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## THE NOTTINGHAM CONNECTION



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### **In Memoriam**

On August 12, 2006, at the memorial service for Judy Gray, Grace Flusche, shared these comments, on behalf of the Nottingham Connection editorial committee:

“It is about Judy and the Nottingham Connection that her husband Gordon has asked me to speak. The newsletter of that name began in 1994 when we were exploring ways of using contacts with alumni to support the Nottingham High School. Teacher and alumna Hetty Gingold suggested that alumni would most like to be connected with one another and that we should produce a newsletter.

My children were at Nottingham at the time and I brought about ten alumni to a meeting to share ideas. Somehow Judy

Gray, the school librarian and an alumna got involved and, by the time of the 2006 edition of the Nottingham connection, we hit close to 5,000 on the mailing list for the newsletter that came to be known as the Nottingham Connection! That dramatic increase in connections with alumni was all Judy’s doing. She was indefatigable in connecting with Reunion groups, finding alumni, listening to their stories and gathering material that would help alumni feel connected.

As we all came to admire Judy as a worker, we also came to admire her extraordinary courage in facing the disease that had ensnared her since 1993. We were privileged to read her descriptions of the procedures she went through and in some small way felt we were traveling the path with her. Her death hit us hard. We have to let go the physical connections but, as we continue the Nottingham Connection, we will feel her spirit connecting with us and inspiring us.”





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*Editor's note:* Unless otherwise earmarked by the giver, donations are used primarily to pay for publishing and mailing The Nottingham Connection and secondarily to support current projects at Nottingham. See the Grants Report on page 3.



**GROWING UP JEWISH IN THE 15TH  
WARD:  
RECOLLECTIONS FROM THE 1920S THROUGH  
THE 1950S**



From the mid-1800s through the mid-to-late 1950s, the original Jewish neighborhood in Syracuse was located in the 15th Ward, which was bordered by what is now East Water Street, Montgomery Street, East Adams, and University Avenue. Today that area no longer exists. By the late 1950s most of the Jewish families had left the Ward and settled largely in the Salt Springs area. By the late 1960s and early '70s, the majority of homes and businesses had been demolished as part of the federal urban renewal project. With the demise of the Ward, a Jewish lifestyle that had existed for nearly 100 years had largely disappeared.

During the mid-to-late 1940s and early '50s, a number of Jewish students who attended Nottingham had spent their formative years growing up in the Ward. Because these students were part of the last generation to have experienced, as children, this lost lifestyle, in 2002 a committee was formed with the aim of contacting as many as possible with a request to share their recollections of life in the Ward. Over the years a host of memories arrived in the form of letters, emails, tape recordings, and phone calls.

These memories, along with a map of the Ward, photographs, and even some recipes of traditional Jewish foods that were favored by many of the residents, have now been compiled into a booklet by **Marvin Simner('54)**. Marvin was a resident of the Ward from 1941 through 1951 and graduated from Nottingham in 1954. We are pleased to announce that the booklet will be available this summer from the Onondaga Historical Association in Syracuse. If you would like further information feel free to contact Marvin, who lives in Canada and can be reached via email ([msimer@uwo.ca](mailto:msimer@uwo.ca)) or phone (**519-433-2052**).

**FIRST GAME IN THE NEW STADIUM**

On Friday, September 7, 2007, Nottingham will host CBA at 7:00pm. It will be the first game in the new stadium, and the first night game ever at the E. Genesee St. location.

Many former players will be on hand. If you would like to participate in the opening day festivities, please contact Varsity Football Coach Paul Sealy at 315-480-6100.



**2006 Grants** *Notes from the Nottingham Connection committee:*

Thanks to very generous donations from alumni who received the Nottingham Connection in 2006, we are able to cover the costs of mailing this newsletter and offer \$3,449 to teachers who submitted grant requests. We received 18 requests, a huge increase over last year.

Grant requests will be available for your review on the Nottingham High School web site, <http://weblink.scsd.us/~nottingham/home.html>

In reviewing the requests, several thoughts struck us. First, today's educational environment with its classes on web design, child development, digital photography and diversity seems worlds away from our high school education years ago. Secondly, in spite of the amount of technology provided by its funding sources, an urban school still falls short in its resources. Third, teachers are responding with enthusiasm and creativity and rising to the challenges of meeting the needs of an extraordinary mix of students, who come from professional - often Syracuse University connected - families, from families living on minimum wage or below and from many immigrant and refugee families with little English. Fourth, we admired the initiatives of the teachers and wished we could grant all the requests.

However, that would require almost \$4,000 more than we had to offer. We made partial grants to many teachers and said No to the request from the aquatics supervisor for a kayak and paddles even though we admired her goals. Perhaps alums will see ways to help with this request and to complete some of the other requests. Please feel free to e-mail individual teachers and learn more about their projects.

We are also aware that the school PTSO has an ambitious wish list of items it would love to obtain for the school. See the web site <http://weblink.scsd.us/~nottingham/home.html> or e-mail Molly Voohees at [mcvoorhe@mailbox.syr.edu](mailto:mcvoorhe@mailbox.syr.edu)

**Grant requests from teachers**

1) Head sets for ESL users of computer programs that enhance their grasp of English. Zoe Kinney 428-0218 [zkinney@hotmail.com](mailto:zkinney@hotmail.com) Request \$113.00 Grant: \$113.00

2) Elizabeth Unislawski [EUnislawski@scsd.us](mailto:EUnislawski@scsd.us), Science Dept., requests a DVD/VCR Combo player to enhance student learning by illustrating real world connections to material being covered. Request \$175.99 Grant: \$176.00

- 3) Spanish Language teacher, Lisa Orlando, 345-9806 LOrlando@scsd.us requests Spanish Video Karaoke to enhance foreign language learning. Request: \$450.00 Grant: \$250.00
- 4) Lynette Planette 435-4474 lplanck@scsd.us, Business department, has students fundraising to buy exciting software that will give them virtual business experience in running a sports stadium. The total cost will be \$894. Request: any part of \$894 we can fund. Grant: \$250
- 5) Jenniffer Banker-Benedetto JBenedetto@scsd.us requests support for transportation and other costs involving teaching issues of class and race in the American culture, a cooperative effort between Nottingham High School, Fayetteville Manlius High School, and Syracuse University. Request: \$500.00 Grant: \$250
- 6) Lorrie Paratore LParatore@scsd.us gives vivid descriptions of how 3D arts students will benefit from purchase of mosaic supplies to benefit 3D arts students. Request: \$300 Grant: \$150
- 9) Jilene M Rotolo, Acquatics Supervisor, JRotolo@scsd.us requests a kayak and 2 paddles to enable more students to participate in activities which expand physical skills and awareness of opportunities beyond their normal horizons. Request: \$361.57 Grant \$0
- 10) Katie Gang, Business teacher, MGang@scsd.us requests installation of Desktop Publisher on 28 computers to assist students and Nottingham staff in a variety of ways including creation of a newsletter and enhancing current relationship between Nottingham and SU's Whitman School of Management. Request: \$439.88 Grant: \$250
- 11) Myriam Ibarra MIbarra@scsd.us Science teacher, requests funding of a bus to transport two teams of students to the Regional Envirothon Competition in Sherbourne NY. Request: \$400 Grant: \$300
- 12) Shannon Rowe SRowe@scsd.us requests replacement of 20 old and ragged Spanish dictionaries. Request: \$283.36 (\$12.88 per book) Grant: \$150
- 13) Sara Zizzi SZizzi@scsd.us, English department, requests an itemized list of resources to aid teaching of literature, composition and grammar. Request: \$479.33 Grant: \$200
- 14) Lori DiFlorio, LDiflorio@scsd.us, art teacher, requests studio lights for use in Art and Photography classes (details available) Request: \$405.45 Grant: \$200
- 15) Ray Sturge, Music Dept., RSturge@scsd.us, requests Microphones and Phantom Power Supply to enhance music recording technology. Request: \$355.97 Grant: \$200
- 16) Julie Sherman Biology Dept., JSherman@scsd.us, submitted a plea from Crush and Sqirt, the Red Eared Sliders (turtles), the class mascots, for a larger fish tank (70 Gallon long) and various fixtures. Request: \$482.94 Grant: \$200
- 17) Thomas Procopio, Physics teacher, TProcopio@scsd.us, requests 20 stop watches. Requested: \$243.40 Grant: \$150
- 18) Jodi Rowe, Business teacher, JRowe@scsd.us, requests a color printer for the yearbook and other programs outside the Business department. Request: \$340 Grant \$160

Total Requests approx: \$7,178

Total recommended \$3,449

## Nottingham In The News Cont

November 30, 2006

Eight students from Nottingham and Corcoran are participating in the Unity Project, a radio, television and publishing initiative to teach young people about media images and messages, as well as giving them experience in developing a radio program and television segment. They will produce a documentary about the reality of high school, with assistance from professors at SU's Newhouse School. The documentary is expected to be released Jan. 12.

December 3, 2006

Several students from Nottingham participated in the recent New York State Association of Reduction, Reuse and Recycling (NYSAR3) / Go Green Initiative (GGI) in Syracuse. Twenty-five schools in the Syracuse city school district are involved with the GGI program – the most of any city school district in the country.

December 28, 2006

Nottingham was one of six schools selected for a yearlong research project by the Partners for Arts Education, a non profit group that assesses relationships between local schools and cultural organizations.

January 9, 2007

In an article about the Gifford Foundation, it was noted that the Syracuse City School District had received a grant of \$15,000 in 2006 for the Nottingham High School Career Center.

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### David Klim Overcame Adversity

David G. Klim, class of 1970, died July 13, 2006. Born with a hereditary disease which put him in a wheelchair, he had a distinguished career as a lawyer and an Onondaga County Family Court judge. He was also active on many nonprofit boards. He is survived by his wife, Barbara, and two children. Judge Klim will be one of the honorees in 2007 for the Nottingham Wall of Fame.



*Photo: News 10 Now*

## Nottingham In The News Cont

October 27, 2006

Several incidents at Nottingham in less than a month have caused Nottingham teachers to file charges against students. The incidents involved threats, assaults, foul language and menacing.

October 31, 2006

Junior Danielle Evans is part of the Signature Syracuse jazz education program. She plays bassoon, bass guitar and flute.

November 2, 2006

Former Nottingham football players Darnell Pratt and Nick Barksdale both transferred to Milford Academy in a successful effort to meet eligibility requirements to play college ball. Darnell has received a full scholarship offer from Western Michigan University.

November 8, 2006

At a meeting held by Principal Debra Mastropaolo, parents and staff said Nottingham is a safe place, despite recent incidents. "...Searches, hallsweeps, communication w/ parents, and mediation are used to promote safety at school. Unfortunately we have had these incidents in a short period of time" Mastropaolo said.

November 9, 2006

Keyboardist-singer-songwriter and Nottingham grad Jonah Smith performed at the OHM Lounge in Syracuse. He has performed in major cities such as Los Angeles, San Francisco, Denver, Minneapolis, and Chicago, and has released a self-titled CD.

