

HASTINGS HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSN.

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AUGUST 2014

HALL OF EXCELLENCE

2013

The HHS Alumni Association 2013 Hall of Excellence Induction Dinner was held on Saturday, Sept. 28th at 6:30 at the Southside Club. There were about seventy people who attended to honor the six HHS graduates chosen by the 2013 Selection Committee after much thoughtful consideration, based on the inductees' outstanding achievements. HHS Alumni founder, Bernie O'Brien, led the devotions before the evening ceremonies.



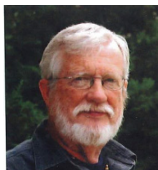
The first to be inducted this year was **Bill Finkeldey** (Class 1968). Bill spent over thirty years of his life as an advocate and humanitarian on behalf of troubled youths and families in Hastings. Before his retirement in 2011, he ran a multitude of programs for the Village youth as a counselor while operating a food bank as well.

Jon Lillard (Class 1963) enjoyed a brilliant career and was an industry pioneer who developed the endosseous implant. He is semi-retired today but still volunteers time for dentistry and teaching. Jon was interesting and fun as he spoke humorously about many of his teachers at HHS and brought back fond memories to all of us.



Julie Scott Maser's (Class 1951) youngest son, Michael, accepted the award on behalf of the Maser family. Julie was a highly respected architect and recipient of many awards for architectural achievement. She leaves many structures throughout California as a testimony to her immense talent and inspirational personality. She also leaves behind long lasting memories of her wonderfully warm, positive attitude.

Reverend **Thomas Pike** (Class of '56'), an ordained Episcopal minister, enjoyed over 50 years in a highly notable career in religion, human rights activism and the arts where he also served as President of the Preservation league of NY. It was very clear that civil rights, art and the beauty of architecture, together with spirituality, have always been the mainstays of his life.



Bill Ewen, Jr. (Class of '59) is a renowned Art Director, photographer, graphic arts and maritime artist. His artwork resides in many Corporate and private collections in this country and overseas — including Mystic Seaport. He also received the Samuel Ward Stanton Award for Lifetime Achievement, by the Steamship Historical Society.

Carl Adams accepted the award on behalf of his brother **F. John Adams** (Class 1962), whose musical genius brought joy to many through his years at the New England Conservatory of Music, Harvard University and Wellesley College. Carl let us know that even though F. John passed away after several years of living with Alzheimer's, he did so living life large and leaving a remarkable legacy and indelible impression on all whose lives he touched.



The emcee for the evening was Alan Fine (Class 1975), who kept the program moving lively with interest and humor. For more info on all the distinguished honorees, please go to our web-site:

HOHALUMNI.Org /Halls/Hall of Excellence/ Program Guide.

Hastings High School Alumni Association

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SEP'T. 19—21, 2014

Your **FUN** weekend starts Friday night (Sept. 19) at the Harmon Community Center (6:30-10:30pm) with the HHS Alumni Association's "3rd ANNUAL FRIDAY NIGHT ALL CLASSES ALUMNI GET-TOGETHER." And, "yes", of course, you are invited... it's an Alumni party. A light fare will be available and a cash bar serving beer, wine and soda. All proceeds will benefit the HHSAA scholarship fund. Stop by and catch up with old friends and classmates. *No reservations necessary.*

Saturday morning join us for the annual Class Representatives Meeting in the HHS auditorium at 10 am and share your ideas over coffee & doughnuts at 9 am. Afterwards, you may choose to tour "the halls" and revisit those wonderful High School memories at 9:15am. Please feel free to roam around if you cannot make the scheduled tour.

In the afternoon, it's Hastings Yellow Jacket FOOTBALL at 1:30pm. Stop by the HHSAA table and say 'HI.' Not a gridiron fan? You may arrange guided tours of the Cropsey Museum and Hastings Historical Society but remember *both sites are by appointment only---so you MUST sign up in advance.*

The big event of the weekend is when we continue the celebration on Saturday night, September 20th, at the Southside Athletic Club, with the Ronald Lindemann Athletic Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony and Banquet. The Hall of Fame Selection Committee has selected 6 commendable former HHS athletes and 1 highly regarded coach for induction this year. The dinner will be from 6:30pm-10:30pm. Banquet tickets are \$50 p/p and we are offering all current alumni members a \$10 discount off the ticket price. The cost includes cocktail hour, buffet dinner, dessert and open bar. The HOF induction ceremonies have always been very special events and we guarantee, if you sign up for this one, you will be very glad you did. **SPACE IS LIMITED and RESERVATIONS ARE 1st COME-1st SERVED. Don't miss it!** Complete the reservation form below, and send to: Steve Cuppek, Jr. at the address indicated below.

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Ronald W. Lindemann Athletic Scholarship:



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Richard Thomas Family Music Scholarship:



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STEPHEN MEGOS \$1000

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Dr. Raymond E. Smith Award for Excellence In Social Studies:



JENNIFER RUBIN \$1000

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James V. Harmon Community Award:



GABRIELLE EBON \$1000

Gifted by the James V. Harmon Memorial Fund

Peter DeLuke Music Scholarship



CHARLOTTE NUGENT \$1000

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Gulish Family Art Scholarship:



ABIGAIL SKOLNIK \$1500

Gifted by Michael Gulish '65, Myrna
Gulish '55 and Connie Gulish Bless '56.

