



Nottingham Commemorates World AIDS Day

The Nottingham chapter of the Teen Aids Task Force (TATF) commemorated World AIDS Day by displaying several panels from the Syracuse NAMES Project AIDS Memorial Quilt on December 1st. Each panel was made locally to commemorate a loved one lost to AIDS.

The entire display filled a large part of the school library. It included posters, pictures of TATF teens, and HIV Q&A. A panel was set up for students to sign their names and leave short messages. A “Common Threats” movie played in one corner of the room.

The display was a collaboration between ACR and the Student Leadership Class, run by TATF advisor Janice Hammerle. Close to 400 people viewed the display.



Levens To Improve Thornden Park

Dorsey Levens ('89) visited the Greater Syracuse Chamber of Commerce in the fall of 2009 to discuss plans for improvements to Thornden Park. Dorsey, who retired as a football player for the Green Bay Packers, played for the Sherman Park Bulldogs in Thornden Park, the city's second-largest park. He plans, through the Dorsey Levens Foundation, to make Thornden into the first “green” park in New York state by making sure all improvements are environmentally sound. Some of the areas needing improvements and repairs are the athletic field, basketball courts, tennis courts, and amphitheater stage. The goal is to restore the park to provide a safe place for children and adults to enjoy. Dorsey has rallied other SU greats including Jim Boeheim and Carmelo Anthony. Anyone interested in helping support this effort may contact the Greater Syracuse Chamber of Commerce.





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2010 GRANTS

Each year Nottingham High school teachers submit requests for projects that will enhance the learning of their students. The suggested limit on the amount requested is \$300. We are always impressed with the dedication and creativity the teacher requests represent. This year we received a record 18 grant requests. Thanks to your donations, which have been high in spite of the difficult state of our economy, and because of a special gift from the class of 1958, we have been able to grant all the requests in full.

The grant requests are as follows:

- 1) Randy Weatherby, for ESL students in graphic communications class, photo paper and ink cartridges \$292.93
- 2) Jim Doherty, Social Studies. Class room supplies for Global 1,2 and AP 2 classes to learn materials in creative ways \$164.90
- 3) Thomas Procopio, Physics. Rulers, protractors, stop watches for physics, engineering and design classes. \$242.51
- 4) Myriam Ibarra, Earth Science. Two collection kits to house newly discovered valuable mineral collections. \$223.89
- 5) Sara Zizzi, English, 35 copies of a novel used with English 11 classes and resources for teaching grammar and writing skills to struggling readers. \$283.45
- 6) Lisa Crowell & Cindy Cronin, Foreign Languages. Room and meal plan for two nights for two teachers to attend and present at NYSAFLT's Annual Conference. \$500
- 7) Jason Cecile, Special Education Inclusion Social Studies. Middle school level materials to teach US and World History to students with learning disabilities. \$229.90
- 8) Cynthia Koolakian, Spanish. Tuition assistance for a Spanish course taught to Nottingham students that gives them 4 credit hours through SUNY Albany. \$300
- 9) Jodi Rowe, Business, Annual subscription to Clip Art, and Memory Card Reader Press Pass Holders for journalism class. \$210.94
- 10) Jennifer Banker-Benedetto. Cost of transportation for students to attend a Diversity Institute for one day at Syracuse University, in connection with a Nottingham/Fayetteville-Manlius combined Cultural Voices course . \$385.00
- 11) Lynnette Planck, Business. 25 stands to hold books/papers so keyboarding students can learn faster. \$345.00 **cont on page 15**

Your Donations at Work

Here is some of the feedback we received from recipients of our 2009 grants:

From **Jodi Rowe, Business teacher:**

I want to thank the staff of the Nottingham Connection for the generous donation of \$149.99 for the clip art subscription. The subscription was used extensively for student created teacher web sites, artwork for the Nottingham newsletter and Nottingham newspaper, The Common Ground, the playbills, and miscellaneous programs such as the Career Fair and Awards Night programs.

You may view any of these published works by visiting the Nottingham web site. <http://nottinghamonline.us> Teacher/Staff link—Faculty Listing to see the teacher web sites or Publications link to view the Nottingham News or Common Ground or any of the programs.

The subscription will continue into the 2009-2010 school year so the students and I will still get much use continued use of the graphics.

Thank you ever so much for supporting my students' efforts as well as publications created for the school.

From **Cyndi Koolakian, Spanish teacher:**

I thank you so very much for your generous grant. It is wonderful to have a dictionary for every student during class. My students use your dictionaries every day, and they will continue to use them in the future.

My students and I thank you very much. You have no idea what a difference it makes.

From **Kimberly Allen, Student Assistance Counselor:**

I am excited to tell you that today I conducted a yoga class for 32 ESL students and their teachers up on the athletic fields using the yoga mats that were purchased because of your generosity. It warmed my heart to see each student carry their own "sticky mat".

I truly appreciate your generosity. Your gift of yoga mats will continue to give to students at Nottingham year after year. You have made a difference.

From **Sara Zizzi, English department:**

I am writing to express my gratitude for the grant money you awarded me. The money allowed me to buy a number of wonderful resources, including a DVD biography on John Steinbeck, photograph poetry starters and student reading guides for four different novels, to use with my English classes at all grade levels. Generous grants from organizations such as yours allow teachers to purchase very valuable resources that otherwise might be unavailable to us due to budget restrictions, etc. Thanks you very much for the generous grant for materials which I know will aid me in my classroom for years to come.

Nottingham On Revue by Frank Fancher '40

I'm sitting here with a yellowed copy of the program for "Nottingham On Revue", presented May 11 and 12, 1939, and directed by Mary Flood Lynch! Talk about nostalgia! Many notable alumni names appear in the cast. Here are some, and what they did in the show:



"Chuck" Gifford singing *Jeannie With the Light Brown Hair*

Walter Haswell singing *Asleep in the Deep*

David Rehor playing the marimba

Patty Clock....*The Voice of History*

Jack Schott..."Steppin" (*a great young tap dancer and drummer who was killed in action in WWII*)

Eleanor Caplise singing *My Heart Belongs to Daddy*

Tommy Kendrick and chorus...*When Pa was Courtin' Ma*

Jean Files singing *Spring Fever (song by Betsy Butler)*

Stanley Barnes and Jessie Powers...*You're My Inspiration (song by Scotty Sykes, who also lives in New Hampshire now, and with whom I have renewed friendship after many years)*

The program is much too long to show in its entirety, but other contributors should be mentioned. There was tumbling under the direction of Willard Manor and Violet Southworth, and of course musical advice and direction by John V. "Jerry" Sackett. Some of those in the "pit orchestra" were Scotty, Sue Green, Bruce Miller, Jane Eckles, Jack McElwain and myself, among others. Needless to say, I treasure this old piece of paper more than I say say. If you were a member of the cast and I didn't mention you, I apologize. If you want to complain to me personally,

as of this writing my email is

frankc83@myfairpoint.net .

I'd love to hear from you.

Best wishes from Frank(lin) "Bink" Fancher '40

My brother, John, '34, passed away in 2008 at 88.

My sister, Thelma Fancher Rieless, '30, is still living at 96.

Class of 1959 Hits 50th

The Class of 1959 held their 50th reunion the weekend of June 12-14, 2009. Friday afternoon, many classmates saw their old friends for the first time in 50 years, as we toured the Nottingham High School building. We all agreed that things have really changed! After the school tour, we met at Saratoga Steaks for an informal gathering.



Saturday evening we had dinner at The Craftsman, and Sunday we gathered at the home of Barb (Bodine) and Don Burns for a BBQ lunch. We were prepared for bad weather with our tent, but the sun decided to shine on our day....and it was glorious.

112 classmates attended the weekend activities. Including guests we had a huge crowd of almost 170 at The Craftsman. What a weekend! There was not one person that did not think the weekend was extraordinary. The turnout was fantastic and everyone commented that the experience exceeded all expectations. Our plan is to get together again to enjoy the wonderful memories we all share.

Photos, videos, and comments can be viewed on our website
<http://nottingham59.home.comcast.net>

Feel free to contact us with any comments, suggestions, additional photos, questions..... Send an email to Nottingham59@comcast.net .

Nottingham Senior Earns CPR /First Aid Award

Nottingham senior Zakiya Moss took third place in the first aid/CPR category of the New York State SkillsUSA competition held in March, 2009, in Syracuse. More than 2,000 students from around the state competed. She is in an emergency first responder class and has received a scholarship for Rural/Metro Medical Services EMT classes



Nottingham Connection Committee Seeks Help

Do you enjoy editing written material? Do you enjoy coordinating meetings?

Perhaps there is a role for you on the Nottingham Connection committee. Those of us who are in the Syracuse area meet three or four times a year to plan the newsletter and informally in the summer if our webmaster is coming through town.

Individuals work on layout, maintaining the data base, communicating with alumni, adding items to the web site, monitoring newspapers for Nottingham news, soliciting articles etc.

For more information, please contact nottalum@hotmail.com

2009 Wall of Fame Event AGAIN a Big Hit!

Despite the recession and a holiday weekend, the 2009 Nottingham High School Alumni Wall of Fame induction ceremony was a success!

One hundred twenty-five alumni and Nottingham friends came to support retired Minnesota State Representative Hon. David Bishop '47, clinical researcher Dr. Robert Clark '59, economic development specialist Irwin Davis '60, musician and educator Louis Ranger '67, geriatrician Dr. Sharon Brangman, MD '73, renewable energy expert Dan Reicher '74, and community leader Carmen Harlow '74.

While Mr. Ranger was unable to attend, he sent a DVD greeting to the attendees and with the assistance of fellow musician and former Nottingham student Sheila Fay, he performed an encore of his graduation rendition of "Londonderry Air". The other inductees spoke with passion of how the teachers during THEIR years as students at Nottingham provided the foundation that set up their career paths. There were also many moments of humor and laughter as honorees, now adults, could share tales of mischief and mayhem in which they may (or may NOT have) partaken those years ago!

The event netted \$3000 for the PTSO, which will use the funds to support programs by teachers for the students of Nottingham. Past years' funds have helped build the electronic sign in front of the school, as well as provide reading materials for under-achieving and ESL readers at Nottingham.

Mark your calendars – our tentative 2010 banquet date is October 9, 2010.

The committee is looking for a member or two of our LOCAL alumni who'd be able to tackle the volunteer work required to put this event together – anyone with a deep affection for Nottingham – and for DETAILS - and the skills to publicize, solicit sponsors, and coordinate the event might be just the person(s) we need! If so, contact the "Connection" or the PTSO teams! There is an immediate opening, so consider joining this dynamic team!

Contact nottinghamwall@hotmail.com

The Legendary Soundman Behind Hollywood's Most Famous Noises

Written by John Scott Lewinski; adapted from mental_floss magazine and reprinted with permission. For more quirky fun visit mentalfloss.com

If you've seen Star Wars, Indiana Jones, or Wall-E, then you know the work of Hollywood's most legendary sound designer, Ben Burtt ('66). After taking his first (uncredited) job on the original Death Race 2000 in 1975, Burtt would go on to turn movie sound into an art. By capturing and manipulating ambient and mechanical noises, he created entirely new aural worlds. Here are a few of his trademark sounds:



R2D2's Voice: Most movie fans think the robot's voice is an elaborate creation of computer synthesizers, but it's actually a combination of Burtt whistling and making fart noises into an old tape recorder.

The Clicks of Wall-E's Cockroach Pet: After experimenting with various synthesized animal noises, Burtt settled on accelerating the chatter of an irritated raccoon.

The Star Wars Lightsaber: The hum and the clash of the lightsaber came from two malfunctioning devices - a broken television set tuned between two VHF channels and an idling film projector.

Chewbacca's Voice: Although the fictional wookiee looks all ape, his voice is based on the barks and grunts of dogs, mixed with the growls of lions and bears.

Star Wars' T.I.E. Fighter: The roar of the evil Empire's fighters (the name stands for Twin Ion Engine) is actually the roar of an elephant. To add some length to the sound, Burtt layered in the buzz of his car driving on a wet road.

Indiana Jones' Whip: The crack of Dr. Jones' whip is just that - the sound of Indiana Jones cracking his whip. During the making of Raiders of the Lost Ark, Burtt recorded Harrison Ford snapping the whip along a rural road in Marin County, California. To add a little more whoosh, Burtt dropped in the sound of a Harrier Jump Jet that flew by.



