzie Hall

Grant-\$1,000

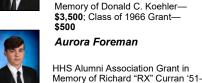
Autumn Harding







Leah Harkenrider



















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Hornell Alumni Association Grant in Aid-\$1.000

Joshua Heafey

HHS Alumni Association Grant Dedicated to the Class of 2020, The Hornell School System, Teachers, Administrators, and Support Staff, All Healthcare Workers and First Responders working on the front line for weathering the pandemic and coming out on top-\$3,000

#### Liam Hendrickson-Swan

Cathy Fiscina Terrill Salzman '66 Memorial Grant Given by Dr. & Mrs. Salvatore Fiscina—**\$1,000**; Mary Eileen Gleason Connors '56 Memorial Grant-\$750; Class of 1970 Celebrating 50 Years-\$1,500

#### **Owen House**

W.N. & Mildred Clark Pryor Memorial Grant-\$1,500; Esther McAneney Memorial Grant Given by Family & Friends—**\$500**; Myer '42 & Margaret "Peg" Spitulnik Memorial Grant Given by Daniel '83 & Vanessa Johnson Spitulnik '92 & Children-\$1,000

#### Chloe Ilges

Wilson W. Sick, Jr. '51 Grant-\$8,000; Deona Jacobs

Henry "Hank" Giglio Memorial Grant by Clarence & Debbie of Bradley Supply-\$500; Hornell Alumni Association Grant in Aid-\$500 Kayla Kuhn

Henry Guenther '28 Grant—**\$1,500**; Dorothy "Dottie" Daniels Ryan '69 Memorial Grant-\$750; Elderwood of Hornell Scholarship Grant—\$500

Taedra Lackey

Hornell Alumni Association Grant in Aid-\$1.000

Carter Lyng

Hornell Alumni Association Grant in Aid-\$1,000

Christos Madamopoulos

Trooper Lawrence P. Gleason '91 Memorial Grant—**\$4,000**; Fagnan Family Class of 1959 Grant—**\$1,000**; Richard Harris II 2000 Memorial Grant—**\$1,000**; Kurt Bertram '99 Memorial Grant—**\$500** 

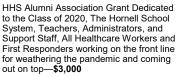
Derek McCumiskey



Rudolph & Grace Schneider Memorial Grant-\$1.000 Ethan Miller

Catherine "Cathy" Bossard '71 Memorial Grant-\$1,000 Haleigh Moore

Shull Family Grant-\$1,000 Ethan Nichols



Connor O'Rourke

Charles J. Giallanza '40 Memorial Grant -\$1,000; John "Spider" Andrews '48-Pals for Life Memorial Grant-\$200

Matthew Over

HHS Alumni Association Grant in Memory of Martha Anne Walton Reardon '57—**\$3,500** 

Terry L. Bertram '68 & Kurt M. Bertram

'99 Memorial Grant Given by Janet

Rogers Bertram '70, Mark '94 & Tracy

Bertram, Jack, Alex, & Luke Bertram-

**Colin Ponticello** 

Zoe Remchuk

\$1,000







Jovena Testani '74 Memorial Grant—

Adam Davidson '47 Memorial Grant by His Wife Martha Shults Davidson '47-\$1,000

Aubre Robinson









Hornell Alumni Association Grant in Aid—\$1,000 Meherunnessa Sarna

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Class of 1956 Grant Celebrating 64

Years in Memory of the 93 Deceased



HHS Alumni Association Special Donors Memorial Grant-\$2,000; Dorothy "Dottie" Daniels Ryan '69 Memorial Grant-\$750; William '37 & Grace Coogan Dailey '41 Memorial Grant—**\$500**; Mary Frances McKevitt Clancy '48 Memorial Grant Given by Her Husband and Children—**\$300** 







Caitlin Smith

HHS Alumni Association Special Donors Memorial Grant-\$2,000; Donald Cox '62 Memorial Grant Given by His Family-\$1,500

Class of '41 Grant in Memory of

Phlabia Sheheen—English, Drama-

\$500;Hornell Alumni Association Grant

Emily Smith

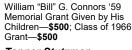
Marcelene H. '46 & Sylvester Suriani Memorial Grant Given by Stanley H. '65 & Joanne Suriani Cone '66-\$750; E. Lowell Swartz '45 Scholarship Grant-\$400

Emma Smith

Gerry D. Getman '65 Memorial Grant—**\$1,000**; Class of 1966 Grant—**\$500 Timothy Smith** 

HHS Alumni Association Grant in Memory of Terry L. Bertram '68-\$3,500; Stephen G. Terry '77 Memorial Grant—\$1,700; Class of 1966 Grant—**\$500**; Class of 1970 Celebrating 50 Years—**\$1,500** 

Vivianne Spitulnik



Tanner Stutzman

Class of 1956 Grant Celebrating 64 Years in Memory of the 93 Deceased Classmates—**\$1,000** Trystan Weaver





Congratulations to the Class of 2020 Scholarship Recipients!





















#### THANK YOU NOTES FROM THE 2020 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

Dear Hornell Alumni Association,

I am honored to be the recipient of the HHS Alumni Scholarship award in the amount of \$1,000.00. Your generous contribution will allow me to pursue my undergraduate degree in Chemistry at Suny Binghamton.

Sincerely,

Carter J. Lyng

Thank you for the "In memory of John P. Pollinger, Ph.D. 77 scholarship. Your generosity is appreciated. I will be putting the money to good use. Thank you again.

Sincerely

#### McKenzie Hall

Dear Hornell Alumni Association,

I am very pleased to know that our community supports its graduates as much as this one. Without this association's philanthropy it would be difficult for many students to pay to further their education. Thank you very much for your support in awarding me the grant in memory of Martha Anne Walton Reardon' 57 scholarship.

Sincerely,

**Colin Ponticello** 

Hornell Alumni Association,

Thank you for the very generous amount in scholarships you awarded me. The money will certainly help me advance my education and is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

**Collin Buisch** 

Dear Hornell Alumni Association,

Thank you so much for your dedication and continuous efforts to provide Hornell graduates with scholarship money. I am honored to say that such a great group of people have contributed to my education. Thank you all so very much! Your work does not go unnoticed and I appreciate all you do!

Sincerely,

Vivi Spitulnik

Dear Alumni Association,

Thank you so much for the cash gift. It was very generous and will help me at Fredonia. I truly appreciate your generosity.

Sincerely,

**Dominic Coddington** 

HHS Alumni Association,

Thank you so much for the generous grant in memory of Joseph Piccirillo, it means a lot to me! The money will be extremely helpful in covering college expenses! I will be studying biology at Geneseo! Thank you for aiding me on my journey for higher education!

Thanks again,

Emma Flaitz

Dear members of the HHS Alumni Association,

Thank you so much for choosing me as a recipient of the grant dedicated to the class of 2020. I will be using the money towards my expenses at Slippery Rock University where I will be studying engineering. Again, thank you so much.

Sincerely,

Connor O'Rourke

Dear Hornell Alumni Association,

Thank you so much for awarding me the Floyd '37 & Vincena DeGaetano Dodd '43 Memorial Grant and the Maple City Lions Grant. I will use this money while attending Alfred State College in the fall.

From,

Lia Argentieri

Hornell Alumni Association,

Hello again, and thank you so much for giving me these amazing scholarships. As a recipient of the Trooper Lawrence P. Gleason '91 Memorial Grant, I am truly grateful.

Marcus Tingley

To the Alumni Association,

I just want to start off with thank you so much. It's is truly an honor to have received a scholarship from you. You have no idea how much this will help me and how much I appreciate your help in widening my opportunities. Again, thank you for bestowing the John "Spider" Andrews '48 Pals for Life and Charles J. Giallanza '40 Memorial Grant scholarships upon me, and for supporting me on my journey to West Virginia University.

From,

Matt Oyer

To the Alumni Association,

I sincerely thank you for the scholarship that I've been given. It will greatly help me pay for college/ college supplies.

**Christos Madamopoulos** 

Thank you for making a difference.

Jordan Chambliss

Hornell Alumni Association,

Thank you so much for choosing me as the recipient of the Mary Eileen Gleason Connors award. I am beyond grateful

Sincerely,

Sophia Carretto

Hornell Alumni Association,

On behalf of HHS and our graduating seniors of the class of 2020, we would like to extend our heartfelt thanks for your continued generosity. Your hard work as an association to provide financial support to our student's does not go unnoticed!

All the best,

HHS Counseling Department Ashleigh Striker & Stephanie Hurley

#### THANK YOU NOTES FROM THE 2020 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

Dear HHS Alumni Association,

Thank you for choosing me to receive the Richard '47 & Lois Biehl Tyson '47 Memorial Grant. This grant will allow me to further my education. I am very grateful.

Sincerely,

Katerina Brock

#### Dear Hornell Alumni Association,

I am writing to thank you for your generous Hornell Alumni Association Scholarship. I was very happy and grateful to find out that I was selected as one of the recipients of your scholarship.

I am currently enrolled at Penn State University for Electrical Engineering in hopes to obtain a Master's Degree afterward. Thanks to you, your financial assistance will greatly help me in paying my educational expenses and allow me to concentrate more of my time studying.

Thank you again for your support and generosity. I promise to work very hard and eventually give something back to others; possibly a scholarship to future students like myself.

Sincerely,

Meherunnessa Sarna

#### Hornell High School Alumni Association Endowment Fund

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

Since approximately 1995, the HHSAA hired 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 HHS Alumni Association to grant more scholarships.

For people who want to make a deductible contribution to the Endowment Fund, make checks payable to the HHS Alumni Association and mail to:

HHS Alumni Association PO Box 135 Hornell, NY 14843 Dear Hornell Alumni Association,

I am sincerely honored to have been selected as a recipient of the Hornell Alumni Association. I am writing to thank you for your generous, financial support toward my higher education. This scholarship has and will benefit me throughout my years of college, as I continue my education in Childhood Education and goal to be a first or second grade teacher.

As I complete my education at the State University of New York at Fredonia, I am very thankful for your thoughtful gift. Because of your scholarship, choosing Fredonia has been my best decision due to the fact that your scholarship has helped majorly with my expenses. I will be able to focus on my education and put all my energy into doing well in my classes. Your generosity is allowing me to make my goals and dreams a reality. I hope in turn one day I'll be able to give back and help other students achieve their goals.

Thank you again for your thoughtful and generous gift.

Sincerely,

Chelsie A. Freeland

Dear Alumni,

Thank you Mrs. Shults so much for this scholarship!

Aubri Robinson

To the family of Terry L. Bertram,

Thank you very much for granting me the Grant in Memory of Terry L. Bertram. I feel very honored to have received this scholarship award. Both my mother, Vanessa Johnson Spitulnik '92, and my aunt Jamie Johnson Milanovich '94 have very fond memories of the Bertram family during their time here in Hornell. I am very appreciative and I will surely put it to good use at the University of Florida as I pursue my education in business.

Sincerely,

Vivianne Spitulnik HHS Class of 2020

#### Dear Hornell Alumni Association,

I am writing to thank you for the generous grant in memory of Richard "RX" Curran '51 scholarship. I am a Computer Science major and I plan to pursue a career in the field one day to help others upon graduation from Roberts Wesleyan College. I am about to start my Freshman year and plan to graduate in the spring of 2024. After graduation I plan to find a job to pursue my career. Thanks to you, I am one step closer.

By awarding me the grant in memory of Richard "RX" Curran '51 Scholarship, you have lightened my financial burden which allows me to focus more on the most important aspect of school, learning. Your generosity has inspired me to help others and give back to the community. I hope one day I will be able to help students achieve their goals just as you have helped me.

Sincerely,

#### Chase Freeland

Dear Members of the HHS Alumni,

Thank you again for your continued financial support. This award will help me purchase scrubs and necessary materials for my clinical rotations.

With much gratitude,

Kristen Talbot

Hornell Alumni Association,

Thank you very much for giving me this opportunity to pay for college. The aid that has been provided to me will be a huge help in paying for my education.





Graduation 2020





#### The one where they were quarantined

Students of the class of 2020 had a graduation experience like no other. At the start of March of 2020, no one would have thought of the extensive adjustments they would have to make to be able to experience normal



high school activities. Learning online-school on a whim, cancelling all school events, and being quarantined at home in order to keep safe. No one could have fathomed they would have to make adjustment to the biggest milestone of their high school career, their graduation ceremony.

Usually the stadium is filled with family members anxiously waiting to cheer on their graduates and congratulate them on their efforts they have endured most of their lives. Many district faculty members always enjoy attending the ceremony to proudly watch their students venture on to the next stage of their young adult life. Community members line the football field to watch one of the biggest events of the

year on the HHS campus. That all changed when the pandemic hit.

Not knowing if the ceremony would even happen preceding the weeks leading up to graduation, the 139<sup>th</sup> commencements were unprecedented, with nearly 130 graduates receiving diplomas during three separate ceremonies that stretched over some five hours. Hornell and North Hornell fire trucks led parades of graduates around the city following the conclusion of each ceremony, while district staffers prepped the stadium for the next group of seniors and families after the first and second commencement exercises.

Due the COVID-19 pandemic, New York State restrictions limited attendance to a maximum of 150 people at each ceremony. Graduates, sitting at least six feet apart, donned special face masks with Red Raider colors as student speakers reviewed their Hornell scholastic careers and senior years upended by the pandemic. It was a scene like no other but students were fortunate enough to celebrate their long over-due efforts in a ceremony as close to normal as possible. Congratulations to the class of 2020!









Did you know that you can pay your HHSAA annual dues and make a donation to our scholarship fund ONLINE? Please visit our website for more information and to view pictures, past newsletters, reunion updates, etc. www.hornellalumni.org







Graduation 2020





## The one where they were quarantined





















# Celebrating their achievements with family and friends!





















Graduation 2020



# Celebrating their achievements with family and friends!





















# WHO WE ARE!

#### Meet your Hornell Police Department!

T.J. Murray, Police Chief

#### Michael Sexsmith, Captain of Patrol Unit

The mission of the Hornell Police Department is to serve and protect the people within the jurisdictional boundaries of the City of Hornell, New York. This statement encompasses several duties, responsibilities and requirements of departmental members. They include, but are not limited to, the preservation of peace, enforcement of all applicable federal, state and local laws, ordinances, protecting the life, property and personal safety of all persons and assisting citizens in the time of urgent situations.





Front (L-R) Jennifer McLaughlin, Seth Blanchard, Curtis Sanford, Tim Thurston, Ian Hamilton, Ryan Harrison, Matt Linehan (Retired in Nov 2020), Mike Hoyt, Todd Giglio, Tom Aini, Mayor John Buckley and Public Safety Commissioner Scott Richardson. Back (L-R) Mike Sexsmith, Chief Murray, Dan Murray, Eric Kerr, Rob Donovan, Brett Flaitz, Stuart McHenry, JR Emo, Andy Koehler, Steve Hanrahan, and Public Safety Commissioner Dave Parmley.

It is with great honor that we wish to recognize the Hornell City Police Department. It goes without saying that our police force goes above and beyond to protect our city. Thank you for all that you do!

# WHO WE ARE!



#### Meet your Hornell Police Department!

The Hornell City Police Department has approximately 20 members consisting of Patrolmen, Sergeant's, and an administrative assistant lead by Police Chief T.J Murray and Captain of Patrol Unit, Michael Sexmsith, many of whom are graduates of Hornell High School.

**Police Chief Ted Murray** is an HHS graduate of the Class of 1974 and has worked as a police officer for 39 years in the Hornell Police Department. He resides in Hornell with his wife Tammy (Perkins) and children Robby, T.J., Joey, Danny, Emily, and Eliza.

<u>Captain Michael Sexsmith</u> is an HHS graduate of the Class of 1985 and has worked for the Hornell Police Department for 29 years.

Sqt. Tom Aini is an HHS graduate of the Class of 1984 and has worked for the Hornell Police Department for 33 years.

<u>Sgt</u>. <u>Todd Giglio</u> is an HHS graduate of the Class of 1995 and has worked for the Hornell Police Department for 18 years. He resides in Hornell with his wife and two daughters.

<u>Sqt. Ryan Harrison</u> is an HHS graduate of the Class of 2005 and has worked for the Hornell Police Department for 9 years.

<u>Patrolman Brett Flaitz</u> is an HHS graduate of the Class of 1990 and has worked as a police officer for 20 years, 14 of them for the Hornell Police Department.

<u>Patrolman Mike Hoyt</u> is an HHS graduate of the Class of 2000 and has worked as a police officer for 17 years, 14 of them for the Hornell Police Department.

Patrolman Curtis Stanford attended HHS and has worked for the Hornell Police Department for 10 years.

<u>Patrolman Peter McDaniels</u> is an HHS graduate of the Class of 2005 and has worked for the Hornell Police Department for 13 years.

<u>Patrolman Stuart McHenry</u> is an HHS graduate of the Class of 2008 and has worked as a police officer for 8 years, 7 of them for the Hornell Police Department. He resides in Hornell with his wife Katie and two children.

*Patrolman J. R. Emo* is a 2009 graduate of Alfred Almond and has been a police officer for 9 years, 8 of them for the Hornell Police Department.

<u>Patrolman Steve Hanrahan</u> is an HHS graduate of the Class of 2009 and has worked for the Hornell Police Department for 6 years.

Patrolman Dan Murray is an HHS graduate of the Class of 2010 and has worked for the Hornell Police Department for 5 years.

<u>Patrolman Andrew Koehler</u> is an HHS graduate of the Class of 2008 and has worked for the Hornell Police Department for 4 and a half years.

Patrolman Seth Blanchard graduated in 2010 and has worked for the Hornell Police Department for 3 and a half years.

**Patrolman Eric Kerr** is a 2006 graduate of Arkport and has worked for the Hornell Police Department for 3 and a half years. He lives in Hornell with his wife Denae, and children Carter (9), and Camden (5)

<u>Patrolman Robert Donovan</u> is an HHS graduate of the Class of 2009 and has worked as a police officer for 7 years, 3 of them for the Hornell Police Department.

*Patrolman Michael Losecco* is a 2013 graduate of Canisteo-Greenwood and has worked for the Hornell Police Department for 2 years.

<u>Patrolman Ian Hamilton</u> is a 2016 graduate of Horseheads High School and has worked for the Hornell Police Department for 2 years.

**Patrolman Timothy Thurston** is a 2002 graduate of Wayland-Cohocton and has worked for the Hornell Police Department for 1 year.

<u>Administrative Assistant Jennifer McLaughlin</u> is an HHS graduate of the Class of 2015 and has worked for the Hornell Police Department for a year and a half.



MAPLE CITY MILESTONES



As one year comes to an end and a new one waits on the horizon, it's a great time for reflection and anticipation. These words could not be truer of a year than 2020. We ended 2019 on a high note, receiving the Downtown Revitalization Initiative (DRI) and Hornell was set to soar into the roaring 2020's. We looked forward to 2020, the start of a new decade, with the engine of our city churning, fueled with growth and promise.

It always seems the challenges you currently face are more difficult or complex than the ones faced previously. But I think most of us will look back on 2020 and be incredulous at our strength and endurance. 2020 may always be the litmus test for how hard a year can be, it was a year we faced some of the most challenging days and moments of our lives and that is true at the municipal level as well. While 2020 was not solely defined by the coronavirus it certainly played a feature role. However, things are not all bad and we continue to not only persevere through a pandemic, but grow, change and come together in ways we had not anticipated.

The year 2020 started with continued discussion of projects for the Downtown Revitalization Initiative. The DRI is a statewide initiative that provides funding for high priority projects designed to boost local economies and transform city centers into vibrant economic engines. A grant of this size could easily double the investment in our community when it includes matching funds from the stakeholders. The DRI includes a robust public planning process that ensures the proposed projects align with the community's vision. It is a wonderful thing for Hornell and our local planning committee worked diligently spearheading a list of projects that were presented to the community at numerous public workshops. It's a huge boom to our community and while the state review process was paused due to the pandemic, we remain excited about these opportunities and look forward to moving forward with these projects in the near future. Hornell in the 21<sup>st</sup> century will remain a magnificent place to be.

Two new aldermen were elected to the Common Council in 2020. John Allison and

Kevin Valentine join the eight senior council members and represent the third and seventh wards respectively. It's always exciting to have new members and the new insight they bring to our legislative branch and committees.

The City's ninth BOCES house on Genesee St. saw construction completed and was sold in early 2020, while the tenth BOCES house on Front St. saw construction initiated and is nearing completion. This program is a wonderful way to provide newly constructed homes at a reasonable cost, while adding to the tax base of our community and is a great benefit to our area youth's education. While the Preston Avenue fire devastated the neighborhood in November of 2019, in February, we began to look at combining this wonderful BOCES program with a neighborhood in need. In March, the City and County partnered together to help with removal of the debris and two BOCES houses are now planned for construction on that site.

In more housing news, last February the Hornell IDA signed off on an agreement for the redevelopment of the old Marion Rohr Silk Mill into 23 market rate apartments. Park Grove Realty's undertaking of this exciting rehabilitation of the former silk mill fulfills a great need in our community's housing. In more exciting economic development news, the City and IDA worked together and began site work at Shawmut Industrial Park in anticipation of a new 150,000 square foot Alstom building to be used for car shell manufacturing.

2020 saw a couple of small business openings with Lynn Brennan opening her photography studio on Park Drive and 3 new businesses being welcomed into the Courthouse. In March, health care in Hornell entered a new era with the grand opening of the new St. James Hospital. The timing of the opening was impeccable and the operation seamless with the transition happening just as COVID-19 began to surface in our community. The brand new state-ofthe-art hospital with streamlined services has been well-equipped to respond to the greatest health care crisis in over 100 years.

In March, our community had some of its first experience with life being altered in

response to the coronavirus. Schools were closed and the St. Patrick's Day parade and celebrations were canceled following the governor's order restricting large gatherings. Those of us familiar with St. Patrick's Day in Hornell know it's not just a parade or a day, but one of the biggest celebrations in our community. After that life in Hornell continued to change quickly as NY on PAUSE was enacted on March 22<sup>nd</sup>. Bars and restaurants were reduced to take-out only, all non-essential businesses closed (including offices, retail stores not selling "essential" items, hair and nail salons, dentists, etc.), all non-essential gatherings of any number were banned, a youth curfew was introduced, and HAT services were greatly reduced and began operating mostly by diala-ride. For City Officials, challenges of finalizing the budget loomed as the new fiscal year was scheduled to begin on April 1 and the entire state had essentially just been shut down. The finance committee, mayor's office, chamberlain's office and later the council had to make some very difficult decisions with not a lot of information in the early days of the pandemic. Recognizing the likelihood of reduced sales tax revenue, City officials crafted a no-frills budget that was actually smaller than the previous year. When the budget was completed, a small tax increase was approved with essential services remaining in place and a watchful eye for further reductions or loss in revenue. Unfortunately, that loss in revenue came later when the state announced they were withholding 20% of previously awarded AIM, Winter Recovery and PAVE-NY funds for all municipalities. We were fortunate in our ability to delay some repairs and projects and remain within our allotted budget without having to lay off any City employees. Even with the reduction in revenues and anticipated funding the City was able to proceed with the replacement of two bridges (East Main and Seneca St), pave 11 streets and complete 4,000 feet of sewer trunk relining.

