

# Blue 'n' Gold

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## TENNIS COURTS: TO BE OR NOT TO BE?

The good news is that already on hand in a Tennis Courts Fund is about \$24,000, and some good folks locally have indicated willingness to make in-kind contributions to bring down the cost of the project, expected to be in the vicinity of \$110,000. The bad news is that so far we alumni have come up with only \$3,600 in donations. We thank those of you who have responded, and we appeal to those of you who have not. A site has been chosen (the property along Warren Turnpike north of where the little red barn stood), over \$27,000 has been collected through the years, volunteers stand ready to pitch in, some of the best young tennis players in the Berkshire League are looking to us, and we have reason to honor the Sixtieth Anniversary of a wonderful school, the first of its kind east of the Hudson River. Most public high schools do not even have active alumni associations let alone one that can accomplish something as special as we have set out to do. So please "answer the challenge with all that's best in you."

Here is the nitty gritty: we are trying to pay for the newsletters out of the dues you send us. That money goes into a checking account from which we draw to pay for paper, ink cartridges, and postage. The printing is done at the school by the students of the Mountaineer Press. Your tax deductible donations go into the HVRHS Alumni Fund at the Berkshire Taconic Community Foundation where they are invested and earn us a return. So the more we collect in dues, the less likely we are to have to invade our invested funds to

send you the newsletters. If things go according to plan, this will be the first issue of Blue 'n' Gold paid for entirely out of dues.

When you send us a check, please be sure to IDENTIFY YOUR GRADUATING CLASS, and we hope you understand now why we need separate checks for dues and donations. Designate which is which on the memo line.

**DUES ARE \$5 PER YEAR  
PAYABLE EACH  
SEPTEMBER FIRST:  
THEY MAKE THIS  
NEWSLETTER  
POSSIBLE**

We ask that you identify your class as you make a donation at least partly to encourage some healthy competition among the classes. The next issue of this newsletter will highlight outstanding performance by class. And remember: **NO MORE TENNIS ORPHANS AT HVRHS!**

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## NEW CONTRIBUTORS LISTED

Since the 60th Anniversary Capital Campaign was announced in the last issue, these alumni have made contributions beyond dues:

### 1940's: \$365

Isabelle Decker, Connie Suydam Jackson, Austin Jackson, Marion Glazer Olson, Edward Matson, Joyce Brennan Young, Gertrude Matson Eriksen, Marion Winn Staples, Harold Warner, Sally Fuller Prestele

### 1950's: \$1,480

Dorothy Eaton Merhige, Chrystene Schlock Trotta, Dorinda Cobb Pizone, Violet McKie Justesen, Robert F. Johnson, William Platt, Joanne Platt, Medora Anderson Matson, Lenore Fuller Hoag, Nancy Hart Markgraf, Elizabeth Pedersen Beers, Phyllis Pidgeon Walsh, Elisabeth Posselt Barker, Catee Gold Hubbard, Nancy Dodge Jacobs, Joseph W. Jacobs, Margaret Grusauski Wilson, Polly Ann Miller Storms, Daniel O'Connell, Joyce Marston Kragel, Sonja Hegge Hillestad, Frederica Mills Culick, Dale Prindle, Barbara Godding Brown, John Dower, Bette Pidgeon Dufour, Catharine Schwab McLaughry, Samuel Bartholomew, Barbara Monroe Commerford, Edward McGuire, Donald Piretti, Henry Carley, Peter Kenny, Debbie Clark Benedict in memory of her father Warren Clark (faculty, 1942-1966) and her brother Rennie Clark '53, Walter Carlin, Kenneth Beckley, James Miller, Jane Clyburn Boyd, Anne Knibloe Minatti, Louis Minatti, Arlene Fallon Dauer, Anne Clyburn Killawee, Mary O'Connell Friedman, Richard Gustafson

