

# TIGER TRACKS

The annual newsletter of the Amherst Central Alumni Foundation, Inc.

2005 EDITION

CHERISHING THE PAST, ENHANCING THE FUTURE



## *The Big Birthday Bash!* *Diamond Jubilee Celebration*

This is it – the best opportunity to mingle with friends across the years! Visit with your classmates, old boyfriends and girlfriends, fraternity brothers and sorority sisters, fellow athletes, musicians, writers, math geeks, former teachers and old friends.

*75*  
*years*

HAPPY BIRTHDAY AMHERST!

This will be the most talked about Amherst party ever – a casual evening with lots of space, no assigned tables (so you won't be stuck in one place all night!), a nostalgic look back through a set-to-music DVD and hundreds and hundreds of friends to reminisce with about all the fun we had at Amherst.

There will be lots of food and drink including Buffalo favorites beef-on-weck, curly-Q-fries and grilled Italian sausage – not to mention pizza and wings and open bar throughout the night! This gives everyone the opportunity to drop by for an hour or stay the whole evening. It will be a wonderful chance for individual classes to get together and for your friends from other classes to find you, too. **DON'T MISS THIS REALLY GREAT EVENING!**

Of course, we'll be singing "Happy Birthday" as the evening winds down – sure to bring happy memories to mind and a tear to everyone's eye. Make your reservations (\$50.00/person) now for the best party in Amherst's 75 years!

Look inside for more information, the schedule of events and the reservation form.



# Here and There.

## WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

*You are reporters in the field. We invite your comments and news about you and other Amherst Alumni. We regret that we will not be able to include what we hear about spouses and children, or detail the myriad academic and extracurricular accomplishments of hundreds of alumni still in undergraduate colleges. We will report deaths, but not births or marriages. All information is gathered from what is believed to be reliable alumni sources. We apologize if erroneous information is included, but we cannot be held responsible. We will gladly print corrected information in the next TIGER TRACKS.*

### Retired Faculty.

**Ernest Cullen**, former Asst. Principal at Harlem Road Elementary (1959-67), and teacher at Windermere Blvd. Elementary (1949-59), enjoys hearing Amherst news. He served with Art York and Tom Davis.

### 1930s.

**J. Paul Sheedy '33** writes from Florida that he and **Sue (Myrtle Winchell) Haslach '33**, who kept in contact with each other over the years, made contact again during the past two years since the death of their spouses. They are "in love" again. Both plan on attending the 75th Birthday Celebration this year. **Dorothy Kuehling Cannon '36** was the first recipient of the "All-Around Senior Girl" award in 1936, voted by classmates and faculty. She's wondering how many from her class are still alive and was glad to receive her copy of Tiger Tracks last year. **Lucia Wicker Blackmore '37** has two sons and is living in Hamilton, NY. Her husband, Bob, passed away last July. **William David Wiggins '39** celebrated his 60th wedding anniversary in February 2004. **Dotti Schmitt Lehman '39** (at the time, the youngest student to graduate from ACHS) and **Howie Lehman '37**, now retired from his medical practice, reside at Canterbury Woods in Williamsville. They recently celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary.

### 1940s.

**Lorraine Jones Benton '41** writes that her son, David Benton, is in the Guidance Department at Amherst. **Harold (Bud) Hartel '42** writes that while he didn't graduate from ACHS, he has fond memories of Amherst and his classmates. He earned his BS and MS degrees from Texas

A&M in 1961. He retired in 1971, after 28 years of service from the U.S. Air Force. **Jean Henderson MacMurray '42** still gets together for lunch with high school classmates from 1942. **Robert ('42) and Margaret Cassety ('43) Edgcomb** are enjoying retirement in Florida. **Inez Blarr Ludwig '43** celebrated her 60th wedding anniversary in September 2004. **Robert ('43) and Nancy Gibney ('45) Brost** have four sons and six grandkids. They are enjoying Florida retirement, and see Art Pankow every summer in Chautauqua. **Bob Finnigan, Ph.D. '44** retired from Finnigan Corp. several years ago but is still an active board member in several Silicon Valley startups. He was originally in the Class of 1945. **Betsy Bulger Burgess '44** continues to enjoy life in sunny Pasadena, CA. She recommends Rose Bowl activities to get away from Buffalo snow. **Lynette Clark Batt '45** is happily retired and enjoying 15 grandchildren and four great-grandkids. **Fred Stephens '45** is enjoying retirement with wife Marie. They spend summers sailing on Lake Ontario and winters skiing in Ellicottville; and in between still find time for motorcycling. **Beverley Collins Adams '46** writes that she has 10 grandchildren – one each at SUNY Brockport, U.S. Air Force Academy and Denver U. **Joan Curthoys Davidson '46** writes that her husband, Don, died in Nov. 1997. Two years later, she met a man on the Internet, sold her condo on the ocean and moved to Leesburg, FL to be near him. She says that life is good, although she's had three spinal operations. **Margie Saharoff Heffner '46** is living with husband of 53 years in Kettering, OH. She enjoys tennis and bridge, four children and spouses, and eight grandchildren. Husband has

