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FIELD BIOLOGY CLASS OFFERS CAREER EXPERIENCE

BOARD SPOTLIGHT

DR. SCOTT COPELAND



Dr. Scott Copeland

Dr. Scott Copeland is in his 6th year on the Board of Trustees representing Derry. It was Dr. Butterfield who thought he would be a good addition and asked him to consider joining.

“I had just sold my practice, and I think he thought I needed something to do,” Copeland jokes.

“Honestly, I think he thought I’d be good at it because I don’t have an agenda.”

Copeland attended Bates College in Maine and then completed dental and orthodontic school at the University of Buffalo. He worked at an orthodontist office in Lowell, MA, before he moved to Derry in 1985 and started his own practice in town.

One of Copeland’s proudest achievements on the Board of Trustees is his involvement in helping to create the Advancement Department.

“It was important to help people see that the idea of advancement is not just financial but it’s also all the other things the school has to offer,

how it’s different from public schools,” he said. “You know, everyone thinks their high school was special and different, but Pinkerton really is.”

To Copeland, there are key things that give Pinkerton an advantage.

“I think Pinkerton’s age and the fact that it’s a private institution make it unique. The history and traditions and the autonomy allow it to provide a continuity that is not common at other schools.”

Pinkerton’s Board of Trustees, according to Copeland, is different than other Boards he has served on.

“Everyone on the Board [of Trustees] is really proud of the Board. Our membership is really impressive, and the work is so important.”

Copeland cites the broad course offerings and opportunities Pinkerton provides its students as an advantage for the sending districts.

“I said it even before I was a Board member when my kids were here. It’s such a great school—I wish I went here. The curriculum is so broad; you can take Welding, Forensics, AP Physics. There’s so much that Pinkerton offers.”

Copeland’s children all attended Pinkerton. In his spare time, he enjoys skiing and mountain biking. He is also an active skydiver with more than 2,450 jumps. 🪂



Dr. Copeland jumping with granddaughter Abbey Rowe '22. She now attends his alma mater, Bates.

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Alumni in the Orlando, FL area met at Topgolf for a brunch and golf.

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Aiden Doyle inspects his findings while conducting testing at Shop Pond in Hampstead. Field Biology class partners with Friends of Big Island Pond to ensure the health of several area ponds. Read more on page 8.

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A LETTER *from the* HEAD OF SCHOOL

Dear Pinkerton Academy Community,

As we bid farewell to the holiday season and embark on a new year, it is with excitement and optimism that I share the latest happenings and future aspirations of our school community.

In the spirit of continual improvement, we have embraced thoughtful change with enthusiasm and determination. Our commitment to providing an exceptional education remains unwavering, and the start of this year has seen the implementation of innovative programs and curricular enhancements designed to meet the evolving needs of our learners. From advancements in technology to new collaborative learning initiatives, we are dedicated to preparing our students for success in jobs and careers that have yet to be discovered.

We seek to empower both our students and employees to grow to their full potential. Recently we signed an agreement with the New Hampshire Department of Labor to become a registered apprenticeship program for aspiring educators, and I was honored to present alongside students and colleagues at the New England Association of Schools and Colleges conference in Boston where we spoke about the role of student and staff voice in decision making.

Throughout this issue of the *Alumnus* and across our social media accounts, we are delighted to share stories of success from our students, employees, and alumni. Whether it is excelling on the stage of the Stockbridge, being honored for a remarkable coaching career, or building a business that puts employees first, their accomplishments are a testament to the spirit of hard work and collaboration ingrained in the Pinkerton culture.

Our alumni are an integral part of the fabric of our school, and we are eager to strengthen our connections even further in the coming year. It was great to see many alumni at our regional events this past fall, and we hope more will participate in upcoming alumni events. Having alumni share their experiences, insights, and contributions is invaluable as we continue to nurture a supportive and engaged alumni network.

Thank you for your ongoing support and commitment to our shared vision of excellence in education. Together, we look forward to the continued growth and success of our school community. 🍷

Warm Regards,



Dr. Timothy J. Powers
Head of School
Pinkerton Academy



I was recently joined by Cole Carter (Social Studies), Julia Mitchell (Communications), Kasarah Juneau '25, and Ryan Boulanger '24 to speak at the NEASC Conference in Boston.

SARAH SONG '92

Valedictorian of the Class of 1992, Sarah Song knew she wanted to be a lifelong learner. A professor at U.C. Berkeley School of Law, her career allows her to do just that. Along with teaching courses in law, philosophy, and political science, Song conducts research and writes and speaks on timely topics like immigration, democracy, and gender studies. The key to navigating polarized times comes in learning from each other she says.



Sarah Song

“When I teach these topics, I always start off by saying that reasonable people are going to disagree about the controversial issues that we’ll be talking about. The goal is not to reach agreement; we might never agree on a single solution to the challenges we face. Instead, I want to help students as well as people beyond the university to think about the values that people hold and try to understand where they’re coming from. The hope is that we can clarify the sources of our disagreement and perhaps even identify the basic values that an acceptable solution must satisfy.”

Song and her family immigrated to the United States when she was 6 years old. Just before high school began, her father had a job opportunity that led her family to move from Illinois to New Hampshire and enroll at Pinkerton. She remembers several teachers at Pinkerton who inspired her love of learning and ultimately her career – Dr. Harper and Mrs. Little in Science, Mrs. Reinhardt and Mr. Gaucher in English, Mrs. Berchtold and Mr. Bailey in Math.

“I realized there are many ways to be a good teacher and foster a love of learning,” she said. “Having those wonderful role models helped me realize I wanted to pursue a career in teaching and learning through doing research.”

It was the kindness of her volleyball coach, Mr. Bailey, and her team that helped her to feel welcome in the Pinkerton community.

“It was the fall of 9th grade, and I had just moved to Derry and joined the volleyball team. My birthday is in September, and Mr. Bailey hired a clown to come at the end of the volleyball game with balloons. And everyone in the gym sang Happy Birthday. He got a cake for the whole team. I have a picture of everybody eating cake with this clown. I was so touched, and it really made me feel like I belonged. That type of kindness, you’ll never forget it.”

After graduating from Pinkerton, she went on to Harvard where she earned a B.A. in Social Studies. She had intended to study science, but some philosophy and government courses she took sparked a new set

of interests. After college, a scholarship from a New Hampshire Rotary Club allowed her to attend Oxford University where she earned a M. Phil before returning to the United States to pursue her Ph. D. in Political Science from Yale. She met her husband, a native Californian, at Yale, ultimately leading to a move to California, which she wouldn’t have imagined earlier in her life. Being open to change is part of the advice she offers current Pinkerton students.

“Our path in life is seldom straight. There are going to be twists and turns. It’s great to have a plan, but you should be open to adapting your plan in response to what life throws your way. It might be a setback, or it might be an amazing new opportunity that just falls in your lap. Be open because you just don’t know.”

She also urges students to worry less about the next step in life and focus more on what opportunities are presented.

“In the grand scheme of things, where you go to college or where you get your first job is less important than what you do. What you do with the opportunity is more important. That is what is going to be more defining of who you are.”

Most of all though, Song emphasizes the need for kindness in today’s culture.

“I can’t remember where I read this, and it has stuck with me because it’s so true, ‘It’s better to be kind than right.’ When you’re talking to people who disagree with you, and you’re thinking, ‘I have to win this argument,’ it really is more important to be kind. Maybe that’s the advice we need for polarized times.”

Song has written two books: *Justice, Gender, and the Politics of Multiculturalism* (Cambridge University Press, 2007) and *Immigration and Democracy* (Oxford University Press, 2018). She lives in California with her husband Gabe, and their two children Jake and Anna.



Gabe, Anna, Sarah and Jake Song

ANDREW PELKEY '05 & DAVE FAIRBURN '05

Putting their people first: Northpoint Outdoors creates their own business model

Andrew Pelkey '05 and Dave Fairburn '05 didn't even know each other while they were at Pinkerton. Now the two are partners and business owners of one of the most successful commercial landscaping companies in New Hampshire.

After graduating from Pinkerton, the two took different paths. Pelkey went on to Lyndon State College in Vermont before determining the traditional college path wasn't for him. Having nearly enough credits for an associate's degree, he took courses at Granite State College to finish his degree. Fairburn graduated from Daniel Webster College in Nashua with a degree in aviation, intent on becoming a pilot.

Both had done work establishing their own businesses, Pelkey in landscaping and Fairburn in irrigation. The two crossed paths in their jobs and started working together. In the fall of 2009 they decided to merge and create North Point Outdoors.

"Since then, it's been a whirlwind," Fairburn says. "Neither of us had intentions on ever doing this. It wasn't part of the plan, but we rolled with it. We were young, and we had to learn everything – how to have employees and operate services, handling customers, insurance and lawyers, bank financing."

Their company now has more than 120 employees and is nationally recognized, featured in industry publications and consulted by manufacturers. Pelkey says one key to their success is the balance between the two.

"He's the big picture thinker. I'm the 'in the weeds doer,'" he says. "We follow our roles of him as CEO and me COO very diligently and don't cross each other's paths. That works very well. If it was any other person, I don't know if it would have worked."

Beyond the obvious commercial success the company has had, the two have created a company culture that values its people above all else.

"Our value is the people," Fairburn says. "It's hard work. We give them intentional stop breaks for rest and safety purposes. We are focused on their livelihood needs above profit, and I think it creates a mutual



Andrew Pelkey, COO

respect.

"I think what's unique for us is that we didn't necessarily fall in love with the horticulture of landscaping. What we quickly fell in love with was the people, the team members. So we created this 'team first' mentality versus a customer first one."

Recognizing the demanding work their crew does, Fairburn and Pelkey are committed to elevating the perception of blue-collar work.

"As we were building our team, we'd be collecting some great people, many of them young, and their parents would ask when they were gonna get a real job," says Fairburn. "So we decided we are going to make real jobs here with 401ks and health insurance and some pretty good PTO packages. We came up with this term the North Point Difference, and it has driven us to show you can become successful, self-sufficient, and financially comfortable in an outdoor job that doesn't include a cubicle or a degree."

The North Point Difference is clear in the way it supports its employees. Those who have been with the company for 10 years earn a fleet vehicle, a "Bleed Blue Truck." Maintenance is covered by the company, so they have a reliable vehicle that also instills pride and motivation in the crew. The North Point Cares program provides financial assistance to employees in need. With an anonymous application process, team members can submit for a coworker they know is in need of a loan. The funds are doled out by an anonymous panel made up of employees and helped 30 different employees over the last year. Additionally, they cover the cost of a financial education course for all employees, with 65% of the company participating. To support mental health needs, employees have access to 24-hour a day counseling for themselves and their families as part of their health insurance program. For Fairburn, it all comes back to what the true value of their company is.

"It's essentially operating a business with the focus to the people, and then the people generate the success versus a focus towards the service provided. We've replumbed the old school mentality."

Looking back at their time at Pinkerton, both



Dave Fairburn, CEO

gleaned important lessons. Fairburn recognizes the impact that Lt. Col Steadman, CMSgt Hosfelt, and the entire JROTC program had on him as a leader. Pelkey cites lessons from Mr. McMahon and Ms. Christensen.

“McMahon’s course helped me in my ability to hear other people’s opinion, agree or disagree, but in a way that gets me what I need. I think that’s a really strong skillset to have, especially in business,” he said. “And Gale Christensen left an impact in that she emphasized that you don’t need to be an expert in everything, but it’s important to understand the general premise of things. For me, a lot of what we do out on the field isn’t something I’d do on my own now. We’ve hired the right team to do it, but I know enough about it to converse, make decisions, and organize the team to do it.”

The advice that he has for current Pinkerton students is to consider a path that is outside the 4-year college track.

“You have to finish high school, and you might need some additional technical training, but one of the things we are trying to do is spread more awareness. I always thought that if you wanted to make any serious money

you needed a college degree, but these are serious jobs. There will be more and more need for these positions. AI won’t be able to do these jobs. We need to put equal focus on the other paths as we do on the collegiate path.”

Fairburn echoes this thought, encouraging students to never give up, even if their path may not be what they intended.

“Just never give up on yourself. There’s always a way, there’s always a resource to find. There’s always a mentor to reach out to help you find your way.”

Pelkey lives in Bedford with his wife Caitlyn (Vaughn) ’05 and their two children Emma and Connor. Fairburn lives in Hollis with his wife Danyell and their two children Henley and George.

STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE



Pinkerton Academy is in the process of updating its strategic plan. The committee consists of representatives from the Board of Trustees, the administration and management teams, faculty and staff, students, and community members.

To start the process, the committee held a forum in November to seek input from the broader Pinkerton community. The completed plan is expected in 2024.

ROBERT LANGE '99

Artist and gallery owner Robert Lange believes art belongs to everyone. The gallery he and his wife Megan have created in Charleston, South Carolina, embodies that spirit.

"We are both artists, and we decided instead of the sterility that comes with white walls and concrete floors, we would make a place that's bohemian and romantic and functions like a social service, like a library, where everyone's welcome through the door," Lange explains.

"We have a sign on the front that says, 'We're so open.' We give a sketchbook to every little kid that walks in the door for free. I've handed out 5,000 sketchbooks. Basically, we opened a gallery that was for the community, and we thought, 'Hopefully the same 5% of people who walk through the door who buy paintings will still buy paintings, but it doesn't have to be about that. It doesn't have to be this aristocratic retail business. It can be something bigger.'"

Visitors to RLS gallery will find a swing they

are encouraged to use along with a rock stacking table to channel their inner sculptor.

The gallery hosts community

events like book signings, fashion shows, and underground music events, but the focus always comes back to celebrating art and supporting artists.

"Our idea was to represent a very small roster of artists, and instead of trading in the commodity that is paintings, we would find amazing human beings. We always say, 'Character first and artwork second.' So we sought out these incredible people that make work that is solely their own and who follow their own identity and their own compass. And with that, we rarely change artists. We've had the same kind of family for a very long time and we just have this really great community, but it's also allowed us to follow the artist's side of the gallery, not the dealer's side of the gallery."

This model has not only fed the artist community at the gallery but beyond. Lange believes it is a result of holding to that core belief in art and artists.

"Every time that we feed that side of it, it seems like it just continues to grow and nurture itself so we can keep doing that. We started a scholarship fund for the local college so one student every year gets a stipend that allows them to enter the art world with some money in the bank. We are artists supporting artists and hopefully the gallery keeps reseeding itself. We keep doing these creative projects and it grows and matures—we have been here now for 19 years."

It's nearly shocking to learn that Lange almost became an engineer. From an early age, Lange showed great aptitude in mathematics. As a student at Hood, he walked to Pinkerton to take math classes and by the end of his sophomore year, he had completed AP Calculus. Very quickly, he was receiving generous scholarship offers.

"I had this aptitude which allowed for all these scholarships to come my way for math, engineering, physics—but I had my parents and



Robert Lange '99



Robert and Megan Lange

Mr. Hall saying, 'Don't follow those. Follow the thing you have passion for.' So, I had the opposite experience of almost every other artist where I was really pushed to follow the thing that I love. And now I'm doing it 24 hours a day, and I represent art from all over the world, and I get to live doing the thing that I love the most."

Despite the advice of his parents and mentor Mr. Allan Hall, Lange originally took what might be considered the more practical route. Knowing he had to pay for college, he accepted a full scholarship and enrolled at Northeastern University to become an engineer. After just six months, he knew he had made the wrong choice. After a brief stop at UNH for a semester (where he met his wife), he transferred to the Rhode Island School of Design where he graduated with a BFA in Painting in 2004.

Lange cites his time at Pinkerton as transformative and recognizes the lifelong friendships he made as well as connections to teachers who supported him during tough times and whose passion for their work inspires him still today—Mr. Peter Gaucher, Mr. Steve Gundrum, Mr. Allan Hall, Mrs. Donna Morin, Mrs. Cathy Little, and Mr. Toby Frank. His advice to current Pinkerton students is to take advantage of all Pinkerton offers to discover the thing that most makes them come alive.

"Follow your compass. Follow your passion. No matter what direction you want to go, give yourself permission."

Lange lives in South Carolina with his wife, Megan, and his two children, Teya and Bear. 🏠



Robert Lange's gallery



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Field Biology class provides practical experience

Mrs. Jennifer Roy's Field Biology class recently traveled to sites on Big Island Pond to perform water quality testing. They collected water and mud samples and worked together to analyze the data. They look for biodiversity of life and present their findings, along with plans for improvement, in class and possibly to the Friends of Big Island Pond.

These trips, supported by the Friends of Big Island Pond, have been happening twice a year since 2016 and complement the efforts of volunteers who test the water throughout the summer.

