

Hampton Academy & Winnacunnet High School Alumni Association Annual Newsletter May 2022

The Hampton Academy and Winnacunnet High School Alumni Association cordially invites you to attend the Annual Gathering of members:

Saturday June 18, 2022

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

11:00 doors open with appetizers & a cash bar, 12 noon buffet lunch \$25 per person with reservation made before June 4th \$35 per person after June 4th, and at the door

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

Announcing Guest Speaker Lynn Mattucci Esq - WHS Class of 1974

Lynn Mattucci graduated from Winnacunnet with the class of 1974. She went on to graduate from the University of New Hampshire with a Bachelor of Science in Economics. She received her law degree from Syracuse University College of Law in 1981, and a Master of Public Administration from the Maxwell School at Syracuse University the same year. Ms. Mattucci was a federal prosecutor for 30 years with the US Department of Justice. She has tried more than 75 criminal cases in her career. She has prosecuted Public Corruption Cases, Money Laundering cases, Human Trafficking and Asset Forfeiture Cases. Ms. Mattucci also prosecuted Violent Crimes and Homicide Cases during her decade tenure at the United States Attorney's Office in Washington, D.C. She most recently was Special Assistant to the Inspector General, United States Department of Homeland Security from December 2019 to December 2020. She has always been professionally active in issues involving the Rule of Law and international Justice reform and has lectured extensively in these areas. Ms. Mattucci was the Assistant Director for the CEELI Institute from October 2010 to June 2012 while she was on sabbatical from the Department of Justice, United States Attorney's Office for Washington, D.C. She spent extensive periods of time in Prague as part of her duties. Ms. Mattucci has been an avid international traveler, sports fan and participant in sports all of her life. She enjoys playing tennis, skiing, swimming, biking and running. In 2019, she started to participate in triathlons. Since that time, Ms. Mattucci has completed more than twenty-five 1/2 Ironman races and 8 full Ironman 140.6 competitions. She qualified for and completed the World Championship Triathlon in Kona, Hawaii in 2017. Ms. Mattucci lives in Arlington, Virginia with her little Havanese dog, Marley.





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President's Corner

The Hampton Academy & Winnacunnet High School Alumni Association has been around for 115 years and has had to adjust to a pandemic that kept us apart yet united in our work. We forge ahead, regardless of the variety of obstacles that Delta and Omicron brought us last fall into winter. Unable to meet in person, we continued our meetings on Zoom and were able to gain a member to the board. We have started back to meeting in person again (3rd Tuesday of the month during the school year) in the Principal's Conference Room at the High School. We were unable to resume our restaurant fundraisers and kept hoping for a meet and greet at least once we were able to encourage business back to our local eateries. But another opportunity arose, one we had started to nurture and cultivate starting in the fall of 2019. Our partnership with The Brook (former dog racetrack) in Seabrook. We were able to have fundraising weeks in January 2020 (pre pandemic) and May of 2021. This year, invited back to secure a valuable spot on their fundraising calendar (Preakness week), we decided to put or efforts into a fun event that Alumni could enjoy and experience the new facilities and venue. On May 27th at 7 pm we will host a "Dance Hall" in the new Ballroom at the Brook. The featured Band will be Woodland Protocol (Doug Moore, Class of '78). Tickets are on sale through Eventbrite and through your Board Trustees.

In addition, we will hold our Annual Gathering (Luncheon) on June 18, 2022 at 11:00am, Grill 28, Pease Golf Course, Portsmouth, NH. Our Speaker with be Lynn Mattucci, Class of 1974. Information on reservations is on page 1. This Luncheon is open to all classes so it is a good time to reconnect with friends if you have an off reunion year!

Speaking of Reunions...Classes gathering this year for their milestone years are: Class of 1962, 1967, 1972, 1977, 1982, 1987, 1992, 1997, 2002, 2007, 2012, 2017. If you haven't planned yours and are looking for ideas, please visit our website for the Reunion Resource. We will also post your announcement or information for your reunion on our Facebook page and website.