Parkinson's, but is doing well. **Paul Miller '46** writes that he served in the U.S. Navy until 1948, then became an attorney, working in NYC for 40+ years specializing in real estate law and title insurance. His memories from ACHS: Dimp Wagner was sophomore QB in '45; Dec. '45 basketball game vs. Depew (due to a snowstorm, it took four hours to return to ACHS; and there was no school for 17-18 days.) He was on the tennis team in a 1946 match vs. Medina that took three hours. Beverly Neal (Amanda Blake) was in his Plane Geometry class. **Marie Fridley Brewer '47** retired as the secretary to ACHS principal in 1991; will be married to wonderful husband 55 years in October. Active in church, teaches ballroom dancing, loves to golf and babysit her four great-grandchildren. **Frances Rogers Radecki '47** is happy that she can see Vyn Ann Thomas Blackmon regularly and corresponds with Gene Carr (both are cat lovers). **Patricia Goodman Booth '47** is still an active organist, pianist and choral director. **Gene McRae '48** is moving soon from South Carolina to Alabama for a second retirement. **Carl Lee Frederick Jr. '49** loves life, retirement and golf in Florida. **Robert Irwin '49** is retired and doing well in Lockport. He and his wife attended his 45th reunion. **Kenneth Fentner '49** retired in 1991 and is past commander of the American Legion Jurek Post and VFW Post 416, Sergeant of Arms-Korean Vets of WNY, and a life member of American Legion & 24th Infantry Division.

### 1950s.

**Janice (Jill) Keefe Fryer '50** is living in Sudbury, MA with husband, Ray. Their six

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# Musical Nostalgia Rules Friday Night

Everyone remembers "Operetta Week" at the High School – some because we were an integral part of the always fabulous performances or a member of the chorus, band or stage crew, or just because we got out of school early a few days! It has always been an exciting time at Amherst – the wonder of the music and performances making us all wish we could be on that stage.

Relive some of those memories at the Diamond Jubilee Celebration Concert on Friday, July 29, 2005 at 7:30pm in the High School Auditorium. We will "welcome home" two dozen of some of the best performers ever to hit the Amherst stage. Brothers and sisters, fathers and daughters, old friends and new will bring beautiful music once again to the Amherst stage, reminding us all how terrific it is to be a part of anything Amherst.

This wonderful night of nostalgia and beautiful music will be directed by

Rosemary Dayton; and the terrific cast of emcees includes: Larry Norton, Tom Donahue, Rob Leiderman and Doug Wilson. Scheduled to perform: Elaine Braun, Neil Hamlin, Tom and Kim McCray (father and daughter!), Don Croll, Peter Steinmetz, Cheryl Stern, Mark Burgasser, Steve Stull, Kirsten Stewart Maiullo, Mike DeLuca, Kari Scofield Becker, Seth, Josh and Jeremy Horan (brothers), Matt Whitten, Emily, Laura and Sarah Santilli (sisters), Adam Oppenheimer, Andy and Shana Starr (brother and sister), Chris Wietig, Bea Anderson and Joanna Batt. WOW!!! What a fabulous list of performers. This is one concert you definitely don't want to miss.

Reservations (\$15.00/person) are strictly limited and will be awarded on a first come, first served basis. So make your reservations now to assure yourself a seat at this once in a lifetime event.

# Special 75th Anniversary Amherst Alumni Chorale Reading Event

ATTENTION ALL AMHERST SINGERS!!! After a tremendously successful "first time" chorale reading event held during the 70th Anniversary Reunion Weekend in 2000, John Roberts '64 is doing it again!