Nottingham lost the Section III Class A football championship to East Syracuse-Minoa. It would have been their first championship since 1980.

November 10, 2006

Junior Chris Davis has become a top golfer at Nottingham. He won a medal at the City Tournament at Drumlins Sept. 22. His goal is to play golf at a Division I school.

November 22, 2006

Nottingham social studies teacher John Fredette ran the Harrisburg Marathon. He was helped in the race by the memory of his son Josh, who was murdered last year.

November 23, 2006

Kevin Brown took second place in the high school division of the Syracuse school district oratorical contest.

## LOVE RUNS ETERNAL FROM NOTTINGHAM'S CLASS OF '32

By Kathy Stewart, daughter of Francis & Jeannette



This is a story about my parents - Francis Richard Fitzgerald and Jeannette Kathryn Hart, both graduates of Nottingham High School. My dad met my mom in high school. He received an offer for a full scholarship to the Naval Academy right after high school but instead attended West Point. Immediately following graduation, he took a job as the golf pro at Tecumseh Golf Course. He supported his family by playing in golf tournaments. This did not please my mother's side of the family so they secretly got married and each went home every evening. Eventually they announced their marriage and had a formal wedding, but my mother was disinherited. My dad and mom moved to Ohio a couple of years later. I never saw my parents argue or even look upset at each other - all I saw was plenty of hugs and kisses. My mother became sick and had to be admitted to the state hospital where she remained until she passed away. Until the day my father passed away in 1966, he would visit my mom and the hugs and kisses I saw will remain with me until the day I pass away. I am the baby of the family - the youngest of 4. My father passed away when I was 16 and it has been difficult finding out more about him. If anyone has information or memories to share about Francis Richard Fitzgerald or Jeannette Kathryn Hart, please contact Kathy Stewart, 7326 State Route 19, Unit 1104, Mt. Gilead Ohio 43338.

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## NOTTINGHAM TEACHERS RETIRE

Congratulations, good luck, and thank you to the Nottingham teachers who retired in 2006: **Karen Calenzo** (Home Economics/SAS Internship Coordinator), **Carol Cooper** (Vice Principal), **Pat Doney** (Science), **Len Fonte** (English/Drama), **Barb Grimm** (Math), **Stephanie Ladd** (Math), **Chris Perkins** (ESL), **Pat Reid** (Health) and **Diane Phipps** (Spanish) (Nottingham class of '60).



## Nottingham In The News Cont

### Memorable Years by Robert L. Stockdale ('44)

The 2005 Nottingham Connection really pointed out what a great bunch of guys and gals made up the Class of 1944. From the cover story on the Nancy Fish Jaquith-Tom Kasberger nuptials, to the coverage of our 50th reunion itself it was full of memories.

When I was part of the crowd at Nottingham (1941 – 1944) anything resembling a Technology class was probably restricted to some basic electricity training in Mr. Parent's shop classes. In fact, on Dec. 8, 1941, Principal Harold Coon called me in to the office to ask if I could set up my public address system with a radio so we could hear FDR's address to Congress after Pearl Harbor. I had one which I used for one of the first "deejay" operations in Central New York.

When Mrs. Mary Flood Lynch, the dramatics class teacher, staged anything in the auditorium we rented all the lights and dimmers from Cooper Decoration. The choral and band director in the war years was John "Jerry" Sackett, widely known throughout Central New York for the excellent a cappella choir we had then.

My the association with dance music continued during thirty years in Syracuse broadcasting at WAGE (now WHEN) and the fifteen years I owned and operated WSEN. I authored two discographies of Tommy and Jimmy Dorsey that won national awards for best research in Jazz (so much for Hazel Bush's laments that I'd never learn how to write!).

The short three years our class spent in Nottingham are memorable ones for me because of the excellent teachers I encountered and the great developmental influence they had.

July 23, 2006

Carmen Viviano-Crafts ('03), is one of a family of audiobook recorders as part of Full Cast Audio, started five years ago by local author Bruce Coville.

August 15, 2006

Vuong Nguyen, Nottingham junior, is spending his third summer working with children at the Asian Apostolate's summer program in Syracuse.

August 29, 2006

Nottingham graduate Mac Gifford will be retained as associate head coach of women's tennis and director of tennis operations at SU. He previously coached the SU women to an 83-64 record, finishing in second place in the 2004 Big East tournament.

September 5, 2006

Senior Lauren Davis volunteered to help during Nottingham's freshman orientation. She is also senior class president, active in DECA business club and plays sports.

September 10, 2006

A Post-Standard column featured Nottingham alumnus Andrew Branch who started a successful driving school 43 years ago. His children Deraux, Della, and Theresa are now involved in the school. Andrew just won a gold medal in the 100-meter dash at the Empire State Games, senior division. Andy's driving teacher at Nottingham was Ed Parent, who retired in the 60's.

September 13, 2006

Nottingham was one of the schools which improved so much that they may get off the state Education Department's list of schools in need of improvement.

September 24, 2006

Lawrence Wallace ('48) plays in a five-piece chamber music ensemble with Condoleeza Rice. Lawrence spent more than 40 years in the solicitor general's office in the US Justice Department, serving under eight presidents.

September 29, 2006

Stephon Martin, senior, is a semifinalist for the 2007 National Achievement Scholarship Program. Finalists will receive awards in April, 2007.

October 15, 2006

Several Nottingham alumni were inducted into the Nottingham Wall of Fame in a ceremony October 14. (See separate article.)

### Calling ALL Nottingham Girls Soccer Alumnae!

Test out your creaky soccer feet and enjoy the new Nottingham fields.

Please contact **Zoe Kinney** ('85) if you are interested in playing in an alumnae soccer game over Columbus Day weekend October 6, 7 or 8, 2007. tel. (315) 428-0218 or email: [zkinney@hotmail.com](mailto:zkinney@hotmail.com)



## Nottingham In The News Cont

June 19, 2006

Sanabor Kakhrmanova, a Meskhetian Turk, faced discrimination in Russia. Now her son and daughter attend Nottingham and enjoy it because they don't feel second-class.

June 21, 2006

Dorsey Levens ('89) was inducted into the 2006 Greater Syracuse Sports Hall of Fame. He retired from the NFL after compiling 4,955 yards on 1,243 carries.

Twins Anita "Annie" Hargrave and Augustine "Gus" Hargrave are salutatorian and valedictorian, respectively, of their senior class at Nottingham.

June 22, 2006

Gillian Jackson will become the 12th child in her family to graduate from Nottingham. Ranked sixth in her class, Gillian will attend Hamilton College. Her Nottingham siblings are: John (Harvard), Joel (Cornell), Katherine (Cornell), Lydia (Amherst), Nicholas (Colgate), Nathaniel (Colgate), Susannah (William Smith), Samuel (Hamilton), Martha (Hamilton), Sylvia (Colgate), and Brandon (Middlebury).

June 24, 2006

Chris Andrews, junior, was named to the All-CNY track & field team.

June 27, 2006

Augustine "Gus" Hargrave, Nottingham's valedictorian, produced two short videos himself and was part of a team producing documentaries for a filmmaking class at the Everson Museum of Art. Gus plans to study acting at SU. Another film, "I Shot the Sheriff", was written by Roberto Redaelli ('06), and directed by Missy Seigler ('06). The class is a collaboration between the Everson and Nottingham, offering a credit course in filmmaking and video production.

June 29, 2006

Boston-based Nottingham alum Harry Skoler, a nationally known swing clarinetist, performed June 18 at the seventh annual Jewish Music and Cultural Festival in Clinton Square.

July 20, 2006

The New York State Society of Certified Public Accountants sponsored a Career Opportunities in the Accounting Profession program for high school juniors. Among the attendees was Nottingham student Nina Daoud.

## Dan Maffei ('86) Thanks His Supporters



I would like to thank the Nottingham community for the tremendous support I received in last year's Congressional election. Though I did not win, the campaign made a remarkable showing, coming just a little over 3000 votes shy out of more than 217,000. This occurred in a district where the incumbent, Jim Walsh, had no opposition in 2004 and had all of the advantages of being a 9-term incumbent. Furthermore, I feel the campaign clearly changed the political landscape and sent Mr. Walsh and the Bush Administration a strong message about Iraq, the Upstate economy, Medicare and other key issues.

The campaign made me the first Democratic Congressional candidate to win Onondaga County in decades and one of about a dozen Democrats nationwide that barely lost in a year when resources were stretched among over 50 competitive campaigns. So, where does that leave me? It leaves me, and those who supported my campaign, with a lot left to do. We all know that Central New York faces vast challenges, economically and demographically. Public Schools are hurting and unless we do better by all of our children and youth, our economy and our soul as a community will be diminished.

So, as I said in my election night statement, I am going to stay and do the work as best I can. I have taken a position with Pinnacle Capital Management, LLC, a wonderful new locally-owned and management financial firm and I am becoming involved with boards and organizations aimed to help our youth and encourage a better Central New York for them. I would love to hear thoughts from any Nottingham community friends. My new e-mail address is [dmaffei@pcm-advisors.com](mailto:dmaffei@pcm-advisors.com).

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## The Alumni Quilt by Barbara Crandall Lipe ('44)

I promised Judy Gray I would help complete the pieces still needed for the Alumni quilt. I have this idea: If a member of the classes that still have not provided a quilt piece could mail me a photo with a scene from his or her time at Nottingham I will put it on fabric and create the quilt piece. Please mail a photo to: Barbara Crandall Lipe, 4204 Pompey Center Road, Manlius, NY 13104. I will return the photos. Or call me at 315-682-6171.



Editorial note: Thank you Barbara! The wonderful quilt is available for showing at reunions or upon request through Margaret (Peg) Lanzendorf Kramer ('68) at Nottingham High School 315-435-4380. The following pieces are still needed: 1928, 1929, 1930, 1933, 1934, 1935, 1936, 1937, 1940, 1943, 1947, 1949, 1952, 1957, 1958, 1960, 1962, 1969, 1972, 1973, 1979, 1984, 1987, 1990, 1992, 1994, 1999, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007. Please call Peg, if you are willing to create a piece for your year, or send photo(s) to Barbara Lipe. Thanks for your help!



## A Nottingham High School Family Contest

by Sherwin I. Glazer, '42



Many is the time that I have thought about a Nottingham High School Family Contest to discover what family had the most members who matriculated at Nottingham. And, of course, both Nottinghams would be included, the old, on Fellows Ave. and Harvard Pl., and the new(er) on East Genesee St.

I would like to kick off the contest by entering my own family, which lived across the street from the old Nottingham, on Fellows Ave., and which consists of myself, Sherwin I. Glazer, class of 1942; my brother, Nathan B. Glazer, class of 1937; Roslyn Weinstein Glazer, Nathan's wife; Eric Glazer, son of my late brother, Aaron M. Glazer (whom I cannot include in the contest, as he attended Central High School); and Elliott, Jeffrey, Paula, and Robin Glazer, Nathan and Roslyn's children.

If my math is correct, and I believe it is, because one of my math teachers who so thoroughly taught me at Nottingham was Ms. Nielson, the number of the Fellows Ave. Glazers who attended Nottingham was 8.