Roy describes the impact this experience has on students.

"For the student, it provides them with hands-on learning that actually makes a difference. Their data is used to determine what possible pollutants are coming into Big Island Pond and what some potential solutions there could be to keep the water healthy for the organisms that live in it. They are learning to become stewards of the environment, which makes them a better person living in their community, understanding how

everything is connected."

Some students have even pursued a career in the field after taking the Field Biology course.

"I had a student two years ago that was on the fence about what she wanted to do, but after taking Field Biology and having the Big Island Pond freshwater unit experience, she knew she needed a job in the field and is now a sophomore at a school in Vermont," Roy said. "She spent the first summer after graduation working on the Appalachian Trail doing maintenance, and has jumped in with both feet in an environmentally focused field."

This year's students see the value in the course and experience as well, recognizing the practical value along with enjoying the change in pace from the classroom.

"Our Big Island Pond freshwater testing was an amazing first experience with going out and doing hands-on work," said Micaela Herbst '25. "A lot of jobs associated with Field Biology will no doubt contain field tests and going outdoors, not to mention that the trip was all around a fun day out and working with my classmates!" 🧴



Susanna Tartarilla

Pinkerton Academy Board of Trustees honors Susanne Tartarilla with Trustees Meritorious Service Award

At graduation in June, Board of Trustees member Dr. Timothy Butterfield announced that the Board of Trustees' Meritorious Service Award had been awarded to longtime faculty member Susanne Tartarilla. The award, presented on rare occasions, recognizes individuals who have demonstrated consistent, meritorious, service to the Academy.

Before her retirement at the end of the 2022–23 school year, Tartarilla dedicated 35 years to Pinkerton Academy. Starting her tenure as an English teacher, she also taught drama and advised the Pinkerton Players. She served as an Associate Dean of Students before being promoted to what is now the Associate Head of School role. Her impressive career has earned her respect from her colleagues and the Shepard Award. 🏆

A Story of Resistance: *Antigone in Munich* Pinkerton Players Share the Life of Sophie Scholl



This fall the Pinkerton Players performed *Antigone in Munich*, a historical play based on the true story of Sophie Scholl, a German student and activist during WWII.

"I chose the play because when I came across it, at first look, the subject matter was intriguing. As I looked more into the history of the actual characters and the White Rose Society, I realized that this was an incredibly important story, and really wanted to give students the opportunity to tell it," said Director Mrs. Elizabeth Mykytyn '01.

"All of the students involved treated the story with such care. The students who played characters who were real people took advantage of flex time to come and learn more about their characters and what they experience and did during WWII in Germany."



Pinkerton Players perform *Twelfth Night*

Students Bring Shakespeare Back to the Stockbridge Stage

A rite of passage for many actors, performing Shakespeare can be a defining moment. This winter the Pinkerton Players brought *Twelfth Night* to Stockbridge audiences. Director Ms. Rachel Liff knew her student performers could deliver a worthy performance.

"I chose *Twelfth Night* because the Pinkerton Players have not done Shakespeare in many, many years, and I think it is an important educational experience. I knew the students were up for the challenge," she said. "*Twelfth Night* stood out to me because of its accessibility—the language is witty, its themes are timeless, and I knew that we would be able to uphold the integrity of the text while making it fun for the kids and audience."

"Additionally, it is truly an ensemble show. It allowed me to highlight so many different talents while giving every cast member something to sink their teeth into and explore. I'm so proud of the work the students did to understand and bring the text to life!" 🍷



Pinkerton's Memorial Garden Cleanup Project Complete

The Junior Historians of the Derry Museum of History and Pinkerton Academy's Air Force Junior ROTC program share a core membership as well as the core values of AFJROTC: "integrity first, service before self, and excellence in all we do." A great example of how members of both groups recently served the Academy with efficiency and excellence is how they helped solve a problem brought to the attention of school historian Dr. Mark Mastromarino.

"I attended the October meeting of Derry's Heritage Commission in order to meet with T. J. Cullinane, president of the Friends of the Forest Hill Cemetery," Mastromarino stated. "I needed his advice on a matter that the Senior Executive Assistant to Pinkerton's Board of Trustees brought to my attention. Ms. Linda Butler showed me that the granite slabs listing Pinkerton's trustees' names in the Memorial Garden had become almost unreadable because of dirt and mold. I knew T. J. could tell me how to safely clean them." The

Memorial Garden is a unique spot on campus, as described by Ms. Butler. "The Academy is so fortunate to have such a special and peaceful place for alumni, families, and friends to remember their loved ones and to contemplate the meaning of Pinkerton, past and present."

As luck would have it, the Junior Historians were at the Commission meeting to present their plans for revamping the Alan Shepard Room at the Derry Museum. Mastromarino noted, "I was totally impressed with their independence, with their preparedness and organization, and with their actual ideas for improving the permanent exhibit." Commissioner Cullinane turned the trustees' stones project over to the Junior Historians without hesitation, as they had previously cleaned gravestones at Forest Hill Cemetery under his direction. Mastromarino was soon contacted by Noah Jones, the Junior Historians' communications coordinator, who informed him that because the JROTC cadets had a service requirement, it would be easy to round up volunteers to join him on the project.

On Wednesday, October 11, Noah Jones and AFJROTC Cadet Autumn Miller, Cadet Lizzie Santella, and Cadet Lt Colonel Calvin Plante sprayed the slabs with D/2 biological solution provided by Cullinane, scrubbed them, and rinsed them with water, repeating as necessary. They also treated a couple of special pavers that also needed cleaning, and efficiently completed the entire task as dark settled over the campus.

The Pinkerton community can now proudly read the names of the 74 trustees who helped make the institution what it is today. And Ms. Butler can have the additional names of trustees more recently deceased engraved into the cleaned blank slabs, thanks to the commitment of a group of young men and women who were happy to sacrifice their time and share their expertise for the good of their school. "It is so heartwarming when students rally together to help out on an important project such as this," Ms. Butler noted, "and this happens so often at the Academy." Mastromarino agreed. "It is just one of the many, many examples of our kids feeling and expressing Pinkerton Pride." 🍷



From left to right: Cadet Lizzie Santella and Cadet Autumn Miller (both Class of 2026), Cadet Lt. Col. Calvin Plante and Noah Jones (both Class of 2024)

CONSTRUCTION UPDATE



On September 14, 2023, a groundbreaking ceremony was held for the construction of the new building. This building will house two special education programs and social studies classes. Despite a rainy summer, progress on the build has stayed on track. Driving by campus, you can see the first two floors being built, and by this spring the roof will be on the building. Excitement continues to build for the educational spaces this building will provide our students. The anticipated completion of the building is January 2025.



HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES 2023



(Left to Right) Lt Col Howie Steadman, Bonnie Eckerman, Stephanie Savard, and Therese Kerman. Photo by John Breda Jr. '96.

Bonnie (Shaw) Eckerman PT, DPT '93 - Bonnie has been a member of the Board of Trustees since 2013. She is currently serving on the Education and Advancement committees and has spent time on the Education (International subcommittee) and Building and Grounds committees. Bonnie volunteers with Love with Actions in Rwanda. She started Rwanda's first Early Intervention program, which included training of physical therapists.

Therese Kerman - Therese was a member of the English Department faculty for 35 years and mentor to two generations of English teachers before retirement. She was a leader in developing the department's AP program and Writing Center. In 2017 she received a Shepard Award. Therese was the former coach of the girls basketball program. She was a founding member of the Astro Striders girls running club.

John Porter - John was an original Trustee from 1814 and President of the Board from 1850 to 1857. He was active in founding and locating the school and oversaw construction of its original building. John was a successful lawyer and leading member of the State Bar. He was appointed to serve as a commissioner to revise NH state laws. John was a longtime state legislator, representing Londonderry and Derry in the NH House of Representatives. He was instrumental in establishing the Town of Derry in 1827.

Stephanie (Allain) Savard, LICSW '88 - Stephanie is the Director of Strategic Initiatives at Amoskeag Health.

She is a NH Licensed Social Worker. She was the former Interim Executive Leader, Chief Operating Officer, and Chief External Relations Officer of Families in Transition. Stephanie was also the former Director of NH Coalition to End Homelessness and former Member of NH Governor's Council on Housing Stability and Governor's Commission on Alcohol and Drugs. In 2021 she was the recipient of the NASW NH Social Worker of the Year Award and in 2016 she was the recipient of the New Futures Treatment Provider of the Year Award.

Lt Col Howell Steadman - After 23 years of active service, Howie retired from the United States Air Force as Lieutenant Colonel. He founded Pinkerton Academy's Air Force JROTC program in 2000. Howie retired after 23 years working at Pinkerton as the JROTC Department Head, Aerospace Science. He received a Shepard Award in 2010.

The 2023 Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony and Dinner took place on Thursday, September 21, in the Spaulding Arts and Humanities Building, Senior Cafeteria. The dinner was catered by our Food Service Team. Six students from Mr. Boccia's Jazz Combo course played music throughout the evening. The emcees of the night were 3 current members of the Leadership Council of Athletics. Dr. Nevius, President of the Board of Trustees, presented the 2023 Trustees' Meritorious Service Award to Susanne Tartarilla followed by the recognition of Trustee Emeriti status to Wayne Bolen, Harry Burnham, and William Newcomb '65.

NEW HIRES AT PINKERTON ACADEMY

Mr. Michael Perez Associate Head of School

Previously the Assistant Principal at Campbell High School in Litchfield and named last year's Assistant Principal of the Year by the New Hampshire Association of School Principals, Perez started in his new role at Pinkerton Academy on July 1, 2023, following Mrs. Susanne Tartarilla's retirement.



Michael Perez

Throughout his career in education, Perez has held various positions in districts throughout the state. He began as a paraeducator at Merrimack High School before teaching Social Studies at Pinkerton Academy for 3 years. He then spent several years in Nashua working as a case manager for an At-Risk program and working with Special Education students. Transitioning to administration, he served as the Dean of Students in Dover for 2 years before moving to Campbell High School. This diverse set of experiences will support the work of his new role, and he is looking forward to connecting with the Pinkerton community.

"I feel like one of my strengths has been building relationships with all members of a community. My common practice has always been an open-door policy," Perez said. "I am always willing to listen and collaborate to find solutions to situations that may occur. I work to be visible in any community that I am in and to build positive trusting relationships."

Congratulations and welcome back, Mr. Perez! 🍷

New School Marshals Named

This fall, two members of the security team became school marshals, bringing the total to three on campus. Mike Houle and Dan Komends '84, retired members of the Derry Police department, join Director of Security and School Marshal Eric Kester. In cooperation with the two school resource officers, response time to a potential incident has been reduced to 30 seconds.

Three new hires joined the management team this year.



*Joanna Dillon
Director of Health Services*



*Michael Sconce
Director of Food Services*



*Paul Vecchione
Associate Dean of Academics - Science*



2023–2024 Alumni Faculty & Staff



Look how many alumni returned to their alma mater as faculty and staff for the 2023–2024 school year!

Board of Trustees and Alumni Association



The Alumni Association and Trustees gathered to connect and discuss ways the two groups can collaborate together in supporting Pinkerton. Additionally, they recognized the generous donation of Richard Walbridge Spaulding by unveiling a bench in his memory.



Craft Fair



The Alumni Association held its Annual Arts and Craft Fair in October.

NEW HIRES AT PINKERTON ACADEMY

This year 56 new employees began careers at Pinkerton Academy. Welcome!