The Journey of Rick Weiss ('71)

Rick Weiss graduated from Nottingham High School in 1971 and from Cornell University in 1975, where he did research in entomology and agronomy and earned a Bachelor of Science degree in biology. Not long after that, he hitchhiked to California, where he joined a 20-person collective of political activists and became a medical technologist, working in hospital laboratories and becoming the laboratory director of a local medical clinic. In 1979 he took the first of two long, round-the-world backpacking adventures. The first, which lasted 18 months, took him through Europe, the Middle East and Asia. Most of that time was spent in India and Nepal, where he took tabla drum lessons for several months and trekked through the Himalayas, making it to Anapurna and Everest base camp (18,000 ft), among other highlights.



From 1981 to 1983 he split his time between doing laboratory work in California and doing long silent retreats at Buddhist meditation centers, before going back to Asia for a nine-month voyage through China, India, Nepal, Thailand and Burma. In 1985, ready for a career change, he entered the graduate program in journalism at the University of California, Berkeley, where he received his Masters in Journalism in 1987. After working at various science magazines in Washington, New York and California, he landed a science reporter job at the Washington Post in 1993—the beginning of a 15-year career there that earned him a number of national awards. In 2008 he took a buyout from The Post to join the Center for American Progress, a think tank run by John Podesta, who had been chief of staff to Bill Clinton during the Clinton Administration. Rick did science policy work there until being invited to join the Obama administration in the spring of 2009.

Rick is currently Director of Strategic Communications and a Senior Policy Analyst at the Office of Science and Technology Policy in the Executive Office of the President, working for John Holdren, Obama's science advisor.

He is married to Natalie Angier, the Pulitzer Prize-winning New York Times science columnist and author whom he met in 1990. They live in Takoma Park, Md., with their 13-year-old daughter, Katherine, who attends the local science-and-math magnet middle school, aspires to be an entomologist, is an excellent poet, plays classical and jazz piano and is brown belt in karate.

From The Mailbag



From the Editors: We love to hear from you. Please send us your comments and memories.

The 1940's

From **Patrick McCarthy ('44)**: Patrick and Patricia McCarthy will be celebrating our 62nd wedding anniversary on 4/3/10. Our reception was at Drumlins, where we have many fond memories dancing and skating. We had another great year at the Empire State Senior Games at Cortland NY. We won 7 medals - 6 gold and one silver. Patrick also won the S. Berlin NY open horseshoe tournament, pitching against competitors 27 years and up, and the NYS horseshoes elders class championship at Camden NY this year. We are looking forward to 2010 to compete.

From **Barb Crandall Lipe ('44), Barb Lonergan Coughlin ('45), Annie Dawson O'Malley ('45), and Pat Stellman Geoffery ('44): Our Clubhouse** (written by Barb Crandall Lipe. On a recent, windy, snowy day in February, four very, old, verry good friends got together for lunch and REMEMBERING good times, happy memories of high school days at Nottingham in the Forties during and after World War II! We had celebrated the End of the War in the Atlantic and later, in the Pacific, specifically, Japan... Our celebration, was first, a prayer in Church, and then a final celebration for us took place at EAGLE BAY and outside the TRADING POST, OUR NUMBER 1 Hangout!!! We shared so much in those years and the ones that followed, that we are today still special people because of those experiences! And grateful for them!!

From Joseph M. (Joe) Belth ('47): This is to remedy the lack of "From the Mailbag" comments in the Spring 2009 edition from the class of '47. My beloved wife of 54 years, Marjorie (Lavine) Belth ('51) lived only a mile from my parents' home in Syracuse, but we did not meet until 1954. Family financial problems prevented me from going to college immediately. When I finally got going, I attended Auburn (now Cayuga) Community College and Syracuse University, graduating in 1958. Under a fellowship, I attended the University of Pennsylvania, receiving a doctorate in 1961. I joined the business school faculty at Indiana University in 1962 as visiting assistant professor of insurance. I was named assistant professor in 1963, associate professor in 1965, professor in 1968, and professor emeritus in 1993. I still keep busy with my newsletter, The Insurance Forum, now in its 36th year (www.theinsuranceforum.com). Marge and I have three children and five grandchildren, and are also blessed with good health. Our home is at 5125 North Starnes Road, Bloomington, IN 47404 (belthjmb@aol.com). The 50-year reunion was great fun, but there was no reunion in 2007. Hey gang, what about 2012? You members of the editorial board do great work! Please keep it up!

From The Mailbag Cont...

The 1950's

Bob Hodge ('50) writes: I apologize for not connecting sooner. My bride (wife of 55+ years) had been ill for a long time and in November ['08] I lost her. I am so thankful for what you are doing, especially now ...please continue...

The 1960's

From **Arnie Rothschild ('64)** via email: If you have an opportunity, you may enjoy reading Alex's [Alex Ben Block ('64)] book "Outfoxed" ...it is wonderful! I admit that as a media person it struck close to home...but, it is a compelling and wonderful explanation of the creation of Fox Television that you may really enjoy!

Diana F. Cramer, (1968), who lives and works as a public librarian in snowy Syracuse, had a wonderful vacation in Greece this past fall....a dream trip, hiking, swimming, shopping and eating my way through Athens and three islands with a group of like-minded hikers from the U.S. Please look for Diana on Facebook. (See the class of '95 for news of my son Ethan.)

The 1970's

From **Robert J. Fashano**, President & CEO of Alliance Advisory Group, Williamsville, NY:

Suzanne (Marie McVay) Novelli ('70) is being honored on Sept. 24th, 2009, with one of Business First's most coveted recognitions----A Women of Influence Award----for her outstanding work in the community over a long period of time. Suzanne has offered her leadership to many organizations, including Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts, music organizations, Erie County libraries, Suburban Adult Services, Inc., and collaborative projects at local colleges, UB School of Engineering, and public schools. She has chaired numerous charitable events and co-established a not-for-profit foundation. The twice chaired Guardian's Girls Going Places entrepreneurship program for young girls. Suzanne is a financial advisor for Alliance Advisory Group.

The 1980's Dear Committee,

While reading the annual newsletter I came upon mine and Robert's wedding announcement. I was extremely surprised and honored to have this acknowledged. It prompted a slew of phone calls of well wishes from friends I had not connected with for years!!! Thank you, thank you , thank you!

Cynthia "Lewis" Johnson '80

From The Mailbag Cont...

The 1990's

Ethan S. Cramer-Flood, (1995), is living and working in Beijing, China for a year. He teaches, (in English), political science courses at the China Foreign Affairs University, and is working hard to learn to speak Chinese. (see the class of '68 for news of his mom, Diana Cramer)

The 2000's

From **Desiree (Halbert) Yakey-Wiley ('04)**: Hi! I just heard about this site from someone and I wanted to let you know that myself - Desiree (maiden name -Halbert) Yakey-Wiley class of 2004 and Stephen Yakey-Wiley class of 2003 eloped and got married on February 7, 2009. We met in highschool and have been together since 2005. We are planning a party this summer (2009) to celebrate!

From **Tracy Daige-Wiles**: Hi. I am a former student at Nottingham (2007 to October 2008). After that I transferred to Lewiston High School, Lewiston, Maine. Thanks to all Nottingham High School teachers, guidance counselors, my fellow students, and staff members and administration who made me what I am now.. "Success is not accident it needs work hard and achievements."

Meadowbrook Harlequins Continue Ham's Theater Tradition

by Molly Voorheis

Nottingham students continue their involvement with theater --as actors, choreographers, musicians, sound and lighting designers, scene and costume designers.



Under the direction of Ginny Fennessy, the troupe opened the doors to the Len Fonte Auditorium for its fall play, the 40's drama Stage Door and twisted to the tunes of Elvis Presley in the spring musical All Shook Up.

During the last three years, the group has also featured a lab theater production. In the spring of 2009, five actresses sang and scolded their way through Nonsense. This May will feature one-acts by Christopher Durang.

The Harlequins are always thrilled to welcome home theater alumni for their shows. Their work continues to be supported by FANS, the Nottingham arts group.

Nottingham Connection Angels

We thank the following for their donations to The Nottingham Connection. Donations are used primarily to pay for publishing and mailing The Nottingham Connection, and secondarily to support current projects at Nottingham High School.



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Angels Cont..

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TREASURERS REPORT

Balance on 12/31/08
\$6,666.55



Total donations in 2009 \$5,795.00
Publishing expenses in 2009 \$1,111.05

Donation to Wall of Fame \$100.00
Donation to NHS Drama \$60.00
Grants to teachers in 2009 \$3,613.08
Purchase of 2009 Year book \$65.00

Total expenses in 2009 \$4,949.13

Balance on 12/31/09 \$7,512.42

2010 Grants Cont..

12) Multi-Cultural Committee of teachers and students. Plastic Stantion 12 pack with chains and c-hooks for safety and crowd control during very popular performances at the Multicultural festival and other occasions during the school year. \$242.00

13) Lori DiFlorio, Art. Nasco Water soluble Block Printing Ink. 7 sets of 11 colors, for use in the National Scholastic Art Competition and school art projects. \$275.80

14) Lucia Ashley, Health. Cram Imperial World Globe and laminated Peters Equal Area map, to facilitate discussion in Environmental Health class. \$172.95.

15) Lucia Ashley, Health. Teen sex DVD that discusses peer pressure, double standards, media influence etc. \$106.95

16) Al Kaltenbach, Social studies. Class room supplies to allow for differentiated instruction in inclusion classes. \$214.88

17) Jennifer Benedetto, English. 7 Items from teachers' Discovery Catalogue. "To enhance lesson plans that embrace and promote literacy and to instill a desire for life long learning through the use of creative and stimulating materials." \$244.60

18) Thomas Little, Psychology. Miligram – Obedience DVD. To assist students taking S.U.P.A. Psychology (and the AP exam) and Global Studies students. \$363.00

Nottingham Merchandise

Are you interested in buying a Nottingham sweatshirt or T-shirt? These and other items are available through Nottingham's DECA club.

Contact DECA Advisor **Lynnette Planck** at (315) 435-5380 or email her at <LPlanck@scsd.us>

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Weddings



Desiree Halbert Yakey-Wiley ('04) and **Stephen Yakey-Wiley** ('03) eloped February 7, 2009. They reside in Syracuse.

Carly Goettel and **Mark Bon throne** were married July 28, 2009 at historic Hyde Hall overlooking Cooperstown's Lake Otsego. Carly is development manager at the American Folk Art Museum in Manhattan. Mark, originally from Scotland, is employed in publishing in Manhattan. They live in Brooklyn.



Prom Dress Recycling (from Molly Voorheis)

Though it may be hard to believe, the Nottingham Junior prom (in mid-May) and Senior Prom (June 12) are not too far off.

The *Post-Standard* recently featured an article about a woman who collects prom dresses and makes them available to high school girls who may have difficulty purchasing a new dress. She asks for donations and also encourages people to contact her with names of students who might take advantage of this opportunity to "shop" these dresses. These students will get an invitation to browse the collection of dresses later this spring.

To donate a dress or accessories, call Melody Scanlon at 935-7417 or e-mail her at mldyarnold@yahoo.com.

That same contact information can be used by those looking to get a dress. Melody can provide more information.

Missing Panels on the Nottingham Quilt

Many of you have seen the Nottingham quilt, containing a panel for each year. It's available for view at reunions or other occasions upon request.

There are still quite a few classes missing a panel. If you are interested in providing a panel for your class, please contact Peg Kramer at 315-635-6110, or contact nottalum@hotmail.com

The finished quilt panel should be 8" x 8" (total visible design) - a 1" border all around equals total size of 10" x 10". The panel must have the graduation year. Any appropriate designs, techniques, etc., are encouraged.

These are the missing years:

**1934, 1935, 1937, 1940, 1942, 1943,
1947, 1948, 1949, 1951, 1952, 1958,
1960, 1961, 1962, 1963, 1966, 1969,
1972, 1973, 1974, 1979, 1982, 1984,
1985, 1987, 1988, 1989, 1990, 1992,
1994, 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2002,
2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008,
2009.**



In Memoriam



Richard Kessler ('55), 68, of Cleveland, NY, died December 4, 2006. He retired as a computer programmer for General Electric. He is survived by a son and two granddaughters, a brother Robert of Germantown, TN, and a sister, Judi Keller, of Cicero.

Alan Yehle ('55), 69, of Savannah, GA, died December 15, 2006. A graduate of Cornell, Alan served 17 years in the Army, attaining the rank of Major. He then worked as an accountant in various hotels in Augusta and Savannah. Surviving are his wife, a daughter, two sons, two grandchildren, and two siblings, Gene McCarthy of Jamesville and Eliot Klatzkin of Yardley, PA.