If I may use a little space now to reminisce: I remember occupying a seat in the clarinet section of Jerry Sackett's Nottingham band, along with Larry Siegler, Bob Carlton, Dan Seaman, and Edgar Galson, listening to Burton Ellis play the solo of "Tremontier" on the tuba, band practice at 8 AM out on the field, watching Art Simmons and Dick Fellows star on the hockey team, Gene Berger and Jack Benson tossing in baskets on the court, Gene Dollard behind the plate catching Billy Gates' pitches, Chuck Gifford starring in "Nottingham Revues" when he wasn't scoring touchdowns, writhing in fear entering Ms. Hazel Bush's English class for a session of Shakespeare, lining up according to height in Doc Manor's gym class (Rich Dickinson and I were always the shortest), running errands to Westcott St. for Fran Durkin, struggling through "The Yearling" with Mrs. McDonald, and studying "veni, vidi, vici" with Ms. McBurney, Dutch Ginter coaching football and teaching business math. And who cannot remember the fabulous Gordon MacRae, star of "Oklahoma", and the handsome Bill Lundigan, of radio and movie fame?

So those of you who would like to enter your family in the contest, just mail to me, **Sherwin I. Glazer, 702 Hamilton Pkwy, DeWitt, NY 13214**, your family members' names and, if possible, class year, and maybe we can think up for the winner a nice prize such as perhaps a free lunch at the Nottingham cafeteria. Best wishes to all of you Nottingham grads and good luck!

## Nottingham In The News Cont

June 12, 2006

Two Nottingham students, Nicholas Fields, tenor, and Maricia Seigler, alto, were in the mixed chorus at the New York State School Music Association Conference All-State concert performance in Rochester last Nov. 30 – Dec. 4.

June 14, 2006

The Green Team at Nottingham has set their goals for the 2006-2007 school year, joining the Syracuse area Go Green Initiative. The Green Team has divided in half. One group has decided to focus on increasing recycling rates at the school (currently Nottingham recycles an average of 1600 lbs of paper on a weekly basis!!) another Group has decided to focus on a district-wide initiative; to get the district to use recycled content paper in all schools! Great Job to the Nottingham Green team!!! for more information please visit:[http://www.naefrecycling.com/Nottingham\\_minutes.htm](http://www.naefrecycling.com/Nottingham_minutes.htm)

At Tuesday evening's Board of Education meeting the board approved the naming of Nottingham's auditorium the Len Fonte Performing Arts Center, in honor of Mr. Fonte's 30-plus years of service at Nottingham and his commitment to students and the performing arts. Congratulations!

Syracuse superintendent Dan Lowengard also recognized three Nottingham students enrolled in the Syracuse as School course, a course that sends students out into a variety of community venues, for their political involvement. This year senior Gus Hargrave worked in Senator Charles Schumer's Syracuse office, senior Corey Kotlar worked in State Senator Dave Valesky's office, and junior Lauren Davis worked in Senator Hillary Clinton's Syracuse office.

June 15, 2006

Natalie Bennett was one of the winners of the 2006 Teens of Achievement award from the Post-Standard.

June 17, 2006

Pat ('44) and Patricia McCarthy won 10 medals – 7 gold and 3 silver, at this year's Empire State Senior Games in Cortland competing in badminton, tennis, and horseshoes. Pat qualified for 2007's Senior National Games in Louisville.

June 18, 2006

Corey Harris was a winner of the National Achievement Scholarship from the National Merit Scholarship Corporation. He planned to attend MIT to study mechanical and aerospace engineering.



## Nottingham In The News Cont

May 21, 2006

Congratulations to the Nottingham drama department that brought home several of the first-ever Syracuse Area Live Theater Youth (SALTY) awards announced Saturday. Junior Fiona Barbour won the Best Actress in a High School Musical, Nottingham's production of Under Milkwood won Best High School Play, and retiring teacher and director Len Fonte won Best High School Director and Lifetime Achievement Award. Bravo!

May 24, 2006

Congratulations to the following Nottingham students (and their parents!) for their academic accomplishments. Their academic averages put them in the top ten of Nottingham's class of 2006, and their ranks were announced at Tuesday evening's Academic Awards celebration. Very well done!

Valedictorian: Gus Hargrave planning to attend Syracuse University

Salutatorian: Annie Hargrave planning to attend University of Rochester

3. Nadia Essi SUNY-Environmental Science and Forestry

4. Corey Harris Massachusetts Institute of Technology

5. Natalie Bennet University of Buffalo

6. Gillian Jackson Hamilton College

7. Corey Kotlar SUNY-Geneseo

8. Pat Moore SUNY-Binghamton

9. Jasna Ramic Lemoyne

10. Katarina Stuetzle Lemoyne

May 27, 2006

Nottingham's track and field team won the Section III Class A-1 meet, under coach Paul Sealy. Key performers were Chris Andrews, Chaz Legette, Brian Hall, and Stephon Martin.

May 30, 2006

Junior Kevin Brown II wrote a column in the Post-Standard urging more focus on education in the early years to ensure success in high school.

June 8, 2006

Eileen Bernstein Douglas ('64) has produced a documentary, "My Grandfather's House", part of which was shot in Syracuse, about her grandfather's journey from Lithuania to Syracuse. The film is available from The Cinema Guild. Eileen has worked as a broadcaster in several cities, starting as a reporter in Syracuse. She currently lives in New York

## The High School Years by Sallie Bailey ('49)



The Syracuse schools were divided into Elementary (grades K thru 6), Junior High (grades 7 thru 9), and Senior High (grades 10 through 12). Nottingham High School was on the opposite side of town, but at that time we could choose to attend school wherever we wanted. My best friend from Junior High and I chose Nottingham. Of course, we had to get there on our own, boarding the city bus each morning and transferring downtown.

We did not consider it a hardship. Indeed, it was a congenial group that met each morning and afternoon. On the way home, my friends and I often stopped at Schrafft's Restaurant soda fountain. My treat of choice was a chocolate ice cream soda with coffee ice cream. Sometimes we went to Kirtland's, the premier stationery store in downtown Syracuse.

After I turned sixteen, I had summer jobs in various downtown stores and banks. Everyone worked summers - it was just what you did and those who didn't were rather looked down upon. The city streets were always packed with people, because it was virtually the only place to shop.

When I was in High School every girl had a camel hair coat. On the bitterest, gusty winter days it was the custom to leave them unbuttoned and flying in the wind. On really frigid days, we wore head scarves folded in triangular shape and tied under the chin. Shoe fads came and went, including saddle shoes and loafers, worn with oversize, bulky white ankle socks that sagged around the ankle. The de rigueur school day garb was a wool cardigan style sweater worn backwards buttoned down the back with a string of costume pearls and often with a white 'dickey'. The skirts were knee length, wool and had box pleats. The leisure uniform was blue jeans, but with the legs rolled up unevenly, one leg just below the knee and the other just below that. We wore a man's shirt looted from our brothers' and fathers' closets and worn un-tucked.

Our age group wore our hair long and most often in a pageboy, replacing the pompadours and snoods of previous years. We rolled our hair under at night using old socks, rags or fat metal curlers. Is there any woman out there in her 70's who doesn't remember the jingle "Dream Girl, dream girl beautiful Lustre-Creme girl, you owe your crowning glory to a Lustre Creme Shampoo"?

In those days, most girls drifted into Liberal Arts or Home Economics. SATs were called College Entrance Examinations. Graduation depended on getting a minimum grade of 65 on the Regents Exams, and a minimum grade of 75 to get into college. All you really needed for college acceptance were passing grades and a tuition check in your hand. I had both plus an acceptable portfolio of art work, assembled in high school under the tutelage of Miss Edith Hough (whom I met again many years later as a fellow member of Syracuse Printmakers). When I started college at Syracuse University in the fall of 1949, the tuition not including room and board was \$250 per semester. The following (spring) semester, it was raised to \$275 because of increasing costs.

For the Nottingham class of 1949, there were no clouds on the horizon. The War was over, Korea only a place-name. Life was good.

# From The Mailbag



## The 1930's

**Nancy Setright Grove** ('39) wrote that her older brother Jim graduated in 1935 and was no doubt one of the blurry guys in the back row of the picture we printed in 2006 of the Class of 1935. Her sister Ann Setright Mercer was in the class of '48 and her younger brother Jack was in the class of '42.

**Stan Barnes** ('39) remembers fondly playing hockey with Gordy MacRae on Seeley Road. Stan attended SU, rowed on the crew team and rang the Crouse chimes, and after the Air Corps graduated from Yale. He is a former school principal, happily married for 64 years.

## The 1940's

**Phyllis Freshman Marks** ('41) first taught art and then became assistant to the art director at "Seventeen" magazine in New York City. She is retired now but still teaches art at Empire State College Academy for Learning in Retirement.

**Robert Sturge** ('43) is a retired school administrator and does a lot of volunteer work – helping older people with their income tax forms and many other such things. (as reported by **Sallie Bailey**)

**Tamara Rackson Lipson** ('44) was surprised on an Elderhostel trip to Prague in May 2006, when she found that another member of the tour group was a Nottingham graduate: Stuart Lerman.

**Bob Stanton** ('48) retired from GE in 1987 as a machinist. He remembers an assembly around 1946 featuring Gordon MacRae and family. The theme was something like "Everyone has talent – get out there and use it!"

## The 1950's

**Greg Clarke & Carol Clarke** ('55 & '54), of Georgia, have both passed the background checks and the drug tests and are now working volunteers of the Southern Museum of Civil War and Locomotive History. Carol is volunteering in the Education Department, and Greg is working in the Archives Department. Greg write, "I have fallen into the greatest position a person could ever hope for."

# Nottingham In The News Cont

May 14, 2006

Georgia Popoff ('71) was among the women honored by the Central New York Branch of the National League of American Pen Women.

May 16, 2006

Former Nottingham basketball star Sephronia Sallard ('05) has transferred from the University of Kansas to the University of Pittsburgh. Homesickness played a part in her decision. She scored 1,569 career points at Nottingham.

May 16, 2006

Lauren Davis, Nottingham junior, was one of the students traveling south for the annual Civil Rights Connection trip. The students will help with Katrina cleanup in Mississippi, visit the National Civil Rights Museum in Memphis, tour a plantation, and meet Charles Evers, brother of assassinated civil rights leader Medgar Evers.

May 17, 2006

Stephen A. and Nottingham graduate Nancy M. Rogers received the 2006 Inter-religious Leadership Award from the InterReligious Council of Central New York.

May 18, 2006

Nottingham was one of the sites for career fairs organized by the Military Alternatives Education Project, a coalition of groups including Peace Action CNY, AFSE, Pax Christi Syracuse, Syracuse Greens, and Syracuse Peace Council. Participants included Planned Parenthood, Americorps, and American Friends Service Committee. One of the organizers was Nottingham junior Tessa Corcoran-Sayers.