In April, COVID-19 started to take hold in our community, particularly in our area nursing homes. The mayor's office worked closely with Congressman Reed, Senator O'Mara, Assemblywoman Byrnes, Steuben County and the NY State Dept. of Health



# MAPLE CITY MILESTONES

#### 2020 Year In Review by Mayor John Buckley '89

advocating for the care of nursing home residents when a large outbreak occurred in one of our city's nursing homes. The concern for the health and safety of our community was at the forefront of everyone's mind, communication and direction were essential in response to a flurry of ever-changing policies and executive orders from the governor's office. The City worked closely with the County ever-changing communicating this information, closing playgrounds and other public spaces as dictated by the Governor and providing much needed guidance to residents and businesses. Small business assistance programs were launched to help protect our local businesses while NY was on PAUSE.

The beginning of summer brought about some return to normalcy with the reopening of stores and businesses as COVID-19 cases dwindled and NY began to un-PAUSE. We watched as our nation struggled with civil unrest and protests that began with the death of George Floyd on May 25<sup>th</sup>. While protests in other areas quickly turned violent, our community saw peaceful protests and unity. Our Mayor and Police Chief joined peaceful protestors in a walk down Main Street that concluded in a gathering where community members shared their experiences with racism and the police, both in our community and beyond. We also saw community members and police officers alike participating in a time of silent reading at Veteran's Memorial Park in protest of the killing of George Floyd.

**Our Hornell Police Department continues** to evolve and respond to the ever changing needs of the City and is currently working on a Police Reform and Re-Invention Plan. They also implemented a new DIVERT program which connects those struggling with addiction to the help they need. While the department saw a small increase in arrest this year, like many agencies in New York they have struggled with recent bail reform laws that favor the criminal. Our police department and local officials continue to advocate for changes to these bail reform laws which pose an increased risk to our city. In an overwhelming show of support the local community rallied to provide donations for a K9 program and the purchase of a

special vehicle for Snitch, the City's new K9.

The COVID-19 pandemic continued to affect our way of life into spring and summer as restrictions remained in place throughout the state. Masks became the new fashion accessory and were required to enter any business or work place. Memorial Day saw a vehicle only parade, with no spectators lining Main Street and a private ceremony streamed for residents to view. The Independence Day Parade was canceled along with all community celebrations and gatherings. While there was no festival at the park this year, the City still celebrated our Nation's Independence with the traditional fireworks show minus the crowds. The City partnered with the YMCA to find some creative solutions as gym reopenings began across the state with strict regulations and occupancy limits, allowing the YMCA the use of space in the City parking lot so they could adhere to those restrictions, maintain social distancing and offer outside classes for their members. Playgrounds were re-opened and paving and road repairs began. The City saw a huge improvement at our water treatment plant with the connection of a new 800,000-gallon storage tank and construction is continuing on the 2.5-million-gallon storage tank. Bulletins, newspaper articles, social media posts and code red notices went out to our residents who prepared dutifully for the unprecedented connection to the new tank which went off without a hitch or disruption in service.

As summer turned to fall, the City received a grant for a 1,700-foot extension of the Shawmut Trial and the exciting news that a Hampton Inn would be coming to the City. The hotel will be located next to the Hornell Plaza across from Dunkin Donuts, is expected to have 78 business class rooms, other amenities and is anticipated to be shovel ready by the spring of 2021.

The Hornell Fire Department continues to exhibit its exemplary commitment and response to our community, quickly extinguishing house fires on Grand St. and Rockwell St. and responding to medical calls for assistance and transfers. As you can imagine, medical calls for assistance and transfers have been especially high this year in response to the pandemic. In August they partnered with U of R for a trauma clinic and later with the Steuben County Health Department to administer rapid COVID-19 tests to the general public as cases spiked in our area.

As the holiday season approached and COVID-19 numbers surged the Governor placed additional restrictions on gatherings including those in private residences. Thanksgiving was muted as we celebrated with smaller gatherings in an effort to protect our family, friends and loved ones from the virus. Turning towards Christmas, our beautiful city shone brightly with a virtual tree-lighting, the return of Santa's cottage and our beautiful Christmas decorations lined city streets, Santa even managed to pay the City's residents a few socially distanced visits. While celebrations were certainly diminished this past year, our residents showed a commitment to supporting local businesses and may have a greater appreciation for smaller gatherings.

With news of a vaccine, our great City remains hopeful that the days of 2021 will be brighter than those of 2020. While we take some time to remember those we lost during this pandemic and throughout the year, may we find ourselves with renewed focus and appreciation for what makes our community so great. Just as we must have darkness to appreciate light and sadness to appreciate happiness, we may need 2020 to truly appreciate the best of our community. While 2020 may not have been the year we anticipated, perhaps it will allow us greater appreciation for the traditions, celebrations, and people that make our community one of the best places to live and raise a family.



#### **HOMETOWN HIGHLIGHTS**

#### DOCTOR, DOCTOR, GIVE ME THE NEWS

#### Dr. Robert Whelpley Retires after Forty Years of Service to the Area

Dr. Robert Whelpley came to the area in 1980, where he started his private practice in Alfred. A few years later he moved his practice to Hornell and later joined St. James Mercy Hospital in 1990. He later worked for Canisteo

Photo courtesy of The Spectator



Valley Family Practice, and most recently Oak Orchard Health before his retirement on December 30<sup>th</sup>.

Dr. Whelpley plans to spend his retirement enjoying his many hobbies, which include gardening, woodworking, home brewing, and just puttering around in his shop. He will also be able to spend more time with his three children and six grandchildren, all who live in the area.

Dr. Whelpley will be missed for his sense of humor and dedication to his patients. When asked what he will miss most, his answer was the patients. "The patients have kept me going for forty years," he said.

#### Dr. Annabel Retires from St. James Hospital

December 31<sup>st</sup> marked the last day of work for Dr. Spencer Annabel, doctor of internal medicine and president of the medical staff at St. James Hospital.

Dr. Annabel was born at St. James in 1946. He grew up on his family farm just outside of Canisteo and graduated from Canisteo Central School. He attended UR Medical School before returning to the area in 1976 to join Dr. Stoner Horey as partner of his medical practice on Crosby Street, where he practiced for many years.

During the financials struggles that St. James faced in 2014, Dr. Annabel took on a leadership role as a member of the New Vision Task Force. The group was assigned the responsibility of developing a business plan for sustainable healthcare in Hornell. The result was a partnership with UR Medicine and a new building for St. James.



Dr. Annabel and his wife, Carol, live on the farm he grew up on. He will spend much of his retirement there taking care of his horses. He will also continue with his Civil

War "obsession" and a project he has been working on to compile the entire history of St. James- from its founding in 1890 to today. He also plans to serve on the hospital's board of directors.



#### TWINNING AGAIN!

And the tradition continues. Happy Birthday to Mr. Johnson and Mr. Johnson today! For the past two years Gregg and Jeff Johnson '70 have stopped by to wish a Happy Birthday to Nathaniel and Nelle Ackley who all celebrate their birthday on May 22.



#### **HOMETOWN HIGHLIGHTS**

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#### **HOMETOWN HIGHLIGHTS**

#### **50 YEARS!**

February 8<sup>th</sup> 2021 marked a special milestone for Tom Valentine, Director of Facilities. It is his 50th year of service to St. James! On behalf of our Hospital we thank Tom for all of his dedicated years of service.



Attention HHS Alumni Association Members:

The HHSAA News Journal is sent during the month of May. The mailing goes out in "bulk rate" and may take anywhere from three days to three weeks before you receive it.

#### ALSTOM SPEEDS INTO 2021!

Alstom is busy churning out America's first fleet of high-speed rail cars for Amtrak. Trainset 3, the third next-generation Acela produced by the Hornell workforce, has been making its way around the test track in recent months. Trainset four will follow and trainsets five and six are in the assembly line.

The new Acela has traveled 30,000 miles while making 2,200 trips around the test track. The Acela has reached a maximum speed of 166.8 mph. The second Acela trainset has been sent to Amtrak and is being tested on the northeast corridor. Alstom in Hornell will produce twenty-eight new Acela trainsets for the highspeed fleet.



Photo courtesy of The Spectator

#### HUMANE SOCIETY RECEIVES SUPPORT FROM COUNTRY CHRISTMAS SIDE BY SIDE RIDE

The Hornell Area Human Society's holiday season was a little bit brighter this year. Allison Byron, Justin Flint, and Jamie Sarvis coordinated the ride with the idea to raise money for a good cause by going on a side by side

ride having all the machines decorated for Christmas. They had an amazing turnout with 20 side by sides making 3 stops at the Sierra, Arkport Legion, and Barbara Jeans. Those area establishments received a spike in business as well from what would have been a dull afternoon. Everyone was cooperative to follow the guidelines of staying safe in a pandemic by wearing masks and social distancing. After 2 of their stops they drove through Arkport and had a little Christmas parade while playing Christmas music. Everyone came out on their lawns waving and cheering while some residents even ran down their driveway to give donations. At the last stop they announced a winner for the best decorated side by side. Neil Stoddard from Arkport was the winner with a fully inflated Christmas wiener dog strapped on top of his machine. The plan was for the winner to take half the money but Stoddard donated it all back. The Country Christmas Side by Side Ride was able to donate \$500 to the Humane Society, making Christmas bright.



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#### KEVIN VAN ALLEN ELECTED LIVINGSTON CO. COURT JUDGE

Kevin Van Allen (HHS class of 1996) was one of two elected Livingston County Court Judges in a 4-person race in November 2019. He took his oath of office in January 2020 to serve Livingston County. Prior to his new role, Kevin had been part of the legal community in and around Livingston County since 1998. He has extensive experience in



Pictured Back Row (L-R) Wife Kara, Kevin Van Allen, Chari Van Allen. Front (L-R) daughters Tessa, Elyse, Audrey, and Molly.

every type of case commonly handled in County Court. Van Allen has successfully handled commercial and civil litigation matters, Surrogate's Court cases, matrimonial cases, misdemeanor and felony criminal offenses, and Family Court matters.

Van Allen is a Past President of the Livingston County Bar Association, a member of the New York State Bar Association and New York State Defenders Association and the former District Representative to the NYS Bar Association Torts, Insurance, and Compensation Law Section. He was a founding member of the charitable organization Lifting Up Livingston, Inc., previously served as the Vice Chair and then the Chair of the United Way Annual Campaign. Leadership and service are of the utmost importance to Van Allen. He received his Juris Doctor from the State University of New York at Buffalo Law School and his Bachelor of Arts from St. John Fisher College in Rochester. He is the son of the late Gary Van Allen ('64) and Chari Van Allen. Kevin resides in Avon, NY with his wife Kara (Smith) Van Allen ('96) and their 4 daughters, Tessa, Molly, Elyse and Audrey.

#### HHS DECA STUDENTS QUALIFY FOR NYS FINALS

Hornell's business/DECA students showed up ready to compete this fall and had big results. Hornell High School had 18 students compete at the DECA virtual Regional Competition on November 30 and a trio of Red Raider competitors are advancing to the state-level finals. Photo courtesy of The Spectator

Sophomore Allyson Buckley finished in second place in the region among 50 other competitors from Allegany, Cattaraugus and Steuben counties. For the marketing cluster exam, Hornell senior Emma Schmitt took second place, while senior Lily Gaffney finished in third place. Buckley and Schmitt are both first-year DECA members. Gaffney is a second-year DECA member who competed at the state competition last year as well.

DECA is an international marketing organization that prepares emerging leaders and entrepreneurs in marketing, finance, hospitality and management in high schools and colleges globally.

Hornell's DECA organization is advised by Pamela (Cleveland) Mendel class of 1990.



Hornell High School Business students Allyson Buckley, Emma Schmitt, and Lily Gaffney after earning some top place finishes at the DECA regional on Nov 30<sup>th</sup>.

#### **HOMETOWN HIGHLIGHTS**

#### HORNELL/CANISTEO AND ALFRED STATE POLICE DEPARTMENTS JOIN FORCES TO CONTINUE SHOP WITH A COP TRADITION DESPITE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

Local Law Enforcement Officers from the Hornell, Canisteo and Alfred State Police departments sought to bring joy and a fun shopping experience to local children this holiday season. More than a dozen officers from the local police departments came together to treat sixty children to a magical Christmas shopping spree at the Hornell WalMart. Each child received \$100 dollars that was provided through a Walmart grant.



Typically, cops and their shopping sidekicks would swarm the store aisles all at once but this year required a bit of a different vision to maintain social distancing and pandemic restrictions. They sent a group of 10 kids in the store at a time. Each one going in with their "shopping partner". The event was a welcome reprieve from the heaviness of the ongoing pandemic and a chance for local LEO's to bond with the community and its youth.

Photo courtesy of The Spectator

#### HORNELL PUBLIC LIBRARY OPENS 'STRONGER THAN EVER'

The Hornell Public Library, located at 64 Genesee Street, reopened in December 2020 after being closed for nine months during the pandemic.

Thanks to staff, volunteers and board of trustees, the library underwent a complete interior redesign with an organized layout and a brighter and roomier feel, and re-categorized collection.

An increased tax levy was voted on in June of 2020 where Hornell City School District voters approved a proposition to increase the annual library levy from \$184,700 to \$334,700.

Director Alice Taychert told the Evening Tribune that "Libraries have a huge effect on the quality of life in the communities they exist in. There isn't anybody in the



entire United States that wants to lose their library. I would encourage people to think of the library as free as we can make it. No charges for library cards. No fines anymore."

The Hornell Public Library is open Monday – Thursday noon to 7 PM, Fridays 1 to 5 PM, and Saturdays 9 AM to noon.

#### DONNA BURNES LARNARD '66 LONGTIME HORNELL CROSSING GUARD RETIRES

Donna Larnard has been protecting the safety of Hornell City School District students for over fifteen years as a school crossing guard. Larnard began her tenure as a Hornell crossing guard in June 2005. Throughout all of her



Photo courtesy of The Spectator

years as crossing guard, Larnard has been known to be extremely dependable and consistent. Hornell students could count on Larnard regardless of the weather. She would show up in the freezing rain, snow, or in subzero temperatures. This dependability runs in the family. Donna's sister, Edna Burnes Doll '72, has also been a crossing guard for the Hornell City School District for thirty years. Donna Larnard is a graduate of Hornell High School and has lived in Hornell her entire life. On behalf of the students of Hornell and the Hornell Alumni Association board of directors, we would like to congratulate Donna on her retirement and thank her for her dedicated service.

#### ZACHARY D. SMITH '08 MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Even COVID, couldn't stop the ZDS Golf Tournament!! We had to change the date, but Twin Hickory worked with us and supported us to pull off the 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Zachary D. Smith Golf Tournament which was held on July 25, 2020. This is a special day as this would have been Zach and Anne's 11<sup>th</sup> wedding Anniversary (Anne Deebs- Class of 2009). This day we spend time reminiscing about Zach and all that he stood for. He loved the game of golf and this is a



perfect way to pay tribute to such an amazing hero. Zach always made moments very special, and cared deeply about people and chose to live a life of a very giving person. He joined the Marine Corps. in 2008 and lived the Marine Corps. Motto, which stands for Honor, Courage and Commitment – that defines Zach to a tee. Zach was deployed in December 2009, and on January 24, 2010 he stepped on an IED (improvised explosive device) that took his life. His older brother Nate (Class of 2005) set up a scholarship fund and the golf tournament the day after Zach was killed to make sure that Zach's name still lives on. His younger sister, Grace (Class of 2017) helps with the tournament as well. It is important to our family to keep Zach "alive". So many of our

family and friends volunteer their time, a big thank you to all who help make these tournaments such a success, it is so hard to believe that we have done this for 11 years. Winners of the tournament in 2020 were Matt Duso, Dan Roser, Brennan Canty and Scott Carroll.

The proceeds from the golf tournament go to the Zachary D. Smith Memorial Scholarship fund. Every year, a Hornell High School senior is chosen from the essays that are written and turned into the guidance office. This scholarship is valued at \$4,000 payable annually while the recipient is enrolled in college or the military. This year the award was given by the family, to Leah Harkenrider, she is attending Alfred University and majoring in Engineering. The family, along with the help of the Athletic Director chose Collin Buisch for the scholarship for an Athletic Award that is presented in Zach's name, the value of this award is \$500. Collin is attending Brockport for Business. We wish them the best of luck in their futures. Emma Flaitz was the recipient of a \$500 award from the donations that were sent to the Alumni Association in memory of Zach.

We are looking forward to the upcoming years as we celebrate a great life that was cut too short.

Also, the family would like to thank the Amvets for their continued generous donations to help build Zach's scholarship fund to be able to award these scholarships to deserving individuals for many years to come.

The family of Zachary D. Smith



#### HAPPY 95TH BIRTHDAY!





Dick Sirianni '44 turned 95 on February 26<sup>th</sup> 2021. Happy Birthday Dick!



*L to R:* Nate Smith, Leah Harkenrider, and Grace Smith

#### **HOMETOWN HIGHLIGHTS**

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#### HOLLISTERS CELEBRATE 68 YEARS!

I spent 51 years in the Bus Garage as you know. Harriet spent 40 years in Bus & Café. Harriet and I celebrated 68 years on October 29<sup>th</sup> 2020. She was in 8<sup>th</sup> grade and I was a Freshman. We lived next door to each other when we were young. We have a daughter Kathy Winters who always gives us a party: 25<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup>, 75<sup>th</sup> if we make it. #1 is Jerry Brewer and Nancy Girondo before we got married. L-R – Harriet, Toby, Jerry, and Nancy before they were all married at Harriet's Mothers in 1951 #2 -Harriet and Toby (with Cher) in Las Vegas in 2005 celebrating 53 years together.



Picture #1



Picture #2

#### SANDRA WALLACE '72...AUTHOR

Sandra Wallace '72 has created much joy and entertainment through books she has written about some of her life experiences. Her most recent book **RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED** in 1966....boys, bras, and a broken leg includes accounts from her 6<sup>th</sup> grade experiences at Irving School. All of her books are available on Amazon and have gotten



much positive feedback from the local community. Below is her own words on her work. Thanks so much for sharing, Sandy!

OK. My book. Since I retired in 2016 (27 years as a school counselor with GST BOCES....10 years before that as an OBGYN nurse at Corning Hospital), I have spent a fair amount of my newfound free time writing. Always enjoyed it, always meant to do more, and now I finally have the time. The first book came out in 2018: *CARRY THIS? UP THAT?!....hiking the Appalachian Trail with no hair dryer*. Next one in 2019: *TWO SHORTEN THE ROAD....Buffalo to Gloucester with clunky sandals in a saddle bag*. This one also contains a section on the Wineglass Marathon...and history of this local

race. Both of these are humorous accounts of the misadventures of myself and my bestie. Both are nonfiction.

And, this past year, after unearthing my 6th grade diary, and the secretarial notes from our class meetings (where I proudly served in that position during the second semester) and recalling that this year contained just so, so, so many events that shaped my coming of age, I decided to put a book together recounting those times....when so many of us were innocent....oblivious to what was going on in the larger world. **RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED in 1966....boys, bras, and a broken leg** captures the life of a pre-teen and takes the reader back to the Hornell of 1966. I have gotten great feedback on this book, and been totally humbled by some of the compliments. I have spoken with "kids", my classmates, whom I have not been in contact with since we graduated in 1972. It has been amazing. And....I FOUND MY SIXTH GRADE



TEACHER, have spoken with her on the phone, and of course, sent her my books. This won't be my last book.

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#### HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!





Shout out to these two lovebirds who have been married for 62 years! Happy Anniversary to Riley JS and Margaret Sleggs! May you be blessed with many more years together!



Sandi and Jim Caparulo celebrated their 50th anniversary on Aug. 29, 2020.



Leonard and Kathy Caruso celebrated their 51st wedding anniversary on August 24, 2020.



Debbie Giglio Bradley '80 And Husband Clarence Bradley celebrating 29 yrs. of marriage and 35 yrs. of owning and running Bradley Supply.

"Grow old with me, the best is yet to be." ~ Robert Browning





Dominic and Joyce Klenchik celebrated 63 years of marriage on January 25, 2021.



Dominic and Sherry Daniels celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Sept. 5, 2020.





Our membership dues increased as of June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018 to \$10.00. This is the cost for a single, yearly membership. Not the cost of everyone in a household. We have NEVER offered a Lifetime Membership. If you see a website offering this, it is NOT our organization. If you are going to pay your dues/donations please refer the HHSAA website online. to ONLY. www.hornellalumni.org. The cost of paying dues online is \$11.00 to cover fees for online transactions. The \$10.00 cost only covers the cost of printing and mailing the News Journal. Your \$10.00



does not go towards scholarships. Our scholarships are funded by donations.

Our Alumni Association memberships run on a FISCAL year, NOT a calendar year. It begins on JUNE 1<sup>st</sup> and expires on MAY 31<sup>st</sup> of the following year. The HAA News Journal is mailed every May. If you are an active/paid member, you will receive a copy of this publication. However, your membership expires on May 31<sup>st,</sup> and the new fiscal year dues are due on June 1<sup>st</sup>. The renewal membership form is in the center of the news journal. The HAA highly recommends that you renew your membership right away. Again, by doing so, you will be an active member beginning JUNE 1<sup>st</sup> and ending the following MAY  $31^{st}$ .

Anyone who DID NOT or FORGOT TO RENEW their membership will be mailed a reminder notice in January of that fiscal year. If you receive notice and send us your \$10.00 dues/scholarship donation you will once again be a paid member for the Alumni Association UNTIL the end of that fiscal year (May) and will be guaranteed a News Journal Publication. ALL active memberships, regardless of when you paid your fiscal year dues, expire at the end of May. Again, our membership runs on a FISCAL year (June 1<sup>st</sup>-May 31<sup>st</sup>), NOT a calendar year.

Also, our computer program does not allow us to post ahead, so please only send us your dues/donations for the current fiscal year. Unfortunately, advanced payments need to be kept track of manually, and most often get lost or overlooked. Please accept our apologies but, if you pay ahead, your money will need to be refunded to you.

We take pride in being the most active High School Alumni Association in the county, state, and...perhaps even the country!...thanks to the generosity and support of our wonderful members. Hornell High School graduates who receive HAA scholarships are very grateful to all of you. Thank you so very much! You know the old saying, "It's swell in Hornell!"

"Once a Raider...always a Raider"





#### Meet our Honored 2020 HHS Sports Hall of Fame Inductees!

Congratulations to the 2020 HHS Sports Hall of Fame inductees. The induction ceremony originally scheduled for September 2020 has been rescheduled for the Fall of 2021. The Hall of Fame Committee will then recognize both the 2020 and 2021 inductees. The Hall of Fame Selection Committee is pleased to announce the 2020 inductees:

Kirsten (Ripple) Payan	Class of 2005
Julie (Sengstock) Conklin	Class of 2006
DJ Schwartz	Class of 2008
Kyle J. Murphy	Class of 2009

Congratulations on your induction into this elite group of athletes and contributors. The Hornell community looks forward to your induction.

#### Would you like to be a Director on the Hornell High School Alumni Association Board?

If so, you must submit a brief letter of interest that includes your HHS graduation year, a signature, and the date. Due to resignations, there are periodic openings on the Board. We recommend and encourage any HHS graduate to mail us a request.

#### Wanted:

Hall of Fame nominees for 2021. 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. Sports Hall of Fame, PO Box 135, Hornell, NY 14843-0135.

The 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 most 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.

#### <u>Please submit all nominations to:</u> Tom Fagnan 16 Armory Pl. Hornell, NY 14843

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.