Mel LaForce ('55), 69, of Durhamville, died December 20, 2006.

Mary Catherine Dixson Deal ('31) died in September 2008 at the age of 95. She was a high school English teacher and librarian. Married James Allen Deal who owned Deal Florist. She had two daughters, Susan Hunt Deal ('66) and Margo Tracey Deal Erickson. Spent her life in service to her community. She liked to say her idea of heaven was a baked potato with a pound of butter! (submitted by Susan Hunt Deal '66)

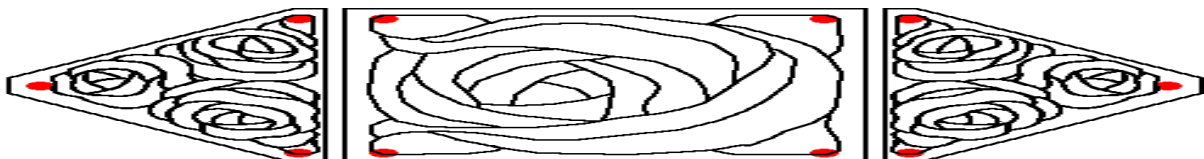
Meredith Lamson Estoff ('29), of Buffalo, passed on as well. Her son, Jonathan Estoff ('64) is an attorney living in Buffalo, NY. She was my mom's best friend. (also submitted by Susan Hunt Deal '66)

William A. Wallace ('53), of Silver City, NM, died October 14, 2008. Surviving is his wife, Peggy Spofford.

Erich Milair, 48, of Melbourne, FL, died January 15, 2009. He is survived by his wife, one son, two daughters, brother Dana, and sister Shawn.

Linda M. Granzow ('65), 61, died February 6, 2009, in Syracuse, after a long illness. After receiving her AS degree in respiratory therapy from OCC, she worked for many years at Crouse-Irving Memorial Hospital. After retiring, she enjoyed caring for her five grandsons. She is also survived by three daughters.

Kathleen S. Fitzpatrick ('50), 77, of Syracuse, died February 12, 2009. She was an avid follower of politics and a talented sketch artist and enjoyed gardening, crocheting and music. She devoted most of her efforts toward raising her five children. She is survived by four of her children and eight grandchildren.



In Memoriam cont

Elizabeth Fowler Farrington ('36), 90, died February 14, 2009, in Syracuse. Betty was the daughter of Helen Fowler and George Fowler, for whom Fowler High School is named. She graduated from SU in 1940 and was an active member of SU's Orange Pack and football programs. She was secretary of the SU Alumni Association and volunteered for several years with Meals on Wheels. She is survived by her husband Charles, children (all Nottingham alumni) Lynne Allen of Windham Center, CT, Nancy Dunaway of Oakton, VA, and Charles Jr. of Chestnut Hill, MA, five grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Charles M. Manheim died February 16, 2009, at his winter home in Delray Beach, FL. He served in the US Army Air Force from 1942 – 1946 as a navigator, and graduated from SU College of Law in 1948. One of the founders of the Sugarman Law Firm, he practiced law for over 60 years, primarily as a trial attorney. He was a member of many professional organizations and was a master arbitrator for the New York State Department of Insurance, No Fault Arbitration. He was a frequent lecturer and writer about legal issues geared toward architects and engineers. He is survived by his wife, June, a son and daughter, four grandchildren, and his brother David, of South Deerfield, MA.

John Redmond (faculty), of Syracuse, died February 27, 2009, in Syracuse, after a long illness. He taught French and Latin at Nottingham for many years until his retirement. He was a veteran of WWII and was a 3rd Knight in the Knights of Columbus Council 191. He is survived by a sister and a cousin.

Janet Field Lee, 86, died March 12, 2009, in Syracuse. Janet was a tireless humanitarian, who volunteered in many fundraising activities at Rockefeller United Memorial Methodist Church. She also served as the manager and buyer of the gift shop at Crouse Irving Memorial Hospital. She loved spending her summers at DeRuyter Lake. She is survived by her husband, George, three daughters, one son, seven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren, and brothers C. Raymond of Rochester and Lt. Col. Robert E. of Tampa.

William R. Kinslow Jr. (faculty), 83, of Baldwinsville, died March 13, 2009. Mr. Kinslow was a longtime English teacher at Nottingham. He was a veteran of WWII and the Korean War and retired at age 69 as a major in the Army Reserves. He was an avid gardener and Atlanta Braves fan. Surviving are his wife of 57 years, Margaret, three daughters, four sons, 13 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Ellen M. Group, 88, died March 19, 2009, in Syracuse. She retired after working over 30 years as secretary to the security director in the US Navy Department. After retirement, she enjoyed spending summers with family at her lakeside cottage. She is survived by her son and two grandchildren.

In Memoriam cont

Hyman M. Miller ('41), 86, of Syracuse, died March 21, 2009. He was a member of the New York State Legislature Assembly for 18 years, beginning with the 1970 election. He represented the Republican members of the Assembly on many important committees. He was a veteran of WWII. He was active in many community organizations and was on several boards. He was one of the inaugural inductees into the Nottingham Wall of Fame in 2006. He was the founder and CEO of the Miller Agency, an independent general insurance business. He is survived by two sons, three daughters, and nine grandchildren.

Alyce Dawson Hunt ('45), of Saint Paul, MN, and Cape Cod, MA, died April 1, 2009. She enjoyed the reunion in 1994, which she attended with her good friend and cousin Annie O'Malley. Alyce was a highly regarded interior designer, specializing in historic interiors. She worked on many historic buildings and was a frequent lecturer on historic interiors. She is survived by her husband of 59 years, George, two children and four grandsons.

Roberta (Bobbie) Badaines King ('54), 72, died April 3, 2009, in the tragic shooting at the American Civic Association in Binghamton. She taught English as a second language there. Bobbie taught in Syracuse before moving to Binghamton in 1966. She was predeceased by her husband of 40 years, Abraham Aaron King. She is survived by ten children, a sister, Eleanor Schwartzberg ('57), of Phoenix AZ, and a brother Joel Badaines of Sydney Australia.

Anthony Esposito ('43), 83, of Syracuse, died April 5, 2009. He served in the US Maritime Service and the US Army during WWII. He was a builder and real estate agent, and a building inspector for Onondaga County Community Development. He is survived by his wife of 62 years, Rose, a daughter and three sons, four grandchildren, and brothers Vincent of Lafayette and Joseph of Fayetteville.

Robert H. Steele ('39), 86, of Fayetteville, died April 9, 2009. He served with the US Army during WWII. He was the CEO of Brace-Mueller-Huntley, Inc. and later was employed by Burlingame Realty. He was active in community affairs and was president of the Citizens Foundation from 1956 – 1957. He is survived by his wife of 61 years, three sons, and several grandchildren.

Stephen Ginsburg, 54, of Baldwinsville, died April 18, 2009. He was most recently employed by Centro Bus Company. He is survived by his wife, three daughters, a stepson, and brothers Irving of Liverpool and Bruce of Las Vegas.



In Memoriam cont

Joan McAllister Cook, 80, of Slidell, LA, died April 11, 2009. After her husband Gordon Cook accepted an officers' commission in the US Marine Corps, Joan became active in the Officers' Wives Club. Her husband's assignments dictated extensive travel and residences throughout the US and other countries, including two years in Taiwan. She also held various positions in the Republican Women's Associations and was a cub scout den mother for her sons. After her husband's retirement, she established Magnolia Forest Stables in Pearl River, LA, which she ran for ten years. She is survived by her husband of nearly 60 years, one son, and her brother G. Robert McAllister of Cazenovia.

Michael L. Parker, 60, of North Syracuse, died April 28, 2009 after battling cancer. He retired from the Syracuse City School District in 2002, having served as a school administrator at Corcoran, Nottingham, and Grand Middle School. He is survived by his wife and daughter.

David Melnicoff ('52), of Port Orange, FL, died May 4, 2009.

Kristen B. Crosby, 66, of Manlius, died May 8, 2009. She began a career in retailing, beginning with her family's business, Dey Brothers, then as a jewelry buyer in New York City. After returning to Manlius in 1993, she continued as a jewelry merchandiser for a number of national corporations. She earned a black belt in karate and volunteered for many organizations.

Marcia Roth, 55, died May 26, 2009, in San Francisco. She lived in Kalamazoo, MI, where she was involved with the art community, and moved to San Francisco in the 80's, where she worked for Cole's Hardware in the Haight Ashbury district for many years. She is survived by her sisters Janice and Irene, brother Bob, and her father Arthur.

Jane B. McLeod ('31), 96, of Jamesville, died May 30, 2009. She was a member of the Corinthian Club, Syracuse University Alumnae Association, Kappa Alpha Theta Alumnae Association, and a charter member of Pebble Hill Presbyterian Church. She is survived by her two grandchildren, four great-grandchildren, and her brother W. Craig Bradley of Skaneateles.

Phyllis Freeman Poushter ('43), 84, died June 4, 2009, in Syracuse. She won various prizes for her art work. She enjoyed gardening, flower arranging and golf. She is survived by her husband of 63 years, Dr. David L. Poushter, three daughters, several grandchildren and great-grandchildren, brother Cyril Freeman, and inlaws Shirley and Bob Rosen.



In Memoriam cont

Frances Ginsburg Kaplan, 83, of Syracuse, died June 4, 2009. She was a teacher's aide at Nottingham for several years. She is survived by four sons, 11 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren.

Beverly Barfoot Zellweger, 72, of Crossville, TN, died June 4, 2009. She worked at General Electric and drove a bus for Liverpool public schools and Centro until her retirement in 2004. She is survived by her husband Tom Shallcross, seven children, 11 grandchildren, and sisters June Wilkinson and Diane Johnson.

Jonathan F. Sweeney died June 5, 2009 in Syracuse. Born in 1952 in Manchester, England, he had lived in Canada and Argentina before moving to New York. The Nottingham graduate retired after working 27 years for Onondaga County. He is survived by his parents, sister Colette, a niece and nephew and a great-niece.

Daniel Martineau Jr died June 8, 2009 in Syracuse. He had a successful mass marketing insurance company and was the creator of "Updump Downdump", a children's book series and TV show. He was a member of the District Attorney's Advisory Council for more than 30 years and was active in Republican politics. He is survived by two daughters, one son, several grandchildren, and sisters Joan, Carol, Louise, and Rebecca. His sister Carol Baldwin was a past inductee into the Nottingham Wall of Fame.

Irene S. Henderson, 85, of Camillus, died June 9, 2009. As a young mother and farm wife in Baldwinsville, Irene was active in farm organizations, as well as being an avid reader and knowledgeable in Biblical archaeology and Egyptian history. She was involved in the Retired Sr. volunteer program. She received a 2003 achievement award from the Joslin Diabetes Foundation and a Gold Medal from Eli Lilly for successfully managing her diabetes for 50 years. She is survived by two daughters and a son, four grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Kelly Farmer ('03), 24, drowned June 24, 2009, in Hiawatha Lake in Syracuse. She was walking by the lake with her 7-year-old niece when she fell, hit her head, and slipped into the lake. An aerospace engineering graduate student at SU, she is survived by her father, and siblings James and Angela Dubose and Shane Farmer.

Barbara Klock Skvarch ('39), 88, of Burlington, NC, died June 29, 2009. Before her marriage, she was a stewardess for American Airlines. She was active in the Kiwi Organization for retired AA stewardesses and logged many hours as a co-pilot. She enjoyed gardening, golf, and volunteer work. She is survived by her husband of 63 years, William, six children, 13 grandchildren, 4 great-grandchildren, and her sister Patricia.

Steven Hendel ('71), 56, of Baldwinsville, died June 29, 2009. A Vietnam veteran, he was employed by Morris Protective Services. He was a member of the Baldwinsville American Legion. He is survived by his wife Mary, one son, and brother Robert.

In Memoriam cont

. **Dick Horstmann**, 74, died July 5, 2009, in West Boylston, MA, after being disabled for 15 years following a stroke. He lived in Syracuse most of his life and was heavily involved in political and community affairs. After serving in the Army, he worked as a newsman and disk jockey for WHEN Radio, and later worked for Syracuse Mayor and later Congressman William Walsh. He also managed several local election campaigns. Dick founded SPAAMFAA, a national organization that preserves antique fire apparatus. He purchased a private railway car and organized excursions around the US and Canada. He is survived by his brother and sister-in-law Pete and Barbara Horstmann.