On July 27, 2005, several hundred former Amherst singers will get together for a fun day of music and camaraderie at the Amherst Middle School. Music, socializing, music, lunch and more music are the order of the day with the performance scheduled for the enjoyment of the participants. Already several hundred people have indicated their desire to participate in this

one of a kind event and to stay on for all of the weekend's festivities.

Directors include Walter Reitz, Sue Fay Allen, Laura Santilli, Neal Hamlin, Marilyn Obermeyer and John Roberts. So far, the accompanists will be Karen Reed Westerhoff, Christine Niehaus, Alison Potts Altre-Kerber, Becky Askin, Beth Lockwood Gunnell and Margarethe Petro Laurenzi.

Anyone interested in participating may contact John at 248-557-6338 or [jd11@comcast.net](mailto:jd11@comcast.net). All interested musicians are welcome.

# HELP WANTED: CLASS DIRECTORS

Class Directors are an important link between the 75th Reunion Committee and each of the classes, serving as liaisons and promoting the 75th to members of their class through letters, flyers, e-mails, phone calls, etc. – whatever it takes to get the word out. All Class Directors will be recognized in our 75th publicity and in the weekend program book. This is a role that can easily be done by someone living outside of WNY.

It's not too late to offer your assistance. We are in need of directors for the following classes: 34, 35, 41, 50, 51, 53, 56, 60, 62, 65, 66, 72, 76, 81, 86, 87, 88, 90, 94, 96, 99, 01, 03.

Contact Susan Hens Smith '74 at [soozeeq@adelphia.net](mailto:soozeeq@adelphia.net) or 716-636-1749, or Ellen Marshall '69 at [emarshall@adelphia.net](mailto:emarshall@adelphia.net) or 716-838-1466.

You can find the names and contact info of all the Class Directors at: [www.amherstalumni.org](http://www.amherstalumni.org). Follow the links to the 75th Reunion.





## Here and There (continued from page 2)

children are scattered across the US; all married. They have 12-1/2 grandkids. **Alice Hutchinson Cultrera '51** and husband John celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in Temecula, Italy, the home of John's parents. She worked in the craft and retail business before she retired. **Robert Gowland '52** writes that his wife passed away on October 31, 2003. **Don Arnold '53**. *The Canadian Journal of Chemistry* dedicated its June issue to Don; 46 colleagues, friends and former students published articles in the issue. Dalhousie University's Chemistry Dept. celebrated with a Don Arnold Day and announced that a Donald R. Arnold Scholarship fund has been established to award scholarships to deserving chemistry students at the university. Don and his wife **Janet Price Arnold '53** are currently living in Nova Scotia. **Don (Ret. Fac.) and Judy Ronald '53**. Lt. Col Don Ronald has spent a lot of time flying for the Air Force Auxiliary; Judy is busy volunteering at Roswell Park and School 82 as a pre-school teacher helper. **Robert Kinghorn '54** is retired and enjoying life on the beautiful coast of Maine. He is a volunteer restorer at the Owl's Head Transportation Museum in Owl's Head, ME. **John Wilcox '54** is retired from Erie County Social Services in 1992. He is currently active with the Harlem-Kensington-Cleveland Community Association and Unitarian Universalist Church of Amherst. **Hedy Fischer '54** retired as an operating room nurse from Sister's Hospital; working part-time in an ob/gyn office in Cheektowaga. **Nancy Baer Glinski '55**. Her mother, **Claudine Stackhouse Baer '36**, was in the first class to complete all six years at ACHS. She is healthy and living in Casselberry, FL. **Rear Adm. Douglas Volgenau, USN (Ret) '55** is enjoying life in VA and CT with wife, Susan. **Gordon Fricke PhD '55** retired after 30 years teaching at Indiana University and Purdue. He was Associate Professor of