May 18, 2006

Partners for Education and Business recognized some local students, businesses and educators during its annual meeting. Among the honorees were Nottingham students Kevin Brown, Lauren Davis, Corey Gabriel Harris, and Zelda Thomas.

May 21, 2006

Len Fonte received a lifetime achievement award from the Syracuse Area Live Theatre Youth Awards (SALTYS). Len also received an award for Best Director and Distinguished Educator. Other Nottingham honorees: Best Actress High School Musical: Fiona Barbour "Ragtime" (tie), Best Play: "Under Milkwood".

## Nottingham In The News Cont

April 23, 2006

Anne Burlington ('67) received the Victim Service Award during National Crime Victim's Week. Anne is senior legal advocate with Vera House, has spent 25 years working in the field of domestic violence. She is treasurer of the NYS Coalition Against Domestic Violence.



April 26, 2006

Madame Cindy Cronin, Nottingham's French teacher, announced the results of the National French Contest (Le Grand Concours). This year 25 students participated at Nottingham High School at three different levels. This was the opportunity for students to challenge themselves in a rigorous nationwide test of their skills in French. 23,099 students took the level 2A exam across the country. Ben Burdick ('09) placed 2nd in the Central New York region and 3rd in the nation. Kelley Mooney ('08) placed 7th regionally and 10th nationally out of 19,965 students overall.

May 4, 2006

Mitchell Cyrus, a sentry at Nottingham, was awarded the Mary Ficchi Lifetime Achievement Award on April 26 by The Parents for Public Schools of Syracuse. Molly Voorheis received the Parent Excellence Award for Community Service.

May 7, 2006

State legislators have introduced a bill, the Healthy Teens Act, which would create a grant program for sex education programs in schools and community-based organizations that cover more than abstinence. Nottingham health teacher Pat Reid says, "Everything we do is certainly prefaced by, 'Abstinence is the only way to avoid all these things.' But we do discuss all these issues. If we can't do it here in this atmosphere, where can we talk about it in an educated manner? Where are students going to get the information?"

May 11, 2006

Syracuse Mayor Matt Driscoll declared a community recognition day for retiring English teacher Len Fonte. He was honored as the driving force behind Nottingham's successful drama program.

May 12, 2006

Author John Berendt ('57) spoke at Fayetteville-Manlius High School about the inspiration for his writing: his parents.

### The 1950's cont..

**Richard Roomian** ('54) "Keep up the great work! Sometimes the news is sad but it's the main connection. Enjoy the sunshine and thank you."

**Alice Gordon** ('56) lives in Skaneateles and is retired as an administrative assistant at Infusacare Medical Services. She has two sons and four grandchildren. "Of my siblings and first cousins, 19 Gordon's, Leipzigs, and Hammers graduated from Nottingham."

**Bernie Axenfeld** ('56) emailed an update on his medical condition. He was diagnosed in December 2004 with neck cancer. After neck surgery and radiation, he is "Super working on Deluxe".

**Anita Strausman Kuppermann** ('54) and **Lewis Kuppermann** ('51) celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary on the weekend of August 25th, 2006. Family members include children Andrew and Brett Kuppermann, daughters-in-law Marcy and Diane, and grandchildren Alex, Elana, Glenn, & Leah.

### The 1960's

**Gordon Haney** ('60) "Thanks for another great issue of The Connection. I especially enjoyed your info on John Dutcher in the last issue. John lived in my neighborhood and was a good friend and mentor as I was growing up. Good job, and keep 'em coming."

**Ronald Rudolph** ('61) "Please keep the Connection going. Since my wife **Ann Bladen** ('65) and I left Syracuse in 1979, we have tried to get back to visit at least annually. We always drive by Nottingham H.S. to make sure it is still there. I look forward to my 50th reunion which is only 5 years away."

**Bruce Benderson** ('64) is the author of two works of fiction, User and Pretending to Say No, and several works of nonfiction, including Toward the New Degeneracy. A translator of French literature who has worked as a journalist for numerous American and French publications, including "The New York Times Magazine" and "Libération", Benderson lives in NYC and Miami. In 2004, Bruce became the first American to receive the Prix de Flore, one of France's most distinguished literary prizes, for his new memoir, The Romanian. Bruce graduated from Harpur College, which is now affiliated with SUNY Binghamton.

### The 1970's

**Barbara Ellefson** ('70) would like all her friends to know her new address: 3005 Hyacinth Street, Las Cruces, NM 88007. Phone number 505-525-8557, email address [bjellefson@aol.com](mailto:bjellefson@aol.com)

## The 1970's cont...

**Mark S. Erlebacher, MD** ('71) writes, "Thank you for sending me The Nottingham Connection. I appreciate the hard work you do for it and wish to make a contribution as such. I expect our class to have a 40 year reunion in five years and I plan again to participate in planning that event with other local alums from my class at that time."

**Michelle Renee Mozell** ('75) has entered a new phase of her life. She used to be Mike Mozell, but as of Feb. 23rd, she changed her name to Michelle Renee and underwent surgery. She is also celebrating her first grandchild, Luke Jeffery, born 2/27/06 to her daughter Tasmyn and husband Mike Phifer.

**Ira Hoffman** ('76) My wife Dorothy (Doro for short) and I celebrated our 20th anniversary this past summer with a trip to San Francisco. We met in Chicago and we've lived in Michigan since 6 months or so after our wedding. We both work for Dow Chemical. We have two daughters: Jessie, 19, and Meredith, coming up on 17.

**Meg Murray** ('78) writes that she is doing well in Fairfield CT. She is a stay-at-home mom with three children and a jewelry design business. She keeps in touch with Amy Dryansky, June Edelstein, Leslie Archer, Brian Collins, Dan and Tana Pusey, Hugh and Ira Share, Evan Birkhead and Josh Cohen.

## The 1980's

**Susan Salomone** ('81) & **Jean Hoosty Salomone** ('84): Just a little FYI about us - Jayne turned 7 a few weeks ago, Matteo is receiving OT and PT therapies to help with some of his developmental issues, the baby (soon to be Mia) most likely will be freed for adoption in May. It is looking more and more likely that come early July I will become a stay at home mom.

**Andres Duque** ('86) was honored in June 2006 by the NYC Comptroller's Office for his work with Latino gay communities in New York and throughout the United States. He is one of 6 honorees plus tennis great Billie Jean King, who is getting a Lifetime Achievement Award.

**Theresa Furman** ('86) "I just moved to Indy this spring and so far I like it ok, even though it has been a culture shock of sorts after more than 11 years of small town living. The people are nice, and the weather is definitely warmer than northern NY. I'm still home with my 3 kids but hope to go back to school by next year."

## Nottingham In The News Cont

April 13, 2006

Ben Burt Jr. ('66) designed the sound for "Munich" at the request of Steven Spielberg. This was a deviation from his job at Pixar, a company whose output is exclusively animation.

April 14, 2006

Three Nottingham students are being recognized by the CNY Reads program (visit <http://library.syr.edu/cnyreads/> for more information). Nottingham English teacher Michelle Monsour's 11th grade English classes, including an inclusion class taught with Judy Lonergan, read this year's CNY Reads book, Miriam Grace Monfredo's historical mystery novel, North Star Conspiracy. They also participated in the essay and poetry contest related to the novel sponsored by CNY Reads. The following won awards: Essay winner: Rosin Machnaigh; Poetry winner: Jargalan Nermunkh; Honorable Mentions for poetry: Rosin Macnaigh and Darryl Carter

April 17, 2006

Javier Garcia, Ilko Luque, Gerardo Madera, and Luis Marrero participated in the "Cross-Cultural Connection," a collaborative project of the Syracuse Police Department, Syracuse City School District, Syracuse University and the West Side Learning Center. These students worked with police department officers, serving as their Latino "teachers."

April 20, 2006

Craig Reopell, who has coached tennis off and on at Nottingham for 9 years, said that the nature of the communities from which Syracuse city schools draw their student creates challenges that suburban schools don't face. "We have 18 kids right now, and 14 of them come from different countries." Money is perhaps the biggest obstacle. In a sport like tennis, the athletes and their families often end up footing the bill for personal equipment. Despite everything, some students will excel. Jeremy Deuel ('05) won more than 100 matches during his career. Deuel won two Section III championships and now attends Siena College on a scholarship.

April 21, 2006

Felisha Legette-Jack ('84) has become head coach of the women's basketball team at Indiana Univ. She is the second youngest coach and the only black coach in the Big Ten Conference. As a student, Felisha led Nottingham's team to their 1984 Class B state title. She played for SU, earning many awards. Then turned to coaching, first on the high school level and then college. She has been head coach at Hofstra for the past 3 years.



## Nottingham In The News Cont

Jamil Munoz ('06) was inspired by a poem by e.e.cummings to create a 6-min. experimental film. The judges of the Syracuse International Film & Video Festival liked it so much that they included it in their festival lineup. The film was part of a class project, and Munoz is delighted that it was selected for viewing at the festival which he has attended and worked on for the past two years.

April 4, 2006

Stephon Martin Jr. ('07) is vice president of the DECA Region 9. DECA is a business and marketing organization. He will be competing in DECA's national competition April 29 in Dallas. He and his teammates are going because they won first place in the state DECA contest in the quiz bowl event.

April 7, 2006

Nottingham hosts its annual Multicultural Day. Classes run a bit shorter, and by noon students are invited to watch a variety of performances and purchase an array of delicious foods that represent the many ethnicities of Nottingham students..

Natalie Bennet ('06) and Gus Hargrave('06) were nominated for Syracuse Area Live Theater (SALT) scholarship awards for their work in Nottingham theater productions.

April 6, 2006

Corey Harris ('06) is the only student in the region to win an Achievement Scholarship from the National Merit Scholarship Foundation. His award is for \$2,500.

April 11, 2006

An article on student clubs mentioned Nottingham's juggling and break dancing clubs.

April 12, 2006

Dan Maffei ('86) campaigned in Fayetteville. He is running as a moderate Democrat for the Congressional seat now held by Republican James Walsh. Dan has wide experience in politics (see article in 2006 issue on page 4 and page 7 in this issue).

April 13, 2006

John Berendt ('57), author of best selling books Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil and City of Falling Angels will be lecturing as a fundraiser for the Manlius Library. His mother Carol lives in Manlius.

## The 1980's Cont....

**Geoff Greenfield** ('86) is a NABCEP Certified Energy Practitioner. He and his wife are owners/operators of THIRD SUN SOLAR & WIND POWER Ltd. in Athens, OH. His website is [www.third-sun.com](http://www.third-sun.com)

**Sheres Barnes** ('89) emails "I've been busy these last 17 years, earning my A.S. in Business Administration, B.S. in Computer Information Systems, M.S. in Business Management and M.S. in Information Management. I'm currently a certified Special Education Teacher and Liaison in the Dallas Independent School District. I have had the opportunity to travel to many states and have lived in California, Virginia, Arizona, Florida and now Texas. "

**Karen Gamber** ('81) – or she would have been Nottingham '81 if she hadn't moved to Evergreen, CO and finished high school there! Karen is now Educational Consultant for Discovery Toys. Her person and team "motto/mission": Providing playful learning tools for children while helping women learn how to believe in themselves. Karen is daughter of June Brickwedde.

