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This issue of the BUZZZ is dedicated to Augie “Gus” Andronica, one of the original members of the Board of Directors of the Alumni Association. Augie was the Vice-President of the Alumni Association and the editor of The BUZZZ. Sadly, Augie passed away in March 2017. His smile, sense of humor and general upbeat attitude will be sorely missed by this organization.

WHAT HAVE WE BEEN DOING?

Since the last BUZZZ we’ve held two scholarship fairs, in March of 2016 and 2017 to make sure that the students at HHS are aware of the financial opportunities available to them from the Alumni Association and other community organizations. We are so pleased that our local pizzeria, Slices, continues to provide us with pizza for the occasion.

Alumni Weekend 2016 was a big success starting with the 5th All Class Reunion held at the James V. Harmon Community Center. The place was bustling with many attendees including those from the classes of 1966 and 1971 who hosted reunions that weekend.

This year we also marched as a part of the Hastings Memorial Day Parade. Cheers from HHS graduates along the route always makes us smile!



HHS ALUMNI ASSOCIATION HALL OF FAME 2016

The Hastings Southside Social and Athletic Club was the venue for the September 17th induction of eight alumni into the HHS Alumni Association Hall of Fame. Congratulations to:

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| George Tino | '76 | John Kane | '52 |
| Peter Dietz | '97 | Corey Borowitz | '97 |
| Joe Flagherty | '03 | Michael Mcelroy | '89 |
| Robert Zabronick | '64 | Robert Nelson | HHS Coach |



Its hard to believe this was the 12th Hall of Fame Induction ceremony! The event was completely sold out as family and friends were anxious to honor the recipients and recognize their accomplishments.

The induction brochure and a link to view the ceremony are available on our website hohalumni.org.

WHAT'S COMING UP IN 2017??

Save the Date!

Alumni Weekend - September 15-17, 2017

Our Alumni Weekend this year will be a full one! It begins on Friday, September 15 with the 6th Annual All Classes Get Together at the James V. Harmon Community Center. Come alone or with friends/classmates. As usual, we will have a delicious selection of free hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar. Wine, beer, soda and water will be available with all proceeds going to the scholarship fund. This event has been getting bigger and better every year. It starts at 6 p.m. and ends at 10 p.m. So, do not sit this one out -- be sure to stop by!!

Please join us on Saturday morning, September 16 for our annual alumni association meeting at HHS. Complimentary coffee and pastries will be available at 8:30 a.m., followed by a tour of the school at 9:00 a.m. and the annual meeting will begin at 10:00 a.m. Have your morning coffee with a "shmear", see how the school has changed since you were there last and bring your suggestions/ideas to the meeting so the HHSAA can be a more viable and inclusive organization.

The Yellow Jackets football team will ready to 'sting' the Bronxville Broncos at 1:30 p.m. at the renovated Reynolds Field (if you haven't seen it yet, you will be in for a nice surprise!!).

Or go to the Hastings Historical Society after the annual meeting. They will be open from noon till 2. You can have a hot dog afterwards at the game!!!

The Hastings Southside Social & Athletic Club will once again be the site of the **Hall of Excellence Induction Ceremony**. Join us at 6:30 p.m as we celebrate the accomplishments of William P. Daley - 1943, Mary Beth Koslap-Petraco - 1966, Steven M. Bass - 1975, and Philip J. Weiser - 1986. Special awards will be given to Paul Perreten - 1951 and Augie "Gus" Andronica - 1951.

To purchase tickets to the dinner, please go to our website www.hohalumni.org and click on the Secure Store. Chose the option for Hall of Excellence Award Banquet. Tickets are \$55 each for Alumni Association members, \$65 for non-members. This event sells out every year, so make your reservations early. For more information, contact us at info@hohalumni.org.