### 1960's: \$785

K. Marcelle Habibion, Richard Brown, Charles Olsen, Anthony Cantele, Jacqueline Galkowski Gadt, Brenda Pickering Curran, Helen Hadsell Root, Kathleen Jahngen Edgar, Craig MacMillan, Bonnie Hunter Sheldon, Terri Tatsapaugh Sergi, Anne Christinat Jackson, Randy Jackson, Tom Belter, Diane Camp Lang, William Goodsell, David Baker, David Jack, Marvin Marshall, John and Beverly Nelson Perotti, Kathryn Crosby Lukens, Joanne Walters Gustafson, Marie Ne-Jame Shaw, Dean and Gail Neville Hammond, Thomas Segalla, Kyle MacMillan Delario, Hazel Kirkpatrick McGuire, Roxanne C. Lehberger, Ann Houston, Steve and Karen Lamb Blass

### 1970's: \$365

Terry Solan Belter, Susan Boultis Fenn, William Kenny Jr., Sandra Gomez, Anne Marie Lahr Willhite, Jean Boutellier, Rob Casey, Edward Hennessey, Tim Hawley, Donna Brelsford Cope

### 1980's: \$355

Francis and Dolores Schaefer Perotti Jr., Peter Collins, Kelly Martin Murray, Mark Peneer, Amy Bishop Camassar, Donna Pequignot Gentry

### 1990's: \$5

Melissa Ocif Erdtmann

### STAFF: \$10

Ronald Dower '60

## CLASS AGENTS

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 1946 Janet (Hedden) Wildman 27 Old Litchfield Road Washington 06794 860-868-2676  
 1947 Dot (Winn) Cecchinato 201 Church Street Box 794 Canaan 06018 824-7517  
 1948 Audrey (Murphy) Whitbeck Weatogue Road Salisbury 06068 824-7794  
 1949 Teresa (Perotti) Solan Greene Avenue Canaan 06018 824-5790  
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## How It Works

When you wish to be in touch with members of your class, or with our Association, use your class agent as your point of contact. Check the list to the left on this page and FIND A WAY TO PRESERVE THE INFORMATION. Some suggestions: (1) attach the list to your refrigerator; (2) transfer the information on your agent to your address book; (3) preserve it in your electric organizer; (4) like a good secret agent, memorize it and swallow it.

Here are some of the items that your class agent expects to receive from you: any news you wish to pass along in the newsletter; requests for information about upcoming reunions; and, especially, notifications of change of address. Note this well: there is nobody at the school keeping track of alumni addresses. If you do not inform your agent when your address changes, you will be out of the loop.

Your agent passes along to the decade representative any news you send, and the decade rep assembles the news items from all ten years and passes them along to Editor Mahoney. If you should sense that your class agent is not doing an adequate job for the class, rise up in revolt! Do something truly revolting: contact your decade rep (see list below) and volunteer to replace your agent.

## DECADE REPRESENTATIVES

40's: Dot Winn Cecchinato, 201 Church St. Canaan CT 06018 860-824-7517  
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 70's: Dena Kenny Solan, 6 Mountain View Lane, Canaan CT 06018 860-824-0399  
 80's: Kim Carlson Linkovich, 41 Trescott Hill Rd. E. Canaan CT 06024 824-0298  
 90's: Eric Epstein, Box 214, Kent CT 06757 860-927-4057

## NEWS OF THE CLASSES BY DECADES

### THE FORTIES

**Doretta Beaupre Belter** reports that a group from her Class of 1941 got together to reminisce this past summer at a luncheon.

The Class of 1943 held its 55th reunion last September 27 at the Interlaken Inn. Twenty-one class members and spouses were in attendance as were faculty members **Cora Kingsbury Scranton**, **Mary Meehan Holian**, **Clarke Wood**, and **Jeanette Anderson Whitney**. **Gino Cortesi** served as master of ceremonies, and the committee was: **Marge Casey Nash**, **Betty Majur Sojka**, **Evelyn Dorizzi Cornelio**, **Lucille Whitney Marston**, **Martha Dickinson Bergenty**, **Lena Sebben Zavagnin**, **Julia DelTenno Segalla**, **Gino Cortesi**, **Mary Ostapko Foley**, and **Mary Santin Chevalier**. The class is searching for **George Kimball** and **Lois Paddock Szukas**. **Shirley Hunter Yelvington** and husband traveled the farthest distance: all the way from **Espanola, New Mexico**.

