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Bonnie Eckerman

Dr. Bonnie Eckerman has been representing Chester on Pinkerton Academy's Board of Trustees for seven years. A Pinkerton Academy alumna from the class of '93, becoming a member of the board felt like a way for Eckerman to give back to her alma mater.

"When I was asked to be on the Board of Trustees it was during a busy time in our home. We had four very young children, so I had to

think about whether I would be able to spend the time needed, thinking of my family, my career, and my husband's career. After careful consideration, I remember thinking, 'I can do this.' I have a supportive family that allows me to balance it all. I am so blessed that I have been able to be a part of the Board thus far and honored to have been asked to be a part of this educational institution," Eckerman said. "Pinkerton has given me an amazing education, and this is a way I can repay my gratitude."

This past year Eckerman served as the 2nd vice president of the Board of Trustees. In her time on the Board, she has also been a member of the Building and Grounds and the Education Committees. For the past seven years, she has acted as the chair of the International Committee which seeks to enroll international students and create global opportunities for Pinkerton students.

This affinity for global experiences and education is deeply rooted in Eckerman. When she was a student at Pinkerton, Eckerman's fluency in the French language grew and continued in college at Simmons University, including a year abroad at the University of Strasbourg, France. Her career as a pediatric physical therapist focuses on early intervention for children ages 0-3 with motor delays. Recently this work led her to volunteer with *Love with Actions*, an organization in Rwanda that helps mothers with children with disabilities providing education and physical and occupational therapy services. With a focus on changing perceptions in Rwanda about children and families



Dr. Eckerman and her family celebrated Miranda's graduation from Pinkerton this year.



Recent work in Rwanda has reaffirmed Eckerman's belief in the importance of international education opportunities.

with disabilities, the organization works to empower families to escape poverty. In 2010 and again in 2018, Eckerman traveled to Rwanda helping to start the country's first Early Intervention program, which included training physical therapists and developing a feeding program for vulnerable children. Her French language skills, rooted in her time at Pinkerton, have proven to be quite useful when translating for the group and facilitating the needs of children with disabilities in Rwanda.

Looking to share these experiences with the Pinkerton Academy community, in 2017 Eckerman organized a visit from Gilbert Kubwimana, the director and founder of *Love with Actions*, to speak to students about the Rwandan culture. Extending these important cultural connections to young students is invaluable, and Eckerman hopes it will impact them in their own lives.

"I think my work globally has been very helpful on the International Committee. Bringing global education including language learning to our institution is important in understanding other cultures. The opportunity I have been given to work with different cultures gives me a new perspective on how countries attack similar healthcare or other challenges faced in both countries. Often, I have to remind myself that although this method is not implemented in the United States, it doesn't mean it's wrong. It is just a different culture. This understanding is very important to teach students as they tackle their own challenges."

Ensuring that Pinkerton continues to provide the best educational opportunities is a personal matter for Eckerman. When she and her husband Jonathan '91 moved back to the area after serving in the Air Force, they chose their new hometown deliberately so their children could attend Pinkerton Academy.

"When we decided to move home to New Hampshire we knew we had to choose a sending town," she said. "There was no other choice because Pinkerton was the reason why we were moving home. We wanted our children to have the same quality education we both had."

Eckerman lives in Chester with her husband, Jonathan '91, who is a pilot for Southwest Airlines. They love to travel with their four children: Miranda, Jonah, Mia, and Brody. Miranda, a graduate from the Pinkerton Academy class of 2020, will attend NYU in the fall double majoring in Russian and Mathematics.

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Twin brothers Elijah and Duncan Korkosz enjoyed the senior parade.

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Senior Class President, Jeffrey Potvin is all smiles as he receives his Pinkerton Academy diploma. Diplomas were given to graduates on campus in 51 ceremonies held over three days.

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A Konstant Presence: Family dedication to Pinkerton runs deep

As a noun, a constant is something that does not change—someone who can be depended on and who is reliably present. For Pinkerton Academy Roger Konstant has long fit that bill, and now his youngest son, Jake, has continued the legacy.

Associate Dean Roger Konstant started his career at Pinkerton in 1994 as a substitute teacher. Since that time he has made an indelible mark on the Pinkerton community spending most of his career in the classroom teaching American Government and Economics. He also acted for a year as the Career Education coordinator and then served as the Social Studies department chair for 6 years. Outside of the school day he coached softball and volleyball and taught Driver's Ed.

He currently oversees attendance and discipline for freshmen in his role as associate dean while also chairing the Citizenship Committee and co-advising the ski club. Staying connected to the classroom, Roger has taught Careers in the P.A.C.E. program for 12 years.

"The one thing I haven't done in all this time that I really regret is be a class adviser," he said. "I always thought I would want to be a class adviser."

Outside of his official titles over the years, Roger has simply been present and active at school events. Whether it was cheering on students at games or driving cars as a prom valet, Roger's dedication to Pinkerton is clear, and it runs deep.

"Pinkerton is a unique place, and the faculty and staff that work here are all committed to doing what's best for students. I like that sense of commitment and Pinkerton pride," he said.

Roger credits Pinkerton's high standards to the faculty who constantly push themselves and each other. He admits that starting out as a teacher at Pinkerton is not easy but that the support and camaraderie that are inherent in the faculty and staff make it worth it.

"Coming here, the work I had to do to live up to the Pinkerton standards was a lot. That first year I worked my tail off. I'd come home and work until 9:00 at night, correcting, prepping. And with little kids, it was tough," he said. "But it was always worth it. And then taking part in the events and activities was really where the fun was. That after school stuff, the dances, doing all that stuff to me is really where the spirit of the school is."

Roger's affection for Pinkerton goes beyond his career, though. All four of his children graduated from Pinkerton and were actively involved in campus activities in their time.

"My four children went to this school. I feel like it's 2~PINKERTON ALUMNUS Spring 2020

a part of me, this school's a part of me," he said. "I'm really proud that my kids went to Pinkerton and got the education they did."

That pride has reached a new level as Jake, the youngest of his children, joined the Pinkerton Academy faculty in the fall of

Academy faculty in the fall of *While a student at Pinkerton, Jake dressed up as one of his favorite teachers.*

2018 teaching Economics and U.S. History. This past year Jake moved into the Academy Building to be part of the Freshman Academy program and taught Cultural Geography and American Government. He also teaches U.S. History in the P.A.C.E. program.

Jake graduated from Pinkerton in 2014. In his time as a student he played soccer and tennis, and in his junior and senior years acted as a class officer and a mentor in the Academy Mentor Program (AMP) which pairs upperclassmen with freshman seminars.

He admits he had a bit of an advantage compared to other teachers starting their careers at Pinkerton.

"Definitely seeing how things behind the scenes operate was helpful," he said. "Because he [Roger] was my father I did know a lot coming in compared to most new teachers. I knew how things operated, I knew what Pinkerton was, -- so coming into it definitely prepared me more than going into another school environment."

Practically growing up on campus, Jake's first memory of Pinkerton is going to the corn roast as a kid with his family and playing with other faculty children. He enjoys being back at Pinkerton and working alongside his former teachers.

"As an alum it's awesome to have my former teachers as colleagues," he said. "The one that sticks out is Res [Dean of Faculty Jen Resmini]. I had her my senior year, and having her as a department head to start out was great. Now, working with Molly Lucia has been awesome. She was my favorite teacher when I was here, and now I get to work with her twice a week





Roger and Jake Konstant ('14) in front of the building where they have both taught.

on curriculum. Outside of teaching, I got to coach alongside my former coach Kerry Boles this year. It's just great to be able to work alongside the people who made an impact on me when I was here."

Currently in a master's program for Education, Jake says he has known since he was in middle school that he wanted to teach. It was just a matter of figuring out what age group. While he was in college, he started subbing at Pinkerton on Thursdays when he didn't have classes. Soon it was clear where he wanted to be.

"Part of the reason I wanted to return was due to my teachers when I attended Pinkerton," he said. "I had so many teachers who clearly loved their jobs and taught with a lot of passion. I felt like I could fit in well and teach with a similar passion."

Commitment. Pride. Passion. The traits that define Roger and Jake Konstant's dedication to Pinkerton run deep in their character. They have been a consistent part of the Pinkerton culture for 25 years and will hopefully continue to be for years to come.

UPCOMING REUNIONS

Class of 1955 • Thursday, September 24, 2020 (tentative) Fratello's Manchester • 2:00–6:00 pm

Class of 1960 — Postponed

Class of 1970 — Postponed

Class of 1980 — Postponed

Class of 1985 • Saturday, August 22, 2020 (tentative) The Derryfield Country Club • 7:00–11:00 pm To make this event even more exciting, we are opening the invite to 4 other Pinkerton Academy Alumni classes: 1983, 1984, 1986 & 1987.

Class of 1990 — Postponed

Class of 1995 — Postponed

Class of 2000 — Postponed

Class of 2005 — Postponed

Class of 2009 — Postponed

Class of 2010 • Saturday, Dec. 26, 2020 • Portsmouth, NH To stay in the loop on details, please join our Facebook group, "Pinkerton Academy Class of 2010 Alumni" or contact Yera directly at <u>yeraha.nyc@gmail.com</u> so she can share the Save the Date link.

Class of 2015 • Saturday, October 10, 2020 Portsmouth Gas Light, Portsmouth, NH • 5:30–8:30 pm

Remote Learning: The Unimaginable

Teacher Perspective 12. Which of the following statements is true? Check all that apply (Refresh if image does not load) After watching the video: What do you notice? What do you wonder? VONDER OTICE Why only penn Coinstar and quarter? Lots of pennies How did the coin All different -> get counted? types of coins How long were Coins were not they saving the The red curve has a unalise standard desistion than the black curve not separated \$\$? How did they by type The green curve has a greater mean than the black curve obtain the coins? -Shoveling When did this The black curve and the grean curve have different standard deviations them in happen? Just pennies How much The red curve and the black curve have the same mea and quarters monev? How many Û E The green curve has a smaller standard deviation than the red curve

By Dominick Torro, Mathematics Department

As a math teacher at Pinkerton, I try to make my curriculum relevant and exciting for students while also maintaining the rigor we all know is good for a developing academic mind. This year, I had so many plans for how my craft would be tested, pushed, and expanded; however, 2020 had different plans for me.

No one could have foreseen a pandemic ravaging our country and upending our life so that nothing felt familiar anymore. On March 13th, 2020, remote learning seemed like an immovable object brought upon us by the unstoppable force of COVID-19. "Three days to rework our curriculum to begin online classes? I'm not trained for this," we all thought. We weren't. "I don't know what could go wrong." We didn't. "My students aren't prepared for this." They weren't. The virus did not care who we were, what we were ready for, or how we could do it. Yet we persisted.

Remote learning was not easy. I found myself working longer hours than ever and spending more time planning, only to be less satisfied with my outcomes. I also found academic dishonesty increasing because there are apps that take photos of math problems and solve them for students, all work shown. How could I actually teach with integrity under those circumstances? I needed to reimagine what a good assessment could be. I decided to open up my assessments and experiment with different forms. Students could answer and explain concepts about graphs rather than simply create a graph. Students could make judgment calls on which statistics best represent a given situation. I could put students into virtual groups to share their knowledge and critique each others' reasoning. Perhaps these were better assessments all along, and I just needed a nudge.

This reimagining was not limited to a particular class

but expanded to the entire school. Whole systems had to be rebuilt from the ground up: school lunches, at-home technology, prep periods, Special Education, School Counseling, etc. Together, as a community, we addressed these problems in new ways previously thought impossible, and we continue to do so as we look ahead to the fall. Often, we face problems that are framed as impossible to solve, but they are actually just challenging. It is time we start accepting those challenges.

I only hope that we take these lessons about what is possible into the post-COVID world. I always tell my students that they are here to *"do good,"* as Mr. Feeny once told us on *Boy Meets World*. How else can we do best by our students? What conditions seemed so immovable or problems so intrinsic to our society that we could never solve them? At the heart of every educator is the question, is this good for kids? Collectively, we need to strive to answer this question now mor7e than ever. As we sit on this precipice of change and reimagine what is possible, I hope we all decide to do some good.

#7: Analyzing Structure (4 pts)



What would the denominator of the equation of this function he? How do you know? How does it relate to the features of the graph?

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The denominator of the equation would be $(x \cdot 4)$. I know this because the vertical asymptote is x = 6, meaning that inputting 4 for x will result in the demonstrator to equal zero. Therefore if change x =4, to equal zero, it would be $x \cdot 4$.

Rather than solving a rote equation, students analyze a graph and apply what they know to solve abstract problems.

Transformed the Impossible

Aleksandra Carney '21

With the end of the year comes the need to look back and reflect on the past school term. As COVID-19 swept across the country, Pinkerton Academy became one of the thousands of schools to close its doors and move to remote learning. From March 13th to June 9th, students attended class via a variety of online platforms such as Zoom and Google Meets. With this change came the need for students to adapt to increasingly unusual situations and learn to take the good with the bad.

For some, the new schedule of 4 classes a day was a blessing, allowing them to spend more time on assignments and catch up on sleep, while others struggled to maintain balance in their daily lives. Those with younger siblings and working parents found themselves launched into the roles of babysitter and educator, all while trying to manage their own course work. Sometimes, this meant that zoom calls were missed or assignments passed in late. Thankfully,

Pinkerton's incredible teachers were understanding of the difficult situations remote learning placed some of their students in. They extended deadlines and offered additional office hours for students to catch up on missing work, and constantly checked in to see how everyone was doing. For students who normally did not have access to a computer at home, Pinkerton provided school Chromebooks free of charge, significantly increasing online attendance.

While it's true that some classes, such as gym and chemistry were not really compatible with an online



Staying organized was important for remote learning access.

learning format, a lot of students saw their grades rise during the quarters spent attending classes at home. While it is important to acknowledge the fact that the online environment provided





Finding a space for remote learning meant many students attended school in their bedrooms.

more opportunities for academic dishonesty, for many students learning from home was simply more relaxing. The 8:00 am start time allowed students to gain an extra hour of sleep, and 1 hour and 15-minute classes provided ample time to complete assignments within a single period. Students knew that they only had to worry about four classes a day, which significantly decreased stress levels. Those who usually suffer from test anxiety were able to complete their assessments from the security of their own rooms, away from scrutinizing eyes and a ticking clock.

The trick to staying on task when faced with the ability to remain in bed is to structure the day like a normal school day. Students agree that while it may be appealing to attempt to complete a day's worth of assignments from the comfort of a bed, it's better to work in a space separate from sleeping. Working from bed can increase insomnia and decrease the quality of an assignment since it might be really tempting to fall asleep!

Although school closures and COVID-19 upset many of the traditional activities of high school such as prom and graduation, Pinkerton Academy handled the unexpected situation admirably and worked hard to make remote learning as stress-free as possible.

GRADUATION 2020: UNIQUE EVENTS FOR UNPRECEDENTED TIMES



The Pinkerton Academy Class of 2020 deserved all the honors afforded classes before them upon graduation. However, this year those honors had to look a bit different. On Monday, June 8th, the original date scheduled for graduation, seniors were welcomed back to campus with their families to drive through a parade route lined with cheering faculty and staff. Many donned their caps and gowns or other spirited wear and decorated their cars. It was great to see so many families celebrating together, and the Pinkerton community pride was on full display.









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Then on Sunday, June 14th Pinkerton held a ceremony to honor their 2020 graduates with a virtual event streamed to Facebook Live. The ceremony combined elements of the school's traditional baccalaureate and graduation ceremonies. Mr. Adam Houston, pastor of the Island Pond Baptist Church in Hampstead and Pinkerton Academy welding teacher, gave the class benediction. Board of Trustees president, Dr. William Nevious and Headmaster Dr. Timothy Powers both addressed the class. Student addresses included Ethan Wasiejko, salutatorian Mikayla Emerson, valedictorian, Vanessa Montgomery, and class president Jeffrey Potvin.

Finally, in 51 small group ceremonies over three days, students and their families were welcomed back to campus to receive their diplomas. Each graduate was able to hear their name announced and walk across the stage to receive their diploma. Being back on campus was bittersweet for many graduates who took the chance to get pictures on campus as well.



CONGRATULATIONS AND BEST OF LUCK TO THE PINKERTON ACADEMY CLASS OF 2020. #TogetherWeArePinkerton~7

JANET BOUCHARD Class of 1994

Proud Pinkerton Academy alumna Janet Bouchard always knew she wanted to be a police officer. Now chief of the Hooksett, NH police department, Bouchard's career started later than she might have anticipated.

After graduating from Pinkerton in 1994, Bouchard worked for her family's business full time while going to college. She got married in 1998 and soon had a young family to care for, but the dream of being a police officer was still there.

"I went back to college for Criminal Justice, and I thought it would take a while to get hired, but I got hired right away at Hooksett," she said. "I started as a police officer at 29 while my kids were young."

Hired by the Hooksett Police Department in 2005, Bouchard earned promotions and worked her way up through the department as detective, sergeant, lieutenant, and then being named chief in 2017. She has spent her whole career in Hooksett.

"[The Hooksett Police Department] is really like family to me. My kids have grown up here in this department. I have pictures in my locker from when I first started and they were 4 and 5 years old," she said. "I have watched lots of the officers around me get married and have kids. I know their spouses, their kids and pets. It's also good to know the town -- the people, the business owners. Everywhere I go I feel very supported in town because they know me and I know them."

Bouchard has fond memories of her time at Pinkerton. She took advantage of different opportunities including working in the Alumni Center with Anne Parker, '86 and the College and Career Center with Ralph Van Nostrand. The second semester of her senior year she had a co-op opportunity, attending school for half a day and then working the other half of the day at her family business. Her appreciation of the opportunities afforded her led her to consider Pinkerton when it was time for her children



The Bouchard family at Ryan's graduation from Army Basic Training in October, 2019 at Fort Benning, Georgia. 8 - PINKERTON ALUMNUS Spring 2020

to go to high school. "I have no bad memories of high school whatsoever. That's why we tuitioned my daughter to go. We live in Candia, and at the time Candia didn't go to Pinkerton," Bouchard said. "It was the right choice,



was the right choice, *Chief Janet Bouchard '94* and they both had great experiences."

Bouchard's daughter Kaylan and son Ryan graduated from Pinkerton in 2018 and 2019 respectively. Each took advantage of very different opportunities in their four years. Kaylan is currently an Education major at SNHU; she took part in the Teacher Prep program and will graduate a year early due to the number of college credits she was able to earn in her time at Pinkerton. Ryan, a four year member of Pinkerton's Air Force JROTC, is stationed for three years in Germany with the United States Army. Bouchard loves Pinkerton's culture and atmosphere and applauds the school's diverse offerings that gave each of her children a path to success.

"I love the campus first of all. There's something about changing classes and going outside, and I like the Freshman Academy for them. Coming from Candia, it's a small town, and that program is really great. I let my kids tour Central and Pinkerton, and they just liked Pinkerton. They felt comfortable there; they liked the atmosphere. I knew they had the JROTC program, and we sensed from an early age that my son was going to do something military. He thrived in the JROTC program, and for my daughter the Teacher Prep program was perfect," she said.

"We like structure and discipline in my family, and we knew that Pinkerton was a right fit all around. I like that there is a culture of respect. I think with a school that big, you have to stay on top of things. The school does that, and it's a mutual respect. The teachers show respect to the students, and the students in turn respect the teachers. The whole community of it feels that way. Really, it came down to the reputation of it, and it just felt safe."

She encourages students and families to make the most of their time at Pinkerton.

"Dive in and involve yourself with everything. Just enjoy every minute of it because I thought high school was fast for me, but as a parent, those four years go by so fast. Take up everything Pinkerton has to offer. There are so many clubs... go to the sports games...do everything. It's the time for you to do your school work, be responsible, follow the rules, but have fun. It really does go fast," she said. "Then when you do graduate, go to the fun alumni stuff!"

Bouchard lives in Gilford, NH with her husband of 22 years David and daughter Kaylan. Follow her on Twitter @ChiefBouchard.

LAUREN CHOOLJIAN CLASS OF 2006 Contributed by Kathryn Anderson '20

Not only did Lauren Chooljian ('06) enjoy her high school experience, she thrived in the fast paced environment she had created for herself.

Being involved in a number of sports and clubs throughout her four years on Pinkerton's campus taught her how to adapt to a busy schedule which greatly prepared her for a career path she was never expecting. Following her graduation from Pinkerton in 2006, Chooljian went on to complete her B.A in History from Saint Anselm College which was where she truly found her journalism calling.

"It just seemed to fit so well," said Chooljian. "I went to a debate at Saint Anselm in 2008, and I just loved it. I love talking to people and I love the topics that come with journalism so it just fit me perfectly."

Following her undergraduate years at Saint Anselm College, Chooljian then received her Masters of Science in Journalism from Northwestern University. From that point on, Chooljian did not hesitate to jump right into the world of journalism. She began her career as an intern working for WBEZ in Chicago as the city hall reporter, where she learned how hard yet rewarding journalism can be. One of the many struggles Chooljian faced during the start of her career was learning how to handle and recover from mistakes.

"I try to double or even triple check my sources at times," said Chooljian, "working in this field you really



Lauren Chooljian '06

Courtesy NY Times

understand how important it is to be trustworthy and accountable for your audience."

After nearly six years working at WBEZ, Chooljian returned to her New Hampshire roots and began working as the Politics and Policy reporter for NPR in 2017. Along with her work at NHPR, Chooljian began working on a project of her own. Her podcast *Stranglehold*, which she writes and produces herself, details the importance of the first of the nation New Hampshire primary and investigates

the people and the power behind it. Chooljian has not only received praise from her local listeners, but national recognition in the *New York Times* and *Washington Post* as well. While she hopes to continue her growth in listeners and expand her podcast, Chooljian's main goal is to continue educating others on the importance of this age-old New Hampshire tradition. Follow her on Twitter @laurenchooljian.



On the campaign trail Chooljian covered the impact of the NH primary. Courtesy NY Times

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EDDIE SARGENT Class of 1997

It was a trip to Paris with his wife that led Eddie Sargent '97 to take a chance and start a mobile cafe in December of 2018. Since that time his *Pressed for Time Mobile Cafe* has established a loyal following in the Derry area.