Frederick Dusse, 87, died July 11, 2009, in Syracuse. He was a staff sergeant in the Air Force in WWII, receiving a Purple Heart. He retired in 1992 from Schneider Packaging. He is survived by his wife Alice, two sons, and two granddaughters.

Gail Greiner Perry ('66), 61, of Round Rock, TX, died July 14, 2009, after a courageous fight against multiple illnesses. She was a special ed teacher and a volunteer in the CASA program for the protection of children. She enjoyed spending summers in Henderson Harbor and family vacations to Siesta Key, FL. She is survived by her husband of 36 years, John, a daughter and two sons, four grandchildren, her mother Amelia and brother Bob.

Lucille Schlosser ('33), 93, of Fayetteville, died July 18, 2009. She was an interior decorator and enjoyed the races at Saratoga. She is survived by a niece and nephew, two great-nieces and one great-nephew. She was predeceased by her sister Ruth Schlosser Egan.

Janice Levy Rothenberg ('67), of Manlius, died July 20, 2009. She was involved in many volunteer activities and was the author of a book, Amy Beth and her Mismatched Socks, written in memory of her daughter. She is survived by her husband, Larry, and sister Susan.

Roseanne Purcell Rotella ('67), 61, of Onondaga Hill, died July 27, 2009, after a long battle with cancer. She worked in the insurance industry, retiring in 1997. She is survived by her husband, a son, two grandchildren, her mother, brother Edward, and sister Mary.

Arthur Friedel Jr., 86, died July 30, 2009, in Syracuse. He was an architect and served on the New York State Building Code Council. He was an active member in the Century Club and re-designed its Century Room. He was also involved in the Christmas Cove Improvement Association in Maine, the Manlius Pebble Hill School board, the English Speaking Union, and the Everson Museum Trip Committee. He is survived by his wife, one daughter, one son, and four grandchildren. He was predeceased by his brother, Dr. Henry F Lee.

In Memoriam cont...

Ronald Roney, 66, died August 11, 2009, in Syracuse. He retired from New Process Gear in 1994 and enjoyed show cars, charities, and spending time with his grandchildren. He is survived by his wife Judith, one daughter, one son, seven grandchildren, sisters Pam and Bonita, and brother Jeff. His brother Gary died in 1974.

Robert Moore ('53), 74, of Fayetteville, died August 13, 2009. He served in the Army as a first lieutenant and in 1965 founded R.A. Moore Co., Inc., a distributor of industrial cutting tools. He enjoyed travel, skiing, and gardening. He is survived by his wife Nancy, a daughter, two sons, brother Thomas and sister Rosemary. He was predeceased by his brother William.

Miriam Roth Helf ('48), 79, died August 17, 2009, in Syracuse. She was a secretary in the School of Human Development and the School of Architecture at SU until her retirement. She is survived by a son and daughter, two grandchildren, and her brother Eli Roth.

Mary Pizio DeBoalt, 92, of Watertown, died August 18, 2009. She worked as a secretary for Michelle Shehadi Linen Co. and for the chief engineer at Crucible Steel Co. After her marriage, she was a housewife and mother. She is survived by three children, four grandchildren, and her brother William Pizio.

Peter Horstmann ('51), 76, of Sterling, MA, died August 19, 2009. He was a mechanical engineer and was a varsity athlete at Worcester Polytechnic Institute. He had planned to lead a memorial service for his brother, Dick, who died July 5, 2009. The memorial is still scheduled for September 12. Pete is survived by his wife, Barbara Van Loon Horstmann ('51).

Elaine Lockmyer Kaufmann ('41), 85, of Chevy Chase, MD, died August 22, 2009. She was a volunteer for the United Givers Fund and then Goodwill Industries, where for many years she helped organize their annual book sale. She is survived by her husband Karl, six children, and two grandchildren.

Bradley S. Wladis ('60), 66, of Syracuse, died September 10, 2009. He was the owner and operator of Brad's Brews, Victuals and Stews on S. Crouse Ave. for 15 years, starting in 1970. He also owned and operated The Party Source from 1977 – 1998 and worked for Syracuse Securities for the past 11 years as a mortgage originator. He was an avid SU sports fan. He is survived by his fiancée, his son Jeremy, his daughter Laine, '86 his sister Sue Greenberg, brother George, and four grandchildren.



In Memoriam cont...

Peter R. Haswell ('49), 78, of Kure Beach, NC, died September 12, 2009. A veteran of the US Army, he was a senior executive at Sawyer Industries for many years. He is survived by his wife, Janice, several children and stepchildren, many grandchildren, and his sister Claire Rudolph.

Justin Lee Mills, 18, died September 14, 2009, in Syracuse, the victim of a homicide. He was a senior at Nottingham. He is survived by four sisters and four brothers, his parents and two grandmothers.

Susan Hillsberg Horwitz ('64), 62, died September 24, 2009, in Rochester, of brain cancer. Susan was an Associate Professor of Psychiatry at the University of Rochester Medical Center, where she was a master teacher, clinician of family therapy and advocate for families. She is survived by her husband of 41 year, Richard, two children, two grandchildren, her mother and sister Margie ('59).

Francis D. (Bud) Phillips, 86, of Cazenovia, died September 15, 2009. A World War II vet, Bud was a retired purchasing agent for Smith and Caffery Steel. He is survived by his wife, a son, and five grandchildren.

Susan Bell Gehm, 84, of Ft. Lauderdale, died September 20, 2009. She retired as assistant bursar at SU in 1989. She is survived by her husband of 59 years, Robert, two sons, and two grandchildren.

John C. Extale, 80, of Syracuse, died September 22, 2009. Jack served with the US Army in Korea, receiving several medals and decorations. He worked for several businesses before starting his own business in 1975, Central New York Building Products Inc., Peachtree Planning Center Div., and Orchard Home Products Div. He was a member of the Central New York Personal Computer Users Group and enjoyed sports. He is survived by his wife of 55 years, Mary.

Patricia Marshall Coolican ('40), 86, of Dewitt, died September 30, 2009. Pat graduated from SU and was a volunteer for Meals on Wheels. She was an avid golfer. She is survived by three daughters and seven grandchildren.

Louis DeSantis, Jr. ('71), 56, of Syracuse, died October 6, 2009. A graduate of SU, Lou was a co-owner of Lou DeSantis TV and Appliances. He was an animal rights activist and loved ballroom dancing and traveling. He is survived by his sister Lynn and brother Vince.

Alan Brickman ('48), 78, of Syracuse, died October 9, 2009. He was an attorney in Syracuse and a longtime Orange fan. As an undergraduate at SU, Alan was on a national award-winning table tennis team. He was friends with many SU athletes and provided guidance to some of them in the days before agents. He is survived by his wife, three sons, three grandchildren, and sister Ruthie.

In Memoriam Cont.

Walter H. Stuenzi, 81, of Syracuse, died October 10, 2009. Walter retired from the Navy after 24 years. He is survived by his brothers Art, Teo, and Ben, and several nieces and nephews.

Virginia Stierwand Eells ('41), 85, of Delmar, died October 13, 2009. She worked as a case worker for the American Red Cross, first in Syracuse and then Albany. She is survived by her husband of 63 years, one son, two daughters, and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by her brother, the Reverend George Stierwald.

Mel Shapess, 66, of Syracuse, died October 14, 2009. Mel served in the US Coast Guard. He owned and operated Industrial Instrument Service until founding his own company, Mel Shapess and Sons Heating and Cooling. He is survived by three children and brothers Irving "Sonny" Shapess and Robert Shapess.

Judith Greene, 65, of Manlius, died October 27, 2009. She was a registered nurse in Los Angeles County. She loved animals and for many years was a volunteer for the Rosamond Gifford Zoo. She is survived by her brothers Roderic and Richard.

Parisa Pourpezeshk ('09), 18, of Syracuse, died October 28, 2009. While at Nottingham, she was involved in many activities and particularly loved participating in the spring musicals. A celebration of her life was held at the Len Fonte Performing Arts Center at Nottingham. Parisa, who was born in Japan, is survived by her parents and grandparents, brother Kiyoshi, and sister Sasha.

Robert Hunter, 79, died October 28, 2009, in Jamesville. He served in the US Army and was a local attorney, CPA, and adjunct professor at SU School of Management. He is survived by two sons, a grandson, and his brother John.

Theodore "Ted" Silverstein, 81, of Syracuse, died October 31, 2009. He served in the US Army during the Korean War and was president of Central Surplus for over 40 years. He loved golf, cards, sports, including SU sports, and family. He is survived by his wife Irma, three children, three grandchildren, and his brother Robert Roth.

Thomas W. "Tim" Higgins, Jr., 69, died November 10, 2009, three weeks after being diagnosed with leukemia. Tim had been a Syracuse City Court judge since 1982. He was past president of the New York State City Court Judges Association. He loved nature, gardening, reading, music, cooking and travel. He is survived by his wife Anne Marie and sisters Nancy and Johanna.

Berneice "Bunni" Powers Dain ('50), 77, of Cazenovia, died November 15, 2009. At Nottingham Berneice participated in many extracurricular activities. She was always active in her community. She is survived by her husband, Thomas, seven children, nine grandchildren, one great-grandson, and sister Charlotte.

In Memoriam Cont.

Louis C. Gerber Jr. ('41), 86, of Bradenton, FL, and formerly of Syracuse and Endwell, NY, died November 10, 2009. He will be remembered for his intelligence, love of family, bridge, tennis (and all sports) and a certain movie star. The career IBM man served as an inspiration to many by overcoming profound obstacles while maintaining his sense of humor. He is survived by his wife of 53 years, Lois; daughters, Suzanne and Diane; grandchildren, Rory, Max, and Anna; and siblings, Richard and Jane. [from Terri Gerber ('71)]

Thomas Reardon (faculty), 72, of Liverpool, died November 18, 2009. A Syracuse native, he retired in 1995 from the Syracuse City School District, having taught math for 33 years at Nottingham. He was an Air Force veteran and enjoyed tennis, cards, and bocce ball. He is survived by his wife of 44 years, three children, and four grandchildren.

Lillian Millman, 90, died November 23, 2009. A native of Boston, she lived most of her adult life in Syracuse and was involved in volunteer public relations for the Nottingham High School Concert Band. She is survived by her husband, sister, one son and two grandchildren.

Charlotte Rudolph Ball, 95, died December 14, 2009, in Syracuse. She was involved in many charitable and volunteer activities. She is survived by three daughters, several god-grandchildren, grandnieces and grandnephews, and her brother J.B. Rudolph.

Anthony Kotz ('55), 71, of Jamesville, NY, died December 18, 2009. He was a landscape architect. A graduate of SUNY's ESF, his work involved land planning, site design, parks, recreational and athletic facilities, and master planning in numerous locations. He was active in many professional organizations and was a visiting professor and guest lecturer at ESF and other colleges and universities. In recent years he was involved in preserving the dune system. He is survived by his wife, two sons, two stepsons, a stepdaughter, and 12 grandchildren.

Ruth "Babe" Frank Greenhouse, 87, of Syracuse and Delray Beach, FL, died December 19, 2009, in Syracuse. She was a dedicated volunteer for many organizations. She is survived by her husband, two daughters, five grandchildren, three great-grandchildren, brother Warren, and sister Bernadine.

Marjorie A. Hewitt Svedman ('49), 79, of Manlius, NY, died December 21, 2009. A homemaker, she volunteered with several organizations and was an avid bowler and golfer. She is survived by her husband of 59 years, Donald, one daughter, two sons, sisters Connie Cutler and Dorothy Hewitt, four grandchildren, and six great-grandchildren.

In Memoriam Cont.

Stephen G. Wilm, 67, of Liverpool, NY, died December 21, 2009, in North Ridgeville, Ohio. A veteran, he worked for the past 13 years as a bus driver for the Liverpool Central School District, after having worked for 20 years as an accountant with the Lamson Corp. He is survived by two sons, two grandchildren, and his brother Alan.

John A. Meech Jr. ('51), 76, died December 25, 2009, in Syracuse. A Navy veteran, John worked for Westhill High School's transportation department before retiring in 1995. He enjoyed performing and attending live theater, antique and collectible shows, and flea marketing. He is survived by a daughter and son, 14 grandchildren and 9 great-grandchildren.