#### Kirsten (Ripple) Payan '05

Kirsten (Ripple) Payan is a 2005 HHS graduate who earned a total of 13 varsity letters in cheerleading and track & field. Kirsten participated in both Fall and Winter cheerleading for all four years of high school, during which she was a captain for two years. In the Spring, Kirsten was on the track and field team for 5 years, competing primarily in the high jump, triple jump,



long jump, 100-meter hurdles, and pentathlon. In 2004, she came in fourth place in the high jump at the state finals. Her senior year, Kirsten was "Outstanding Performer of the Wellsville Meet" at the Invitational. She assisted her team in winning the Section 5 championship by placing first in the high jump, triple jump, and 100-meter hurdles, and second in the long jump. Kirsten went on to compete in the pentathlon at the state finals that year, placing third.

She continues to hold the HHS record for the pentathlon with 2,825 points.

After high school, Kirsten attended Northeastern University in Boston, where she was on the Division 1 track and field team for three years. She was competitive in the high jump, with a personal record of 5 feet, 6 inches. In 2008, she placed sixth in the high jump to help her team win the Colonial Athletic Association Conference Championship.

Kirsten pursued her Bachelors and Doctoral degrees at Northeastern University, where she received the Presidential Scholarship for her academic achievements. She is a Physical Therapist and has worked in multiple locations around the country, including Hawaii and Alaska. She has returned to New York with her family to live in the Rochester area. She is employed as a Physical Therapist for BOCES, working with children with special needs.

#### Julie (Sengstock) Conklin '06

Julie (Sengstock) Conklin is a 2006 HHS graduate who competed in soccer, basketball, and track and field. After finishing her sophomore year as JV team

captain, Julie played her junior year on the varsity girls' soccer team, who won the school's first sectional title since 1971. Julie is most known for her athletic performance on the varsity track team. From her first year on the team as an 8th grader and every year thereafter, Julie competed in the



400M event up to the state qualifying level. As a junior, she helped secure the school's first Section V Girl's Track team title. Julie won the 2005 sectional title in individual 400M and contributed team points in the 100M, 200M, 400M and 4x4 relay. For her performance that year, she was named an LCAA league all-star. As a senior, Julie went undefeated through the meet and invitational seasons in the 400M. She placed no less than 3rd in all individual and relay races that year.

During the annual Hornell Invitational meet Julie swept 4 events including the 100M, 200M, 4x4M relay and set a new HHS record in the 400M, a record held since 1990. She won sectional titles in the individual 100M and 4x400M relay. She also successfully defended her 400M Sectional title, added a Super-sectional title and earned the #1 seed for the Division II New York State track and field championship, ultimately finishing 3rd. Her 4x4M relay team also competed at the state championship finishing in 7th place.

Julie received a Bachelor's degree in health science from Daemen College and a Master's degree in social work from Nazareth College. She's previously worked as a Mental Health Therapist and currently works as a Success Coach at Alfred State College. She currently resides in Hornell with her husband Kevin, daughters Camille and Mabel and dog Ava.















#### DJ Schwartz '08

DJ Schwartz is a 2008 graduate of Hornell High School where he earned a total of 10 varsity letters in football, basketball, and baseball. From 2005 to 2007, DJ started for the varsity football team. In 2005 & 2006 he played wide receiver and safety, winning a Sectional Championship in 2005. In 2006 he was awarded the honor of Livingston Conference Athletic Association League All-Star. In 2007, DJ played quarterback and safety and earned the Livingston Conference Athletic Association League All-Star. In the winter 2005 - 2008 seasons, DJ played forward for the Raiders' varsity basketball team earning four varsity letters.

DJ was a two-time Livingston Conference Athletic Association League All Star from '06 - '08, Livingston County News Super 18 team in 2007, Spectator Great 8 in 2007 & 2008, Livingston Conference Exceptional Senior in 2008, two-time Section V player of the week in 2008, Section V Boys Basketball Class BB 2008 All-Tournament Team, and New York State Sportswriter Association All-State Team in 2008. During spring 2006 - 2008, DJ played



varsity baseball as pitcher and right fielder. He was a two-time Livingston Conference Athletic Association League All-Star in 2007 & 2008, Section V player of the week in 2008, and a Livingston Conference Exceptional Senior in 2008.

DJ attended the University of Rochester in 2008 and graduated in 2012 with a Bachelor's of Science degree in Biomedical Engineering. He was a varsity baseball player from 2009 - 2011; however, his tenure was cut short due to

injuries. In 2014 he graduated from The George Washington University with a Master's of Science in Mechanical Engineering Management and obtained his Professional Engineering License in Mechanical Thermal and Fluid Systems in 2017.

He currently works for United Launch Alliance (ULA) as a Propulsion System Design Engineer, working propulsion systems for the company's various rockets. He lives in Denver, CO with his beautiful wife Brittany, new baby girl, Victoria, and their dog.

#### Kyle J. Murphy '09

Kyle Murphy is a 2009 graduate of HHS, where he excelled in basketball, soccer and track. He was a member of five Section V Championship teams, two for Soccer and three for Track, and two Division II 4 x 4 State Teams. Kyle received his HHS Senior award for 8 Varsity letters, and he was the HHS Class of 2009 Most Athletic Male Senior.

Kyle will most be remembered for his accomplishments on the basketball court where he concluded his senior year being chosen as the 2009 Livingston County Division I Player of the Year. He was named to the Class B Basketball All-State Team, the Ronald McDonald All-Star Team, twice to the Hornell Evening Tribune Spectator Great 8 Teams, the Livingston County News Super 18 Basketball First Team,

twice to the Livingston County Division I Basketball All-Star Team, and was a member of the Olean All-Tournament Team.

As a three-year Varsity HHS Soccer player, he helped his team to a 2006 & 2008 Sectional Soccer Championship. He was a two-time Livingston County Division I Soccer All-Star, named to the 2008 Section V Class BB All-Tournament Team and a member of the Exceptional Senior Team.



For track, Kyle was a member of the 2007 Section V Class BB Champion Team and was a 2008 and 2009 Section V Class BB 4 X 4 Champion. In 2008, his 4 x 4 Team broke the school record by 4 seconds at the NY State Qualifiers. In 2008 and 2009, his 4 x 4 Team competed at the State level, and in 2009 placed 4th for Division II 4 X 4 Teams at States with a time of 3:26.50. Following graduation, Kyle went on to play basketball at Allegheny College for 4 years, earning the Richard Yeckley Memorial Award for leadership, sacrifice, dedication and courage. He was also named captain his senior year. Kyle graduated from Allegheny College with a Bachelor's degree in Economics. He currently resides in Cleveland, OH with his girlfriend Annie and their dog Gunner.













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#### Past Inductees to the H.H.S. Hall of Fame

Elliot Hartman\* William Havens '36 Francis Hogan '36 Harold Coddington '49 Robert Flaitz, Sr. '53 Jim Moretti ' 68 Charles Young '68 Margaret Jones '21 Bert Myers '24 John Foreman '37 Robert Rohan '38 William Rohan '51 Lorenzo Castiglione\* John Caprarulo '27 Louis Babcock '30 Richard Durkee '38 Ernst Weyand, Sr. '47 David Guenther '58 Salvatore Fiscina '59 John Dailey '70 Harry Alexin '31 Benjamin Spitulnik '36 Alex Tsibulsky '37 Mildred Hunt '41 Donald Foreman '48 Donald Kelley '57 Glen Boylan '30 James O'Connor '47 Joe Curran '40 Joe Bob '37 Charles Swift '36 Robert P. Young '70 Sandra Huffsmith Hillman '78 Joe Mauro, Sr. '52 Penny Mehlenbacher Bassage '77 James Dagon '44 Tom King '47 Cathy Potter Kimball '80 Richard Todd '50 Charles Libordi '72 Paul Egger '28 Phil Patti '60 Patricia Sheedy '83 Francis Mauro '56 Gerald Crowe '57 Mike Goth '55 Bob Baumgarten '80 Paul Quinlan '78

Richard Congdon '51 Ervin Chambliss '72 Robert Young, Sr. '39 Bob Griswold '48 James Argentieri '52 Ernie Downing '35 Richard Scott '61 Bob Ellis '68 Frank Wyant, Jr. '63 Mike Waufle '72 James Cleveland '61 Arland Hanning '50 Fred Penfold '50 George Clicquennoi\* Kelly Simon '37 Joe Piccirillo '46 Jacob Flaitz '51 Robert Fiacco '52 Charles Fagnan '63 John Kelleher '81 Wally Amphlett '62 Paul Curran '45 Art Foreman '43 Maria Bottone '85 Robert Binney '50 Paul Powers '31 Bud Vanderhoef '41 Henry Burke '44 Nancy Hill Freeland '80 Ernie Weyand, Jr. '81 Theodora "Teddy" Ormsby '62 Richard Fiacco '77 Dr. C. E. Patti\* Anthony "Butch" Ermy '49 Ray Cudabec '52 Al Stook '58 DeMario Ridgeway '89 Jim Murphy '49 Murray McNaughton '35 Robert Carlin '78 Mike Coleman '88 Donald Coogan '50 Joseph Mauro, Jr. '76 William Mosgrove '56 Daniel Swift '89 Harold Paul\* Mario Argentieri '39 Bill Livingston '48

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# 🎽 🚜 Homecoming Festivities 2020 🙀 🍣

#### (A Homecoming like none other) October 17<sup>th</sup> 2020

"What to do, how to do it, in the mist of Covid 2020 we must have a Homecoming for these Seniors"!!!

So Ashlen Arias-Baird the senior class advisor along with the Administration set out to give this class of seniors the best homecoming possible. <sup>(2)</sup> With the blessing from the Mayor of the City of Hornell the school set out to have a Parade for the 6 Nominee's lead by the Police and Fire departments. So atop of their chauffer-driven cars they headed down Main St. to their final destination, the High school football field!!!! They rounded the track and one by one each name was called..... Kayla Turner, Owen Lautner, Carter Browne, Andrew Deebs, Kelsea Greenthal and Brennan Khork. As they lined up on the field (social distancing and masks of course) to an empty Stadium except for families lining the fence and live streaming compliments of Peish Video, Master of Ceremonies Mike DeGaetano announced the Winners!!!

> "Kayla Turner and Owen Lautner" Congratulations to all the nominees

Hats off to the Hornell Senior High School for giving these Seniors a Night they will never forget!!!!



Members of the marching band ready to lead the parade.



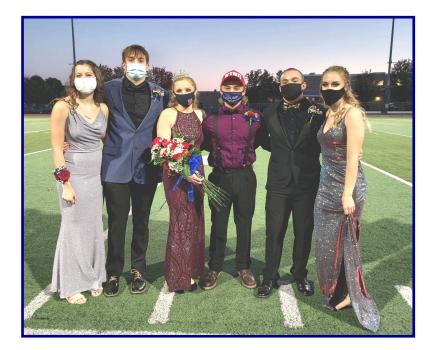


#### Homecoming court during spirit week!

*L-R*: Kelsea Greenthal and Brennan Khork, Carter Brown and Andrew Deebs, Kayla Turner and Owen Lautner



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2020 Homecoming Queen and King Kayla Turner and Owen Lautner



















# Through the Decades Honoring Principals

1941



Edward W. Cooke

1951



Edward W. Cooke

1961



Robert J. Johnson

1971



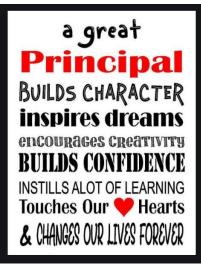
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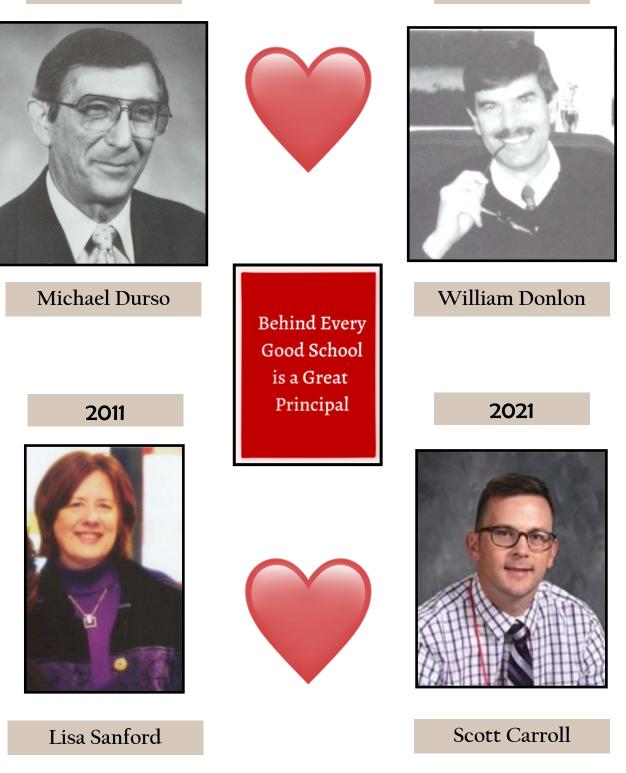


Michael Durso





# Through the Decades Honoring Principals





# A Walk Down Memory Lane





Hogan's Heroes star Bob Crane started his career as a disc jockey at WLEA in Hornell, N.Y. He went on to other radio jobs before getting into acting and television. Here he is at the old studios which were located in downtown Hornell.





Selling Alumni Memberships at ServiStar



The above persons volunteered to work at the Hornell High School Alumni Membership booth at a Special Sales Rep. Day at our local ServiStar in June, 1992. The booth was to promote alumni memberships. This used to be an annual event. (L-R) Francis Mahoney '52, Star Tingley '91, Mary Griffin Whitford '40, Susan McKay Argentieri '56, Josephine Gallichio Brzozowski '42, Joann Titus Smith '55.



End of school year brings some teacher retirements. These Hornell teachers were the "class" of 1968. L-R Ethel Bebout, Velma Chapman Gaylord, Ruth Wellington, Lester Angell, Marilla Van Gelder, Marion Walbridge

# A Walk Down Memory Lane





MEMORY LANE

Hornell Girls Slate United Nations Visit

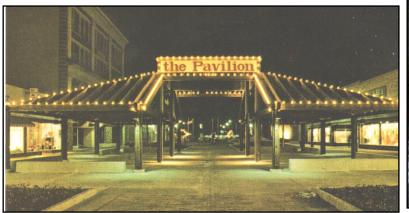


These Hornell girls take their first happy steps toward the United Nations as winners and alternates in the United Nations Pilgrimage competition. (L-R) Susan K. Sheedy, Mary L. Knapp, Margaret Lee, Sandra Wallace.



Orry Kelly Costello, Hornell High School Class of 1947 passed away on September 10 and her husband John died just hours later, both at home. Married for nearly 70 years they were holding hands when she passed. Orry was born and raised in Hornell and loved the Maple City. May their memories be eternal.



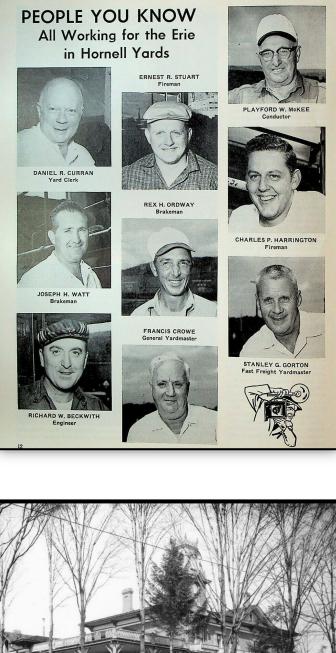






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At Hornell High School, Coach Tony Bottone gathers his starting backs around him as Raiders make final plans for their reopening football clash with Southside in Elmira. (L-R) Erv Chambliss, Mike Waufle, Bottone, Chuck Libordi, Mike Angell.



**Pilgrims and Indians** – that's what Thanksgiving is all about. The history of the holiday was experienced by kindergarteners at Lincoln School when Miss Janet Brunskill's "pilgrims" invited Mrs. Mary Lou Wightman's "Indians" to celebrate Thanksgiving dinner. Indians Raymond Hogan left, and Colleen Rohan and Pilgrims Mary Ellen Desanto and Bobby Clifford are enjoying "turkey" sandwiches made of peanut butter and jelly, as well as celery and carrot sticks, pumpkin pie and milk.





MEMORY LANE

Drafted Men Feb. 25, 1918, Sutton's Studio



### Eagle Scouts Awards Ceremony



This photo was taken in the early 1960's of the Eagle Award recipients which is the highest honor in Boy Scouts. It is Troup 67 from the Spencer Methodist Church on Canisteo St. in Hornell. (L-R) Scoutmaster Bob Ingalls, Frank Brown, Jon Cleveland, Gary Rectenwald, Steve Rice, Leon Smigiel, Steve Jones, and John Donaldson.





**1975 Reunion Committee gathered for one of their past reunions.** *Back (L-R)* Barry Young, Bruce Jackson, Bill Hogan, Mark Mahoney, Pat McHale, Sally Lynch, Marc Rixford.  $2^{nd}$  *Row (L-R)* Tom Matacale, Terry Reed Vankeuren, Ellen Andrus Stewart, Marge Saam Rixford. *Seated (L-R)* Nancy Cornell Kull, Chauncy Watches, Mary Lou McChesney Coleman, John Clancy, Kim Curran Quinlan.









### 1990 Red Raiders Baseball Team

Here are the youthful Raiders who open the season against visiting Corning East. Front Row (L-R) Murray Hanchett, Mark Prunoske, Bob Stewart, Števe Prior, Čraig King, Tom Strobel, Andy McCormick and assistant coach Bill Dailey. Back Row (L-R) Head Coach Lenny Caruso, Dave Shepard, Chris Jones, Brian Dyring, Mike Parker, Jon Moores, Steve Carson, Glenn Thomas, Trey Tenney, and assistant coach Glenn Thomas.



### Dear Alumni.

I don't know if you have a place for this record, but wanted to send it to you. I was very honored to be a majorette and play clarinet with the high school band from 1956-1960, under the direction of James Hoover. We went to Saugus Massachusetts in 1958 to play a concert with their band, then they came to Hornell to play with ours, and we recorded it. I was born and raised in Hornell and will always cherish the wonderful memories of my years living there.

God Bless you all, Gail Lewis Bennett Class of 1960

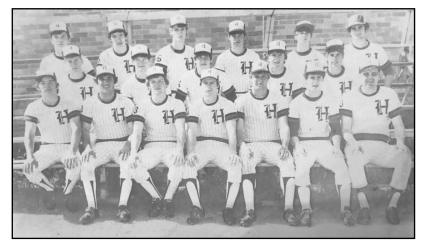






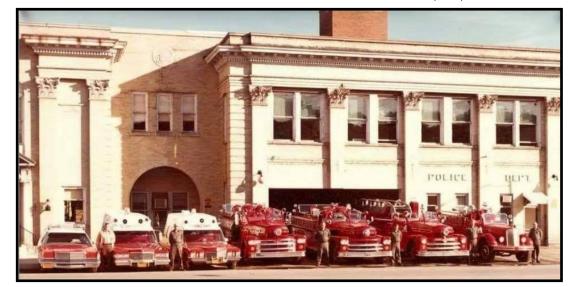


*L-R*: N. Crandall, L. Purnoski, J. Marvin, B. Gemmell, N. Lewis, C. Wescott, H. Burke, J. Dagon, G. Hussong





*First row by railing bottom to top:* Carolyn Gaffney Burdette '52; Mary Teresa Moretti Purtell '52, Judy Jacobs Brown '52; Lavina Pryor Ewing '52; *Second row bottom to top:* Mary Margaret Tobin Vet '52; Mary Lou Lynch Utz '52, Lorna Schreck Brink '52; Lucille Brown Olds '52, Barbara Scott Clancy '52; *Third tow bottom to top:* Sue Neild McCarthy '53, Sylvia Hammond Gerould '52, ??, ??



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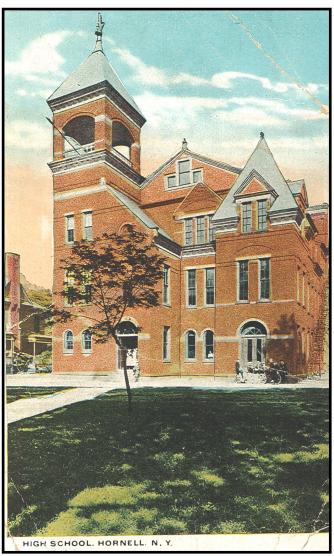


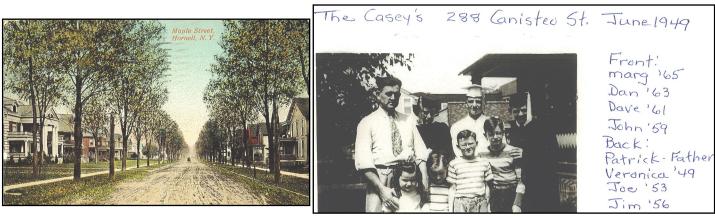


MEMORY LANE

Way back when.... the Hornell Grade School All-Star Football team back in 1963. Amazingly, it doesn't seem that long ago!!! Front (L-R) Steve Lyke, James Psyhos, Kelvin Cook, Eugene Prior, Lloyd White, Tom Muchler. 2<sup>nd</sup> Row (L-R) Steve Levinson, Don House, Tom Deebs, Mill McMorris, Kevin Hogan, Mike Briganti. 3<sup>rd</sup> Row (L-R) Norm Angel, Coach, Bill Hite, Richard Drum











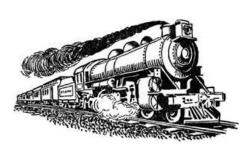


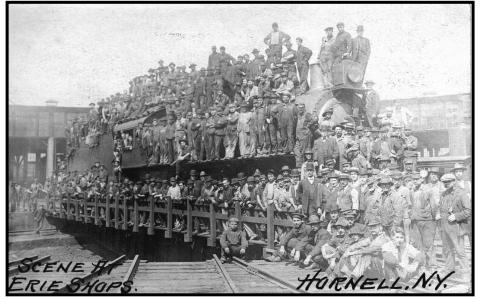


*Kneeling (L-R)* Art Karl, Bill Johnson, Biff Barry, Doug Babcock, John Marcus, Bob Bradley. *Standing (L-R)* Dom Daniels, Gary Hammond, Brad Williams, John Nelson, Dan Swift, Paul Willsey, Steve Kays.



Class of 1952 meeting to arrange their 50<sup>th</sup> reunion (Taken in 2002) Front to Back – Lucille Brown Olds, Francis Mahoney, Mary Teresa Moretti Purtell, Josephine Cianiaglini, Joan Quartz Pollinger, Marilyn Simms Heers.







Members from the Class of 1992 enjoying an unseasonably warm Tuesday in late October 1986 on their lunch period. **Row 1 (L-R)** Jim Burns, Brett White, Bill Panter, Heath Hess. **Row 2 (L-R)** Vanessa Johnson Spitulnik, Matt Connors, Bob Day. **Row 3 (L-R)** Jessica Fahl Snyder, Kathy Zanghi, Kelly Cornish Norton.



Future Secretaries of America Club—Class of 1956 classmates enjoying a picnic at Stony Brook State Park during their senior year. Pictured here *L* to *R*: Avis Scheele, Margaret Rechichi, Mary Jo Colamarino, Sue Hicks, and Dot Nicholson.



