

ALUMNI NEWS

SPRING 2012

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• PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As I enter into my second year as President of the Haddonfield Alumni Society, I wanted to thank my fellow trustees. First for having the confidence in me to ask that I continue in the position of President for a second year... and secondly for all the hard work they each put into this organization this past year.

Before I review this past year and look toward the future, I would like to ask you all to consider doing two things.

First, become an active member of HAS. That does not necessarily mean making a donation (although we would certainly appreciate any contribution if you are in a position to donate)- there are many ways to become involved each year... so please reach out to me if you are interested.

Second, please consider attending our Spring Happy Hour... each year we host a spring and fall happy hour at Tavistock... it is a wonderful way to spend an evening on the veranda spending time catching up with old friends and meeting new ones...

As we look back, we had a very successful year:

- Hosted an outstanding Alumni day event where we presented the Haddonfield Alumni Society Lifetime Achievement Awards.
- We have provided both scholarships to a graduating student for college as well as for students attending Girls and Boys State.
- We hosted a very successful Fall Happy Hour which was very well attended... thanks to all that participated.
- We have worked to strengthen our relationship with the Haddonfield Education Trust and have asked them to share content about their organization in this 'Spring' news-letter.
- We remained financially prudent- every dollar we raise goes back to Haddonfield School District students or is used for outreach to our Alumni.

As we look to the future we would like to:

- Continue to build a strong relationship with the HET- our goals are very much aligned and I feel strongly that we are far better working together than we could be apart.
- Find news and creative ways to bring you closer to the schools and their success... every day our kids are doing amazing things whether in sports, the arts or in academics. I feel we need to find a way to share that success without overwhelming our alumni with a flood of e-mails or social media.
- Finally, continue down a path that will allow us to continue to serve our current and future alumni.

As I mentioned in my first Presidents message, we cannot remain stagnant... we must continue to grow and evolve... we must recognize our responsibility to be stewards of the school system we all cherish. Please take a moment to consider.

Sincerely,

M. Drew Hansen '87

President

Drew.Hansen@cardinalhealth.com

H.A.S. ACTIVITIES

• SPRING ALUMNI HAPPY HOUR

Wednesday, May 16th, at the Tavistock Country Club from 6 to 8pm.

All alumni are invited to stop by to raise a glass or two with old friends and make some new acquaintances. Free hors d'oeuvres will be served.

We've seen this affair grow increasingly more popular and are going all-out to spread the word through our website and newsletter as well as local newspapers. However, we need YOU to help by getting a hold of your classmates and bringing them out with you.

RSVP - We need to provide Tavistock with a projected head count in advance. Please RSVP to Tom Mervine at tommervinejr@comcast.net no later than Monday, May 14th.

Please Note: We are asking for a \$5.00 donation at the door to defray costs.

• FALL ALUMNI HAPPY HOUR

This gathering has been scheduled for Wednesday, November 21st, from 6 to 8pm at the Tavistock Country Club. There will be a \$5.00 cost per person to attend.

• ANNUAL MEETING AND LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

The HAS Annual Meeting and Lifetime Achievement Awards ceremony will be conducted in the HMHS Library commencing at 10:00am, Saturday, November 24th. Further details will appear in the Fall Newsletter.

2012 REUNIONS

• CLASS OF '57 (55th)

When: Tuesday, Sept. 25th.

Where: Smithville Inn, Smithville, NJ.

Time: 6:30 to 11:00pm, cocktails,
dinner & dancing

Contacts: Anita Ranoldo Miner
C (801) 842-8764
anitacatron@gmail.com

Dave Myers C (301) 275-0625
daveandbettymyers@gmail.com

• CLASS OF '87 (25th)

When: Saturday, Nov. 24th

Where: Keg & Kitchen (formally Cork)
in Haddon Township (Haddon Avenue)

Time: 8:30pm - 11:30pm

Contact: Dave Gottardi at dgottardi@aol.com

2013 Reunion

• CLASS OF '62 (50th)

When: Saturday, Oct. 6th.

Where: Double Tree Guest Suites,
515 Fellowship Road, Mt. Laurel, NJ

Contact: Debbie Mc Vaughn Enders
856-435-7921 Enders15@comcast.net

• CLASS OF '63 (50th)

When: Friday, Oct. 11th thru to Sunday, Oct. 13th

Where: Double Tree Suites by Hilton,
515 Fellowship Road North, Mt. Laurel, NJ

Time: Evening of Oct. 11th - morning of Oct. 13th.