*Victoria Barberian
Admin. Assistant*



*Theresa Bassett
Mathematics
Teacher*



*Caryn Bettencourt
Science Teacher*



*Shayna Boisvert
English Teacher*



*Jessica Brien
Science Teacher*



*Brianna Butlin
School Counselor*



*Elizabeth Capstaff
Social Worker*



*Douglas Caldwell
Facilities*



*Mary Carnevale
Admin. Assistant*



*Emily Carr
English Teacher*



*Emily Caseres
World Language
Teacher*



*Deborah Cassidy
Food Services*



*Rebecca Clark
CTE Teacher*



*Roxanne Clermont
Food Services*



*Courtney Conomacos
Admin. Assistant*



*Christopher Crowell
Safety and Security*



*Benjamin Curry
Mathematics Teacher*



*Rebecca Del Signore
Nurse*



*Michelle DeMarco
Food Services*



*Jacob Douville
Mathematics
Teacher*



*Patricia Driskell
Food Services*



*Robyn Duguay
Admin. Assistant*



*Amelia Gay
English Teacher*



*Amber Gelinas
World Language
Teacher*



*Kirk Hargreaves
Food Services*



*Kassandra Hartford
Case Coordinator*



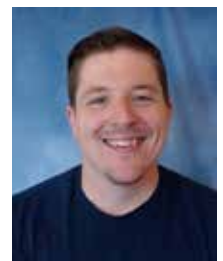
*Rebecca Harvey
Mathematics Teacher*



*Kimberly Howe
Case Coordinator*



*Marianna Hughen
CTE Teacher*



*Alexander Hunton
Fine Arts Teacher*



*Rachel Johansen
School Counselor*



*Blake Johnson
Paraeducator*



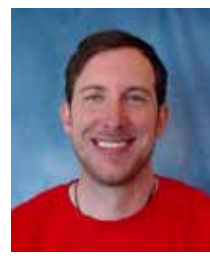
*Kiari Kelii
Apprentice/
Paraeducator*



*Alison Kellerman
PASSES Adjustment
Counselor*



*Christine Le
Student Information
Services*



*Joseph Lemay
CTE Teacher*



*Jessica Lown
School Counselor*



*Lei Luo
CTE Teacher*



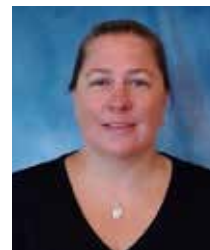
*Autumn Macdonald
Facilities*



*David MacNeill
English Teacher*



*Abby McCabe
Nurse*



*Jennifer McClelland
Mathematics Teacher*



*Renee Middendorf
Paraeducator*



*Tyler Mowers
Social Studies
Teacher*



*Alexandra Murby
Mathematics Teacher*



*Sherri Olivier
Admin. Assistant*



*Jessica Palmariello
World Language
Teacher*



*Krystal Pohl
Admin. Assistant*



*Robert Raczkowski
Safety and Security*



*Elizabeth Rooney
PASSES Case
Coordinator*



*Eric Savage
Mathematics Teacher*



*Cathy Spofford
Food Services*



*Courtney Theberge
Admin. Assistant*



*Janice Vazquez
World Language
Teacher*



*Siqi Wan
Mathematics
Teacher*



*Jessica White
School Psychologist*

“AND ARTS OF LEARNING UNTO ME ALLOWED” TREASURES FROM THE ARCHIVES: THE ELIZA GREGG MAP, 1821

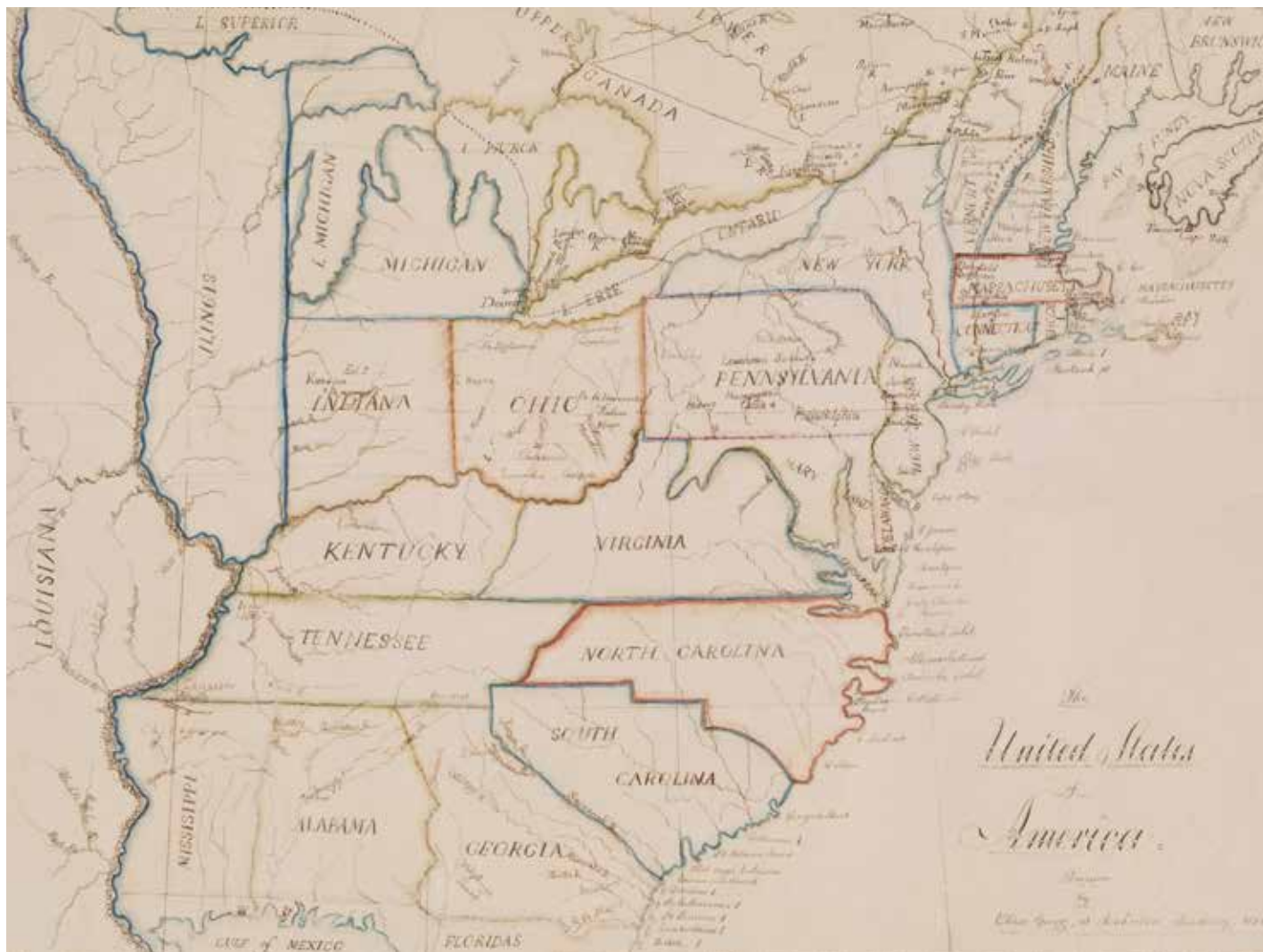
BY MARK A. MASTROMARINO, PH.D., CLASS OF 1979, AND SCHOOL HISTORIAN

Numerous historical treasures grace Pinkerton Academy's 209-year-old campus. I've written about some of them in these pages: Major John Pinkerton's ca. 1735 cradle; various pieces of statuary acquired by the trustees as pedagogical tools in the 1900s; and, most recently, the school's original academic building of 1814. Each of these diverse artifacts is associated with school leaders, who were all adult white males (until 1977). In this article, I will instead focus on a sixteen-year-old girl by examining the earliest-known surviving student production owned by Pinkerton Academy. This is the pen-and-ink map of “The United States of America Drawn by Eliza Gregg, at Pinkerton Academy, 1821.”

We don't know exactly when in 1821 Eliza Ann Gregg (1804–1881) created her map of the eastern United States. We have no student records covering that year, and no curriculum descriptions or course catalogues existed that early. All that has survived from the period are two

printed posters (13½ in. x 16 in. and 11 in. x 14 in.) known as broadsides that list students in June 1816 and 1827. As the earlier one appeared perhaps two to five years before Miss Gregg attended the Academy, her name naturally does not appear in the list of twenty-seven girls under the care of preceptress Sarah Fitz (although an eight-year-old boy, Jarvis Gregg, is listed with the male students). The second broadside lists two male Greggs who apparently were not brothers (as they shared the same first name): Joseph Gregg and Joseph A. Gregg, both from Derry.

Were these students related to each other and to Eliza? As the Greggs were among the first settlers, the name persisted in Derry a century later, but my research has been unable to disentangle extended family members. What we do know is that none of these Greggs were Eliza's brothers. One piece of evidence for that is another Gregg artistic creation. Four years after Eliza drew her map, her younger sister embroidered



Eliza Gregg's map of the United States, 1821. The earliest-known surviving student project at Pinkerton Academy. Donated in 1984 by Kenneth Davis and restored by Michael Lee, NEDCC. Archives of the Pinkerton Academy Alumni Association.

a “Record of Ebenezer Gregg Family.” Its owner, Arthur Caras of Derry, kindly made it available to me. The silk needlepoint sampler was “wrought by Mary Ann Gregg in the 19th year of her age” (i.e., ca. 1825). The eight siblings listed therein include only one surviving male, John Gregg, born 2 December 1813. A close look reveals that the death dates of Mahitable, Mary Ann, Hannah, and Margaret are in a different thread and were added sometime later, by someone other than Mary Ann, who had died in 1827. It is possible that Eliza Gregg herself might have inserted the death dates of her siblings before her own death in 1881.

Although the broadside catalogues tell us nothing directly about Eliza Gregg, they do provide some interesting information. Pinkerton accepted only boys as students when it first opened, but the trustees created space in the Old Academy Building in 1816 for a new female department. They also hired twenty-three-year-old Miss Sarah Fitz (1793–1878) as preceptress, or female principal and teacher, but she left Pinkerton in 1817 and married Samuel Adams, a trustee from 1829 to 1861. After employing consecutively Mary Knight, Mary Adams, and Eliza E. Carter, the trustees voted on 12 March 1821 “That a Preceptress be employed in the Academy the ensuing season.”

At the same meeting, however, they also voted that a committee “be instructed to consider and report as to the propriety of continuing an instructress in the female apartment [sic] of the Academy.” Apparently, the report came back negative, since at their annual meeting, on 8 August 1821, the trustees “Voted—That the female department be discontinued after the present season” (George Franklin Willey, compiler, unpaginated typescript of Board of Trustees Minutes, Archives of the Pinkerton Academy Alumni Association). We don’t know when the “present season” ended, but it must have been some time before the commencement of fall term. (Girls did not officially return to the Academy until 1853. I will have more to say about female education at Pinkerton Academy in a future article.)

Until I find further information, I can only conclude that Eliza Gregg drew her map sometime between January and September 1821. The trustees’ decision, made two weeks before she turned seventeen years old (she was born on 26 July 1804 in Old Londonderry to Ebenezer and Ann Hughes Gregg), prevented her from continuing her education at Pinkerton. We don’t know if she had already graduated or if she later attended the Adams Female Academy that opened in 1824. We do know that she married Samuel Clark (ca. 1798–1884) in Derry in February 1829. We also know that Eliza Gregg Clark bore five children: Mary Ann (died early); Lucinda, b. 1833; Eliza, b. ca. 1836; Mary Frances “Fannie,” b. 1839; and Robert Hamilton Clark, b. ca. 1843. Eliza Gregg’s map is the only tangible piece of her life that survives, besides her gravestone in Forest Hill Cemetery in East Derry. According to the *Derry News* of 25 November 1881, Eliza died of pneumonia on 20 November 1881.

Internal evidence from the map itself might have helped provide a more specific date of its creation, if Eliza Gregg had differentiated between territories and the states newly formed from them. But because she did not do so, it is impossible to determine how much of her map reflects new geopolitical realities. In the first half of 1821, the United States were actually more united than they

had been in the recent past. The period from 1817 to 1825 was known contemporaneously as the “Era of Good Feelings,” as New England’s Federalist Party had essentially dissolved after the War of 1812. President James Monroe, who had been reelected unopposed (only one of the 231 presidential electors voted against him, New Hampshire’s William Plumer), began his second term on 5 March 1821 and continued his initiatives to enlarge the U.S. republic, to foster a sense of national purpose, and to gratify the people’s desire for unity among Americans.

On 10 August 1821, Missouri was admitted as the twenty-fourth U.S. state, a year after Monroe had signed Henry Clay’s Missouri Compromise preserving the sectional balance between slave and free states. Maine, which had been a district of Massachusetts until it was admitted to the Union on 15 March 1820 as part of Clay’s congressional compromise, is not labeled on Gregg’s map, but it is differentiated in color from the Bay State. She does not add any Maine place names, which argues



Eliza Gregg’s family gravestone, Forest Hill Cemetery, East Derry, N.H. Photograph by Karen Gray. <https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/66010741/eliza-clark#view-photo=210488738>.



Mary Ann Gregg’s embroidered “Record of Ebenezer Gregg Family,” ca. 1825, possibly completed by Eliza Gregg. Owned by Arthur Caras, Derry, N.H., and photographed and used with his permission.

against my original hypothesis that the reason she filled in only nine place names in all of Virginia, Kentucky, North and South Carolina, and Tennessee, was because these states were personally so distant from her as to be almost foreign countries. Instead, it might be that she ran out of time and never finished the assignment.

She did label Florida as “Floridas,” reflecting the division of that region between British West Florida and Spanish East Florida (which the United States purchased in the Adams-Onís Treaty ratified on 19 February 1821 and took possession of on 10 July 1821). Florida was not organized as a territory until 30 March 1822 and did not become a state until 1845. Across the Deep South, Gregg labels Georgia, Alabama, and Mississippi as separate entities, and they were states at the time. She does not, however, show the southernmost part of the last two as West Florida, which belonged to Great Britain from 1763 until 1783, when it became Spanish territory (Georgia, of course, was one of the thirteen colonies and one of the original states). Mississippi Territory was formed in 1798 and became a state in 1817. At that time, the eastern half of the original Mississippi Territory was organized as Alabama Territory, which was admitted to the Union in December 1819.

On Gregg’s map, the area west of the Mississippi River is simply labeled “Louisiana.” The name Missouri does not appear at all, neither as a territory, nor a state, nor even as a river flowing into the Mississippi at St. Louis—the capital of Louisiana Territory—which also does not appear. Louisiana Territory was renamed Missouri Territory in June 1812 after the state of Louisiana was admitted to the union on 30 April 1812. In the Old Northwest, Ohio became a state in 1803; Indiana Territory was created in 1800 and became a state in 1816. Michigan Territory was created in 1805 and became a state in 1837; Illinois Territory was formed in 1809 (half of it became the state of Illinois in 1818, when the other half was added to Michigan Territory). In the Old Southwest, Arkansas Territory was organized from a bit of Missouri Territory in July 1819, and on 10 August 1821, the southeast corner of Missouri Territory was admitted as the slave state of Missouri.

How aware of all this would a sixteen-year-old girl in southern New Hampshire have been? Her drawing assignment suggests she was unfamiliar with geographical niceties or the political and diplomatic history responsible for them. But this conclusion is unfair for two reasons.

Firstly, she did not create the map from scratch but must have copied it freehand from an existing source map. Therefore, the inaccuracies and missing items might not have been her own. (My favorite flaw is the expanded New Hampshire coastline, well beyond thirteen to eighteen miles—depending on what exactly is measured—which I attribute to inherent Granite State pride.) I have not yet been able to positively identify the master map, and probably never will be able to do so, but I present one possibility.

Numerous similarities exist between the Gregg map

and a map titled simply “United States” that appeared in *Pawley’s Minor Atlas, Consisting of a Complete Set of Maps Compiled from the Best Authorities and Including All the New Discoveries*. Engraved by Samuel & George Neele, published in London by G. & W. B. Whittaker in 1822. But if it was published in 1822, how could a schoolgirl have copied from it in 1821? No, she was not a time traveler. The answer is simply that the map was actually engraved and published as a standalone production on 1 January 1819 and therefore might have been accessible to Gregg. That would also explain why none of the abovementioned geopolitical events of 1820–21 appear on Gregg’s map.

The chief similarity between the two maps is that the area delineated in each lines up almost exactly. The same place names and features along the Atlantic Coast also closely correlate. Two examples are the unique treatment of “Delaware B” when there is space on each for the complete word “Bay”; and the typographical treatment and abbreviation in both of New Jersey’s Little and Great Egg Harbor (although Gregg reversed her brace). I should mention that the shape of Gregg’s Ohio and Georgia seem more accurate than those of the professionals, but her Michigan and New Hampshire (go figure) are almost unrecognizable.



“United States” in Pawley’s Minor Atlas, Consisting of a Complete Set of Maps Compiled from the Best Authorities and Including All the New Discoveries. Engraved by Samuel & George Neele (London: G. & W. B. Whittaker, 1822). From the David Rumsey Map Collection, at <https://www.davidrumsey.com/luna/servlet/detail/RUMSEY~8~1~335882~90103631:United-States->

Secondly, maybe accuracy was not the primary requirement of the map assignment. If it was not assigned in a geography or history class, such facts as differentiation between territories and states would not have been paramount (or if it had been, she probably did not receive a very high grade for it, if graded at all). Most likely Gregg’s map was for a drawing class,

in which case it might demonstrate that the education of girls at Pinkerton in the early years was similar to that of most of the academies for young ladies of means founded in New England in the Early Republic. In addition to the basics of reading, writing, and arithmetic emphasized in public schools, female academy education also included “fancy work,” artistic endeavors like pictorial needlework, weaving, rug hooking, painting in multiple media, and drawing. In addition to ornamental domesticity, most of these schools sought to inculcate manners, decorum, and discipline. If it were these attributes that attracted Robert Clark to Eliza Gregg eight years later, then the short-lived Female Department at Pinkerton Academy had done its job, and Eliza passed with flying colors.

One example of her success in the domestic sphere is the fact that Eliza Gregg Clark successfully raised four children and instilled in them family pride that was passed down the generations. For, her great-grandson, Derry native Kenneth Davis, the grandson of Robert Hamilton Clark, two years before he died in November 1986 donated Eliza Gregg’s map to Pinkerton Academy. At the dedication of the renovated Old Academy Building on 23 June 1984, he presented it with the statement, “I am proud to donate this as part of the cherished historical collection at the Alumni Center.”

Thirty-eight years of hanging unprotected on the wall of the Alumni Lounge, however, took its toll on the document. When consulted about the condition of the 202-year-old map, Michael K. Lee, the Director of Paper and Photograph Conservation at the Northeast Document Conservation Center (NEDCC), reported that it had “suffered damage from inadequate mounting.” The paper was cockled, creased, and folded, as well as stained from residual adhesive from pressure-sensitive tape, from rust from earlier mounting nails, and from foxing. In addition, the map suffered from moderate soiling and over a half-dozen poorly mended tears.

Lee’s recommended conservation treatment plan consisted of reducing surface soil and accretions using dry cleaning techniques; removing the pressure-sensitive tape and its adhesives mechanically and/or by using heat; reducing the adhesive staining with organic solvents after testing the solubility of the original inks; after confirming that the media will permit aqueous treatment, humidifying and washing the map on a suction table with filtered or alkalized water and/or alcohol to clean the paper and reduce staining, discoloration, and acidity; mending tears and breaks and filling losses with toned Japanese paper and wheat starch paste; and, finally, humidifying and flattening the document between blotters under moderate pressure before storing it in a polyester film (Melinex) L-sleeve to reinforce and protect it against dirt, handling, and atmospheric pollution.

As one would expect, such professional treatment does not come cheaply. But as testimony to the shared commitment to historic preservation of the current Alumni Association’s Board of Directors and the Academy’s Board of Trustees, and as evidence of their continuing cooperation, the two groups agreed to split the cost between them. Consequently, I was able to hand deliver the map to NEDCC in Andover,

Massachusetts, this past June, and I look forward to retrieving it sometime while this article is at press. Soon this treasure will once again be displayed in the Old Academy Building as a legacy of the Gregg-Clark family and their dedication to Pinkerton Academy, as evidence of early female education at Pinkerton, and as an artifact attesting to the talents and determination of a sixteen-year-old girl in the “Era of Good Feelings.”

I conclude with the verse Mary Ann Gregg sewed into her sampler, which would have resonated with the Pinkerton trustees (whose 1821 decision might have closed off secondary education to her) and Eliza’s teacher, preceptress Eliza E. Carter:

Next unto God dear parents I address
Myself to thee in humble thankfulness
For all the care and pains on me bestowed
And arts of learning unto me allowed.

Author’s note: The Board of Trustees has recently authorized the Department of Institutional Advancement to create a new category of gift giving as part of the Pinkerton Fund, the annual giving fund that helps sustain all aspects of the school and enhances the student experience. Donations designated to the Archives & Historical Preservation Fund will help restore Pinkerton Academy’s original academic buildings and invest in the acquisition, conservation, and sharing of rare Pinkerton artifacts, documents, photographs, and publications, such as the Eliza Gregg map. If you wish to make a gift, simply scan the QR code below and select “Archives & Historical Preservation” on the dropdown menu. Your generosity, regardless of the amount, will have a significant impact on our mission to uphold the heritage of Pinkerton Academy.