Chemistry and Associate Dean of Science. Retirement is highly recommended! **Norman R. McCombs '56**, Senior VP of Air Sep Corp. in Buffalo, has been named a Fellow of ASME (American Society of Mechanical Engineers). He has over 200 patents worldwide. He and wife, **Grace Seitz McCombs '55**, celebrated their 44th wedding anniversary in Sept. 2004. **Roger Hyde '56** is retired from Buffalo Savings Bank and Bethlehem Steel. **Paul Amato '57**, retired since 2000 as President/CEO of Columbus Life Insurance Co. Now enjoying travel, spending time with grandchildren and other business interests. **Joanne Cesareo Sanford '57** and husband George are enjoying life in southern CA. They have 11 grandchildren. **Sue Fay Geyer Allen '57** retired from teaching at ACHS and now has three Bel Canto Choirs. She sees **Joberta Schriver Wilson '57** often. **Elinor Laundry Meyer '57** writes that her family has owned Marymont Animal Hospital in Silver Spring, MD for over 30 years. She and husband hope to retire and turn over the business to son and daughter-in-law, who are veterinarians. **Sandra Fegely West '58** is enjoying retirement after 27 years as purchasing agent with a local manufacturing firm. She volunteers in physical therapy and works per diem as receptionist at Greenfield Health & Rehab Center in Lancaster. **Maurice "Butch" Lutwack '58** is living in Arvada, CO building custom homes and selling real estate. **Gerald Mack '59** retired as Undersheriff of Erie County and moved to Pembroke Pines, FL. **Carolyn Lehr '59** retired in 2000 from the Phys. Ed/Sport Studies Dept. at University of Georgia. **Patricia Gourlay Yager '59** is looking forward to retirement after career in dental hygiene. Her sister, **Sharon Gourlay Guffner '57** and brother, **John Gourlay '63** are living in The Villages in FL, **Bill Gourlay '62** is soon to retire. **Marcia Durr Krupp '59** has been working for 30+ years as an administrative

assistant with Buffalo Cardiology & Pulmonary Assoc., PC. **Jack Schreiber '59** retired from HSBC Bank after 40+ years. He and his wife Diane are living the life of leisure in FL.

### 1960s.

**Janet Webber Nordstrom '60** retired in 1999 from Lockheed Martin, where she worked 37 years as an Administrative Assistant. **Jim Mulvihill '62** has resumed being Professor of Geography/Environmental Studies at Cal. State after five years as Dept. Chair. He is President of the Board of Directors, Neighborhood Housing Services, San Bernadino/Riverside CA, one of the largest providers of affordable housing and mortgage lending in CA. **Richard Granger '62** retired from the grocery business and now owns Lake Norman Sign Center Inc. His wife, **Leigh (Truby) '62**, owns Pets Place in Mooresville, NC. **David Potts '63** works as Chief of Infectious Diseases at Anderson Area Medical Center, SC. He is happily married with 7 children. **Leslie Lehman '63** is living in Ft. Worth, Texas. **Sara Straw Winship '64** writes that she and husband, Dale, are semi-retired. He plays golf while she plays tennis. **Kim Disney (Cathy Van Dyke) '64** is a freelance consultant in VT, specializing in fundraising and public relations. She bought her first horse at age 47 and now competes in the art of dressage. **Martha (Marty) Myers Long '65** is enjoying retirement in VA from a career in the federal government. **Tom Lehman '65**, recently retired, is living in Coral Gables, FL. **Cathy McClure Gildiner '66** was a psychologist in Toronto for 25 years, then returned to writing. She wrote a memoir, *Too Close to the Falls*, which made it to the New York Times best seller's extended list, Boston Globe's top ten,

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Row 1 - Sue Fretz '73, Ellen Marshall '69, Ginny Fretz Rusk '71, Judy Coon Kobee '57; Row 2 - Marlene Weckerle Schuler '57, Carol York Weil '67, Bob Laskie '58, John Krochmal '48, and Jim Gallery '69.

## Third Annual Golf Classic was enjoyed by all

Alumni from as far as Michigan, Maryland and Canada attended the Third Annual Golf Classic that was held on July 15, 2004 at Glen Oak Golf Course in Amherst. Despite the rainy weather conditions on tournament day, Mother Nature didn't dampen the spirits of over 100 alumni, faculty, students and friends of Amherst who supported this fun-filled event.

Participants played 18 holes of golf before relaxing with friends, faculty, and former classmates under Glen Oak's patio awning to enjoy cocktails and a dinner buffet. There were awards, prizes, and fabulous raffle items, and everyone agreed the tournament was one of the highlights of the summer.