"When we were in Paris I kept thinking how cool it would be to have my own cafe, more for the coffee aspect of it," Sargent said. "My wife said, 'Why don't you? What's holding you back?' That was really the push I needed."



Sargent had been working construction, and just before their trip his boss had announced that he was selling the company.

Eddie Sargent '97

Sargent bought an old abandoned travel trailer and completely refurbished it, using design details from the cafes and restaurants that have inspired him in his travels, and the dream took shape.

Finding an ideal location proved to be a bit more difficult. Sargent first tried to set up in his hometown of Chester, but the town would not allow him, so he set up shop at the BP gas station at the Derry traffic circle. He hoped to be a convenient stop for Pinkerton students, remembering his limited options as a student. While the visibility was great, Sargent said it was a difficult place for people to stop. Still, it gave him time to develop his business and build his following.

"I remember not having any caffeinated options other than McDonald's and Dunks when I was attending. I wanted to be



that morning pick me up for the students," said Sargent. "Since my move I've gained some great ones as customers, mostly seniors trying to get through the midterms and finals. I hope that it will continue with new student faces each year."

"When it was slow, I'd build things and post [to social media]," he said. "A little over a year ago,



[WMUR's New Hampshire] *Chronicle* picked us up and it took off from there."

A self-made businessman, Sargent had a number of life experiences that have helped lead to his success. After graduating from Pinkerton he held jobs in electronics, restaurants, and construction.

"After high school I did a lot with electronics for 19 years while doing other little things like cooking and construction which is how I built this [cafe]. I jumped everywhere. I tried my hand in everything just to see what it was I enjoyed, and I'm kind of glad I chose this," he said. "I've always been the one to cook in my family. It never felt like a job."

While at Pinkerton, Sargent took advantage of several vocational courses, now Career & Technical Education (CTE). He said he has always enjoyed working with his hands, and he encourages students to look for different paths to success.

"I took a lot of drafting classes. I did electronics and woodworking -- I wish I'd gotten into the cooking classes then," he said. "The trades can provide different ways into careers. There are lots of programs that will take you in and get you that paycheck earlier."

Remembering his time in high school fondly, Sargent offers wise advice for students.

"My time at Pinkerton was amazing. I don't really have any bad memories of my time there," he said. "If there's anything inspiring I could say to students it would be an analogy: if you climb a mountain, you can take a path or make your own. Both are rewarding, but yours could have the better view for others to follow."

Sargent lives in Raymond with his wife, Esra, and their son Xavier. You can currently find *Pressed for Time* at Seacoast Cycle on Route 28 in Derry. To stay up to date with location and menu offerings, find them on Facebook https://www.facebook.com/pressedfortimemobilecafe or follow them on Instagram: pressedfortimemobilecafe.

Eddie with his wife Esra in Paris 10 ~ PINKERTON ALUMNUS Spring 2020

RYAN DEPACE Class of 2010

After high school Pinkerton graduate Ryan DePace planned to become an electrician and studied Electrical Technology at Lakes Rakes Region Community College while working as an apprentice electrician.

But upon earning his associate degree in 2012, DePace decided to go back to school at New Hampshire Technical Institute (NHTI) for Electrical Engineering, a move that would change his career course completely.

In 2014 DePace completed his second associate degree and applied to Eversource. He was hired as an electrical technician, and his career took off. He has been promoted 5 times in 6 years and currently works as an IT Systems Engineer. Now Eversouce is paying for him to earn a bachelor's degree at SNHU.

"I'm going back to school and getting a bachelor's degree in Information Technology with a concentration in Software Development," he said. "When I finish my degree it will likely come with another step or promotion. Right now I'm an IT Systems Engineer, and likely I'll be an IT Lead Systems Engineer when I get my degree."

DePace has always preferred working with his hands. At Pinkerton he took a number of Career and Technical Education (CTE) classes including Small Engines, Woodworking, and Electrical. He says the value of his CTE classes goes beyond his chosen career path.

"Those classes, personally, have helped me. I own a house now, and I know how to use my hands and work on the house. I took Small Engines class, so I know how to work on engines and repair things for friends and myself," he said. "They're good skills to have in life, even if you don't go into those fields."

Now an avid woodworker, DePace discovered this passion in high school and devoted a lot of time to it.

"My main focus was woodworking. I took all the classes and went back to the woodworking shop during studies," he said. "I entered the New England woodworking contest for Pinkerton and came in third."

DePace said his time at Pinkerton prepared him well for his work in college.

"When I first started taking college classes, I thought it was a breeze. Pinkerton really prepares you for college," he said. "When I took English and math, I was like, really? This is college? It almost seemed easier."

Looking back on his time in high school, DePace said he had several influential teachers including Mr. Colburn, Mr. Grube, Mr. Bibeau, and Mr. McMahon. He advises Pinkerton students now to take advantage of their time



Ryan DePace '10

there and to not be afraid of failure.

"Really focus on what you want to do in life, starting early, freshman year. Even though you might not want to think about what you want to do for the rest of your life, it's important," he said. "Focus on what you want to do early because that way you can take classes even in high school toward that degree. If I could go back and do it again, I would take engineering classes at Pinkerton."

"Math was always my weak point in school and because of this, I dismissed the idea of becoming an engineer early on in life. I didn't think I was 'smart' enough at the time to make it in the engineering industry. It seemed so complex, and I dreaded the idea of being a failure. After completing my first degree, I just went for it, and to this day, I'm glad I did. It wasn't easy, but it builds character, and it gave me the confidence to try things that at first seem unachievable," DePace said. "Always challenge yourself and seek opportunities to be a better person. You will never know what you are truly capable of achieving unless you try. If you fail, you learn from those mistakes and take an alternative approach to reach your goal."

In his free time DePace enjoys spending time outdoors, woodworking, metal working, 3d printing, and working on electronics. He has built a 3d printer and laser engraver from scratch. He is currently in the process of clearing out some land to build a workshop at his home in Raymond, NH.

SENIOR REFLECTIONS

On August 26th, 2016, I held on to my mother for dear life as we waited for the bus to come. No, this was not my first day at a new school or my first day of kindergarten, this would be my first day of high school. I cried the entire bus ride because of how scared I was. I was terrified of getting lost or not making friends. I had dreaded that day for months because I felt that Pinkerton was too big for me, and I just couldn't see myself enjoying going there. Looking back on that day, 4 years later, I laugh at my tears and every fear that raced through my mind because little did I know that I would be ending high school the exact same way I started it. With tears streaming down my face, begging not to leave.

Looking back on my first day of my freshman year, I wish more than anything that I could tell myself to wipe my tears because I was about to begin the best four years of my life. I was going to take classes that would challenge me, meet friends and teachers that would change me, and experience moments that I would remember for the rest of my life. If there is one piece of advice I can give to underclassmen or incoming freshmen, it would be to cherish every moment. Hold on to your Mack Plaque memories, live in the moment at every pep-rally and scream as loud as you can. Soak up the sun while walking to class on a sunny day, or embrace the fact that you are most likely going to fall on campus during a snowy winter. Experience everything you can in your short four years on Pinkerton's campus because they go by faster than you could ever imagine, and if there is anything this year has taught me, it is that things may not go as expected. Take a CTE class, try out for a sport, watch a Pinkerton Players performance, take advantage of the opportunities Pinkerton provides.

I went into my senior year with many expectations. I looked forward to wearing red and white one last time, celebrating my and my classmates' accomplishments, and making lifelong memories I would forever look back on. I was excited for graduation, senior banquet, senior week, and all the other celebratory events that I watched the past three classes of seniors go through. It was finally my turn, or so I thought. Instead of struggling with senioritis, finding a dress to wear under my cap and gown, or creating the list of people that will attend my graduation party, I am struggling with a global pandemic that has taken away the most important months of my high school career.

I am the type of person that takes comfort in certainty. Every rough day I had at school, or bad test grade I received,



Kathryn Anderson, Class of 2020

I took comfort in the fact that high school would eventually end and there would come a day where I walked across the stage to receive my diploma. But now there is nothing but uncertainty in my life. Will I ever get to say goodbye to the teachers that taught me lessons that I valued in and outside of the classroom, will I ever walk the halls of Pinkerton again, or even experience my high school graduation. The one thing I keep hearing throughout this pandemic is that we are all in this together, which is something I now take comfort in. I know I am not alone. There are nearly 800 Pinkerton seniors that are also mourning the loss of this monumental year. There are many things we will never be able to do, but we can remember all the good we as a class accomplished throughout the past four years. *Remember* to look back on all the memories, every laugh, every first and last day of school, every special moment with a teacher or faculty member. Remember that there is nothing better than Campus Corner cookies after a long day, or the way the sun hits the senior patio just right and you feel like you could get a tan from sitting there. But most importantly, never forget your Astro Pride.

SENIOR REFLECTIONS

The only certainty in life is that nothing is certain; this phrase has carried a lot of meaning in my life in high school. When I first started my time at Pinkerton, I did not know necessarily what to expect. It seemed daunting, having to go from a class size of just under 70 students to one of 800. I knew that the journey ahead of me would be difficult, but as my mother always reminds me, I just need to keep the faith and keep moving on. And so I did. Over the next four years, I would grow and expand and discover myself more than I thought I ever would.

My time at Pinkerton helped me to grow into my own unique self and learn who I was, who I am, and who I want to be. When I first walked through the doors of the Academy Building on freshman orientation, I was scared as could be; with such a massive campus and thousands of people surrounding me sharing the campus, I couldn't help but feel small. In all of the commotion surrounding me, I did find a place that felt like a second home to me, the Pinkerton Players. By getting myself involved in this club, my world suddenly was open to such a variety of opportunities just waiting for me to seize them. In this club, I began to dive into my love for art even further and began to develop my art from a hobby to a career. Because of this club, I knew that I was meant to tell stories, perform, and make art for the rest of my life. I feel no greater joy than sharing a story to a live

Adam Furgal, Class of 2020

as an independent adult, I can see how much Pinkerton was a gift to me. I could not have gained such confidence

audience with a team, each doing their own individual jobs to convey the message. I learned how to become more accepting of myself and others, and how to embrace and empower our differences rather than let them separate us. Pinkerton has never failed to feel like a second home to me. Here, I have met many influential people that I will carry with me in my

"Here, I have met many influential people that I will carry with me in my heart for years upon years to come. I have met some of my best friends, and the memories we have made together I will cherish for many more to come." within myself to take these steps without the help of the faculty, administration, and student body. Although the class of 2020's senior year may not have turned out as we may have envisioned, and our futures are uncertain, it is important to reflect upon all we have accomplished and view the grand scheme of our time.

heart for years upon years to come. I have met some of my best friends, and the memories we have made together I will cherish for many more to come. Because of this school, I now know what I am meant to do, and I have the resources to take the next steps.

Now, as I am beginning to take my journey in the world

"We cannot know what will occur, just make our journey worth the taking —and pray we're wiser than we were in the beginning."

Stephen Schwartz, Children of Eden

PINKERTON FAMILY HEIRLOOMS AT PINKERTON ACADEMY THE PINKERTON CRADLE—PART 2: "A MOST PRECIOUS ITEM"

BY MARK A. MASTROMARINO, CLASS OF 1979

As described previously, the Major John Pinkerton Cradle is one of the most significant historical items owned by Pinkerton Academy, as it is claimed to have been used by the school's founder as a wee babe in the mid-1730s. It was given to the Academy in 2002 by Derry's Molly Reid Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR). Although the physical analysis and the information on the DAR provided in Part 1 of this study (*Alumnus*, Fall 2019, pp. 10–11) suggest the truth of that claim, further details can strengthen the case.

The cradle was one of the first items acquired by the Molly Reid Chapter, which had always had a close relationship with the school. Cradles and spinning wheels were cherished symbols of America's colonial heritage in the nineteenth century, and Derry's DAR acquired both. Women were a major force in the early historic preservation movement, and they keenly felt the symbolism of those particular artifacts as sources of their oft-unacknowledged demographic and domestic power.

Naturally, museum items are also preserved because of their association with a famous person. Since Pinkerton Academy was experiencing a renaissance at the turn of the century due to the munificent bequest in the 1880s of John Morrison Pinkerton, nephew of Major John, it is understandable that the ladies of Derry's new DAR chapter would revere an artifact associated with the founder of the town's most significant cultural institution.

Only minimal documentation exists of the Pinkerton Cradle in the DAR's museum's cataloging. An undated (ca. 2002) threepage handwritten inventory in the files of the Alumni Association,



Figure 1. The Major John Pinkerton Cradle. The split base, reattached crown, and worn edges show hard usage and poor storage conditions, ca. 1735–1936. The exposed nail point where the infant's head would rest demonstrates (hopefully, post-usage) inexpert repair.

includes the relevant entry: "#101 Cradle (No Hood) * John Pinkerton's[—] Pinkerton or Derry." A self-adhesive label ("101") on the back of the cradle matches up with this record.

That inventory was prepared when the Molly Reid Chapter was closing its museum in 2002 (it sold the chapter house in 2003). We know that's when the Pinkerton Cradle came to Pinkerton. The retained copy of a letter in the Alumni Association archives, dated October 28, 2002, from Edward D. Bureau, President of the Academy's Board of Trustees, and Headmaster Bradford V. Ek, to chapter regent Carole Babineau, acknowledged the gift of the cradle along with other "memorabilia and antiques from the Pinkerton family." The letter further stated that "The cradle of John Pinkerton is a most precious item and . . . will be kept at the Abbott Gallery in the Alumni Building" along with other "beautiful" and "priceless pieces of furniture that we are honored to have." But how did the Pinkerton Cradle come to the DAR?

Sarah Dana McMillan Parsons (b. 1836), a member and officer of the Molly Reid Chapter, owned the cradle before the Molly Reid Chapter did. It apparently was she who claimed, through Pinkerton family tradition, that it was used by Major John, although that was also probably common knowledge among the close-knit group of nostalgic ladies who were also experts on local Derry history and genealogies. Possibly after her husband's death in 1900, but definitely before her own death on October 26, 1903, Parsons had loaned or given the cradle to the chapter, which displayed it as early as 1901 or 1902. (It was not listed in the codicils to Parsons's will that were drawn up on May 9–20, 1903; a memorandum of articles that her stepdaughter and executrix, Maria S. Parsons, would decide on the disposition of was later made, but I could not find it. Nor was I able to discover any museum acquisitions or cataloging information in the chapter's records, 1895–1972, preserved at the Dimond Library Special Collections at the University of New Hampshire).

Let us assume that our Major John Pinkerton (b. 1735) occupied the cradle. The earliest documentary evidence of his appearance in Old Londonderry, with his father, John the Emigrant, his mother, Mary Elizabeth Farmer Pinkerton, and his brother David, is dated 1738. The existence of the cradle would therefore supplement the written record and suggest that Mary Pinkerton and her two sons probably joined John Sr. in New Hampshire after 1733 (when her eldest son, David, was born in the north of Ireland), five years earlier than previously thought. Since both sons would have been too large to fit in the cradle as five-year-old or three-year-old boys in 1738, the cradle must be dated earlier, if the stated attribution is true. The cradle is unlikely to have been made in Ireland and brought to New Hampshire, because it has the style, construction, and materials characteristic of Merrimack Valley country pieces discussed in Part I.

If it actually were Major John's (and brother David's) cradle, then it undoubtedly also nestled other siblings of that generation: the third son, Matthew Pinkerton, who was born in Old Londonderry, N.H., probably in 1738; daughters Mary (b. 1740), Elizabeth (b. 1741), Rachel (b. 1749) and Jane (b. 1753); and/or maybe even younger sons Samuel (b. 1746) and James (b. 1747). If so, the cradle saw long and hard use, as its current condition suggests.

It is not known when or why the piece left the Pinkerton family, or how Sarah Parsons acquired it (but I can safely say she did not rob the cradle). If Mrs. Mary's youngest child, one-year-old Jane, had not already outgrown it, then perhaps Jane's older sisters, Mary and Elizabeth, rocked her in it and generally took care of her after their mother's death in 1754. It is reasonable that such an item would then pass to a daughter instead of a son at the death of their forty-four-year-old mother. (This seems more likely than Major John's inheriting it and storing it for fourteen years until his first child, Mary "Polly," was born in 1768 to him and his wife Rachel Duncan Pinkerton.)

If any of Mother Mary's daughters inherited it, only two could have made proper use of it, as daughters Mary and Rachel never wed. Elizabeth did wed, however, marrying Capt. James Aiken (1739–1830). But if either of their two daughters had inherited the cradle from their mother, neither of them married nor had children to bequeath it to as a family heirloom. Sarah Aiken died in 1792, and Margaret Aiken in 1813. (The maiden sisters share a gravestone in Forest Hill Cemetery in East Derry.) The other married David Brewster (1753–1831), but died childless in 1809. No obvious familial or other links between the Aikens or Brewsters to Sarah Dana McMillan Parsons, who donated the Pinkerton Cradle to the DAR, has yet been discovered.

Nor does it seem that Mrs. Parsons herself had direct ties of blood or marriage to the Pinkerton family. She was born on May 12, 1836, in Danville, Vermont, to Emily Eunice Dana and Andrew McMillan. It is not known exactly when she came to Derry, but it was at least by 1864, when she was listed as a teacher at the Academy. She married the Reverend Ebenezer Greanleaf Parsons in 1865. Reverend Parsons also was neither a Derry native nor a Pinkerton relation, but he did have strong ties to the Academy, and it is likely that these contributed to his or his wife's acquisition of the Pinkerton Cradle.

The Reverend was born in Westport in Lincoln County, Maine. After graduating from Bowdoin College in 1833, he received a Master's Degree from the Bangor Theological Seminary in 1847, and was a Congregational minister and Superintendent of Schools in Freeport, Maine. In 1851, he became pastor of the Central Congregational Church in Derry Village, the Academy's unofficial church. Parsons was appointed a Trustee of Pinkerton Academy in 1853, and became President of the Board of Trustees on the death of John Morrison Pinkerton in 1881, serving until his own death in 1900. He was also headmaster of the Academy for four years after the resignation of Marshman W. Hazen in 1869.

Although we do not yet know what happened to the Pinkerton Cradle from 1754 to 1902 (a gap slightly longer than the 18 1/2 minutes on Richard Nixon's 1972 Oval Office tapes), thanks to the Molly Reid Chapter's early historian, Harriet Chase Newell, we can trace its existence, in less-than-ideal storage conditions, from 1902 until 1936. The chapter's growing artifacts collection was first stored in rented rooms over the East Derry Store, during which the cradle was exhibited to the public at Derry's Old Home Day celebration in August 1902. Afterward, the 150+ items were moved about Derry Village: first above Charles Bartlett's store on North Main Street; then to a third-floor room in Rev. Lucien H.



Figure 2. Side view of the Major John Pinkerton Cradle, showing two embellishments: the scalloped edges of the rising sides, and the original exterior painting to resemble a more expensive wood such as mahogany. The rockers were probably replacements for the originals. The cataloging sticker "101" on the back was attached by the DAR in 2002. The James Pinkerton Rocker can be glimpsed in the background.

Adams's house on the corner of Pinkerton and Crescent streets. After Reverend Adams's death in 1916, chapter regent (1919– 21) Mrs. Mary Stuart James MacMurphy (1846–1934), wife of Derry antiquarian Rev. Jesse Gibson MacMurphy (1845–1938), took them in.

Sometime later, the collection was relegated to a back room in the home of "Pinkerton's principal," where they remained until 1936. In that year, the chapter acquired its Bartlett House headquarters near the Academy's Hildreth Hall on North Main Street (the site of the old fieldhouse since the 1950s) and finally established its museum. According to the first page of the DAR's inventory mentioned at the beginning of this piece, the cradle was located in the "Bed room" (along with five other items that were given to Pinkerton Academy). This, apparently, was an upstairs bedroom converted into an exhibit space, where it was displayed to the public for the next sixty-seven years.

The home of "Pinkerton's principal" was probably that of George Washington Bingham (1838–1918; principal, 1885–1909) at the corner of Nesmith and North Main streets, which he donated to the Academy after his death. How the ca. 1829 Bell House at 13 North Main was saved in 1998 and still stands is a story for another day.

Pinkerton Academy and the Alumni Association have been truly blessed over the years by the generosity of the many people and organizations who have donated valuable historical items to help them meet their missions, particularly the Association's missions to foster "a spirit of loyalty among trustees, alumni, faculty, staff, students, and friends," and to develop "a healthy school spirit based on the history and traditions of the Academy." Such generosity is one of the things that makes this school rock.

If you're ever in town or have a free moment, roll on over to the Alumni Center to view the John Pinkerton Cradle (and the James Pinkerton Rocking Chair, perhaps the subject of a future study?).

And rock on, Pinkertonians, rock on.

A LETTER *from the* HEADMASTER

Dear Pinkerton Academy Community,

Recently, the 2019-20 school year came to a close. While the start of the year was similar to many years prior, the close certainly was not. All of our lives were changed over the past three months, and during this time we shifted from a brick and mortar setting for education to a remote learning environment to close out the year. There were good days and bad days had by everyone involved as we made the transition, but through the work and



Dr. Powers congratulated Chorus president Kathryn Porter at her diploma ceremony on June 17th.

dedication of our faculty, staff, students, families, and community, the shift was a successful one.

Just a few weeks ago, over the span of three days, 705 seniors graduated to become the newest alumni of the Academy. The graduation for these students was different than any other held; it included a parade on campus, a virtual ceremony, and three days of diploma presentations. The times have certainly made things different for us, but the Class of 2020 stepped up to the challenges and proved they are ready for their next steps in life. As we celebrated the accomplishments of our graduates, the ceremonies allowed for each student to be recognized individually, and it was great to see the smiles on their faces as they received their diplomas.