**Jackie Kibler** ('85) who moved to Florida in time for Hurricane Wilma in July 2005, said they had \$60,000 worth of damage, but their insurance covered most of it. She loves her new place. Jackie is Senior Manager, Sales Training & Performance Development at Oasis Staffing. Her husband Rich earned a 4.0 in his first semester of pre-requisites for Nursing School. Email: [Jkilver@OasisAdvantage.com](mailto:Jkilver@OasisAdvantage.com) )

## The 2000's

**Yolande Pottie-Sherman** ('02) was known as Yolande Sherman at Nottingham, but she had to use her full legal name at McGill. She will graduate from McGill in June 2006, and begin a Master of Arts in Geography at Queens University. In Kingston, ON in Sep. 2006.





## Inaugural “Wall of Fame” Event a Big Success

The inaugural Nottingham Alumni “Wall of Fame” event held Saturday, October 14, 2006, was a rousing success! Honorees included **Hy Miller ’41**, **Carol Martineau Baldwin ’48**, **Charlie Beach ’54**, **John Berendt ’57**, **Dorsey Levens ’89**, and the late **Gordon MacRae**. MacRae’s daughter, Heather, brought her award-winning New York cabaret show “Songs for My Father” to Drumlins Country Club and entertained 200 alumni, students, parents, and teachers. The plaques created specially for the “Wall of Fame” will be hung in the main school hallway and each year new inductees will be added. Nomination forms for the 2007 class were available as attendees left for the evening, and an abbreviated version was included in the program. The evening was dedicated to the late Judy Gray, former Nottingham Librarian and founder of “The Nottingham Connection”. It was her efforts over the past four years that finally got this event started.

Wanted: Alumni Volunteers for “Wall of Fame” Committee

We’re looking for Syracuse-area alumni to help with selecting inductees for 2008 and helping with the behind-the-scenes work in setting up the 2008 (and beyond!) Induction Ceremony and Banquet. The 2007 ceremony is scheduled for Oct 13th. Interested? Contact us by Email [Nottinghamwall@hotmail.com](mailto:Nottinghamwall@hotmail.com)

The “Wall of Fame” committee consists of Nottingham alumni, PTSO (parent-teacher-student organization) members, and representatives of the high school staff and administration. Meetings are minimal and email correspondence is the main form of communication.



Wall of Fame Honoree Carol Martineau Baldwin '48 (center)

## Nottingham In The News Cont

March 28, 2006

Select sophomores and music students will participate in session two of the baroque workshop led by Ms. Fennessey, Mr. Little, Mr. Sturge, and Mr. Fonte. Students will have the opportunity to look more closely at the culture of the baroque period.

March 30, 2006 Amir Junuzovic, a teaching assistant at Nottingham was featured in an article. He works with the English as a Second language program. Junuzovic emigrated from Bosnia when he was 20. He speaks Bosnian, Serbian, Croatian, English and some German. He is taking his Masters at LeMoyne in Education.

March 30, 2006 A Post-Standard article featured the positive effects of some of the grants awarded by the Nottingham Connection: new books, digital cameras and microphones for the Foreign Language Department.

March 31, 2006

Two Nottingham music students were selected to participate in the All-County Jazz Festival on Saturday, April 1. Missy Seigler will perform with the senior high vocal jazz ensemble, and Nick Fields will play with the senior high jazz band.

April 2006

Nottingham science teacher Dr. Myriam Ibarra, was recently selected to participate in the Cornell University Research Experience for Teachers I (RET) from July 5 - August 15, 2006. This program provides middle and high school math and science teachers with an intense, six-week period of in-depth study at the Cornell Center for Materials and Research (CCMR) laboratories. This mission of CCMR is to advance, explore and exploit the forefront of the science and engineering of advanced materials. The unifying theme of current research is the study of materials purposefully structured at the nanoscale (near Atomic dimensions).

April 2, 2006

The Neighbors section of the Post-Standard featured a great article on upper-level French students enjoying new copies of *The Little Prince* (or *Le Petite Something*, if you remember just a little of YOUR high school French). Nottingham French teacher Cindy Cronin was able to purchase a new set of books thanks to a grant from the Nottingham alumni group, the Nottingham Connection.

## Nottingham In The News Cont



March 3, 2006

Fiona Barbour ('07) received an honorable mention in the 18th annual National Shakespeare Competition of Central New York. The contest judges the students' understanding of the writing, their communication skills with the audience, and their artistic skills. Fiona placed in the top six of 22 area participants.

Two Nottingham mathletes are moving on to the state Math League competition April 8 after a good showing in Saturday's 29th annual Onondaga County Math League Meet. Corey Harris and Jargalan Nermunkh have accumulated enough points during the season to be eligible to compete in the state meet. Math teacher Stephanie Ladd coaches the Nottingham math team.

March 4, 2006

Matt Abbott, Chris Greenman and Jason Maxon ('05) are part of S.U.'s lacross team this year. Matt scored two goals in SU's win against Army on Feb. 25.

March 22, 2006

Tyshon Goode ('08) and Nina Lyons ('08) wore 1750s clothing as they danced to music performed by NYS Baroque. The arts ensemble was brought to Nottingham through a grant.

March 26, 2006

MyPhuong Phan ('06) was recognized by the Syracuse Women's Commission as one of five "builders of dreams" at a ceremony at city hall on March 30. MyPhuong was the first person of color to be crowned Miss Columbus Day in Syracuse. She is a varsity cheerleader, senior class secretary, a member of the National Honor Society, and a member of the Select Chorale. The Commission also recognized one female from each of the four city high schools. Molly Fullenbaum ('06) was honored.

March 27, 2006

Three Nottingham theater students won awards at this past weekend's Michael Harms Theater Festival held at the Civic Center. Natalie Bennet ('06) was awarded for her work in scene design; Nick Fields ('06) was awarded for his performance in Ragtime; and Alex Reeder ('08) won an award for best lighting design.



*Former Vice Principal Gary Crawford along with Dorsey Levens' family*



*Hy Miller addresses the crowd at the Nottingham Wall of Fame ceremony*

**\*For more information on this years ceremony see page 27**



## Nottingham - Related Websites



<http://scsd.us/~nottingham/>

<http://weblink.scsd.us/~nottingham/alumni.html>

**Class of '71:** <http://www.shutterfly.com/my/osi.jsp?i=67b0de21b31b05f80552>

**Class of '73:** <http://www.nottingham73.com>

**Class of '85:** <http://www.geocities.com/ham19852000/>

**Class of '86:** <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/HAMClassof86/>

**Class of '87:** <http://pages.hotbot.com/edu/nottingham-1987/nottingham.html>

**Class of '90:** <http://www.reunionsworld.com/SchoolAnnouncements/NewYork/NottinghamNY90.htm>

**Class of '91:** <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/bulldogs/chat>

**Class of '93:** <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/ham93reunion/>



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## Our Modern Day Rosie the Riveter – *Gladys Oram*

*Van Dyke* by Peg Kramer ('68)

The impact of World War II history, volunteerism, patriotism, feminism, and motherhood all blend in efforts by Gladys Oram Van Dyke (class of 1932) to honor women who volunteer in this country then and now.

Gladys started out researching the women's industrial war effort (by more than 18 million women) characterized by "Rosie the Riveter". Her own mother, Viola Oram, worked in the L. C. Smith typewriter factory (converted to the war effort) building airplanes. Viola was a 49-year-old widow at that time with four sons in the service. Gladys realized the valuable contributions and changes that women have made and started her own campaign to honor "Modern Day Rosie". If anyone wants to send information about a woman who deserves recognition, contact Gladys via email at [govandyke@msn.com](mailto:govandyke@msn.com). (The "Rosie the Riveter" Trust website is

<http://www.rosietheriveter.org/members.htm>).

As a volunteer herself (she is now a touch over 90 years old), Gladys has taught quilting, ran a senior center, taught at El Paso Community College Senior Adult Program, and participated with El Paso Retired and Senior Volunteer Program. Congratulations, Gladys, and thank you for all of your efforts!



## Nottingham In The News Cont

Feb. 26, 2006

Greg Jones ('88) makes sure that the girls basketball team hits the books. As a player, Jones was a member of the Nottingham's state championship team in 1987. As a coach, he also works as a case manager for the school district, and in 2005 led the Lady Bulldogs to a Class AA state title.

Curtis E. Scrivens ('06), one of the winners of the Unsung Hero Awards was profiled in a page-long article. Curtis has been a spokesman for local youth, serving as youth representative to the Syracuse Model Neighborhoods board of directors. As part of the InterReligious Council's Community Wide Dialogue on Race, he facilitated dialogues between Nottingham and Fayetteville Manlius students. He is a liaison to the Nottingham Student Council.

Feb. 28, 2006

Adrienne Winfield ('06) has started interning at the Rosamond Gifford Zoo, as part of Nottingham's Syracuse As School experience, where students spend 5 or 6 hours a week working at a variety of places gaining valuable work experience. Adrienne plans to study zoology and film in college, with an eye to doing primate research in Africa some day.

March 2, 2006

In its second competition of the year, the Nottingham Mock Trial team beat a team from Baldwinsville High School. This was Nottingham's second victory and the first time in its ten-year history that it's advanced to the quarter-finals with 2 victories and no defeats. Appearing for the defense were Gus Hargrave ('06), Stephon Martin ('07), and Ed Traver ('07) as lawyers, and Jessica Belini ('07), Tessa Corcoran-Sayers ('07), and Ana Riley ('07) as witnesses. Mr. Little is the Faculty advisor.

This year's spring musical was Ragtime. Twenty-three actors, 13 members of the Harlem Ensemble, 26 members of the New Rochelle Ensemble, a pit band of 6 students and 5 adults, and a crew of 13, plus a student co-choreographer, were guided by director Len Fonte and 8 other coaching adults. The play ran for 3 performances to rave reviews!

March 3, 2006

Nottingham journalism teacher Ginny Fennessy reports the following: Staff members of Nottingham's school newspaper, Common Ground, have won several awards from the Syracuse Post-Standard's editorial contest. This year, for the first time, we have a first place winner in the editorial writing contest: sophomore Malcolm Walters, whose editorial will be printed on March 23. Receiving honorable mention in writing were India Robinson, Luke Thorley and Henry Flournoy, and in cartoons Dan Baldwin and Anthony Hinkelman.

## Nottingham In The News Cont



Feb. 16, 2006

Syracuse Stage helped 40 Nottingham students weave art, heritage and theater. This year's collaboration known as "The Layering Project" teams Stage director of Educational Outreach Lauren Unbekant with Nottingham's visual arts teacher Christina (Lilien) Ferlenda ('84) and English teacher Len Fonte. The workshops discussed the cultural context of the play, "Intimate Apparel", and used role playing to give deeper meaning to the play. They also created fiber art pieces which will be on display during the run of the play.