John Fronczak '83, John Krochmal '48



Bob Laskie '58, Don Munson, Dimp Wagner '48

**Congratulations go out to the First Place Winners.** Overall Best Score/Orange, Sam Kuritzky, Sam Bachman, Jack Kuritzky '01 and Steve Witter '01; Overall Best Score/Black, Joe Rutecki, Jim Rogers '75, Chuck Dwyer and Ted Meyers '75.

This event raised over \$6,000 for the Foundation and it would not have been possible without the generosity and support of our wonderful sponsors, golfers, and alumni volunteers. We truly appreciate your commitment to Amherst and offer each of you our special thanks.

## 2004

### EVENT SPONSORS (\$1,000+)

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# 2005 Reunions

## **Class of 1940 – 65th Reunion**

July 28-30, 2005. Contact Ed Smith (313) 885-8898 or [esmithjr@webtv.net](mailto:esmithjr@webtv.net) to get involved.

## **Class of 1945 – 60th Reunion**

July 28-30, 2005. In addition to the activities planned for the 75th Celebration, the Class of 1945 and the Class of 1948 will co-host a brunch on July 31st at Brookfield Country Club. To assist the reunion committee, call Dick Naylor (716) 632-8642 or Pat Kelly (716) 839-4665.

## **Class of 1955 – 50th Reunion**

July 28-30, 2005. Beyond the activities scheduled for the 75th Anniversary, the 50th Reunion Committee has planned a picnic for Saturday, July 30th and a breakfast cruise for Sunday, July 31st. By now, all Class of '55 members should have received their information sheet and registration form. If you have not, contact Sandy Pirson at (716) 694-5960 or [Ppootie@aol.com](mailto:Ppootie@aol.com) or Woody Friedrich at (716) 839-0131 or [Emily.Friedrich@prodigy.net](mailto:Emily.Friedrich@prodigy.net). Please use 50th Reunion as the subject of the e-mail.

## **Class of 1975 – 30th Reunion**

July 28-30, 2005. To join the committee, contact Class Directors, Sandy Shatkin: (716) 689-8453 or [sshatkinjr@gr8look.com](mailto:sshatkinjr@gr8look.com) or Diane Sandretto Halm: (716) 836-6981 or [DDRJH@aol.com](mailto:DDRJH@aol.com). For updates, go to Sandy's web site: [www.gr8look.com/achs75](http://www.gr8look.com/achs75)

## **Class of 1980 – 25th Reunion**

Planning is just beginning for the 25th Reunion. If you would like to help, please contact Mary Trabert DiVita: 634-6702 or [divmc\\_99@yahoo.com](mailto:divmc_99@yahoo.com)

## **Class of 1985 – 20th Reunion**

July 28-30, 2005. Plans are set for the 20th Reunion to be held in conjunction with the 75th Reunion of Amherst, including a Class of '85 party on Friday, July 29 at Shanghai Red's, and a family picnic on Saturday, July 30th. Details and payment info will be posted on the Amherst Alumni Web Site: [www.amherstalumni.org](http://www.amherstalumni.org). Forward current email and mailing address info to [amherst1985reunion@hotmail.com](mailto:amherst1985reunion@hotmail.com). If you're interested in getting involved, contact Jamie Verrico: (716) 639-7901 or [jamie37@adelphia.net](mailto:jamie37@adelphia.net)

## **Class of 1995 – 10th Reunion**

July 28-30, 2005 to coincide with Amherst High School's 75th Birthday Celebration. In addition, on Saturday, July 30th there will be a cocktail party at the Pearl Street Brewery. Further details about the Reunion will be sent via email soon – keep an eye out! If you would like to be involved or have any questions, send an e-mail to [achclassof1995@hotmail.com](mailto:achclassof1995@hotmail.com).

## **Class of 2000 – Five Year Reunion**

Planning has just begun. If you'd like to be involved, or have questions, email [AmherstClassof2000@hotmail.com](mailto:AmherstClassof2000@hotmail.com).

**NOTE:** For 2005, we're still looking for reunion planners for these classes: 1950, 1960, 1965, 1990. For more information, contact the alumni office: [alumni@amherst.k12.ny.us](mailto:alumni@amherst.k12.ny.us) or 362-8259.