As we prepare for the class of 2022 to become Alumni, please stay connected to us and your classmates! If the pandemic taught us anything, it was how precious our relationships and connections are to each other. This community is a shining example of that. I am honored to serve as your President with such a stellar group of people on the board, and to serve the Alumni of Winnacunnet High School.

Hampton Academy & Winnacunnet High School Alumni Association 2021-2022: President: Terri Thomson '72, Vice-President: Kevin Cushing '74, Secretary: Sue Brooks '81, Treasurer: Ellen Lavin '70
Trustees: Bruce Aquizap '51, Pam French Barber '74, Andrea Condon '61, Lori Cotter '76, Lydia Estey '64, Heather Hyvari '89, Linda Libbey '81, Tracy Williams '81; Trustee Emeritus: Fred Rice '56

Thank you for your Support!

The Trustees would like to thank all our alumni who have supported the Alumni Association in the past year by making made monetary donations to the Association between May 2021 and March 2022. These generous contributions allow us to continue the scholarship program and other activities to support alumni. Class of 1941: Viola (Carlson) Reed; Class of 1944: Carolyn (Wentworth) Brown, Marion (Allen) Scaggs, Class of 1946: Wayne Elliot; Class of 1947: Forrest C Brown (In memory of brother Donald Dwight Brown); Class of 1948: June (Elliot) Chevalier; Class of 1949: Homer Johnson; Class of 1950: Barbara (Cunningham) Paterson; Class of 1951: Frances (Purrington) Paul (In memory of C Raymond Paul '46 and George L. Paul '47); Class of 1952: Robert & Joyce (Brown) Marelli, Geraldine (Maher)Thomas, Samuel Towle; Class of 1953: Barbara (Doyle) Herlihy-Chevalier, Lucy (O'Dea) McIlveen (In memory of Richard D. McIlveen Sr, '52); Class of 1954: Raymond Clark, George Strout; Class of 1955: Lloyd Graves (In memory of Florence (Whenal) Graves and Malcolm Graves '54), Pauline (Brown) Waters (In memory of Richard Waters '54); Class of 1956: Anonymous, Forrest Knowles; Class of 1957: David Lund; Class of 1958: David Chevalier, Nancy (Clark) Osgood; Class of **1959:** Judith (Outten) Badavas, Edward Mills; **Class of 1960:** Tim Brooks, Bill Cunningham, Douglas Stoddard; Class of 1961: Andrea (Collins) Condon; Class of 1962: Diane Shaw; Class of 1963: Neal Parr; Class of 1968: Michele Demarest (in Memory of John M. Demarest '70); Class of 1972: Teresa Thomson, Pamela Valipour; Class of 1974: Pamela (French)Barber, Kevin Cushing; Class of 1976: Lori (White) Cotter; Class of 1981: Kelly Keenan, Tracy (Emerton) Williams; Class of 1984: Deb Eaton

2021 Yearend Activities





2021 Alumni Scholarship Recipients

Since 1972 the Alumni Association has been awarding scholarships to the children of alumni with a total value of over \$100,000. In 2021, the Alumni Association was pleased to dedicate the scholarships to the memory of Jane (Worden) Harvey, Hampton Academy Class of 1954. Two \$1,000 scholarships were awarded that are renewable for an additional 3 years.

Kaitlin Lennox: Katie is from Hampton Falls and is the daughter of 1986 alumni John Lennox. Katie was valedictorian of her class. At Winnacunnet she participated in National Honor Society, Interact and Best Buddies. She was also on the Indoor and Spring Track Teams as well as playing field hockey in the fall. Katie volunteered at the Miracle Farm Speech Therapy Summer Camp for over six years which led to her decision to study Communication Sciences and Disorders at University of New Hampshire to reach her goal of becoming a Speech Pathologist. She is also running track at UNH.

Duncan Collins: Duncan is from Seabrook and is the son of 1986 alumni Susan (Donaldson) Collins. While at Winnacunnet, Duncan was on the swim team for 4 years and holds 4 school records. He was Co-President of the Human Rights Club for 2 years, and on the Math team for 2 years. Duncan is now attending Monmouth University studying International Relations and Homeland Security. He is a member of his college swim team. After college, Duncan plans to enroll in Officer Candidate School with the US Coast Guard where he plans to pursue a career in public service.