Contacts: Henry Ryder Hryder
(856) 589-3270 or hryder@verizon.net

Kathy Welsh Baxter
(856) 727-3314 or kathyb3179@comcast.net



Haddonfield Educational Trust - News and Updates by Larissa Willison, HET Director

The Haddonfield Educational Trust looks forward to working with the Haddonfield Alumni Society on upcoming projects in 2012 and the future. Stay tuned for details.

The Trust would like to announce the appointment of their new Executive Director, Larissa Willison. Larissa lives in Haddonfield with her husband Michael and their three young daughters. Please feel free to contact Larissa at hadedustrust@gmail.com with any questions or comments regarding the Haddonfield Educational Trust.

The Trust held our Second annual "Night of 1000 Dinners" on March 24, 2012. The evening started with cocktails and appetizers at Christ the King Church. Guests then moved to various host homes throughout Haddonfield where they enjoyed great conversation and wonderful meals! The evening was a success with the Trust and the community raising approximately \$14,000.00 for the district's innovative technology initiatives. Thank you to all our hosts and guests!!

Please consider joining us for our 6th Annual Golf Tournament at Tavistock Country Club. This exciting event will take place on *June 11, 2012*. Monies raised from this event will benefit Haddonfield Athletic Fields. So gather your foursome and join us for a great day of golf!

2011 Accomplishments

We had two successful fundraising events in 2011. The inaugural "Night of 1,000 Dinners" was a great evening where generous Haddonfield families' hosted friends and neighbors for dinner in their homes after a kick-off cocktail party catered by Severino Pasta Company and funded from generous sponsorships. In July, Tavistock Country Club had its first annual Community Day where the club generously opened their golf course and club facilities for a day of golf, family barbecue, and fellowship to benefit the Haddonfield Educational Trust.

The Haddonfield Educational Trust, Inc. is a non-profit foundation dedicated to enhancing educational excellence of the Haddonfield Public Schools. The Trust is raising funds through fundraising events, alumni support, community and corporate grants and planned giving. The vision is to create an enduring endowment to support the excellence of Haddonfield Schools in addition to providing annual grants for District priorities consistent with the strategic plan.

Haddonfield Educational Trust - News and Updates (Cont'd.)

Over the past year the Trust has:

- ~ Raised \$27,000 towards our goal of \$50,000 for the District's innovative digital learning initiative.
- ~ Partnered with Lights, Camera, Action to raise funds for transforming the High School Auditorium to provide needed modernization for our exceptional Arts program. The project was initiated and spearheaded by Janice Hunt and Deanna Burney who have raised over \$80,000 to date.
- ~ Donated \$20,000 to enable the District to build upon the Drexel University partnership. High School students will have the opportunity to experience an intensive introduction to engineering program.
- ~ Provided \$5,000 in funding for Radnor Field Dugout Project.
- ~ Will provided \$500 in funding for HMHS Wrestling Room, a Class of 1961 project.
- ~ Provided \$500 for the HMHS Hall of Fame.
- ~ Established a collaboration with the Haddonfield Alumni Society.
- ~ Contributed over \$67,000 in scholarship funds to Class of 2011 HMHS college-bound seniors.

Please visit our website for regular updates and to get involved:

<http://www.haddonfieldeducationaltrust.org/>



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HADDONFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS



by **Dr. Richard Perry, Superintendent**

During this 2011-12 school year, building upon our 125th school ranking in the nation by Newsweek magazine, Haddonfield School District has implemented a variety of innovative programs in order to remain an educational leader in the region as we move forward through the 21st Century. Some of these programs include; at the high school, a new AP Human Geography course, a Drexel University Introduction to Engineering course, an On-line Finance course, and a Career Internship Senior program. The middle school is also developing an Engineering program in conjunction with Rowan University Engineering School, focusing on the fields of Environmental and Civil Engineering through a possible National Science Foundation grant initiative. In addition, the elementary schools are implementing an engaging, dynamic language arts program that will be integrated into the current language arts District's curriculum, grades k-5, similar to the District's *Every Day Math* program for its elementary mathematics curriculum.

Along with curricular endeavors and integrating Critical Thinking Skills across the curricula, the School District is implementing new technology initiatives as well. For the first time, all the buildings in the School District will be wireless, beginning in the 2012-13 school year. Much needed technology infrastructure will also be installed including state-of-the-art projection systems for classrooms, additional laptops for use in grades 9-12, I-Pads for the middle school, I-Pads and SMART board technologies for the elementary schools, and additional multimedia systems for classrooms District-wide. The wireless connectivity to all school buildings will enable students and teachers to engage and interact well beyond the walls of the classroom, thus supporting new 21st Century instructional/teaching Digital Learning models. Another District technology initiative includes implementing a new AUP (Acceptable Use Policy) to allow students to bring in their own technology into the school buildings grades 6-12. In addition, the district is focusing on creating a technology collaborative learning project based library at the high school conducive to meeting the needs of the 21st Century Digital Learner.