Feb. 17, 2006

Dr. George Stanley ('86) and his wife Galyn Murphy-Stanley ('87) were featured in an article stressing the need for education. George's mother made all of her children realize the need for education, and George certainly agrees with that.

Feb. 18, 2006

Kim Rohadfox-Cesar ('87), one of the commissioners on the Syracuse City School Board, is heading a new committee that will tackle student behavior and safety. The idea is to reach a common understanding between parents, staff, students and others about disruptive behavior and how to deal with it. A broad range of community members will serve on the committee.

Feb. 19, 2006

Ruby Brown ('09) was interviewed as part of an article on Beauchamp Branch Library. She was doing research on Oprah Winfrey. "I choose Oprah because she had a lot of foundations and fundraisers. She's helping the community, so it's good."

Cheryl Wilkins-Mitchell ('70) was featured in a two page article. She has moved her Onondaga Dance Institute to 4502 E. Genesee St., DeWitt where she will have more room to teach and coach young dancers. She has also taught dance at SUNY Oswego since 1992.

Feb. 23, 2006

Bernard Ment ('82) is chairman of the DeWitt Conservative party.

Feb. 24, 2006

Ben Tupper ('87), a Captain in the Army National Guard and a local landlord for Tupper Properties, has been shipped to Afghanistan for a year. Ben has a wife Roxanne and 4 kids. Ben has given reports on **National Public Radio**. <http://www.npr.org/templates/story/story.php?storyId=7058894>

## 2007 is an Active Year at Nottingham

Nottingham High School has seen many achievements during the 2006-07 school year and looks forward to saluting its 2007 graduates on June 21. Our graduates' plans include study at Harvard, Smith, the University of Vermont, Syracuse University, SUNY-ESF, and many other outstanding colleges and universities.

Nottingham was thrilled to induct its first Wall of Fame class in October, and Principal Debbie Mastropaolo warmly welcomed many alumni as well as current Nottingham families to a wonderful evening celebration at Drumlins. We look forward to the 2007 Wall of Fame celebration on October 13.

We are also excited about the opening of our new Career Center, housed in the library, the formation of a Nottingham Wellness Committee, and the creation of small learning communities in the building to foster greater student-teacher interaction throughout a student's time at Nottingham.

Nottingham sports teams had a great year in 2006, especially boys' soccer. Andy Hazeltine, boys' soccer coach, received Section III Soccer Coach of the Year.

The PTSO continues to support both teacher and student activities. The Teacher Mini-Grant initiative awarded over \$2500 to fund teachers' proposals.

The Boosters have made a significant monetary commitment to purchase new banners for our gymnasium, hoping to salute our Bulldog teams as well as high-light for competitors our tradition of athletic achievement. The Boosters also anticipate the completion of our athletic field renovation and the building of a new concession stand for home athletic events.

FANS continues its support of the arts, including the Nottingham spring musical Into the Woods. We proudly named the auditorium The Len Fonte Performing Arts Center to honor longtime teacher and director Len Fonte. FANS has also actively pursued several community grants to purchase a new cyclorama for the stage and equipment for ceramics and photography classes and update the stage sound and lighting systems. Please e-mail me at [mcvoorhe@syr.edu](mailto:mcvoorhe@syr.edu) for information about our fund raising efforts to obtain many items for the school, especially the proposed new outdoor sign.

We are proud to be a part of the Nottingham tradition and want graduates to feel that pride, too.

**Molly Voorheis**  
**Nottingham PTSO President**

## In Memoriam



**Carl Robert Vann ('48)**, 69, died November 12, 1999, of prostate cancer. After receiving his Master's and Ph.D. at Syracuse University, he was a political science professor at Wayne State University for three years and a professor of Political Science and Health Behavioral Science at Oakland University in Rochester Hills, MI for 35 years. He was beloved by his students, many who remained his friends for life.

**Gary Lutnick**, 36, died on September 11, 2001, in the World Trade Center disaster. He worked at Cantor Fitzgerald.

**Jeanne Conklin Kuboviak ('43)** died in Texas in March, 2004.

**Harold A. "Hal" Phillips ('48)**, 71, of Baldwinsville, formerly of Liverpool, passed away May 13, 2005, at home after a brief illness. Hal was a career banker of 41 years, working 37 years for Merchants National Bank and another four years for OnBank, retiring in 1997. A graduate of the Stonier School of Banking at Rutgers University and the American Institute of Banking, he was an instructor of the A.I.B. Program at Onondaga Community College for over 30 years. Hal was a veteran of the Korean War and served the village of Liverpool as president of the Chamber of Commerce, village trustee, deputy mayor, and was also a member of the Liverpool American Legion. Hal is survived by his wife of 51 years, June Billy Phillips, four children and five grandchildren.

**Judy Busch**, of Sherburne, NY, died recently in New York City.

**Lawrence E. Fournier**, 75, of Martville, died January 2, 2006, in Syracuse. He had lived in Martville since 1960. He retired after 41 years with the 174<sup>th</sup> Air National Guard Tactical Fighter Wing, "The Boys From Syracuse", in 1990. Chief Master Sergeant Fournier participated in unit activations to France in 1961 and Mexico in 1968 and was noted for his easy going manner and calming effect on people.

**Henry N. Cooper**, formerly of Syracuse and Boca Raton, FL, died January 17, 2006. Henry graduated from Nottingham in either '42 or '43. Mr. Cooper was President of Cooper Decoration Co. and a past president of Lafayette Country Club and The Cavaliers. He is survived by wife, Marilyn, four children, and many grandchildren.

## Nottingham In The News Cont

Feb. 5, 2006

Sandra Smokes ('72) wrote an excellent article of reminiscence of Coretta Scott King who died this week. Sandra is an editorial writer for the Post Standard. Sandra had many opportunities to be in Mrs. King's presence, including working on her tribute dinner in 1993. She first met Mrs. King when she came to the house of Sandra's friend Kathie Dowdell in 1965 or 1966. Her most cherished memory of Mrs. King is when Sandra was in Atlanta working on a show for the King Center and they talked by phone. The next day, Mrs. King sent her Dr. King's book "Where do we go from here" and inscribed it, thanking Sandra for working on the dream.

Nottingham's Science Olympiad team was one of 30 teams competing in the NY Midstate Regional Science Olympiad. Annie Hargrave ('06) and Sherri Finch (chemistry teacher) were photographed by the Post Standard. Nottingham qualified as an alternate for the state competition, winning best finish by a new school (competing for three years or less). Edward Traver and Jessica Bellini were first place winners in the Food Science category.

Feb. 8, 2006

Cintia Johnson ('05) is on the SU women's basketball team. Just a freshman, Johnson was in the starting line-up last night against Georgetown.

Feb. 9, 2006

Kimberly Wolfe ('06), one of two Unsung Heroes Award winners, was profiled in a long article. Kim is a literacy volunteer, active in her church, and facilitator for the InterReligious Council's Community Wide Dialogue on Race program. She also worked with the dialogue program between Nottingham and Fayetteville-Manlius schools. She is one of the program's interns.

The All-City Instrumental Music Festival included the following Nottingham students: Leslie Gordon, flute; Dan Fields, clarinet 1; Denise Memelli, clarinet 1, Katherine Town, clarinet 1; Emilo Santos, tenor saxophone; Charlie Conant, trumpet 1, Meghan Ferro, trumpet 11, and Ethan Eschoffery, euphonium.

Feb. 11, 2006

Me'Lisa Matthews (06) performed at the Buzz Club, a safe place for students to go on the weekends. The Buzz Club is sponsored by the Syracuse police and the Syracuse school district. Me'Lisa said "it's a real positive place for people to go so they are not hanging out on the streets."

## Nottingham In The News Cont



Jan. 27, 2006

Zelda Thomas ('06) was one of two winners of LeMoyne College's Martin Luther King Jr. essay contest for local high school students. This year's essay theme was the importance of maintaining and improving public education.

Fiona Barbour ('07) recently won Nottingham's annual Shakespeare Recitation Competition. Sponsored by the English Speaking Union, the competition requires students to prepare a 15-20 line monologue from Shakespeare's work and recite the monologue in front of an audience and three adjudicators. Fiona now goes on to the county competition at Syracuse Stage, where she will recite her monologue and a sonnet. The winner of the county competition goes on to nationals in NYC. Sarah Jaffe ('06) took second and will be Nottingham's alternate for the county competition. Neilab Sinah ('09) took first among freshmen participants (who are not allowed to go further in the competition.) Additional participants: Ben Burdick('09, Vanessa Bellini ('09), Nina Lyons ('08), and Henry Flournory ('07), Susie Bartlett ('07), Elizabeth Dean ('07) and Reina Apraez('07). Teacher Mark Austin oversees the annual competition.

Jan. 29, 2006

Chaz Legette was one of 56 area high school football players honored at the Central New York Chapter of the National Football Foundation and College Hall of Fame's Sixth Annual Scholar-Athlete Awards Banquet. Honored students received scholarships and heard from keynote speaker and NFL great Art Monk.

Feb. 1, 2006

Bernard (Bernie) Ment ('82) is running for a two-year village board trustee position in East Syracuse on both the Conservative Party slate, and the Citizens Party slate which is party that exists just in the village. The election took place on March 21. Bernie did not win.

Feb. 3, 2006

Corey G. Harris ('06) is one of two local finalists in the National Achievement Scholarship competition for outstanding Black American students. There are about 1300 finalists nationwide and about 800 of them will be offered scholarships. Winners will be announced April 5.

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## In Memoriam cont

**Elizabeth "Betty" Stafford ('36)**, 87, died January 23, 2006, in Syracuse. She was a graduate of Central City Business Institute. Upon graduation she was a secretary in the Syracuse City school district, working primarily at Seymour and H.W. Smith Schools, retiring in 1982.

**Laura A. Sanchis ('74)**, died on April 9, 2006 in Syracuse. She was a professor of computer science at Colgate University.

**Irwin Klein ('51)**, 72, died January 25, 2006, in Fayetteville. Mr. Klein owned several Lazy-boy furniture galleries. He was a respected and successful real estate developer.

**Evans D. Dorman ('41)**, 82, of Royal Palm Beach, FL, died January 28, 2006. He was a graduate of the College of Applied Science, Syracuse University (1952). Evans served in the U.S. Army 8th Air Force during WWII. He was a retired division superintendent for U.S. Steel, Homestead Works, Homestead, PA. He is survived by his wife, Ellen Mary.

**Dr. Martin F. Hilfinger Jr.**, 87, of Syracuse and Tully, NY, died Feb. 2, 2006, in Syracuse. He was a Phi Beta Kappa graduate of Hamilton College. After graduating summa cum laude from the Syracuse College of Medicine, he served in the U.S. Army Medical Corps during WW II. He became an associate Professor of Pathology at the College of Medicine in Syracuse, and was appointed in 1963 as Onondaga County's first full time Medical Examiner, a position he held for the next 20 years. In 1963 he was selected to the Sports Illustrated Silver Anniversary All-America Football Team, given for lifetime achievements in Athletics and Medicine. A specialist in the Pathology of Cancer, he received the annual award of NY State division of the American Cancer Society in 1956. He is survived by the former **Nancy Taylor ('36)**, his wife of 63 years; daughters, **Sarah (Tom) Tomb ('63)** and **Heidi Wilson**, both of Fayetteville, NY; a son, **Martin, III ('62)**(Nyla) of Tully, NY.