Jane Matthews ('40), 87, of Syracuse, died December 30, 2009. She was an executive secretary at Syracuse Supply for several years and later was office manager at Syracuse Gauge Co. until her retirement in 1978. She enjoyed golf, volunteering, and spending time with family. She is survived by three children, 13 grandchildren, and 14 great-grandchildren.

Timothy R. Cleaver ('85), 44, of Syracuse, died December 31, 2009. He was a member of the Spina Bifida Association of CNY and played for the Syracuse Flyers Wheelchair Basketball Team. He enjoyed fishing, camping, and listening to country music. He is survived by his parents, sisters Terri and Cindy, brother Fred, four nieces and two nephews.

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## Swedish Field Service Exchange Student Returns After 55 years

During the last weekend of June 2009, 75-80 alums from the class of 1954, gathered at Drumlins to renew old friendships and share wonderful memories as we celebrated our 55th Nottingham Class Reunion.

During the evening, Carole Engel Gladstone, Dick Engel's sister, who joined us on behalf of her late brother, read a letter from Hans Broden who was an American Field Service student from Sweden. Hans spent his senior year with us at Nottingham. He was unable to attend the reunion in person last summer but had written to Carole recalling the fond memories he had of Nottingham and of his experiences while living in Syracuse that year. He also gave us a glimpse of his life in Sweden since graduating 55 years ago.

Last fall, Hans returned to the states. He was the guest of Carole at her home in Connecticut, before traveling to Syracuse. While here, Corine and Lynn Smith (Class of '54) hosted a wonderful dinner party for Hans at their beautiful Skaneateles Lake summer home. It was a great opportunity for local classmates to gather and visit with Hans. Included with this article is a picture of him taken during this memorable gathering. It was great to see him and as you can see he looks wonderful. He was the honoree and yet he ended up entertaining us by serenading us with golden oldies on the piano. We were all impressed with his talent and not the least bit surprised to learn that he has enjoyed a professional musical career after many years practicing the law. It was a terrific evening for all.

To quote our alma mater, "memories, memories, our thoughts of old, happy days of yesterday, unfold."

**Charlie Beach Class of '54** 315-443-1595

**BELOW: Lynn Smith, Hans and Victor Hershdorfer**



# UPCOMING REUNIONS

Editors' note: 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. Find the latest information throughout the year at our web site, <http://nottingham-connection.org>

Notice for reunion committees: in order to visit and/or tour Nottingham during your reunion, you must have a permit, available from Syracuse City School District Facilities Management Office, 725 Harrison St., Room 300, Syracuse NY 13210, phone 315-435-4083. Allow at least two weeks for processing.

**Class of 1950** 60th reunion: Volunteers needed to work on a reunion in June 2010.

Contact Nancy Knapp McCarty: [mccarty@twcny.rr.com](mailto:mccarty@twcny.rr.com)

Class of 1960 50th reunion: June 11, 12, and 13, 2010 at the Sheraton on the SU campus. Website: [www.nhs1960.org](http://www.nhs1960.org) for events and contact info.

Don Burns, co-chair Paul deLima, 315-446-5459, email [pwdelima@twcny.rr.com](mailto:pwdelima@twcny.rr.com)

**Class of 1965** 45th reunion: Doug Roberts is planning a 45th reunion of the Class of 1965 the weekend of July 23 - 25, 2010. Please contact Doug at [dougroberts@yahoo.com](mailto:dougroberts@yahoo.com).

**Class of 1970** 40th reunion: October 8 - 9, 2010 Contacts:

[nhsclassof70reunion@gmail.com](mailto:nhsclassof70reunion@gmail.com) Colleen Corbett O'Malley [Irishomal@yahoo.com](mailto:Irishomal@yahoo.com) ,

facebook [www.facebook.com/home.php#/profile.php?id=1213890869](http://www.facebook.com/home.php#/profile.php?id=1213890869)

Debbie Tzivani Politis [dpolitis@sebf.org](mailto:dpolitis@sebf.org)

**Class of 1971** 40th reunion: In the planning stages Contact: Gary Feldman [Garyfeldman1953@san.rr.com](mailto:Garyfeldman1953@san.rr.com) 10234 Walnutdale Street San Diego, CA 92131  
619-249-3329 cell 858-530-2102 phone

**Class of 1980** 30th reunion: July 23 - 25, 2010

Details: Alumni evening Friday 7/23 at Metro on Westcott Street

Catered family picnic at Jamesville Beach Saturday 7/24

Additional events are planned.

Contacts: Patty Wojdyla, 460 Main Street #90, N. Syracuse NY 13212

Phone: 315-452-9566 email: [pjwslp@aol.com](mailto:pjwslp@aol.com)

Information is also posted on Facebook page Nottingham Class of 1980 Reunion and on [Classmates.com](http://Classmates.com)

**Class of 1985** 25th reunion: August 6 - 7, 2010 (open to surrounding graduating years as well)

Details: Friday- happy hour at or around Syracuse Suds Factory

Saturday day -BBQ at Green Lakes (open to families)

Saturday Eve - Cocktail Reception in Armory Square (or Metro on Westcott St) w/DJ - TBD

80's music DJ will be rockin' all night long Contact:

Jackie Tambi Madura [jackiescall@yahoo.com](mailto:jackiescall@yahoo.com)

Jackie Wolf Kibler [jackiekibler01@yahoo.com](mailto:jackiekibler01@yahoo.com)

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## **Nottingham In The News**

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Jan. 2, 2009 Congressman-elect and Nottingham alum Dan Maffei ('86) was sworn into office at a ceremonial celebration held at the Everson Museum. The Nottingham High School Gospel Choir performed, and retired Nottingham teacher Len Fonte reflected on Dan Maffei's high school years.

Jan. 3, 2009 Nottingham alumna Ava Shapero Raphael ('65) was sworn in as Surrogate Court judge Jan. 2nd, in the same room where her father, Ephraim Shapero, once presided over the Onondaga County Legislature.

Jan. 7, 2009 The Capitol Hill publication Politico named Dan Maffei ('86) one of 13 "freshman to watch" in the new Congress.

Jan. 8, 2009 Darrell Buckingham ('93) performs every Sunday as DJ Soulstar at Downtown Mahhattan's Soul Kitchen in Syracuse.

Jan. 10, 2009 The 26th annual Model United Nations conference was held Jan. 9th at SU. Some of the Nottingham participants were Midhat Salihovic, Samantha Gerbino, Robert Nyumah, and Louis Webster.

Jan. 11, 2009 Rep. Dan Maffei ('86) received a warm welcome at his swearing-in Jan. 6th. Several members of Congress congratulated him, as well as reporters who knew him from his days as a press secretary on the House Ways and Means Committee.

Jan. 12, 2009 Patrick McCarthy ('44) and his wife Patricia will be sorry to see the end of the Empire State Games. Due to budget concerns, the games are suspended for senior athletes and others. The McCarthys have trained and competed for more than 20 years and won more than 100 medals, in badminton, tennis, and horseshoes.

Jan. 13, 2009 Ben Burtt Jr. ('66) received public recognition for his work on the film "WALL-E", at the Golden Globes ceremony January 11th. Next month, Ben is scheduled to receive a career achievement award at the Motion Picture Sound Editors Golden Reel Awards, and the Cinema Audio Society has named him as an award nominee for Sound Mixing. Ben is also the voice of WALL-E.

Jan. 15, 2009 Nottingham teacher John Anderson, who teaches social studies to foreign students, is urging his colleagues to march to City Hall Jan. 19th to help send a message that the recent outburst of violence in Syracuse will not be tolerated.

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Jan. 20, 2009 Nottingham grad Letrice Titus, 33, leaves today for two weeks of basic training in the US Army. The mother of two grew up as an Army brat. Her husband is also in the Army. Letrice was instrumental in obtaining 100 copies of "Yes We Can", an Obama biography, which were distributed to Lincoln Middle School and Bellevue Academy. She was honored for her efforts last week with a community service award from County Executive Joanie Mahoney.

Jan. 23, 2009 Rep. Dan Maffei ('86) was named to three subcommittees in the House of Representatives: Financial Services subcommittees overseeing HUD and international monetary policy and trade, and Judiciary subcommittee overseeing bankruptcy and commercial and administrative law.

Jan. 25, 2009 •Among the hundreds of Central New Yorkers at President Obama's inauguration were several with Nottingham ties, including Shai Bestman, a Nottingham senior, Stephanie Ladd, who retired as a Nottingham teacher after 33 years, and US Rep. Dan Maffei ('86), who was a former student of Ladd's. •Nottingham student Ashley Bliss was one of eleven students in the CNY area receiving a Young Artist Development grant from funds secured by NY Sen. John DeFrancisco. The grant will allow Ashley to participate in an intensive summer program for the stand-up bass. •Nottingham grad Sophronia Sallard, is a starting player on the Pittsburgh women's basketball team, which defeated SU 77-75 on a last-second shot in the Carrier Dome Jan. 24th. At Nottingham, Sophronia was a two-time All-CNY Player of the Year (2004 & 2005). She began her college career at Kansas before transferring to Pitt.

Jan. 29, 2009 Nottingham participated in the Section III Winter Cheerleading Championships January 24th. Some of the cheerleaders were Bre'ona McMullen, Monique Keith, Tashira Scott, and Sherry Linen.

Feb. 1, 2009 Doris Phelps Rice ('28) celebrated her 100th birthday January 28th. She lives in Rome, NY.

Feb. 5, 2009 Nottingham student Christian Green received honorable mention at the 2009 Scholastic Art Awards.

Feb. 10, 2009 Senior Samantha Gerbino wrote an article in the Post-Standard about New York's new senator, Kirsten Gillibrand. She urged teens to follow Gillibrand's work for the next two years and be ready to vote in 2010.

Feb. 19, 2009 Several Nottingham students did well at the Science Olympiad held Jan. 31 at LeMoyne College: Angela Sponsler and Alec Rich, third place (Junkyard); Ben Burdick and Beke Ellen Ludtke, first place (Physics Lab); and Beke Ellen Ludtke, first place (Trajectory). Unfortunately, Nottingham didn't advance to the next round.

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Feb. 24, 2009 •Although Ben Burtt Jr. ('66) didn't win an Oscar for sound editing and sound mixing for "WALL-E", the film won for best animated feature. He did, however, receive the Lifetime Achievement Award of the Motion Pictures Sound Editors on Feb. 21, presented to him by his former boss on the "Star Wars" series. •The Rev. Al Sharpton spent nearly two hours at Nottingham on Feb. 23rd, first speaking to the entire student body, then meeting with a group of about 100 students selected by their social studies teachers, for a question-and-answer session. He was invited by the Syracuse chapter of his National Action Network as part of Black History Month.



Feb. 26, 2009 Professor Joan Shelley Rubin of the University of Rochester spoke to Nottingham students about her book, "Songs of Ourselves: The Uses of Poetry in America".

Mar. 4, 2009 Tony Trischka ('66) is a guest performer on Steve Martin's new CD, "The Crow: New Songs for the Five-String Banjo".

Mar. 5, 2009 •As part of the Jenna Foundation for Non-Violence, Nottingham mentors students in H.W. Smith, Ed Smith, Hughes and Levy. The mentors visit the same fifth-grade class for a full school year to develop relationships and encourage honest discussions about current issues. •Area high schools' spring productions were announced. Nottingham will host performances of "Jesus Christ Superstar" March 20, 21, and 22. CBA will present "Once Upon a Mattress" in Nottingham April 3 & 4.

Mar. 12, 2009 •Retired teacher Len Fonte will be one of the judges for the annual Michael Harms Theater Festival March 14th and 15th. The free performances include excerpts from Nottingham's production of Jesus Christ Superstar. •Among those recognized at the Post-Standard's Newspaper in Education Week Celebration Night were Denny Swanson (honorable mention, editorial) and Michquan Stallings-Owens (third place, cartoon). The ceremony was held at Nottingham March 10th.

Mar. 19, 2009 •Nottingham junior Nicolette Apraez was one of 20 CNY students to compete in the 21st annual National Shakespeare Competition of Central New York held earlier this month. The event is run by the Syracuse branch of the English-Speaking Union of the United States. She was not among the winners at the regional meet. •Nottingham's mock trial team beat Bishop Grimes today, taking them to the semi-finals of the annual competition, the furthest a Nottingham mock trial team has gone in the last 10 years. Lawyers were Quineese Works, Taryn Dausman and Nicolette Apraez, and witnesses were Seth Navin, Mary DaCosta, and Torrie Linnie.

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Mar. 22, 2009 Almost two years since his death, the motive for the shooting of Silas “Keith” Collier remains unknown. Keith played guard on Nottingham’s basketball team and was a third baseman on the baseball team.