ALUMNI HAVE SPOKEN

#TogetherWeArePinkerton



- **Connection to Pinkerton**
27.1% had a good connection
39.2% felt somewhat connected
28.8% want to feel more connected
- **Types of alumni events that interest alumni**
69% reunions
35.7% cocktail event
34.3% networking social
- **Alumni would like to get involved by**
39.5% mentoring a young alumni or student
35.9% helping alums from my class stay in touch
35% being a guest speaker
- **Alumni are interested in hearing about**
Updates from campus
Alumni spotlights
History & throwback pictures

Information shared was taken from the Alumni General Survey.
Thank you to the 471 alumni who took time to complete the survey!

DAY OF GIVING

December 4th, 2023, marked Pinkerton's much-anticipated **Day of Giving**. This annual event, aimed at fostering a sense of community and philanthropy, surpassed expectations, thanks to the overwhelming support of parents, alumni, faculty, staff, and friends.

The primary objective for the day was to rally 250 donors, and the Pinkerton community not only met but exceeded this ambitious goal. Over 270 supporters came together to raise nearly \$43,000. The outpouring of generosity demonstrated the deep and enduring connection that individuals have with Pinkerton Academy. It's a testament to the lasting impact the school has had on its alumni and the dedication of its current community.

Parents, alumni, faculty, staff, and friends came together in a unified effort to support Pinkerton's mission. Their collective contributions will undoubtedly contribute to the continued excellence of the school, ensuring that future generations of students benefit from the same exceptional education and experiences that define the Pinkerton legacy.

Beyond the fundraising success, the **Day of Giving** was a celebration of the vibrant Pinkerton community. The campus buzzed with excitement as students participated in a variety of fun activities designed to showcase their love for Pinkerton. From creative expression to spirited displays of school pride, the atmosphere was filled with joy and enthusiasm.

Students were encouraged to share why they love Pinkerton, fostering a sense of pride and connection among the current student body. This engagement not only helped raise awareness about the importance of philanthropy but also allowed students to reflect on the impact Pinkerton has had on their lives.

The day's success was not just measured in dollars raised but in the strengthened sense of community and shared commitment to the values that make Pinkerton Academy exceptional. The **Day of Giving** underscored the idea that the Pinkerton family extends far beyond the campus, encompassing generations of alumni and supporters who continue to make a positive impact on the world.

As we reflect on this incredible achievement, let us extend our heartfelt gratitude to each and every member of the Pinkerton community who contributed to the success of the **Day of Giving**. Your generosity ensures that Pinkerton Academy remains a beacon of excellence in education for years to come.



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Coach O'Reilly Named to National Interscholastic Lacrosse Coaches Association's Hall of Fame

Longtime faculty member, coach, and current athletic director Brian O'Reilly was inducted into the National Interscholastic Lacrosse Coaches Association's Hall of Fame in November.



Brian O'Reilly

Coach O'Reilly was honored for his 38-year tenure spanning from 1982–2019 and a record of 568 wins to 162 losses. His legacy includes 12 NHIAA state championships and 2 Northern New England championships as well as coaching 59 high school All Americans and 8 players who went on to be NCAA All Americans. Additionally, he has been a member of the NHIAA Lacrosse Committee for over 30 years, and chair for the past 5 years.

Often hailed as one of the “founding fathers” of New Hampshire lacrosse, O'Reilly established a blueprint on how to build and sustain a successful program. His methodology and consistent approach rendered his teams a force to be reckoned with, dominating the state championships, notably clinching the titles in his final two years as the head



Former players and colleagues traveled to the induction ceremony to honor Coach O'Reilly: (left to right) Steve Boyle '06, Brian Boyle '03, Coach Brian O'Reilly, Casey Brodersen '05, Patrick O'Reilly '98, and Head of School Timothy Powers.

coach in 2018 and 2019. This not only painted a fitting end to a decorated coaching career but also left an indelible mark on the state's lacrosse narrative.

Congratulations to Coach O'Reilly on this well-deserved honor. 🏆

Pinkerton Academy has recently become an NH DOL sponsored registered apprenticeship program.



Employees at Pinkerton can engage in a competency-based program of on-the-job learning and related instruction at a college with the end result of becoming a NHED licensed educator. Apprentices have access to grant money to support their paths toward licensure, making it affordable and sustainable for future educators. Pinkerton currently has 8 apprentices enrolled, with 6 mentors supporting their growth and continued learning.

PINKERTON'S 31ST ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT



We had a full field of golfers on Friday, September 29, at Passaconaway Country Club in Litchfield, NH. Thank you to everyone who sponsored, played, and volunteered at this event!

A special thank you to our committee members who make this event possible each year. **This year's event raised over \$12, 000 towards The Pinkerton Fund.** The Pinkerton Fund is the school's annual giving campaign, which supports all aspects of the school, including Pinkerton's most pressing needs. Pinkerton Fund dollars are used in the current academic year to support educational initiatives not covered by tuition alone.

All of our signage for the tournament was provided by Quality Graphics. Coca-Cola of Northern New England provided refreshments, Brennan Food Vending Services donated chips, and Lindt Chocolate donated truffles. Frasca & Frasca, P.A., and Frasca Title, LLC, donated swag items. Northeast Delta Dental donated a pair of Celtics tickets to be included in our raffle. **Eric Dupere '87** won the 50/50 raffle of \$1,470.

SPONSORS

Golf Cart Sponsors - \$1,000

American Excavating (**Tom '77** and **Steven Lannan '86**),
Borislow Insurance, Eckman Construction, Norway Hill
Associates (**James McKay '88**)

Dinner Sponsors - \$750

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& Frasca (**Joy Wood '89**), Lakeside Lanes Bowling, Leslie
Riemitis Agency, Northeast Delta Dental, Meineke Car Care, Peabody Funeral Homes (**Eric '85** and **Craig Peabody '87**), Poor Boys (**Dave Fortier '85**), RE/MAX Innovative (**Andrew White '89**), The Puritan Backroom, Trident
Building, Ultimate Attraction (**Becky Allen '83**)





*Kim Coombs '89, Joy Wood '89, Kim Wood '88,
Lisa Wood '90.*



*James Knox '06, Jim Capulli '05, Andy Capulli '07,
Alex Camm '05.*



*Derick Coombs '14, Jason Dunlap '14,
Reed Strople '14, Nick Coombs '17.*

AWARDS

"ASTRO-NOT" READY FOR THE TOUR (+13)

*Kathleen Porter, Scott Reynolds, Heidi Sheehan '87
Heather Lavoie-Grant '01*

STRAIGHTEST DRIVE:

Kevin Murphy and Kim Coombs '89

LONGEST DRIVE:

Mark Kissel '10 and Cathy McKay '83

CLOSEST TO THE PIN:

Hole 4 Pete Tagalakis • **Hole 13** Steve Bisette
Hole 17 John Wood '89 • **Hole 11** Kristy Patenaude '83



Alumni from 1957–2020 played in the tournament this year!



Save the date!

**The 32nd Annual Alumni Golf Tournament will be held on
Friday, September 27, 2024 at Passaconaway Country Club.
Once registration is available, secure your spot right
away as we expect another sell out!**

CLASSNEWS

FALL/WINTER 2024

–1937–

Ruth Wells celebrated her 104th birthday on August 28th. She resides at the Merrimack Nursing Home in Boscawen, NH. Ruth is still in good health. She is the oldest resident of the nursing home.

–1945–

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–1949–

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–1951–

CORRESPONDENT NEEDED

–1952–

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Hello Classmates: After a long hot, smoky summer here in south central Pennsylvania, time for a chat. You may recall my short story last winter about the Hershey Bears American League Hockey team having their annual Teddy Bear Toss in January; they exceeded all previous year counts with 67,309 plush toys being thrown on the ice that were then distributed to children in hospitals throughout the area. The Bears then followed up the season by winning the Calder Cup of the American Hockey League (for the 12th time). They are affiliated with the NHL Washington Capitals.... GO BEARS! On a personal note, my youngest grandson graduated from Hershey High School (with a couple of scholarships) and is now a freshman at Messiah University nearby. "Sports media" is his chosen goal; he has wanted to enter this field since he was in grade school. He has already done a lot of volunteer work towards this goal. My son, his dad, has been refereeing volleyball for years and is at a very high level in working colleges, competition areas and in other states, etc. So I guess the sports interest is like the apple falling off the tree so to speak. Thank you for letting me share my personal news and joys.

I'm sorry to have to inform you I just learned of the passing of **Henry P. Wallace**. He passed at home surrounded by his loving family on September 27. Henry and his brothers were born on the Wallace Farm, where they were referred to as the "Wallace boys." After graduation he began working for Agway in Manchester until his retirement after 37 years. He was helpful to all with his skills and puttering, as he had infinite patience was a "jack of all trades." He enjoyed country music, painting, and especially his wife's cooking. He was

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married to Deborah Dearborn of Londonderry for 66 years. They had one son and two daughters and several grandchildren and several great grandchildren. He was a long time member of Londonderry Presbyterian Church. My own memory of Henry was that he was such a quiet thoughtful guy with a friendly smile liked by everyone. Condolences to his family. Merry Christmas!
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Howdy 53ers. A half year since our last hello. Oh the summer, yes! And the early fall, yes! The falling leaves, yes! And presently the upcoming frost and first touch of snow! Seasons are so beautiful, yes! That is until "Ma Nature" has an itch or something bothering her. Well her antics the last six months hit the ceiling; think falling plaster; she also hit the floor; think dents to stumble over. My music, love it, was "stormy weather" and "Rain drops keep falling on my head." Well anyhow, hope you enjoy the holidays from now 'til then, which includes a bright new spring. **Telly**

Dear classmates, Here we are again. As Telly put it so poetically mother nature was not kind to us this past summer. But it will prove interesting what the winter and spring months will bring weather wise. Perhaps, due to all the rain we had these past few months, the winter will not bring much snow. We can only hope. We have lost another classmate. **Janice Newcomb Boyle** passed away in August 2023. In our yearbook Janice said she loved dancing and popular music. Her ambition was to go to California in a yellow Cadillac convertible. That would have been fun! Condolences to the family.

We lost another classmate. **Patricia (Teda) Gallien Tingley** on November 6, 2023. "Teda" was an extraordinary athlete and excelled in many sports while attending Pinkerton Academy. Later she took up tennis and made many friends. Her tennis group celebrated their birthdays together. "Teda" was also a good friend and we lunched together often. T-Bones and Olive Garden were our favorites. She will be missed. Our condolences to her family.

On a personal note, I lost my twin sister. **Joanne Putnam Marchand '54** in October 2023. Joanne had an illness early on and therefore missed a year of schooling, so we were never in the same class after that.

Bob, Telly and I wish the very best to all of you. Enjoy every day and do what makes you happy. Make the holiday's good ones and stay well. **Janet**

–1954–

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-1955-

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Dear Ole Friends & Classmates, Fall is here! Last week in the 80's, this week, 30's nights, 50's days! That's New England, if you don't like the weather, just wait a few hours then you could possibly have the perfect day. Thank you friends and classmates that took pity on me and sent me some wonderful updates.

Patricia (Fling) Henderson: I went to England for 2 months and stayed with my daughter, Megan and her family. It was wonderful, they took me everywhere. I went to tour 4 castles. It was wonderful to see all the beautiful woodwork in the homes, also to see where servants were housed and to see all the portraits on the walls. Megan also took me to the Darmour Moores. I watched to see if Heathcliff and Katherine would run across the Moores, just like they did in the movie-Withering Heights but I was disappointed. Megan also sent out an announcement that I was visiting and she was having a party for anyone who knew me, to come and visit. It started on a Saturday afternoon at 2 and it didn't stop until midnight. Megan said about 85 people came to see me, which I loved, because I had been going over there for about 10 yrs each summer. The nicest thing was the people came with their children... these children I have watched grow up with my grandchildren. It was super to see all of them. I learned that no matter what you do with your children, at the end it always leads to a Pub and I loved the Pubs. I also love the way they cook fish and chips. My favorite is Haddock...man, they are really good cooking. We also all dressed in pink including the guys and we all went to see the movie, Barbie. It was a strange movie. I did a lot of walking up and down the hills in Devon which is the place where Megan lives. Devon is known for its hedges. They have hedges on both sides of the road that can be 20 ft tall- it is amazing. The country side is just beautiful. I love it there. I loved being with my grandchildren for that length of time. It was super. Well, I will close for now but I could spend 4 days telling you about how beautiful England is and how really friendly the people are. But maybe for the next printing of the Pinkerton *Alumnus* I will have gone on another trip. Bye for now, but let's keep Pauline busy with telling all of us what everyone has been doing. **Pat Henderson**

Andy & Claradell (Gard) Anderson: Hi dear old classmates, Andy and I are in FL for our 24th winter of retirement. We go down the last week in October every year. We just missed the hard freeze Nov, 30th. Today is 87 not my favorite, too hot. It will cool down. I always dread leaving home. The Fall is pretty in NH. We don't ski, snowmobile or have any use for the snow anymore, so off we go south. I'm sure you will agree this was a strange summer weather wise. The growing season didn't start until July. We did have a good garden, eventually. We still love to dig and plant. (Farmers at heart still) Pauline had a wonderful pot luck, as usual. We all contributed something but as always, Pauline made all sorts of food, delicious!! It was so nice to see folks we haven't seen for a while. Who knows who will make it to our 70th class reunion in two years. Andy and I are planning on it. How about you? The get-together was so much fun, we weren't as agile or mobile but we

got by with help from each other. Looking forward to the next gathering in the spring.

Arthur K. Smith: Hi Pauline; June and I are well, for the most part, anyway. We are still living on Hilton Head Island, SC. Our three children are Art (Kit) is living in Prosper, Texas, Valerie is living in Canton, Michigan and Meredith is living in Houston, Texas. We have eleven grandchildren and six great grandchildren. And how are you doing? Best regards, **Art**

Barbara Corson: Good Morning, Here it is Halloween, and this morning there was frost upon the pumpkin. I didn't make my usual popcorn balls this year for trick or treating. I did get a large package of Hershey bars just in case. Where have the days gone, here we are tomorrow approaching Thanksgiving and then we put away the pumpkins and corn stocks and bring out Christmas. This has been the worst year ever for my family. Someone injured our Grandson badly, thought we were going to lose him, but with lots of prayers and him being so strong we have him back. Be sure to love your grandchildren, never know what tomorrow holds. This last August was my husband Louie's birthday, it was a big one, so decided to give him a party. It was great, lots of people from all around came, a very nice time. Was so glad that high school classmates were able to attend. Once in a while I see an article about people that are longtime friends from high school, but I think we hold the record, **Pauline Elliott, Anne Giles, Claradell and Andy Anderson and Leona and Phil Lampro** came, it has been 68 years since our graduation. Even though I didn't have much of a chance to visit with you, it was so good to see you all. I know this alumni probably won't be out for a while but when it does, I hope you have had a wonderful Thanksgiving, and have had a very Merry Christmas, and let's hope that 2024 brings much peace to you and yours and also to the world. **Barbara Ross Corson**

Bob Zames: Hello PA classmates of the 1955 class. I hope each of you are doing well, considering the age factor which unfortunately is unavoidable. My health is good except for some arthritis discomfort, but "Arthur" is ever present. While most of us are now in our 80's, which for me is difficult to comprehend how all these years passed so quickly. Perhaps and hopefully another class reunion is not out of the question, Pauline what are your thoughts? Best wishes to everyone! Stay safe and healthy. May God Bless everyone who reads my brief message. **Bob Zames**

Anita Miller: Classmates & Friends, I kind of chuckled when I saw a survey being offered to learn about retirement. I laughed to myself as I said, geewiz, I'm too busy! Yes. I am still doing my pottery, low and high fire, but I'm not as productive, enjoy whenever I am ready. Sitting at a wheel to throw a pot is probably my favorite place to be, I still do baby pots and make bisques pots for children to decorate. That is fun. Then I share cookies with them if they're allowed to have them. Yes, I'm still doing my baking. Fortunately, most of it I get to give away. It's fun to bake and fun to share. I manage to swim approximately every other day at the YMCA. I now have two granddaughters in college. One in Pennsylvania and one at UNH. **Anita**

I want to thank you guys for these great updates! I am really happy with the results of this issue. This is what

this is supposed to do! Make you really enjoy reading about our friends and classmates with great big smiles!! This comes out twice a year, if you could send a small update maybe twice a year, imagine how much fun it would be. We would be running to the mail box for our updates. I always admired how close our class was. We have made lifelong friends. Yes, we are planning to have our **70th reunion in 2025!!** I really want to wish all of you the best Thanksgiving ever. Pray to bring our troops home safe. Thank all of you for your service. GOD BLESS OUR TROOPS, past, present and future!! Plus a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all. Let's hope this new year 2024 will bring us good health, be safe, happiness and peace to the world!! Enjoy this alumni, I will. Every Day is truly a precious gift! Enjoy it, **Pauline Misiaszek Elliott**

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Hi Everyone: Want to pass along our condolences to **Ann Goggin Robie** for the passing of her sister **Joan Reynolds**, to **Lois Kelley Bond** and **Bill Kelley** for the passing of their brother **Richard Kelley** and to **Pricilla Warren Taylor** for the passing of her brother **Earl Warren**.