**Shirley Weir Rogers** reports that the Class of 1948 held its 50th reunion on September 26th with a tour of HVRHS in the morning and a dinner at the Interlaken in the evening. There were forty-five class members and spouses at the dinner, which represented approximately 60% of the remaining classmates. It was felt that something meaningful should be done in remembrance of the eleven deceased members of the class. Donations were collected and added to a balance that remained from reunion operating expenses. The results were \$550 donated to the **Paul W. Stoddard Scholarship Fund**, \$100 to the **Sidney Shoifet Scholarship Fund**, and \$50 to the HVRHS Alumni Association to help defray costs in sending out the newsletters.

The Class of 1949 is still working out the details for its 50th reunion coming up in 1999.

### THE FIFTIES

Congratulations to the Class of 1951! Through the extra efforts of Class Agent **Joyce Marston Kragel**, more than half of the class members responded by donating to the HVRHS Alumni Association. A good portion of this newsletter was paid for by the Class of '51. Thanks!

**Walter and Carol O'Brien Hall** of the Class of 1954 and **Kent** report that their son **Stephen '78** was recently advanced to Senior Chief, U.S. Navy. **Stephen** has been in the Navy for 21 years and is an instructor of Naval Communications at Service School Command, Great Lakes, IL.

**Jim Miller** of the Class of 1955 lives in Brookville, FL. After the Air Force he spent 37 years in law enforcement in Tampa, retiring in 1996 as a detective captain. He and his wife now have a ranch where they raise beef cattle and trotting horses. **Bill Palmer**, also '55 and also an Air Force vet, retired after 23 years at Bradley International Airport. With Seaboard Airlines for two years and Air America for 13, he now resides in Bloomfield.

A 60th birthday party was held in August by the Class of 1956. The celebration began with a tour of HVRHS which evoked many memories and much laughter. The merriment continued during dinner at the Interlaken where over 55 people were greeted by Class President **Fred Baldwin**, who came from Florida for the party. The happy group of 60-year-olds met again the next morning for a good bye brunch. Who traveled the farthest? **Nick Stackleberg**, a London stockbroker, was luckily in the states and arranged to get to the party. He and his daughter were weekend guests at the home of **Woods and Mary Lu Sinclair**. **Katherine**

**Stevens Novy** made the trip from Portland, OR, at the persuasion of **John and Michelle Berti** of Medfield, MA. **Jane Gottschalk Haentze** had the best excuse for not attending — her daughter had just given birth to quintuplets! **Paula Moni Hickey** and her committee did a wonderful job planning the party — a dress rehearsal for the 45th reunion in three years?

The Class of 1957's **Penny O'Connell Friedman** brought us up-to-date from her home in Beechurst, NY, overlooking the Throgs Neck Bridge. She taught art, English and history in New York City for 32 years and loved every minute. Now retired, she has time to spend on hobbies birding, bird carving, quilting and traveling.

**Pat Zimmerman Miller** and her committee for the Class of 1958 reported a spectacular 40th reunion at Camp Isabella Friedman in Falls Village. **Lou Bachetti** was a wonderful emcee, Class President **John Luning** added a few words of wisdom, and **Jayne Petersen Larsen** provided entertainment. Classmates attended from as far away as FL — **Randy Bliven** from Boynton Beach and **Glennis Metcalfe Lahr** from Orlando. **Ann Sartori Schneider** announced that she has moved back to Salisbury from VA. Plans are already under way for a 45th reunion.