The educational experience of an Astro is a unique one, and the strong traditions of Pinkerton Academy help unify thousands of graduates over the years in a shared pride for their school. With the support of our alumni, we are able to continue to provide and build upon the excellent educational experience you received. While not every student will be class president or captain of the football team, everyone can find a place of their own, and each student leaves a mark on our community. We continually strive to ensure our campus is a learning environment where all students feel safe, valued, and respected. We thank you for your continued support.

Over the coming months, we will be continuing to plan what the 2020-2021 school year will look like. These new times have created challenges for all of us, but it has also made us stronger as a school. We are fortunate that work that has been done over the past several years set us up well to make the shift. I sincerely hope that all of you are doing well and will continue to support the Academy in any way possible. As alumni, everything that you do to support fellow graduates and future alumni is greatly appreciated. Stay safe and be well.

Respectfully,

Dr. Timothy J. Powers *Headmaster* Pinkerton Academy





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I am happy to report that the Class of 1945 is still able to meet for an occasional lunch. The last time Claire Ball, Sam Low and I met was at T Bones Restaurant, which was fortunate, since we have been on Lockdown until this time. I since have spoken with Nat Chadwick Latulippe and we have all agreed to meet for lunch as soon as we are able to do so.

Today I spoke with Bill Levandowski, who still lives in Portland, Maine. He is in a 100 suite condominium, which he says has many attorneys and doctors in the same complex, so he feels adequately covered should he have any problems. He continues to write poetry and read one of his poems, "Autumn Leaves", to me, which was lovely. He is hoping to get his Collection published soon.

Amazingly we have 11 Classmates still alive, although we have lost Barbara Griffin Trombley since the last PA *Alumnus* was published. Her funeral has been postponed to a later date awaiting the opening of more venues.

Sam is finally recovering from his last illness, and Claire, Nat and I are still doing well. Claire tells me that her grandchildren are playing basketball at her home frequently and they are also helping with the yard work, which she has been doing. The Ball family will be going for their yearly stay at Sebago Lake, the 2nd week of July, with about 25 of them occupying 10 cottages. Of course they are looking forward to that.

Our sympathy to Courtney Allen on the loss of his brother, Glenn and Glenn's wife Marjorie who died just a few weeks before Glenn. Both Glenn and Marjorie were very involved in the East Derry community, volunteering for many worthwhile and important projects. Marjorie and I were part of these also.

Verna O'Brien Bent and I have spoken recently and discussed her correspondence with Marion Guilbert and together, were able to reconnect them, so that they are now back in touch. Verna is doing as many of us are, isolating ourselves and hopefully avoiding problems with the Coronavirus, until all is back to normal.

Until next time, I will do my best to stay well, as I trust all of us will. *Elaine*

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Bruce Brown '75, son of Lucy Bailey Brown, reported that his mother passed away on November 26, 2019.

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We had only two luncheon meetings last summer at the usual restaurant. Those that attend have a nice time conversing with classmates and friends. Wish more would attend, but at our age you don't know only from day to day whether we're going to be mobile (haha). August 23 there were 11, a good number; Joanne Aiken and friend who drove her, Pauline Butterfield and daughter Nancy, Bob and Jean Kelley, Richard and Ginny Nelson, Doris and Dick Rand, and myself. Summer went by without another luncheon because I broke my hip in April and had many weeks of therapy. Had another luncheon on November 15 with fewer attending: Bob and Jean Kelley, Pauline Butterfield and daughter Pam, Dick and Doris Rand, and myself. We kept waiting for Dick and Ginny Nelson to show because they always attend. When I returned home, I checked my call list, called them twice. I never reached them to tell them the

date. My apology to them, totally my fault. Ginny said "that's ok we probably had an appointment." I'm going to get fired if I don't do a better job. I'm not afraid of that. I've been trying to get a replacement but "no luck." We're thankful for daughters and friends who drive classmates to luncheons. Good news to report- on June 18th Richard Rand had his 90th birthday party. It was pouring that day so I did not attend because I had broken my hip early April and thought it might be slippery walking. I understand there were many there in attendance and "good *time*" was had by all in the comfort of his very large garage. September 19th my family surprised me with a 90th party. It was held so early because my family in the south did not want to fly in February (my birthday is February 20th). It was really a surprise. Classmates attending were Bob and Jean Kelley, Richard and Doris Rand, Richard and Ginny Nelson, Pauline Butterfield. On February 16th Pauline Butterfield's family hosted a birthday party for her 90th. Met her 4 daughters and her son. Now when she speaks of them I will be able to put a face with the one she is commenting about. When they sang Happy Birthday everyone included Pauline as well. Met some of Pauline's family as well. That might be it for the partier. Judith Hamer '57, wife of classmate Channing Hamer passed away on April 17, 2020. We send our condolences to the family. Lorraine Routhier

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Carl A. Barnard, 88, of Salem, NH passed away on Monday, February 17, 2020 in the Salemhaven Nursing Home surrounded by his loving family. He was born in Stoneham, MA a son of the late Frank and Leona (Albrecht) Barnard. Mr. Barnard grew up in Wakefield, MA and was educated in the Wakefield public schools but moved to Windham, NH midway through high school and graduated from Pinkerton Academy in 1949. He graduated from the University of New Hampshire in 1955 and proudly served his country as a member of the U.S. Army as an Artillery Officer in Thule, Greenland. He worked many years in the computer industry as a software designer both at the Taylor Instrument Company in Rochester, NY and at Honeywell in Billerica, MA. Mr. Barnard enjoyed woodworking, gardening and traveling, but most of all he enjoyed spending time with his family. He is survived by his sons; Eric F. Barnard and his wife Susan of Windham, NH and Kurt Barnard of Kittery, ME, by his two grandsons; Brandon and Brian Barnard, by his sisters; Ruth Flaque and her husband Julio of Escondido, CA and Sandra Creech of Vista, CA and a brother in law; Robert Erler and his wife Carolyn of Windham and also by several nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his wife of 48 years; Karolyn (Erler) Barnard.

-1950-Correspondent Needed

Barbara Therriault '50 passed away on Sunday, August 4, 2019. Barbara is survived by her husband Henry '49 and two daughters.

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Yo Classmates! I am writing this while sitting in the screenhouse at my son's #TogetherWeArePinkerton~17

Florida home. The sun is shining, the birds are singing and a nice breeze is wafting in the trees. Hard to believe that I am in a pandemic in one of the most highly affected areas in the nation! I long to be in N.H., but must wait till this virus is contained, the hotels are all open and all is right with the travel situation. Meanwhile, I am comfortable, my needs are being satisfied and hopefully the pool will reopen. Soon I can once again swim and do my evening walks for exercise. I keep in touch with my northern family members weekly by phone or by Facebook, so I am not cut off from the world even while observing the stay-at home rules that our governor has implemented. We can still shop for groceries wearing a mask and he is considering reopening the beaches partially for walking and exercising only, no chairs or blankets, no gathering in large groups of more than 10, and remaining the six-foot distance apart. Not everyone, however, is doing their part and so I will stay away from our beautiful beaches. I am sure that each state is different, and here in Florida each county is different, so we are all affected, some more than others.

I received a letter from our new alumni coordinator, Meagan Sojka, stating that we still have the sum of \$194.89 in our class reunion account and that these funds must be used up by our 70th reunion date and if not, would we like to donate these monies to the Academy. I talked with Marilyn Kumin Meyers and also with Virginia Pillsbury Lints to get their thoughts on this and we agreed that since there are so few of us left and no plans for future reunions that we would donate the funds to P.A. We three and our remaining spouses have been having mini-reunions here in Sarasota at a restaurant this year, however it is doubtful that we can meet, so it will have to be postponed.

I didn't get to see Jean Spaulding and Dave Rand this year in N.H. and I miss that; it seems like some of the old gatherings are fading away due to failing health and no longer being able to drive. I still drive, but because of the high cost of car insurance and the horrendous traffic in this area, I will leave my car in N.H this fall when I return and use public transportation as it is readily available.

On a happier note, I got my old Rawleigh bicycle out of the shed last week and decided to ride it, not having done so in 4 or 5 years after cleaning it up and a few shaky attempts to keep it upright, under control and not look like a kindergartner with a new toy. I decided that I would not feel safe riding something I had no control over. My friend suggested training wheels and said that he could put them on for me if I bought them, so a few weeks later, thanks to my daughter, Mona, Class of '73 I received a package containing a sturdy set of "balance wheels," which is what 'old' people use. Because my bike is a very old Rawleigh made in England probably at least 50 years ago, he did not have the correct tools to match the fittings, and so my son Jeff, who has tools for everything installed them and called to tell me to stop by and try it out, as he did not think I would like the way it now rode. He was right, of course, and I did not pedal 4 ft before I decided it was impossible to control and I would feel safer without them. My bike is now safely stored in my shed where it will remain until my great-grandkids want to ride it. It has great sentimental value to me as it has given me many years of joy while riding around the town of Gilford, N.H. where I live and I cannot part with it. I have Lake Winnipesaukee to swim and picnic at, and the joy of seeing my great-grandkids swim and splash around in is priceless!

I feel blessed to have my home in N.H. in the summer and my son Jeff's home in winter and good health to enjoy both. Well, classmates, enough of my ramblings, stay safe and well and hopefully we will all get thru these tough times and will appreciate the things in life we have been taking for granted and come back stronger, wiser and thankful for what we do have. *Claire*

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Alice and I moved into this large retirement facility, (ACTS Springhouse Estates), in the suburbs, a few miles north of Philadelphia in 2012, to be near our daughter and her family. There are about 350 residents here, mostly in apartments, but about 50 in "assisted living" and 100 in skilled nursing care. We're in one of the apartments. The whole complex is connected, so you don't have to go out in the weather to get to dining, recreation, health care, etc. We're both still driving, and usually, each afternoon we go to our daughter's house to be there when the grandchildren come home from school. All my tools and workbench are in a shed in her back yard; I enjoy working around her place. I've been retired for 20 years now. Before retirement, I worked for 44 years as a mechanical engineer, first in the jet engine business at Pratt & Whitney in Connecticut, and then for Westinghouse Power Generation in Pennsylvania and Florida. (The last 3 of those years it was Siemens Power Generation; they bought out Westinghouse). We have a son who lives in western PA with his wife, and is a civil engineer. The daughter, Beth, who lives near us is married to a prof; they have two children: a son at Penn State and a daughter in high school. Beth is Science Curriculum Supervisor for the Upper Darby, PA, school district. Alice was a school teacher, a stay-at-home mother and a volunteer. Recently she had her aortic heart valve replaced in an operation using a catheter procedure. She feels much more energetic now. God has blessed us, allowing us 58 years together. Thanks to you three for your work as class correspondents! Sincerely yours, Paul Pillsbury

Dear Classmates,

Since my kids won't let me out of the house during this "virus" episode, I thought it is a good time for a note to all of you. I am hoping this finds you all well during this difficult time. Some changes in my life: after living in the house my husband built for us in Hershey 63 years ago, we moved last May! My daughter and son-in-law purchased a home 10 miles north of Hershey for all of us! It is a house with an in-law apartment attached. Since my husband's illness has confined him to a wheelchair; they along with the VA are now able to help me with his care; we have access to each other through a sunroom. We are on a bluff overlooking the Manada Creek that is stocked with trout. it flows to the Susquehanna. We can hear the creek rushing and bubbling along as we step out on our porch/patio and can see Pennsylvania Blue Mountains out our kitchen window. Herons and ducks appear frequently. The house was originally built by a gentleman who had elderly parents with medical issues. It has door widths for wheelchair use, it is all on one floor with ramp access, washer/dryer, skylights and other ADA features including the bathroom with two entries. It's a bit rural and very quiet with lots of critters... deer, squirrels and being a long time birdwatcher we have a large area out west windows with feeders, suet holders and will be putting up hummingbird feeders soon.

Lost your yearbook or need to replace it? Limited yearbooks available. \$50 includes yearbook and postage. Email msojka@pinkertonacademy.org.

We are near Penn National Race Track and there are many horses- I guess boarded- in the fields near up. Home lots are at least one acre or more. It's quite different from downtown Hershey which has changed considerably in the past 50 or so years. Although the factory built in the early 1900's is no more, Mr. Hershey's legacy remains in the form of *"The Hershey Story"* museum along with Hershey Park that is open with the exception of January through mid- April. There are still about 4 to 5 million tourists a year as Hershey entertainment venues sometimes host 30,000 in one night to see "concert and popular groups" You learn to avoid the tourists through the years, but it is nice to be a bit out of town in a quiet rural setting. The other large employer in Hershey is the Milton S. Hershey Medical Center which just added a Children's Cancer wing. I am trying to keep active in my (gulp) 85th year. Chair yoga and aquatics twice a week (my 25th year with the same group)! New house means lots of gardening starting this spring. Have reluctantly given up ushering at the theatre, but I can't keep stumbling around in the semi-darkness as I broke three bones in my ankle last year. Also I belong to a book club to keep my mind awake! Last Christmas I tried unsuccessfully to reach a few classmates but your moves and numbers have changed over the years. I still have happily chatted with a few of you still in the Derry area. I hope some of you will find time to send something to the Class of 1952 space in the Alumnus! Hugs and happiness to all, Arlene Fisher

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With regret I have to report the passing of classmate and friend Phyllis Verge Bergeron, who lost her battle with Guillain-Barre Syndrome. Heartfelt thoughts to Raymond Bergeron, classmate, friend and husband of Phyllis. Much Sympathy to your family.

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Correspondent Needed

December 14, 2019 I received a call from David Moulton '54. The fall issue of the *Alumnus* had no entry for his class of 1954. He called me (Telly Wells) to ask of Ken Whitney and Alicia Goodchild '54 correspondents. I updated Dave and we spent an enjoyable conversation of our escapades over the years. Dave grew up "on the farm" at Kendall Pond Rd, Londonderry that his family owned. Thus he grew up with many of our Londonderry classmates; The Macks, The Plumbers, The Hicks etc. He migrated west over the years via Vermont, New York and eventually Utah. He currently lives in a condo, The Osgood's (the entertainers) parents built for their kids "back when." Interesting. Phone number lost in deletion process. Sorry! Dave said he, like most of us, has his ailments, aches and pains, but continues to wake up breathing, which is good. *Telly Wells*

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Classmates & Friends,

Spring has sprung! Phlox and tulips are in blossom etc. Hope this finds you in good health and spirits. Kind of difficult being quarantined in the house all the time, but we do what we need to do to stay healthy especially at our ages, can't be too careful!! First of all. I have a new e-mail, which is: paulinedelliottó1@gmail.com. Please correct the old one.

We have been working on our 65th reunion, which you should have received our letter by now.

As stated in the letter, September 24th is a *tentative* date at (Fratello's Ristorante Italiano, Manchester NH) until the end of July when we will reassess the situation and between you and us will

decide whether to go ahead or wait until better times, possibly next year. Enclosed is a picture of Barbara, Anne, and myself, with Meagan Sojka from Alumni at Pinkerton working on the reunion.

In the Fall I had a very nice visit from Dennis & Margaret Boles. We were returning from a visit to Dennis's brother, Ralph's place in Gilmonton, NH where they had celebrated Dennis & Margaret's 60th Anniversary. Belated congratulations to you guys!!

Then on October 21st, a beautiful Fall day, and in droves Barbara (Ross) Corson and Louie. We had not seen them for a very long time. They had come down to buy craft supplies, get apples at Mack's Orchards and have lunch at the Cracker Barrel. We all enjoyed the visit, but it ended too soon. Always fun catching up.

Our next visit was December 26th. It was David Barry Lannan. We had a good time reminiscing, especially Barry and Al. They go way back. Ice hockey days!!

I also received a note from Anita (Gross) Miller that she wants me to share with you."

Just before travel was closed, I had managed to fly to FL, and went with my son and his wife. I saw their home & farm animals. They have the goats working to clear different areas so no chemicals or gasoline etc. are needed. They are very sweet goats & they do a great job. They have a horse & donkey, turkeys, cat & a huge turtle. They grow citrus and other things. It was wonderful to see & hug them and visit in his Fl. home having left NH 5 years ago. They both are skinny & like warm weather. They also made it possible for me to visit with Priscilla (Cote) Aquino, we had 2 days & an overnight. Pris & I both felt it was like a miracle & it was truly great to reconnect in person. She used to visit me at my camp in Hampstead until I no longer returned to my precious little camp. Too much for me these days to do the trip and the stairs. I am content and happy in my home and with my wonderful memories. Of course, I miss NH & old friends, but am so grateful for all I had growing up in NH, when we were young. They'll always stay in my heart. And you all were some of the finest people I've ever known, & I have met & known a lot. Thanks for the history and memories, all of you. With much love and appreciation always. Anita

Well, Anita, that was a wonderful caring note to all our classmates. I am sure they have the same wonderful memories. Those were wonderful years for all of us.

Well, friends, I believe that is all I have for now. We hope you think about the reunion and weigh all your options. Our health and safety are very important to all of us at this time of our lives. We also have a lot to think about. Will be checking in with you in July!

Please return the questioners ASAP. Please remember! Everyday is a Gift! *Anne, Barbara & Pauline*



Picture of Barbara, Anne, and myself, with Meagan Sojka from Alumni at Pinkerton working on the reunion for the Class of 1955.

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Hello Classmates:

I am writing this report on April 10th. You should be reading this sometime in June. I would hope that the current pandemic will be over at this time. When I wake up every morning, I think this has all been a bad dream. Our record for no classmate news is unbroken.

Sad to report that Naomi Milne Allen, wife of Powell Allen passed away in Dec 2019. Our yearbook referred to her as *"Pinky."* Do not know if she approved of that or not. She leaves three children, four grandchildren and three great-children. Our condolences to the Allen and Milne families.

On April 6,2020 Jean Dutra Davis, wife of George Davis passed away. She was in the Class of 1957. Our condolences to the Davis and Dutra family. The name of Dutra brings back many family names of my old neighborhood of Highland Ave, McGregor St and Pleasant St. I lived at 12 1/2 Highland Ave from 1939 to 1953.

These are some of the family names of the neighborhood I think you might remember. Sheldon, Shiner, (Bill) O'Hara (John & Bill's Diner), Worster, Thompson, Preston, Boyce, Sargent, Oikle, Boucher, Parshley, Buckley, Mannarini, Thibeault, Hepworth, Gratton.

I have been traveling to Florida every March for many years. As luck would have it, I decided last Fall to cancel the trip. Missed golfing there. Golf courses are closed here, miss the outdoors. Still able to ride my bike, two wheeler, not three wheeler.

In a recent telephone conversation with Gretchen Conner Hicks, I learned that Marlene Gallien, who now lives in Northern Vermont, had a minor stroke and is now recuperating nicely. Gretchen reports that her son, Dan Hicks Jr. has many obstacles ahead of him in operating their Sunnycrest Farms due to COVID-19. Hope by the time the *Alumnus* reaches you I will have purchased strawberries there for a big strawberry shortcake.

I decided to check our classmates for nicknames in our yearbook. These are some I picked out. See if you can match them with a name, if not, check your yearbook. Mush, Buddy, Gret, Emig, Stretch, Skippy, Beacon Ears, Cracker, Lanie, Red, Kitty, Sam, Frogie, Brownie, Moo, Mole, Renie, Bunsy, Shorty, Cappy, Irish Mutsie, Bobbie.

Received this message from our President, John Goyette: Dear Classmates:

As I write this message the COVID-19 pandemic is creating havoc throughout the United States and the world. Our advanced age makes us extremely vulnerable. I am confident that you are all taking this threat as seriously as I am, and that you and your loved ones are healthy and safe. We owe so much to our front line health care workers who are risking their lives each day. And we extend our deepest sympathy to those who have lost family and friends. By the time you read this message we will know more about where this terrible virus is going.

Looking ahead, the year 2021 will mark 65 years from when we marched down Pinkerton's front steps for the last time. It's our reunion year! By then we may even have a vaccine. With that in mind we are starting to think about the particulars of date, time and place. Consistent with past successes we are focused on August or early September, 2021. Early afternoon is a good time so none of us has to think about night driving. If we are lucky we may find a nice hospitality location not far from Pinkerton. Any suggestions? You can share them with committee members Marsha, Bev, Gretchen, Bob, Ed and me (John). Any and all classmates are welcome at committee meetings. Just ask a committee member about the dates. Please stay healthy and safe. *John*

As I write this report, I have just learned that Bob and Janet Horsfall Bettez just returned from Ft. Meyers, Florida. There were only six passengers on the plane from Baltimore to Manchester. They will need to self-quarantine for 14 days. I may have to report in the next *Alumnus* that Bob & Janet filed for divorce after 64 years of Marriage.

Sad to report that Judy Feinauer True Hamer, Class of 1957, passed away. She was formerly married to our classmate Richard True. She was a sister to our classmate Harvey Feinauer. Judy was predeceased by her husband Channing Hamer, Class of 1948. Our condolences go out to their families.

I have submitted a picture of John Goyette with snowcovered Mt. Hood, Oregon in the background. Not sure it will be published. I think the picture would have been more interesting with John on the Summit.

I think I am going to award a prize for the first classmate to send me any information. Probably it would not work. *Ed*



Class of 1956 John Goyette with snow-covered Mt. Hood, Oregon in the background.

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Correspondent Needed

George D. Madden, 78, of Derry, NH, died Thursday January 16, 2020 in the Community Hospice House in Merrimack, NH. He was born in Derry on January 29, 1941, a son of the late Daniel and Ruth (Gagne) Madden, and had been a resident of Derry and Londonderry, NH for most of his life. George was the owner and operator of Madden Appraisal Services in Derry for more than 50 years. He had been a member and served as Past President of the Kiwanis Club of Derry. George and his wife were fortunate enough to travel extensively in their RV, and at many times traveling with good friends. One of George's favorite things was to be out in the woods chopping trees for firewood. He also enjoyed woodworking. He is survived by his wife of 58 years, Patricia (Olesen) Madden of Derry; three daughters, Lisa J. Madden and Rich Russell of Wilmot Flat, NH, Lori Whiter and Lonnie Nelson of Bedford, NH, and Denise Madden-Maxwell and her husband Matthew Maxwell of Derry; one son, Patrick Madden and his wife Martine of Candia, NH. George was affectionately known as Tappy by his six grandchildren, PJ Comeau, Steven Whiter, Meghan Whiter, Nicole Madden, Christopher Madden, and Stanley Rayno; seven great grandchildren; his sister, Nancy Brady of Ireland; his sister-in-law, M. Jean Prinzo; as well as aunts, several nieces, nephews and cousins.