**Marc R. Stanistreet**, 50, died Feb. 10, 2006, at the VA Medical Center, Syracuse.

**May Blumenfeld**, 81, of Syracuse, died Sunday, February 26, 2006. Mrs. Blumenfeld was a former **hall monitor at Nottingham** and a former member of Temple Adath Yeshurun and the Seniors group at the Jewish Community Center

**Pauline Rosenthal Share ('41)**, 82, died March 4, 2006, of complications due to a stroke. She was a proud wife, mother, grandmother and homemaker. She is survived by her husband of 55 years, **Alan ('39)**; her children: **Steven ('71)**, **Susan ('72)**, **Harlan ('76)**, **Ira ('78)** and **Hugh ('79)**. 19

## In Memoriam cont...

**Anthony Mirco ('79)** died March 4, 2006. He was severely injured 24 years ago while on active duty in the Marine Corp. His injuries left him physically disabled but not emotionally. He was known for his huge smile, funny jokes, and generosity. Anthony is survived by his two sisters, **Kristine Collins ('86)** of NJ and **Nina Mirco-Garcia ('78)** of Syracuse.

**Wallace Charles (Wally) Macallair**, 86, of Syracuse, died April 6, 2006. He attended Nottingham High School and graduated from Cook Academy and Syracuse University. Wally was a veteran of World War II, receiving the Air Medal with eight clusters and the Purple Heart. He was the former president of Guardian Claims Service which he founded in 1952. Wally will be remembered for his loving devotion to his family and his wonderful Irish sense of humor.

**Barbara Pliskin Windheim ('51)**, 72, formerly of Fayetteville, died in Las Vegas, Nevada on April 22, 2006. She earned her Bachelor's and Master's degrees at Syracuse University. She taught for over 30 years in the Jamesville-Dewitt school district, starting at Moses Dewitt Elementary school and moving to Jamesville-Dewitt Middle School when it opened, where she taught 6th grade social studies until her retirement. Early in her career, she also taught art classes. Mrs. Windheim studied and taught archaeology, and participated in numerous digs recovering Native American artifacts. Surviving are her three children and three grandchildren.

**Jules Fried ('65)**, 58, died May 9, 2006, in Syracuse. Jules was born in Furth, Germany in 1947 and emigrated to the United States in 1949 with his parents, Holocaust survivors, Jan Fried and Edith Wichner. Jules attended Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Bard College and Syracuse University. An avid radio-controlled model airplane hobbyist, and a licensed pilot, he was pleased to teach model airplane flying to hobby newcomers. Jules operated a photography business in Syracuse for 35 years after spending time as a photojournalist in San Juan, Puerto, Rico. He is survived by his wife, Olivia Fried.

**Neale F. Bogardus ('51)**, 74, of Camillus, died May 16, 2006, in Syracuse. A graduate of R.I.T. School of Printing, he was in the printing business for 40 years and was co-owner of Selco Graphics before his retirement in 1997. He is survived by his wife of 49 years, Joan L. (Lewis) Bogardus.

**Larry Robinson**, 48, died May 16, 2006. He was a US Army veteran.

**Grace Maroney**, 87, died May 16, 2006, in Syracuse. She was a loving wife, mother, and grandmother.

## Nottingham In The News Cont...

Jan. 15, 2006

The artwork of several Nottingham students is part of the Everson Museum's Student Art Open, running through Feb. 19 at the downtown museum. Pieces were designed to explore the relationship between art and commercial culture, and most are based on themes in John D. Freyer's exhibit "Aftermarket: Art, Object and Commerce" as well as cultural and global issues. Nottingham staff members who worked with students are Lori DiFlorio, Christina Ferlenda, and Lorrie Paratore. Student artists in the show are Sierra DeSalvia ('06), Annie Hargrave ('06), Sarah Jaffe ('06), Andrew McDonough ('08), Leah Rizzo ('06), and Adrienne Winfield ('06).

Jan. 19, 2006

Missy Seigler, 17 years old, sang at the Syracuse Symphony Orchestra's Young Persons Concert on Jan. 18. It's rare for the SSO to allow students to join them. Quick to give credit to school and family, Missy said that "There are very good music programs at Nottingham."

Jan. 22, 2006

Tesha Elmore ('08), Sarah Jaffe ('06), Andrew McDonough ('08), Bilahi McGriff ('08), Leah Marie Rizzo ('06) all received honorable mention awards at the Scholastic Art Awards. The exhibit this year is at Onondaga Community College.

Jan. 26, 2006

Kimberly Wolfe ('06) and Curtis Scrivens ('06) received the Martin Luther King Jr. Unsung Hero Award Sunday, January 22, at a special awards dinner and ceremony in the Carrier Dome. Kim and Curtis were nominated for their dedication and belief in eliminating racism and their tireless work with the Community Wide Dialogue and the community.

HSBC employees are investing more in Nottingham students this year. A dozen volunteers from the bank have been giving presentations of careers in banking, the stock market, checking accounts, and they will be doing mock interviews. Sangwani Mabehena ('99) has been with the program since it started. He is now assistant branch manager and small business specialist at the Fairmount bank office.

The following received Honorable Mentions at the annual scholastic art contest: Tesha Elmore, Sarah Jaffe ('06), Andrew McDonough ('06), Bilahi McGriff, and Leah Marie Rizzo ('06).



## Nottingham In The News

*Culled from the pages of the Syracuse Post Standard Newspaper  
and other news sources*

Jan. 2006

Antoinetta Ratleff ('05) wrote a letter to the editor applauding the plans to improve Nottingham's field and auditorium. Antoinetta was a freshman at SUNY Fredonia when she wrote the letter.

Winter 2006 SCSD News & Notes:

Kim Rohadfox-Cesar ('87) was elected to the Syracuse City Board of Education. Mother of 4, all of whom attend Syracuse schools, Kim has been an active parent advocate, serving on many committees locally and nationally. She has received several awards for advocacy work.

Jan. 7, 2006

The Nottingham Leadership Development class and the Central New York Community Foundation contributed \$1,000 to the Huntington Center for a youth program to build 4 canoes under the guidance of Ted Rulfs, amateur canoe building.

Four Nottingham students will join students from Corcoran and Henninger to play Jan. 8th with the S.U. Pep band at the Carrier Dome. The high school students are filling in for vacationing SU students.

Jan. 8, 2006

Kevin Brown II ('07) placed second in the American Legion's National High School Oratorical Competition. Next month he will go to the district competition in Adams.

Jan. 10, 2006

Basketball coach Tony Smarrelli is retiring. Smarrelli won four sectional crowns at Nottingham. His favorite team was the 1981-82 Nottingham team which won the state Class B title and set the school record for the most wins (26-1). He said Ron Legette ('82) was the best player he ever coached.

Jan. 15, 2006

Kevin Brown II ('07), a library page at Beauchamp Branch Library in Syracuse, recited Dr. Martin Luther King's famous "I Have a Dream" speech at the library's celebration. Kevin won the city school district's oratory contest and came in second in a countywide competition.

## In Memoriam cont

**Joseph C. Pollastro**, 51, died May 17, 2006, in Syracuse of leukemia. He was pursuing a bachelor's degree in business management at Oswego State while working at Epson, after previously working at General Electric and Onondaga Community College.

**Justine Cobb Winters ('64)**, 59, died May 18, 2006 in West Hurley, NY. She graduated summa cum laude from Springfield College with a BS in elementary education, and earned an MS in administration from Bank Street College of Education. She started her career as a third-grade teacher, eventually becoming a school district superintendent. She was involved in many community organizations. She married her high-school sweetheart, **Charles Winters ('64)**, and they have two daughters.

**Jerry Sanford Benson**, 73, died June 7, 2006, in Syracuse. He graduated from the University of Michigan, where he was president of Sigma Chi Fraternity. He married his high school sweetheart, **Nancy Burns Benson ('50)**, and they were blessed with 51 years of happiness. Mr. Benson retired as the president of Burns Supply Company, where he worked for 40 years, and also was the president of MARNANDI Realty Corporation until recently. Survivors include his wife, four children, and 14 grandchildren.

**L. Thaddeus "Thad" Durham** died of cancer June 8, 2006, in Syracuse. He was in the Marine Corps and worked for many years at Courtesy Ford.

**Harvey Joseph Tucker ('45)**, 80, died June 19, 2006, in Florida. In the late 1940's he founded Dy-Dee Diaper service. The business grew to include locations throughout New York State, Massachusetts, and Connecticut. In retirement Mr. Tucker was a sought after consultant. Harvey was dedicated to Francis House. Its success and growth was in great part due to his personal commitment. Harvey was predeceased by his wife, **Shirley ('48)** in 2002.

**Charles W. Coombs ('67)**, 57, died June 19, 2006, in Syracuse. He was employed at Peters IGA and later P&C Food Markets. He was a die-hard Yankees fan.

**Donald James Pasho ('51)**, 74, died June 27, 2006, in Syracuse. He worked as a Quality Control Supervisor for NY Air Brake, Watertown, NY. He served with the US Navy during the Korean War. Don was active in sports since childhood. He played softball in the Syracuse City Rec League and in the over 50 men's league until last year. He will be taking his softball glove with him in the next life.



## In Memoriam cont...

**Dennis R. O'Neill, 3<sup>rd</sup>**, 52, of Dewitt, died June 27, 2006. He graduated from California State University at Fresno, and lived in California for several years before returning to Syracuse. He worked in the building supply industry. Dennis' father, **Dennis O'Neill Jr.** is a former guidance counselor at Nottingham, and his mother, **Mary Beth Early O'Neill**, is a Nottingham graduate.

**Jeffrey Lee Sussman ('66)**, 58, died June 28, 2006. He was a resident of Ormond Beach, Florida. He played college basketball at Long Island University before heading south to attend the University of Miami. He worked in the travel industry in Miami and Ormond Beach. He was married to his high school sweetheart, **Pam Rill ('66)**. The Jewish Community Center of Syracuse has set up an athletic scholarship in Jeffrey's name.

**Eddie Lee Junious**, 42, died July 6, 2006, in Syracuse.

**David G. Klim ('70)**, 53, of Dewitt, died July 13, 2006. David overcame his physical disabilities to become a lawyer and win election twice as Onondaga County Family Court Judge. He was also active on many nonprofit boards.

**Mary Miller Redfield**, 85, died July 16, 2006, in Syracuse. She attended Syracuse University and enjoyed golfing.

**Tiffany Danielle Heitkamp ('03)**, 20, died July 23, 2006, as the result of a tragic boat accident near Old Forge. The driver of the boat was charged with several felonies. Tiffany attended Onondaga Community College and Palm Beach Community College in Florida. She worked at her father's shop, Gary's Auto. Contributions to Make-A-Wish Found. (315) 475-9474

**Judith A. Ondich Gray**, 63, died July 25, 2006, after a long battle with non-Hodgkins lymphoma. Judy was the **librarian** at Nottingham for 29 years, retiring in 2001, and was the editor of the Nottingham Connection. *See the article elsewhere in this newsletter.*

**Irving M. Nemerow**, 86, died July 29, 2006. He was a self-employed business owner, owning Tri State Steel Company of Ashland Kentucky.