Mar. 26, 2009 Nottingham ninth-grader Jeremiah Jones, 14, was among the competitors at the Onondaga County Scholastic Chess Championship March 22nd.

Mar. 29, 2009 The All-Central New York girls basketball team included Nottingham players on the third team: junior Nikki Works and seniorr Iaellan (“Dewey”) Walters.

Apr. 1, 2009 Nottingham alum Tony Traver, 18, a Boston College freshman and budding stand-up comedian, will be competing in the Regional Rivals round of this year’s Rooftop Comedy National College Comedy Competition on April 5th. Teams will be trying to advance to the finals June 11 – 14 in Aspen CO.

Apr. 5, 2009 •Nottingham senior Zakiya Moss took third place in the first aid/CPR category of the New York State SkillsUSA competition held last week in Syracuse. More than 2,000 students from around the state competed. She is in an emergency first responder class and has received a scholarship for Rural/Metro Medical Services EMT classes. •Roberta (Bobbie) Badaines King (’54) was among those killed when a gunman stormed the American Civic Association in Binghamton. An ESL teacher, she was substitute teaching at the center that day.

Apr. 7, 2009 •As a reaction to singer Rihanna’s abuse, some area students are becoming more open to discussing domestic violence, according to Nottingham health teacher Lucia Ashley. “The Chris Brown / Rihanna situation, as horrible as it is, has helped to shed light on teen dating violence.” •New York’s freshman senator Kirsten Gillibrand held a round-table discussion at SU on the Say Yes to Education program. Dan Maffei (’86) was on the panel, and Nottingham senior Jaquar Sampson was one of the speakers. Because of the Say Yes program, Jaquar is headed to Medaille College to study psychology and international relations.

Apr. 9, 2009 •More than 215 students from Central New York participated in the 30th annual Greater Syracuse Scholastic Science Fair March 29. Two Nottingham students won awards: Paul Traver (high honors) and Amrita Stutzle (honors). •More than a dozen local teens debated bills in the state Assembly April 4 – 6 as part of the Puerto Rican Hispanic Youth Leadership Institute. They were among about 200 high school students from across the state. Nottingham participants included senior Julyanne Rosario and junior Anbal J. Rosario. Leonard Sabattino was an alternate.

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April 9 2009 Cont ●Cara and Mackenzie Hagan ('02) will soon start shooting a second film. Their first, "Folding Over Twice", is set for the Indie Grits Film Fest in Columbia SC April 17 and the Media Arts and Literacy Institute Women's Film and Performance Arts Festival in Austin TX May 28 – 31. The twins will also be performing in Fayetteville NC this month and on a three-city tour of NC in May. They are graduates of the University of North Carolina School of the Arts with degrees in contemporary dance and choreography. ●Retired Nottingham teacher Len Fonte, a founding member of the Armory Square Playhouse, will test his newest play, "Werewolf", at the organization's monthly reading April 26. ●Dan Maffei ('86) appeared on "The Colbert Report" on April 7th. He feels that the publicity for the district was worth poking fun at himself. Stephen Colbert had plenty of fun at Maffei's expense in "Better Know a District", in which the comedian focused on Maffei's childhood interest in the "Star Trek" TV series, asking trivia which Dan answered incorrectly.

Apr. 12, 2009 For the fifth consecutive year, Nottingham has won the state DECA Quiz Bowl competition. They will compete at the national level at the International Career Development Conference April 28 – May 2 in Anaheim CA. Team members are Tevin Martin, Alex Cunniff, John Mandebvu and Korrina Edwards. Other Nottingham students attending the conference include Samantha Gerbino and Karen Conroy.

Apr. 13, 2009 Nottingham freshman Molly Naef was one of four high school students honored by the Syracuse Women's Commission for outstanding academic and community achievements. She has been active in environmental efforts for several years. She wants to pursue journalism to expose what's happening with recycling.

Apr. 15, 2009 Lance Denno ('69), the current Syracuse 5th District Common Councilor, is planning to run for Councilor-at-Large this fall.

Apr. 16, 2009 ●The fourth annual Desi Hungama, a South Asian celebration including a dance competition and other events, is scheduled for April 18th at Nottingham. Bhangra, music and dance that originated in the Punjab region of Pakistan and India, will be featured. ●Nottingham phys ed teacher Ciro Frontale has started an afterschool archery program. He received \$4000 in equipment donations from the state DEC. The program is the first in the city.

Apr. 18, 2009 Thom Filicia ('88) was scheduled to make a presentation at the Everson Museum 8th Annual Fine Art & Flowers event.

Apr. 23, 2009 Nottingham alum Dr. Robert Cady has retired after 30 years of pediatric orthopedist with a special interest in treating children and adults with cerebral palsy.

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Apr. 24, 2009 Nottingham senior Evan Andrew Davis was one of eight high school students who won the 2009 Chase Young Playwrights Festival. The winning works will be read by SU drama department students on April 27th at Syracuse Stage.

April, 2009 Rosanne M. Leipzig ('68), M.D., Ph.D., was featured in an article in the May/June 2009 issue of AARP Magazine. Rosanne, a professor and geriatrician at Mount Sinai School of Medicine in New York City, is a member of the U.S. Preventive Services Task Force (USPSTF). The article was about medical screening tests and which ones are really necessary.

May 2, 2009 Thom Filicia ('88) appeared at a fundraiser in Skaneateles for Positively Pink Packages, a non-profit organization which sends care packages to people with breast cancer. Thom's mother died of the disease in 2002. Thom is about to start renovation work on the Skaneateles lake house he bought last year. He'll use the house for weekend, summer and holiday getaways.

May 7, 2009 •Nottingham and Baker High School in Baldwinsville won this year's White Ribbon Campaign High School Challenge. Teams from 11 schools competed to raise the most money for Vera House, which provides support and resources to victims of domestic violence and sexual abuse. The goal was to raise \$65,000. The winning schools – one in the city, one in the suburbs – win a free school dance with pizza. The Nottingham team, made up primarily of students in Lucia Ashley's health and child development classes, raised \$1,189 by selling white ribbons and wristbands. Last year Nottingham was also one of the winners. •Tony Trischka ('66), considered to be among the elite banjo players in the country, is scheduled to perform in Syracuse May 9th.

May 14, 2009 •With the H1N1 virus in the news, Bruce Murray ('67) celebrates his 25th year with his new heart. Bruce was Central New York's first successful heart transplant patient after becoming ill from the vaccine he received during the first swine flu outbreak in the 70s. Early anti-rejection drugs destroyed his kidneys, resulting in a kidney transplant, and another side effect resulted in hip replacements. After receiving his new heart, Bruce became a spokesperson for organ donor registration and for the American Heart Association. He still lives in the house where he grew up. He is trying to locate old friends, who can reach him at 315-474-6302. •Nottingham senior Samantha Gerbino earned a second-place trophy at the DECA international Development Conference in California, competing in the International Business Marketing Plan category. Her proposal to market Teavana tea shop in Canada won first place in this year's state competition. Nottingham's Quiz Bowl team won the state event for the fifth straight year.

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May 15, 2009 As part of a campaign to create a new image for the Syracuse City School District, five student interns at Clear Channel Communications have finished a new set of posters proclaiming "From Here to Anywhere, SCSD Will Take You There". Students have also worked on radio spots involving alumni and high school seniors. Participating Nottingham students include senior Amber Jackson and sophomore Kelty Tippo.

May 21, 2009 Nottingham student Yordanys Fasta entertained the conference of the Parents for Public Schools of Syracuse, Inc., at their annual awards ceremony. Nottingham graduate Nicholas Fields and Nottingham senior Daniel Fields sang the National Anthem with their father, Levy music teacher Richard Fields. Nottingham junior Nicolette Apraez presented her National Shakespeare Competition monolog. Nottingham senior Parisa Pourpezeshk was one of the student award recipients, and Nottingham parent Marguerite "Peggy" Conan also won an award, for outstanding parent involvement.

May 22, 2009 Matt Abbott ('05) is one of seven Syracuse University lacrosse players named All-Americans. Matt, who leads the Orange with 72 ground balls and has 12 goals and 8 assists, was named to the first team midfield.

May 27, 2009 •Senior Ben Burdick has won a National Merit Scholarship, one of about 8200 winners this year, and the only one in the Syracuse City School District. Ben will be attending New York University this fall. •The Community Folk Art Center in Syracuse is displaying the winners of the 37th annual Competitive Teenage Art Exhibition. Nottingham student Soe Lwin won second prize in Painting, and Yi Yi Than won second prize in Prints/photography/mixed media.

May 28, 2009 •Photos and writing by Nottingham students will be on display at Syracuse Stage until the end of May. The exhibit, "How Radiant is the Sun if it Hides Behind the Clouds," was created in conjunction with a photography course at SU and the Mobile Literacy and Arts Bus (MLAB). •Among the contestants in the Miss Central New York Scholarship Pageant are Nottingham students Iasian Jones, Zakiya Moss, Nia Munammad, and Myha Nguyen. The pageant, to be held on June 6th, focuses on communication skills, personality and confidence. The top prize is a \$1,000 scholarship. •Matt Abbott ('05) was selected ninth in the first round of the Major League Lacrosse draft. He was picked by the Washington Bayhawks. •A new internet radio station, Redhouse Art Radio, a has been launched in Syracuse. Jon Holstein ('54) hosts two shows: "The Arts Guru" and "Nasty News". Jon, 73, edited the school newspaper at Nottingham and worked on the Harvard Lampoon. The station is located at [www.redhouseartradio.org](http://www.redhouseartradio.org) . •22 Nottingham students and 30 F-M students gathered recently at Nottingham to talk about race, boundaries, their communities, and how they can make change happen where they live. They were asked to write poems and/or short stories about their experiences in their community.

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June 4, 2009 •Carmen Harlow ('74) announced his intention to run for mayor of Syracuse on the Democratic ticket. •Hy Miller ('41) will be inducted posthumously in the Jewish Community Center Hall of Fame on June 9th. •Thom Filicia ('88), who recently purchased a Skaneateles Lake home, will make his debut as narrator for the premiere and another concert during the 30th annual Skaneateles Festival, which runs from Aug. 12 - Sept. 5. •The Environmental Summit Research Symposium was held June 3rd at SUNY-ESF. The summit is a research symposium designed to bring together high school scientists to present and discuss their original research to their peers. As part of the High School Global Environment curriculum, the program enables high school students to take college-credit courses. Nottingham participants include Jork Breier, Shannon Lynch, Amrita Stutzle, Ann Thor, and Paul Traver.

June 5, 2009 A group of Nottingham students spent the morning of June 4th searching for aquatic life in Syracuse's Meadow Brook, near the school. With the help of volunteers from Project Watershed, ESF, and the Central New York Community Foundation, they collected water samples and performed tests to determine the stream's health. Among the students were Tial Tang and Kyaw Doh.

June 7, 2009 The three candidates for Syracuse Councilor-at-Large all view schools as a top priority. The three contenders for two open seats are Democrats Lance Denno ('69) and Jean Kessner, and Republican Fanny Villarreal.

June 8, 2009 Nottingham was represented at the Tony Awards last night. Rosalind Barbour ('03) is the Assistant to the Executive Director of the Public Theater, the location of HAIR!, which won an award for best revival of a musical. Also, Roger Coleman ('04) helped build the sets on the awards show.

June 9, 2009 Sunday, June 14, will be "Shopping for Nottingham" day at Barnes & Noble on Erie Blvd. A percentage of purchases by shoppers who say, "I'm shopping for Nottingham" will be donated to buy books for the school. Between 1:15 and 2:30, Nottingham singers will be performing music from Nunsense. In the café area, artwork and photography will be displayed from Nottingham students Thomas Bayavuge, Evan Davis, Lejla Hasnanovic, Carmen Hernandez, Ray McAndrew, Mark McCarthy, Denisa Memelli, Bill Mihigo, Parisa Pourpezeshk, Ana Thor, Josh Walsdorf and Jasmine White.

June 11, 2009 Va Tell Baptista, 17, of Syracuse, pleaded guilty in the Oct. 29th, 2008, murder of Nottingham alumnus Nathaniel Jamison ('78). Montell Camber, 13, of Syracuse, previously admitted in Family Court to participating in the fatal burglary. Baptista will be sentenced July 10 and faces 18 years to life in prison.