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Our vacation from hell... We traveled by car to N.H. We were going to be in N.H. for 2 weeks. We attended the class reunion, but 5 days later my husband Dick was in the hospital having an operation on his leg. He had cellulitis on his right leg plus an aneurysm behind his knee. He was in the hospital for 12 days and 20 days in rehab. We were planning to go home right before Thanksgiving, but I fell and broke my leg. I was in the hospital for 6 days and rehab for 20 days. Our 2 week visit resulted in spending 3 ½ months in N.H. We finally got home on January 7, 2019. So you can see we will not be traveling anymore. Upon getting home, Dick had open heart surgery to replace a valve and I broke my left arm. So be careful, don't fall our bones are old.

Happy New Year to all my Classmates...

Love, Sandy (Manny) Lessard

Robert M. Schanck, 80 of Auburn, NH died Tuesday, October 29, 2019 at his home surrounded by his loving family. Bob was born in Hackensack, NJ on December 23, 1938, a son of the late William Henry Schanck and Mabel (Macleod) Schanck. Shortly after graduating high school he served with the US Air Force. He went on to work at Sanders Company in Derry, NH and then moved to Digital Equipment Corp in Salem, NH (which in turn became Hewlett-Packard Corporation) where he retired as a Logistics Manager. Bob owned a 1936 Buick which he loved to drive and display at car shows. His car was consistently voted best in show. He is survived by his wife of 33 years, Suzanne M.T. (Gosselin) Schanck of Auburn, 4 children, Jason Knight and his wife Heather of Londonderry, Derek Knight and his wife Julie of Epping, NH, Denise Gay Dexter of Derry, and Martha Wassell and her husband Michael of Greenland, NH, seven grandchildren, Kyle Knight, Troy Knight, Cayden Knight, Colby Knight, Randy Schanck, Jordan Webster and Brendan Webster, two siblings, Bill Schanck and his wife Barbara of South Carolina, and Maryellen Harms and her husband Kirk of Tennesee, his son-inlaw, Gary Webster, as well as several nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his sister, Anne L. Myers.

Carol E. (Eustis) Kimball of Quincy passed away on Wednesday, June 26, 2019 at age 79. Raised and educated in Chester, NH, she lived in Quincy since 1958. A graduate of Pinkerton Academy in Derry, NH and Quincy School of Nursing, Carol worked as a registered nurse at Quincy Hospital for many years before retiring. The daughter of the late James and Gertrude Eustis, she was the beloved wife of Harold D. Kimball; loving step-mother of Harold David Kimball of Albuquerque, NM and Suzanne Perry and her husband Thomas of Londonderry, NH and their daughter Sydney; beloved sister of Sarah E. Pierce and her husband Ronald of Bridgewater, VA; sister-in-law of Helen Mina of Quincy; aunt of Valerie Pierce and her husband Michael Stortz of San Francisco, Vickie St. Hilaire and her husband Mark of Chester, NH; Jacqueline Mina and Helen Mina; great-aunt of Tyler St. Hilaire and Toni Elizabeth Mina. As a classmate at Pinkerton, Carol was on the Critic Staff, an honor student, enjoyed softball and was awarded the "George Bingham Latin Prize" I got to know Carol when she asked me to buy her lunches when she learned I had been assigned cafeteria duty by Coach Root, each noon I opened the flip doors to the cafeteria food and had to watch for five finger discounts, (I was the bouncer, but don't remember bouncing anybody) it gave me a chance to greet classmates and was fun. She wrote on a picture she gave me, "wouldn't it be nice if all the letterman bought lunches for the kids in the library 4th period." I enjoyed buying your lunches each noon Carol. As we have been challenged by the Coronavirus Chapter of our lives, I hope everyone stays safe, healthy and brave. Chapters in our life's are often unexpected, no matter what our fate, lingering memories of friends of old give us courage. Wayne Ross

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Hello classmates, my best wishes to you all. The world is in a place that we have never seen before; let us hope that we will never see that place again. I hope that you are safe and healthy. My thoughts and prayers go out to all of the people that fought to keep so many alive and to those families that have lost loved ones during this crisis.

I am sorry that there was no class news in the last *Alumnus*. The email to all class correspondents requesting news went directly into my spam folder. I was not aware of that issue until it appeared in my USPS mailbox much to my surprise and dismay.

"Dear Classmates, this past summer (September 7, 2019) we celebrated our 60th reunion. It was well attended, and everyone had a very enjoyable afternoon. I wish I could have had more time to share with all of you and I hope you all had a fun day; I know I did. I would like to thank all of you that attended and made the day a success. A special thanks to Dick West and Joe Plaza for all the work they did putting the reunion together. A very special thanks to Dick and Ann West for hosting a cookout at their home the following Sunday. Much sharing and story telling and food was enjoyed by all. We have had 12 reunions; let's make our next, the 65 th the best yet. Hope to see all of you in five years." Your Classmate, *Roger Beliveau*

Roger, you have been the perfect leader for us during our years at the Academy and since then. Thank you for your leadership and kindness over the last 60+ years; you are the best! Thank you, Barbara, for all your support over the years.

I am saddened to notify you of the passing of Vellma Ann Allen on November 4, 2019. The members of the class of 1959 extend their thoughts and prayers to Ann's family.

"I apologize for not having written to you sooner but, the winter got away from me with the loss of my brother (Richard '62) and the projects I had lined up. I guess that's a good thing since the perennials have already broken ground, and with enough property around me that always needs maintenance (tree pruning, cleaning up winter damage, etc.) I spend a lot of time outdoors on good days.

We recently received a nice sympathy card from Connie Sutton Bell. Agnes and I enjoyed her company at the reunion. In fact, it was a real pleasure to see everyone again.

The Corvair is almost ready to hit the road again, with a few minor upgrades having been completed over the recent months. Right now, however, it's difficult to anticipate how many summer plans will come to fruition; nevertheless, we'll remain optimistic that COVID-19 will run its course and be gone soon." Be safe, and best wishes to all, *Robert Brown*

Thank you, Bob, for your update. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family over the loss of your brother, Richard.

"Hi Dick, this is Joe Plaza. Norma and I have been down in Largo, Florida since late September, and will be returning to NH in May. Also down here, south of us in Palmetto are the Klein's, Bob and Yolande.

Neither the Klein's nor the Plaza's made it to the Florida PA reunion held in Orlando this year. The Klein's, because Yolande broke her wrist and was awaiting surgery and Norma and I had our daughter and two of our grandchildren visiting us on that particular day. Norma and I are planning another trip to Europe this July (a Viking river cruise from Paris to Normandy). However, the way things are looking now with the Coronavirus spreading, we both feel the cruise may be canceled. We are now located (May-Oct 8) at Cozy Pond Campground in Webster, NH.

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This coming October, during Mental Illness Awareness Week,

our organization, **Reach 1 Teach 1 Love 1**, will be partnering with the Jason Flood Memorial Foundation and will be planting a *"Reach for Hope"* Garden, which will consist of 1000-1500 yellow tulips on the Pinkerton Academy campus. In May, 2021 *(Mental Health Awareness Month)*, we will hold a dedication event when the flowers are in full bloom.

To help raise funds and continue with our community projects and teen outreach, we are holding a Virtual 5K during the month of September, 2020, for National Suicide Prevention Month.

Mental health support is of the essence right now, and we work diligently to be a light in the darkness. www.reach1teach1love1.org/reach-1-mile-at-a-time-virtual-5k

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MESSAGE FROM THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION President

BY JOHN BREDA, CLASS OF 1996

Greetings fellow alumni,

The start of 2020 has posed many challenges for us all. We could not have anticipated our personal and professional lives becoming upended along with other recent events causing us to examine and standup for our beliefs. As many of our beliefs were cultivated during our time at Pinkerton, I encourage everyone to actively embrace Pinkerton's motto of *"Courtesy, Respect and Responsibility"* as we navigate these times and aspire to have our voices heard.

Recognizing the changing times, the Alumni Association works to foster a spirit of loyalty amongst the Pinkerton community, to develop school spirit based on history and traditions and to unite alumni. The Executive Board is looking for new ways beyond some of our regular activities that we can potentially support those who walked the halls and grounds of the Academy, so please reach out with ideas you may have. In closing, I would like to thank Ron Gagnon for his leadership during his tenure as president; the rest of the executive board and I are excited to continue representing you. I wish you all a safe and healthy second half of 2020.

Respectfully,

John Breda Jr., *Pinkerton Class of 1996, President of the New Hampshire Alumni Association of Pinkerton Academy*



John Breda '96

Our mailing address is PO Box 592, Contoocook, NH 03229. We are having a mild but inconsistent winter this year in Florida. Looking forward to be back to the mountains and streams (for trout fishing) in NH and seeing some of my PA 59 classmates. Best wishes and great health to all." *Joe and Norma Plaza*.

Joe, thank you for writing; probably by the time this is published you will be back in NH and will have fished every waterway close to you.

"Hi Dick, I sold my home in Utah last November. I bought a home in Ellsworth, ME. It is an old (1901) home needing restoration. In spite of working on it since May of 2019, it will not be ready for me until May/June of this year. My 'Golden Years' were spent raising a new generation (a 2-year-old girl and 3-year-old boy) in 2003. Last year they turned 18 and 19. It was a labor of love but drastically limited my time for family and friends. For some time I have longed to return 'home'. Maine is a little out of the way, but my son, Mark (Tsetsilas) encouraged me to move to the Bar Harbor/Acadia area. He is currently managing the restoration of the Maine home. I hope to be able to spend time in NH, as well. My brother, Ed (class of 64) and wife Jo Ann live in Portsmouth. My second son, David (Tsetsilas), lives in Suffolk VA., retired from the Coast Guard, and is currently working for Department of Navy. My daughter, Patricia, spouse, Steve and daughter, Cassandra, are in North Port, FL, so I can always escape the Maine winters by visiting them. My best to everyone. Hope to see you soon." Susanne Beauregard

Sue, so good to hear from you, and welcome back to the right coast of the USA.

"Dick, it's true, I haven't been keeping up. My wife of 53 years passed away almost three years ago. I have since met someone (Linda) and we were married a couple weeks ago. I sold my house and bought a new one in the same neighborhood. We live in an over 55 community, so we engage in a lot of old folks' type activities; golf and wine tasting for example. We also work as volunteers in a 5000-acre Portland city wilderness park doing trail maintenance and habitat renewal projects. That helps keep us "young," and we have made many wonderful friends out there in rain and mud.

Happy trails to everyone." Al McSwain

Al, sorry to hear about your wife's passing, but happy to hear you have remarried. Thank you for keeping in touch.

"Hi Dick, first I would like to thank you and your wife for a wonderful time at the cookout after the 60th class reunion. I enjoyed the tour of Hampshire Hall. As I am writing to you, we are in the midst of the Coronavirus lockdown, and I'm stuck in Florida. Things could be worse.

Take care and stay healthy." *Roger Drouin*

Thank you, Roger, for the update on your contact information. I hope that you have made it back to Maine. Stay safe.

"Hi Dick, all is well here in southern AZ. The temps have finally got back into the low 80's these last few days. We would be quite content if not for the damned lockdown. Hoping this note finds you and your family safe and well." *Don Carey*

Don, thank you for the email address. Let us all hope that the COVID-19 pandemic will soon be behind us.

Warren Doersam sends good wishes to all his classmates. If any of you have contact information for Anita Garrett

Handren, Patricia Moro Helta, or John Sullivan, please contact Roger or me. Thank you.

We hope that your memories of the class of 1959 are good ones, and we want to hear how you are today. Each of you is an important part of our class. Please "keep in touch."

If you are in the Contoocook area, please stop by. We would love to see you. Thank you all! Stay well.

Dick West



Class of 1959 was taken at the 60th reunion. From left to right, seated, Jean Ryan Plocharczyk, Carolyn Fullerton Stamey, Jean Manning Minichiello, Constance Sutton Bell, Shirly Reimer Watts, Joyce Travers Morin, and Thelma Eaton Furr. From left to right, standing, Lester Donovan, Cynthia Boisse Donovan, Caroline Ells Amazeen, Robert Garland, Joseph Plaza, Frank Wise, Roger Beliveau, Kenneth McCann, Sara DePalmenary Edwards, Roger Drouin, Jeanne Menard Hicks, Laura Reed Roy, Margaret Olesen Moser, Raymond Vercoe, Jacqueline Keith Hepworth, Robert Brown, Cynthia Sawyer Hansen, Robert Hilliard, Janet Ryan Peabody, and Richard West.

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Hello Class of 1960:

I understand that it is time for me to get busy. So much has happened this year. First of all, I received a lot of cards this year in the mail and several from Facebook. The ones I received in the mail were from the following Classmates: Yolande Ruel Klein, Wayne Hatch, Judy Zirpolo Ross, Yvette Morrissette Prinideville, Ronald Bettez, Douglas Raybeck, Kenny Chase, Alex Tsetsilas, Dotty Pinard Batchelder, Eva Flood, Ronald Yanuszewski, Rosalie Kevlik O'Connell, Patricia Warren, Albert Lake, Donna Watts Echels, Rena Butterfield Bourassa Kenny Strino, Carole Byron Richardson. Thank you very much as I look forward to getting updates on your lives.

Secondly, there are numerous passings in our class. There have been 27 deaths since we left Pinkerton. They are the following: Kathy Atkins, Stephan Ashland, Jean Barton, Molly Charette, Donald Crooker, Alana Cuningham, Anne Hanscom, Peter Holbrook, Morris Ketchum, Albert Levesque, Delore Linsky, Ernest Nichols, Anthony Palladino, Raigh Paradis, Stuart Peterson, Ronald Rioux, Betty Jean Ross, Michael Rutter, Dottie Ryan, David Saunders, Margaret Smart, Patricia Sosnowski, Richard Stapleford, Ernest Warren, Rosemary Warren, Frank Watson, and Roger Woodward. I was also informed lately on the passing of Marie Rioux and Custode Stella. I have not heard any verification on the last 2 and also had a request not to post the passing of another Classmate, which I am honoring.

Thirdly, the Reunion Committee has informed me the Class Reunion has been postponed until next year. The uncertainty of the coronavirus necessitated this decision. The Committee is looking forward to seeing you next year at our 60 + 1 Class Reunion. Stay well and be safe.

As for me, I have been busy with hobbies, genealogy, and starting to work in the yard of our house in Rochester, NH and trying to see my great grandkids.

One more thing is that I spoke with a person by the name of Tricia Kurtz Korkosz as she was having a Fundraiser for the Pinkerton Vex Robotics Club. They are selling Jelly Belly Jelly Beans. The price was \$2.00 for 2 oz. package or \$24.00 for a box of 12 packages. I bought 2 boxes and last I knew she had 200 boxes left. She was on the Pinkerton Facebook Page. There were many ways to pay and I told her that I would give her a shout out. Her sons are on the team and were having a hard time getting the word out because of the isolation.

I don't have much else to say except that a lot of our classmates do not contact me. I know that they are still around as their Christmas cards do not come back. I did get 2 returned as they could not deliver them to the address we have. They are Brendalee Sanborn Wentworth and Sharon Tenney Watts. If you know where or the status of them, please let us know. Thank you.

Until the next time, which will be in the Fall or early Winter, I remain your class co-correspondent, classmate and friend.

Keep safe and healthy, Natalie Shripsa Fuller

Hello Classmates, hoping this finds you and your family healthy and COVID-19 free. This virus has consumed the country, News Media, and our lives. Hopefully, with fingers crossed, it will be behind us by the time you're reading this.

Our 60th class reunion is coming up this year, and the decision has been made to hold it in 2021. Our class reunion committee has done such a great job over the years putting it together over the past.

I want to remember, honor and acknowledge two members on the committee that have passed over, Marie Rioux Pollack and Custode "Gus" Stella. Their bright spirits, and what they have provided leaves a huge void.

I invite and encourage you to call Dottie Pinard Batchelder or Yolande Ruel Klein and volunteer your time to be a part of the next reunion. Let's keep our reunions going, and add something new to celebrate our class spirit. I have volunteered to help.

This past year, we spent 2 months in Ft. Myers, Florida and headed to Texas in January. Our motor coach (RV) is our choice of traveling and seeing the country. We were in New Orleans, LA and Hill Country Texas, and spent time there with friends. Mild winters, warm days and cool nights. We had plans of heading west visiting our National Parks, but headed back to New Hampshire in March as the virus was affecting travel plans.

Being cooped up for the past 6 weeks can be challenging, I have been making masks to donate to our local hospitals and friends. Finishing projects and creating quilts, table runners.

As always, I encourage you to write, call, E-mail or text Natalie and give us a glimpse of what you're doing, have done or sharing what is happening with you and your family. Do it now, as you're reading this! I need something to share with you, instead of talking about myself!!

Until our next alumni newsletter, be safe, healthy and be in contact, we'd love to hear from you.

Love, Gail Waterhouse Merrill

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Our wonderful classmate Joan Lavoie Duclos, the person who keeps us all in touch, had put out a request to classmates to contact us with updates on "where you are...and what you are doing."

In response, I received a call from Douglas Lund (tel. 770-2000) saying he is living in West Virginia (near his daughter) and is thinking of moving to Texas. Doug updated me on his many years of employment, traveling many miles a year, working on utility lines. At one point he was injured falling under an elevator in Newport News, Virginia.

It's time for our winter retreating classmates to return to New Hampshire! Due to the coronavirus, we are not sure when we will

be able to resume our monthly class lunches.

I do receive daily phone calls from Althea Davis Lyons, who has settled into a retirement home near her niece. Althea still has the same phone number; her address is 3191 Aster Dr., Apt 203, Prescott, AZ 86305. She would love to hear from you.

I also had a couple of long distance telephone conversations with Alan Partington. He and Connie are living in Athens, Tennessee. They are both doing okay health wise. They had come to Derry two years ago, but we didn't get to see them. I told him to get in touch if they come up this way again.

All for now, please let me know how you are doing.

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With the current situation RE: COVID, I hope this column finds you all well and safe-particularly WELL !!! I don't know how things are in other parts of the country, but here in NH the governor closed all bars and restaurants at midnight of 14 March and issued a "stay at home" order to all. That means not going out except for groceries and medicines and other really important stuff, and if you can work from home, you are!! Those returning from Florida are supposed to put themselves in voluntary 14-day quarantine and take their temps morning and night for the 14 days, but I know some people who think the rules are not for them...I refer to them as "Typhoid Mary". If you don't recall who Typhoid Mary was-she was a woman who had no symptoms herself but carried the disease and infected others with typhoid fever during a pandemic many years ago. Some local grocery stores have instituted "Senior shopping hours"-I got up once at 0530 to go shopping at 0600-won't do that again. The good part was there were hardly any other shoppers; the bad part was lots of empty shelves to include fresh veggies-which was what I really wanted. The Governor also banned the use of re-usable shopping bags–my biggest gripe about the current situation is the hundreds of single use plastic bags I now get every time I go shopping!!! They put four items in a bag and go to another one!!! Arghhhhh!!! Waiting to see what May 4 brings: will other stores start opening, will the "stay at home" order be continued, and can we go back to re-usable shopping bags???

It is my sad duty to inform you of the death of Richard "Brownie" Brown-his brother called me.

Unfortunately, it was just after my surgery in January and I didn't have access to paper, so all I can tell you is that he served in the Coast Guard and lived in Nashua.

I had (right) knee replacement surgery in January and then did PT. Things went really well–I gained my total freedom (meaning I could drive) just in time for the lock-down to take effect!! Other than the fact that I'm going slightly stir crazy, Charles and I are well. We're doing a LOT of reading, and manage to not turn on the TV until time for *"Wheel of Fortune"* at night.

Received an e-mail from Jim Hall jim@oursunnydays.com – actually, we've been "talking" back and forth since just about the time the fertilizer hit the ventilator in March!! Part of one of his notes follows–we had been discussing how people were being really foolish–example: instead of buying a single 12-pack of toilet paper, buying 2 or 3 12-packs of TP, so there was none left on the shelves for others...

"Dear Sue, Jan has a story about the TP Trek. We were down to our last few rolls and a regularly scheduled trip to Costco was in store. She found NO toilet paper in the store but evidence of where it should have been. Asking a Costco clerk who looked quite important standing guard over a vacant spot of floor where the toilet paper might have been, Jan was told that there was some on the way. Jan walked back to her cart just on time for a pallet of the precious stuff to be dropped next to her. She took a pack and turned to her cart to see an onslaught of frenzied cart pushes roaring toward her. She weaved her way through them in the opposite direction with our invaluable cargo, as she rounded the corner of the aisle she looked over her shoulder to see that the pile of paper had been picked to the pallet staves!" (Jim included a link to a video on how to get by with a single sheet of TP that had me in stitches, but I hesitate to include it because it might gross some people out!!)

"I've been workin' at a no-brainer, haulin' medical specimens for Quest Diagnostics. Right now I am on FMLA as Jan fell and broke her leg at the knee last Thursday. I guess surreptitiously I'll be experiencing a "kind of knee replacement" for the next 6 weeks or so. No crawlin' in the garden or crawlin' on the floor with our great-grand-daughter for her 8 to 12 weeks. Not gonna hurt my feelin's, love bein' with my lady....