**Afif Majdi Essi**, 25, died suddenly July 29, 2006, in Syracuse. He was the owner of Mom's Diner on Westcott Street, and manager of Tap's Bar.

**Murray W. Steinberg ('48)**, 75, died July 30, 2006, in Syracuse. He attended Syracuse University and served in the Air Force. He retired from Lincoln Supply after almost 40 years.



## WEDDINGS



Jennifer Ann Walsh and **Andrew Martin Hazeltine** ('81 and faculty) were married July 9, 2005, in Syracuse. Andrew is a health teacher and boys varsity soccer coach at Nottingham.

**Denise Marie Canino** (Nott. grad) and Christopher Russell Williams were married Sept. 2, 2005, in Syracuse. Denise is a teacher in the Syracuse City School District

Xiaoqin Wu and **George A. Rathbun** were married Feb. 26, 2006, in Syracuse. The couple reside in Brooklyn.

Marla M. Kameny and **Daniel S. Sage** ('85) were married April 29, 2006, in Syracuse. Daniel is an associate professor of mathematics at Louisiana State University.

**Samantha Lynn Rifkin** and Jeremy Garelick were married June 8, 2006, in West Orange, NJ. Samantha, formerly employed by Goldman Sachs, changed her career to cooking and is now a personal chef, instructor and food consultant residing in Los Angeles, where her husband is a screenwriter and producer.

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**MESSAGE FROM THE NOTTINGHAM CONNECTION COMMITTEE**  
*THE NOTTINGHAM CONNECTION*, an annual publication, is an effort of a few dedicated individuals who believe that you, the alumni, like to receive and enjoy your own alumni newsletter.

Sometimes we dream of a more ambitious product or of our own website that could provide current information and exchange of ideas. But that would take some new "home run hitters" to step to the plate and give us the financial support and expertise to take our engagement with alumni to the next level.

With that in mind we ask you to respond to these questions:

Do you like the Nottingham Connection as it is?

Do you have any suggestions for change?

If you would like change, could you help with specific financial support (sponsorship)\* or in-kind skills, such as printing, graphic design, web-design, layout or editorial support ?

If you live in the Syracuse area, would you be interested in joining our committee?

**What do you want to see, read in future editions?**

Please direct your response to: nottalum@hotmail.com And feel free to include your memories of your days at Nottingham.

\*Your donations to our general fund are used for grants to teachers at Nottingham High School and to cover the cost of publication of the Nottingham Connection.



## UPCOMING REUNIONS - Updated: March 2007

\* Editors' note: We apologize for the short list of reunions. This is all the reunion information we have received. We need your input! We'll be glad to assist reunion committees in any way we can. Contact us at nottalum@hotmail.com or write to The Nottingham Connection, 3100 E. Genesee St., Syracuse, NY 13224

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**Class of 1957: What:** 50th reunion **When:** 2007 **email:** lyone@bellsouth.net  
**Contact:** Elaine Lyon 8573 Logia Circle, Boynton Beach, FL 33437

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**Class of 1958: What:** 50th reunion **When:** September 5,6, & 7, 2008  
**Contact:** Connie Palumb 102 Bradford La., Syracuse, NY 13224  
**Phone:** 315-446-3570 **email:** cspalumb@hotmail.com  
Margo Miller **email:** mmiller@national.aa.com **phone:** 407-327-4043

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**Class of 1968** Ben Salloum is asking about a class reunion. He can be contacted by **email:** bsalloum@sbcglobal.net or by **phone:** 805-451-4528. If you have any info about a 1968 reunion, please contact nottalum@hotmail.com

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**Class of 1977 What:** 30th reunion **When:** Thanksgiving weekend, 2007  
**Contact:** Margaret McCormick **email:** mmccormick@syracuse.com  
**Details:** informal get-together, perhaps at Tom Manfredi's restaurant/bar

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**Class of 1982 What:** 25th reunion **When:** 2007  
**Contact:** Bernie Ment PO Box 646, Dewitt, NY 13214  
**Phone:** 315-433-5134 **Email:** Dversity646@aol.com

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**Class of 1997 What:** 10th reunion **When:** not yet set  
**Contact:** Kari Egerbrecht **email:** ms\_espanish@yahoo.com  
Kari is will to get things going! Contact her!

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**Class of 1952: What:** 55th reunion **When:** July 20, 21, 22, 2007  
**Contact:** Margaret Smith (Peggy) Joslyn  
**Phone:** 315-376-2866 **email:** msj@northnet.org

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**Class of 1967: What:** 40th reunion **When:** August 17 & 18, 2007  
Friday, August 17 – Saratoga Steaks  
Saturday, August 18 – Palace Theater  
**web site:** <http://www.nottingham67.com>

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## In Memoriam cont...

**Robert W. Baker**, 82, died August 3, 2006, in Syracuse. He served with the US Army in World War II. He worked in the funeral service business over 50 years, first with National Casket Co. and then with Yorktowne Casket Co. of Utica. His greatest passion in life was big band music.

**Daqwan S. DeLee**, 17, of Syracuse, died August 16, 2006.

**Dorothy M. Fairbairn Hunt**, 96, of Westvale, died August 16, 2006. She attended Central City Business Institute and Syracuse University. She was the Director of Personnel for Syracuse University before retiring in 1972 after 44 years.

**Samual Pascuzzi**, 87, died August 25, 2006, in Syracuse. He was a Navy veteran of World War II. He worked at Dairylea and retired after 45 years from NY Central Railroad and Penn Central.

**Theodore J. Spector ('54)**, 70, of Manlius, died September 15, 2006. He attended Syracuse University and was the owner of the Torchlight Motel on Wellesley Island for 19 years and the former proprietor of the East Room in Eastwood. He was both an avid fisherman and SU fan.

**Frances K. Moran (faculty)** died October 4, 2006. She was a teacher with the Syracuse City School District for over 35 years, retiring from Nottingham in 1978. She had a Bachelor's Degree in Health and Physical Education and a Master's Degree in Psychology and Counseling. She was a published author of a poetry book, Pictures in the Heart.

**Janet Despard Buhl**, 91, of Jamesville, died October 6, 2006. She earned Bachelor's and Master's degrees from Syracuse University. She worked as a secretary at Niagara Mohawk and retired in 1977 from teaching at Westhill Central School District. She then served for five years as a clerk for the Westhill School Board and was a director of the Greenlawn Memorial Cemetery from 1977 – 2002.

**Edith Besdin Rudolph ('34)**, 89, died November 2, 2006, in Sarasota, FL. She graduated from Syracuse University in 1939 where she was a freshman and junior beauty queen. She lived in Syracuse until 2004.

**Joseph S. Spaid, Jr. ('54)**, 70, died November 4, 2006, in Syracuse. Joe attended Hartwick College and served with the FBI for five years before starting a career in education, retiring in 1991. He taught civics and economics in Anderson, SC. He resided in Fair Haven, NY, and Naples, Florida.

## In Memoriam Cont...

**Kenneth N. Viau ('44)**, 79, of North Syracuse, died November 9, 2006. He served in the US Navy from 1944 – 1946. He retired in 1989 after 43 years at Crouse Hinds. He and his wife were dedicated volunteers for WCNY.

**L. Rosa Esclaimen (faculty)**, 94, died November 16, 2006. Known at Senorita Esclaimen, Rosa was born in Cuba. She was a graduate of SUNY Cortland and Syracuse University and taught Spanish in the Baldwinsville and Syracuse City School Districts, including Nottingham.

**Mary Lou Sarason Goldstein ('41)**, died November 24, 2006, in Teaneck, NJ. She was a Phi Beta Kappa graduate of Syracuse University.

**Joseph Italiano**, 86, died December 13, 2006. In addition to owning Mary Jane Dougall Flower Shop in Syracuse with his wife, Joe was an aeronautical engineer and an astronomer.

**Ridgely P. Brown ('56)**, 68, died December 17, 2006, in Grand Junction, CO. He was a Navy fighter pilot during the Vietnam War, and retired as a captain with Continental Airlines.

**Francis "Bud" Dell**, 93, died December 25, 2006. He retired from government service in 1980 and lived in Manlius. He was a 32<sup>nd</sup> degree Mason and a member of the Shriners Oriental Band.



**Nottingham High School**  
Syracuse, New York

## 2008 Alumni Wall of Fame Nomination Form

Nominee

Address

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Class Of \_\_\_\_\_

*(Nominee should be a graduate of no less than 10 years)*

Representative if Deceased

*(Use Representative address/telephone if appropriate)*

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Nominator

Address

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_  
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Why should this individual be inducted into the Nottingham High School Alumni **Wall of Fame**? Please be as detailed as possible – newspaper clippings, etc, are welcome! Please provide your information on a separate document.

**Please submit form NO LATER THAN December 31, 2007 to:**  
Nottingham Alumni Wall of Fame Nominations  
3100 East Genesee Street Syracuse, NY 13224

## In memory of Joan Bassett, Class of 1954

Joan Bassett was only 20 years old when she died, but she had many good friends who still remember how active she was in cheerleading. She had a twin brother John and an older sister Ann. Both she and Ann were cheerleaders. Joan went to Cortland State Teachers College to be a physical education teacher, but died of illness about Christmastime of her sophomore year. It was a family tragedy to lose a wonderful young woman. Her twin still lives in the Syracuse area. An anonymous donation has been given to the Nottingham cheerleaders in Joan's memory.

Yes! I'll be at the 2007 Nottingham High School Alumni  
**Wall of Fame** Induction Ceremony!

**Date:** Saturday, October 13, 2007

**Time:** 5PM Cash Bar Cocktail Reception  
 6PM Dinner and Awards Ceremony  
 8PM Entertainment by Karen (Oberbrunner) Oberlin '84

**Location:** Drumlins Country Club, Nottingham Road, Syracuse

**Menu:** Chicken Cordon Bleu, Poached Salmon, Prime Rib

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Class Of \_\_\_\_\_

Dinner Choices: \_\_\_ Chicken \_\_\_ Fish \_\_\_ Beef  
 \_\_\_ Vegetarian

Additional Guests: \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_ Are there other guests with whom you'd like be seated? If so, please attach a separate sheet – we will do our best to accommodate groups at tables of 10. **To purchase a table of 10 - \$500**

Please send check for **\$50** per person made payable to NOTTINGHAM HIGH SCHOOL and mail to:

Nottingham Alumni Wall of Fame  
 3100 East Genesee Street  
 Syracuse, NY 13224

*All reservations must be received by **Thursday, September 27, 2007!***

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**Saturday, October 13, 2007  
 5-10PM**

**Drumlins Country Club  
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**Cabaret Entertainment Provided by  
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