The Winnacunnet 2021 graduation was held Friday night June 11, 5:30 pm on the Alumni Field where 232 students received diplomas. Alumni Renny Cushing '70, was the special guest speaker - he spoke about the history of the high school and what is means to be a Warrior.



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At the Winnacunnet Evening School 2021 graduation held on June 3, **Matthew McDonough** received the Second Chance Award from Lori White Cotter (Class of 1976) President of the Hampton Academy/Winnacunnet Alumni Association.

2021 Alumni Annual Gathering & Luncheon







Lori Cotter '74 & Terri Thomson '72



Don Eaton '77, Deb Eaton '84, Ellen (Pomroy) Dozet '78



'74: Kevin Cushing, Debbie (Manix) Nelson, Pat Bushway, Pam French Barber, Jan Pretty, Susan Walker



Dave Elliot '76, Wayne Elliot '46, Terry (Elliot) Rezendes '71, June (Elliot) Chevalier



'76: Front Row: Valerie Fowler, Suzanne (Morrison) Griggs, Derek Griggs ('77), Susan Clock LeBlanc; Backrow: Brad Standen, Dave Elliot, Daniel Connor, Ron Cotter, Laura Tourtellot, Kathy (Remick) Barry, Donna Miller, Lori (White) Cotter

The Annual Gathering of Alumni was held on June 26th at Grill 28 in Portsmouth, NH. President Lori Cotter '76 welcomed attendees and provided a summary of the Association's activities over the past 2 years. Trustees Bruce Aguizap '51 and Pat Brushway '74 led the Pledge of Allegiance. Deb Eaton '84 offered a prayer. Principal William McGowan provided a report on the current state of the high school. He thanked the Alumni Association for what they do to support the students and alumni of the high school. Leslie Dolleman, the WHS Alumni Coordinator discussed her role and the results of surveys of the class of 2020 regarding their post-high school experiences during the pandemic. Guest Speaker Jay Daly '75 spoke of his experiences at WHS, and those who influenced his music career. Jay played a few songs on his various trumpets, which was a real treat for those in attendance. Sue Brooks '81 reported that monthly Trustee meeting minutes were available in a binder for review. Sue thanked Ellen Lavin '70 Treasurer for her work and noted that financial statements were available for review on each table. Sue announced that the 2021 scholarships were presented in memory of Jane (Worden) Harvey '54 and were presented to Kaitlin Lennox and Duncan Collins. Andrea Condon '61 and Don Foote '61 conducted the Roll Call. Carolyn (Wentworth) Brown '44 was presented with an Alumni pin in recognition for representing the earliest class. The class of '76 had the most present with a total of 8 classmates; the classes of '61 and '74 tied for second with 6. The most recent class represented was the class of '89. Bruce Aquizap '51 and Heather Hyvari '89 offered prayers in memory of the alumni lost over the past year. Lydia Estey '64 and Kevin Cushing '74 announced the winning 50/50 raffle ticket number. Sheree Brown '75 won the raffle prize of \$160. Lori introduced the Trustees and thanked all for their efforts. Lori announced the officers for 2021-2022 year. Incoming President Terri Thomson presented Lori with a plague in commemoration of her 5 years of service as President.

Reunions



The Class of 1971 held their 50th reunion on the weekend of October 22-23, 2021. This picture was taken Saturday evening at the Old Salt

The Class of 1976 held their 45th reunion at Local's Restaurant on Saturday September 11, 2021





The Class of 2011 held their 10th reunion on October 16, 2021 at Flag Hill Winery

Upcoming Reunions

Class of 1967 – 55th Reunion to be held July 16, 2022

Class of 1972 – 50th Reunion to be held the weekend of August 19-21, 2022

Class of 1981 – 40+1 reunion to be held the weekend of September 23-25, 2022

Class of 2002 – 10th reunion to he held August 6, 2022 at the Gaslight

For more information on upcoming class reunions please go to winnacunnetalumni.org/reunion_information. If you have information about a class reunion please email us at info@winnacunnetalumni.org