"Okay, about this 60th thing..... ! I am up for helping with the "Thing" in ANY way that I can. My wife, Jan took on putting together her class "reunion" albeit they are not really reunions so much as get-togethers as the numbers have so dwindled that there are barely 30 for any year.....We were 114....We know that's not the present number

"I might picture something in or near Derry that is Small, Slow, and Easy. Guessin' Best Western Conference Center (pretty good little venue) Next to the Backyard Brewery (the whole of it at the old junk yard). Nine miles from PA-straight shot-down Mammoth Road-almost. Maybe arrange for all, a tour of PA with a lunch in a "cafeteria" we never really had. Might think of scheduling such a get-together around an event at PA. Not thinkin' to reinvent the wheel

"Hey! Well-'nuff said. Chat later. Semper fi, Jim"

So that brings up the question of "DO WE WANT TO HAVE A 60TH REUNION IN 2022??? Our 50th was held at Pinkerton– they have really expanded the grounds as we knew it–the reunion was quite nice, held in one of the new buildings, with a dinner that was very good. Our last reunion included a tour of the school– remember when we were there? The Saltmarsh Building was brand new!!! Please let me know so we can start working on it. If we do a 60th, I would appreciate volunteers to help with it– I can't do it alone.

One other thing, people. Please be very careful and don't fall victim to any of the many scams out there. There are many scams promising cures for COVID, etc., so be very careful. The latest seems to be an e-mail from an individual claiming to have made a video of you "enjoying" yourself on "adult" web sites. I had this happen a couple of months ago. The e-mail claimed (among other things) that unless I sent him \$2,500 in bitcoin within 72 hours (what's a bitcoin??) he was going to release this video and destroy my reputation. You don't pay blackmail–I deleted the e-mail without responding, and–as far as I know–nothing happened. But then again–since I don't do social media, I wouldn't know, would I?? So please be careful folks. If you don't recognize the sender, don't open it, and definitely DO NOT click on any links they send. Be careful, be safe, and be well my Friends. *Sue*

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Joanna Myette Wentworth 492 Patterson Hill Road, Henniker, NH 03242 joannawentworth1946@gmail.com Richard Pounder 4 Concord Way, Dover, NH 03820 • rpounder46@gmail.com Unfortunately we have lost more of our classmates since the last *Alumnus* was published. Viola Dorr Benoit, Donna Howard, Linda Patnaude Donovan and Roline "Sister" Newcomb have all passed away. May they rest in peace and our sympathy goes out to all of their families.

On the bright it was great to get news from Bob MacDougall, Cathie Smith Keenan and Marion Dutra.

Hello to the class of '64. I am doing good up here in Portland, Maine. Not going out much as we are under a "stay at home order" from the state of Maine. I have had a good life so I can't complain if something happens. I do not get down to Derry N.H. much these days but I still own a home in Derry. I hope everyone is staying safe and will get through these trying times. This is definitely changing peoples lives and hopefully things will get back to some kind of normalcy soon. God Bless, *Bob MacDougall*

Thank you for your information and for keeping us together as a class. I appreciate it.

We were such innocents when back at Pinkerton and on the cusp of adulthood. Viet Nam at our door, the Sixties, many wars and changes since then. We were fortunate, I think, to be a small group, a community even though the shyness and natural bravado of adolescence kept us somewhat apart. I feel grateful for our time together.

My husband Clarke and I are sheltered in place in California with hopes to return home to the east. We're retired, of course, me from a career as a social worker, therapist in community mental health. No children, but we're close to siblings and great nieces and nephews scattered throughout the country. We pray for all of our classmates and families in these times. With love, *Cathie Smith Keenan*

Rich, you asked for news and thought I'd share events of the past year. It has been quite a year.

Last year in early March the Russian River which is about a quarter of a mile from my home flooded and crossed the main east west road. This stranded those of us on the hill beyond stranded with no exit. Not a big problem but the utility cut off the gas. Which for me meant no hot water, heat, or stove for 3 days. Now I must admit it was fun watching boats go up the road and thankfully we have mild temperatures. But I was thrilled to see the utility men late in the evening arrive to turn the gas back on. It was tragic over the next few weeks seeing piles of debris along the roads closer to the river piled by the residents who weren't as fortunate as I.

Then there was late October, just two years after the Tubbs Fire came within 8 miles of my home. Again the fires came. About 3 days after the fire started I realized it was getting closer and all day we received emergency alerts. I slowly started packing my car. Around 3 pm they evacuated the towns just north of me. I knew we'd be next so finished packing, grabbed my dog, and at 5 we got the order to leave. I drove to San Francisco to stay with a friend. Three days later the fire departments from all over the west made a stand and stopped the fire about 5 miles from my home. I was lucky. I don't know if you have ever seen the wilderness fire trucks that are used to battle wild fires. These are not the glistening beauties we see in front of fire stations. They came in all shades of red, lime green, and yellow and look like a cross between an armored vehicle and a fire truck. For several days after I got home we'd see them along the roads, truly a lovely sight.

And now it was March again, no flood this year but a deadly virus. I'm in my fifth week of staying home and luckily I'm healthy and I have a big garden so I have lots to do but I do lose track of the days. Also look forward to our neighborhood social distancing cocktail hours and howling at 8 pm. Actually I don't join in the howling but do enjoy listening to them.

Hope you and all the rest of my former classmates are staying well and look forward to the future when a cure is found for this horrible disease. Best regards, *Marion Dutra* This is certainly a strange time we are living through, probably not something any of us expected we'd see.

Hopefully we will all stay safe and well. We would like to hear from some of you that we have not heard from in the past. Keep those emails coming.

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Greetings Class of '65,

Information that missed the 2018 Alumnus printing.

Patsy (Roberts) Wood passed away at home on August 17, 2018. Patsy's great sense of humor and quick wit will be missed. She loved singing on the porch with her family and friends and enjoyed all sorts of crafts. Shannon Feeney passed away at home on October 7, 2018. Shannon had earned an associate's degree from NH Technical College and he proudly served in the U.S. Marine Corps and U.S, Coast Guard. He worked for the U.S. Post Office from 1986 until his retirement in 2005. Shannon loved the outdoors, especially fishing.

Moving on to 2020

Linda (Pelletier) & Gary Greenwood are enjoying the retired life in Dalton, NH. They love living in this beautiful small town in northern NH where they can enjoy snowmobiling in the winter. Linda has joined a quilting group and feels she has enough quilting material to open her own store. Linda also works part time for the town.

John (Maddog) Madden–I'm in Litchfield, NH and Wells, Maine with my wife Susan (Tewksbury) Madden (Class of '71). We have four daughters and eight grandchildren, number eight Everly was born in January. We just completed a vacation in the Bahamas in February and normally go to Florida for a week in the winter. We still love NH and all our children live within 10 minutes from us. I retired from the Post Office after 35 years and was in the Coast Guard Reserves. We love our home in Maine and visiting Maine's small coastal towns.

Gayle (Emerson) Gagnon–Ron retired from the Town of Derry Fire Dept. back in 1998. We lived in Florida for almost seven years then moved back to Londonderry to be near his daughters and our new granddaughter. Now we have four girls in College and the youngest girl is a Junior at Pinkerton. They sure grow up fast. Ron will be finishing up his six year term as President of the Pinkerton Alumni Board this June. He says it is time for someone younger to take over.

Bill & Judy (Simpson) Newcomb–We quietly celebrated our 50th anniversary on April 18th. They celebrated their special day by ordering "take out." (Maybe their 75th will be a little more spectacular).

Bruce MacLeod–Diane and I are healthy, still in Windham, where only corona comes in 6 packs. I am working part time at a convenience store and Diane is still at Santander Bank. We have many grandchildren from 6 to 29 years old. I still bowl candlepin once a week (not since Covid-19). We spend time at Lake Ossipee in the summer, campground Diane Currier (class of '63) used to own. Not much else to say.

Lance Keith–In June of 2019 my wife and I moved to Missoula, Montana. My son and his wife are Smoke Jumpers based in Missoula with the National Forestry Service. Montana is an incredibly beautiful state with amazing recreation spots and we are loving it here. My daughter and her family live in San Diego so it is much easier to visit with them. I am hoping we have another reunion in the near future.

Elaine (Chase) Heinrich–My husband and I live in Florida on the east coast, Hutchinson Island, 45 minutes north of West Palm. The

virus has not been bad here-we have a low numbers of cases. We are not golfing but we are enjoying the warm weather, walking and other outside activities. We usually would be getting ready in May to drive north to NH for the summer but our children have advised us to stay put given the virus. Not sure how many hotels are still open or if we would even want to stay but we cannot do a "24 hour" drive to get home. Like everyone, we all hope this virus will be over soon and we can continue on with our lives. Not sure life will ever be exactly the same. It's amazing how creative people can be when they are stuck in the house so much. Our 3 children, Eric, Wally & Jennifer and our 7 grandchildren, Haley, Eric Jr, Taylor, Mina, Carter, Lilah & Charlotte, are all well and safe and are taking all the necessary precautions. They all reside in New Hampshire so we get to really enjoy the family when we get home. October 1st we are back in Florida until the holidays. Return again early January for the winter. Like I said "Life is Good". I hope you and all our classmates and families are staving safe as well.

Jim Bolton–Glad to hear that everyone is well. We're good, although social distancing has made things interesting. I had just remarked to my wife, Ellen, that we would be really lost staying at home if we didn't have so many interests/hobbies. We might have gone stir-crazy if the Coronavirus had hit here in December. We ride our two-wheeled long-wheelbase recumbents upward of 3000 miles a year. There is a good selection of 25-35 mile rides in this area, using a lot of back roads, mixing it up almost every day for some variety. We have eighteen 4'x10' wood-enclosed garden beds, and a 10'x10' high tunnel (unheated greenhouse) taking up a good chunk of the backyard. Tending the crops and canning/ freezing/dehydrating the harvested vegetables takes up most of the rest of our time in warmer months. We've been starting seeds next to the woodstove lately, so that tells you a lot. Had a little bit of snow this morning, but tomorrow is supposed to be in the 60's. New England hasn't changed. We lost our daughter to cancer last summer at the age of 46. We held a celebration of life at the pavilion at Stratham Hill Park in August. Lots of friends showed up we/she hadn't seen in years. Amazing the number of friends you have if you take a minute to count them all. We took a couple of all-inclusive trips sponsored by the Portsmouth Senior Center this year. One day trip in July that encompassed a great lunch at a restaurant in Center Harbor and "Chicago" at the Winnipesaukee Playhouse, and another two-day trip in December with an overnight stay at the White Mountain Resort Hotel in North Conway, a lunch at Hart's Turkey Farm, and sightseeing on the way up and back. Nice to let somebody else do the driving. It was fun, although after two million miles driving trucks, I'm not ordinarily in a big hurry to travel. I don't suppose anyone is thinking about a reunion this year with all the sickness, but maybe we could think of doing it next year. The 50th was a lot of fun

Pete Descrocher–Living in Florida full time and heading north for 2-3 weeks a year for now. I still have a house in Londonderry and now in New Port Richey, FL.

Cathy (Feil) Emerson–Good morning "65" and friends. 2020 has not been what I expected. I truly hope the effects of the Pandemic have been minimal for ALL of you. I live in Zephyrhills, Florida and travel home to NH often. Over Christmas quite a few of us girls get together...we are from different PA classes and have remained friends through the years. The summer of 2019 gave us girls many days to meet at the State Park at Hampton Beach NH (Linda Indoccio Collins, Cheryl Myette Soly, Linda (Guinan) Laine, Linda (Boles) Dupre, Jessica Dupre, Karleen Myette Stone, Jeanne Mis..., wouldn't think there would be boogie boarding but there was! Many lunch dates also. The annual PA *Alumnus* Reunion took place over in Orlando at the Dr. Phillips Park on February 23rd (a different date from last year) All the photos are posted on Facebook (Colossal Class of "65" Pinkerton Academy.") The turnout was not as good as years past. Beautiful day and lots of memory sharing. There was going to be a lunch at the Pinkerton Cafe June 13th unsure if this has been postponed. Be safe my friends Life is Good.

Cheryl (Myette) Solo–Hello My Pinkerton Academy Class of '65 Friends! Hard to believe that we are quickly approaching 55 years since we graduated!! So many years gone by so many memories. Hope you are all doing well through these uncertain times with the Covid19 pandemic. Totally have changed our lives forever and will not soon be forgotten. To witness the whole world shutting down is unfathomable! Yet this too shall pass. I quickly realized I was so not ready to retire, so I have returned to hairstyling in Derry a couple of days a week so good to connect with my dear clients/friends. I have also moved to Salem, NH. I too love our girls get togethers for lunch or beach (yes, it is quite the picture watching us "boogie board:) and messaging on Facebook, so great to be able to keep connected!) My brother, Chuck and my sister's Joanna and Karleen and I still remain very close and get together as often as we can with our children and grandchildren.

Barbara Mitchell Hutton–My work continues..... I've been fortunate to travel to Denmark. Iceland and New Zealand in the past five years presenting about educating gifted kids and supporting their families. I'm still Head of School at NOVA Middle School in Olympia. I love that age group. So much potential, questioning, challenging norms, exploring who they are separate from their parents, trying on new ways to be themselves, weird hair and bad jokes. In the few times that a kid gets "in trouble" and comes to my office, I have great compassion having been there once or twice myself. Not one has topped anything I did! Being in education in the time of COVID-19 is tough. So many complex challenges. The work of uplifting teachers, families and kids who are bombarded by fear, anxiety, doubt is tiring work. We will survive. It makes my retirement in two years look ever more appealing. I hope folks are being thoughtful, staying home, washing hands and practicing social distancing. Be well everyone!

Peter Davenport-I so look forward to receiving my quarterly copy of the Alumnus, and am so disappointed when there is nothing for our class, I was delighted to receive a note from Lana, encouraging a few words from "chez" Davenport in Washington State...and moreover, with no limit on the length of commentary! I'm very pleased to be able to share with my Pinkerton classmates a few of my recent activities. My principal "job" remains serving as Director of the National UFO Reporting Center and its associated telephone Hotline, a position I've held since July 1994. However, interesting though the work sometimes can be, it has become a bit of a burden, principally because of prank calls from young callers. I'm saddened to have to report that on a typical day, somewhere between 80% and 95% of the incoming calls to the Hotline are prank calls from misdirected youth, and oftentimes...and sadly... the callers' comments are nothing more than quadruple X-rated profanity! The situation makes me wonder how many parents in our society supervise their children's use of cell phones, and whether they even consider the mischief those youngsters can get into, or cause for others, while out of reach of adult supervision. My, how times have changed since the 1960's, with regard to child rearing! I wish I could be optimistic on that subject! In early April of this year, I experienced a chance meeting with another Pinkerton graduate during a radio talk show on which I was a guest. The second guest was Dennis Stone, a 1972 grad, and retired airline pilot, who was speaking about the history of what we used to know in the '60's as "Mystery Hill," located in Salem, NH. He is the third generation in his family to own the property, and based on what he revealed about the property, I'm now disappointed that I never visited the site while I had the chance. Its history is fascinating, and, according to Dennis, can be traced back at least 4,000 years, his family now believes! The current owners conduct tours, by arrangement, so if anyone from our class decides to visit, feel free to identify yourself as a member of the Class of '65, and please convey my regards to Dennis, should

he turn out to be your guide! I still own a decommissioned ICBM missile site, although I haven't made much progress in building it into a residence. It has been quite an adventure, owning a small piece of the Cold War, although I believe I've had all the fun I'm going to derive from that project, and I suspect I probably will sell the site sometime soon. Consequently, if any of my Pinkerton classmates would like a tour of the "relic," I recommend that they not delay their trip to Harrington, Washington, too long. I close by conveying my greetings to all my Pinkerton classmates, and my gratitude to Lana for her reaching out, in her attempt to put us all back in touch!! I look forward to reading in the next Alumnus what all the rest of you are currently involved with, and hearing whether there might be a 55th Class Reunion later this year! Regards to All.

Jim Low-Marion and I are hunkered down during these very different times. School is now all done remotely so Marion is not able to go in and substitute. She had been subbing on average two days a week; now she's stuck with me. Toughest thing is not being able to see our kids and grandkids in person, we are all 'Zooming' instead. With the virus concerns we cancelled our usual trip to Florida this year. We were able to travel with our family to Orlando and also to Tampa Bay last year. Last fall we went to Nashville to celebrate Marion's birthday. When travel is allowed again, I highly recommend a stay in Nashville, so much to do and the talent is amazing. Spring can't come fast enough for me, dusting off snow today April 18!

Ginny (Hanf) and Ron Sakash–Greetings to our fellow "Class of 65." We still remain New Englanders after leaving Derry/ Hampstead to start our married lives and raising our family in Western Massachusetts. Our son (Mike) and daughter (Jean) have also remained in New England which has allowed us to enjoy our four grandchildren. In 2011 we downsized to a condo in Wells, Maine and, in hindsight, wished we had done it sooner. The climate and environment here are perfect for us. We enjoy the coast and beaches in the warmer weather and travel to the White Mountains in an hour to enjoy the Fall foliage and other winter activities. Our best wishes to all and stay well.

Greg Stevens–My wife Elizabeth and I live with my daughter Heidi in Meredith, NH. We still have our place in Kingfield, ME and try to get up there a couple weekends per month as some of our friends still live in that area.

Tom Buckley–We moved to Sun City Center, FL 13 years ago, partly because one of our daughters and three grandchildren live in St. Pete. We also liked the proximity to Tampa and Sarasota and their events and attractions. Golf and the beaches were important. The accessibility to direct flights to Raleigh and Manchester, where two other daughters and four grandchildren reside was also a factor.

Janice (Rowe) Evely-It was good to hear from you and to know that everyone is well during this pandemic. Who would have thought that all those sci-fi movies about a pandemic would actually come to fruition?? I actually moved to Clearwater, FL in 1982 and although I've had several homes, I've stayed within a five mile radius. I'm now living in a 55+ Mobile Home Community called Doral Village. I have to admit, in the five years I've lived here, I've done more "fun living" than the 20 years I spend living in a Condo. But then again, being retired might have a lot to do with it! I'm active in my community, I'm on the Social Club Board of Directors, enjoy Karaoke, sewing, embroidery, crafts and doing whatever fun things that come up. Before the pandemic, I was working one to two days a week at Walgreens as a cashier. I love the interaction with the customers and working helps to keep the cobwebs from settling in, I say it keeps me young. I tell my boss "when it's not fun anymore, I'm out of here". Last summer, my daughter Faith, son-in-law Tom and I traveled to Newfoundland, Canada to see family. It was the first time in 37 years I had been back. Faith was only 12 years old when we left (we lived there for two years) so it was a great

trip. She got to meet cousins and relatives she never knew and I got acquainted with nieces and nephews that were only babies when we left. It was a fantastic trip, the scenery was incredible, the lobster and seafood was fantastic and reconnecting with family was everything you want reunions to be. I was so glad that we made the trip. Given the current state of the country and world, I'm not sure what trips, if any, I'll be taking this year. May just want to stay put until the Coronavirus settles down and they find a vaccine. I've got lots of friends and plenty of things here to keep me busy.

Karen (Broes) Leavitt–Doug and I still live in Deerfield, NH, and are now both retired. I taught school for many years, and then oversaw a mentoring program for new teachers for 9 years. I believe the COVID-19 experience is giving many people an appreciation of how hard teachers work, and the skills required to be a good teacher. (Insert happy face here.) Like everyone I'm working hard on yard work, planting a garden, and I've joined a book club. In 2018 I became a CASA volunteer, an experience I would recommend to all; there is a huge need for volunteers, especially because of opioid abuse. Last summer Doug and I were fortunate to do some travelling to places that are out of reach right now: we went on a river cruise on the Danube, and visited friends in Switzerland for a few days, then spent some time on Lake Como in Italy. I have a feeling that experiences like this may be in the past for me now thanks to the virus. In April my middle son got married in a social distancing wedding in Portsmouth. It was attended by just our family, six feet apart in Prescott Park. My son, Peter married them, and we all went home to toast them by text. Not the wedding they had planned, but if all goes well, they will get married again in Cancun next year; time will tell. Like all grandparents I'm super proud of my grandkids; Julia will be a senior at Prospect Mountain High School. She loves volleyball and basketball, and is in the band; she plays the flute like her grandmother, only better. Nathan will be a freshman at PMHS and loves all sports, especially baseball. He plays percussion in the band. My youngest son and his wife have a baby boy, Harrison who is nine months old at this writing. So fun to have a baby around again! I was so looking forward to seeing our classmates at our 55th reunion this year, but instead I will send everyone a virtual hug.

Brent Woodward–Who would have thought that I would be jotting down a few facts of what our lives are about because of a global pandemic and the spare time it has allotted the bulk of us. If things were typical, I would be removing the shrink-wrap from the boat and prepping it for launch and another season of boating in the waters between Long Island, Block Island and Martha's Vineyard. Well nothing is typical, and forecasting what is coming is at best reckless, but our history is what it is. So here are a few things I consider notable. Paula and I will be celebrating our 50th year wedding anniversary in October, but not so sure we will be celebrating in the grandioso manner planned. We have three grandchildren between our two children, Sage and Sara. One of the three, Hudson who is three, lives a short distance away and now, that both parents are working from home, comes to visit every day of the workweek. Hudson brings all the delights kids of her age are known to have and then goes home. A "win win" situation. Sage and his wife and children Alexander and Sienna live in the western end of the state. Paula and I live in an antique home in southeastern Connecticut not far from the ocean. The town is much like Derry was, in size and character, before the interstate was built and expansion began. Our small town, like many, depends heavily on its volunteers to sit on the various boards and commissions and so we have added that role to our resumes. Usually time tends to bring on change and in most regards it has, but I have maintained most of my bad habits and even managed to add to this list. I have both a Model A hot rod and motorcycle which will get more than usual use this summer as the traffic will likely be light at best. There is always a silver lining. This may be hard to believe but half way through life I took up golf at the urging of Paula. The benefits, both business and social, resulted in something I do with zest and regularity with no

plans to stop. I hope the local courses will be allowed to open, as the weather gets warmer. Staying apart would not be hard to do. I was fortunate to be able to retire from a local defense contractor, in my late fifties, after a challenging career in engineering. This enabled us to travel many times abroad and seeing news clips of places like Venice and Rome void of crowds is most unbelievable. My favorite trip was to Antarctica, which in spite of lacking people, color and politics was an incredibility unique destination. And so, as I started this short story with words about living in a world surrounded by an invisible enemy I'll end on the same note; be patient and be well.