A message from Class Agent **Karen Monroe Fulco** of the Class of 1959: "Mark your dates and pack your memories for a 40th reunion in May or June at the White Hart or the Interlaken. We will tour HVRHS, remember school days, be amazed at changes. Come to the party and meet classmates with whom you walked the halls and leaned on the radiators. Ideas welcome, help needed in firming up plans." Contact **Karen** (see page 2) or Class President **Richard Fulco** at 413-442-5223.

## CLASS NEWS, Continued

### THE SIXTIES

**Richard N. Brown** of the Class of 1960 wants all classmates to know that he is chairman of the class's 40th reunion in the year 2000. His address: 211 E. Rogers, Arlington, TX 76011.

**Diane Stoner Haap '60** was recently named "Educator of the Year" by the Ohio Middle School Association. She has served as the West Regional representative and secretary of the association. A presenter of workshops at the local and state levels, she has participated in state and national middle school conferences, and she is currently a member of the Smith Middle School sixth grade team.

**Donald Welsh** of the Class of 1961 lives in Gloucester, MA, where he is Veterans' Agent for the city. After 24 years in the Marine Corps, he retired with the rank of colonel. He and wife Susan have three daughters, one of whom won a Pulitzer Prize for photography in 1996 after spending a year in Kenya.

**Tom Monahan** of the Class of 1963 and his wife moved to an area of TN which closely resembles the Falls Village area not only in terms of the terrain but the people as well. They have purchased an old, neglected farm and will spend the next several years trying to clean it up and bring it back to life. Not farmers, they have started a new venture in marketing via the Internet. The farm is a hobby and allows them the closeness with horses and nature which they missed living in FL for over 16 years. Tom can be reached by fax at 1-423-744-7774 or by e-mail at [cinnamon@cococo.net](mailto:cinnamon@cococo.net).

**Judy Norton Cole '63** resides in North Bennington, VT, and has returned to

staff nursing at a local hospital after ten years as an instructor in a Licensed Practical Nursing Program. She and husband Don also manage "The Henry House — 1769" bed and breakfast located by the Henry Covered Bridge three-quarters of a mile from their home. Daughter Heather is a college freshman.

The Class of 1964 will be celebrating its 35th reunion July 31, 1999, at the Interlaken. Contact Pat Allyn Mechare (see page 2) to become involved.

**Don Cokely '64**, who joined the Air Force right out of high school, retired in 1986 at the grade of Tech Sergeant. For the Air Weather Service Branch of the Air Force he flew WC-130's into named typhoons from Guam and into hurricanes from Kessler Air Force Base. He was awarded the Joint Army-Air Force Commendation Medal for flying the Jonestown, Guyana, Mission and another medal for his flight work in dangerous situations. Married for 26 years, he has three daughters and five grandchildren.

**Kathy Jahngen Edgar** of the Class of 1965 lives on the seacoast of NH with husband Mike and five sons aged 24 to 10. A physical therapist working as an acute care coordinator at Exeter Hospital, she reports that life has been good and she has no regrets.

**Craig McMillan '65** lives in Watertown, CT, with wife Mary Ellen and two children. He is plant manager of a small machine company, and she is a Lot Control Coordinator for Torrington Company.

### THE SEVENTIES

The Class of 1979 is planning a 20th reunion. Preparations are in the discussion stage. Contact Theresa Carley Kenny at 860-364-5709.

### THE EIGHTIES

**Lou Magyar** of the Class of 1980 lives in Bloomington, IN, with his wife and children and works as an electrical engineer for Otis Elevator.

**Lee Ann Raabe Lyle '80** and husband run their own computer training business in Crestwood, KY.

**Cynthia Betti Kilmer** of the Class of 1981, who raises Australian Shepherds, also works as a firefighter and serves as Administrative Assistant for the Hudson, NY, Fire Department.

**Mark LaPlaca** of the Class of 1983, married to Kathleen Mahoney '83, is manager of the Bertucci's Restaurant in Avon, CT.