Alumni In the Community



Cross Country Alumni Race

August 17, 2021

Men: WHS Henry Bybee (14:38), Alumni

Noah Taracena (13:41)

Women: WHS Miley Bletzer (16:19),

Alumni Emily Eaton (20:09)

Participants: WHS 45, Alumni 30

Noah Taracena '20, WHS Henry Bybee, Coach Richard Osborne, Emily Eaton '19, WHS Miley Bletzer



Alumni Soccer

Friday night, August 20th at 7 pm, the WHS Alumni Soccer game was held under the organization of Coach Nick Rowe. The reported winner of the game was the WHS team. The oldest class represented was 2004. Alumni soccer games usually are held the third Friday of August. If you are an alumnus soccer player, stay tuned to our website for information on the next Alumni game 2022.

Approximately 16 players from past years attended, mostly from recent graduating years, classes 2018-2020.

The Brook Dance Party Event - May 27, 2022

The most wonderful time of the year! Spring, warmer weather, a chance to get out and shake your groove thing! The Alumni Association is proud to announce our Dance Party Fundraiser, Friday Night, May 27th from 7 pm to 10:30, located at the Brook in Seabrook, NH, featuring Woodland Protocol, and our very own Doug Moore, Class of 1978, as bass guitarist. This will be held in the newly constructed ball room on site, with private deck. Tickets (\$20) can be ordered online through Event Brite up until May 26, or contact one of our Trustees. There will be a limited number of tickets sold at the door on the night of the event, depending on previous sales, so get your tickets early. We plan to sell out this great party event featuring music from the 70s, 80s and 90s. Bring your classmates and relive the days of dancing in the pit!



Fundraising for Scholarships at the Brook - May 21-27, 2022

Join us May 21-27 for our charity fundraising. This week at The Brook (the old dog track located on New Zealand Road, Seabrook) will begin with Preakness horse racing, and ends with our Dance Party event. All week long, enjoy the card tables, roulette, Draft Kings Sports, historical horse racing, and the brand new slot machines. Come have some fun, bring your friends and family, and remember that this supports funding our Alumni Scholarships and Alumni Networking. We thank you for spreading the word!

Meet the new Trustee



Pamela French Barber '74

Pam is a graduate of the WHS class of 1974. After gaining work experience in local establishments in Hampton, Pam enlisted in the Navy where she worked as an electronics technician. Pam met her husband Tim while in the Navy and together they had three sons. While Tim's career as a submariner was demanding and required him to be deployed much of the year, Pam left the Navy and focused on her family until the boys were in school. Pam returned to the workforce and was a frequent volunteer for a variety of causes and eventually returned to school. Pam completed an AA in fine art and was an active participant in the Tidewater Virginia art scene including committee member for the annual Seawall Art Show in Portsmouth, VA for several years. Pam continued her education and completed an AAS in architectural drafting and went on to graduate from Virginia Wesleyan College with a BA in business management with an accounting major and was inducted into the Sigma Beta Delta Honor Society. Pam has worked for the federal government in an accounting capacity for the last 12 years. In her spare time Pam still paints, loves skiing, hiking, the beach and spending time with her children and grandchildren.

Alumni Spotlight



Henry Marsh '61
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1961. As a senior he participated in the first WHS Varsity wrestling team which was undefeated and won the Northern New England Championship. Henry attended Appalachian State in Boone, NC from 1962-1967 where he held a 26-1 record on the Varsity wrestling team. He was a finalist in the 1968 US Olympic trials for wrestling. Later Henry became a wrestling coach and officiant. He coached at U Mass Lowell and became Head wrestling coach at UNH in 2007, a role he continues to enjoy. Henry has officiated over 50 NCAA Division 1 regional and national tournaments. Henry has been inducted into the USA Hall of Fame, the New England Sports Hall of Fame, and the National Collegiate Wrestling Association Hall of Fame. Henry is quick to acknowledge that he was very lucky to have always had great coaches. In 1967 Henry began his career in education in the Rye School district where he was 3 times nominated as NH Teacher of the Year. He retired from Rye schools in 2005. He was elected to the NH House of Representatives in 2016 where he served until 2018. Henry served on the North Hampton School Board, and then on the Winnacunnet School Board for 9 years where he was the Chairman in these last 6 years. We'd like to thank Henry for his dedication and service to Winnacunnet as an Alum and as a Public Servant.