MEMORY LANE

## More Hometown Highlights



MEMORY LANE



2020 graduate Connor O'Rourke was granted a scholarship from the class of 1960. Connor's grandfather, the late William O'Rourke, was a 1960 class alumni. Photographed left to right, is Anthony Aini, graduate of 1960 and uncle of Connor, holding the senior picture of the late William O'Rourke, Connor O'Rourke, and his father Aaron O'Rourke class of 1985.



Samuele R. Argentieri, HHS Class of 2017, was promoted on July 1, 2020 to the rank of Corporal in the United States Marine Corps. His duty station is at Camp Lejeune, NC. Corporal Argentieri was also married on September 5, 2020 while home on leave to Bethany (Wilcox) Argentieri. Sam has been Active Duty with the USMC since October of 2017. He and his wife live off base in nearby Hubert, NC.

# **Quarantine...Back to School!**



# First day excitement

Going back to school last fall looked very different for some. This year, schools had to get creative to be able to safely allow students to attend school, commonly resulting in a hybrid model. This allows students to attend a few days a week while working remotely from home the other days. This was so that they could safely distance themselves with fewer students at time.



**The Strikers happily ready to see their friends in school.** Evelyn 6<sup>th</sup> grade, Calum – 8<sup>th</sup> grade, Rowan – 3<sup>rd</sup> grade



Ayla Amidon is sassy and ready for 1<sup>st</sup> grade.

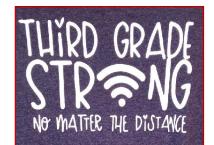


**The Picco boys ready to take on HHS** PJ- 8th grade, Marco – 7th grade, & Gernnaro – 9th grade



3rd grade teachers ready to welcome back all their little cherubs

Front (L-R) Allie Quintana, Leigh Emerson and Chrissy Locker. Back (L-R) Tracy Flett, Brianna Hollenback, Dawn Reinhard, Eileen Marino, Michelle Lovell. Missing from photo Deb Logan and Chelsea Milller







First day of school...McKenna Donlon masking her excitement to start 10th grade.

## Class of 1985 celebrating 35 years

The class of 1985 had a small informal get together last August at the Southside in Hornell. A couple drinks were had as stories were shared while of course, maintaining social distancing.

Classmates are encouraged to visit the Facebook page "Hornell Class of 85" for updates about future get-togethers. For those not on Facebook you can contact the committee at hornellclassof85@yahoo.com.





*L-R Front Row*: Scott Smith, Sean Gaffney *L-R Back Row:* Dan Smith, Mark Kelly, Pat Wilkins Pavilion at Shawmut Park sponsored by Tim Rosell ('85).

### Combined Class of 1956 – 64th and Class of 1957 – 63rd 2020 REUNION

PAST REUNION

The HHS Classes of 1956 and 1957 were unable to celebrate their seventh annual reunion picnic scheduled for August 8, 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

The monthly reunion committee luncheon/meetings were not held from March, 2020 thru June, 2020, but resumed last July, 2020.

The winning 50/50 raffle ticket holder was drawn at the August, 2020 meeting. Joseph Ingalls (HHS grad) of North Hornell was the winner. Joe graciously donated one-half of his share back to the scholarship fund. Thank you, Joe, for



donated one-half of his share back to the scholarship fund. Thank you, Joe, for your generous gesture. Italian Villa staff member, Theresa Coleman, drew Joe's ticket.

The Class gifted \$2,000.00 to the HHS Alumni Association Scholarship Fund in memory of our ninety-three deceased classmates. The HHSAA Selection Committee chose two recipients this year. Alexandria Rosell received a \$1,000.00 grant and is currently attending Alfred State College in Alfred, New York. She is enrolled in the two-year Liberal Arts curriculum. Trystan Weaver received a \$1,000.00 grant and is also attending Alfred State College. He is enrolled in the two-year Machine Tool Technology curriculum. Congratulations to Alexandria and Trystan. They will receive their grants over

Left to Right: Theresa Coleman, waitress and Deloris Nicholson Perkins '56 a two-year period.

Since our 50th anniversary in 2006, The Class of 1956 has gifted \$48,000.00 to twenty-nine deserving seniors entering an accredited college or university. A special "THANK YOU" to everyone that contributed to our Class Scholarship Fund. This is a solid and worthy investment in support of the next generation that will become our future leaders.

We are looking forward to another very informal reunion picnic scheduled for Saturday, August 14, 2021. Please pass along the word to all of your classmates and guests. We really hope that you will plan to join us.



Clockwise around the table: David Jacobs '54, Margaret Rechichi Dunn '56, Lou Nasca '56, Ann DeGaetano Potter '57, Francis Gallicchio '57, Marry Ann Gallicchio Parmley '60, Deloris Nicholson Perkins '56, and Mary Jo Colamarino Jacobs '56.







# ATTENTION HHS ALUMNI: PLEASE READ!

Are you or a family member celebrating a class reunion from any of the following HHS classes: 1951 -70<sup>th</sup>? 1950 - 71<sup>st</sup>? 1949 - 72<sup>nd</sup>? 1948 - 73<sup>rd</sup>? 1947 - 74<sup>th</sup>? 1946 - 75<sup>th</sup>? Or higher? On behalf of the Hornell High School 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 HHSAA 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, 2021 at The Main Place (formerly known as the Knights of Columbus). For more information, you or a family member can email and/or telephone the HHSAA President to make a reservation. Cathy Potter Kimball can be reached by email at cathy@bradsupply.com or by phone (607-382-6964). The HHSAA organization would love to see you there. Please consider attending this wonderful and memorable event.

## Class of 1951 to celebrate their 70<sup>th</sup> reunion!

The class of 1951 will be our honored guests this year at our HHS alumni banquet! This will be held on June 26, 2021. More information about the banquet will come as decisions are made by the HHS alumni association. Please contact Pat (Shiner) McEvoy with any questions at (585)424-0150.

## Class of 1955 celebrating 65 years +1!

The class of 1955 is hoping to be able to have a reunion in August of 2021 to celebrate their 65th reunion that was cancelled last year. The class is awaiting further Covid guidance before finalizing plans. Please contact Dorothy White at (607)324-1700 or Joann Smith at (607) 324-0362. More information will be given as we approach the summer.

# COMBINED Class of 1956-65<sup>th</sup> and Class of 1957-64<sup>th</sup>

The HHS Classes of 1956 and 1957 will be celebrating their eighth combined reunion this summer by having a picnic on Saturday, August 14, 2021 at the Arkport Village Park Pavilion. The buffet luncheon will be catered by JC's Café, owned and operated by Andy Carbone of Hornell. The two committees will provide the desserts. The Class of 1956 annual scholarship fund campaign is currently underway to benefit a worthy 2021 graduating senior enrolled in an accredited college or university. The HHS Alumni Association Selection Committee will determine the distribution of our gift. The winner of the 50/50 raffle will be drawn at the picnic.

1956 classmates and guests should make their reservations no later than July 31, 2021 and direct their payment to: Deloris Nicholson Back row (L to R): Robert Rosell '56, Peter Galbo '56, Perkins, 16 Mays Avenue, Hornell, New York, 14843-1415. Checks should be made out to: CLASS of 1956. An informational letter outlining the reunion details was sent to all classmates last January.



The Class of 1956 Reunion Committee

Ann DeGaetano Potter '57; Front row (L to R): Deloris Nicholson Perkins '56, Mary Jo Colamarino Jacobs '56, and Louis Nasca '56. Committee members missing from photo: Alan Joe Herr Neckar, Margaret Rechichi Dunn, Sally Taylor Brown, Eleanor Yeoman Brown.

The Class of 1957 Reunion Committee also sent an informational letter to their classmates last January. Picnic reservations for the 1957 classmates and their guests should be made no later than July 31, 2021 and directed to Ann DeGaetano Potter, 43 Sherman Street, Hornell, New York, 14843-1836. Checks should be made out to the order of Ann Potter.

As a side note: This Class is in dire need of additional committee members. If you are interested in serving, please contact Ann DeGaetano Potter.

We hope that you will sincerely consider joining us again this year.







## Class of 1956 Scholarship Fund Donors

The Class of 1956 will present a \$2,000.00 scholarship to a deserving 2021 graduate that is enrolled in an accredited college or university. The Grant will be given in memory of all ninety-nine classmates that have gone before us. This gift is a tribute to their collective accomplishments since their days at HHS. Sadly, we have lost five more classmates in the past year. All of them are with us in spirit and will always be remembered.

This year's gift to the Hornell High School Alumni Association marks a total of \$50,000.00 since we celebrated our 50th anniversary in 2006. This milestone is one more reason to highlight our 65th anniversary. A very sincere "THANK YOU" to all of our loyal classmates and associates that have supported this worthy class project these past fifteen years.

James W. Griffin

2021 scholarship fund contributions were received from the following classmates and associates:

Col. Robert O. Brewer
Dr. Phillip C. Breunle
Lucciano G. Brundu
Mary Jo Colamarino Jacobs
Frederick N. Cook
Barbara Davis (associate) in memory of James L. Davis
Mary Ann Deegan Jones
James F. Eveland
David M. Fletcher
Peter N. Galbo
Andrea N. Gallese D'Angelo
Jeanne E. Geleta Finch
Angela M. Gibi Van Allen
Lawrence J. Gleason

Alan Joe Herr Neckar R. Sylvia Hansen Elliott M. Hartman, Jr. Joseph J. Ingalls (associate) John P. Kukuvka John F. Linehan Sandra L. Loree Cantlon Francis P. Mauro Raymond M. McDermott Susan M. McKay Argentieri Deloris E. Nicholson Perkins Raymond W. Nolan Rev. Robert D. Oyer Caroline M. Prisco Wood Margaret A. Rechichi Dunn Charles H. Robertson Robert L. Rosell Shell Oil Company Foundation (Associate Donor) Barbara L. Shults Finch Thomas J. Spencer Carol A. Sweringen Topping Paul F. Trapani Richard J. Wallin Clara E. Yeoman Brown Carol A. Zeliff Ziarnowski Sandra M. Zimmerman Bruney

## Class of 1960 celebrating 60 years + 1!

Since our 60<sup>th</sup> reunion was cancelled last year, we are planning for a 61<sup>st</sup> celebration! At this time we are looking at having a good representation at the annual alumni banquet at the Main Place on June 26<sup>th</sup>, 2021. We are awaiting further guidance from the alumni association at this time as to how many will be able to attend/ if there will be a banquet at all. We will be giving a class scholarship in memory of our deceased HHS Class of '60 classmates (as we did last year) to a graduating Hornell High student who is related to a member of our Class of 1960. Please submit the graduating seniors name to us by May 2021. If you would like to donate, *Checks should be made payable to* HHS Class of '60.

Donations for the 61st Reunion Scholarship may be sent to: HHS CLASS OF '60

c/o Carolyn Kuhn Kelly 272 Grand St. Hornell, N.Y. 14843



Class of 1960 Partial Reunion Committee Carolyn Kuhn Kelly, Tony Aini, Tom Secondo, Johanna Oxx Curtis, Dan McManus, and Barb Bishop Clancy

Classmates- please update your phone numbers, home and email address to <u>carolynkelly@stny.rr.com</u>. Or if you have any questions or comments, please feel free to contact Carolyn or the following reunion committee members:

Johanna Oxx Curtis – 607-324-5211 Tom Secondo – 607-324-1986 Barbara Bishop Clancy – 607-324-7644 Tony Aini – 324-7837 Dan McManus – 661-2607



Thank you for your support, either in what you can donate and/or your attendance at the 61st reunion.



# -Upcoming Reunions



## Class of 1965 celebrating 55 years + 1!

Hello class of 1965! Well, with our 55<sup>th</sup> reunion being cancelled last year, we are hoping to reschedule sometime later this year. We had a great response last year and are hoping for the same this year. Fingers crossed we are able to stay healthy and have our reunion that we deserve! Stay tuned as we iron out dates based on Covid restrictions and guidelines. Please contact any of the committee members with any questions!

You never forget the neighborhood kids you grew up with.



Front L-R: Linda LaVerde Fucci, Dee Giglio Porter, Margi Foreman Pomeroy, JoAnn Caruso LaVerde. Back L-R: Jon Cleveland, Pat Hogan Lewis, John Petrilli, Missing from photo: Janet Brunskill Chaffee and Jim Sparro.

## Class of "1970" 50th Reunion...Take 2!

The Class of "70" will celebrate their 50<sup>th</sup>/51<sup>st</sup> reunion on the weekend of August 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>. Invitations for the weekend activities will be mailed out mid-June. Details for the weekend are beginning to take shape. The weekend will kick off on Friday afternoon at 4:30 with a tour of the high school for those wishing to see the changes and updates over the past 51 years. Later that evening we have planned a "laid back" barbeque on Gypsy Hill, overlooking Hornell. Several activities are being planned for Saturday morning and afternoon. Saturday evening, we have planned a gathering at the Hornell Golf Club spending time reminiscing.... listening to 60's music...and just enjoying the memories.

On Sunday morning, those left standing are invited to a "Farewell Brunch" hosted by Gregg and Jeff Johnson and Shawn Hogan. Come, relax and say your "good bye's before you head home. We encourage you to join our Facebook group (Hornell High School Class of 1970) for further updates as we approach the weekend.

\*\*\*The Alumni Association will be honoring the Class of 70 at their Annual Alumni Banquet on Saturday June 26<sup>th</sup>. If you live in the area or would like to make the trip for an evening of fun you need to make a reservation using the yellow card in the middle of this news journal. \*\*\*



This photo of the class of 1970 is from Mrs. Witter's 3rd grade class at Lincoln School (1960). Will you recognize any of them at your reunion?



# -Upcoming Reunions-



## Class of 1971 to celebrate their 50th reunion

Hello Class of 1971! Hopefully, everyone is surviving the pandemic and you are all healthy and planning to attend our 50th year celebration since we walked those hallowed halls of Hornell High School. It was difficult to get together as a larger committee, but your input is important to us. Our fun filled weekend will begin on Friday evening



Some more '71-ers celebrating the holidays in elementary school. Recognize any faces?

June 25th with a mixer at the Hornell American Legion. We plan to have a trivia activity. So, send any trivia related items that took place during our high school years, in or out of school to us (be sure to include the answer). Send to Angela Markel at dmarkel@stny.rr.com. A tentative golf outing will take place on Saturday morning. We are also looking into a tour of Hornell Senior High School Saturday morning. A lot of things have changed in 50 years. Saturday evening is the annual Alumni Banquet where we will be honored by the Alumni Association. Your reservation for the banquet is in the center of this book. You need to make your reservation directly through the Alumni Association and NOT our class. You need to get your reservation in ASAP just in case we are limited on a count due to the pandemic. We look forward to sharing fond memories. Keep in touch through our Facebook page at (Hornell High School Class of 1971). If you have not yet joined please check it out or send

information to our email addresses as listed on the letter that was sent.

### Let's reminisce before our reunion...



*Row 1 (L-R)* Ginny Knight, Mark Ahrens, Mary Owens, Andy Sullivan *Row 2 (L-R)* Doug Kelly, Connie Guinane, Gary Acker, Denise Maples, Tim Gemmell, Kathy Yergens

*Row 3 (L-R)* Sue Austin, Don McCarthy, Janice Lewis, Eugene Haley, Gloria Stephens. Tim Deebs

*Row 4 (L-R)* Glenn Hann, Luann Wolfanger, Steve Markel, Margaret Lamphier, Larry Stephens, Charlene West



Members of Class of 1971 while participating in their Camp Fire group visiting the castle at Alfred University. *Back Row (L-R)* Janice Wills Cohen, Janet Phillips, Nancy Lauterborn Foreman. *Middle Row (L-R)* Susan Hayes, Diane Makovitch Fucci, Midge Barillo Nesbit *Front Row (L-R)* Karen Flaitz, Karen Burdett

# Class of 1972 celebrating 49 years!

The HHS class of 1972 is planning their annual class picnic at Steve and Maureen Binder's house which is always held the Saturday *after* Labor Day. This year it will be on Saturday, September 11, 2021. Please check Hornell High School Class of 1972 Facebook page for more updates.

We have also begun preparing for our 50<sup>th</sup> reunion weekend that will be held in conjunction with the HHS alumni banquet, which is tentatively scheduled for June 25, 2022. We are hoping to have a wonderful weekend catching up with classmates and having a great turnout for this milestone. Therefore, we are asking for updated addresses, emails, etc as we move forward with our planning process. We look forward to hearing from you!







## Class of 1981 celebrating 40 years!

The class of 1981 will be having their 40th reunion at the Main Place on Friday, June 25, 2021 at 8 pm. Please be looking out for important updates on our Facebook page "HHS81". We are looking at having as many of our classmates attend as possible. You may also contact Ann Pettibone-Domingos or Karen (Prete) Carney with any questions you may have. We are looking forward to a great turnout and catching up with one another!

## Class of 1986 celebrating 35 years!

The class of 1986 is planning their 35th reunion for Saturday July 24th, 2021 at the Carducci Lodge on Erie Ave starting at 6pm. Covid restrictions may change the date and time of the event so be on the look-out for updates on HHS Class of 1986 Facebook page. Please contact Bob Peisher on Facebook or email at rpeisher@yahoo.com for any questions.

## Class of 1991 celebrating 30 years!

The Hornell High School class of 1991 is hoping to have a 30<sup>th</sup> class reunion this summer, but have not been able to lock down a date at this time. We are asking for our classmates to keep checking our "HHS Class of '91" Facebook page for further updates.

## Class of 2000 celebrating 20 years, one year late!

The HHS class of 2000 will "hopefully" be celebrating their 20-year reunion this summer- one year late! The class is looking forward to spending time together and reconnecting over memories of Y2K, the rotunda, boy bands, Nokia cell phones, and all things HHS. Check out our Facebook page "Hornell High School Class of 2000" for more updates. We are hoping that we can make a reunion happen this year.





**Committee members: Left to right:** Sandra (Sciotti) Salmon, Marieka (Clark) Woolever, Lyndsey (Cameron) Stillman, Andrea Stiles, and Katie Cole .

# Class of 2011 celebrating 10 years!

The HHS class of 2011 is planning a 10-year reunion in the fall/early winter of 2021. Look for updates on our Facebook page "Class of 2011- 10 Year Reunion!" for updates and important information. You may also reach out to Aryn (Smith) Bailey and Jenna Kramer via Facebook for any questions that you may have or with any of your class officers-Colby Degaetano, Ashtin Argentieri and Donna Nupp. We are looking forward to a wonderful reunion with a great turn out!

Did you know that you can pay your HHSAA annual dues and make a donation to our scholarship fund ONLINE? Please visit our website for more information and to view pictures, past newsletters, reunion updates, etc. <a href="http://www.hornellalumni.org">www.hornellalumni.org</a>



### "It always seems impossible until it's done"

Each year, with the generous donations from our alumni and community, we are able to give various scholarships and grants to graduating seniors. That's what the HHS Alumni Association is for, after all. This year we would like to highlight some of our perpetual donors that continue to make this process possible. We would like to give a special Thank You to the classes that give scholarships on their milestone years when they celebrate their reunions.

### James F. Fisher '55 Grant

James Francis Fisher passed away April 30, 2020 in Greenville, SC at the age of 82. Jim was born in Hornell, and a graduate of HHS, class of 1955. He retired as International VP from Farro Corp. after 40 years of service.

Upon retirement he and his wife moved to Hilton Head, SC. where they were members of St. Andrew by the Sea UMC. Jim volunteered with the church's soup kitchen and church fundraisers. He enjoyed playing golf, working with Habitat for Humanity, building houses and serving as a board member. His greatest joy in life was being with his family and giving back to his community. Giving back to the Hornell community was a very important part of his life. Jim was a special donor to the HHS Alumni Association. He began giving Scholarship grants



yearly in 1998 right up until his death in 2020. He helped several graduating seniors with their post-secondary education. His mission for the Alumni Association was to help a student in need.

#### Catherine "Cathy" Bossard '71 Memorial Grant

The family of Cathy Bossard is honored to present this scholarship in her honor to a graduate entering the field of education. Cathy was a 1971 graduate of HHS. She attended Alfred State College and Alfred University,



and started her career as a special education teacher upon her graduation from AU in 1985. She worked between the Bryant and Intermediate schools, first through BOCES and then through the school system, until her passing in September 2006 from uterine cancer. She died shortly after her 54th birthday.

Cathy had a great sense of humor and was a practical joker. She enjoyed working around her house, reading, and loved classic television. She is

remembered as being a very dedicated teacher and a great advocate for students with disabilities.

#### The Dodd Family

It was not until many years after I left, that I realized how fortunate I was to have grown up in Hornell. I remember that I could not wait to leave the confines of a small town and move to a large city and spread my wings.

After my daughter Samantha was born, I wished I had the same feelings of comfort, security, safety and familiarity in Los Angeles, that I had in Hornell. Those special qualities are difficult to recreate in a large city. Coming home every summer to visit my family and friends was restorative for me. My roots are very important, especially as I grow older.



Many years after my mother died, while reading the Alumni Journal, I looked closely at the scholarship fund and decided that this was a way I could honor my mother Vincena DeGaetano Dodd '43, who died in January 1969 and my father Floyd Dodd '37 who died in July 2016. So, for the past 27 years, I have made a contribution to a deserving high

school senior who will be attending college, in honor of my parents. This is my way of giving back and showing appreciation for the city I still call, home!

Kathleen Silberman

#### Matthew J. '42 & Jeanne Griffin DeGaetano '42 Memorial Grant

Our parents, Matthew and Jeanne DeGaetano always found their work with the HHSAA to be very rewarding. Matt served as President during two different times: 1955-56, and 1991-92. He and many other dedicated members worked hard to create the first News Journal. Matt also devoted his time to help raise funds for the HHSAA scholarship program. The amount of money received from fellow alumni always gave him great pleasure because of the many scholarships HHSAA could provide to students. For many years our dad also enjoyed going to several reunions as the unofficial photographer. His pictures provided class members lots of memories.

Our mom, Jeanne spent endless hours at the kitchen table updating memberships and creating a huge card file on alumni members. She loved sending hand written personal notes to members when they reenrolled, or made donations to the scholarship funds.

Matt and Jeanne were both graduates from Hornell High School, class of

1942. Matt passed away in 2000, and Jeanne in 2008.

Cynthia DeGaetano Schultheis (66), Lynda DeGaetano O'Brien (67), Dennis O'Brien (67), and Bridget O'Brien (96) have found it fitting to fund a scholarship in Matt and Jeanne's name due to their strong commitment to this organization.



### Henry J. "Hank" Giglio Memorial Grant

This Memorial Award is given each year in Memory of Henry J. (Hank) Giglio Sr. Hank was very active in sports growing up and well into his adult life. He especially enjoyed and excelled in golf and bowling. He had 2 perfect 300 games in bowling and numerous

hole-in-ones on the golf course. He loved sharing and teaching his knowledge and talent with his family and friends. He successfully passed it on to his children and many grandchildren. Hank was a hardworking good man who totally enjoyed his family. Although he passed away in 2003, his teachings still live on in his family and on the golf course.



#### **Shull Family Grant**

This is the first year a grant in the amount of \$1,000.00 was awarded to a graduating senior. This scholarship was established by William Shull '69 in memory of his family.

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### Stephen G. Terry Scholarship

The Stephen G Terry scholarship was established in June 2006 by Steve's family and friends. Steve passed away from Cancer in July 2005 and to honor his legacy and his commitment to the Hornell Community the



scholarship was established by his family Margaret Fawcett Terry 1977, Ryan Terry 2008, Sean Terry 2012, Charles 1964 and Christena Galatio Fawcett 1966, and Fred 1977 and Sharon Phillips.