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June 12, 2009 Hillside Work-Scholarship Connection, a program for students at risk of dropping out, honored 16 students from Syracuse high schools for completing their school work and graduating from high school. Nottingham junior Jaquar Sampson, one of two juniors finishing a year early, was one of two students who addressed their classmates at the ceremony.

June 15, 2009 Nottingham sophomore Dynisha Mason wrote in the Post-Standard about teen parenthood. She stresses the difficulty and the responsibility of being a teenage mother.

June 16, 2009 Abraham Silverbush won a \$35 million Mega Millions jackpot from the New York Lottery. Abe and his wife Celia have lived on Westcott Street since the 1950s. They have six children: Bnai ('89), Bradley ('73), Edward ('95), Jeffrey ('82), Mark ('80), and Paula.

June 18, 2009 On June 14th the Post-Standard honored 86 high school seniors as 2009 Teens of Achievement. Among them were Nottingham students Ben Burdick, Javon Coleman, Nadia Daoud, Leslie Gordon, Denisa Memelli, and Zakiya Moss.

June 23, 2009 The Baseball All-Stars were announced. Nottingham senior Juwan Jackson was named to the First Team in the CNYCL American League. On the Second Team was senior Kyle Edwards, and Honorable Mention went to seniors Jamal McGriff and Jonathan Reid, juniors Tyson Collins and Annibal Rosario, sophomores Lloyd Colton and Seth Navin, and freshman Hieu Dai.

June 24, 2009 The Softball All-Stars were announced, and junior Alexis Zinkovitich was named to the First Team in the CNYCL American League.

June 25, 2009 •Vice President Joe Biden hosted the SU men's lacrosse champs in Washington. The team includes Matt Abbott ('05). The team received a private White House tour and a brief greeting from President Obama. •Nottingham was one of two Syracuse schools named to Newsweek's list of Top Public High Schools. The list compares the number of AP and International Baccalaureate exams given at a school in relation to the number of seniors in that school. It is the first time Nottingham has been selected, placing at number 937 out of 1,500.

•Nottingham's commencement was held June 24th at the Civic Center. Class valedictorian was Leslie Gordon, and salutatorian was Benjamin Burdick. •Senior Karen Conroy received Honorable Mention in the Girls Lacrosse All-Stars. She is on the combined Nottingham/Henninger team.

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June 26, 2009 •Dr. Sharon Brangman ('73) was named president-elect of the American Geriatrics Society. Sharon, a professor of medicine and division chief of geriatrics at SUNY Upstate Medical University, is director of the Central New York Alzheimer's Disease Assistance Center, an attending physician and James Square Health and Rehabilitation Centre, and medical director of Greenpoint/The Hearth Senior Living Communities. •The Boys Lacrosse All-Stars were named. Honorable Mention went to Nottingham students Isaiah Mathis, Mitch Royal, and Cody Fracione.

July 2, 2009 •The Syracuse City School District's Parent Partnership Network held its first recognition ceremony recently. Among the honorees was Nottingham Parent-Teacher Organization member Molly Voorhies, in the communicating category, for sending out a daily email listserv. •Among the personnel changes in the Syracuse City School District: Nottingham business teacher Mary Kate Gang will become an administrative intern at Lincoln Middle School; Levy vice principal Donna Formica will become Nottingham vice principal; Nottingham vice principal Joseph LeMura will be vice principal at Corcoran.

July 8, 2009 Alex Ben Block ('64) has been named contributing editor to The Hollywood Reporter, where he was editor for seven years before leaving for other opportunities. He was one of the founding editors of the trade paper TelevisionWeek and has written two showbiz books: "Outfoxed: The Inside Story of America's Fourth Television Network" and "The Legend of Bruce Lee". He is co-editor of the upcoming "Blockbusting: The Business of Filmmaking: A Decade-by-Decade Survey".

July 11, 2009 Va Tell Baptista was sentenced to 18 years to life in state prison for shooting Nathaniel Jamison ('78) last October 29th while burglarizing Nathaniel's home.

July 16, 2009 Nottingham student Ta'nerra Newton received the Carolyn Tyler Memorial Incentive Award from the Lambda Kappa Mu sorority at its Youth Achievement Luncheon last month.

July 17, 2009 A columnist in the Post-Standard wrote about Kelly Farmer ('03), who drowned June 24. Kelly was working on a master's degree in aerospace engineering at SU. She was walking with her niece by Hiawatha Lake in Onondaga Park. She leaned forward to look into the water and slipped, hitting her head and drowning. Kelly helped nurse her mother, who died of cancer in 2008. She also volunteered as a tutor. She loved dancing, shopping and practical jokes. A clothing sale was planned for July 19th in her honor, with proceeds to benefit the Kelly Farmer Memorial Fund and All Saints Elementary School.

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July 23, 2009 • Ten students from Syracuse high schools, including Nottingham, completed Journalism Camp at Syracuse University earlier this month. The camp is a free, week-long program that teaches students about storytelling and journalism. Some of their work is available on a public web site <http://j-camp.blogspot.com>. The Nottingham students are Molly Naef, Rylah Orr, Vivian Gunn, and Katya Waters. • Nottingham 10th-grader Edona Imeri was one of several city teens participating in a summer program called Art-Works. Participants met professionals in the field, took field trips, and completed hands-on work.



July 30, 2009 Syracuse high school students will perform their third annual all-city musical August 14 – 16. “Ragtime (School Edition)” will be performed at Corcoran High School. Drama productions staged at Nottingham will be “Stage Door” in November, “All Shook Up” in March, and “Durang, Durang” in May.

August 6, 2009 • Nottingham alum Jan Maloff, owner of the Dewitt Memorial Funeral Home, is joining area anti-violence groups to “bury violence” in a mock funeral August 9th. The procession will end with a candlelight vigil in Clinton Square. The vigil, now in its fifth year, focuses on remembering victims of gun violence and educating youth about the dangers of violence. • Solon Quinn (’01), a graduate of the School of Visual Arts in Manhattan, was involved in the production of video spots promoting downtown Syracuse. The 60-second spots were produced for the Downtown Committee and will air on cable until mid-September. • Nottingham social studies teacher Don Little was selected for a free weeklong study program at the home of George Washington. About 200 history teachers from across the nation were selected.

August 9, 2009 Violinist Mark Kaplan, a Nottingham graduate, is scheduled to perform at the Skaneateles Festival August 15. Mark, 55, a featured soloist with orchestras worldwide, has joined the faculty of University of Indiana, Bloomington, as professor of violin, and is a member of the Weiss-Kaplan-Newman Trio.

August 19, 2009 Gay Pomeroy (’59), an attorney at Mackenzie Hughes LLP, has been included in the 2010 edition of Best Lawyers. He specializes in trusts and estates.

August 20, 2009 Senior Julyanne Rosario was nominated for a Post-Standard Teens of Achievement Award. She has a grade average of 85 and is fluent in English and Spanish. She was twice a delegate to the Puerto Rican Hispanic Youth Leadership Institute in Albany, this year opening the institute by singing the National Anthem a cappella. She plans to go to medical school to become a pediatrician.

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August 21, 2009 “Alchemist of Light”, a play written by retired Nottingham teacher Len Fonte and co-writer Tom Bisky, is one of the attractions at the New York International Fringe Festival, running through August 30th in New York City.

August 23, 2009 Chris Jones, 18, was interviewed in an article on the impact Tiger Woods has had on individuals’ sport and lives. Chris was on the golf team at Nottingham that won the city championship. He is now a member of the Hofstra University golf team. Tiger influenced him to play golf, with encouragement from his family as well.

August 28, 2009 Nottingham remains on the state’s latest accountability watch list of schools in need of improvement.

August 31, 2009 Nottingham teacher Jason Toner is one of the research assistants working with Cornell University at Cazenovia Lake. The researchers are taking weed samples to determine the success of a chemical treatment applied earlier this summer to attack an invasion of Eurasian milfoil.

September 1, 2009 Dorsey Levens (’89) was in town with Carmelo Anthony to participate in the “Courts for Kids” program to build and refurbish basketball courts throughout the city. Along with coach Jim Boeheim, they participated in an exhibition basketball tournament at Wilson Park. Dorsey, who is a football analyst for Comcast Sports Southeast, has a part in an upcoming movie, “The Bane of Matthias”.

September 10, 2009 •Neil Gingold (’63) was selected by the Onondaga County Bar Association for inclusion in the 2009 “New York Super Lawyers”, one of only 5% of upstate New York lawyers. He specializes in environmental, business/corporate and real estate law. •Starke Donnally (’64) was chosen the Grand Marshal of the Westcott Street Cultural Fair, to be held September 13th. Starke lives on Clarke Street, just off Westcott Street, in the house where his parents and grandparents lived when he was born. He has been active for many years in the Westcott community. •Sallie Naatz Bailey (’49) has written a book called “Child of the Depression: Growing Up in the 30’s and 40’s”. The 55-page book contains recollections of her life in Syracuse, as well as family pictures. An essay by Sallie, “The Accidental Therapists”, appears in the 2009 edition of “The Healing Muse”, published by Upstate Medical University, and she wrote the segment on regional art history in the “Encyclopedia of New York State”. She also designed the jacket for the novel “Swimming Toward the Light”, published by Syracuse University Press.

September 18, 2009 Shawnde Washington, 24, was arrested in the murder of Nottingham senior Justin Mills Sept. 14th. Washington fired a rifle into a crowd, hitting Justin. Washington, who has an extensive criminal background, was charged with second-degree murder.

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September 20, 2009 Benjamin Tupper ('87) has written a book called "Welcome to Afghanistan – Send More Ammo". The book is an account of his experiences in Afghanistan with the New York Army National Guard and as a civilian working on reconstruction projects. It also explores the difficulties he and other soldiers have had reintegrating with life at home. Ben currently lives in Syracuse and still serves with the National Guard.

September 23, 2009 Patrick McCarthy ('44) of Oneida, age 83, won the NYS Horseshoe Pitching Competition, competing against much younger contestants. One of his toughest matches placed him in quadruple overtime against a 35-year-old.

September 28, 2009 Natasha Alford ('04) has received a one-year leadership fellowship with the Equity Project, an experimental public school that opened this month in Washington Heights in New York City. The school has a goal of proving that children from any situation can excel if taught by the absolute best in the profession. In accepting the \$35,000 fellowship, Natasha, a Harvard graduate, gave up her job at an investment outfit in Connecticut.

October 1, 2009 •Nottingham grad Julyanne Rosario, 18, was one of four Near Westside Initiative's Risk Taker-Dream Maker awards. She received the "Near Westside Youth" award for setting an example in the neighborhood as a young person with goals. She would like to become a pediatrician and start a non-profit someday to help people. •A police officer used a Taser September 29th at Nottingham to subdue a 16-year-old student who struck him in the face. It was the second incident in two days, the other occurring Sept. 28th at Fowler. Both incidents are under review.

October 4, 2009 Dan Reicher ('74), director of climate change and energy initiatives at Google.org, was scheduled to speak in Cazenovia October 9th. He spoke to Green Central New York editor Marie Morelli about the prospects for climate change legislation and Google's renewable energy initiatives. Dan, an environmental lawyer, was formerly assistant energy secretary in the Clinton administration. He is one of this year's inductees into the Nottingham Wall of Fame.

October 5, 2009 Rep. Dan Maffei ('86) visited Nottingham on Sept. 11th. Nottingham junior Nicholas Jones wrote about his conversation with Dan and about his own desire to enter politics.

October 8, 2009 Seven Nottingham alumni will be inducted into the Nottingham Wall of Fame October 10th. The honorees include retired Minnesota state Rep. David T. Bishop ('47), clinical researcher Dr. Robert Clark ('59), economic development specialist Irwin Davis ('60), musician and educator Louis Ranger ('67), geriatrician Dr. Sharon Brangman ('73), renewable energy expert Dan Reicher ('74), and community leader Carmen Harlow ('74).

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October 10, 2009 Retired Nottingham teacher Len Fonte's new play, "Werewolf", was reviewed. The play is about teachers and students, and the risks dedicated teachers often run. The review was favorable for the play, which was scheduled to run through October 24th at Jazz Central.

October 11, 2009 Several of the colleges and universities participating in the Say Yes to Education program are now imposing income limits. Of the 23 private schools, 21 are now promising free tuition only to students with family annual income less than \$75,000. SUNY and CUNY schools, as well as Cooper Union and Syracuse University, still have no income caps. The program, launched in 2008, promises free tuition to Syracuse grads who have attended a city high school for at least three years. Syracuse is the only city in the country where Say Yes spans an entire school district, not just individual schools. The president of the national organization expects the private schools with income caps to provide financial help to students over the limit.