Henry Marsh grew up in North Hampton and graduated from Winnacunnet in

From 2018 Scholarship Recipient Taylor Yeley

For the past four years I have had the privilege of attending the University of Miami where I maintained a 3.9 GPA and made the Dean's List for all 8 semesters. While at the University of Miami, I was a member of the Hurricanettes Danceteam, The President's 100 (campus tour guide and ambassador), The Media Management Association, Delta Kappa Alpha (the film fraternity), and Zeta Tau Alpha (a national sorority). Some of my most memorable experiences were as a Zeta. I held positions of Vice President, Recruitment Chair, and Fashion Show Chair. Most recently as Fashion Show Chair, I organized our annual gala that raised \$75,000 toward Breast Cancer Education and Awareness. I was born and raised in North Hampton, and was SO excited to finally attend WHS where I would meet students from the other 3 towns. I soon found that New Hampshire, although a place full of amazing people, lacked the culture I craved to expand my understanding of the world. Never in my wildest dreams would I have believed that I could go to a place as far away and as cultured as Miami. I grew up with a single mother who also attended Winnacunnet High School, and I was all too familiar with financial struggles. The generous donations of the Winnacunnet High School Alumni helped to make this whole journey possible for me, and for that I will always be grateful. As I look toward the future, I truly can't believe how blessed I have been to live out my dreams. Everything I had ever hoped for in my college experience came to fruition. This May I will be graduating with a double major in media management and motion pictures with a cognate in weather, oceans and the climate. Upon graduation I will be moving back to New England where I plan to work for an event planning company based in Boston and volunteer at the New England Aquarium in my free time. Most notably, I have been selected to join the New England Patriots Cheerleaders, where I will be able to continue my passion for dance and represent the best team in the NFL! I thank you all endlessly.

From 2018 Scholarship Recipient Zach Waterhouse

This scholarship has meant so much to me as a student, athlete, and member of the community. I understand how fortunate I am to have received the Alumni Scholarship back in 2018. Both of my parents attended Winnacunnet, and my mom still works there, so it is an honor to carry on their legacy through this scholarship. My only goal when searching for a college was to challenge myself: try something completely different than anything I had ever experienced before. I decided to take a risk and attend Emerson College in Boston to pursue a film degree while playing basketball at the collegiate level. Living in downtown Boston is not cheap, so this scholarship is a major reason why I was able to attend, and for that I will forever be grateful. While I did eventually change my undergraduate degree to communication studies and marketing, I was still able to experience all of the things I wanted to when I originally left for college. At Emerson I was on the Dean's List every semester, maintained a 3.9 GPA, was a member of the Student Athlete Advisory Council, and competed as a four year starter on the men's basketball team. Throughout my athletic career I was able to score over 1000 points (with one less year due to COVID), win a conference championship, make an all-conference team, and reach the NCAA tournament two times. While focusing on school and basketball I started working for Iron Mountain Inc. as a Global Communications intern, and have stayed with the company for the past two years, and still work for them today! Thanks to this scholarship I have had a successful academic, athletic, and professional career and plan to continue this momentum in the future years! My plan for the future is to pursue a masters degree in data analytics and digital marketing at Emerson for an additional year. This will allow me to play another year of basketball and continue working towards my original goal, which was to always challenge myself. A huge part of my success in the classroom and on the court was due to trying to make the alumni association proud after having received this award. I hope I was able to do the award justice, and plan to continue to challenge myself for as long as possible! Thank you for everything.