The District's goal for this school year was "Applying Critical Thinking Skills to Digital Learning." Part of this goal involved providing intense professional development to teachers in the areas of Digital Learning and incorporating innovative technology resources, such as student centered utilization of I-Pad applications, and project based learning across curricula. Professional learning communities also played a key role in teacher collaboration in order to bring instructional best practices into the classrooms. Dedicated fundraising efforts by the Haddonfield Education Trust (HET) and PTA's helped the school district to acquire these technologies for our students. Along with fundraising efforts, the School District recently formed a technology community advisory committee to help establish long-term strategies and goals as they relate to technology initiatives involving curriculum and instruction, infrastructure, and outreach for the District.

Haddonfield School District News (Cont'd.)

This past school year, the School District had other accomplishments, including settling the contract for teachers and support staff and adopting a Historic budget for the 2012-13 school year with a 0 percent tax levy! Due to an increase in state aid, the School District was able to maintain and add to current staffing and programs, improve facilities, upgrade and develop state-of-the-art technology initiatives, obtain and integrate a dynamic language arts curriculum, and implement a new teacher / administrator evaluation system.

Within this year's budget, the School District spent close to a million dollars toward facilities with much needed infrastructure repair, including installing a new sound system for the high school auditorium thanks to the efforts of *Lights, Camera, Action* a community based fundraising organization formed to renovate this auditorium for students who participate in the arts. Some other capital projects included roofing, repairs to heating/HVAC systems and storm drains, and repairs to the Cupola, Soffits, and Fascias at the high school along with structural renovations and improvements to the middle and elementary schools.

The School District's tuition program that welcomes non-Haddonfield students helped the District adopt the 0 percent tax levy. It has also supported the District's reputation as being an educational leader in the region. Ten new tuition students are expected to join our High School this fall. Strong demand at the ninth grade level has necessitated the creation of a waiting list. Interest is growing for the middle school as well, with the anticipation of several new students. Haddonfield's Tuition Program is based on the concept that filling classroom seats will add minimally to costs, while significantly boosting revenue. For the 2011-12 school year, tuition revenue was nearly \$300,000. Tuition students in grades six through 12 are accepted for the general education program only. School principals review records of prospective students to be sure they can succeed in Haddonfield's academic environment.

In regard to the Arts, on Saturday, March 10, the HMHS Drama Club gave its final performance of "The Wiz," a musical adaptation of "The Wizard of Oz." The HMHS Drama Club and Mr. Scott Glading, the Drama Club's advisor, received much praise for these performances. The Drama Club used elaborate costumes and special effect settings to enhance the musical experience of very talented students through their acting and vocalizations.

A Special Requested Message

From: **Judy Lazo**, Class of 1969

During one of the football seasons from 1965-1968, I lost an extremely beautiful cameo necklace that belonged to *my-mother*. I have wondered all these years if anyone had ever found it. Perhaps he or she has wondered who could possibly be this very devastated & misfortunate person. I know it isn't likely that anyone will come forward, but my cries of guilt have engulfed my very being.

If you know anything about this necklace,
please e-mail a message to jlosunfish@aol.com.

Spotlight On: Betsy Anderson

In case you're not aware of it, we're pleased to announce that Alumni Society Trustee Betsy Anderson ('54) is the 2012 recipient of Haddonfield's 2012 Citizen of the Year award. She was announced as this year's honoree during the annual Mayor's Breakfast in January.

Betsy spent much of her adult life away from her home town but returned eight years ago and became actively involved in a number of community organizations. In addition to her duties as a H.A.S. trustee, she is and/or has been:

- Extremely active with the Friends of the Library, helping to organize the annual book sale and serving on its executive board.
- A member of the Garden Club's Executive Board, acting as a liaison to the board for the guidelines and requirements for award submissions; serving as co-chair of the bake sale for the Annual Herb Sale; and coordinating volunteers to display flowers at the library as one of her responsibilities as Chairman of Library Services.
- Co-chair of the Haddonfield House Tour for the past seven years; organizing the tour from start to finish; acting as an integral part of the search committee; and working as a house captain each year.
- A volunteer on First Night.
- Involved with Questers and the Historical Society.
- Very active at the First Presbyterian Church, having served as an Elder and Deacon as well as a member of numerous committees.
- A poll worker in Haddonfield for school board, state and national elections.