**Peter Collins** of the Class of 1984 received his MA in teaching English as a foreign language from the School for International Training in Brattleboro, VT, and is now working as an assistant professor at Tokai University in Japan.

His sister **Nancy Collins True** of the Class of 1987 is Marketing Manager at a book publishing company outside of Boston.

**Micah Olsen** of the Class of 1988, who lives and works at Salisbury School, is married and has one child. He spends his summers at the HF Bar Ranch in WY.

**Melanie Milici** of the Class of 1989 earned her Master of Science in Education degree and works as a Psychiatric Rehabilitation Counselor while living in New York City.

### THE NINETIES

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# HOUSY TODAY ENCOUNTERS DID YOU KNOW...

- ◆ The Academic Bowl Team came in second at Yale University's Bulldog Bowl, losing to Simsbury High by only ten points. Earlier in the year the team finished tied for first in the nation in September's Twenty Questions National Internet Challenge. This victory qualifies the team for the 1999 National Academic Championship.
- ◆ Seniors Molly McDowell of Kent and Shawn Tuthill of Sharon were honored as Outstanding Students by the Connecticut Superintendents' Association.
- ◆ Salisbury's Erin Kowtko will represent Housatonic in the Hugh O'Brien Youth Leadership competition.
- ◆ Canaan's Katie Godburn has been named an All State Academic All Star in field hockey.
- ◆ Housatonic is on the Net. All students now have access. The school's web page should be up and running by January 1.
- ◆ Housatonic senior Natasha Cole of Cornwall has been given the Outstanding Young Adult With Down Syndrome Award by the Connecticut Down Syndrome Congress.
- ◆ Mathematics teacher Bonnie Moody has been named Woman of the Year by the Litchfield County Business and Professional Women's Club.
- ◆ Seniors Adam Coward of Salisbury, son of faculty member Russell Coward, and Molly McDowell have been recognized as Commended Students in the 1999 National Merit Scholarship Program.
- ◆ In the spring of 1999 Housatonic will be breaking ground on an \$8,000,000 Ag-Ed/HVRHS renovation project which has been three years in the planning. The project provides for a brand new Ag-Ed Center, new Library Media Center, new Technology Education Center, and upgraded maintenance areas.

Jennifer Epstein of the Class of 1989 is a ranger with the National Park Service. During one of her first weeks at her position on the National Mall in Washington, D.C., this past summer, she saw a Housy jacket stroll by. Naturally, she pursued the wearer and found it to be Rick Martin of the Class of 1984. He said he knew she was in that line of work from her dentist, his father, Don Martin. Rick engaged the services of a passerby to take a photo of the two of them. This would be Housatonic on the Potomac!

Jeffrey "Jay" Longaven of the Class of 1972 is a radio personality at a station in Scranton, PA. His work there has brought him into contact with Susan Kolesar, sister of Denise Volack Dower, Health and Physical Education teacher at HVRHS (and former coach). "Encounters" with Jay are a frequent occurrence when Denise visits her family in PA.

While in Provincetown, MA, last summer Editor Mahoney looked up Heidi Jon Schmidt of the Class of 1973. She, her writer husband R. D. Skillings and their daughter live in a beautiful spot overlooking Cape Cod Bay. She presented her former English teacher with a copy of her book The Rose Thieves, which he enjoyed enormously — especially for its setting in and around Sharon, CT. [*Which reminds us: the school library should have a copy of each book published by an alumnus. If you are an author, please check to see that your work is represented in the HVRHS library*]

On the morning of December 1, 1998, as a strong northwest wind was blowing up whitecaps on East Twin Lake, two figures tried to play tennis at the Twin Lakes Beach Club. One was Richard O'Donnell of the Class of 1975, an attorney in Atlanta, GA, who was on a vacation visit. The other was his former Humanities teacher, your humble editor. Richard, by the way, recalls Ed Kirby's knuckleball with great respect.