Steve graduated from Hornell Senior High School in 1977. He went on to graduate from Alfred University in 1981 and received his MBA from St. Bonaventure in 1988. He obtained his CPA in 2001. Steve operated Stephen Terry Certified Public Accountant

on Main Street in Hornell until his death in 2005.

Steve was a very community minded person having served as president of the YMCA Board of Directors and at the time of his death was President of the St. James Mercy Hospital Board of Directors and Mayor of the Village of North Hornell. Steve was inducted into the Hornell Alumni Association Sports Hall of Fame in 2007.

Steve's family also established the Stephen G Terry Track and Field Award and Scholarship to a senior who is a member of the HHS Track and Field team.

His family and friends are honored to offer both scholarships to a graduating Senior at Hornell Senior High School.

### Adam Davidson '47 Memorial Grant

My parents, Adam and Marty Davidson, were both HHS graduates (Class of 1947), and they were devoted members of the Hornell community through their work at Davidson's Furniture. Davidson's Furniture was established in 1876 by my great, great, grandfather, Alexander Davidson. Upon graduation from Hobart University, my father decided to return to



Hornell and enter the furniture business as a third-generation owner. My mother joined him in the business and together, they worked side by side for over 50 years. Both Adam and Marty valued education and they loved being part of the Hornell business community. They cherished their opportunities to give back and always maintained strong relationships with the school. Each year, Adam hired one or two high school students as part-time workers at the

store and established many lasting relationships.

This scholarship is dedicated to a student interested in pursuing a career in business/retail.

### Zachary D. Smith '08 Memorial Scholarship-Established in 2010

Nate Smith started this scholarship in 2010 after tragically losing his brother Zach. Zach graduated in 2008, enlisted in the early entry program with the United States Marine Corps when he was a Hornell High School student. We had to sign papers for him to do this as he was not yet the age of 18. This program taught Zach more about the military and would give him a jump start of what was expected in his military life and to get him focused and make him aware of what boot camp was all about. He was a very determined young man, and nothing was stopping him from joining. He graduated in June of 2008, and 12 days later left for Parris Island, SC. Zach trained hard and spent 3 months away from all family, friends and left everything that he knew and was comfortable with. We attended his graduation and he was so proud of his

accomplishment and knew he made the right decision. Zach married his high school sweetheart, Anne Deebs in summer of 2009.

In December that year he deployed to Afghanistan. Zach said that they were going to a place where no one had been and they were going to make a difference. As a mother, that was even more concerning but I had to realize that this was Zach's decision, and his life. It goes without saying that his dad and I were very



concerned and scared of all that he would have to see and do in this whole different life than what he was used to in H-town (Hornell-as Zach called it).

On January 24th 2010 our life turned upside down with a Hornell Policeman, and two United States Marines were at our door. Zach had stepped on an IED (improvised explosive device) that took his life. We were now planning a funeral and the U. S. Marines were deeply involved, and he had a funeral that packed the Church with people even standing outside to pay their respects to Zach. He was 19, a good kid and so much more to do with his life. He was the type of kid that everyone loved, he loved people, he was genuine, he was caring and most of all he was always full of life and lit up any room that he entered. We learned many stories about him that we didn't know, and over the years we also learned about some of his time with his military brothers. He has 9 babies named after him (that we know of), and he is greatly missed every



day by so many people. We continually hear stories of him, and people send messages/cards to his home (some of which we have never met) which helps us realize that people are so grateful for what he did, and they are grateful for our sacrifice.

On January 25th- just the day after we lost Zach- Nate set up a golf tournament in his brother's memory. It is an annual event, Nate doesn't advertise and it still fills very quickly. It is a family event- with many friends that are like family. There are many stories that are told, and there are many toasts with Jim Beam lifted up for Zach on this special day. Jim Beam is something that Zach enjoyed with his Marine buddies-so even though it is a rough drink- many partake in this salute, which makes us all laugh as we can hear him laughing knowing that it is not the drink of choice for many of us! The youngest of the family, Grace was only 10 when Zach was killed, and over the years has helped in so many ways with Zach's tournament and has attended many ceremonies/events to honor her brother and other Fallen Heroes. In January 2020 Grace organized a "Celebration of Life" in her brother's memory and spoke from the heart and did an amazing job.

It is important for our family that Zach is never forgotten which is why this scholarship is so important to us. This allows us to award graduating seniors that depict Zach's character and zest for life. It is hard to believe that he has been in Heaven for 11 years, but knowing that people still care, and still memorialize him we know he is truly "alive" and that keeps us moving forward. Life will never be the same without him physically, but it is obvious that he truly still has an impact in so many people's lives. God Speed Zach##



### Marion L. Brewer Jr. '55 Memorial Grant

Our father dedicated his entire life to serving his community. He started his service to others when he joined the armed services and served his country from 1956-1958. Next, he served the Hornell community for 23



years as a police officer for the City of Hornell. Finally, he ended his career, at the age of 80, at St. James Mercy Hospital, where he worked as Head of Security.

Marion was a man of integrity, and well-respected in our community for his service, as well as for the traits he possessed which made him such a powerful presence, effective leader and law officer. He was honest, loyal, dedicated, fair, motivated, strong, generous, and dependable. Marion very rarely

missed a day of work in his long career, even when he was undergoing chemotherapy and radiation, and serving as a full-time caretaker for his wife, Marilyn, of 50+ years.

This scholarship in his name goes to a deserving senior who is planning on entering the field of criminal justice and who embodies the ideals described above.

### **Rudolph Schneider Memorial Grant**

Rudolph "Rudy" Schneider was a US Navy veteran who served in the Navy during World War 2 and after the war completed his engineering degree at the University of Buffalo. It was there, in Buffalo, that he met and married Grace Kilbert.

In 1950 he came to Hornell as the Vice President and Plant Manager of the Hornell Brewing Company. In 1960 the Brewery was sold and Rudy

shifted to become a teacher of technical electricity and electronics for the Hornell High School. His 3 years of teaching created a passion for education and specifically vocational education, which at the time in the early 1960's was limited to typing for girls and shop class for boys. In 1965 Rudy became Director of Steuben County BOCES and in the late 1960's drove the construction of two Vocational Centers, one in Coopers Plains outside of Corning and the Wildwood Campus in Hornell. Rudy's stewardship of these programs over the



next 15 years saw a growth in quality of teachers, quality of facilities, and interest of students. From a handful of graduating students in shop classes, by the 1970's nearly 35% of the students were involved in some form of vocational career training.

During his time in Hornell Rudy served as President of the Hornell Chamber of Commerce, President of the Hornell Exchange club, President of the Hornell Industrial Club and President of the Hornell Community Chest Board. He was a Director of the Hornell Baseball Association and a Director of the Hornell YMCA Board.

#### **The Hornell Merchants**

Each year the HHS Alumni Association accepts generous donations of varying amounts from Hornell area businesses. Due to the varying



amounts of each donations the HHS Alumni Board of Directors decided many years ago to compile these funds to create one larger grant to a deserving graduating senior. In over the last 30 years the amounts have ranged from \$600 to over \$2000. If you are an area business owner and would like to make a contribution to this grant please contact any member of the Board of Directors. Thank you for your continued support.

#### Donald Cox '62 Memorial Grant

Don spent a lifetime learning all he could about plants, animals and all things outdoors. His strongest interests were biology, particularly botany.

He became a self-taught expert in several natural science topics. He enjoyed camping with family in all kinds of weather and to those who knew him he was the one person you wanted to be with in an outdoor emergency.

In addition to his love for the outdoors he showed through his actions that the most important things in life are not material. Rather they are things like the love of family, generosity, kindness, and humor. This scholarship in his name is to be awarded to a student who is perusing an education in a natural science.



William '37 & Grace Coogan Dailey '41 Memorial Grant



The William and Grace Dailey grant was started by their children because of the tremendous pride they had in Hornell, especially in seeing its youth succeed.

William (class of 1937) and Grace (Coogan-class of 1941) were lifelong residents of Hornell. William "Bill" served in World War II overseas in North Africa, Sicily, and Italy. Upon his arrival back in Hornell in 1945, Bill married the former Grace Coogan. Bill and Grace were the loving parents of six children, all of whom

graduated from Hornell High School. Throughout the years, Bill and Grace spent many evenings at band concerts, football games, wrestling matches, basketball games, baseball games, soccer games and softball games. They helped with many youth activities throughout their children's school years. They believed in the youth of Hornell and wanted to help them succeed. When Bill passed away in 2000, his children; Sally Feeley '64, Bill Dailey '66, John Dailey '70, Michael Dailey '75, Richard Dailey '80 and Barbara Kramer '84 began this scholarship to honor what Bill believed in most, helping the youth of Hornell find success. When Grace passed away in 2002, the scholarship was renamed to reflect her commitment as well. Scholarship recipients are chosen based on their character and dedication to the Hornell community.

### Dorothy "Dottie" Daniels Ryan '69 Memorial Grant

Dorothy Elaine (Daniels) Ryan was born on 27 March 1951 in St. James Mercy Hospital, graduated from St. Ann's School in 1965, and from Hornell High School in 1969. After graduation she attended St. Joseph's Hospital School of Nursing in Elmira, NY, graduating in 1972. She took and passed the New York State nursing exam and was awarded the title of Registered Nurse (RN) in 1972. She died of cancer in July 2015 after retiring in May 2012 due to health complications.



Dorothy's nursing career spanned forty years. Her

initial employment was at the Einstein Medical Center in the Bronx, New York City, working in the Intensive Care Unit (ICU). She returned to Hornell, and for approximately 20 years, worked at St. James, again in the ICU. She then moved to serve as the assistant director of nursing at a long-term nursing facility in Wellsville, while continuing to work at St. James in the dialysis unit. From there she worked for 12 years as a psychiatry nurse with the Steuben County Mental Health Clinic in Bath, retiring in May 2012.

This scholarship in the amount of \$1500, is our family's way of keeping her legacy alive and well. She was an honored member of the nursing profession. This grant is given by her brother Fran '67 and daughters Katie '92 & Erin.

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### Leslie M Gray Jr. Memorial Grant for Excellence in English

As the Hornell Jr. High principal, one of our father's best days would be when an English teacher was sick. No need for a sub, he would teach the class. Also, no need to diagram sentences, he would pick a story and read to the class.

"The Tell-Tale Heart" by Poe, "The Highwayman" by Noyes – 50 years later, when we meet former schoolmates who knew him – they all recount vividly those classes with Dad, and the excitement that the stories brought to them.

Such was his love of teaching and literature that he returned to the classroom from administration, teaching 11th grade English until his retirement.

Lay vs lie, good vs well, set vs sat – speaking and writing well were lessons that benefited all of his students throughout the years (and were dinner grammar lessons for us as well!). His passion for the English language and its literature was the gift he gave his students over a 30-year career as an English teacher and administrator in the Hornell Schools.

When Dad died accidently shortly after retiring, we set up a scholarship to encourage and recognize passion for excellence in English, so his



impact could continue to be felt by the Hornell community.

As we, his children - Les and Sue ('64) and Laura ('68) – look back at our careers, we see clearly the wisdom of G. B. Shaw in Pygmalion - "the way you speak and write defines your success in life." We, and a generation of Hornell students, have Dad to thank for making this wisdom clear.

#### Bessie Ellis Kelleher '43 Memorial Grant

The Bessie Ellis Kelleher '43 memorial grant was started by the family in 2005, after the passing of their loving mother. Bessie loved everything H.H.S. and was a proud Red Raider and cheerleader. Bessie enjoyed

keeping in touch with classmates and attending luncheons with them throughout the years. She was a loyal fan of her children and grandchildren's sporting events and attended as many as she possibly could. After her children graduated she continued supporting and attending games.

Bessie was and avid reader and history enthusiast. Originally the grant was aimed towards a History Major. However, over the years it has been granted to a family member, history major, or a student with financial needs.



#### The Ernst H. Weyand Memorial Grant

Ernie Weyand was a graduate of Hornell High School class of 1947. As a lifelong resident of Hornell, Ernie was an active member of the community. As a Hornell businessman, he very generously supported Hornell youth sports programs. For many years he provided financial

support and served on the Board of Directors of the Hornell Little League and Babe Ruth baseball programs as well as the youth football

league. He was especially supportive of the HHS Red Raiders sports programs. After his death on November 18, 1992, HHS teachers Frank Libordi and Lenny Caruso created the "Ernie Weyand Work Ethic Award" to be given to a senior athlete who displayed the characteristics of hard work and self-discipline – qualities Ernie Weyand modeled throughout his life. At that time, the Weyand family decided to award a scholarship to the winner of the award. Since 1993, the yearly winner of the Ernie Weyand Work Ethic Award has been



awarded a \$1000 scholarship from the Weyand family (Jim & Elizabeth Weyand Martin '79, Ernie '81 & Joanna Weyand, and John '82 & Kimberly Hillman Weyand '84) at graduation. The legacy of Ernie Weyand lives on though the HHS Alumni Association and the Red Raider spirit.



#### Jovena Testani '74 Memorial Grant

Jovena was a member of the Class of 1974. She became infatuated with Foreign Language beginning in Middle School and took Latin, French, and Spanish. She then went to Alfred University where she majored in French, but also took Spanish, Italian, and Russian. During college, Jovena spent a semester in Guadalupe and was housed by a French-only speaking family. Jovena's goal was to be an Interpreter for the United Nations.

### Andrea "Spook" Testani Gordon '82 Memorial Grant

Spook was a member of the Class of 1986. She became smitten with Drama and Theater throughout Middle School and began her Theater

career working backstage for the Middle School Play "The Hobbit." Spook's dream was to go to Elmira College and major in Drama, which she accomplished (although she did not receive much encouragement from home). She then went to Wayne State University for her Master's in Drama. After receiving her Master's, she went to NYC and was a Stage Manager for 10 different Broadway productions, including Tony Award Winning "The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee" and "Side Man." Spook also taught Stage Management at Fordham University.



#### William J. Connors '59 Memorial Grant

Bill was a graduate of the Class of 1959. He received his BS Degree in Pharmacy and earned his MBA from Xavier University. Bill was employed in various capacities of the medical profession. He was the chief Pharmacist at Bethesda Community Hospital. Bill was also Administrative Assistant at Bethesda, Assistant Administrator at St. James Mercy Hospital, Vice President of St. James, Executive Vice President, and Chief Operating Officer. He severed on several Boards throughout the Canisteo Valley and New York State. He was honored as YMCA Man of the Year. At the time of his death he was President/CEO of St James Mercy Health System. Bill passed away in January 2001. His children have funded a Scholarship in his memory.

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#### Penny Mehlenbacher Bassage '77 Memorial

The Penny Mehlenbacher Bassage Scholarship is in memory of Penny (Class of 1977) who passed away in 2000 after a long battle with cancer. During her years at HHS, Penny was a phenomenal athlete, excelling in softball and soccer, she was eventually inducted in to the HHS Sports



Hall of Fame in 1993. Penny was the head women's soccer coach at Alfred State College and eventually was a softball coach at HHS. Penny's family and friends raised a substantial amount of money that went towards this scholarship. Yearly, Penny's family awards this scholarship to a senior HHS softball player. Penny's family includes her husband Jim and her three sons Mike (Class of 2003), Joe (Class of 2003) and Danny (Class of 2007). The family is honored to give this scholarship in Penny's honor to an HHS senior softball

Pictured is Penny's family (L-R) player. son Joe '03, son Danny '07, Husband Jim, and son Mike '03

### **Esther McAneney Memorial Grant**

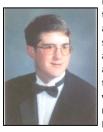
The Esther McAneney scholarship was created for students that are pursuing special education or a field dedicated to helping others given by her family and friends. Esther raised 8 children with love, passing her

compassion onto her students. Working in Bryant and North Hornell schools with children with disabilities, many remember her as "Mrs. Mac". Esther had a love for animals and birds of all kinds. Esther could make any child feel welcomed in the classroom with her sense of humor, and warm smile. If you are one of the many lucky souls that has been touched by her kindness, you know what a truly remarkable mother, wife, Mommom, and friend she was. Her heart was as big as her warm hugs, her wit sharper than a tack, and her unfailing generosity unmatched. Everyone she met she treated like family and everything she did was for others.



#### Kurt M. Bertram '99 Memorial Grant

The Kurt M. Bertram '99 Memorial Grant was established by his friends and classmates shortly after his passing in 2010. Kurt was a 1999 honor graduate of Hornell High School, a Summa Cum Laude graduate of



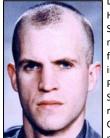
Northeastern University in 2004, where he was the recipient of the William Jefferson Alcott, Jr. award from Northeastern recognizing him as the senior who demonstrated exceptional achievement in cooperative education & accomplished goals beyond the requirements of the University curriculum. Kurt & his family were very proud of his published work relating to eye retinal detachment in 2007. While at Northeastern he was an AmeriCorps volunteer.

From '04-'06 Kurt worked as a research assistant at Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center in Boston on Macular Degeneration. In 2010 he earned his master's degree in toxicology from the University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry, where he was pursuing his Doctorate in Toxicology. Kurt was also an athlete, music lover, especially

Bob Dylan, a traveler, and a wonderful son, brother, uncle and friend. This scholarship, currently for \$500 a year is given to a graduating senior who plans to study in the sciences.



### Trooper Lawrence P. "Larry" Gleason '91 Memorial Grant



Larry graduated in 1991. He excelled in sports. He was a 4-year member of the Hornell High School Red Raider football team. He was also a member of the Track & Ski Teams. He graduated from Alfred University with a Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice. He graduated from the NYS Police Academy in 2001 becoming a New York State Trooper. Larry died in February 2002 while responding to a domestic dispute. A \$4,000 Grant is given in remembrance of Larry who made the ultimate sacrifice while serving as a

New York State Trooper. This grant is given through the Larry P. Gleason Memorial Fund, by family, friends and fellow law enforcement officers.

#### Wilson W. Sick, Jr. '51

Wilson W. Sick, Jr. is a very special donor to the HHS Alumni Association. A graduate of the class of 1951 he will be celebrating his 70th anniversary this coming June. Wilson has been giving scholarships to graduating seniors for the last 29 years. He even donated scholarships while he was helping his grandchildren thru post-secondary education. Although he now lives in Florida, the Hornell community is still very important to him and he continues to give back.

#### Sylvester & Marcelene Brewer Suriani '46 Memorial Grant

Joanne & Stanley give the scholarship every year because it is beneficial to students who may not have the financial status to go for their dreams in making themselves better to get the education to succeed in life. This award has been given for the last 21 years by Stanley '65 & Joanne Suriani Cone '66.

#### Janice Jaye Whitman Raish '74 Memorial Grant

Janice passed away in August 2018 to ovarian cancer. She was a graduate of the class of 1974, and studied business at Alfred Tech. Janice was a people person and also loved and rescued many animals in her life. A scholarship in the amount of \$1,000 was awarded in June 2020. The scholarship was given by her daughter Tiffany Tyler '98 and her sisters Nancy Whitman '65 & Mary Whitman Walden '69.

#### **The Hornell Association Grant**

The Hornell Association is an important part of the Hornell Community, not only to the HHS Alumni Association but to other schools in and around Hornell. Without the help and dedication of their members this scholarship would not be possible. They have been awarding scholarships for the past 31 years. They give back to graduating students whose parents are members and help support their efforts. This past year with COVID 19 it was not possible. But, they are not giving up. They hope to be back in full swing with their scholarships in 2021, and students from the class of 2020 are still eligible this year.



### W.N. & Mildred Clark Pryor Memorial Grant

Mildred Clark was born in Hornell in 1902 and attended Bryant School and Hornell High School. W.N. "Bill" Pryor was Superintendent of Buildings and Grounds for the Hornell School System for many years, retiring in 1966. Their daughter, Coreen Pryor Hallenbeck '43, has been donating funds for scholarships in their memory and has now established a Donor Advised Fund to assure the continued funding of such scholarships.

Although Mr. and Mrs. Pryor never had the opportunity to pursue higher education, both Hornell and education were very important to them. These scholarships are intended to help graduates of Hornell High School pursue post-secondary education.

### The Class of 1956 Grant

William "Jerry" Gray was the Scholarship Chairperson for the Class of 1956. Unfortunately he passed away a few months before his 50th reunion in 2006. For their 50th reunion the Class of 1956 gifted \$20,000 to the H.H.S Scholarship Fund and awarded scholarships to 12 graduating seniors. Since their 50th, each year they have given 2 - \$1000 Grants in memory of deceased classmates. This year marks their 65th anniversary and will have gifted \$50,000 to 31 deserving graduating students since 2006.

#### Dr. Mary Ann Robinson Mercier '66



Mary Ann Robins Mercier passed away On June 14, 2019. She was born and raised in Hornell and was a graduated of the class of 1966. She was a very generous donor to the alumni Association and her class. She graduated from SUNY Oswego in 1969 with a degree in Russian. She went on and received a Doctorate in Psychology specializing in Cognitive Therapy. She was an American Civil War Reenactor with the 2nd Michigan to understand the life of a uniformed solider. Her husband, Richard, gave a \$1,000 Scholarship in her memory, that was awarded in June 2020. Her brother Frank, Class

of 1961 also donated a 1,000 to be awarded to a graduating senior in June 2021.

#### James R. Walton '54 Memorial Grant

James was a graduate of the Class of 1954. In high school Jim was a pitcher for the baseball team and an All-Conference Center and Captain for the football team. He served four years in the Navy and then enlisted in the Air Force. Commissioned as an officer in the Air Force he served as a meteorologist at various posts. He also earned a Bronze star. Jim passed



away from lung cancer in March 2017. Jim was buried in the Bath National Cemetery. His son, James "Gus" Walton has funded a scholarship in his name.

#### **Pulos & Rosell Scholarship Grant**

Bill Pulos & Tim Rosell '85 award 2 scholarships. The criteria for these scholarships are; demonstrate acts of good citizenships, service to the Hornell community, charitable and educational service & projects, and

service to the Hornell High School community in terms of various student activities and sports. If possible they would like the recipient to be attending Alfred University or Alfred State College.

#### Lt. John D. "Boots" Day '94 Memorial Grant

John was a graduate of the class of 1994. Following graduation, he attended Finger Lakes Community College and Corning Community College. He joined the US Marine Corps and attained the rank of Corporal. Following his honorable discharge from the Marine Corps he received his certification for a New York State Police Officer. He served as a police officer for the villages of North Hornell, Portville and Canisteo. At the time of his death he was employed as a sergeant with



the Bath Veterans Administration Medical Center Police and was posthumously promoted to lieutenant. His parents Sandra Larnard Johnson '69 and Joseph Day '67 established this scholarship.

### Richard '47 & Lois Biehl Tyson '47 Memorial Grant

Richard was a graduate of the Class of 1947. He served in the Marine Corps during World War II and the Korean Conflict. He worked for the Erie Lackawanna Railroad for 20 years and later relocated to Ithaca and retired from Newfield Central School. He died in February 2017.

Lois Biehl Tyson was also a graduate of the Class of 1947. Lois and Richard celebrated 67 years of marriage before her passing in March of 2015. Together they raised 6 children. Both Richard and Lois were active in their community. There friends and family have funded a scholarship in their name.