Paul Brassard–After 44 years in lumber sales and residing in Londonderry for the past 36 years my wife Paula and I decided last year to sell our home and move to The Villages in Florida where we joined many other Pinkerton Academy alumni. We plan on returning to New Hampshire to spend the summer months at Tenney Mountain in Plymouth. This year my wife and I will be celebrating our 50th wedding anniversary. Time goes by so quick. We spend our time enjoying golf, pickle ball and dancing and most importantly with our family, son (Mark) daughter (Amy) and six grandchildren. Reilly, Braden, Spencer, Ryan, Molly and Mason.

Paula Brassard–I have been living in Sun City, Florida since 1990. Before retiring I worked as a Real Estate broker for a local company. Once the COVID-19 virus is behind all of us the plan is to move to The Villages to be close to my brother Paul and his wife Paula and all of the Pinkerton grads that reside there.

Jim Sutton–It has been nearly 55 years since we graduated from Pinkerton and 50 years since the first Earth Day. Who could have known on that June 1965 day what challenges we would face in the next 55 years? Vicky and I were married in 1968 and lived in Newton, Massachusetts for 27 years, raising our two daughters and working at our careers as Library Director (me) and Teacher (Vicky). We have lived in Andover, Massachusetts, on the edge of Harold Parker State Forest for the last 21 years. We also like to be at our house in Greensboro Vermont, hiking, cross country skiing, kayaking, and just enjoying the time with our two daughters, their husbands, and our five grandchildren. Until the recent stay at home orders, Vicky had an active schedule of tutoring students of varied ages. One of my main volunteer interests is helping with two land conservation trusts. So far, we and our family have not had the virus, (knock on wood). This is a difficult time for everyone, especially for the victims and for the medical workers and others who are on the front lines, risking their own health and lives. They have our gratitude and deserve our support.

Cindy (Nicoll) Tunberg–Stephen and I are both well and active. We walk daily and alternate tai chi, practicing our ballroom dancing which we've been doing for 10 years and using our at-home gym. We also have a 3-acre yard so this time of year we have endless yard work. Our bikes are ready to go but due to crazy weather have not had them out yet. We are looking to moving in the next year or so to a smaller place with less maintenance. Hope to find a place in either Chester or Derry as our daughter and her family have a house by Beaver Lake. Candace is EMS coordinator at Catholic Medical Center and her husband is a firefighter/medic on Bedford Fire. Since both are on the front lines this is an especially difficult time.

Roger Malo–We are doing well here in NH and our family is doing well also. With this Covid-19, distancing from our family is hard, especially when you cannot even hug your grandchildren. However, we are very proud of them. Both graduated from Pinkerton and both have graduated from college which makes us feel pretty old!! They are the best and again we are so proud of both of them.We have been staying home for most part and just going grocery shopping when needed. My wife and I have been working outside in our yard and today I am starting to plant our vegetable garden. We keep busy. I do a lot of walking and keep myself busy building wishing wells to sell. I love retirement. Ouestion, I am assuming we will not have a reunion this year with this virus going on.. but if we do down the road, please let me know. Would love to see my classmates.

Carol (Cadieux) True–Hello fellow classmates of '65 from Carol & Gary True (Class of '63) in sunny Florida. We moved to the Villages 5 ¹/₂ years ago. We love living in such an active community: pickleball, golf, bike riding, walking, water aerobics are a few of our pursuits. Our good friends Charlene & David Buffum, Paul & Paula Brassard, and Dick & Linda Misiaszek have also moved here. It's like being back at Pinkerton, having a blast with great friends, and no curfews!! Well, just a few during the quarantine, but hoping that all will be back to normal soon. We managed to fit in a wonderful vacation to Nashville, TN with David & Charlene Buffum. Lots of great music and many interesting sight-seeing opportunities. We had to cancel our June trip to NH to visit our daughter Kim and her 8 children, and to see our son Jared. Hoping to reschedule in September. We and the Brassards are hoping to plan a getaway to celebrate 50 years of marriage! Will have to see how this virus situation plays out. Those plans may be delayed for a short time. Hope everyone is doing well, and if you're in the area, come visit all of us!

Linda (True) & Phil Torre–We spent a great winter in Arizona. During the virus we stayed safe by being in the desert prospecting for gold. We now winter in Arizona and summers are spent in NH. Two of our children (Kevin & SherryAnn) live close by while our youngest son (Bill) lives in St. Louis. We have six grandchildren. The youngest is graduating from high school– where does the time go!

Lana (True) Stevens–I moved to the Villages, FL two years ago. There is so much to do. I hung up my tennis racquet and took up golf-no hole-in-one yet but I'm working on it. 2018 turned out to be an adventurous year for me. Linda, Phil and I traveled to Nome, Alaska and stayed at a rustic mining camp (about 7 miles from the Behring Sea) for two weeks prospecting for gold. We didn't hit the "Mother Lode" but we did come home with some nice gold. While we were there, we did some Salmon fishing which was tons of fun. To add to my adventure that year Linda and I decided, for our 71st birthday, we would go on a "Covered Wagon Trek" on the Oregon Trail in Casper, WY. We either rode in the Conestoga Wagon, walked or traveled by horseback through gorgeous mountains and across the Wyoming prairie. Linda & I were joined by four other women who also wanted to experience this unusual trip. We all helped with the daily tasks of putting up and taking down the teepees (sleeping quarters each night) as well as preparing meals over the camp stove. It was a great trip! If you were not contacted by me requesting information to put in the newsletter it is because I do not have your e-mail address. You all have mine so please let me hear from you.

Class Reunion–It was disappointing that we could not have our 55th class reunion this year due to the dreaded virus. In speaking with Cheryl (Myette) Soly she is willing to move forward planning our next class reunion if there is enough interest. Please contact Cheryl at cherylplace@aol.com or myself. Cheryl and several other classmates put together the 50th reunion which was fantastic.

Facebook–Cathy (Feil) Emerson has started a "Class of 65 group" on Facebook. Go to "Groups" in Facebook and it is listed under "Colossal Class of "65" Pinkerton Academy." It is a great place to post information on what you are doing.

Lana (True) Stevens

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Hoping by the time you read this that things will be getting back together for this country. Has been a scary and trying time for everyone. Please stay safe and healthy. Facebook has been a wonderful way to stay in touch and we again invite you to join our class page to check in with old friends. We have an active group of 119 and if you are not part of the page just search TERRIFIC CLASS OF 1966 & FRIENDS and sign on.

So encouraging to see that some of our classmates have been doing their share to support local business, making contributions to food banks and local neighbors in need of help. Maureen Pingree Harris has been wisely using her quarantine time to make masks for health care workers and has stitched up a bundle of colorful masks that she has shared with us through Facebook.

Our condolences to Nancy Richardson Vakalis and family for the loss of her mother Gladys Richardson. We are sure you remember her as the sweet woman who was class correspondent for the *Alumnus* for the Class of 1945. She was also the editor of the *Pinkerton Academy Critic* in her day. Will always remember her infectious smile which her daughters have happily inherited.

Sadly, we lost two classmate in the past few months. Sandra Clay passed away in December. Sandy was living in Texas at the time of her passing. A summer memorial service will be held in Gilmanton, New Hampshire. Sandy was a Windham girl and I am glad we all got to see her at one of the past Florida reunions.

We are also saying goodbye to William "Billy" Carlisle who just passed in April. Billy also lost his life to cancer and has donated his remains to medical research. A celebration of life will be held at the Sunshine Soup Kitchen at a later date. Rest in peace, dear classmates.

Bill Schultz is very proud of daughter, Katey Shultz, who has been asked to be the guest judge for the 2020 Col. Darren L. Wright Memorial Awards. This award recognizes prose and poetry by U.S. military service members and veterans. Katey is the author of *"Flashes of War"* and *"Still Come Home"*. Congratulations to Katey.

The year 2021 will be here before you know it. It signals that fifty five years have passed since we all walked through the halls of Pinkerton Academy. Pretty amazing that so many keep in touch to this day. Wishing you a normal summer. Think that is what we are all hoping for now. *Barb and Vicky*

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We lost our classmate Mary Chase Goodwin on February 3. My apologies to Wayne Cousins with news I posted in the last Alumnus. It stated condolences to Dave Cousins on the death of his father. It was Dave who called with the news on Wayne. I've contacted both families with condolences to Wayne and his family on the death of his father. I should add condolences to Sandy Powers Williams on the death of her husband, Richard. It's difficult with the Alumnus only coming out once or twice a year to remember it all. Glad to hear Hazel Hamlett & Marcia Miller Peterson are feeling better from their hospitalizations. Here's a wonderful email I received from Teresa Drake Gillespie in January. Thank you Terrie for your happy news on your twin grandchildren! Congratulations!

TERI STATES:

"I've been wanting to thank you for the update on everyone since our 50th reunion. It's hard to believe some of us have passed on, but it's good to hear most of us are healthy and doing well. Jack and I have had a very special 2019 and look forward to an even more exciting 2020. Our son and daughter in law, Aaron and Natalie, have been married 12 years and had been trying to have a baby, our first grandchild, for 3 years. When they found out that they had finally become pregnant, not only with one child, but twins, a boy and a girl, Aaron talked us into buying a family cabin close to their home in the mountains of Conifer, Colorado. Long story short, we closed on this precious cabin January 24, 2019 and the babies were born January 29th. We love our home and property down in the desert of Alamogordo, NM, 10 hours from Conifer, but are finding we are enjoying being in each place every 2 months. When we are at the cabin, we keep the babies 2 to 3 days per week and have enjoyed experiencing the different stages as they grow and develop. They will turn 1 year old next week and we are so blessed to be able to be a part of all this. When we are home in New Mexico, we enjoy all the activities we've gotten involved in and all the friends we have come to love. Jack enjoys working in his shop and I enjoy volunteering in the Emergency Room of our Hospital. We are members of the Military Officer's Association of America, as Alamogordo has a very active chapter. I was appointed Secretary to the Board of Directors 3 years ago, which keeps us both very busy. Jack, at 78 and me at 68, are very blessed for our health and wonderful life, both in New Mexico and Colorado.

God Bless you and the Class of 69!! We will be mailing a check to the Alumnus Association to help keeping the Pinkerton *Alumnus* going.

Sincerely, Terrie Drake Gillespie

Since I was hacked again, please, when you send an email, identify yourself in the subject line. And people, if you believe there's free money out there...get real, nothing is free in life unless you work for it. If we're already friends, and you receive a request, delete it...it's a hack. I've decided not to comment on anyone's Facebook comments, or sadly share anymore missing animals/ children notices, as I've done for years helping out. Just not worth getting hacked by people we don't know, who make up disgusting comments in a hack. If you have news, call or direct email me. I sure do appreciate hearing from you all. If I don't hear from you, there'll be nothing under 1969 news. Life is too short. Wishing you all well. Condolences to Kathy Tomaselli Catalfamo on the death of her brother, Steven.

Received sad news from Dave Goodwin that he lost his brother William "Billy" Goodwin, April 2020. (PA '67).

Congrats to REV. Tim Dubeau & his wife, Shirley (PA '70). They welcome great grandson #5, Oliver Finn Swanson who arrived Feb 16th.

Congratulations to the *"2020 Citizen of the Year."* It was announced that Hooksett, NH Lions Club selected John Pieroni recently. "John has given countless hours of his time to the town in many ways. John's service to the town included 20 yrs as a member of the town Budget Committee, as Hooksett School Board Budget Committee Chair, and as the SAU 15 Board Chair. While serving School Board & amp; SAU Board, his focus, first and foremost, was whatever was best for students. John said his most satisfying accomplishment was when he served on the committee who planned the construction of the David Cawley Middle School. He also served on the Conservation Committee, Town Budget Committee and Cemetery Committee. Through his great leadership skills and his ability to find solutions to the challenges he served with, John has been a great asset to the town. While working with budgets, negotiating contracts, and searching for new superintendents, his goals were to help make Hooksett a better place to live. John recently retired from his profession as "Perfusionist at the CMC Hospital." He is now enjoying his time with his wife, Kathy, three children and their families.

Classmates, Again, I'll still be on FB just to occasionally read news, but won't make any comments from now on... Just getting tired of being hacked. Any news, changes of email or address, send them to me directly via email or notify Meagan@PA. I love receiving private news & prayers on IM but was hacked. Do not send IM's that say "send & share with others." Sad that nice words can be made up using your name and I receive it ending by passing a virus. Please be careful. Thanks.

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It is hard to imagine that 50 years have passed since graduation! In that half-century, we have witnessed countless changes, challenges, struggles and achievements. Social media has provided opportunities to reconnect with classmates and exchange updates in our lives as well as relive those PA stories.

A small group of classmates, Mary Stuck, Sally Evans, Cliff Blake and Bill and Cynthia Cote have been meeting to plan a 50th Reunion. As we've all been affected by COVID-19, regrettably we decided that cancelling any event was the prudent course of action. Our initial plans were to meet at PA in October since many classmates have not seen the remarkable growth of the school. For many health and logistical reasons, we decided it was unwise to do so.

We also need your help. Many classmates' data is either outof-date or absent. Please contact

The Alumni Office at PA (603) 437-5200 ext. 1101 or msojka@pinkertonacademy.org to update. We also have our Pinkerton Academy Class of 1970 Facebook page where we can stay in-touch with each other.

Going forward, we are considering a combined reunion in 2021 with the class of '71. They have joined us in previous reunions and it could be a great event. Watch for announcements not only here but on our Facebook page.

Bill Cote has agreed to also be a class correspondent and his information is listed below. Until next time, take care.

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Fellow Classmates of 1972, I am excited to be our new class correspondent. I'd like to thank Nancy and Don for holding the helm in years past and hope they can now breathe a sigh of relief with no more deadlines.

On behalf of our class, sincere condolences go out to Jennifer Johnson Vesey on the passing of her mother, Harriet I. Ross in February and to the families of fellow classmate, Nancy Caton. I remember Nancy's smile and gentle kindness.

As I write this I know that the coronavirus has touched and changed so many of our lives that it's hard to believe anything will be the same when we get to the other side of it. Our communities are sheltering in place while this pandemic rages on and has put many out of work, on the couch and on edge. Do you remember that shortly after graduating in the 70's gas was in short supply and there were long lines at the pump? These days it's the hunt to buy TP. Schools have been shuttered and many businesses closed. Masks and gloves are now a must have and we are relearning how to be close while keeping social distance. Many have learned to Zoom, use FaceTime and Skype to get that "physical" connection.

Speaking of connecting it's been almost 50 years since we were at PA. Maybe you always wanted to reconnect or learn where your classmates went but everyday life got in the way of staying in touch. I'm asking you to take a moment and share some information about your journey. It's interesting to learn how many different States and/ or countries we migrated to. I know that some of you are as far away as Alaska (hi Karen Cann) and many went to the warmer climates i.e. Arizona, California, Georgia, Nevada and New Zealand!

I'll lead with crib notes about me: stayed and worked locally; spent a long time working at HADCO with some fellow alums/ HADCO associates (Jim Dooley and Lee Newman Wheatley). I've been married/divorced, went back to college, earned my degree and then retired (go figure). I am fortunate to be with a wonderful man and have a daughter who makes me proud. Plus she is an RN ... as an aging baby boomer I like having my own medical team.

A few classmates send their hellos like Rose (Calicchio) and Bo Lizotte, who are in Colorado Springs, CO enjoying golf and said that life is treating them well.

Donna Corti Petrin sent a note and said she is ... "living in Augusta, Ga and have been here for about 45 years. I was initially attracted to the South by the warm weather. Eventually I began working for Babcock & Wilcox here in Augusta and took advantage of their tuition refund benefit to get my BBA & MBA. I love this area and have made it my home! Still I come back to NH regularly to see family and friends. Hopefully you will hear from many more of our classmates. I look forward to hearing everyone's story and will share more of mine as time goes on! I was so sad to hear of the passing of Rosemary (Carchide LeBlanc). I loved reading her FB posts. I hadn't realized that she was such a talented writer or that she was so funny! She is sadly missed!"

Jennifer Johnson Vesey wrote; "Hello class of '72! Can you believe it been almost 50 years since we were at PA? Kind of hard to wrap your head around the fact that so many years have passed. I know we've all been busy living our lives, raising families, pursuing careers, etc., etc... hopefully now we can slow down a little, take a breath and connect with old friends again. See where I'm going with this??? Time to start thinking about our 50th reunion. I am looking for ideas, suggestions and any thoughts that you might have for the celebration. Or just reach out to say "hi"! I would love to hear from you! Much love to all Jennifer Johnson Vesey (aka Ralphie) Find me on Facebook or email: granitestate.jen@gmail.com or write to me at 1465 Hooksett Road #271, Hooksett NH 03106."

Dave DeSisto is very active on the FB page and I received this letter from him in which he stated. "Hello all. We hope you and yours are well! Hopefully, this pandemic will end soon so that we may return to a somewhat normal lifestyle. We would like to thank Lorraine DeCampo Peterson for volunteering to be our correspondent. We encourage you to update your classmates with a post in the PA Alumnus. To post you may contact Lorraine or the Alumni office directly. Lorraine's email address is: decampo72@ comcast.net. Surprise, surprise, we are two years away from our fiftieth class reunion! That's right, time flies when you're having fun... Several of our classmates have volunteered to assist in planning the reunion. They are as follows: Henry Deamon, Mike Pelletier, Donna Luce Petrin, Karen Whitehouse Smith and Jennifer Johnson Vesey. We thank each and every one of them! We know times are difficult, but there is no time like the present to start planning for the reunion; travel plans, etc. It is early, but several classmates have recommended a summer event. We concur. We would like your input. Please feel free to contact any of us! Additionally, there is a Pinkerton Academy

Class of 1972 Facebook Group that we encourage you to join. Currently, there are 57 members. The value of joining this group can't be underestimated. Not only can you reach out to your classmates quickly, but reunion updates will be posted at this site regularly. On a personal note, I officially retired from American Airlines on March 03, 2019. We currently reside in beautiful Arizona. We miss family and friends residing in the east, but we love AZ. Kind regards, *Dave DeSisto*

In closing, I am asking my fellow classmates to please join the FB page and get in on the general discussions and for our reunion plans.

Remember our cheer? "...we're the class with lots of spirit, come on class let's really hear it..."

Looking forward to HEARING IT from you! Lorraine

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When correspondents first received the notice of an upcoming publication of the *Alumnus* I began my notes with "I hope everyone is enjoying the year 2020, the year most of us turn 65! We have been places, accomplished much and we are not slowing down, well maybe just a bit. Please share your adventures and your ups, your downs, your in betweens with your classmates and friends either here or on our FB page, Pinkerton Academy Class of '73 and friends. I have seen some great pictures of many of us traveling the world." Well the message is still the same but boy have things changed with the Covid-19 Pandemic. Traveling has come to a halt, people are on the hunt for TP and disinfectant wipes and we are learning to Zoom. If any of our group has had to deal with this virus firsthand we send along our healing vibes and prayers.

We all share in the sadness of the loss of another member of our class, Steven "Whiz" Tomaselli. He was always kind and sweet and will be greatly missed.

I had a very busy February and part of my travels had me in Florida during the weekend of the multi-class PA reunion. My long involvement and life living in the Derry area made it that I knew quite a few fellow grads from different classes and it was fun to catch up with Ed & Eileen Brown and their daughter Laurie Brown Johnson, Gail and Ron Gagnon, John and Marsha Hatch Adams and our own classmate Marcia Cousins Kim. Marcia has been residing in Florida in between runs with her big rig trucking jobs. She has now put her wheels aside to help in the care of her mom, Dominica '50, after the loss of her dad Ralph Cousins. Our condolences to Marci and her family including brother and alumni Wayne Cousins '69. You look great Marcia!

Now from classmate Leslie Churnik Kilty: Stress is real. In 2011, I was honored with a promotion which brought my husband and me from Indiana to the Carolina's. The position was newly created and as such the scope of responsibilities grew every guarter. After 3 years the stress began to take its toll on my health. After 5 years my doctor told me plainly that if I kept going I would die. DIE. So, my company and I worked out a transition plan which included hiring three people to replace me. Then, I retired at 62 to the most beautiful county in all of the South, Oconee County, SC. Long ago I used a trusted brand of natural, whole food supplements and as I desperately needed to heal, I started using them again. I was so amazed at how effectively they helped me in the areas of blood pressure, anxiety, sleeping, energy, mood lifting, weight management and a ton of other areas. I am not completely healed from my stress/anxiety situation. It takes the body a long time to reprogram, even with good diet, exercise and natural supplements. But I cannot deny that I am
significantly better than when I retired. For this I am so thankful. If you would like more information about the supplement, please reach out. *Leslie Churnick Kilty*

If you would, please consider contacting the Alumni office about becoming a correspondent for our class. I would love to see a fresh, new perspective on this role I have been privileged to share. Stay safe, stay healthy and be ready to resume life with modifications. *Vickie*

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Class Advisor John Barry: Greeting everyone! JB from the North Country! I now live in Madison, NH. Helped coach the Varsity lacrosse team at Kennett last year ... my help didn't help much...not like the good old days at PA. Saw some HS girls and boys basketball...a lot going on in my head...but kept my mouth shut...Moved here to be with grandkids...Jacob..15 Bailey..7. Jake is a Freshman this year played basketball, and soccer and planned to play lacrosse. Bailey is a sweetheart and gets everything she asks for from me. I've taken up Tai Chi... use to go to the gym...but like most everyone else the gym must wait now. In October ... traveled down the Rhine River also visited Amsterdam...tried to be well behaved..and was mostly successful. Still see a few of my teaching friends from the past, Grube, Aherns, A Hall, Gavrish, J Lee, and others. Stay connected on Facebook ...with others. Joined Lions club... but miss Derry Village Rotary. It was an interesting transition to the north country...I've met some very nice people and our neighborhood is very close. I do miss southern NH....not for the shopping, crowds or scenery...but the people I've come close to over the years...I have been blessed to have made friendship with so many! Tough times shall pass, and there will be some changes to our everyday lives....We will survive! Next year at this time, life will be better! We'll have 6 ft. Away gatherings... and tell stories of the good old days! Peace, love, and friendship! Mr. Barry...class of 76...class of 84

Rick Metts: Some bittersweet news but makes us happy as we move on with our lives. Sue, myself and our family are exiting from owning Clam Haven here in Derry. For 33 years, we have continued the tradition of serving the greater Derry Area the best seafood, sandwiches and ice cream from an establishment founded in 1954 by Gilly Michaud. We are only the 3rd owners in that long history buying Clam Haven from Sandra (Michaud) Boutin and her husband, Arthur. Our 2 oldest daughters, Jamie and Becky, who helped us manage the restaurant for the last 15 years, have moved on with their futures as well. Jamie started a new job at SNHU in the financial aid office and Becky is finishing her 2 nd year as an Elementary Teacher in Nashua, NH. Bethany (#3) got married last May to Stephanie Cuthbert and lives in Madison, teaching in Moultonborough, NH. Megan (#4) has worked at St. Ann's Home in Methuen, MA for 9 years and is currently a Unit Director. We are blessed with 5 grandchildren, Spencer 21, Isabella 16, Reese 15, Rowan 11, and Walker 8. Sue and I are looking forward to doing things that we haven't done during the summer for the last 33 years. Thinking about starting a Food Truck that she and I can man ourselves along with some more travel. Best of health and love to all our classmates as many of us move on to new adventures in this trip around the Sun. *Rick (76) and Sue Skinner (75) Metts*

Ellen Schmidt Shaw: Are any of our classmates a member of LearnedLeague? If you are, I am interested! Please email me for info. Thanks, Ellen Schmidt Shaw 493shaw@ gmail. com

Bill Grubbs: It's been a long time since I updated everyone. I did make it to the small 40th reunion at Clam Haven in 2016 but, of course, that was 4 years ago and I only got to see a handful of people.