... that former faculty member Carol Schulz is the proud co-author of a book recently published by Greenwood Press entitled Daily Life During the Holocaust?

... that Karl Saliter Jr. of the Class of 1984, a self-styled "international circus comic," performs at schools and events around the country as a juggler, fire eater, wire walker, clown and unicyclist? (He can be contacted at Extreme Skills, 860-672-3205.)

... that Ed Kirby of the Class of 1945 is about to publish another book, this one about the local iron industry and entitled Echoes of Iron?

... that Jacques Tompkins of the Class of 1956 is the proud owner of a hockey team, the Mohawk Valley Prowlers of the United Hockey League who play their home games at the Utica Memorial Auditorium?

... that Doug Hobby of the Class of 1972 was the subject of a feature article in the Litchfield County Times focusing on his highly successful business, Autosport, in Sharon?

... that the winning pitcher in the baseball game played on October 12, Steve Blass Day, was not Steve '60, or fellow former Pittsburgh Pirate John Lamb '64, or even fireballing, curve dropping Tony Oskwarek '67, but Lieutenant Barry Hunter '69 of the New Hampshire State Police?

... that those working in the HVRHS cafeteria last summer to get out the mailing of the last newsletter were Teresa Perotti Solan '49, Lester Hoysradt '52, Gert Winn Hunker '53, Jane Clyburn Boyd '56, Doretta Beaupre Belter '41, Bonnie Black Whalen '62, Jack Mahoney '95, Kim Carlson Linkovich '80, Pat Allyn Mechare '64, Dot Winn Cecchinato '47, and Bunny Cecchinato McGuire '55?

## ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES

1997

Sidney Shoifet '48, Basketball, Baseball  
 Ambler Travis, Coach  
 John Berti '56, Football, Basketball, Baseball  
 Louis Bachetti '58, Football, Track  
 Steven Schneider '59, Football, Basketball, Baseball  
 Arthur Lamb '59, Basketball, Baseball  
 Norman Stoddard '67, Football, Basketball, Baseball  
 Frank Hadsell '71, Cross Country, Basketball, Baseball  
 David Lindsay, Coach  
 Diane Stoddard '76, Soccer, Basketball, Softball

1998

Richard Greco, Coach  
 Stephen Bornemann '62, Track, Cross Country  
 Donald Peretti '54, Football, Basketball, Baseball  
 Kimberly Borst '90, Cross Country, Indoor Track, Track  
 Peter Lamb '55, Football, Basketball, Baseball  
 Frank Testa '54, Football, Basketball, Baseball  
 Nancy Upshaw '85, Soccer, Basketball, Track  
 John Lamb '64, Basketball, Baseball  
 Jill Sieller '85, Soccer, Basketball, Track  
 John Bristol '54, Football, Basketball, Baseball

***Now Hear This!*** If you graduated from HVRHS in an odd-numbered year, you are a Blue. If you graduated in an even-numbered year, you are a Gold. It is

the Alumni Association Committee's hope that this will stimulate/facilitate alumni competition and good fellowship among all the sports offered at HVRHS.

**Blue 'n' Gold**

HVRHS Alumni Association  
 c/o HVRHS  
 246 Warren Turnpike  
 Falls Village, CT 06031

## THE SCHOOL SONG

There has been some confusion as to which Travis wrote the school song. Was it Ambler? Gladys? Travis Tritt? And the answer is: none of the above. The words to the song were written by Hattie, Mrs. Ambler Travis. And here they are, as requested by several reunion classes:

High above the Housatonic  
 'Mid the Berkshires proud and true  
 Our high school floats its colors  
 The Gold and Royal Blue.  
 It's the misty blue of mountains  
 'Neath a veil of rosy hue  
 That brings to us the challenge  
 Of greater work to do.  
 Come raise your banners,  
 Fling out your colors true,  
 Answer the challenge  
 With all that's best in you.  
 Strive and endeavor to help lead us through  
 With greatest honor  
 To our colors — Gold and Blue.

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