Bob Plocharczyk '60 and his wife **Jean Ryan Plocharczyk '59** recently returned from their summer home in Maine and joined our Alumni group at Dunkin Donuts. They will be heading to Florida in January for three months. No news from our classmates, but have two messages from our Pres. **John Goyette** regarding a hiking trip and a report on our Mini-Reunion which will finish out my report.

Like all of us in our class, I have a deep affection for our New Hampshire White Mountains. I remember long ski trips up Route 3 to Cannon Mountain with **Kenton** and **Brad Ek** and their father Harold. Margie and I climbed all 48 4000 footers as did **Ed Holm** and his friend Bo. Last Thursday, October 26, I had the unique experience of hiking up to the AMC Lonesome Lake hut and staying overnight in my sleeping bag. Loved it! We are fortunate to have the Appalachian Mountain Club operate eight high mountain huts spaced strategically a day's hike apart. Many classmates enjoy the outdoors. I encourage them to avail kids and grandkids of the huts as a very special NH resource.

On Wednesday, September 6 at 11:30AM, 18 classmates and significant others met in Pinkerton's Astro Cafe for a happy reunion. For several wonderful hours we were all kids again enjoying our school and each others' company. **Robert Schmottlach Miller** traveled the greatest distance coming all the way from Florida with spouse, Warden Miller. A social time began our day in the expansive Cafe lobby while Academy photos played across a big screen. We were graciously joined by our current Pinkerton Head of School, Dr. Timothy Powers. In addition we were honored by the presence of past Headmaster **Brad Ek** and wife **Nancy**. Alumni Relations Coordinator, **Meagan Sojka** was on hand to make sure everything went smoothly. She was joined by our new Director of Advancement, Mariel Capulli. By far the star of the day was Keith Desjardin

who is Chef Instructor and Culinary Manager. He executed and tastefully delivered on our theme of "A Box Lunch Reunion." We were treated to a delicious array of sandwich choices ranging from Ham and Swiss to Cape Cod Turkey and Cheddar.

Uniformed culinary students joined in serving yummy desserts and soft drinks. The day was made extra special by singing "Happy Birthday" to our long time Vice President, **Marcia Boyle Abbott**. **Bob Dabrowski** presented **John Goyette** with an extraordinary piece of wood sculpture that Bob had crafted. Treasurer **Ed Holm** presented Chef Desjardin with our class gift which can be used in support of the Culinary Arts Program. Finally, we must thank our reunion committee of **M. Clark, B. Dabrowski, J. Goyette, G. Hicks, and E. Holm**. They are already planning for our 70th reunion in 2026.

Again, hoping to be surprised for some classmate news. Next issue is the Spring/ Summer. **Ed**



(Left to right) **Ed Holm '56**, **Paul Congo '60**, **Roger Beliveau '59**, **Bob Plocharczyk '60** and **Ken Hepworth '58** enjoying their 9:00 am morning gatherings at Dunkin Donuts.

–1957–

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Again, I am sorry to report that no one has sent in news for me to post. Therefore, you will be stuck with hearing about only me. I have been fairly active lately. In February, I took up playing pickle ball. I love it. After about 6 weeks of playing, I played 8 times one week (and couldn't play Saturday or Sunday because of rain). As a result of not stretching and playing too much, I hurt my hamstring. You'd think I would know better by now. After my injury healed, I decided I wanted to enter a tournament. You can enter at your skill level. I looked for a tournament and finally found one in New Hampshire. My first thought was, this is great, I am from New Hampshire. Then I found it was at Pinkerton. Fantastic. I signed up. I went online and found a partner in New Jersey. We got crushed, but had a good time. It was really great playing at Pinkerton. Also, three weeks ago, I decided to go skydiving. It was intense. I like to think of it as two jumps. My first and my last. Please send me what you are doing. I'm sure our classmates would like to hear about you. Tell me about your grandchildren. Tell me about who you have seen. Tell me about your love affairs (smirk). Etc. **Robert (Barry) Burbank**

-1958-

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Our 65th reunion was held at Fodys Tavern in Derry, NH on September 29, 2023 at 11:30 AM. My wife's (Ruth) Concord High School 65th reunion was held at Allan's Restaurant the same day and time in Concord, NH. Although arriving late, I did have a chance to visit with the following classmates and friends, **Bruce Wilder, Donny Ham, Frisky Medico, Cleveland Boyle, Sandra B Creech** and sister **Ruth, Beverly Paradis, John Ellingwood and family, Sandra Lessard, Gail Waterhouse, Brad Ek and Jackie Hepworth. Bobby and Carol Levesque** said quick hello's, as they needed to get back to Maine before darkness set in. We missed those that could not attend and we missed those that have passed on before us. But we are grateful for fond memories of all. Take care in these challenging times! Sincerely, **Wayne Ross**

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Welcome to the fall in New Hampshire and Hello to my Classmates, The following is a message from **Bruce Misiaszek**, which, I received after the deadline of last issue. Sorry, Bruce, for the delay but could not hold the presses. Hello Natalie, Was just browsing through the last Pinkerton Alumnus and decided to do an update. Things have finally settled down after a few turbulent years during Covid. Marie and I found out we had it as our eldest grandson who was staying with us experienced it for the 2nd time. Fortunately, we hardly knew we had it. Just lucky I guess. Now that both of us have officially retired, me after 21 years of residential real estate and Marie as a United Methodist Pastor, you'd think life would quiet down. Nada! Marie now conducts a weekly bible study for upwards of 70 retired senior women and volunteers at a local hospital doing patient visits along with the 3-4 mile walks we do each day to maintain some degree of fitness. I'm spending a few days each week playing golf with my 2 eldest grandsons who I coached for years in local rec baseball and basketball leagues. Covid brought a retirement to those coaching activities. Last June Marie and I had a 50th anniversary event, renewing our vows. Had over 100 of our friends and family there. We were in NH last October staying at Lake Winnepesaukee at Marie's brother Bill's place for a week when Marie was officiating at Bill's daughter's wedding at Old Orchard Beach. Got to play golf one day with **Jim Sullivan** and **Rusty West**. Great day reminiscing about days past. Planning on doing it again this year late August/early September. May even take in a Sox game. My daughters, Dawn and Lindsay are still within walking distance of us so we get to see the girls and the grandkids

any time we wish. Dawn still teaches pre-school and Lindsay has her own fitness studio working with women clients. Tough keeping up with her!

Guess that's it for now. Hopefully our class will be able to get together for our 65th. Yikes!! Hope you're feeling better! **Bruce Misiaszek**

Now, to my life in the age of being 81. First of all, it isn't all that great as I have to slow it down a bit. I joined Planet Fitness in August and go 3 times a week. I found that I have very strong legs as I can press 70 lbs. right now up from 30. Not bad for an old chick. It has been a hard 4 months as my daughter, Marie, found out in early August she has CLL, which is a form of Leukemia. At this time, she, her daughter and 4 children had become homeless and came to stay with us in a 3 bedroom, single wide mobile home. Really close quarters but we made do. They finally got a 4 bedroom house to rent. Not in a great neighborhood but it has heat and a roof over their heads. I have not heard from anyone, not even Gail, I see her on Facebook every so often along with a few of the others, so I know they are doing okay. I am still kicking around and getting ready to do the Christmas cards as that time is right behind us. Please let us know how you are doing and feeling as we are not Spring Chicks and Roosters any longer. Until the next time I get to do this. May you ALL have Happy Holidays and a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!! I remain your Class Co-Correspondent, **Natalie Shripsa Fuller**

Hello classmates, I hope you had a nice summer and everything is well with you and your families. In late September, I saw one of our classmates, **Bill Higgins**, he looks great. On 9/29 I went to '58 class reunion with my sister, **Judy Waterhouse Hurst**. It was held at Fody's Tavern in Derry, and it was a great time. **Ken and Jackie Hepworth** did a great job coordinating it. Once a month the girls meet for lunch and solve all the world problems! **Dottie Batchelder, Norma Jenkerson, Judy Ross**, and I met at Applebee's last time. If anyone is interested in joining us, let me know. Classmates, I've received a few requests wondering if we're having a Class Reunion this fall. I'm saying "it's never too late!" We didn't have our 60th Reunion because of Covid, but we can celebrate 64th Reunion! If you're interested in attending or being on the Reunion Committee would you let Natalie or me know? I'm volunteering to be on the committee, anybody else wants get in on the fun? Call or text Natalie or me! Have a nice holiday season, and give Natalie or I a call and let us know what is going on in your world. Take care and keep in touch. **Gail Merrill**

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Our classmate, **Jim Marcotte**, from Trinity, Florida, participated in the annual Pack-A-Sack fundraiser which was held on October 21. All the money went to disadvantaged kids for food for their weekend. This was

Jim's ninth year and he was honored to have received a trophy for raising the most money in the individual category. This event goal was \$225,000 and they have received \$180,000 to date.

For many years since graduation, the class members of 1961 have gathered at a local Derry restaurant monthly (when weather and seasons allowed) to reminisce, laugh and tell stories about our lives and Pinkerton. Sadly, the few members who met this year determined it was time for this tradition to end.

The following classmates (and spouses) attended:
Betty Gallien Andries with husband Jerry, **Louis Bruno** with wife Rosemary, **Joan Lavoie Desclos**, **Stephen Glod**, **Jim Marcotte** with wife Sue and **Joan Eaton Tessier**.

Enclosed is a photo of classmates **David Misiaszek** (and his wife Sandy) and **Marsha Hepworth Solms**, who also have continued to meet at the Villages in Florida.

I want to tell everyone that classmate **Joan Lavoie Declos** has continually kept in touch with classmates and letting the rest of us know who is doing what. A perfect example of Joan's care and attention to all of us was shown this October when Hurricane Ian devastated Florida. Joan contacted our classmates who live or visited there, and reported "person by person" how they were doing and who she had not been able to reach. THANK YOU JOAN for the care you show all of us.



Marsha, Dave and Sandy

—1962—

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Received a call from **Stan Leighton** shortly after the last *Alumnus* magazine was received. He said he thought he had taken **Jeanne Genuardo** to one of the proms when we were at PA. Vietnam/Agent Orange has caught up with Stan and he's experiencing multiple health issues now, but he says the VA both in Maine and Florida take good care of him. He said he was looking at surgery in October to take care of a hernia. He also said it's a bad summer for hay—too much rain—you can't cut hay when it's wet. Stan—do hope the hernia op went well and you are fully recovered by now.

Other than this, have heard from no one, so have nothing else to report. By the time you receive this the holidays will have come and gone – I can only pray that you all had quiet, joyful holidays shared with those you love. It will be quiet for Charles and myself and Babe (cat). As we've gotten older, neither of us really wants to drive any distance or go out when the weather is not so good....May the New Year bring only good health and happiness to you all. Take care, all. — **Sue**

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Unfortunately I'm sad to report that we have lost three more of our classmates. **Roberta "Bobbie" Child Leighton** has passed away in May after several years of declining health. Our class president, **Tom Sumner** passed away on May 12th and **Steve Tunberg** passed away on August 16th.

There has already been some discussion about our reunion coming up next year. A few ideas have been tossed around but more input from you would be great. So if you have any suggestions for location, style or timing please send me or Joanna a note.

We did hear from **Judi Gauthier Gosbee**. Thank you for all your work for our class. I truly appreciate reading the entries. I have appreciated the reunions that are scheduled in the daylight hours because we do not live in the Derry area and driving at night can be challenging on unfamiliar roads. The ones held at Pinkerton were great. I'm not one for DJ's and loud music anymore. Would rather catch up on the info from old friends and reconnect. For me, having light food rather than an entire meal would be fine also, but it's not a deal-breaker. Alcohol is not important to me especially in a daytime event. Best of luck with planning.

Judi Gosbee

As always it is great to receive news from classmates that I can pass along to all of you. Keep those emails coming. Happy Holidays! **Dick**

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Gale D. Robinson, Class of 1966, daughter to Grace & Clyde Robinson of Londonderry, NH passed away on July 10, 2023. Gale lived in Derry, attended Hood School then attended Pinkerton. She moved to Londonderry, continued her education 3 1/2 years at Plymouth State where she majored in Physical Education and minored in American Literature. While in college she was on teams of softball and field hockey and in the winter enjoyed skiing, and summer was water skiing. After college she worked at Sunnycrest Farms where she could purchase her house. Also, at the time she played for the Manchester Lakers Softball Team and in horse show competitions which she came in #1 in New England. There was an opportunity that came up for a shipping position at Bell Technology/EPE Electronics she decided to take. This is where she met her

best friend. Where they decided to move to Florida. Gale decided she had enough snow. She wanted to be closer to her dad, also her brother who had already moved there. Bonnie's parents lived in FL. We lived in the same park as her brother so they enjoyed their time fishing, coming over to our house and seeing both parents for holidays. Most importantly, family was together. She enjoyed her #1 thing, Sundays watching her New England Patriots. As all of us reflect on the life of your classmate. She is in God's hands and at peace and back in New Hampshire where she loved so much. **Bonnie Whittemore**

-1967-

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From your correspondent: I hope all is well and you had a great summer. Snow will be here soon for us northerners. I have some more sad news to report. We have lost another classmate, **Miles Murdock** passed away on August 3 in Radcliff, Kentucky. Miles is survived by his wife Celestine, his brother Jeff and wife Rebecca, sisters, Phyllis Brown and Joyce Cogswell. Miles life was marked by dedication to service, both of his country and to his community. He proudly served in the United States Navy, demonstrating his commitment and patriotism. His work ethic and sense of responsibility were also evident in his professional life. After his military service, Miles continued to serve his community as a food packer for a trucking company, ensuring that goods were delivered safely and efficiently. Our condolences go out to Miles wife and family.

Bill Blaine passed away peacefully on Nov. 10. Bill was a loving husband, brother, devoted father and grandfather, talented guitarist, performer and businessman. Bill was born in Haverhill, Mass. in 1949 and moved to Hampstead with his family in 1959. After Pinkerton Bill went on to pursue a BS in business from NH College and a MS in education from Boston University. Bill was inducted into the Pinkerton Hall of Fame in 1999 and was the recipient in 2012 of the Trustee's Meritorious Award. Bill was a member of the Pinkerton Academy band for all 4 yrs. of high school. He was also the founding member of the Telstars (64-69) and the Stone Cross Band (69-85). Bill is survived by his wife Ellen, his daughters, siblings, grandchildren, nieces and nephews. Our condolences go out to Bill's family.

I also got an email from **Linda Curtin**: Years go by, life goes on. We see so many of our classmates leave us without ever knowing how they spent their many years after Pinkerton Academy. For this reason I have decided to share some of those years I call my three life's worth. Not only as a mother raising a very large family, I have also been an artist and author. As you know I married my childhood best friend **Dana Dinsmore** in 1970. And then after our thirty year mark of our marriage and while raising thirteen children, several of which came from taking in children from his side of the family. At age 46 Dana suffered a heart condition which troubled him on and off for the next six years and beyond. During one of those hospital stays, we had a home fire and friends and wonderful people of our town of Newton, where we were raising all the children, stepped in to help. When we were working on rebuilding our new family home on

our property, I had an unfortunate accident falling from the unfinished second floor to the foyer floor. I suffered several broken bones and brain damage. During the most terrible time in my life a therapist and my journals that she suggested, were necessary because of short term memory issues, which became my life journals. I was only able to keep my job because of the help from the people at my work, who were willing to take over doing many of the things I could no longer do. They did rewrite my job description to suit my newly acquired disabilities. These changes were my life line to help me through these new challenges to my life, family and for our survival over the next slow years of recovery. Little did I know that this many years later after filling my journals with the daily struggles, failures and successes as I searched to develop a new me, and find my path towards a new normal, it would lead me back to eventually be well enough to fulfill some of my old dreams that I thought would be lost to me forever. The dream of becoming a published author and artist. And that these, my daily life journal pages, would lend themselves to content of a three book series based on a true life story. This book series is written with my Pen Name Amanda Grace Windward. The titles to the three plus book series begins with book one: "*The Spending of a Life's Breath*," Book two "*Finding my path to a New Normal*," and book three, "*Shall I Continue*." Also there is a book of poems from those journal pages titled "*Poems of a Life's Breath*." And now I am working on a last book to reveal "*Happily Ever After is the Best Revenge*." All and all I've published twelve books, including my children's stories *Welcome to Holly Day Valley Series One through Five*, *The Adventures of Little Pebbles* and as an Artist the illustrations and a few short stories under my author name Linda Marie Curtin. And of course my journal books under my pen name Amanda Grace Winward. As an Artist, I have painted many painting some of which are of local towns and places and displayed at art fairs and the different town buildings. It has been most satisfying to paint and see displayed. Now retired and still living in Newton, New Hampshire, I continue to paint and work on my short stories and path work quilting. And I consider myself extremely lucky to have been able to raise my family and live my life among friends and family all these years. Some of my greatest memories other than raising my family come from my own developing teen years as I traveled the halls and classes at Pinkerton Academy. Anything was possible back then. Now as I look back at my life so far, those years are at the beginning and among my most treasured. I just wish we all could have journaled our lives and made those journals into books that we could all read in our senior years to see the fullness of each of the lives of our Pinkerton classmates and friends.