I have been in the staffing and recruitment industry for over 35 years which resulting in me moving all over the world from Massachusetts, to six years in California, ten years in London, England, twelve years in Fort Lauderdale and now back in the Boston area. I retired in January 2019 from my job as President and CEO of Cross Country Healthcare (NASDAQ: CCRN), a healthcare staffing company. I guess semi-retired is a better description since I now work part time from home as President of Diversant LLC, a privately owned IT Staffing company based in New Jersey and as Chairman of the Board for Volt Information Sciences (NYSE: VOLT), a public general staffing company based in Orange, California.

I live in Brookline, MA with my longtime partner Rick. We love being back in Boston close to our families—his seven siblings and my eight siblings and dozens of nephews, nieces and great nephews and nieces. This is also where our closest friends reside so it is nice to be back home.

I don't stay in touch with classmates very much. I do see John Wyman, his wife Val and some of their children from time to time but not often enough. I do stay in touch with some of my closest high school friends through Facebook–Val Parkin Jeter, Deb Iannacone Brookshire, Debra Aldenberg Roberts and Dorene McNamara Jorgensen–long overdue to visit them though. Maybe the 45 th reunion will offer an opportunity if the world somehow can recover from this pandemic. All my best to everyone. Stay healthy. Regards, *Bill*

Sarah Benson Rosch: Hello! First, I must share my extremely sad news that my lovely mother, Jane, passed away on January 2 after a few years of various medical challenges. Dad and I were with Mom when she gently passed away. She was truly beloved and this new "acceptance" process is difficult. Mom will always be with me. In happier news, my husband, Steve, and I visited Reykjavik, Iceland, in 2018 and saw the Northern Lights, geysers in Geysir, and enjoyed the geothermal Blue Lagoon. Fabulous! In 2019, we went to the Canadian Rockies via Calgary and toured Banff, Lake Louise, and Jasper. Gorgeous! We walked on the Columbia Icefield Glacier and enjoyed the spectacular beauty of a surprise snowstorm. This current time of COVID-19 is difficult and all the people keeping our country running are heros! May everyone cherish your families, stay safe, and stay well!

Correspondent Robin Anderson Simard: Big change for me, I decided to exit the condo life and go back to a singlefamily home. Early January I made the quick decision that was a long-time coming and got a P&S on my condo and signed a P&S on a house within 10 days. I moved into my new home mid-February and have been under construction removing walls and designed a whole new kitchen. Little did I know that it would be during such a catastrophic time. All the new projects are keeping me quite busy but I miss my dancing **#TogetherWeArePinkerton** ~ 35 opportunities. I am hoping my trip to Scotland and Sweden in August is still something that can happen. My motorcycle is something I am enjoying and looking forward to this summer. Be well everyone - sending virtual hugs.

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I am truly excited to be a class correspondent. Something I've always wanted to do for our class. There are so many classmates that this is truly an adventure. Not all classmates are on facebook so this is their only way to keep up. So if you'd like to share, feel free to shoot me an email.

Congratulations to first time grandparents John Kelleher & Diana (Kageleiry) Kelleher (Class of 1984) on the birth of their granddaughter Riley Jane Shea. Riley was born to their daughter Ashlie Kelleher Shea (Class of 2010) & her husband Brian on March 24. Welcome to the "Grand" club!

Kathy Levandowski McKechnie writes: She & her husband Todd became first time grandparents to twin boys on March 27, 2018. Weighing in at 4 pounds each, Owen & Charlie are now red haired, blue eyed bundles of fun. Most recently the boys learned to hook a worm & fish with Gaga & Papa. So sweet! Welcome to the "Grand" club!

Janet Wightman Politi says, she has been doing ultrasounds for over 30 years now and still loving it. She was scanning babies (high risk) in Boston before moving to NY. She did work per Diem while her kids were in school. They were keeping her busy between sports, theater & dance. She said she wouldn't change a thing...loves her life! Her son Sam is 25 and waiting to move to Burlington, Vermont area for his new job after graduating college. Her daughter Olivia is finishing her first semester at home from Saint Michael's College, also in the Burlington, Vermont area. Her husband has been seeing patients remotely, some of us know what that's like. So that's life for Janet at that moment...Hoping the Covid crisis ends soon so we can all get back to life.

A big shout out to Kathy LeClair for sharing her beautiful garden flowers with me. We had a great visit, from a distance, she shared Butterfly Bushes with me and beautiful Iris plants...I cannot wait to see them in all their glory. Thank you Kathy and I promise, I'll be by over the summer to sit and visit longer.

News of my own... My husband and I sold our house in Manchester a few years ago & bought a house in Salem two years ago. We also welcomed our 3rd grandchild and only Granddaughter the same year we moved here. We have a 9 year old grandson Kingston, a 6 year old grandson Zayden & now 19 month old Vayah. They truly are the loves of our lives. We keep telling our kids, "had we known grands were going to be this much fun, we'd have had them first." Looking forward to getting back to the new normal after all the COVID pandemic...such a scary time in life. If we all stay positive and do as we're asked we will get through. Also, after it is safe to venture out, I hope we can all get together to celebrate turning "60". Happy Spring & Summer. Hope to see you soon, *Jo-Ann* Caroline Cowette <u>cowettecaroline1@gmail.com</u> • (617) 308-0590 Karen LaGree Kelly <u>Kelly.md@verizon.net</u>

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Dear Happy 40th Graduation Anniversary! I hope this note finds all of you all well in this ever changing and scary environment.

I work in the laboratory at Dartmouth-Hitchcock, Lebanon NH, and I can tell you, we are busy doing COVID-19 testing for many in New Hampshire and Vermont. Like all of you, our elderly parents are on lockdown, we can't see our kids or grandchildren and socializing with friends has us grounded at home too. Many of our classmates are suddenly out of work, vacation trips are cancelled and even getting a haircut is problematic. I think of the kids who are graduating this year. It does not seem fair that they are missing their senior prom, their graduation and missing the end of year activities.

Can you believe that we have been out of high school for 40 years, ourselves? WOW! Where does the time go? I had planned a 40th reunion for us in September BUT, I am nervous that many would not be able to attend or the event would be cancelled last minute due to the ever changing environment.

So, we will NOT have a 40th reunion this year. I am so sorry!!!! Many of us had already made travel arrangements and it would have been so awesome to connect with the "kids" we haven't seen in 40 years. But, this is typical for our class.... remember when our graduation plans fell through due to the rain. The Class of 1980 has learned to expect the unexpected! I would like to try again next fall to have a reunion. Since our 35th reunion, we have lost some very, well-loved classmates. I do not want to wait any longer than we have to, to share memories, laughs, hugs and friendship. We only have today but we need to connect when it is safe to do so. Some have suggested that we plan a co-reunion with the Class of 1981 next year and I am going to see if they are interested in that.

If you are interested in helping to plan our reunion, please reach out to me. I also want to use the next year to update our Class of 1980 address book. Many of our classmates are missing and I'd like to try and find them. So, if you have addresses to share from classmates that do not get their alumnus, let me know so I can add them to the mailing list. Let's make our 41st reunion even better!

I miss you all and hope you stay safe and continue to build happy memories along the way! *Ellen*

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I guess twenty-odd years is a long enough hiatus from serving as class correspondent, so I'm back. Complaints go to Meagan Sojka at the Alumni Office.

I learned recently that British prime minister Boris Johnson was junior at Eton College in 1980 when Pinkerton played the Eton soccer team in an exhibition game in Derry. It's hard to imagine even a young Boris kicking a soccer ball, but stranger things have happened. If there's an old pile of scorebooks from that era sitting in a basement storage area at the Academy, I volunteer to cull through them to see which members of the English elite we kicked in the shins en route to our 2-0 loss in 95 degree heat.

I've had the opportunity to see Mark Henderson, Vince Premus, Denene Kerns Premus, and Rene Schwartz in Lee, NH, during visits to see Scott True, who's battling an illness. Mark is a geologist, Vince runs an oceanography firm that does underwater sonar work, Denene is a community activist who among other things helped stop a large natural gas pipeline from going through Pepperell, and Rene runs the rec center at Waterville Valley. All are well.

In late December, I had lunch with Dave WolfSpirit Cole and Tony Provenzano. We met in Concord and spent a couple hours catching each other up about our lives and travels, and it was a thoroughly enjoyable conversation. When Dave was in the military he saw a lot of the world, and acquired a wonderful perspective because of it. Tony and I, though more local, were able to share stories of friends and of amusing things that'd happened to us since we graduated almost 40 years ago. On that same swing through NH I had breakfast with Rick Reebenacker '83, who wowed me with inside tales from Disney and Pixar and the Hollywood scene in general. Now that Rick and his family have moved back to NH (Bedford), I recommend calling him and having a cup of coffee or a meal with him; very entertaining.

In February, just before the COVID-19 shutdowns started, I attended the funeral of John Karakostas, father of Lynn Karakostas Kegley '82, Lisa Karakostas '82, and Ann Karakostas Taylor '78. At the funeral and after-lunch I also had a chance to visit with Elaine Myers Luke '82, Dawn Alexander '82, and David Taylor '77. While funerals are always sad occasions, there's nobody like Lynn, Elaine, Dawn, and Lisa to spice one up. It was good to see them.

Karen Coffey left First Data recently. She's now director of channel partnerships at Verifi, Inc. At this writing she still has a place in Greater Atlanta, in addition to her home in Derry.

My parents, former PA social studies teacher Allen "Buzz" Burnham and former PA assistant librarian Laura Burnham sold their home in the Academy's shadow, almost 50 years to the day after they bought it, so they could live full time in Melbourne, Florida. People I talk about high school to today don't believe it took me longer to get from my home room to my first class than from my bedroom to my home room, but it's true. Wishing them health, happiness, and lots of pars and birdies in their new community.

That's enough blah blah blah for now. If I haven't heard from you in a while, please don't be surprised if I reach out. Also, we'll be gearing up for a reunion in 2021, and after the miniversion we had in 2016 (though fun!) we'll be looking to see as many former classmates as possible for our 40th.

Stay healthy! Mike

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As we try to find our way and adjust to a new normal in 2020, many of us are reflecting back to times when life was easier. We are considered the generation which is most prepared for social distancing and quarantine because we are the "Gen X Latch Key Kids." Our generation is also called the "sandwich" generation as we are caring for both our children and our aging family members. We are a generation that is self reliant, efficient, collaborative, emotionally resilient, with a touch of healthy skepticism. Some say that this is our moment to shine. I am encouraged by the stories of people who have risen to the challenges during this global pandemic and are doing great things.

Here are a few updates from classmates who are working on the front lines and behind the scenes.

Theresa (Davis) Walker: After reading and hearing about the lack of personal protective equipment, my daughter Emily (a freshman at Bedford High School) and I (Theresa Davis Walker '83) decided to sew masks. On a Bedford residents' Facebook group, I put out a notice that I had fabric and elastic and asked if anyone was interested in making masks with us. Within a few days, we received more than 50 responses and the Bedford Sewing Battalion was formed. The Battalion has three '83 alumni, including myself, Deborah Foucher Stuke and Susan Rackley Cassidy. Another '83 alum, Lisa Iacozzi Davis, my sister-in-law, has also been sewing masks and donating them to essential workers.

Today, the Battalion has more than 500 members who cut fabric and elastic, sew masks and work on distributing the masks. We have set up a series of drop off/pick up spots throughout town that allow us to continue on our mission while adhering to social distancing guidelines. We are five and a half weeks into this mission and have made and donated more than 10,000 masks. When we started, the majority of the masks were being donated to local hospitals and medical professionals. Since the hospitals have begun to receive some shipments of PPE, their needs have lessened and our masks have gone to home health care agencies, nursing homes, Families in Transitions, mental health care workers, numerous essential businesses and many, many individual families. Today, we set up a table in the parking lot of a local grocery store for one hour; we gave away more than 440 masks and collected over \$1,000 in donations. The donations will go to purchasing supplies to make more masks.

We keep hoping we will sew ourselves out of a job, but until that time we will continue to sew masks. If anyone is in need of a mask, please email: sewingbattalion@gmail.com. If you would like to make a financial contribution, please make a check payable to Primary Bank and put "Bedford Sewing Battalion" in the memo line and mail the check to Primary Bank, 207 NH Route 101, Bedford, NH 03110."

Lisa (Seeley) Zaeder: Cheers from Andover, Massachusetts. Although I am a primary care nurse practitioner, not working on the front lines, my role has changed quite a bit with this healthcare crisis. We have quickly moved into telehealth, which is enabled us to connect with our patients via telephone or video. We talk with and guide our patients, trying to keep them safe while providing virtual health care. It has been quite the jumpstart, and I now see telehealth integrated more into primary care in the "ideal" future. Personally, I am married, two boys ages 15 and 20, two dogs and a cat. Looking forward to seeing friends and family in the near future! Hope everyone is well!

Karen Flynn: I work in Burn/Trauma but my unit is not the designated Covid Unit in my hospital. At my hospital, UCSD Medical Center, we have 2 campuses and there are designated units for the Covid patients at each campus hospital. Since I currently work in the Burn ICU we try not to have other, infectious &/or non-burned patients since burn patients are considered immunocompromised plus we have to keep our unit available since we are the regional burn center and have to be ready at all times for catastrophic wild fires, etc. However, life at the hospital is definitely different. We are on lockdown with no visitors allowed & everyone is screened prior to entering. The nurses have a strong union at my hospital, UC San Diego Health, so we are able to fight for and pretty much get what we need, like PPE, so far in this situation. We are lucky to be able to learn from other places like Seatle, NY and Italy since it hit those places first so we are very prepared if things get worse. We seem to have a handle on things but I am now wondering how it is going to go in the near future since San Diego is starting to lighten up on restrictions. So far it is going okay but only time will tell. It's not that juicy but I suppose that's good, right? I am happy and healthy as usual. Hope you are too. Take good care!

Jeanne (Maloney) Martin: Everything changed on 3/13/20. That was the day we got word that 1)my son's school would be closed for at least two weeks, 2)I'd be working at home for my weekday job at Rockingham VNA & Hospice, 3)dance classes would be cancelled indefinitely. School and work are pretty manageable from home, except that my son is a senior in high school. This comes with other challenges like prom and graduation that I'm not going to get into right now. Dance class is a very different story.

I've been teaching at the Andover School of Ballet in Andover MA for 15 years. We NEVER cancel class for any reason. In those 15 years we've had only two or three snow days. We can dance through anything. Now it's completely different. We start choreography in February for the end of year recital. Costumes have arrived! We really gear up for that performance. It's such a busy and exciting time for everyone. Taking a couple of weeks off wouldn't be too big an issue, though. If that's what this was it would all work out just fine. After two weeks of cancelled classes the studio director set us up on Zoom to teach on-line classes. This is very strange for me. I'm not a big techie at all so just the set-up seemed daunting to me. I had to find a place in my home with enough room to dance. The first day was rather stressful with 12 students and there parents all trying to "help" me at the same time. Overall, it's been working out OK. At first I tried to keep working on performance dances. But that is difficult for me. My process for choreography involves the dancers in the room with me. It's hard to figure out formations alone. After the first couple of weeks I told the dancers we would take a break from trying to finish and learn all our dances. The kids have questions. Are we going to get back in the studio? Are we going to have a recital? Will we have photo day? It's hard to talk openly and honestly when we as adults don't even know. Last weekend I had to tell the students there probably wouldn't be a recital this year. We don't know for sure, but I don't know how it would work out. Summer classes are coming up. The groups of students change. Even if we could book the venue, would I want to be in a 500 person theater right now? Do I want to wear a mask while dancing on stage? There are so many unknowns right now. I have changed my teaching approach for a couple of weeks now. The goal isn't going to be finish dances and get ready for recital. The goal now is to try and give these kids some sort of normalcy and routine during this pandemic. I want them to get up and move. I want them to have fun. A lot of what I'm teaching now is cardio interval, strength training and stretching. We do basic technique work every week. I've told them, as long as they keep their bodies strong and healthy they will be ready to get back into the studio when we can. I make it fun and sometimes silly. I try out new music to keep everyone interested and engaged. It's not ideal, but it's the best we can do right now.

We all need to keep ourselves strong and healthy so we can get back to whatever will eventually become the new normal. Stay well, my friends.

Scott Wallace: Greetings PA Class of 1983! I hope all is well with you and your families during this time. Heidi and I are well and very busy with business, and our family life. Our girls are fine, the elder is a teacher in Nashua, the youngest is a dental assistant and in the NH Air National Guard as a medic.

It has been an honor to serve in the NH House on the Criminal Justice and Public Safety Committee for the last 2 terms. So much has been going on in Concord and throughout the entire state in recent years.

The bicentennial celebration for our State House was great to be involved with too. So much history has been made there. Looking forward, NH will be a destination again, returning our economy and way of life that makes us the best state to live in in our country. Take care, *Scott*

Tracy (Poulin) Grady: Here's my work Covid-19 routine..... wait to be let in the building (we used to just walk in), wash hands with sanitizer, get your temperature taken, sign the book stating that you have no cough, sore throat, diarrhea, etc., mask up, goggles on, go through 2 double doors, wash hands, punch into punch clock, wash hands again, go into unit and get report, count cart, wash hands again, sanitize cart and equipment, start work, wash hands between each 20 patients, gripe because your hands hurt from washing them so much. Oh yeah...I am expecting a grandson in June.....so excited!

Karen (Gitlitz) Marriott: I am currently living just outside of Gettysburg PA. We bought a tiny farm last fall. This is hopefully our last stop. We have moved a lot for excellent job opportunities but I really want to stay put now.

We are currently fixing the barn to put in cows. I finished the coop last year for chickens and our last adult was taken last weekend. The older babies went out to the coop today. I have a senior in high school this year so it's been rough but we will get thru it

Stay tuned for information regarding a 55th Birthday Bash this fall. Information will be posted on our Pinkerton Class of 83 FB page.

Stay healthy! Deborah and Patty

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Hello 'mates. I am writing this from my quarantined home in Safety Harbor, Florida. It has been unprecedented times of late, so I hope by the time you are reading this, life has returned to normal-at least somewhat. Classmates asked that I recognize those who have been on the front lines, working in healthcare, fire and EMT. Hats off to Bill White, Tony Stowers, Rick Fisher, Steve Achilles, Rita Howard, Carolyn Fuchs, Jennifer Bohne Huston, Lisa Comeau, Sonya Hudson, Gayle Clark Ridley, Peggy Wilkinson, and any others not mentioned here as well as our sincere gratitude to all our

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Class of 1984 celebrates their 35th Reunion

classmates working in the education field and continuing to care for their students during these difficult months.

We also recognize the terrible financial strain COVID has put on many of our local businesses. To that end, let's support each other's businesses as best we can.

Here are some updates: Pursuing his love for animals, Trevor Yanuszewski has opened a business "Hot Dogs & Cool Cats Mobile Grooming." He has a Facebook page and you can find details and even book online at his website https:// hotdogsandcoolcatsmobilegrooming.com/. Paul Taglianetti designed the logo for Trev. Please check it out!

Kathleen Amico and her husband own Commercial Driving School in Concord. They teach automobile and tractor trailer driving. Check out their info on their website at drivingwww. cdsofnh.com.

Liz (Jackson) Robidoux has her own healing business in Hooksett.She is a Reiki master and intuitive medium. Check out her info at Elizabethrobidoux.com.

Carolyn Fuchs let me know that her son and daughter in-law own Gusto Italian Cafe in Center Harbor, N.H. Please check them out!

Jamie (Ferdinando) Brisson is the Sous Chef at Parker's Maple Barn in Mason, NH, a family run business for over 50 years. Please go in, support them and have a great meal!

In other news, Sheila (Barnett) Kelly and Mike Kelly celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary-wow! Bill White and his wife Shannon Harrington White just celebrated their ten year wedding anniversary and after a successful teaching career spanning nearly 30 years.





Classmates from previous 1985 reunion

Melinda (Ouellette) Labo is now the director of the prestigious Windham Academy.

Peter Armstrong is very happy to say he is retiring from teaching after 30 years in the New York City public school system. He's not sure what he's going to do next. Congrats to all of them!

We continue to feel the heart-ache of loss as we remember our classmates Michael Estey and Shaun Flaherty, Jr., both of whom we lost in 2019. Michael was known to his friends and family as a fun-loving guy who would do anything to get a laugh. Shaun lives on in our spirits as so many of us will always remember his quick wit, his artistic talents, and his loving heart. Our sympathies go out to Shaun's sister Shannon (Flaherty) Nutter, class of 1987.