#### Richard "Dick" K Young '45 Memorial Grant

Given by William K. Young '64 -Richard K. Young grew up in Hornell and attended Hornell High School and dropped out at the age of seventeen to join the war effort as a Navy seaman in 1943. Following World War II he acquired his GED and joined the newly formed U.S. Air Force. After spending his early Air Force years in Okinawa, Japan he then pursued a career in the Air Force, specializing in finance. He was married to the former Margaret "Peggy" Hall, also from Hornell. Thank you for helping me honor my uncle who once taught me how to drive a stick shift Studebaker at the age of ten!

#### William "Bill" B. Young '41 Memorial Grant

Given by William K. Young '64 – William B. Young grew up on Tobes Hill in Hornell, graduated from Hornell High school in 1941 and joined the U.S. Army Air Corps in World War II. He was assigned to the 376 Bomb Group, 15 Air Corps, flying in the B-24 Liberator aircraft out of Italy as a gunner and navigator. Following his military service, he worked for the former Erie/Lackawanna Railroad and Conrail Shop as an electrician. He would often stop to hunt rabbits or partridge on his way home from work or spend hours on the lakes to bring home a catch of trout or pan fish. He married the former Jean A. Norton of Canisteo. He was an avid outdoorsman who loved to hunt and fish. Thank you for helping me to honor my namesake and uncle.



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### John "Spider" Andrews '48 – Pals for Life Memorial Grant

This award is given by Bernie Andrews, in memory of his dad John. This award is given to a student who has a strong attendance record, community involvement, hardworking, and helpful to others and a consistent GPA. A good GPA is not the only factor that determines a student's true achievements. Not necessarily an "A" student but one that his or her situations either in school or out of school would improve with this award.

#### The Robert C. Young '39 Grant

Robert was always known as an outstanding athlete, lettering in football, basketball, and baseball at Hornell High School. He received All Steuben County recognition as left end in football, and later as a pitcher on the Hornell High School baseball team. A middleweight boxer in the U.S Navy during his World War II service as a naval aviator, he loved playing competitive "box" lacrosse at the local armory. In 1939, Robert C. Young was awarded the coveted American Legion Certificate of School Award for outstanding Sportsmanship, Scholarship, and Citizenship. His award was equivalent to the current Hornell Evening Tribune Award.

For as much as he enjoyed competition, sports, and athletics, he deeply understood and appreciated the value of an education and encouraged high academic standards with all family members. He believed in giving back to the community and was active in coaching Little League baseball and was active with local scouting organizations.

This award is established to be given to the recipient of the Hornell Evening Tribune Award (or its subsequent equivalent).

#### Cathy Fiscina Terrill Salzman '66 Memorial Grant

Cathy was a graduate of the Class of 1966. She went on to receive her teaching degree from Rosary Hill College in Buffalo, NY. She taught several different grade levels included special education. Throughout her



teaching career she was recognized for her innovation in the classroom and was well respected by staff and students. Education was a very important part of her life. Cathy passed away in June 2008 from cancer. Her brother Sal and wife JoAnn have funded a scholarship in her memory to help graduating seniors to further their post-secondary education.

#### Henry H. Guenther '28 Memorial Grant

Henry was born in Germany and emigrated to Hornell in 1913. He was a graduated of the class of 1928. After college he succeeded his father as president of the Merrill Hosiery Company until his retirement in 1979. He was a member of the Board of Directors for the Hornell YMCA, Hornell Children's Home and the Bethesda Foundation. Mr. Guenther passed in January 2003. The scholarship has been awarded for the past 38 years. It is now funded by a trust, managed by Community Bank (formerly Steuben Trust Company).

#### **Elderwood Nursing Grant**

2020 was the first year of the Elderwood Nursing Grant. This is given to a deserving graduating senior pursuing a career in nursing.

### Mary Frances McKevitt Clany '48 Memorial Grant

Given by the family to honor their mother. Mary Frances was a Registered Nurse who was a graduate of St. Joe's School of nursing in 1951. She worked locally at several hospitals and nursing homes. The grant is awarded to a student who is pursuing a field of study in a nursing program or in the medical field.

#### **Egmond Family Grant**

This grant was started by Katherine "Kay" Egmond Christiano '50 back in 2002. Kay passed away in March of 2005.

Kay was survived by many family members and her husband Joe. They would have been married 50 years in June 2005.

Kay's husband, Joe and her brother, sisters, nieces and nephews have continued with this scholarship. 2020 is the 18th year this scholarship has been awarded.



### Myer '42 & Margaret "Peg" Spitulnik Memorial Grant

For a number of years Daniel '83, Vanessa '92 & children have been awarding a grant in memory of Peg and Myer. Myer was a Hornell High School graduate of the Class of 1942 and a mighty Red Raider! He also owned and operated Hornell Waste Material, Inc. for a lifetime. Peg was a long-time educator (Biology) at Hornell High School. They were both very active in the community and supported many organizations in the area.

#### **Maple City Lions Grant**

The Lions club is a service club for the Hornell/Canisteo area. They are committed to helping children with hearing and vision problems by giving vision exams in area schools. They will assist needy families to purchase glasses.

Each year they give a \$250 scholarship to a deserving senior who is pursuing a degree with the visually or hearing impaired or any other medical degree

#### Gerry Getman '65 Memorial Grant

Gerry graduated from the class of 1965. Shortly before his death in 2017 he had contacted the Hornell Alumni Association about setting up a yearly Scholarship in his family's name. Gerry retired from the Chemistry field and wanted the scholarship to be awarded to a student pursuing a career in the Science field. He loved every aspect of Science, valued education and was a great supporter of students going into the Sciences. Gerry passed away before he could complete the setup of the scholarship. His wife Katy has been very generous to the Hornell Alumni Association in keeping Gerry dream alive.

### **Maple City Development Corporation Grant**

The mission of the Maple City Development Corporation is to reduce unemployment, underemployment and employability of all individuals in the community and develop and preserve affordable housing in the City of Hornell. The mission of this grant is to help a student who is pursuing a post-secondary education and without it may not be able to attend college.

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### Barbara Weyand Miles '43 Memorial Grant – Art Scholarship

### John L. Miles Memorial Grant – Alfred University Science Scholarship

The family of Barbara Weyand (Class of '43) and John Miles have enjoyed being able to establish and maintain HHSAA memorial scholarships since their deaths in 2007 and 2008. They were not sentimental people, and they would approve of making a positive investment in the futures of young women and men who are just getting started on their lives and careers.

They met at Alfred University in early 1957 when Barbara was finishing her master's degree in Art Education, and John was doing work at AU as a post-doctoral fellow, following his immigration from England in 1954.

Family lore has it that their most notable date was the 1957 St. Patrick's Day dance at Alfred. They were married at St. Ignatius Loyola Church in Hornell in August of that year.

Born in 1925, Barbara was the daughter of Leo and Natalie



Weyand. Her memories of the Hornell class of 1943 were bittersweet, because by graduation, many of the young men of the class had already answered the call to military service in WWII. She used to tell about a course that was offered that year where she learned to pack engine bearings, and there is a photo of her in a mechanic's jumpsuit somewhere in the '43 yearbook. During and after high school she also worked for the Erie accounting bureau on the second floor of the old depot. She recalled seeing the thousands of soldiers deploying through Hornell on the troop trains during that time. After graduating with her four-year Art degree from SUNY Buffalo, Barbara taught art in Rochester and Suffern public schools. She was always interested in fashion design, and worked for the Simplicity Pattern Co. in NYC for two years before returning to Hornell to teach and work on her graduate degree at Alfred.

John was born in 1924 in Sutton, now a suburb of London. At least in those days, the British had a more intimate appreciation of war than we do in the US. He would laugh at himself as a young boy, telling of the time that 'Father Christmas' visited their house when he was young, and how he was so sorry that Uncle Bill missed him because he had to take his nap. Coincidentally, that year Santa had a wooden leg just like Uncle Bill who had lost his in a tour with a cavalry unit in WWI. He used to tell how his parents, would tap Morse Code to each other at the dining table when they didn't want the boys to know what they were saying.

John trained as a navigator during his time in the RAF from 1942-1948. After his military service he was able to attend Bristol University on the English equivalent of the GI Bill. He received B.S. and Ph.D. degrees in Physics from Bristol between 1948-1954 and just before graduation took a boat to America on a promise of interesting work at Alfred, from friends who had preceded him there. He used to say that he might not have stayed in America as long as he did, and would not have met and married Barbara, were it not for the beauty of the Southern Tier that reminded him of parts of England.

In 1957, John took a position with a research firm in Cambridge, MA and he and Barbara lived in the Boston area for all of their 50-year marriage. He and Barbara might have had a longer engagement but for the fact that it's just over 400 miles from Boston to Hornell. John would frequently leave work early on Friday, fall asleep on their date on Saturday, and return to Boston on Sunday for work Monday morning. If they were here today, Barbara and John would wish all the Hornell graduates the best of luck, and encourage them to keep their eyes open for the unexpected opportunities that will come their way.

These scholarships are funded by their son Geoff Miles and Barb's sister Natalie Weyand.

#### Charles J. Giallanza '40 Memorial Grant

Charlie loved Hornell and was a great supporter of the HHS Alumni Association. He would return to Hornell every year for the annual Alumni Banquet and would bring as many family and friends that he could even if they weren't Hornell Alumni. He was also very active in his class of 1940, and was a member of the football team in high school. Charlie became active with the Alumni Association and he and Jack Kohnke '41 inspired the HHSAA to produce the newsletter. It started as a small publication and has grown into an 80 plus page journal that alumni look forward to each year. To honor Charlie, the Giallanza Family Foundation gives a \$1,000 Scholarship each year to a graduating senior with the highest GPA who is a member of the football team.

#### **Richard Harris II '00 Memorial Grant**

He was a son, brother, father and friend who was loved and cherished by many. Shortly following his death, the community rallied together to lend their support to his wife and four children. This memorial scholarship is an opportunity to give back and honor the community Rich loved. This scholarship is offered to high school seniors and will benefit two students as they continue their post high school education.

#### Robert C. Hillman '25 Memorial Grant

My father had to quit school when he was 13 and go to work so his older brother could go to school. I think that is why he helped start the

scholarship program. I remember the first (I think) recipient was Rachel Homet, she came by the house to tell my father that she wouldn't have been able to go to college if she hadn't gotten the scholarship. That made his day and all the work he did. I have gotten thank you notes from recipients telling the same or they couldn't have gone to the college of their choice. It makes it all worthwhile. He would have been thrilled to see his granddaughter and grandson receive the scholarships from the alumni association.



"As you grow older, you will discover that you have two hands—one for helping yourself, the other for helping others."

~ Audrey Hepburn





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## Letters to the Editor

(Letters of Appreciation from Alumni)

HHS Alumni Board of Directors,

During a time like this we realize how much our family and friends mean to us. Your kind expression of sympathy will always be remembered.

### Thank you so much XOXO The family of Noreen G. Mahoney

### Hey Pam!

I just got my copy of the alumni journal today and just wanted to say thank you for the nice write up on my parents' party and including it in the journal. Also, just want to say nice job to you and all involved in putting the joural together. I really enjoyed reading through it and seeing what's been going on with alum and in the maple city over the last year. Thank you! It's put together so nicely. I can see so much effort and work goes into the journal. A job well done! I really enjoyed it!

Thank you, Mandy Donlon

We continue to be grateful for your financial help with Kristin's academic journey.

With much appreciation, The Talbot Family

We would again like to extend our thanks to the Alumni Association and the family of Casey J. Cameron for your work, support, and generosity. Myer is in place at the University of Miami as I write. He is thrilled to be there to begin his junior year!

Sincerely Dan, Vanessa, & Myer Spitulnik

Dear Hornell High School Alumni Association Board Members,

Thank you for the lovely card & generous gift in appreciation of my efforts on the news journal. I truly enjoy working on and creating the journal for our association members.

Your kindness & generosity mean very much to me.

Beth Ann (McDermott) Jacobs '83

Thank you all, you do an amazing job. We are so blessed to have you!

### Jackie Loohn Stempfle '51

Dear HHS Alumni Association,

There you go again. What a wonderful piece of journalism in your 2019 News Journal (I am one journal behind). The article I enjoyed very much had information provided by Dave Markel. It was about Bob Ingalls' Boy Scout Troop #67 which I was part of in the 60's.

Joe Piccirillo was a great coach, demanding, no nonsense, strict. He was a physical fitness nut. In my lifetime I have never seen a man who could jump rope as long and as fast as he could. Out of all the students that he could choose from, he chose me to be student manager of the baseball team in 1961, 1962, and 1963. What an HONOR that was!

I enjoy reading the journal every year. Keep up the good work.

Dan Casey '63

I want to say thank you to the HHS Alumni Association for the write up and special thanks to you Pamela Markel for reaching out to me. You all do a great job with this. ONCE A RAIDER, ALWAYS A RAIDER.

### **Ryan Flaitz**

### Dear Alumni Association,

Congratulations on another wonderful news journal. I read it cover to cover each year. You all dedicate so much time doing the journal. Praise to all of you

### **Evelyn Ivey Myers '53**

To Cathy and all the amazing alumni team,

If I could, I would hug you all. All of us all over the country can only say Thank you! You are the best.

Much love from every student who walked the halls of HHS. Joe Guarglia '54

Thanks for all you do! Keegan Johnson Manchester '96



Enclosed is a memorial gift given in memory of Jimmy Gleason. Jimmy, as you may know, was very dedicated to the community of Hornell.

We thank you for your dedication to Hornell's graduates and alumni too. Jim & Pat Danaher

Dear Fellow Alumni,

The News Journal is the best year yet. It is really appreciated to see all of the hard work put into it by all the staff.

Thank you

### Sara M. Cornish Lorow

### Dear Alumni,

The \$80 memorial donation is in remembrance of our mother Gertrude Laura (Partridge) Huffsmith who graduated with the HHS class of 1940. Had she lived that lone, this would have been her 80th reunion. But she passed away in 2014, leaving behind seven former graduates of HHS.

As noted in her biography, she was class president, a member of the basketball team (women, on less) and first chair for violin in the orchestra.

All seven children are still alive and two still reside in Hornell. Peter J Huffsmith and Sandy L. Hillman.

With world events as they are, I don't know if this year's banquet will be held either way I hope this money can help some future student.

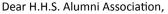
Sincerely M. Huffsmith '68





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Such a different June this year because of the pandemic, but despite the upset in end-of-the year school activities, H.H.S.A.A. carries on with its amazing newsletter booklet and the awarding of scholarships to so many Hornell High School graduates. Always investing in the future.

Thank you Melody & Doug Carrier

### Hi,

Just wanted to say thank you for sending your nice journal that you send every year. I really enjoy it. I finally go to retire about 4 months ago, enjoying it. My 8 year old daughter enjoys it also. I have been working in down town Dallas for 35 years, now no more. I sort of miss it, I miss Hornell also.

Take Care and God Bless, Jim Griswold

We thank the board for, once again a fantastic publication. We look forward to receiving it each year. Your all make us proud of our Alma mater and our home town!

Sincerely Barb '54 & John '53 Scioxton (Sheon)

I like your trips down memory lane.

Bonnie Remchuk Dunn '60

Dear Alumni Editor, Pam Markel,

Thank you for all your time and work in composing the news journal. It's very informative and interesting. I still am reading thru for the umpteenth time and find something new. Keep up the good and time-consuming work. I have seen other school journals and they are not done as well as Hornell.

Helen Dodge McKnight '53

Just received my news Journal WOW!!! So proud to see Jeffery write up, my mom was a Jeffery!

Thanks again! Carolyn Holden Bloss '49 Thank you again for another outstanding News Journal! I have never seen another Alumni Association undertake such an ambitus project every year. Must be some "secret ingredient" in the Hornell water. J

### Mary Jo Kramer Astrachan '66

Thank you so much for the wonderful News Journal this year. I look forward to this each year. Wishing everyone on the board a great year ahead. Blessings to all Sincerely.

### Daniel L Swift '65

A wonderful Job on our yearly Alumni book. Loved the pictures of our 1959 class –our 60th. Thanks to all who made this event special.

### **Elaine Gray Beeton '59**

Dear Angela and Carolyn,

Thanks for all you do for us. And a special thanks to you both for the wonderful "hats off" to my mom and dad in this year's journal. Hopefully this will generate some more long lost memories.

All the best, stay safe and stay well. Mike

Thanks for the great alumni yearlong journal. I enjoy working through it as I do with our 1956 newsletter Pete Galbo and Delores send to all the '56ers. The only thing I can think of any other suggestions except make sure the names are under the pictures. It's probably hard to but it's nice to know who they are.

Sincerely, Jean Galeta Finch '56

Hi, Pam!!

Congratulations on another wonderful journal. I look forward to it every year! I know how much work goes into it...and, the result is spectacular!! Thank you to you and the rest of the committee for doing an AWESOME job!

Ellen Dagon



### To All of you,

My wife, Mary Hall Carter, passed away last year on April 24 and I followed up quickly with her picture and obituary hoping to get it in this year's News Journal.

I received my 2020 News Journal today and went immediately to the obituary section and there it was, just as I hoped it would be. Thank you! You did a great job as I knew you would.

I was in the class of '43 who all went down to the train station and into the Army and got to land on Utah Beach in Normandy and across Europe. I was the speaker at our 25th reunion in 1968 and attended many of the banquets over the years.

Thank you again for recognizing Mary, she's a very accomplished lady!

Sincerely, Don Carter '43

HHS Alumni, You all do such a great job!!! Virginia Delaney MacDonald ' 51





# Recognizing our Alumni Working in Health Care

The coronavirus pandemic (COVID-19) turned everyone's world upside down in 2020. In March and April, the Hornell area was hit exceptionally hard with some of the highest infection rates in the entire region. It was a scary time for all as there was much unknown about this novel virus. Along with this, in March last year, our community hospital moved north from its long-time Canisteo Street location in the city to its brandnew location in Hornellsville. To say the Hornell medical community was in a chaotic state would be an understatement. However, when push came to shove, the Hornell medical community came together to serve the medical needs of the greater Hornell area. Many HHS graduates selflessly worked the front lines during this uncertain time, whether it was at St. James itself, the adjacent new medical office building, various clinics in the community would like to give a BIG THANK YOU to those heroes that made many sacrifices for the well-being of us all here in the Hornell area. Below are just SOME of our alumni that have chosen a career as a front-line worker, we attempted to gather as many pictures and names as possible to add to this section of our journal. While we know we cannot account for them all, we appreciate them all and all that they do.

### **St. James Specialty Clinic**



(*L-R*) Kathleen Porcaro '83, Dena Hann '13, April Nichols '95, Kristina Donovan '10

### St. James Medical Office Building Lab and Cardiac Rehab



Cardiac rehab: Brenda Armaly '88



Lab: Bethany Gayhart '09



Oak Orchard Community Health Center (Located in the Medical Office Building, North Hornell)





Maryann Bailey '94



Jennifer Reese '98



Kaitlin Alfred '13

# Recognizing our Alumni Working in Health Care

OR LIFE

**St. James Primary Care Office** 



(L-R) Jackie Grillo '10, Barb Shaut '95, Sharon Sleggs Smith '82, Tammy Lawrence Criss '82, Michelle Parks Eason '91

### Some St. James Staff



(L-R) Lisa Taggert Nichols '08 -RN, Outpatient Infusion Clinic and Stress Test, Sarah McHenry Vetter - Manager '06, Urgent Care and Outpatient Infusion Clinic, Lindsay Fronk '01- Perioperative Services

### **Dr. MacKellar's Office** (Canisteo Valley Family Practice)



Seated - Diane Dale '75 Back (L-R) Katie Quinlan '08, Michele Curtis '84, Karen Burdett '85, Amy Clark '95





Standing: Anne Shepard '84 Seated: Megan Mahoney '11



HHS Alumni Brandi Palmer Van Valkenburg '00 (left photo) and Allie Argentieri '11 (right photo) stand on the front lines giving vaccines to residents at their respective locations.



Virdee Medical Group (pictures unavailable) Jessica Miles-Gallese '99 and Caitlin Wing '08

### Additional St. James Employees (pictures unavailable)

Patricia (Davis) Smith-RN '98 - ER Misti Carbone '01 - EKG/EEG/ ER Meaghan Connors '12 - Medical/Surg. Laniqua Harmonson '15 - Radiology Amy (LaChiusa) Guarglia '89 - Radiology Danielle (Ives) Merring '05 - Radiology Hannah (Drone) Beers '08 - Radiology Colleen Drew '14 - Medical/Surg. Anna Cappadonia- PA '14 - Medical/Surg. April Nichols '95 - Specialty Clinic



Shawn Valentine- PT DPT '04 - Director Ortho Rehab Grace Smith '17

### **St. James Primary Orthopedic Clinic**



# Janice Whitman Raish '74



Janice Whitman Raish graduated from HHS in 1974. She studied Business at Alfred Ag Tech and went on to work for Avon Products, both as a Representative and as a substitute for her mother as an



Avon District Manager during her mother's convalescence from surgery. Her first husband traveled the east coast doing stained glass window work in churches; Janice accompanied him until they settled in Pittsburg, PA and there celebrated the birth of their daughter, Tiffany. When Tiffany was a toddler, Janice began a career waitressing in local restaurants. As a "people person," Janice not only enjoyed the job, but more importantly to her, it afforded work hours that would always allow her to accommodate her daughter's schedule and needs.

Janice later married Hornellian Lawrence Raish and together they began Raish plumbing. Janice kept the books for the business, answered the many requests for service calls and handled all the supply ordering. Several years later she and Larry considered themselves fortunate to relocate to the beaches of North Carolina and then, Janice, to Florida, achieving a lifelong dream of enjoying waterside living and warmth in the southern states.

Janice is most remembered by those lucky enough to have known her as a gracious, warm hearted and generous soul. Her positive attitude toward whatever life tossed her way and the kind words she offered anyone she met always brought smiles to family, friends, coworkers and customers.



# Dr. Eric J. Murawski, M.D. D.D.S '06

Dr. Eric J. Murawski, M.D. D.D.S passed away unexpectedly in Cleveland, OH on December 16, 2020 at the age of 33 years. Born in Hornell on October 15, 1987, he was the son of John and Susan (Neiser) Murawski. Eric grew up in Hornell and was a graduate of HHS class of 2006.

In 2010, he received his B.S. Degree in chemistry from Binghamton University and then graduated from the University of Buffalo in 2014, receiving his Doctor of Dental Medicine Degree. He also completed medical school at the University of Buffalo and pursued post-graduate studies in oral surgery. For the past 6 months, he resided in Cleveland where he was completing a dental residency program.

Eric was a skilled wood worker, had a deep love for his two dogs and two cats, and enjoyed caring for his many bonsai trees. He enjoyed rooting for his favorite sports teams, the Buffalo Bills and the Buffalo Sabres. Survivors include his parents, John and Susan Murawski of Hornell; two sisters, Alison (Gabe) DiBeradinis and Ashley (Peter) Berkes; his devoted partner of many years Dr. Gretchen Galvin of Amherst, NY;

paternal grandmother, Adeline Murawski of Exeter, PA; one nephew Gabe DiBerardinis; four nieces, Lauren and Charlotte DiBerardinis, and Caroline and Emma Berkes.







# James L. "Jimmy" Gleason '54

James L. 'Jimmy' Gleason passed away May 22, 2020 following a long illness at 84 years. He was born in Hornell on April 6, 1936, the son of James and Mildred (Hyland) Gleason. He grew up in Hornell, a graduate of Hornell High School, Class of 1954.