That's all the news I have for this alumni news. Have a great holiday! Take Care! **Polly Wells Tewksbury**



'68 at "An Astros Afternoon in The Villages, FL".

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Bill Vayens: We held a STUPENDOUS Class of '68 reunion on Sunday, July 23! First, we met on the formerly known as Senior Steps for a tour of the Academy. We started off in familiar territory, going through Pinkerton Hall. The front steps are no longer restricted to Seniors and many of the rooms, especially the Chapel, seemed much smaller than we remembered. Then it was off to the Saltmarsh Library. It was strange to walk in and not see the classrooms on the left side of the building. We were amazed at how much the library has grown in the ensuing years. Then it was off to see the new buildings on campus, the highlight of which was seeing the Stockbridge Theater. Then back to familiar territory with the Shepard Building with the old cafeteria and gym. We ended up in the Old Academy Building, home of the Alumni Office and the archives on the second floor.

From there it was off to Fody's Tavern just south of the Academy on Route 28 for food, drinks and reminiscing. We were told this was one of the largest 55th reunions ever! Major kudos go to **Lee Papp**, who put much of this together, particularly finding and arranging for us to get together at Fody's Tavern. It was the perfect spot for our group. Thanks also to **Brenda Leighton**, as always, the driving force of our reunions. And thanks to **Meagan Sojka**, Alumni Relations



The Class of 1968 celebrated their 55th reunion in July at Fody's Tavern.

Coordinator who arranged and guided us on our Academy tour and provided much support during our planning phases. Start planning for our 60th reunion in 2028.

Bill Vayens: My trip to New Hampshire was brief but very busy. We flew into Manchester on Friday and stayed with my sister in Hillsborough. On Saturday, we held a memorial service in Bennington for my mom, who passed away last November. From there we drove to South Chatham, NH for her interment and then down to Berwick, ME to stay with **David** and **Jan Armstrong**. Sunday we all drove to Derry for the reunion, then it was up to Manchester to visit my sister and fly home to Florida on Monday.

Bert Deivert: Bert has released a new blues album Pony Blues. It's his first release since 2001 and you'll find more information and sample of his music at www.deivert.com. You can also find Bert on Instagram and Facebook and will also find his music on Spotify and Apple Music. Bert has lived in Sweden for many years and currently resides in Karlstad, Sweden. I have followed Bert's music for many years and have a copy of Pony Blues. I highly recommend it for any blues fan.



Lee Papp: reports that his oldest son, Chris has had enough of life down south and moved back home. Lee enjoys bike riding with his two boys and frequenting North Hampton Beach riding his bike while they surf. Most Saturday nights you can find him with a good fire going in his backyard fire pit.

Special congratulations to **Jan** and **David Armstrong**, who will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary in December.

The Class of 68 was well represented at "An Astros Afternoon in The Villages, FL" on October 22, with **Bill Vayens**, **Charlene Hartman Buffum**, **Nancy Powers** and **Cindy Stevens Houle** attending. For many of us, it was the first chance to meet the Head of School, Dr. Timothy J. Powers. And the Class of 68 can hold their heads high, as team "Stupendous 68" took top honors in the Pinkerton trivia contest.

AD ASTRA...We've learned of the passing of two of our classmates this year. **Dane Hoover** passed away January 28 and **Roy Dexter** on November 1.



Class of 1968 on the Pinkerton steps

If you aren't on our email list or need a link to our Facebook page, drop me a note at my email address above. And don't hesitate to drop me a note about what's going on in your life for next spring's *Alumnus*. Until next year!

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The only news is that I heard from **REV. Mark Montgomery '69**. Fantastic & beautifully written email. My apologies that I lost his info. Mark please write again and I'll send it right in immediately to share your news. It was special! Thank you for thinking of me.

Now — here's my own news to include. Dear Class of '69, Here I am writing this on the eve of my 72nd birthday, so much of these past months have accumulated into the realization 'hey kid, too much on my plate.' Over 55 yrs ago, our former Principal, Mr. Ivah Hackler, saw me at a football game. We talked about the 'old days.' Miss Abbott brought over our yearbook as she was having a coffee in the library after the game. An amazing man, he remembered everyone's name! The next week, I received a call from Mr. Hackler asking me to "come to his office." Oh-oh haven't heard those words for a long time! Long story short, they asked me to go thru Mrs. Wheeler's & their files which had been misplaced and needed work. They set up a phone in his dining room where I was to call every number to get current info of '69 grads. We even put a small article in the news what many of us were doing. It was amazing how many hand written notes were on them from Miss Abbott & Mr. Hackler. They kept track if they saw an article and would post it in all files. Amazing! With a new Alumni Association started, they nominated me to represent our class—why me? I proudly represented our class until my son was born and we moved. I promised I'd stay on until someone from our class, hopefully a class officer, could take over. We moved and never heard from anyone. I'm still here! Well folks, I was never a math genius, and a "couple years" have turned to over 55 years. In-between, got married, built our first home, had a son, moved many times all over the USA for transfers & promotions and retired in Florida for winters and summers in our log cabin in our beloved New Hampshire. Managed to pack my files for each move, announce reunions every five years, and write the class news. Wasn't easy, but my address and phone were always listed. Over the years I've written many notes and left messages to say hello and keep in touch. Thinking back, perhaps 2% ever responded. Now with email, you'd think it'd be easy to communicate. Guess I was a dreamer. To those that have had some communication that I happily got to share...a happy heartfelt thank you! How could I write news when I didn't hear from many? This past summer we were very busy as my husband of 52 years had open heart surgery. The months of pre-op testing, 15 days of hospital, and now post op P.T. has been a long haul. Now I have time to make appointments for me. In a few days I'll have retina eye surgery which will put me out of commission—with more to come. Getting older, things are starting to need repair. God's been by me, so what will be. Otherwise strong & happy, always. I have decided to retire as Class of 1969 Correspondent. If anyone wants to take over, notify our Pinkerton Alumni Office (Meagan

Sojka 603- 437-5200 x1101—Msojka@pinkertonacademy.org). To those that corresponded with me with notes, calls, emails, or smoke signals; I thank you with heartfelt smiles and happy heart. I'll be on Facebook for a while, but not too happy what I see there. Might not be able to read it so easily for a while, but the cell phone is always near. To Pinkerton Academy & dear classmates...thanks for the memories...wink-wink. It was Superlative fun and God willing more years of smiles for us all. Wishing you all smiles, happiness & health. God bless you all.

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Hey, Class of '70. **Anne (Blandford) Allen** dropped me a bittersweet Facebook Messenger note saying she's living and working on the Delmarva Peninsula in Laurel, Delaware. Years ago, she lost her husband, John, during a relatively routine surgical procedure. Her children were 11 (son) and 8 (daughter) at the time. Her note continues: It was a rough time for a few years as we settled in as a single parent! I left nursing and concentrated on the kids and keeping our log home. About 5 years later I met and married my present husband of 31 years! I love my home and would never sell it! My neighbor next door also has a log home and there is a single story cabin down the road about a half mile! None of us knew each other and all bought from the same dealer! Great year for the dealer lol! My parents, my late husband and my present husband's mom were cremated and the ashes are buried here! Keeping it in the family lol! Across the street from all of us is a state park and campground. The other side of the park is across the pond. It's a great place to live and every one of us watches over each other! I retired from nursing 6 years ago but still work at our local hospital as a patient companion. We work 12 hour shifts but I only do 2 nights a week! My hubby retired from the power company after 31 years. He works part time delivering a weekly guide of items for sale! Keeps us young, lol! And out of trouble!

On another somber note, I was contacted by a friend of **Roger (Roddy) Brown, Jr.** who passed away in July 2021. Little record of his passing is available and he is buried in Pine Grove Cemetery in Salem, NH.

As for us, I retired as Executive Director of McGregor EMS in 2013 and have continued to fly fish as well as working my per diem position in Campus Services at RiverWoods Durham. A fabulous place both for staff and especially residents. My wife, **Cynthia (Coviello) Cote '70** retired from her practice as a Nurse Practitioner (APRN) in several healthcare disciplines in 2018. She is the co-founder, Past President and Executive Director of the Betty J. Borry Breast Cancer Retreats which provides adventure retreats for NE women of all ages and stages of breast cancer. She has directed the nonprofit over 25 years. While both of us are seemingly busy in our retirement, we regularly head to Ogunquit Beach, ME for evening beach walks. **Bill Cote**

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Hello Class of 1971. I hope everyone had a great summer. I unfortunately did not. My husband Ivan passed away at home on July 13th after a valiant one and a half year battle with pancreatic cancer. We would have been married 27 years in August. What a horrible disease. When we returned in May, after clear scans in January, the cancer had metastasized. We celebrated his life August 25 at Spring Hill in South Berwick, Maine where he was buried alongside my first husband and my parents. I was touched that several of my Pinkerton classmates attended. So, I took up pickleball to alleviate my stress, and I love it. Looking forward to going to the Christmas Markets in Germany and Vienna in December with my friend and her husband.

I am also sad to report that our classmate **Susan Werner Bowen** passed away on August 21, 2023 at the Kaplan Family Hospice.

On a happy note we had two classmates that celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. **Susan Tewksbury Madden** and her husband John were honored September 8 at the Puritan Backroom Restaurant in Manchester, NH. The event was hosted by their 4 daughters and her 8 grandchildren. **Debbie Saunders Tremblay, Michelle Caldwell Dennett, Robin Gulezian Kazanjian** and myself were there to cheer them on.

Gerilyn Wilson Hartman and **Greg Hartman ('70)**, celebrated 50 years of marriage on August 31. They have two wonderful children and four awesome grandchildren.

A group of fabulous Pinkerton ladies have made it their mission to get together about once a month to do

something special. This group consists of **Debbie Saunders Tremblay, Michelle Caldwell Dennett, Susan Tewksbury Madden, Robin Gulezian Kazanjian, Arline Gillespie Descheneau, Paula Hatfield Hamblett, Lisa Samara Ross, Nancy King Caplette**. Our last get together was a dinner at Cotton in Manchester, followed by a Vegas drag show at the Palace Theater. Anyone wanting to join our group just contact one of us. **Sherry**

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My request for updates from fellow classmates on the FB page was answered by several classmates. The first has been a friend since Hood Jr. High, and although we no longer live close to each other, I cheer on her family's favorite football team. Here is the update from **Meg Davis aka Margaret Smith**:

Hi Lorraine. Since I have not commented in 50 years, I thought I'd give a quick synopsis of my current life. Married 43 years; husband just started a new career (commercial drone pilot). Not bad for an old guy! Three kids: 2 boys and a girl; 39, 35, 31. My sons are engineers, my daughter is a project manager on heavy construction sites. They all work a lot. No one's married; no grandkids. I'm VP of a non-profit, I work with the homeless and I run the non-profit's thrift store. I collect very old books and rocks (only heavy things) which make moving an exercise in weightlifting. We moved not long ago...hence I know how heavy those books and rocks are. I have one crazy cat, two snakes (both of which I've had over 15 years) a gecko and a very large tortoise. I raise praying mantis and stick bugs. Life is good.



Scott Webster

If you are on Facebook, please check out the class of '72's page where you will see updates of many classmates' travel and hobbies. I understand that many people don't do much on social media so if you aren't on FB drop us a line to connect. Most "postable" items of interest are; If you are looking for meal ideas, the posts from **Lee (Newman) Wheatley** and **Tim Swan** have us covered by posting holiday and comfort food recipes. I will be trying one of Tim's pie suggestions over the holidays. **Jennifer (Johnson) Vesey** has us armchair travelers covered by her photo vlogs of local and foreign travel. In addition to sharing about her family and friends you can see many happy moments that include her joy of being an equestrian. **Scott Webster's** life passion is about sharing all things Scotland. Scott told me he has two different tartans; the MacFarlane (the Webster family belongs to the



Meg Davis aka Margaret Smith family

MacFarlane Clan) and the New Hampshire State Tartan (purple). In his posts you will read how he continues the celebration of Scottish foods, traditions and provides updates on NHSCOT events, the organizing group for the Highland Games.

Thank you and wishing everyone happiness and good health in the New Year. **Lorraine**

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The 50th reunion went great! What a blast, keeping up and catching up with old friends!! Music was provided by **Scott Swain '73** and he did an awesome video tribute to our classmates who have passed on, the entire room was silent. "Nice job Scott." The trivia game was great fun, with nice prizes, provided by **Valerie Smith Frederickson Gendron!!** There was even a guest appearance by "Rip"!!

The Puritan Backroom Conference Center was phenomenal to work with and the food was delicious!! On the business end we have a credit balance of 624.00, which we will put into a CD for a deposit on the next reunion!! Jim and Patti Goss were unable to attend due to conflicting engagements, and **Mr.** and **Mrs. Ek** had to cancel due to illness, we wish them well.

The class wishes **Scott Calabro** a complete and speedy recovery from a motorcycle accident that kept him from attending the reunion. Please let's keep Scott in our thoughts and prayers.

A note from Scott: Recovery going well. Glad to be home. Seeing all my docs this week for follow-up. Next big apt is my ortho doc on 11/14. Hopefully he will approve my legs to bear weight and I can get to PT sessions focused on walking again. Tired of laying down. Will be a long road but I expect a full recovery. Thanks for checking in. Respectfully Submitted **Cally**

Applause and thank to **Cally Delorey Lighthall** and **Brenda Pratt Cunniën** for all the time and work putting together our 50th class reunion. General consensus was everyone had a really good time; I know I did! **Scott Swain** did a great job on the music and although he stated video is not his forte the room was extremely quiet as the tribute played which he put together to honor our classmates whom have passed. It was a very moving and somber moment. Again, thank you!

I had the chance to chat with so many... one by text because **Bruce Dore** had, at the last minute, been unable to attend. I happened to be talking to my longtime (like before school age) friend **Dick Cadieux** when I received the message so I shot Bruce off a picture of the two of us. And then, who came through the door but **Kim Woodruff!** I learned he does a bit of medical transport work, lives in NC and has recently had a book published. The title is "The Case For National Divorce, One Christian's Perspective" and published under K. Taylor Woodruff is now available.