HHS ALUMNI ART AUCTION

HHSALUMNIART.2017@GMAIL.COM

Two years ago we had a very successful Alumni Art Auction which raised funds for scholarships awarded to two students continuing their education in art. We are hoping to duplicate that event over Alumni Weekend this Fall, and are reaching out for individuals to assist in that effort. If you are an artist who would like to contribute an artwork, or would like to assist in putting the auction together, please get in touch with us at hhsalumniart2017@gmail.com.

2016 SCHOLARSHIPS - 2017 SCHOLARSHIPS IN OUR NEXT ISSUE

Our scholarship committee did a wonderful job selecting these outstanding scholarship winners. A total of \$23,000 was awarded, all thanks to the generosity of our alumni. If you have any questions, would like to make a donation, or start a scholarship to honor someone please contact Patty Chemka Speranza at chemkap@gmail.com.

EDMUND S. PHELPS SCHOLARSHIP FOR EXCELLENCE \$5,000

William Weitzman

Gift from the Edmund S. Phelps Family

RONALD W. LINDEMANN ATHLETIC SCHOLARSHIP \$2,500

Joel Fransisco

Lucy Sedky

Donations from the HHS Hall of Fame Members, Family and Friends of Coach Lindemann

BERNIE O'BRIEN LEADERSHIP SCHOLARSHIP \$2,500

Christopher Dosin

Gift from Robert Gersky

RICHARD THOMAS FAMILY MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP \$2,000

Lucille Wijnands

Gift from Brad and David Thomas

GULISH FAMILY ART SCHOLARSHIP \$1,500

Michael Rotiroti

Gift from the Gulish Family

CHEMKA COMMUNITY SCHOLARSHIP \$1,000

Anthony Rotiroti

Gift from the Friends and Family of Julius Chemka

CLASS OF 1965 ALL-IN SCHOLARSHIP \$1,500

Hannah Jenney

Gift of the Class of 1965

RONALD FEASTER ART SCHOLARSHIP \$2,000

Michael Rotiroti

Gina Linder

Funds raised by Alumni Art Auction

JAMES V. HARMON SCHOLARSHIP \$1,000

Austen Brauer

Gift from the Harmon Foundation

HHS MUSIC TEACHERS SCHOLARSHIP \$1,000

Scott Sherman

Gift from Raf Zaratzian

MICHAEL AND ERIC KANTOR STEM SCHOLARSHIP \$1,000

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William Berritt

Gift of the Klipp Family

DR. RAMOND E. SMITH AWARD \$1,000

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Gift of the Schmeidler Family

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DID YOU PAY YOUR DUES?

Our scholarship program is funded 100% by contributions from our alumni. Please be sure to pay it forward by joining the HHS Alumni Association or renewing your membership. Our financial year runs from January to December so if you haven't paid your dues, please do so today.

Also, keep us updated on where you are. Don't forget to contact us if you change your address - either your physical address or your email address.

One other thing to keep in mind, there are several for-profit sites that are willing to take your money for membership. Please remember that if you are not given the option to send a membership check to HHS at 1 Mount Hope Blvd., that site is NOT your official HHS Alumni Association.

**DUES
ARE
DUE**

If you haven't
paid your dues
this year, now 's
a great time to do
it! Annual dues
are \$25.
Thanks for your
support!

HHS Alumni Association MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION / Dues Payment Advice

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| LAST NAME | | FIRST NAME | | MAIDEN NAME (IF APPLICABLE) | | GRAD. YEAR | |
| STREET ADDRESS | | | | CITY / STATE | | ZIP CODE | |
| PHONE NO. | | E-MAIL | | Is it OK to release your address (Including E-mail address) to Inquiring Alumni? <input type="checkbox"/> YES! <input type="checkbox"/> NO! | | | |
| As a NYS 501c-3 tax-exempt corporation, your dues payment will provide you with a tax deduction. | | | | | | | |
| Please send to: | | HHS Alumni Association c/o Hastings-on-Hudson High School 1 Mt. Hope Boulevard HASTINGS-ON-HUDSON, NY 10706 | | Check Amount: <input type="checkbox"/> \$25 <input type="checkbox"/> Other Amt. | | | |
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