**Now is a great time to pay
your dues. Thank You!**



Greetings from the President HHS ALUMNI ASSOCIATION, INC.

www.hohalumni.org

Hello Fellow Alums ---

WOW--It's hard to believe that we are midway through 2014! I figured it's a good time to take a few minutes to catch you up on a few alumni matters and recent events. --

The Hall of Fame Selection Committee is in the process of making their decision for this year's Ronald W. Lindemann Athletic Hall of Fame sportspersons. We received submissions for many commendable former HHS athletes and one highly regarded coach for induction into our notable sports organization and will announce the names of the newest inductees later this month. The HOF Induction Ceremony and Banquet will be held on Saturday, September 20th at the Southside Athletic Club from 6:30pm-10:30pm. The banquet tickets are \$50 p/p and we are offering all current alumni members a \$10 discount off the ticket cost. Nice, right? Yep, just little alumni member perk. The cost includes cocktail hour, buffet dinner, dessert and open bar. The HOF induction banquets have always been very special evenings and I guarantee if you sign up, you will be very glad you were a part of this event.

Patty Chemka Speranza, Director of Scholarships and the 4-member Scholarship Selection Committee were kept very busy last month reviewing the numerous applications and conducting personal interviews with the aspirants vying for our nine HHSAA annual scholarship awards. It was a very difficult decision but after much consideration and lengthy deliberations, the committee selected ten deserving winners for 2014. *Congratulations future alumni!* One day we hope you will repay the good turn you received and Pay It Forward!

Speaking of awards, the HHSAA is very pleased to announce we will be adding yet another scholarship to our impressive list in 2015—a scholarship in memory of Julius Chemka '44. When Julie passed away in April, the Chemka family requested that donations be made to the HHSAA Scholarship Fund in lieu of flowers. What a fitting tribute to a man who was all about school and community, right? If you would like to make a donation to the Julius Chemka Community Scholarship Fund for 2015 or any of our other great scholarship funds, please contact Patty Chemka Speranza or mail your check c/o our 1 Mt. Hope Blvd address. Don't forget to indicate the name of the scholarship on your check for proper disbursement of funds.

The HHSAA Board Members participated in the Village's Memorial Day Parade for the 3rd year in a row on May 25th -- check out some of our photos following this letter. (THANKS TO ALL OF OUR ALUMNI AND FRIENDS WHO SENT US THEIR PHOTOS FROM THE PARADE). We always have a fun time decorating our float, on loan from Connie Bliss' son (THANKS, CHRIS). You can't miss us coasting along the parade route from Reynolds Field into the village down along Main Street, onto Warburton Avenue and through town. This year, as in back in 2012, members of our armed forces in NYC for fleet week came to march in the HOH parade. It really makes the meaning of Memorial Day shine through and it's a proud feeling to march alongside these young, courageous men and women defending our freedom and keeping America safe. God Bless our veterans who served and those who are still serving!

Well, that about does it for now -- As always, remember to stay connected and check the website often. Stay well, enjoy the summer and if you have any suggestions you'd like to share with us or upcoming reunion information you would like to post, you can contact me or any one of your HHSAA Board of Directors.

Till next time...

Steve Cuppek, Jr. '69

If you would like to donate to the HHSAA Scholarship Program or if you have any "Scholarship" questions, contact Patricia Chemka Speranza:

E-mail: Chemkap@gmail.com

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HHS Alumni Association

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION / Dues Payment Advice

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Class of '64 Planning 50th reunion! Sept. 20, 2014

Westchester Marriot in Tarrytown

For all information contact: Jane Finkeldey Stephenson

JaneKate@aol.com (Or go to: hastings64.com)



HHS CLASS OF '74 Sept. 19 -21, 2014

It's not only our 40th reunion, it's also Homecoming Weekend and we begin **Friday** night at the "3rd Annual All-Classes Alumni Weekend Get-Together" hosted by the HHS Alumni Association Board of Directors at the James V Harmon Community Center (formerly known as "The Youth Center") at 6:30pm.

Saturday, 9/20—Class of 1974— COCKTAILS, DINNER AND LOTS OF FUN! La Lanterna Restaurant, 23 Gray Oaks Avenue (off the Saw Mill), Yonkers, NY 10710. Cocktail Hour begins at 6pm ... Dinner 7pm - 11pm. TOTAL COST is \$90 per person, which includes Open Bar, Dinner, Dessert and best of all....US!!!

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: Hastings High School Reunion and mail to LIZ MATHEWS LOPER, 245 Weaver Street - Apt. 5G, Greenwich, CT. 06831. Checks are due ASAP - but no later than August 15th. Please include with check - Name, (including maiden name, if applicable) and ALL Contact Information. Please feel free to contact: Nancy Newman Thevenel...NJTOct@aol.com, Tom Torre...tjtorre56@gmail.com, Ann Deragopian Zanette...azanette56@hotmail.com, Liz Matthews Loper...lz1021@optonline.net, Nancy Zelman Schwartz...Panakgirl@aol.com, or Wendi Budge Tremblay...tremblayfamily@gmail.com

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INDUCTEES FOR 2014



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JULIUS "BUTCH" CHEMKA '72



BEVERLY SKULTETY LABELLE '71



FLORENCE BRENNAN AUDEVARD '70



DAVID RIGGS '75



BRUCE CRANDALL



With the investiture of the above recently announced newest inductees, the organization will expand to 159 members. They will represent the finest athletes and coaches of Hastings High School. Be part of the celebration! ...



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