From Ann Lemahieu: I wanted to share a little about how the 35th reunion and who was able to attend. The night was beautiful, Friday, September 27th and we gathered at the Backyard Brewery (formerly The Yard) around 7pm.

Dana DeLorenzo and I arrived and it wasn't long after that our classmates arrived...Dave Pierce, Craig Hutchinson, Diana Kageleiry-Kelleher, Michele Rafalowski, Jen Bohne Huston, Mike Conroy, Frank Milne, Sue Perry Hamilton, Joanne Salter LaGree, George Gibby, Frank LaCortigilia, Valerie Collette-Geraghty, Liz Jackson-Robidoux, Dave Woodburn, Scott Zins. The party went on for hours. Some came for a short time... others longer. It was fun seeing and reconnecting. Dana and I would like to thank everyone that could make it.

We have already started to plan for our 40th. If any classmates have ideas about how to celebrate and would like to share please contact Sue and we will do our best to make it happen. We will be sending out emails as well, so if they want to receive them, please update your contact information with the Alumni Center by contacting Meagan Sojka, msojka@ pinkertonacademy.org or go to the Pinkerton Academy website, Alumni section.

Stay well, keep in touch, and keep Lookin' for More in '84!! *Sue*

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Classmates from previous 1985 reunion

Tentatively, On August 22, 2020, our class will hold its 35 th class reunion at the DerryField Country Club (625 Mammoth Rd; Manchester, NH) from 7:00 p.m.-11:00 p.m. The evening will include a DJ, light appetizers, and a cash bar. For updates, please continue to check Pinkerton Academy Facebook page:

https://www.facebook.com/groups/Pinkerton85/

Pinkerton Academy Alumni section page:

https://www.pinkertonacademy.org/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC_ ID=375792&type=d&ter

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***To make the event even more exciting, we are opening the invite to 4 other Pinkerton Academy Alumni classes: 1983, 1984, 1986, & 1987.

It is time to celebrate with friends! Committee Members: Sue Foucher, Mimi Salzman Thomas, Christen Field Grinley, Ken Skidmore, and Michelle Chabot Burkhardt.

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Hello fellow classmates.

Well these are certainly very strange times we find ourselves. I hope everyone reading this is safe and healthy and finding a way to stay sane while on lockdown. I for one never thought I'd say I'm sick of watching TV but I just can't binge another show. Let me out please!

I got to spend some time in Florida recently while escaping the winter and prior to CronaPrision, as I like/hate to call it, I got in a few rounds of golf with Gregg Gaetz '85, Sean Winton '85, Dave LaGree '86 and Chris Gaetz '88. Dave, along with Steve Castle '86, recently opened up a cool sports bar in Safety Harbor called The Tiki Tavern. Stop in and say hi to if you find yourself down that way. I also met up with a few visitors from the north when then came down, including Sue Foucher '85 and Deb Simard Hill '85. Sue's daughter, Bailey (2017) also joined us and we raised a pint to her 21st bday. Time flies huh Sue?!

Speaking of the Class of 1985, in lieu of a traditional reunion this year they are doing more of a multi class reunion. I believe it's August 22nd at the Derryfield in Manchester but take a look at their article in this edition for more details. If businesses aren't back up and running by then we are going to be in real trouble. Hope to see a bunch of you there (just don't shake my hand).

Well since we haven't received much news lately so I don't have much else to report. I know you all have some time on your hands these days (or at least at the time of this writing), so please send us some info and share some updates. We'd love to fill this space with some of your information.

Cheers and be safe! Eric

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Richard Russell • <u>richardrussellnj@verizon.net</u> Stephen P. Wood • <u>stephen.wood27@gmail.com</u> I will be appointed as a visiting researcher for the Petrie-Flom Center for Bioethics at Harvard Law School starting in July. I will be doing research and programming around topics that include disaster ethics, the opioid crisis as well as human trafficking and immigration. It's an exciting opportunity and I'm looking forward to this experience. *Steve Wood*

Stan Helinski '89, is an attorney, but when COVID struck he felt he had to do something. He had some experience with 3D printers and knew there were PPE shortages across the state and the country, especially for those most in need. He had some familiarity with 3D printers and so he started making masks. The 1 3D printer turned into 23 and a staff of volunteers. He is now making masks, face shields and viral filters, all on donations. These masks go to some of the people most in need, workers at nursing homes, police officers and EMS as well as those on the frontline in the ER and ICU. He recently joined classmate Stephen P. Wood ('89) an ER and ICU nurse practitioner at Northeastern University for a discussion on PPE. and to share his work. Read more about Stan's work at: https://patch.com/massachusetts/ wellesley/wellesley-man-using-23-printers-churn-out-face-masks

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Hi Class of 2003. I hope everyone is doing well, and I'm hoping that by the time this goes to print we're one step closer to the 'new normal' post COVID-19. What a reckoning this has been across all ages, industries, geographies. As this all started to unfold at home I thought of my family, then my coworkers, my community here in MA, then about the impact on students all anticipating their final moments at college or high school. I still manage my Fraternity at WPI as the president of the Housing Corporation which is responsible for the housing of 45 college aged men. I quickly started to see the impact on the students as this went from no-study-abroad to full on virtual classes. Then I read an article by NHPR reporter Lauren Choolijan '06 on how high school students in NH were dealing with the impact. Front and center was the commentary about PA's spring musical being 'postponed indefinitely.' The musical at Pinkerton was a central part of my PA experience-and I can't imagine having it vanish so suddenly. Like I said above-this has been a reckoning on many fronts. But just like I tell my young daughters, we've got to find the silver lining. And for me that's been (way) more family time, less work travel, more groceries from our local farm, and the normalization of my two year old daughter's cameo appearance on Zoom work meetings. I hope you too have been able to find some silver linings.

Early in March I caught up with Brandon Bennett '03 and we talked about his days since PA. He shared his memories about running track at Keene State, owning his own business and working as a massage therapist where he had the opportunity to work on Olympic ski team athletes! On the family side he has a sixteenyear-old step-daughter, six year old daughter and two nieces that he adopted, ages twelve and three. He still plays semi pro football.

After living on Nantucket for four and a half years, Lindsay (Scalera) Scouras '03 and her husband Steve decided to venture back to "America" as they say. She returned to her roots in the wedding industry at Saphire Event Group, working as their Marketing & Social Media Manager. A year and a half ago, they purchased their first home in Cumberland, RI.

Paul Basehore '03 shared that he's been the Database Administrator and Web Application Developer with the Lowndes County Board of Commissioners for nearly 6 years. He's also been the volunteer youth pastor for The Rock Church for 7 years, and Georgia District sectional representative for 3 years. He and his wife purchased their first house in 2017 in Hahira, GA, and now has five kids including 4 year old twins.

Nicole (Constantino) Follensbee '03 married Erik Follensbee in September 2017, and they had their first son in July the following year. They're currently expecting their second baby boy in May. After 12 years in hospitality, she is now the Events Coordinator for the Joint Development and Alumni Relations Office for Dartmouth-Hitchcock and Geisel School of Medicine at Dartmouth College. She lives in Canaan, NH and volunteers as a Chamber Ambassador on the Upper Valley Business Alliance.

Janelle Carter '03 and her husband just celebrated lucky number 13 years of marriage this May. They moved back to Oklahoma in 2016 and her parents joined them shortly after with her mom helping to watch their two kids, Hudson (8) and Henley (4), which she is so grateful for. She is working as an Occupational Therapist for a Home Health agency and loving the flexibility to make her own schedule so she can spend time with her kids' activities, travel and stay involved with her church. Lastly, I joined a Zoom call with some PA alums that I haven't seen in 17 years. It was wonderful to connect with folks, even if though Zoom. It's time to start thinking of a reunion, so if you're interested in helping plan, please reach out by sending me an email!

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Save the date! Class of 2010 will celebrate its 10 year reunion on Saturday, December 26, 2020 in Portsmouth, New Hampshire. To stay in the loop on details, please join our Facebook group, "Pinkerton Academy Class of 2010 Alumni" or contact Yera directly at <u>yeraha.nyc@gmail.com</u> so she can share the Save the Date link.

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I think I speak for many of us when I say, I cannot believe it has almost been 9 years since graduation! During this time, many of our friends are now getting married, starting a family, buying homes, and finding our place in the working world. Amber J. Smith and her husband Justin welcomed their first child, a baby boy named Atticus in January of 2020. They also just purchased their first home outside of Houston, TX. Amber works as a Forensic Scientist.



The Smith family

Nate Johnston and Hayley Johnston were married September 13th and bought their 1st place together. Their son will turn 3 this summer. Nate works at total air supply in Derry and Hayley works as a toddler teacher in Londonderry.

Kasey Walsh has purchased a home in Kittery, Maine with her now fiancé, Stefan. Kasey works as an orthopedic technician, helping to cast a multitude of fractures, sprains, and injuries alike. Stefan and Kasey also welcomed furbaby, Brewster, into their home for their first dog.

Abby Wooster Lynch was married in July on her college campus, Sacred Heart University in Fairfield CT, to her college sweetheart Declan Lynch. They have two lovely kitties. Abby is a chemist (shout out to Mr. Breda) and her husband Declan works at Heavnly Donuts in Windham.

Caly Duquette, previously Caly Valance, married her longtime partner and Pinkerton graduate, T.J. Duquette. They recently welcomed their second child into their Hampstead home. Baby Olive is getting big now and seems to love the role as a big sister.

Tyler Daley and Alexis Daley were married October 2018, and just recently purchased their first home in Pembroke, where they live with their 2 fur babies (dogs) Sara and Riley. Tyler is a welder and Alexis is a certified vet tech and a veterinary technician supervisor at an animal hospital in Londonderry.

Alexis Hartnett and Sean Harrington met their sophomore year and are finally tying the knot in October of 2021. They bought a house in Manchester, NH 2 years ago. Alexis works at Southern NH University as an event planner and Sean works for a local aerospace company.



Alexis and Tyler Daley

Emily Manzik is engaged to her partner and Pinkerton graduate, Steve Curry. Emily works as a producer for a news station and bought her own home last year.

Nik Dubois and Kelly Brady-Dubois finally tied the knot in June 2019. They've been living in Derry since 2016. They moved into their first house in 2018 with their four very rambunctious cats. Kelly is a full time baker for Market Basket and Nikolai is a parts advisor for Allen Mello Dodge in Nashua.

Sam Hirsch has been married since December of 2018 to her husband Dan. They met at Sam's first job after college. They bought a house in Merrimack in June 2019 and they have a 9 year old step daughter, 2 dogs, and they are expecting a baby girl in May 2020.

Joe Ryan and Jessica Ryan (Knowlton) didn't let COVID-19 ruin their wedding. They were married April 10, 2020. Joe & Jessica met in astronomy class and are both Class 2011. We know that during this difficult time, many of our fellow classmates may be in a position where they have lost their jobs, or conversely are working on the front lines either as a nurse, doctor, anesthesiologist, grocery store worker, electrician, builder, or another essential worker. Either way, we hope that you are seeking the comfort and safety of friends and family. Perhaps it is even a good time to reach out to those high school friendships that have faded over time, but are never lost. We could all use a little more connection right now. Thank you, wholeheartedly, to those that are in fact essential workers. You forever have our gratitude. If you or a friend would like to be included in the next Alumnus article please find us on Facebook@Pinkerton Alumni-Class of 2011 and send us a message.

Stay safe, Erik Shaw and Kelsey Porter

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Hello Class of 2014,

We hope that you and your families are healthy and well. COVID-19 has been a challenging time for many, and we thank all of you who have been on the front lines caring for our people. Congratulations to all of you who are engaged, recently married, expecting, or are recent graduates! The Class of 2014 would also like to extend a Congratulations to the Class of 2020! Best of luck in all that you aspire for.

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Sarah Amato is studying elementary education and psychology at Keene State College. She is in the processing of changing her studies to Special Education and hopes to complete her degree at Merrimack College in North Andover, Massachusetts. She enjoys playing softball, hanging out with friends, and attending school events.

Brooke Burke is studying biology at the University of New Hampshire. She intends to go to Med School or PA School after she completes her Bachelors degree. She is currently working to help provide funding for her education.

Olivia Corlis is studying Nursing at Clemson University. She is Vice President of Clemson Dancers and was awarded a spot on the Dean's List last semester. She enjoys being a part of her sorority, Kappa Delta, and attending sporting activities on campus.

Megan King attends the University of Southern Maine and is majoring in STEM with a pathway for elementary education. She is also a part of USM's Division III Women's basketball team.

Lindsey Leborgne is enrolled in the six year Pharm.D. program at the University of Rhode Island. She has recently become a pharmacy intern at PillPack. She loves spending time with her friends and family as well as getting involved with her community.

Julia Downing is studying Theatre Arts at the Conservatory of Performing Art within Point Park University in Pittsburgh. The school is recognized as one of the top ten most represented colleges on Broadway. She has greatly enjoyed continuing her training in theatre, while getting a liberal arts education in the Honors Program. She loves to see local theatre performances around the city with friends!

Catherine Hazard is pursuing a major in biochemistry at Boston College with a minor in medical humanities. She is part of the Dance Organization of Boston College where she continues her passion for dance, and loves spending time with friends at all BC games and events.

Emma Jasper is studying International Business with a concentration in Spanish at Bryant University. She's working as a writing consultant in the schools tutoring center and is chair of a committee that coordinates events for student involvement on campus. She is loving college life and enjoys spending time with her friends at school events.

April DiDomenico is currently studying at Berklee College of Music with a double major in Film Scoring and Composition. She is accelerating semesters, as she tested out of courses based on the knowledge she gained from Pinkerton classes and is planning on taking summer courses. Some of her recent works have been nominated for a faculty concert at Berklee!

Morgane Vigroux accepted a full tuition scholarship to the Berklee College of Music. She is a vocal performance major and is loving living in the city. In addition to her studies, Morgane is working on her debut EP album with CP Pro Audio and is looking forward to it's release.

Avelina Carbone is studying cosmetology with an apprenticeship at The 155 Collective Salon & Spa in Manchester. She will be obtaining her cosmetology license after finishing her apprenticeship, and working as a hairstylist. She also works part time at TUpelo Music Hall in Derry She's pursuing her love of music with her boyfriend, performing in two different rock bands called *In Debt and Cozy Throne* playing the bass guitar.

Brandon Simpson is attending Worcester Polytechnic Institute for Robotic Engineering. He's on the school's Alpine Ski team as well as the Rowing team. He's working on one of the robotics labs at school and is working closely with his professors on various projects. Brandon is looking forward to many years of academic success at WPI.

Laurel Breen is currently enrolled at Merrimack College where she is pursuing a Master degree in Athletic Training as well as double majoring in Exercise Science and Public Health. She is a Division I Collegiate Track and Field Athlete where she was recently named to the President's List and earned a spot on the North East Conference's All-Academic Honor Roll. She enjoys being with friends, attending on campus events, and volunteering.

SAVE THE DATES

REGIONAL EVENTS

Alumni in Portland, ME Wednesday, September 9, 2020 The Press Hotel • 5:00-7:00 p.m.

Alumni in Boston, MA Wednesday, November 4, 2020 Variety Bar • 5:30-7:30 p.m.

> *Alumni in NYC, NY* More details coming!

If you would like have an event in your area, please contact Meagan Sojka at msojka@pinkertonacademy.org or 603.437.5200 ext. 1101

UPCOMING EVENTS

Check the PA website for the most up-to-date information.

Hall of Fame Thursday, September 24, 2020 Pinkerton Academy Astro Cafe • 5:00-8:00 pm

28th Annual Alumni Golf Tournament Friday, October 2, 2020 Passaconaway Country Club • Noon

28th Annual Alumni Association Craft Fair Saturday, October 17, 2020 Hackler Gymnasium • 9:00 am.- 3:00 pm

Themed Murder Mystery Buffet Dinner Friday, October 23, 2020

Pinkerton Academy Astro Cafe 5:00-7:30 pm

The Masked Astro Thursday, November 12, 2020 Pinkerton Academy Stockbridge Theatre 6:30 pm

Former JROTC Cadets - All-Years Reunion June 2021

Pinkerton Academy Lower Gazebo Free BBO, games, music, activities, prizes and fun Spouse/children are welcome RSVP/questions to Colonel Steadman 603-437-5200 ext. 1112 or hsteadman@pinkertonacademy.org

Stay connected for events, reunions and information!







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MEMORIAM, MARRIAGES AND FUTURE ASTROS

We celebrate the lives of Pinkerton Alumni and Friends. Below are recent updates from our Astro community.

IN MEMORIAM

Gladys M. (Hoisington) Richardson '45 January 22, 2020

> Glenn M. Allen '47 May 17, 2020

Lucy (Bailey) Brown '47 November 26, 2019

Carl A. Barnard '49 February 17, 2020

Edna (Alexander) Leighton '49 November 22, 2019

> Everett Van Dyne '49 May 5, 2020

Harry Piper '50 January 30, 2020

Barbara Therriault '50 August 4, 2019

Phyllis M. (Verge) Bergeron '53 May 9, 2020

> Linus Larochelle '54 October 8, 2019

Priscilla (Parmenter) Lockwood '54 November 11, 2019

Anita (Bennett) Marquis '55 October 20, 2019

Naomi (Milne) Allen '56 December 9, 2019

> Dixie Mack '56 May 17, 2020

Jean T. (Dutra) Davis '57 April 6, 2020

Judith (Feinauer) Hamer '57 April 17, 2020 Sara (Holbrook) Miller '57 December 15, 2019

Robert M. Schanck '58 October 29, 2019

Vellma Ann Allen '59 November 4, 2019

Bryan G. Boles '59 November 19, 2019

Donald Stuart Peterson '60 November 18, 2019

Marie (Rioux) Pollack '60 January 28, 2020

Custode "Gus" Stella, Jr. '60 January 11, 2020

> Richard D. Brown '62 January 24, 2020

Edwin B. King '63 May 20, 2020

Viola (Dorr) Benoit '64 November 12, 2019

Linda L. (Patnaude) Donovan '64 November 22, 2019

> David A. Graham '64 January 3, 2020

Roline "Sister" Newcomb '64 February 17, 2020

> Sandra Clay '66 December 13, 2019

William "Billy" Carlisle, '66 April 20, 2020

> Leon S. Wells Jr. '67 January 14, 2020

Mary A. (Chase) Goodwin '69 February 3, 2020

Nathaniel E. Randall '69 May 5, 2020

> Nancy Caton '72 February 9, 2020

Steven "Whiz" Tomaselli '73 January 8, 2020

Joanne F. (Carchide) Matthews '76 January 12, 2020

Helen (Berntsen) Richards '77 October 1, 2019

> Lisa S. Nixon '81 February 14, 2020

Scott B. True '81 May 11, 2020

Norman E. Anderson Jr. '82 February 7, 2020

Polly L. (Murphy) VanTassell '82 December 11, 2019

Susan Marie (O'Donnell) Lynch '83 May 4, 2020

Vickie (Pierce) St. Hilaire '83 December 6, 2019

Kimberly A. Corriveau '85 October 15, 2019

Cynthia (Salvador) Ginsberg '86 December 6, 2019

> Carl J. Boucher '91 January 3, 2020

Curtis Lee Boles '93 April 29, 2020

Kelly Lynn (Atkinson) Lewis '96 November 23, 2019 Louis Anthony DeMarco '98 December 19, 2019

Maureen (Colette) Tully '98 November 27, 2019

Daniel Claude Schoeller '99 December 24, 2019 Lindsey J. Cummings '01 March 19, 2020

Andrew Mark Plante '02 January 25, 2020

Stephen Albert DiFabio '05 February 5, 2020 Charles McCune Jones '08 December 9, 2019

Tyler Matthew Petrie '10 May 8, 2020

Anthony J.M. DeBonis '22 January 30, 2020

FRIENDS OF PINKERTON ACADEMY

Morris L. Messina, former student April 1, 2020

Alexandra K. Moore, former student November 17, 2019

Leroy C. Noyes, Trustee Emeritus January 31, 2020



Haley (Wilkins) Johnston '11 and Nate Johnston September 2019

Abby (Wooster) Lynch '11 and Declan Lynch Sacred Heart University July 2019

Tyler Daley '11 and Alexis (Pereira) Daley '11 October 2018 Nik Dubois '11 and Kelly (Brady) Dubois '11 June 2019

Joe Ryan '11 and Jessica (Knowlton) Ryan '11 April 2020



Amber J. (Craghead) Smith '11 and Justin Smith A son, Atticus, January 2020

In Memorium: We rely on friends and family to send us obituaries *(especially for alumni who live outside of New Hampshire)*. Please contact Meagan Sojka at msojka@pinkertonacademy.org.

Marriages and Future Astros: If you have a marriage or family update to share, please contact your Class Correspondent or Meagan Sojka (see above).

If you would like to make a donation in honor or in memory of a loved one, please contact Judy Spigarelli at jspigarelli@pinkertonacademy.org or 603-437-5200 ext. 5140.



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PA FLORIDA ALUMNI REUNION



On a beautiful sunny day on Sunday, February 23rd, Pinkerton Academy Alumni and friends gathered at Dr. Phillips Park in Orlando, Florida. Thirty seven alumni attended and a total of approximately 50 people came. Several prizes were given out for the alumnus that travelled the furthest, the oldest and youngest graduating class, and the class with the most alumni present. The oldest class was 1952, represented by Donald Chase. The youngest class represented was Laurie Brown Johnson, 1984.

The class of '65 which tied for the most members last year, had the most members with 6.

A good time was had by all as folks caught up with old friends and reminisced about good times at Pinkerton with fellow classmates.

I would like to thank my fellow board members, Sue Foucher and Gayle Gagnon for their assistance with the reunion, along with Meagan Sojka our Alumni Coordinator.

If anyone has any input on having the reunion at a different location, please let Meagan Sojka or myself know. Ron Gagnon, *Alumni Association President*