Following high school, he began a 50-year career working for the railroad. Through the years, Jimmy worked in many capacities for the Erie, Erie



Lackawanna, Conrail, and CSX railroads. His final 30 years, he was an engineer, retiring in July 2005. During those years with the railroad, he also served the City of Hornell as a Call Fireman and as a Hornell Ambulance driver, continuing his services until he was nearly 80 years old. Jim was a member of the Hornell Knights of Columbus, the Hornell American Legion, the G. Carducci Lodge, the Hornell Association and the Hornell Am Vets. An avid golfer, Jimmy played numerous rounds of golf at Twin Hickory Golf Club and was a member of the Hornell Golf Club. In his younger years, he enjoyed deer and quail hunting. He loved rooting for the New York Yankees and watching football on TV. Jimmy had a special relationship with his granddaughter, Anne Updyke. He attended her sporting events and was her "Biggest Fan". Jimmy was a devoted husband, father, brother, grandfather, and uncle. He will be remembered for his easy-going personality and his every present smile.

Jimmy was preceded in death by his infant daughter, Meghan Ann Smith; his nephew Trooper Larry Gleason. Survivors include his wife, the former Linda Smith; two daughters, Bridget (Steve) Minisce, and Kate (Chris) Secondo; his son Tim Gleason; and his brother Larry (Rosemary) Gleason. Memorial contributions in his name may be made to the Hornell Alumni

Association, PO Box 135, Hornell, NY 14843.



# James W. "Jimmy" Hess '08



James W. "Jimmy" Hess passed away May 10, 2020 at his home following a long and courageous battle with cancer at the age of 29 years. Jimmy was born



in Hornell on October 23, 1990, the son of James and Angela (Caruso) Hess. He grew up in Hornell and was a graduate of Hornell High School, Class of 2008.

Jimmy later received his Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration from Alfred State College. He was employed for several years at the Hornell Public Library and later assisted his father in the operation of Hess Tree Service. More recently, Jimmy was employed as a cashier at Wegman's in Hornell where he was wellknown for his warm and friendly personality and his ever-present smile. For many years he served as Choir Director at the Hornell Methodist Church. Jimmy had a deep love of music and was known and admired throughout the area for having a beautiful voice. He actually auditioned for the TV shows, 'America's Got Talent' and also 'The Voice'. Locally, he enjoyed karaoke and taking part in many plays and recitals. For several years, Jimmy served as an announcer at Hornell Little League and Hornell Babe Ruth Games. He was an avid WWE wrestling fan, and was a member of the Hornell YMCA and Maple City Physical Therapy. For several years, Jimmy devoted his adult life promoting love and peace to everyone and simply lending a sympathetic ear to anyone who found themselves enduring the same hardships.

He was preceded in death by his paternal grandparents, Walter and Betty Hess; and his maternal grandparents, Angelo and Ethel Caruso. Survivors include his father, James 'Jim' Hess; his mother, Angela Caruso; his sister Jessica Hess; and his half-sister Sierra Caruso.



# William (Bill) Dudley Scheiwer

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William (Bill) Scheiwer passed away September 20, 2020 in Canonsburg, PA at the age of 87 years. Bill was born in Erie, PA, the son of Pete and Bertha Scheiwer. Bill's love for bowling started when he was a young boy. His father owned three bowling centers. Bill attended Wesleyville high school where he played varsity football, baseball, and basketball.

After high school graduation, Bill joined the Navy for four years, where he was a Submarine Radio Operator. After his Honorable Discharge, he enrolled in Edinboro College where he earned his teaching degree and met his wife Sara (Sis) Todd. Bill taught American History for 28 years at Hornell High School. He combined his love for teaching and sports by coaching Babe Ruth Baseball in Hornell and Princess Softball in Arkport for many years. He continued to teach and became owner of the 'Hornell Bowl' from 1962 to 1987. He became an active competitor in bowling and also gave bowling lessons. Bill was well-known as an outstanding bowler, winning many tournaments and awards. He was named to the 'Hall of Fame' by the Hornell Bowling Association and to the 'Hall of Fame' at the Peterson Classic in Chicago. He won local, regional, and state tournaments too numerous to list. He was a proud participant in the 'USBE National Tournament' for 58 years.

Bill loved watching the Steelers and Pirates. After moving to Pittsburg in 1993, he worked for 15 years as an usher for both the Steelers and Pirates

games. Bill loved flying and became a pilot. Bill enjoyed golfing and golfed with senior's league. Bill enjoyed singing karaoke and would sing several times a week at local establishments. Bill went sky diving at the age of 85 and continued to work with his son Bill and grandson, Zach at 'Bill's Pro Shop.' There he continued to give bowling lessons. His loving family will miss always miss him.



Bill was predeceased by his parents and his older brother Donald Scheiwer. Survivors

include his wife Sara Todd Scheiwer, his 4 children, William T. (Melissa) Scheiwer; Stephen M. Scheiwer; Susan (Daniel) Canfield; and Rachel Gre; his sister-in law and her husband; Charlotte and Matt Deluea; his brother-in-law and wife James and Elizabeth Todd.



# Bettye J. Hooker '45



Bettye J. Hooker passed away September 6, 2020 at the Livingston County Center at the age of 93 years. She was born in Port Orange, FI, the daughter of Joe and Sarah Barrentine. Bettye was a graduate of South Broward High School, Class of 1945. She also attended Mars Hill College in Mars Hill, NC.



Bettye married her husband, Gerald Hooker in Hornell in 1948. She and her husband were business owners and served Hornell throughout their lives, including Hooker and Smith Trucking Company, Hooker Enterprises, Green Acres Mobile Home Park, the Oaks, and the Country Kitchen Restaurant. Bettye also had several businesses of her own, including the Point Restaurant and the Hornell Tastee Freeze. She devoted her time to the successful operation of her businesses, employing many area high school students. Bettye was also active member in Hornell, including the Hornell Parent-Teachers Association where she also served at the district and statewide levels as Director of the South-Central District. She also volunteered with the American Red Cross.

Bettye was an active member of the Hornell Rotary and was the recipient of the Paul Harris Award. She earned her private pilot's license at the age of 41, becoming one of the small number of women pilots in the state. Bettye was an active snow skier, enjoying many winters at Swain Ski Center. Bettye was extremely creative, known as an expert seamstress, making most of her clothes. She was also known for her creative holiday decorations. Family was the center of Bettye's life, taking great pride in her children and grandchildren.

Bettye was preceded by her husband, Gerald, her parents; sister, Doris Brooks; and her brother Stacey Barrentine. Survivors include her three sons, Steve, Stanley (Susan), and Scott (Peggy).



# Maureen M. Tobin Galatio '48



Maureen M. Galatio passed away June 28, 2020 in Wellsville, NY at the age of 89 years. She was born in Hornell February 13, 1931, the daughter of William and Regina (Lynch) Tobin. She grew up in Hornell, a graduate of



Hornell High School, Class of 1948. Following high school, she began employment at the Erie Railroad.

Maureen married Stephen J. Galatio on June 16, 1956. She was employed at St. James Hospital from 1968-1980 as an occupational therapist and from 1980-1998 as the Director of Activities and Volunteers at the Steuben County Infirmary. As an active community volunteer, she served as ombudsman at a local nursing home and volunteered her time at RSVP; American Red Cross; St. James Gift Shop; St. James Auxiliary; the Ladies of Columbus and the Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians. She served as Eucharistic Minister at St. Ignatius Church and St. Ann's Church. Maureen's motto and the words she lived by were "Faith, Family, and Friends." She was proud of her Irish heritage. Maureen cherished her friendships with the YMCA 'swim buddies' and exercise classmates along with her card club. She loved to attend the sporting events of her sons and grandchildren through elementary, high school, college, and Gus Macker Tournaments.

She was preceded in death by her husband and her brother Jack. Survivors include her three sons, Joseph (Joyce) Galatio, Daniel (Lisa) Galatio, and James (Kylie McLaughlin); her brother Tom (Gail) Tobin; and her sister-in-law, Shirley Tobin.



# Edward G. "Ed" Clancy, Jr. '48

Edward G. 'Ed' Clancy Jr. passed away September 29, 2020 at James Hospital, following a short illness at the age of 91 years. He was born in Hornell on June 23, 1929, the son of Edward and Florence (Feeney) Clancy. Ed grew up on Grand Street, a proud member of the 'Bloody Fifth' ward. He was a graduate of Hornell High School, Class of 1948.

Following graduation, Ed began working as a clerk for the Erie Railroad. In 1950, he enlisted in the US Marine Corp and saw active duty in Korea. He also had security clearance to the Atomic Program. Ed was honorably discharged in 1954. Ed returned to the Hornell area and resumed his employment with the Erie Railroad, later the Erie-Lackawanna Railroad, and Conrail. Ed received an award for having the least number of accidents. He retired in 1988 as superintendent with over 40 years of service. Ed was a member and past commander of the Hornell American Legion, the Hornell VFW, and the Ancient Order of the Hibernians. For many years, Ed raised, bred and showed canaries and later tropical fish. He was a member of the International Canary and Finch Society. Ed enjoyed fishing, camping, reading, and photography. He loved gardening and especially enjoyed raising beautiful roses. He was a lifelong Frank Sinatra fan. Ed loved his family and the wonderful time spent with grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Ed was married on May 15, 1954 to the former Mary Frances McKevitt who died December 28, 2006. Surviving are three daughters, Kathleen Clancy, Kelly (Arnie) Belz and Kolleen (Robert) Dunn; three sons Edward G. Clancy III, James (Laura) Clancy, and Kevin (Christina) Clancy; one sister, Mary Elizabeth O'Connor; sister-in-law Margaret Clancy and, Janice Murphy.

Memorial contributions in his name may be made to the Hornell Alumni Association, PO Box 135, Hornell, NY 14843.





# Teresa May Bender '45



Teresa M. Bender passed away January 8, 2021 at St. James Hospital at the age of 92 years. She was born in Sesquenna, PA, May 16, 1928, the daughter of Rudolph and Gertrude Steidel May. She moved to Hornell as a



Steidel May. She moved to Hornell as a young child. Teresa was a graduate of Hornell High School, Class of 1945. She had been employed for several years as an operator for the New York Telephone Company.

Teresa was a wonderful mother; knitting, sewing, cooking, canning, and freezing foods. She and her late husband, Frances had a small dairy farm and the Buck Deer Park Campgrounds. She sold milk and butter. Teresa was known for her baking and helping her favorite organizations. She was an active member and past matron of the Oder of the Eastern Star. Teresa was an avid card player of the former Capstan Pinochle Club, active member for over 30 years at the Hornell YMCA.

Survivors include her daughter Frances Teresa (Gary) Melvin, Sue Ann Martin, Mary Fay Johns, her sons David Edward (Anne) Bender and Duane Stephen (Linda) Bender, Daniel LaVern (Melissa) Bender, Dennis Jefferson (Debra), and Duane Stephen (Linda) Bender, grandchildren, great grandchildren and two great grandchildren.





# Marilyn M. McClary Grillo '49



Marylin M. McClary Grillo passed away May 18, 2020 at Elderwood in Hornell following a long illness at the age of 90 years. She was born in Hornell



on May 8, 1930, the daughter of Frank and Camilla (Angel) McClary. Marilyn grew up in Hornell, a graduate of Hornell High School, Class of 1949. While in high school she worked at Tuttle & Rockwell from 1946-1950. Later Marilyn was employed for several years as an assistant manager and buyer for the Cameo Shop in Hornell.

In the 1970's, she acquired her Real Estate License. For several years she worked for Winters Real Estate, as a real estate agent. Later, Marilyn received her Broker's License and began working for Real Inc. in Hornell. She retired in 2017 at the tender age of 87. She was a member of the Ladies of Columbus, St. James Auxiliary, Carducci Lodge, and the Hornell Alumni Association. Having a deep love and affection for her family and many friends, Marilyn loved entertaining at her home and always enjoyed the company of others. At Halloween she invited all the neighborhood children into her decorated home to give them candy, cider, and donuts. Marilyn also enjoyed sketching pictures on the hill at Kanadadea Park. She will be remembered as a genuine, giving, loving, compassionate woman who always had a smile on her face and a twinkle in her eye. She will be sadly missed by everyone who had the pleasure of knowing her.

Marilyn was married on January 13, 1951 to Joseph 'Joe' Grillo, who died July 22, 2003. She was also preceded in death by her daughter, Deborah 'Debbie' Fahl who died September 5, 2019. Survivors include her son Michael 'Mike' Grillo; her daughter Mary (Stephen) Westfall; her sister Betty Jean (Gene) Saville; her son-in-law James Fahl.

Memorials in her name may be made to the Hornell Alumni Association, PO Box 135, Hornell, NY  $% \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{A})$ 



# James "Jim" Edward Barillo, Sr. '57

James "Jim" Edward Barillo Sr., passed away peacefully February 2, 2020 in Bradenton, FL at the age of 81 years. Jim was born in Hornell on June 22, 1938, the son of Michael Mark and Ell Donnelly. He was a graduate of Hornell High School, Class of 1957. Jim attended Alfred State College. He married his high school sweetheart, Judith Anne 'Judy' in 1962 and celebrated their 57th anniversary in 2019.

After playing professional baseball for the Chicago White Sox as a talented second baseman, Jim became a PGA golf professional. He worked as a PGA pro for 50 years, serving as head golf professional at numerous clubs throughout Western New York, including Bartlett Country Club, Olean, NY; Penfield Country Club, Penfield, NY; and most recently, Birch Run Country Club, Allegany, NY, which he owned and ran with Judy for more than 20 years, making countless friends and helping grow the sport in the region. Jim was a sought-after expert in the golf swing instruction, a skill and passion he used in teaching the game to thousands of people young and old. He earned the honor of "Top 400 Instructors in America" from Golf Digest and was named "Teacher of the Year" by the Western New York PGA Section in 1992 and 2004 as well as it "Junior Gold Leader" in 1997. He recently was admitted into

the PGA of America "Half Century Club", bestowed to an elite group of members who have served the PGA with honor and pride for 50 years. A lifelong teacher and a New York Yankee fan, Jim enjoyed nothing more than spending time with his family whom he treasured, especially his nine

grandchildren, as well as his many friends in New York and Florida. His warm smile and unlimited generosity for helping others were known everywhere he traveled, leaving a lasting impression on all who knew him.

Jim was preceded in death by his parents and his brother Joseph William. Survivors include his wife Judith Anne 'Judy'; daughters, Michele McGillivray and Mary Jo Dunn; son, James Jr.; brother, Michael; and sister Mary Ellen Nisbet.





# William D. Sirianni '47



William D. Sirianni passed away peacefully November 25, 2020 at St. James Hospital after a recent short illness at the age of 91 years. He was born in Hornell on August 5, 1929, the son of the late Anthony and Rose



Sirianni. A lifelong resident of Hornell. He was a graduate of Hornell High School, Class of 1947. He proudly served in the US Army during the Korean Conflict from 1951 until his honorable discharge in 1953.

Returning to Hornell, Bill was employed with the Erie Accounting Bureau in Hornell for 8 years and 5 years in Scranton, PA. He then attended college and received an Associate's degree in Science from Corning Community College in 1965 and a Bachelor of Science degree in Education from Geneseo State College in 1970 and a Master's degree in Education from Elmira College in 1978. Bill was an elementary teacher for 20 years for the Hornell School District before he retired. He volunteered with the St. Ann Church's 'cleaning crew' and a faithful member for 10 years at St Ann's Bingo. Bill was a Third-Degree member of the Knights of Columbus, a member of the Catholic United for Faith Organization, the Elks Lodge, and St, Ann's School and Hornell Alumni Association. He was a member of the Maple City Lions Club for 13 years and volunteered for Meals on Wheels.

Bill was predeceased by his parents, a sister and brother-in-law Cleora (Robert) Carroll; two brothers, Frank (Marian) Sirianni and Raymond Sirianni, and a sister-in-law Thelma Sirianni. Survivors include his brother, Richard 'Dick' Sirianni and several nieces and nephews.



# Robert L. "Bull" Margeson



Robert L. "Bull" Margeson honorably served the citizens of Hornell starting in 1990 and retiring in April 2015. Prior to this Bob worked as a patrolman for



the village of Alfred for 6 years. Since retiring from Hornell Bob had continued his police work at the Canisteo Police Department. In all Bob has dedicated 37 years of his life serving and protecting the citizens in Alfred, Canisteo, and Hornell.

In addition to police work Bob helped coach the Alfred University Saxon's and Alfred State Football teams for 29 years. Bob was an avid reader and has written several books. As an officer he was a great asset to the police family giving a wealth of knowledge, support, and dedication to the officers and the communities that he served.

Officer Margeson always put others first in line before himself helping to give back to the community and surrounding areas. He had a passion to help others that very few do, dedicating decades to helping the Hornell Area Human Society. He always spoke highly of his mother and made several trips to Pennsylvania to be with her. He loved his companion black lab "Thunder" and spending time at his cottage on Loucks pond. He will be deeply missed by all who knew him.



# Gary Raymond Packer '78

Gary Raymond Packer passed away suddenly, September 14, 2020 at St. James Hospital at the age of 59 years. He was born at the old Bethesda Hospital December 22, 1960, son of Walter H. Packer and Sybil Clark Haley Packer. He was a graduate of HHS, class of 1978.

Gary had worked for M & K, Alstom, Bombardier, TTA, and most recently owned Hornell Electronics. He had a passion for electronics and music and was a local DJ for years. He was a family man first and enjoyed being very social; accumulating a ton of friends.

He was predeceased by his father Walter in 1964 and is sister Hope Packer

in 2012. He is survived by his wife Elizabeth Smith Packer, whom he married on May 3, 2008, his mother Sybil Haley, his son Gabriel Packer, 2 daughters Kelsey (Tim) Clair, and Hilary Packer; 2 step sons Matthew Clark and Daniel Clark; his brother Robert G. Haley; his special aunt Dorothy Clark; 3 grandchildren Grace, Olivia and George. Memorials in his name can be made to the Hornell Alumni Association specifically "Class of 1978".





# Robert L. 'Bob' Flaitz Sr.

Robert 'Bob' Flaitz Sr. passed away peacefully March 19, 2021 at Elderwood at 86 years old following a long illness. He was born in Hornell February 1, 1935, the son of Leon and Lena (Sexton) Flaitz. Growing up in Hornell, Bob was



a graduate of Hornell High School, Class of 1953. He excelled in many sports. As a senior, he was named "Athlete of the Year." Bob was named All County in scorer in basketball, Section V First Team All Star, First Team All-County and MVP in basketball and football. One of the first inductees into the Hornell Sports Hall of Fame. During his high school years, Bob spent many hours as a lifeguard at the Hornell City Pool. Upon graduation, Bob enlisted in the US Marine Corp, where he served as a Drill Sergeant from 1953-1956. Returning home, Bob attended Brockport State, Alfred

State, Corning Community College and Broome Tech. Bob spent most of his life in Hornell. He spent 20 years as a police officer for the Hornell Police Department. Bob aided in delivering babies, instrumental in saving lives and received citations for Valor in Line of Duty. In 1966 he was awarded 'Policeman of the Year'. He retired as a sergeant of the Hornell Police Department. Throughout the years, Bob was employed as a Prudential Insurance salesman, a laborer at Foster Wheeler in Dansville and later employed at the North Hornell Police Department where he served as Chief of Police for 17 years.

Following his 'retirement' Bob worked as a collections officer at Steuben Trust Company, owned and operated a street painting business in Hornell and officially retired as the head of security at Morrison-Knudson in Hornell. In addition to his many jobs, Bob also served as a First Ward Alderman for the City of Hornell for several years, and was later awarded the 'Key to the City' after being named 'Republican of the Year' in Hornell. He was a past member of the Hornell Elks Lodge, American Legion, and the Hornell Police Club. Bob was a 'Sports Fanatic' who loved coaching the youth of Hornell. He was active in Little League Baseball, JV Football and Vince Lombardi Football. He coached Midget League Football for many years earning many trophies. He coached in the YMCA Sunday School Basketball League. He was also part of the coaching staff for the Hornell High School football team in the early 1980's. He was a certified basketball referee and enjoyed playing golf. He and his wife Donna spent many years attending their grandchildren's sporting events. He will be remembered for his great storytelling at family gatherings. On December 21, 1954 Bob married his high school sweetheart, Donna Piccirillo who survives. Also surviving include his two sons, Robert (Lori) Flaitz and Joseph (Meghan) Flaitz; one daughter Nikki (William) Harkenrider; one brother, Jacob Flaitz; and one sister-in-law, Delores Flaitz.



Jean E. Alexin, formerly of Myrtle Ave, Hornell, passed away April 22, 2020 at Elderwood where she had resided the past nine years. She was 102 years old, the daughter of Felix and Mary (Perillo) Ricardo. In her younger years she enjoyed rooting for her husband, John Alexin, who played baseball in the men's baseball league. Jean was especially known for preparing delicious pasta dishes. She was an excellent seamstress, who enjoyed crocheting, sewing, and doing alterations.

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**Irene M. Mauro,** a resident of Updyke's Willow Ridge passed away June 4, 2020 at the age of 90 years, following a long illness. She was born in Troupsburg, NY, the daughter of Joseph and Hazel (Paul) Moore. Irene grew up in Hornell-Canisteo area and was a graduate of Hornell High School Class of 1947. She had been employed for several years as a telephone operator for the former NY Telephone Co. When her children were younger, Irene spent many busy years as a Cub Scout Den Leader, Homeroom Mother for classes at the Lincoln School, Blue Bird and Camp Fire Leader, religious education teacher and was active in the Lincoln School PTA. In later years, Irene babysat for the children of several teachers at Lincoln School and then babysat her own grandchildren for several years. She was married on October 16, 1948 to Salvatore 'Tootie' Mauro who died February 26, 2008. Survivors include her 3 sons, Thomas (Ann) Mauro; Ronald (Suzanne) Mauro; and Robert (Pauline) Mauro; daughter Teresa (Andy) Williams; sister Genevieve Lamphier.

Lawrence McRae 'Larry' aka 'Baba' Carroll, 74 passed away peacefully June 3, 2020 at his home surrounded by his loving family, following a long illness. He was born in Hornell, the son of the late Edward Markham and Genevieve (McRae) Carroll. Larry grew up in Hornell and was a graduate of Hornell High School, Class of 1964. He was an active member of his high school reunion committee and spent countless hours volunteering his time to make sure each event was a success. Larry was a veteran of the US Army, serving from 1967-1969 and had been stationed in South Korea. He returned to the Hornell area and for 10 years was a machinist and crane operator. After his machinist days, he was employed in the custodial department at St. James Hospital, Bath VA Hospital and the Hornell City School District. Larry not only supported his own children in their sporting events, he was a strong supporter and cheerleader for all the Hornell High School sporting teams. In 1972, Larry married to former Debra 'Debbie' Ball, who also survives. Also, surviving includes his daughter Heather Carroll; his son Scott (Maureen) Carroll; and brother, Richard Carroll.

**Susan Jane Gay Cullen** passed away on May 23, 2020 at the age of 78. She was the daughter of Stanley and Virginia Gay. She was a graduate of Canisteo Central School, Class of 1959. She attended SUNY Cortland and SUNY Geneseo. After college, Susan taught Physical Education and Health at Hornell High School and Jasper Central School. She coached soccer, track, softball, basketball, volleyball, and was cheerleading advisor. Susan was a mentor to many young women. To this day, we often hear students tell our family what an impact she had on their lives. Survivors include her children, Collen Donahue; Shawn (Debbie) Donahue; Shane (Cristine) Donahue; Christine Cullen; and her stepson, Michael (Nodja) Donahue; her brother, Melvin (Kelly) Gay; husband Joseph Cullen; very best friend, Dee Martin McNelis.