And finally, The class of '73 extends congratulations to our class advisor Jim Goss for being named the 2023 Greater Derry Chamber of Commerce Citizen of the year. Jim taught English at Pinkerton Academy, retired as a Sergeant Major from the US Army National Guard,



Rip at '73's 50th Reunion

worked for the Department of Defense and has served as a board member for the Plymouth State University Alumni Association. Jim is currently the only private citizen member of the Chamber serving as an ambassador. His largest contribution to the community has been with the Veteran community. Stand up Jim Goss, such a well-deserved award. We stand extremely proud of you Mr. Goss. **Vickie**

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Happy Autumn Class of 1974! Get ready for 2024....Yes, our **50th Class Reunion!** Stay tuned for information on our BIG BASH that will take place on **October 12, 2024**. The location is still in the works, but the date is set. PLEASE reach out to me via FB, email, phone or actual addresses so that we don't miss anyone on the invite! We are attempting to utilize social media to send any and all information about the details, but if you do not use Facebook, be sure to email me with your info and I will reply with details when available. There is a FB page for our class, Pinkerton Academy Class of 1974 (there are two groups, and I will attempt to post on both!) Wynette.degroot@gmail.com

We have had many Alumnus editions without news. Time to make that change! I am happy to say that **Leo** and **Sharon Wrobel** are setting the pace for news with this wonderful correspondence! From Leo:

Brian '74 and **Kathy '79** Fowler have been gracious hosts to us in New Hampshire for the last several reunions and coffees. For the 50th reunion I guess we will have to drive a little further since they built their "for-evah" home up in the great north-lands of New Hampshire. We are trying to induce them to come with us to Maui next January. (We just returned from Maui yesterday in a trip that was part business and part pleasure – more below) As far as Maui and friends, **Peter '75** and **Patti Anne '74 O'Connell** did go with us to Maui last December. No need to ask dumb

questions like “Did you have a good time?” We did! I keep up with **Scott Calabro ’73** on Facebook, who also lives here in the Dallas area, but predictably, neither of us has gotten off our butts to visit the other since we live about 60 miles apart. (For reference, consider the Dallas metroplex is about the size of New Hampshire but has 7.5 million people! If there are more of you in Dallas, reach out to us at leo@b4ci.com and maybe we can all do a Texas reunion!) We had a great visit and coffee with **Pete Legenc ’74** as well as Brian and Kathy on a NH visit last July for Sharon’s Mom’s 85th birthday. Pete, mend up soon and we hope the doctors leave you alone for a while. Thanks for the coffees and mini-reunions everyone. Now on to other topics and news: My High School Sweetheart **Sharon (Ford) Wrobel ’74** and I are up to 14 ½ grand kids, with a new little girl coming in October that will make it 15. We also have (gulp) our first GREAT Grandson born in June 2023. (Jonas DeRossett, grandson of our oldest child Angela and her husband Jason) Are we perhaps the first Great Grandparents in the Class of ’74? So what is so important in Maui to drag us out of semi-retirement? We have a longtime client in Maui. Honest IRS, we do. For those of you who don’t know, I have been an entrepreneur and inventor for years. My last real job was in 1986. They tell me I’m pretty good at it though having published 12 books and 1600 articles. (See Leo Wrobel on [amazon.com](https://www.amazon.com) and also thanks to the Pinkerton English staff for teaching me to write cogent sentences most of the time.) Anyhow, this latest venture concerns two U.S. Patents I hold on a technology trade named TeleSentient™. The technology tells 911 centers who is calling 911 (or 988) and not getting through. There is a pretty cool 3-minute video <https://streamable.com/2c5w4o> or just take a look at www.telesentient.com. Our client in Maui is the Pacific Disaster Center (www.pdc.org) The PDC has teamed up with us to create a demonstration for the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) using their \$75 million, federally funded system called DisasterAware.® We have hopes that the FCC will make our invention a nationwide standard that will save lives. When we are not island hopping, **Sharon (Ford) Wrobel** is still a blur that smells good. She’s a certified Christian Refit Dance instructor and ministers to women in two different churches. They all think she hung the moon and they just love her. From my standpoint she has truly found her calling because she channels the Holy Spirit to so many women. She has one break scheduled in two years for our 50th wedding anniversary she wants to go to Greece, How can I tell her no? Anyhow our love to classmates. Reach out to us on Facebook or email! **Leo and Sharon Wrobel** leo@leowrobel.com

From Wynette: An impressive article published by [VPN.com](https://www.vpn.com), “The Top 100 U.S. Sports Management Lawyers” recognizes and celebrates the top sports management lawyers and attorneys in the US. Our classmate, **Frank Cimler**, of Cimler Law, PLLC, is recognized as one of the one hundred most influential, innovative, and talented individuals guiding talented clients as they grow and evolve. Congratulations Frank!

I look forward to hearing from Trixie and Trudy on their recent travels to Scotland and the United Kingdom. The pictures on FB are absolutely incredible and their journey looked amazing. I am sure there’s lots more news

from each and every one, so be sure to send it along to me at Wynette.degroot@gmail.com for our next Alumnus. To all of our classmates, remember, Kindness Matters and each day is a gift. Stay well. Always, **Wynette**

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Robin Anderson Simard • simard.robin@comcast.net
Rick Metts: Our food truck, One Happy Clam, will be on-site for Homecoming Tailgate. Rick and Sue Metts
Robin Anderson Simard: Welcome, classmates, to the golden question; when to retire? Well, I have decided I am leaving full-time stressful work and will find something per-diem and non-committal starting soon after 2024 begins. Maybe some time off in there, too. Meanwhile, by the time you read this, I will have spent two glorious weeks in Curaçao. Enjoy life, it is for the living!

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Happy Fall classmates! In the last Alumnus, I discovered we lost another classmate, **Christopher Mahoney** passed away on November 6, 2022. He was employed as a Patient Care Coordinator for Concord Hospital in the Cardiac Associates office. He was survived by his wife, **Nancy Lieber Mahoney**. She is a former 1978 classmate. Also his daughter and siblings.
Condolences go out to **Tom Lerman** and his family on the loss of his father Maurice Lerman who passed on August 1, 2023.
Condolences go out to **Randy Werner** and his family on the loss of his sister, **Susan Bowen**.

Condolences go out to **Amy (Gibbons) Aube** on the passing of her mother Patricia Gibbons who passed on October 27, 2023.

Condolences go out to **Cindy (Wallace) Doyle** on the passing of her father, Henry Wallace who passed on September 27, 2023.

Susan (Hayes) Coviello was honored recently for her 27 years of service to the Special Olympics of New Hampshire. Congratulations to her and her daughter for their commitment to this organization.

We also loss another classmate. **Paul Corti** who served as our class president our freshmen year and talented actor. Paul passed on June 14, 2023. Paul’s sister Deborah Finnegan wanted to “Thank everyone who attended Paul’s celebration of life in Wilmington MA.” Paul absolutely loved Pinkerton academy and the class of 1978. I understand a chair or plaque would

like to be purchased in Paul's memory. I believe Jo-Ann will have more information. Have a wonderful holiday season.
Sue

First off, condolences go out to **Amy Gibbons Aube** on the passing of her beloved mother. **Tom Lerman** on the passing of his father. **Randy Werner** on the passing of his sister. **Karen Rice Rudzinski** on her mother's passing and to two of our classmates, **Christopher Mahoney**.

I remember Chris as a quiet guy, always quick with a smile and a hello. Many thoughts and prayers to his family. For those of you who didn't know, Chris was married to classmate **Nancy Lieber** who I remember as a shy quiet girl, but who had a beautiful smile. Thoughts and prayers to all your families. We also lost another classmate. **Paul Corti**. Paul passed away in June. His



Sue (Hayes) Coviello

passing came as a shock to some of us. Some, if not most of you remember Paul loved the theater. I'd like to personally thank all of Corti's friends who donated to a fund for a seat in the Stockbridge Theater. Included is a photo of the plate. Thank you all very much. I'm sure Corti would be thrilled.



Christopher Mahoney



Stockbridge Theatre seat plate

Summer was filled with so many activities, even though it was pretty wet, we still managed to gather & have a great time. I got to visit with **Sharon Landers Grabowski**, my sister **Karen Kingsbury Dumas '81**, **Tammy Gallien '79** and **Gina Tomaselli Maki '76**. We had a wonderful afternoon at Tammy's place. We laughed, shared stories & reminisced about how close we all lived to each other as kids and how connected our families were. It was a wonderful day.

We also saw the Bazooka Joe band twice this year. Once in August, where I got a quick visit with **Jackie Reagan Huntington**, **Liz Robertson Roux** & **Tracey Allen-Jolicoeur**. Seems there's never enough time to visit. And then in October for their annual Halloween party/fundraiser for the American Legion in Londonderry. They had a silent auction going &

Lynn Wilkinson Anderson & I bid on the same item... needless to say Lynn got the bid. All is good; it goes to a great cause.

Speaking of bands. Have any of you seen **Steve Price's '77 band**? Their name is the *Souled Out Showband*...if you haven't; you have no idea what you're missing. They are awesome!

August also brought a beautiful gathering of friends at **Ellen Uicker Mulligan's** place on Lake Winnepesaukee. She and **Maz Young DeLuca** hosted a great time on Mark Island. What a day! Saw so many friends & was able to catch up on everyone's life. It was a most memorable weekend. Thank you ladies, it was a beautiful setting and a fabulous time.

Sandra Fendone has some exciting news. After her parents passing, Sandie decided to take her knowledge & gift of compassion to a whole new level. Check it out "Athena Wellness Consultants-Aging Gracefully with Concierge Care" info@athenawellnessconsultants.com. She plans to do a follow up email in the Spring/Summer *Alumnus* magazine so we can all read about this venture. It'll be worth the read.

So many great milestones for so many classmates, especially the high school sweethearts. They celebrated their 45th anniversaries. Too many to mention, but we all celebrate our marriages. I celebrated my 40th anniversary this year! Hopefully you didn't miss the Mack Plaque/ Homecoming weekend. It was awesome! I'm happy to report that the Mack Plaque remains at Pinkerton. Then we had the annual Golf Tournament. If you play golf, it's a fun event to get friends together and enjoy the day. I



Friends of '78

also saw lots of PA alumni at the 30th annual Craft Fair! What a great time we had! If you haven't heard or seen the pictures of the new building going up at Pinkerton check out the Head of School, Dr. Timothy J. Powers blog. Great information and some awesome pictures of what used to be the English wing. I believe the students today know it as the Social Studies wing. So much has changed on campus, if you haven't seen it, you should. I know I'm in awe of how big the campus really is. Maybe we can set up a tour and we can all see it together.

Last but not least, it's time to update your information. It would be so helpful to have your current email address and/or your mailing address. You can either email myself or **Susan Pugh** with your updated info. You can also go PinkertonAcademy.org use the pull down menu & go to Alumni. You'll be able to check out all the happenings around campus. Until next time: Happy Thanksgiving - Happy Hanukkah - Merry Christmas & a Happy New Year. May we all remember to be kind to everyone we meet; you never

know what people are going through. **Jo-Ann**

P.S. It is with great sadness that I inform the class of another passing. **Ellen Uicker Mulligan** lost her husband Bill. Most of you know that Bill was a member of the group Stonecross all those years ago. An amazing man & a very talented one. He will be greatly missed & forever treasured.

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Hello classmates! Pinkerton Academy Class of 1979... 45th class reunion! Crazy as it sounds... it is our 45th! Reunion will be held on Saturday, July 20, 2024. Where: Oscar Barn Venue on 191 West River Rd., Hooksett, NH Time: 6:00 - 10:00 pm Cost: \$75 per person. Price includes a taco bar and all you can eat pizza cooked in the outdoor pizza harth.

The barn is very New England with lovely outdoor patios to sit and chat and catch up with "old friends." We will have the entire barn and grounds to ourselves... There is plenty of parking on site... There is a bar, drinks not included. Please pass the word... It is going to be a fabulous evening! We are still the BEST CLASS that ever graduated from Pinkerton Academy! Further details to follow in the next Alumnus magazine and invitations will be mailed. CHEERS! **Caroline**

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Hello Class of 1983!! This year was a strange year for the class of 83. We ended up with 2 class reunions. I was not able to attend one of them. It was on 10/7 at the Auburn Pitts. I heard it was a lot of fun. There were a few teachers that went to celebrate as well.

On 10/21 we had a 40th reunion at the Backyard Brewery (Yes the old Yard). We had approx. 65 people there and later in the evening another 10+ from other classes ('84-'86) came up to hang with us. We had a lot of fun. There were a few classmates that attended their first reunion that night and some that had not been to one since the 5th. There were some that traveled quite a distance to be with us—Thank you **Liz Csenger Trussell, Aaron Kerr, Karen Flynn, Julie Mohler Kean & Margaret Sabella Chanthavong**. I hope I caught all

the ones that traveled across country. It was great to see everyone! Thank you again to the reunion committee: **Sharon Castle Coviello, Kathleen McCarthy Boucher, Lisa Seeley Zaeder, Lisa Ross, Patty Salter Brault, Mimi Schwartz Martineau and Missy Shinault Perry**. We had a lot of fun planning the reunion and the feedback was that it was a great time.

Here are some notes from our classmates:

Grandbaby Updates:

Tracy Poulin Grady has a new granddaughter—she is now 4 months old.

Lisa Berkelbaugh is waiting on grandbaby #4 in early December. I am expecting my third grandbaby (granddaughter) mid-November.

Other Updates:

Kelly Lange Coleman sends her best to the class. She was unable to come to the reunion because she recently moved to Campaign, Illinois to work as the House Director for Kappa Delta Sorority at the University of Illinois! Sounds like a lot of fun!

Brenda Mazzaglia has had a lot going on this year—she recently sold her house and moved to a farm in Loudon, NH with all her animals and some new ones. She was unable to attend the reunion because her son got married that day! Congratulations on both the move and the wedding!!

Lisa Berkelbaugh wrote that she is still on air in the AM! Even though she is on air in Michigan, she is syndicated nationally on the weekends across the country and actually on some East Coast stations including 94.9 WHOM in Portland, ME, 92.7 WOBN NJ and Lite 96.9 South Jersey. Try to catch her on air sometime!

Liz Csenger Trussell lives on the Lake of the Ozarks and wants our class to know that it is quite different from the series!

Was recently speaking to **Sharon Cassidy Forbush**—she has started her own soap company. All the soaps are made by Sharon in Manomet, MA. They are sulfate free and are beach inspired scents but she can do special orders of any scent. She sometimes adds shea butter, goat milk, oatmeal and honey to the base. If you are interested in looking into and purchasing these beautiful soaps, check out her website.

<https://suntimesoap.com>

Please take a moment to think of our classmates who we have lost in the past year. I hope that I did not miss anyone, **Deborah Dunne** and **Heidi Horne**.

If you are on Facebook but have not yet joined our class page—look us up under the group Pinkerton Class of 83! We still have no contact info (FB, email, address, etc) for over half of our class. It would be great to get things caught up to date and get more classmates involved. I hope that everyone has an amazing holiday season and a Happy New Year! Looking forward to our next class event! My best always **Patty Salter Brault**



Class of 1983 - 40th Reunion

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Hello Class of 85 - January 2024 is almost upon us, thus, it is time to begin thinking/planning for our 40th reunion. As a reminder, we have a Class of 85 Facebook page, so if not already a member, please join! We welcome all ideas-let us know what would peak your interest in attending.

Recently, I attended my sister, Deneen's 40th class reunion at the Backyard which was a lot of fun. Even more of a bonus was a little mini-gathering of 84, 85, and 86 Alumni downstairs. Looking forward to being able to see even more classmates for our reunion in 2025.

Received a DM from **Karen (Cizmadia) Sheppard** recently—so, glad to hear she is able to keep in touch with so many Alumni through her career. “As a Southwest Flight Attendant, I enjoy traveling & catching up with my 85 PA friends: **Dawn Allain** in CMH; **Larry Donovan** LGA; **Nancy Harris**, **Margaret Taglianetti**, **Julie Haggerty**, **Mimi Salzman**, **Lara Chulack**, and **Amy Giles Goding** '86 MHT. Sadly, we have missed **Trisha Baker** for 3 years now. In August, I had the opportunity to visit **Billy Bastek's** '84 house in ATL for **Jeff Kerr's** “Celebration of Life” with **Steve Blinkinsop**, **Jay Shattuck**, **Aaron Kerr** '83, **Sean Mahoney** '84 and their families. Please look for me on your next SWA flight!” **Karen**

Next, we wanted to express a special “shout out” to all 85 golf enthusiasts who braved the rain this past fall to support the Academy through participation at Pinkerton's Golf Tournament, and especially to all those



A few classmates who participated in the alumni golf tournament.



Brian Ell '85, Joanne Salter '84, Steve Blinkinsop '85, Sue Foucher '85 and Jay Shattuck '85



Sean Lutz '86, Michelle Chabot '85, & Dave Woodburn '84

who volunteered at the sold-out event. Go Astros!

As always class of 85-reach out to me via email (mitchburk@comcast.net), Facebook (post or DM), and text/call (717-571-2846) with any news, questions, or ideas. **Michelle Chabot Burkhardt** '85

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Alumnus magazine, quarterly e-newsletter,
reunion information, event information!



CONGRATULATIONS to 88'er **Stephanie Allain Savard** who was inducted into the Pinkerton Academy Hall of Fame. As many of you know, Stephanie has worked fearless and tirelessly to be the voice and advocate for individuals who have fallen on hard times and for the homeless. She really has become a living angel for many in need. Stephanie joins fellow 88'ers **Samantha Brown-O'Leary** and **James Delaney** in receiving this prestige award.

In August a group of twenty decided to have a fun night of 80's and go see KICK - the INXS tribute band at Tupelo. We do this every year and it has become quite the tradition. 88'ers **Jay Delaney, Bill Fayle, Jeff Morgan, Tammie Morrione, Kelley Payson, Kathy Zirpolo** and I all met up with others from Class '87-'91. This night is always a blast. You all should join us next year.