One of the letters submitted to the Lions Club in support of Betsy receiving this award stated, "She is professional, polished, approachable, and friendly. Her commitment to the community is contagious and her devotion to the town is nothing more than remarkable...Betsy exemplifies an exceptional dedication to the causes that she is involved with, as well as to Haddonfield itself."

While a student at HMHS, Betsy's extracurricular activities and accomplishments included:

- Field Hockey team – freshman and sophomore years.
- Choir – all four years.
- Prom Committee – junior and senior years.
- The Haddon Higher – sophomore and junior years. Editor, senior year.
- The Shield – junior year. Editor, senior year.
- National Honor Society – elected in her junior year.

Spotlight On: Betsy Anderson (Cont'd.)

After graduating from high school, she attended the University of Pennsylvania. When time allows she pursues many hobbies, including travel, reading, gardening and spending time with family (two daughters and three granddaughters) and friends.

Upon receiving her award, Betsy stated, "Volunteerism is so important. You give a lot but you get so much more in return."

We, the H.A.S. trustees who serve with her and value the myriad contributions she makes to our organization – and, in turn, to our fellow alumni – congratulate her as the recipient of this prestigious award. It is well deserved.

2012 LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD NOMINATION

Over the past eleven years, the H.A.S. has honored **73** former students and **28** teachers from the Haddonfield school system by bestowing a *Lifetime Achievement Award* upon each of them.

The criteria for an individual to be considered for the award requires that he/she:

- 1) Other than a teacher candidate, must have attended one of Haddonfield's public schools, but not necessarily have graduated from HMHS.
- 2) Has been out of Haddonfield schools (as a student) for at least 20 years.
- 3) Has distinguished him/herself during the course of their adult lives.
- 4) If a teacher, must have taught within the Haddonfield public school system for at least 7 years.

There is an abundance of worthy alumni and teachers. If you know of someone that you deem to be worthy of this award, speak-up! Make a commitment to "give back" to the people who deserve it, to your school and to your community!

The deadline for submitting the names of nominees to be considered to receive a *Lifetime Achievement Award* is **June 30th, 2012**. Send your submissions and list your reasons for recommending those individuals, to:

Haddonfield Alumni Society
c/o HMHS (Lifetime Achievement Awards)
401 Kings Highway
Haddonfield, NJ 08033

We have created a Recommendation Form which we prefer that you use for this process. The form is available on our website, http://h-a-s.org/LAA_form.htm.

ANNUAL MEETING AND LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

- The HAS Annual Meeting and Lifetime Achievement Awards ceremony was conducted in the HMHS Library at 11:00am, Saturday, November 26th, 2011.
 - The 2011 Lifetime Achievement Award (LAA) recipients were:
 - John Adler, '77 (deceased).
 - Eugene H. Kain Jr., '65.
 - John C. Stokes, '68.
 - Kenneth A. Moore, '61 (deceased).
 - Marlin F. Kaelin, Teacher (deceased).
 - The recipients' biographies are listed on page four (4) of the 2011 Fall Newsletter.
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Haddonfield Memorial High School Sports Update

by Lefteris Banos, Athletic Director

Student-athletes are experiencing another successful school year. Below are their accomplishments from the 2011-2012 fall and winter seasons:

CROSS COUNTRY, BOYS

Coach: Nick Baker

Record: 10 Wins, 0 Losses

New York City Carnival Meet Champions

Colonial Conference Champions – Liberty Division

South Jersey Group II Champions

South Jersey Track Coaches Association – First Place Team

Courier Post Cross Country Team of the Year

CROSS COUNTRY, GIRLS

Coach: Mike Busarello

Record: 9 Wins, 0 Losses

South Jersey Open Champions

Colonial Conference Champions – Liberty Division

South Jersey Group II Champions

FIELD HOCKEY

Coach: Lindsay Kocher

Record: 22 Wins, 2 Losses

Colonial Conference Champions – Liberty Division

South Jersey Group II Champions

FOOTBALL

Coach: Frank DeLano

Record: 11 Wins, 1 Loss

Colonial Conference Champions – Liberty Division

Mayor's Cup Champions 9th Year in a Row

South Jersey Group II State Runner-up

SOCCER, BOYS

Coach: Joe Falana

National Soccer Coaches Association - Northeast Coach of the Year

Record: 19 Wins, 3 Losses, 1 Tie

Colonial Conference Champions – Liberty Division

South Jersey Group II Champions

SOCCER, GIRLS

Coach: Glenn Gess

Philadelphia Inquirer Coach of the Year

Record: 24 Wins, 2 Losses

Colonial Conference Champions – Liberty Division

South Jersey Group II Champions

Haddonfield Memorial High School Sports Update (Cont'd.)