In Memoriam

Marion (Allen) Scaggs '44 Jean (Barton) Booker '45 Betty (Cassell) McMillen '46 Phyllis (Blake) Hoesly '47 Rebecca (Flanders) Titcomb '48 **Dudley Carter '50** Barbara (Cunningham) Paterson '50 Marilynn Jane (Hollis) Campbell '51 John Calvin Emery '51 Richard R. Southwick '51 Lorina K. Mills '56 Barbara (Willey) Nicholson '56 Priscilla (Rogers) Metalious '59 Mary (Wilbur) O'Shea '59 Malcolm 'Skip' Bowen, Jr '60 Charles E. Ireland, Jr '60 Phillip Edmond Bourgeault '61 Franklin P. McNally '61 Mary (Carter) Savage '62

Deidre L. Yavorosky '63 Warner B. Knowles '64 Sherry (Royal) Travia '64 Clyde Oliver Brown Jr '65 Gordon Allen Colman '65 Thomas F. Carroll, Jr '66 Karen (Seavey) Jones '66 Edward J. Hess, Jr '67 Richard James Trofatter, Sr '67 Ann (Learned) Gaudreau-Parker '69 Charles "Whiskey" Coles '70 Robert 'Renny' Cushing, Jr '70 Paul S. Rubera '71 Karen Burgess Smith '71 Martin 'Chip' Ward '71 John Charles Stefan '72 Greg Smth '73 Robert D. Welsh, Jr '75 Richard C. Allen '76

Timothy E. Plouffe '76 Randy Scott Darling '77 James Michael Preston '77 Donna May Chase '78 Elaine (Watkins) Rogers '78 Thomas Robert DeFreze '79 Ann (King) Hackler '81 David Sadowski '81 E. Thomas Dumont, Jr '83 Thomas P. McLaughlin '84 Kara (Williams) Fenlon '85 Russell D. Greer '85 Pamela (Trotman) Saunders '85 Alexander P. Weare '87 Casey Jeanne (Fuller) Mackey '93 Tameka T. Gray '00 Baron Von Parker '14 Nathaniel 'Jordan' Whitlow '14 Eugene E. Buckmore – teacher Jack Donaldson -teacher/coach

We do our best to identify all In Memoriam additions, if you know of any classmate or teacher we have not reported this year, email us at info@winnacunnetalumni.org with name, class year and source of information.



Robert Reynolds Cushing, Jr. July 20, 1952 - March 7, 2022 Winnacunnet Class of 1970

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Robert "Renny" Cushing, Class of 1970 left his mark on the Winnacunnet community, as a student, parent and public servant. While at WHS he was the President of the Student Council and Captain of the Football team, while violating the dress code with muttonchop sideburns, getting suspended for said infraction, then after a legal challenge, returning to lead the Football team that year to the State Championship. Renny would return to the WHS Football field to deliver the commencement address 51 years later while battling cancer. Renny was a crusader for justice and someone who sought to right wrongs on all fronts. socially, ecologically, or systematically, he was not one to ever back away from a cause. From the young age of 15, he advocated to lower the voting age on the New Hampshire State House floor, where he would find his place again as a State Representative and leader for his party. His opposition to the Vietnam War led him to Washington DC, while his dedication to nonviolent action through peaceful protests helped establish the Clamshell Alliance that he became cofounder for. This was the first grassroots organization to fight against the Seabrook Atomic Power Plant. He took the path to abolish the death penalty in the State of New Hampshire and saw that through to fruition. As a state representative, Renny put the people first. He advocated for workers by passing the state's whistleblower protection act and fighting repressive right to work legislation. He was a proud card-carrying union member, organizer, and supporter of the state's firefighter, teacher, and municipal employee unions. He was at the forefront of relocating New Hampshire's secure psychiatric unit so vital mental health care can be provided without criminalization. He worked to increase resources for survivors of domestic violence and worked tirelessly to improve the life of his constituents. Renny's life will be remembered by so many in our community. His memory will live on forever especially for his wife, Kristie Conrad and three daughters, Marie, Elizabeth and Grace, and his brothers Matthew, Kevin and Timothy, and sisters Giovanna, Marynia and Christine as well as their spouses and children.