Nice Job to 88'er **Jim Ward** and his wife **Cheryl Garcia Ward** who own J & B Butcher in Hampstead for your generous support in helping a group of local athletes raise money to go to Cooperstown in 2024. If anyone would like to make a monetary donation please reach out to 88'er **Anthony DeSimone**. Best of Luck to All!

Congratulations to 88'er **Sandra Michaud-McCarthy** who recently competed at the Shutterhound Pet Photography Conference in Las Vegas. Three of her images earned bronze awards for the 2023 International Pet Photographer of the year. A photo of my dog Axel was one of the bronze winners. Yes, I am a very proud Doggy Mom.

On Labor Day, 88'er **Dick Locke** hosted his annual Labor Day Bash out on the island. It was nice to catch up with 88'er's **Jim & Robie (Bonner) Collins** and 88'er **Scott McEachern**. It was great to see so many from other classes and from the BIP summer crew. Thanks for your hospitality and lobsters, Dick and Karen!

Scott Allen Curtis '88, of Chester, passed away on October 12, 2023 after a courageous battle with ALS. He was 53. After graduating from PA, Scott, known too many by his nickname "Bugsie," worked at J&F Farms in Derry and then spent several years working as a mechanical assembler for Onvio, BTU International and finally landing at A.W. Chesterton, Co., Groveland, Mass. He is survived by his wife Cathy, son Zachary, daughter Rachel, brother **Karl '82**, and sister **Candy '85**. Scott stayed in close contact with many of his friends from his time at PA, and he will be dearly missed. **Karl**

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2024-1989 = 35. Yup, you are reading that correctly. It has been 35 years since we graduated on the front lawn in front of the Pinkerton building from high school. We have been busy planning our reunion and here is the information we currently have, so please save the date, book your flights, get a hotel room and make it a weekend filled with creating lots of memories with longtime friends.

Save the Date: Friday, July 26th 6:30 - 9:30 p.m.

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The M/V Thomas Loughton steams through the Piscataqua River and Portsmouth Harbor on this party ship. Instead of a sit-down meal we are planning to do heavy Hors d'oeuvres. We just went over the menu and there is something for everyone. We plan to continue the party after we leave the boat by gathering at a few bars and restaurants in Portsmouth.

Many of your classmates are staying overnight at hotels in the area and we will share the names of hotels so that you can book your overnight stay to continue the fun. Information on how to buy tickets, the cost and other details will be shared soon on the Pinkerton Class of 1989 35th Reunion Facebook Page. We are so excited to see you all again. The reunion committee has grown since our 30th and we have really enjoyed the planning process and seeing each other more often. In addition to me, the committee includes, **Jennifer (Russo) Mathews, Heather (Kilham) McDonough, Stephanie Sullivan, Deb (Grady) David, Heather (Linnemann) Hankus, Johnnie Wood, Jimmy Tyler, Brandon Tsetsilas** and **Andrew White**.

Updates: Most of us are on Facebook and other social media platforms, so we see pictures of one another and keep up to date in this way. But, I hate seeing an empty section in the 1989 *Alumnus*, so if you have things that you want us to share in this section, even if you posted it on Facebook, X or Instagram already, please feel free to share with any of the correspondents.

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Salutations and greetings to my fellow classmates of the class of 1995! We all have some news to celebrate and/

or someone very special and who is very close to all of us, someone who is always been there for us and did things behind the scenes and made our experience the best that it could be while we were attending the academy. You may or may not be aware, if not, may I be the first one, for me the best thing that ever happened to Pinkerton and the finest teacher to ever serve has retired after 38 years of conservative service. Susan Easter has done so with distinction and honor not only a class advisor to the class of 1995 but also the class of 1991. Being involved in various extracurricular activities from clothing drives to being a founding member of The Faculty Play and being in every single one up until her retirement. I snuck back to surprise her and was in the front row for her last performance of The Faculty Play this past year and what in which she almost got run over by a golf cart....(no that was not in the script). I also had the opportunity of going back on her second to last day taking place during finals. This particular day had meaning, it happened to fall on the 28th anniversary of our graduation on the 16th of June at 10:00 a.m. Honestly, it felt like time had stood still and it was 28 years ago or for me. Perhaps even 30 for it was 30 years ago on the very first moment of the very first day of the very first year of the very first class that I came to meet this special teacher who had an understanding and a comprehension of how to draw the best out of each and every one of her students. 28 years ago when we graduated was also the date of former history department chair Miss Gwen Beane's retirement. Miss Beane like to say the four cornerstones and principles of Pinkerton academy one of which will always be academics and scholastics that's the other three elements are just as important and they are compassion, teamwork, and understanding. But those four pieces any problem can be solved any map or riddle to be figured out. There is nothing that these four traits combined with a cool head cannot figure out. Taking that into consideration, Mrs. Easter joins the ranks of former faculty like Miss Beane, Miss Olive Abbott, Mr. Anthony and Mrs. Gail Carnivale, Mr. Barry, Mrs. Beth Sullivan, Mrs. Ann West, Miss Elizabeth Shepherd, Mr. Charles Varney, Mr. James Tagalakakis, **Mr. Bryon Murphy**, Mr. Ed and Mrs. Penny Fazewski, Mr. Thomas Quigley as Mr. Brewster Bartlett, Mr. and Mrs. Cochran, as well as **Mr. and Mrs. Ek**. We are able to sustain these ever-growing and changing times in which we live in because of educators like these who have given us a leg to stand upon and a foundation to build and plan for our futures. We should show a little gratitude and in return turn around at some opportunity in our lives before time passes through the hourglass. As I did like *Alice Through the Looking Glass* last June to take it all in and remember what was what is and what we could be and will be, but the core values have not changed and perhaps we're better for it. Susan Easter much like her peers listed above has had a way through the years from the student who did not have it easy to the student that succeeded and thrived on challenge and drama has found a way to lift them up excite them and make them feel like they are the center of what's going on

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July 1, 2023, marked the launch of Pinkerton's annual giving campaign: The Pinkerton Fund. The Pinkerton Fund supports every aspect of the Pinkerton experience, and aims to enrich and enhance students and faculty of today and tomorrow.

To honor the Pinkerton Fund's inaugural year, the Class of 1956 is coming together to make a generous, leadership gift. The effort is led by John Goyette '56 and Bob Dabrowski '56. John and Bob greatly value their experience at Pinkerton and the broad range of aptitudes and interests of the student body. John hopes that by supporting the Pinkerton Fund, the Class of '56 will have an impact on providing extraordinary opportunities to students, and maintaining Pinkerton Academy's reputation for outstanding academic excellence.

"It's the beginning of a yearly campaign in which all Alumni will be given the opportunity to give back to our school that gave us so much," Goyette said of the efforts.

Gifts of all sizes to the following designations are included in the Pinkerton Fund: Pinkerton's Greatest Needs, Student Clubs & Organizations, Families in Need Program, CTE, Athletics, Stockbridge Theatre, Historical Preservation & Archives, Campus & Facilities, and Academic Enrichment.

Participating in the Pinkerton Fund is the best way to ensure our student offerings, facilities, and extracurricular activities are meeting the needs of each student and faculty member. To learn more about the Pinkerton Fund, and to make a gift, please visit www.pinkertonacademy.org/support/the-pinkerton-fund or scan the QR code below.

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around, at the center of her attention in that moment, and want to learn more and want to improve themselves and want to do better. So with all of you, will please forgive me if I take it upon myself without overstepping on behalf of the entire class of 1995 thank you Mrs.

Easter for everything that you did for us 30 years ago, 28 years ago and always. We thank you for always being there for us and I thank you for being there for me. You have made a difference in more lives than you will ever know.

Apart from being a class advisor for the seniors our freshman year, if you were into biology and the sciences, then you wanted to be in Deborah O'Connor's classes, especially biology, her first love. To her love of what she taught she was able to make the smallest things come to life and make them interesting for everyone. Students would share her enthusiasm for what she was teaching and talking about her love for biology was only second to her humanity for people. Her voice still resonates all these years later through that far end of the Shepard Building and down that staircase. In more recent year's promotion to department head she has led the science department and made changes to the department that have made it more of the finest science departments in the state making the curriculum one of a kind. After 34 years of consecutive service, Mrs. Deborah O'Connor decided it was time to pass the baton and retire at the end of last year's commencement activities and final exams thus ending an amazing and spectacular career following the footsteps of her peers, Dr. Chris Harper and Mrs. Little. She will be long remembered for her accomplishments, enthusiasm, but even more so for humanity and her love of her students and for making every one of them feel as though they were worthwhile. I got to have a visit with her on her last day or what was close to her last day. This also happened to have been our 28th anniversary of our graduation. I had a lovely conversation with her and let me tell you she has not changed. They say some things never change, this is what they mean and these visits that I had when I make this pilgrimage back was well worth the miles. It wasn't just going back in time it was an opportunity for them to see the impact and growth and the potential that they had seen so many years ago. **Sean Lovett**

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Wow! This year we celebrated 25 years of being out of the 'ol Academy. Thank you to those of you that came to reunion. It was nice catching up with those that we don't see on an everyday basis. The memories that we reminisced and the memories that were made. A lot of hard work and time goes into planning and I love every minute of it. I appreciated the kind words and extra drinks, a thank you goes a long way. To the Class of '98 thank you see you in a "few" years! I am now listed as a contact for the class, if you or your family have a huge accomplishment it shouldn't go unnoticed let me know. I'd love to share for you. For now I wish you and your families a Happy and Safe Holiday Season! — **Suzanne**

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

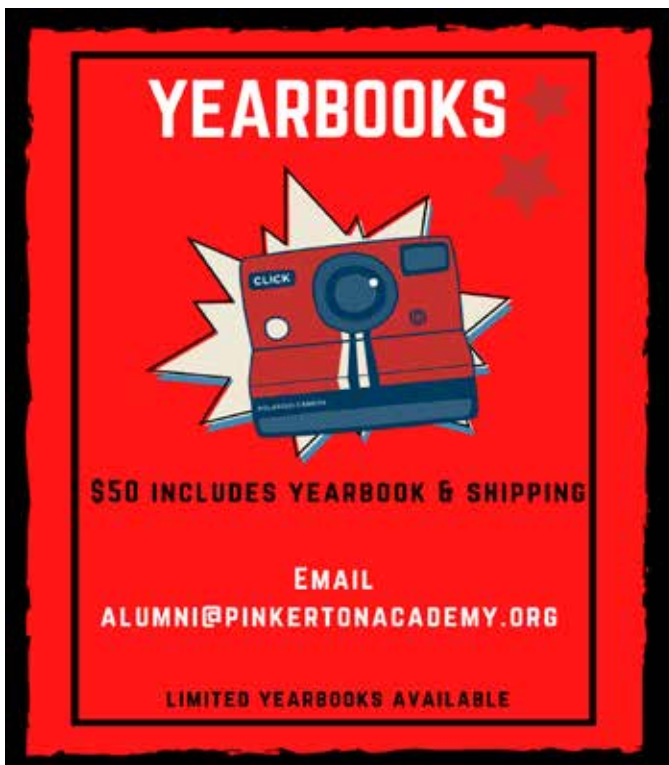


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Carl W. Geisser '60 – 10/18/2023
Gerald A. Barrieau '61 – 4/17/2022
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Marie (Ethridge) Macomber '67 – 11/9/2023
Miles E. Murdock '67 – 8/3/2023
Roy E. Dexter Jr. '68 – 11/1/2023
Susan R. (Werner) Bowen '71 – 8/21/2023
Richard L. Fitts '75 – 8/17/2023
Paul Corti '78 – 6/14/2023
Deborah Dunne '83 – 10/4/2023
Wayne E. Williams '84 – 10/1/2023
Scott Curtis '88 – 10/12/2023
Rebecca H. Hammer '90 – 8/9/2023
Stacy A. Lannon '94 – 9/28/2023
Alison D. Grant '99 – 10/16/2023
James T. S. Berwick '11 – 9/5/2023
Alex J. Giordano '19 – 8/5/2023

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. If you would like to make a donation in honor or in memory of a loved one, please contact Mary Chase at mchase@pinkertonacademy.org.

Marriages and Future Astros: If you have a marriage or family update to share, please contact your class correspondent for inclusion in the next *Alumnus* magazine.





▲ Alumni from 1984–2016 in the NYC area met at Edge, the highest outdoor sky deck in the Western Hemisphere, and later at Catria for drinks and appetizers.

ALUMNI EVENTS

►
The Villages, FL
Regional Event was
held in October at
Whispering Oaks
Winery.



▲ Before the Mack Plaque football game, alumni attended the Alumni Homecoming Rally. The rally had outdoor games, alumni merchandise for sale, face painting by Student Council members, One Happy Clam Food Truck owned by Rick Metts '76 and Susan Metts '75, and live music by Cozy Throne, Amara Phelps '18, and Ben Ferrari '21.



▲ Alumni in the Portland, ME, area met at Bissell Brothers Brewery for drinks and appetizers.

PA REUNIONS



▲ The Class of 1956 celebrated their 67th reunion in September at the Astro Café on Pinkerton's Campus. The reunion was catered by Pinkerton's culinary students.



▲ The Class of 1958 celebrated their 65th reunion in September at Fody's Tavern.

▼ The Class of 1973 celebrated their 50th reunion in September at Puritan Backroom.



▼ The Class of 1987 celebrated their 36th reunion in September at Stark Brewing Company.

▶ The Class of 1993 celebrated their 30th reunion in August at Flag Hill Winery.



◀ The Class of 2003 celebrated their 20th reunion in July at Cisco Brewers - It's Great to Be 2003!

▶ The Class of 2013 celebrated their 10th year reunion in July at Murphy's Taproom & Carriage House.



Astros bring home two fall championships

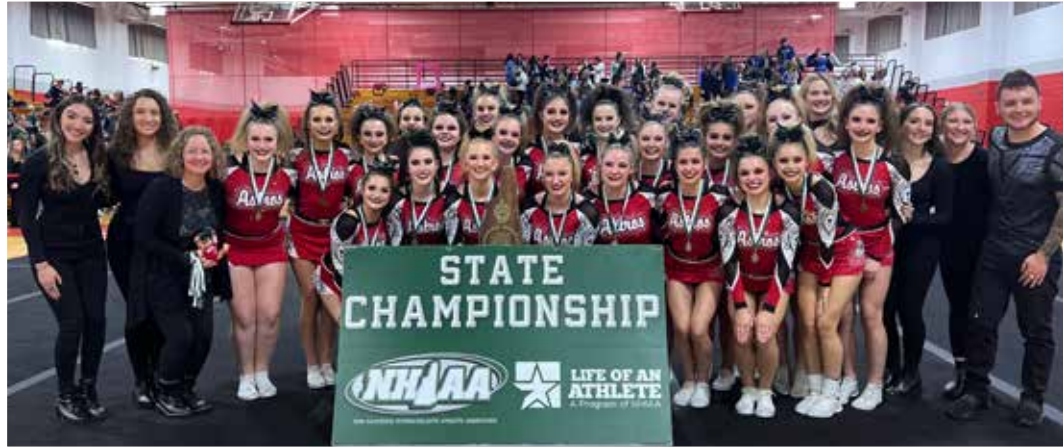


▲ Girls Cross Country

This fall saw the Astros bring home two D1 state championships with Girls Cross Country and Fall Spirit both winning their titles.

Congratulations Astros!

Fall Spirit ►



UPCOMING EVENTS

Be sure to check out pinkertonacademy.org/alumnievents for more events and to register!

39th Annual Alumni Florida Reunion

Sunday, February 25, 2024

Philippe Park (Shelter 9), Safety Harbor
11:00 am–1:00 pm



Alumni Night in the Stockbridge Theatre

Thursday, March 14, 2024

Pinkerton Academy Senior Café
Reception 5:30–6:45 pm followed by JigJam
at 7:00 pm



Boston Networking Event

Wednesday, April 3, 2024

The Exchange
7:00 pm

New York City Networking Event

Thursday, April 4, 2024

The Penn Club
7:00 pm



Reunion Day (Classes 1974 and 1999)

Saturday, June 1, 2024

Pinkerton Academy Campus



66th Biennial Alumni Day

Sunday, June 2, 2024

Pinkerton Academy Senior Café
1:00–3:00 pm

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This year marked the 55th year for the Boys Cross Country Team at Pinkerton!

Five years ago, to mark the 50th anniversary, the program's three coaches were recognized at a football game. Bradford Ek coached the first team in 1968, Art Cross coached from 1969-1981, and current coach Mike Clark has held the position since 1982. Talk about a Long Red Line!