TENNIS, GIRLS

Coach: Jeff Holman

United States Tennis Association – Middle States Hall of Fame Inductee

Record: 28 Wins, 1 Loss

Colonial Conference Champions – Liberty Division

Moorestown Classic Champions

South Jersey Group II Champions

New Jersey Group II State Champions

Courier Post Cup Champions

Taylor Ng named High School Tennis Player of the Year by the Courier Post
and South Jersey Tennis Coaches Association

Catherine Senopoulos – New School Record of 168 career wins

Victoria Martinez and Catherine Senopoulos – NJSIAA Doubles Champions

Taylor Ng – NJSIAA Singles Champion

BASKETBALL - BOYS

Coach: Paul Wiedeman

Record: 22 Wins, 8 Losses

Colonial Conference Champions – Liberty Division

South Jersey Group 2 Runner-Up

BASKETBALL - GIRLS

Coach: Dave Kosa

Record: 19 Wins, 7 Losses

Colonial Conference Co-Champions – Liberty Division

West Chapter 5 Sportsmanship Award

SWIMMING & DIVING - BOYS

Coach: Bob Querubin

Record: 11 Wins, 1 Loss

South Jersey Group B Runner-Up

New Jersey Meet of Champions 1st Place – 100 Backstroke – **William Manion**

New Jersey Meet of Champions 2nd Place – 200 IM – **William Manion**

New Jersey Meet of Champions 2nd Place 400 Freestyle Relay –

Quinn Laidig, William Manion, Ryan Richards, Sean Stevens

New Jersey Meet of Champions 3rd Place 500 Freestyle – **Ryan Richards**

New School Records:

200 Yard Individual Freestyle Medley – 1:52.78 – **William Manion**

100 Yard Backstroke – 49.04 – **William Manion**

400 Yard Freestyle Relay – 3:13.82

Quinn Laidig, William Manion, Ryan Richards, Sean Stevens

(((Courier Post Swimmer of the Year – William Manion)))

Haddonfield Memorial High School Sports Update (Cont'd.)

SWIMMING & DIVING - GIRLS

Coach: Bob Querubin

Record: 13 Wins, 3 Losses

South Jersey Group B Champions

New Jersey Group B Runner-Up

New School Records:

50 Yard Freestyle – 24.27 – **Laura DeFeo**

200 Yard Freestyle Relay – 1:40.80

Laura DeFeo, Alexandra Lincoln, Anne Nicoletti, Julia Sheehan

WINTER TRACK - BOYS

Co-Coaches: Nick Baker, Kyle Williams

No Dual Meet Record

South Jersey Group 1 – 3rd Place

South Jersey Group I Champion – 3200m – **Gregory Halla**

South Jersey Group I – 2nd Place 1600m – **Gregory Halla**

WINTER TRACK - GIRLS

Coach: Mike Busarello

No Dual Meet Record

South Jersey Group 1 Champions

New Jersey Group 1 – 2nd Place

South Jersey Group I Champion – Shot Put – **Katherine Johnston**

South Jersey Group I Champion – Pole Vault – **Katherine Johnston**

South Jersey Group I Champion Place 800m – **Carly Bonnet**

South Jersey Group I Champion - High Jump – **Erica Herrmann**

South Jersey Group I – 2nd Place 55m Hurdles – **Olivia Blaber**

South Jersey Group I – 2nd Place 55m – **Emily Carson**

New Jersey Group I Champion – Shot Put – **Katherine Johnston**

New Jersey Group I – 2nd Place 800m – **Carly Bonnet**

New Jersey Group I – 2nd Place High Jump – **Erica Herrmann**

New Jersey Group I – 2nd Place Sprint Medley Relay –

Carly Bonnet, Emily Carson, Erica Pascocello, Lauren Roberts

New School Records:

High Jump – 5'4" – **Erica Herrmann**

Shot Put - 40'1½" - **Katherine Johnston**

WRESTLING

Coach: Bill Heverly

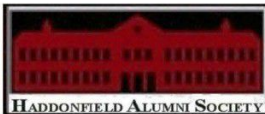
Record: 17 Wins, 8 Losses

District Champions – **Whitten Oswald, Robert Schlitt, Carson Stack, Philip Tanenbaum**

District 2nd Place – **Stephen Holmes**

Region Champions – **Robert Schlitt, Carson Stack**

States – 5th Place – **Robert Schlitt**, 4th Place - **Carson Stack**



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CHECK OUT THE **HAS** WEB SITE: (www.h-a-s.org)

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