**Carol A. McKinley Fiacco**, passed away at Hornell Gardens, April 21, 2020 at the age of 86. She was a life resident of Hornell. She was the daughter of Paul and Virginia Smith McKinley. Carol was a graduate of Hornell High School, Class of 1952. She earned her Licensed Practical Nurses (LPN) diploma and for several years, Carol was employed at the former Bethesda Hospital, working in the nursery. For over 30 years, Carol worked in the cafeteria at North Hornell School. Survivors include her husband, Robert "Bob" Fiacco, son Mark (Liz) Fiacco; 2 daughters, Susan (Dan) Nickerson and Tara Regan; 2 sisters Mary Lucy McKinley and Helen (Richard) Harkenrider.

**Mary Lou Walters Durso** passed away at Hornell Gardens, April 13, 2020 at the age of 83. She was born in Catawise, PA the daughter of George and Dorothy (Shultz) Waters. Mary Lou grew up in Bloomsburg, PA, a graduate of Bloomsburg High School, Class of 1954. She was married to Michael (Mike) Durso. Mary Lou was a stay-at-home mom for many years. She was employed as a library aide for the Hornell City School District and later office manager for Steuben Educators. For many years Mary Lou managed the St. James Hospital Aquinas Gift Shop and volunteered for the American Red Cross. She was preceded in death by her husband Michael, and her daughter Kathleen. Survivors include 2 sons Michael (Rose Mary) Durso and Stephen (Susette) Durso, two daughters Cindy (Rick) Hasler and Chrissy (Doug) Taggert.

**Daniel Philip Masterson** passed away August 30, 2020 at Strong Memorial Hospital after a long courageous battle with cancer at the age of 52. He was born in Hornell, October 14, 1967, the son of Donald Masterson and Gloria (Pulkowsy) Masterson. He was a graduate of Hornell High School, Class of 1988. Danny served in the US Navy during the Persian Gulf War for four years, honorably discharged in 1996. Danny had a Bachelor's Degree in teaching. He was a substitute teacher for Canisteo-Greenwood CS and the Hornell City School District. He was employed as a manager at Pizza King in Hornell for 30 years. He was predeceased by his parents. Survivors include his two sisters, Bernice (Jeff) Mulhollen; Donna (Rex) Depew; three brothers, David Masterson, Robert Masterson, and Richard (Laralee) Masterson.

**Santa M. Petrelli Cleveland**, passed away April 8, 2020 at St. James Mercy Hospital, following a brief illness, at the age of 90. Born in Hornell, she was the daughter of Frank and Felice Petrelli. Santa was a graduate of Hornell High School, Class of 1947. She was employed as a secretary at the NY State Department of Health in Hornell. She left that job to join her Army husband, Walter Cleveland, in Germany. Returning to Hornell, Santa worked in the cafeteria at the Hornell Jr. High School. Santa was well known as an extremely good cook and always had a smile. Survivors include her husband, 3 sons, Walter, Mark, and Daniel; daughter Mary (Fred) Klindt; sister, Mary Petrelli, and her twin brother, Dominic Petrelli.

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**Burr D. Straight** passed away April 11, 2020 at St. James Hospital at the age of 82. He was born in Hornell, the son of George and Marion DeWitt Straight. Burr was a graduate of Alfred-Almond CS. He received his B.S. at Alfred University and his Masters at SUNY Oswego. Burr had a long teaching career at Hornell H.S. where he taught Shop, Driver's Ed., and Drafting. Later, he was employed for several years at the former ServiStar in Hornell. For several years, Burr was a member of the NY Army National Guard, member of the Almond Volunteer Fire Department and Ambulance Corp. Survivors include his wife, Dianne Cole Straight; 3 daughters, Sarah Fields, Karen (Richard) Rioch, and Laura Straight.

**Barbara A. Roosa Hicks** passed away on June 13, 2020 at St. James Hospital following a brief illness at the age of 87 years. She was born in Hornell in November 11, 1932 to the late Carl R. and Catherine E (Bowles) Roosa. Barbara was a graduate of Hornell High School, Class of 1951. On March 17, 1956 she married Joseph D. Hicks, who predeceased her in September, 2008. Barbara was a former bus driver for the Hornell City School District for many years. She retired from the Aquinas Center of St. James Hospital in 1998. Survivors include her 4 sons Joseph Hicks; Michael (Elaine) Hicks; Timothy (Yvonne) Hicks; and Daniel Hicks; a sister, Delores (Robert) Gerhart; a brother, Carl Dan (Donna); and brother-in-law Donald (Betty) Merring.

**Nancy J. Pauly Curran** passed away January 30, 2020 at her home following a long illness at the age of 73 years. She was born in Hornell, on June 15, 1947, the daughter of Ludwig and Irma (Allis) Pauly. Nancy grew up in Hornell, a graduate of Hornell HS, Class of 1966. In her younger years she served as a crossing guard for the Hornell School District. For many years she was employed at Dyco Electronics in Hornell. Nancy had a deep love for her family and enjoyed the company of her cats Bandit, Frisky, and Sunny. Survivors include her husband, Charles 'Chuck' Curran, two daughters Shannon (Kyle) Bell, and Kelly (Edward) Ellis; brother William 'Bill' (Betty) Pauly; two sisters Linda (Earl) Moore and Helen (Gerry) Perschilli.

**Bernard A. Hults Sr.** passed away January 18, 2021 at St. James Hospital at the age of 75 years. He was born in Canisteo (where he resided all his life.) on July 14, 1945, the son of Miles and Ida Butler Hults. Bernard had been employed as a custodian at Hornell High School, retiring after 35 years of service. Bernard was married to Gloria Hults who predeceased him. Survivors include three daughters Rebecca Hults, Brenda (Jeff) Armaly, and Buffy Reynolds; four sons Bernard (Denise) Hults Jr., Benjamin (Beth) Hults, Roger (Samantha) Hults, and Brett Hults.

**Arling C. Bliss**, passed away November 20, 2020 at Arnot Ogden Medical Center in Elmira at the age of 81 years. He was born in Hornell, the son of Melvin D. Bliss and Mildred (Harrington) Bliss. After high school, he joined the US Air Force, working as a jet mechanic. Arling was stationed in France, where he met and married his wife Jeanine in 1960. In 1961 Arling was honorably discharged and returned to this area. His GI Bill benefits helped for his degree in psychology. Arling worked for years in the building trades before he became a teacher in BOCES building trades. Survivors include his wife Jeanine; his son Brian Bliss; his daughter Nadine (Dr. William Bailey); his brothers, Melvin D. (Rose) Bliss and Alan (Kathy) Bliss; his sisters Audrey, Stephanie, Judy (Joseph) Ridgeway, and Bonnie (Dennis) Cady.

**Douglas P. Printy** passed away February 9, 2021 at his home in Florida, ending a 10-month struggle with pancreatic cancer. He was 77 years old. Doug was a graduate of Gates-Chili High School in Rochester. He received his BFA from Alfred University. His first years as an art teacher were spent at Greenwood Central School, Whitesville Central School, Maui High (Hawaii), and St. Lawrence Central (Brasher Falls, NY before settling down at Hornell High School in 1971. He was also a track and field official, football coach, Driver Ed teacher, Art Club Advisor, Ski Club Advisor, and School Bus Safety Instructor for area schools. Although he retired from teaching in 1998, some of which he continued to do until 2010. Doug was a deacon in church, a song leader, and Sunday School teacher. Survivors include his wife Janice Hurne Printy, with 56 years of marriage; three brothers Richard (Caroline), Robert (Bonnie) and David (Beth); three sons, Dart, Darrin (Deanne) and Dale (Bobbie).

Judith I (Keith) Beckerink passed away December 24, 2020 at the age of 81 years. She was born in Jamestown, August 30, 1939, the daughter of Marion and Florence (Johnson) Keith. Judy was a graduate of Sherman Central School, Class of 1957. She received a Bachelor's Degree from Albany University and her Master's Degree from Syracuse University. Judy taught in Western New York before moving to Hornell where she taught Business and Latin at Canisteo Central School and then at Hornell High School prior to her retirement. She enjoyed sewing, quilting, reading, playing canasta, time at the "farm', attending her grandsons' athletic events, and time spent with family and friends. Judy was predeceased by her parents, husband of 55 years, Kenneth Beckerink. Survivors include her daughters Kathryn (Tom) Markel and Karen Beckerink; her sister Janice (Hiram) Grant and Norma Warcup.

**Vera M. Lorow** passed away peacefully December 25, 2020 at her home surrounded by her loving family at the age of 67 years. She was born in Hornell, October 14, 1953, the daughter of Millard Chadwick and Vera Marvin. Vera had resided in Hornell her entire life. She had been employed for several years by the Hornell School District as both a cafeteria worker and a member of the Janitorial Staff at Hornell High School. Vera was predeceased by her parents. Survivors include her husband Ricky Lorow Jr; her sister Betty (Roger) Holbrook, and brothers Chad (Amy) Chadwick and Earl (Trish) Lewis.

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**Virginia A. Pauly** passed away December 2, 2020 at Delmas Center in Delmar, NY at the age of 83 years. She was born in North Hornell December 21, 1936, the daughter of the late Archie and Olive (Oakes) Crozier. On December 21, 1958 she was married to Ludwig F. 'Louie'' Pauly, who predeceased her on May 29, 1999. A resident of Hornell for most of her life, Virginia was a graduate of Hornell High School, Class of 1954. She received her Bachelor's Degree from Buffalo State College in 1958 and completed graduate studies at Elmira College and Geneseo State College. Virginia began her teaching career at Haverling Elementary School in Bath. She later became employed with the Hornell City School District and taught first and second graders at the Columbian School from 1974 until her retirement in 1999. She enjoyed knitting hats for newborns and volunteered with the Hornell Red Cross wrapping Christmas presents and volunteered with Sister Susan at Steuben County Rural Ministries. Survivors include her two children Cynthia (Raymond) Donovan and Douglas (Donna) Pauly.

Arlene M. Clark passed away peacefully October 31, 2020 at her home on East Washington St., at the age of 95 years. She was born in Hornell on August 22, 1925, the daughter of the late Joseph and Genevieve (Hallett) Recktenwald. A resident of Hornell most of her life, Arlene was a graduate of Hornell High School, Class of 1943. In 1948, she was married in Hornell to Leo L. Clark. She was employed at Tuttle & Rockwell and the Hornell City School District before she retired. Arlene will be remembered for being a loving devoted wife, mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother, sister and an aunt. Survivors include three daughters, Linda (Jack) Markham, Jean (Jerry) Schreiner, and Patricia (Mike) Clark; two sons William (Yvonne) Clark and James (Cammy) Clark; two sisters, Mary Muhleisen and Bonnie (James) Brunswick; three brothers, Robert 'Bob' (Linda) Rectenwald, John 'Jack' (Bonnie) Rectenwald and Gerald 'Jerry" (Sonia) Recktenwald.

**Eugene E. Cedruly** passed away December 21, 2020 at the University Hospital in Rochester, NY at the age of 91 years. He was born January 16, 1929 in Harrisburg, PA, the son of the late Harry Ernesto and Eva (Spina) Cedruly. Gene was a 1946 graduate of Orchard Park High School. Upon graduation he enlisted in the US Army and honorably served his country in Korea. On December 30, 1950 he married Norma Crowner. Gene graduated from Georgia University with a Bachelor Degree and a Master's Degree from Alfred University. He was employed by the Hornell City School District as a science teacher and guidance counselor for 31 years, retiring in 1991. Gene was predeceased by his daughter; Regina Ann. Survivors include his wife Norma; brother Raymond Cedruly.

**Gordon E. Schiller** passed away March 19, 2021 at St. James Hospital. He as born in Batavia NY on October 7<sup>th</sup> 1940, the son of Gordone & Elsie (Behrens) Schiller and was raised by his maternal grandparents, Fredrick & Catherine Behrens. He grew up in Geneva, NY, was a graduate of Geneva High School Class of '59 and earned his Bachelors Degree in Elementary Education from SUNY Geneseo. From 1963-1964, Gordon taught 6<sup>th</sup> Grade at Dansville Elementary School and from 1964-1968 taught 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Math at Middlesex Central School in Middlesex, NY. In 1968, Gordon moved to the Hornell area and for the next 27 years served as 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Math teacher for the Hornell City School District. He retired in 1995. He was a devoted father and "family man" who never missed his daughters' soccer & basketball games, track meets, and other school activities. Without a doubt, he was their #1 Fan!!! In addition to his parents and grandparents, Gordon was preceded in death by his half-brother, Frank Schiller. Survivors include his wife Joanne; 2 daughters, Bethany Schiller and Jill (Mike Lepelstat) Schiller; sister, Patricia Schiller; half-sisters, Audrey (Barry) Panepento and Bette (Keith) Wright.

**Gary Sheldon Fisher** passed away peacefully with his family at his side one day after his 84<sup>th</sup> birthday, following a short illness. He was born in Bloomsburg, PA on January 31, 1937, the son of Sheldon and Senie Fisher. Gary was a graduate of Bloomsburg High School, Class of 1954, where he lettered in baseball, basketball, and football. Gary received his Bachelor of Arts in Education from Bloomsburg State College in 1959, married Barbara and started his teaching career at Jasper Central School. He earned his Master's in Education at Alfred University. After several years, Gary was named the first principal of the BOCES program in Hornell, NY. During his tenure the program grew from one small auto mechanics class in a rented garage to the Wildwood Education Center serving 13 school districts. After 27 years and being officially retired, he was called to serve the Hornell School District in an administrative capacity for several more years. Gary was deeply admired for his positive spirit, contagious smile, and his interest in others. He was preceded in death by his parents, step-mother Janet Irey Fisher, and his brother-in-law Marty Swank. Survivors include his wife, Barbara (Raup) Fisher and his children, Michele (Jim) Gamelas; Todd (Karen) Fisher; sister-in-law Sally Swank (Nelson Groth).

**James T. Meadows**, a resident of "The Oakes" passed away December 23, 2020 at Strong Memorial Hospital in Rochester at the age of 81 years. He was born in Blossburg, PA, March 18, 1939, the son of Thomas and Mildred Goodwin Meadows. Jim was a graduate of Wellsboro High School, Class of 1957. He received a Bachelor's Degree from Bob Jones University in Bible Studies. Jim received his Bachelor of Science Degree from Mansfield University and Master's Degree from SUNY Geneseo. Jim taught 6<sup>th</sup> grade for 34 years for the Hornell City School District. He was predeceased by his parents; sister, Azalee Marnor; and his brothers, Harvey, George, and Morgan Meadows. Survivors include his wife Jean Tucker Meadows whom he married on August 13, 1960; his daughter Phyllis (Gary) Acker; and his sisters, Betty Niles, and Ruth Dinnison.

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**Rita Jean Thomas** passed away peacefully November 3, 2020 at her home surrounded by her family at the age of 85 years. She was born January 25, 1935 in Dansville, NY, the daughter of Lennolee (Wright) Moose and Clarence Moose. She is a graduate of Stoneleigh Burnham School, Northhampton, MA. Rita earned her BS and MS in Education at SUNY Geneseo. She attended the Eastman School of Music in New York City the summer of 1954. Rita lived in Canisteo for 50 years. She retired after teaching for 30 years as a fourth-grade teacher in Hornell and Canisteo. In her spare time, Rita owned and managed "Kanisteo Apartments", and traveled extensively during her 28 years of marriage to Richard Thomas, who predeceased her in 2001. Survivors include her son Kenneth (Elisa) Karlson; two step-children, Teri (Thomas) Aboud and Roy Thomas.

**Debra L. 'Debi' Towner Angell** passed away unexpectedly September 14, 2020 at St. James Hospital at the age of 66 years. She was born in Bath September 7, 1954, the daughter of Vernon F. and Mary T. (Townsend) Towner. Debi grew up in Hornell, a graduate of Hornell High School, Class of 1972. Debi had been employed at GST BOCES in Hornell and later GST BOCES at Bath High School for a total of 25 years. She was employed at JC Penney's in Hornell, in charge of the Fabric Department, employed as a phlebotomist at St. James Hospital laboratory and also a phlebotomist for Quest Diagnostic Labs of Buffalo for Wellness Clinics for 26 years. She enjoyed her family and many friends, and watching her children and grandchildren's sports and other events. Survivors include her husband Rick; her daughter and son-in-law, Kristie (Brian) Babcock; her son Shawn Angel; her father Vernon (Red) Towner; and her sister Sally Towner (Alan Olmstead).

**Freida L. Steffey** passed away peacefully August 23, 2020 at Hornell Gardens at the age of 86 years. She was born on April 21, 1934 in the town of Grove to the late Harold and Gladys (Fox) Steffey. Freida was a graduate of Canisteo C.S., Class of 1952. She received her BS degree from SUNY Geneseo in 1956. Freida taught in the Fewsburg, Canastota, Vestal, and Arcade school districts, retiring after 33 years of teaching. Upon retirement she moved to North Hornell where she volunteered in the Reading Department of the North Hornell Elementary School. In her church she served as Deacon, member of the women's circle, and participated in the Christmas Bazar craft and workshops. She was predeceased by a brother, Harold Steffey; and a sister, Margaret Carney. Survivors include a brother, Ted Steffey and sister-in-law Carol Steffey.

Lloyd 'Bud' Duane Winans, Jr. passed away January 11, 2021 after a short battle with brain cancer at the age of 60 years. He was born September 24, 1960 in Hornell to Lloyd and Dolores (Walsh) Winans Sr. Bud was a graduate of Wellsville Central School, Class of 1978. He grew up working on local farms. After high school Bud worked at Jones Memorial Hospital, then went on to teach at BOCES in Hornell. Bud had a fifteen-year career at Kodak in Rochester until they closed. He worked at Dresser Rand in Wellsville and Olean. Bud married Sherry Allen in 1980. Bud was an avid hunter, fisherman, and outdoors man. He spent his last summer teaching his grandchildren how to grow a garden. Bud touched the heart and lives of so many being the gentle giant that he was. Survivors include his wife Sherry Winans, son Kyle (Erika) Winans; daughter Amber (Chris) Madison; son Tyler (Lauren) Winans; two sisters, Margaret (Tony) Kuras and Vaughda Bone; four brothers, Steve (Francine) Winans, Patrick (Zuly) Winans, Alan Winans, and Neil (Diane) Winans.

The Hornell High School Alumni Association wishes to acknowledge the service that these individuals gave to the district and their dedication to the students of Hornell. We are truly grateful for the many years they spent with us.

# Obítuaríes



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Jean Virginia Cline VanWie1939	Dick T. Hollands1946	Joanne N
Mary Campbell Patton Blake1940	Francis R. "Joe" Solo1946	Joseph P
William "Bill" Bobownik1940	Ora Kelly Costello1947	Bonnie Fa
Doris E. Nichols Snowden1941	Santa M. Petrelli Clevland1947	Shirley A
Arlene M. Recktenwald Clark1943	Irene M. Moore Mauro1947	Marilyn I
Julia "Julie" DeGaetano Delaney1944	Alberta M. Wray Brooks1947	Matthew
Ruth A. Alger Hogan1945	William D. Sirianni1947	Anne R. I
Teresa May Bender1945	Maureen M. Tobin Galatio1948	Mary Ani
Jane Seaman Cartella1945	Edward G. "Ed" Clancy, Jr1948	Charles E

Joanne Maher Price	1948
Joseph Patrick "Joe" McHale	1949
Bonnie Fancher Furlong	1949
Shirley A. Maglier Meehan	1949
Marilyn M. McClary Grillo	1949
Matthew P. "Matt" Gambino	1949
Anne R. Robertson Prato	1949
Mary Ann Orihuel Leon	1949
Charles B. Slaght	1949



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Clarence E. Cady	1950	Sue Ann White	.1960	John B. Cardamone, Jr
Carolyn Furlong Prattico	1951	James E. Oyer, Sr	.1960	John (Jack) "Foo" Potter197
Barbara A. Roosa Hicks	1951	Stephen L. Babcock	.1960	Ricky Dean Mulhollen
John Trentanelli	1951	Carol Ann Daniels Winters	.1960	Karl T. "Tim" Kerr197
Richard Kellogg	1951	James E. Cone	.1960	William G. Hammond197
Mary Ann Secondo Losecco	1951	Nancy Marie Hann	.1961	Phillip Wing197
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Carolyn D. Agard Lang	1951	Mary E. Ryan Griffith	.1961	Deborah I. Panter
Carol A. McKinley Fiacco	1952	Roseanna M. "Rosie" Prior Thompson	.1962	Christine Senstock Kazor197
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Judith "Judy" E. Jacobs Brown	1952	James Allen LaVerde	.1963	Jeffrey L. "Jeff" Miller198
Robert Louis "Bob" Stevens	1952	Marsha Faye Chamberlain Castiglione	.1963	Patricia "Pat" Carroll Parsons
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Anna I. McKibben Moran	1953	Judy D. Dick Callahan	.1964	William A. Haynes198
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William C. "Mac" MacFarland	1953	Nancy J, Pauly Curran	.1966	Tabitha "Tabi" Remchuk Wang199
Joanne S. Sheon Villante	1953	Nancy Ludwig Curran	.1966	Monroe M.K. Bates
Robert "Bob" Flaitz, Sr	1953	Peter R. "Pete" Robbins	.1967	Dr. Eric J. Murawski M.D. D.D.S
James L. "Jimmy" Gleason	1954	Michael J. McDaniels	.1967	James W. "Jimmy" Hess200
Virginia A. Crozier Pauly	1954	Nancy M. Evans Hoyt	.1968	Justin M. Bush201
Joan M. Sackett Cady	1954	Dawn L Davis Mase	.1968	
James Frances Fisher	1955	Ronald Wayne Byron	.1968	Ernest Lee Myers
Ida Sylvia Newell Schmitz	1956	Corrine A. Harrington Maile		Charlotte M. Martin Billings
Thomas Gerald Gallagher	1956	Midgley Robert "Bob" Smith		William C. Vosburg
Carol E. Hoffman Thompson	1956	Stephen W. Lyke		William G. Gardner
Lucciano G. "Lu" Brundu		Debra A. "Debbie" Dobell Mallery		Gerald J. "Jerry" Nichols, Jr.
Thomas Gerald Gallagher		, William Remchuk		Marlene Stephens Herbert
Margaret "Peggy" Cosgrove Changose		Gordon F. "Gordy" McGregor		Michael A. Parks
Dr. James Edward Patti	1957			Lucy Ermy Scrocco
		Stephen Brown	.1970	Jean Riccardo Alexin
		David Sherwood		Robert Allen "Jonesy" Jones
		Helene M. Turek House		As Long As Hegets Domember
Roger L. Schulitz		Jan N. Cleveland		As Long As Hearts Remember
William John "Bill" Crowe		Robert J. "Rainman" Talbett		As long as hearts remember
Mary M. Margie Pollinger Secondo		Paul Randall		As long as hearts still care
Merle Dodge		William M. "Mike" Bennett		We do not part with those we love
Brent A. Beyea		Debra L. "Deb" Towner Angell		They're with us everywhere.
Homer Lewis		William R. "Billy" Valentine, Jr.		
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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.

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