October 15, 2009 After Taser incidents Sept. 28th at Fowler and Sept. 29th at Nottingham, the school board professed full support for having police officers in the schools. Superintendent Dan Lowengard said fighting will not be tolerated. The New York Civil Liberties Union has questioned the use of Tasers in both cases.

October 18, 2009 Nottingham grad Keith Moody was selected for induction into the Greater Syracuse Sports Hall of Fame on October 19th. An SU grad, Keith played for the Buffalo Bills and the 1981 Super Bowl champion Oakland Raiders. He is now the principal of Mountain View High School in Mountain View, CA.

October 23, 2009 Nottingham junior Ranaldo Memelli, a native of Albania, was one of more than 500 students trying out construction equipment at the Syracuse Area Construction Career Day on October 22nd.

November 5, 2009 Nottingham's cross country varsity team, coached by Mike Boni, placed third in the October 17th Weedsport Cross Country Invitational. Members of the team include Jacob Whitney, Jacob Reader, Alphonse Mugisha, Tevin Martin, Adam Luban, Alex Cunniff, and Colin O'Keefe.

November 7, 2009 Nottingham alumni David Garber and Gay Pomeroy were named as Super Lawyers in the 2009 edition of New York Super Lawyers Upstate magazine. They work for Mackenzie Hughes LLP.

November 8, 2009 Nottingham's Hamilton White won first place in the high school division of the 2009 Syracuse City School District Oratorical Contest on November 7th.

## Nottingham In The News Cont...

November 10, 2009 The new schedule in Syracuse city high schools has received much criticism. Nottingham parents Renee Gregg and Barry Lentz were among the parents voicing their concerns. The longer school day adds study periods but eliminates a 30-minute period after school when teachers were available to help students. It also conflicts with some sports schedules. Positives aspects of the change include SAT-prep classes and Regents test-prep classes for students at risk of failing the tests, the opportunity to take more high-level classes and an extra year of math and science, and a chance for students behind in credits to catch up and graduate on time.

November 12, 2009 ●Joe Driscoll ('97) has released a new CD called "Recorded Live at the Westcott Theater, 12/27/08". The album is a combination of folk, funk, hip-hop and roots rock. Joe has several local performances scheduled in November. ●Sharon A. Brangman, MD ('73), of Dewitt, received the President's Award for Excellence in Faculty Service from Upstate Medical University at its annual fall faculty convocation. Sharon was one of the 2009 inductees into the Nottingham Wall of Fame.

November 15, 2009 Corey Driscoll ('01) has been named to the transition team of Syracuse mayor-elect Stephanie Miner. Corey will be the chair of the Government Modernization and Efficiency committee.

November 19, 2009 Author David Hajdu is scheduled for a book-signing November 20th at Barnes & Noble. As part of the event, his wife, Nottingham alum Karen Oberlin, will sing songs that tie in with the book. Karen, the daughter of former Nottingham teacher John Oberbrunner, is a well-known jazz and pop singer.

November 20, 2009 Golda Zimmerman ('67) is retiring from her job as lawyer for New Life Adoption Agency to spend more time with her husband. Golda has shepherded hundreds of families through the adoption process since 1980. In 1992 her horizons expanded to China when the Chinese government opened up adoption of Chinese children by Americans.

November 23, 2009 Nottingham students Amani Wortham and Jessie DeSalvia participated in the Taylor 2 shadow program, working with the Paul Taylor Dance Company and performing at the end of the 2½-week program. Both found the experience rewarding and challenging.

November 25, 2009 Family and friends held a celebration of the life of Nottingham grad Parisa Pourpezeshk ('09), who died on October 28th of cancer at age 18. The event was held last month at Nottingham. Parisa, whose name means "Angel" in the native Persian of her father, was a bright light at Nottingham. She had roles in dramas and musicals and played soccer for years. She loved singing and dancing and had many friends. She had planned to study photography in college.



## Nottingham In The News Cont...



November 26, 2009 Nottingham grad Oliver Hine, 27, was one of 100 people picked by NASA to twitter about the launch of the space shuttle Atlantis in Nov. 16th. Oliver, a freelance Web engineer, was in the press area when the shuttle launched. He also went on a tour of the complex, getting within 200 yards of the shuttle.

December 2, 2009 Panels from the AIDS Memorial Quilt were on display at Nottingham on Dec. 1st, the 26th anniversary of World AIDS Day.

December 4, 2009 •The preseason top 10 girls basketball teams included Nottingham at number 3. Returning forward Nikki Works is one of the stars of the team. She is heading to Temple next season. Other top returning players include Javona Torrence and Reshea Bullock. •Nottingham placed 9th in the preseason top 10 boys basketball teams. Four starters are back, including Mabior Mayen, Jawan Simmons, Roosevelt Bullock, and Reuben King. •Former Nottingham student Paris D. Hart IV has been charged with second-degree murder in the death of his grandmother, Nanette Hart, 67, whose body was found Dec. 3rd behind a house at 421 Westmoreland Ave. The case was adjourned to Dec. 9th for a preliminary hearing. He was arraigned in City Court before Judge Karen Uplinger ('66).

December 5, 2009 •Marjory Wilkins will receive the People's Peace Award on December 12th at the Syracuse Community Choir Winter Solstice Concert. •Amir Williams, who was suspended from Nottingham after a Sept. 29th Taser incident, admitted possessing a loaded handgun in a shooting incident Oct. 12th. He may receive youthful offender status, or he may face up to 3½ years in prison as an adult. Sentencing is Jan. 15th.

December 7, 2009 Asha Shirwa was one of several Nottingham students who participated in an etiquette program through the school's leadership class. She learned not only good table manners but proper attire, how to greet people in formal and business situations, and how to interview for a job. The final exam was a formal meal at the Corinthian Club.

December 13, 2009 At the end of his first year in Congress, Rep. Dan Maffei ('86) was interviewed. The issues dominating the year were Afghanistan, jobs and health care. The top issue facing his Central New York constituents is jobs.

December 20, 2009 After a slow start, Jan Maloff was able to acquire 2,500 bikes for his 14th annual bike giveaway, up from about 2,000 last year. More than 1,000 people showed up for the giveaway Dec. 19th at Fowler High School. Doug Burns, of Fayetteville Dodge, donated helmets, as he's done for the past 12 years. A team of volunteers worked for the past three weeks to refurbish the donated bikes.

# Nottingham In The News Cont...

December 22, 2009 Former Nottingham student Paris Hart IV, 20, was arraigned 12/21 on a charge of intentionally murdering his grandmother, Nanette Hart. A plea of “not guilty” was entered, and the case was adjourned to January 11, 2010.

December 25, 2009 Several Nottingham football players were named to the CNY All-Stars: First Team - Shamar Williams, Sean Adams, Xavier Dupree, Charles Gary; Second Team - Jawan Simmons, Josh Mims, Desean Maddox, Jason Ostune; Honorable Mention - Mike Wazen, Delshavar Williams, Ezra Drummond, Josh Feldman, Shawndell Bennett, and Robert Howard.

December, 2009 Corey Driscoll ('01) was named to a position in the administration of Syracuse mayor-elect Stephanie Miner. She will be the Director of Constituent Services.

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## Thank you, Class of '58!

The class of '58 made a donation of \$1,500 to apply to our teacher grants. Their generosity helped us reach our goal of funding all teacher requests in full. See the grant details on page 15.



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## Retirements

**Rosanne Dempsey** retired last year as administrative secretary to Principal Debby Mastropaolo. She was well loved and will be missed by all.



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## Did You Attend Nottingham on Fellows Ave?

The Syracuse City School Board just announced the closing of Levy school due to budget cuts. We would like to hear about your memories of the original Nottingham High School.

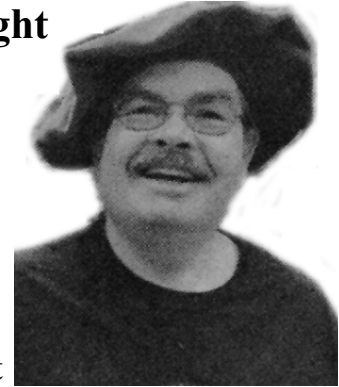
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## A Quiet Worker Earns Place in Westcott's Spotlight

by Grace Flusche reprinted from Post Standard 10/10

Grand Marshal of the 2009 Westcott Street Cultural Fair Parade was Starke Donnally ('64).



Grand marshals of the parade have tended to be down-to-earth Westcott neighborhood residents, known for their long-term volunteerism rather than for fancy titles. Starke fits right in with that tradition. He lives in the 1918 house on Clarke Street (off Westcott) where his parents and grandparents lived. He is a member of the Men's Garden Club of Syracuse and the Habitat Gardening Club of CNY. He credits his grandmother with inspiring his love of gardening. Starke has not only tended his own garden over the years but has worked in partnership with the Westcott merchants, the Westcott East Neighborhood Association, and the Westcott Bulb Project, to beautify Westcott Street with plantings of flowers and trees.

Starke has been board member, past president, and currently treasurer of the Westcott East Neighborhood Association. He says the association sees the Westcott neighborhood as following the model of "the new urban village", and he is proud of other efforts that are ongoing, such as installation of new decorative light poles.

While his grandmother inspired his love of gardening, his mother inspired his love of music. She studied voice at Syracuse University and was an early innovator in using music therapy to treat people with psychiatric disabilities. Starke loves classical music and is a Skaneateles Festival devotee and 33-year subscriber to the Syracuse Symphony Orchestra.

Starke studied broadcasting at Newhouse School at Syracuse University. He hosted the Saturday and Sunday early morning show on the classical music station WONO-FM, occasionally sneaking in some instrumental music from the Beatles' "Yellow Submarine" album.

After stints as a bartender and manager of electronic departments in various stores, Starke has spent the last 19 years as a caseworker for the Onondaga County Department of Social Services.

But it is his work as a volunteer that led to his selection as the parade's grand marshal. For his neighbors and friends who value his quiet work on behalf of the neighborhood, his place in the spotlight was well-deserved.

## What Student Court did for me by Jessica Fredette

As a high school student I was involved in several clubs and organizations, all of which I enjoyed, but only one of which propelled me to the next level of my education. Student court provided me with the insight and compassion needed to succeed as a scholar and a peer leader. Hours of training, and years of practice gave me the knowledge and dedication I would need to pursue an education in law.

At the time it served as an interesting after school activity, and an opportunity to directly affect my community. High school is a critical time for growth and change, and the pressures that exist in our society, often find their way into the classroom. These pressures affect the culture of the school and often deter students from engaging in scholarly activity. Student court gives students the ability to confront and challenge this through a uniquely positive peer pressure. By imposing a consequence other than suspension or dismissal on a student who has broken a rule, you are giving them the second chance to make better choices. This vote of confidence from a fellow student builds character, and encourages students to raise the expectations they place on themselves. As a member of student court it became clear to me, that we are obligated to help not only ourselves, but to help others as well. For the first time I saw the ability to help someone else recognize their potential in action.

In the technical sense student court gave me an appreciation for structure and rules. Even the simple guidelines that we often view as petty or insignificant are crucial in maintaining a sound environment. Furthermore, awareness of such rules and regulations is essential to recognizing your role as an individual. The same applies to our nation's judicial system. We must know what is expected of us as citizens in order to fulfill our roles and contribute to society. Now, nearly five years after my experience as a student court member, I am entering law school. I am confident that the dedication, compassion and knowledge gained in student court, will reveal itself once again as a law student. The constant encouragement from the programs director, Ms. Judy Wolfe, showed me that there is no limit to how far I could take my interest in law. I am thrilled to have reached this point, and grateful to the program that lit the spark of my passion.

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*Jessica Fredette has been involved in youth courts since she was 13 years old. She attended Nottingham High School in Syracuse NY and was a member of the Syracuse City School District's Student Court. She was a youth member of the NYS Juvenile Justice Advisory Group. She attended Seton Hall University on a full scholarship as a recipient of the Martin Luther King scholarship majoring in political science and journalism. She is going to be attending law school in the fall at Cleveland State University also on a full scholarship as a recipient of the Dean's Scholarship. Jessica has always impressed me with her ability to balance her personal life, education and activities, she was a joy to work with and I look forward to following her career track once she finishes her schooling. I know she will make a positive impact on whichever community she ends up working in, if we're lucky she'll come back to Syracuse NY.*

**(Submitted by Judy Wolfe)**

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