**IMPORTANT:** The Amherst Central Alumni Foundation, Inc. is not responsible for organizing any individual class reunions or for supplying any funds or tax ID#s to facilitate the organization of any class reunions. We **strongly** recommend that you form a committee of **local** classmates to oversee the process. We will provide you with one list of addresses for mailing purposes and advertise your reunion in Tiger Tracks and on our website; that is the extent of our involvement. You're on your own after that.

## JOE PODGORSKI TO BE HONORED AT THE 75TH CELEBRATION

Retiring in June as the longest serving principal in the history of Amherst High School, **Joseph A. Podgorski** will be honored by the Alumni Foundation during the Diamond Jubilee Celebration Concert on Friday, July 29, 2005.

For 25 years, Joe has been the anchor for thousands of students, teachers, staff, community members and parents. His guidance will be greatly missed! It is indeed a pleasure for us to have the opportunity to thank Joe for his dedication and commitment to what makes Amherst such a remarkable school. Please plan to attend this special event to help honor a very special man.

## Vintage Cars on Display

Thanks to the organizational efforts of Marilyn Obermeyer '64, returning alumni will be able to stroll through the past with a vintage automobile show at the High School during the 75th Reunion Back to School tours on Friday, July 29, 2005. Marilyn will be showcasing her own 75-year-old 1930 Roadster (how appropriate!) and many other alumni will be showing off their prize possessions as well. If you are interested in participating in this fabulous car show, please contact Marilyn directly at (716) 837-6836.

*The celebration of a lifetime...*

# *Schedule of Events* July 28-30, 2005

## WEDNESDAY, JULY 27, 2005

Chorale Reading Event  
Middle School: All day  
Contact John Roberts '64 at (248) 557-6338  
or [jdr11@comcast.net](mailto:jdr11@comcast.net) to register.

## THURSDAY, JULY 28, 2005

4th Annual Alumni Golf Classic  
10:30 am Registration  
12:00 pm Shotgun Start  
Glen Oak Golf Course  
PRICE: \$115.00 per golfer  
(Includes cart, golf, light lunch, cocktails and dinner)

## FRIDAY, JULY 29, 2005

Back To School Tours  
Middle School: 12-2 pm  
High School: 1-3 pm  
NO CHARGE

Amherst Sports Hall of Fame Reception  
Dimp Wagner Alumni Field: 2-4 pm  
NO CHARGE

Diamond Jubilee Celebration Concert  
(Limited Seating)  
Produced by Rosemary Dayton  
High School Auditorium: 7:30 pm  
PRICE: \$15.00

Afterglow: Coffee and Desserts  
Daemen College, Wick Center: 9 pm  
PRICE: \$10.00

## SATURDAY, JULY 30, 2005

HAPPY BIRTHDAY AMHERST!  
Samuel's Grande Manor: 7-11 pm  
8750 Main Street, Clarence  
Cocktails, classic Buffalo food, friends, family and fun!  
PRICE: \$50.00



## Fourth Annual Golf Classic Set

Dust off your clubs for this kick-off event to our 75th Anniversary Celebration! This year's golf tournament will be held on Thursday, July 28, 2005 at the Glen Oak Golf Course in Amherst. The cost is \$115 for adults, and \$90 for students. Ticket price includes 18 holes of golf, cart, lunch, refreshments on the course, cocktails and dinner buffet, awards, raffles, door prizes, and much, much more! Not a golfer? Then join us for cocktails and dinner for \$40. Everyone is welcome!

Hurry and put together your foursomes, or come as a single and we'll pair you up. Visit [www.amherstalumni.org](http://www.amherstalumni.org) for details. Or call (716) 362-8259 or email us at [www.alumni@amherst.k12.ny.us](mailto:www.alumni@amherst.k12.ny.us).

## Lacrosse Alumni Game Set

The first Amherst High School Men's Lacrosse Alumni Game has been scheduled for Sunday, June 26, 2005 at 11 am. According to Chairman, Jim Durak, "This will be not only a game, but also an event. It is a chance to rekindle old friendships, a chance for younger players currently in the program to see what their hard work can ultimately achieve, and most importantly, to have fun. Oh yes, and also a chance to honor the '05 grads on their first day as graduates with the universal symbol of getting old: a reunion!"

The site for the game is still yet to be determined. It will be held either on the Dimp Wagner '48 Alumni Field or the practice field across the street. A cookout will follow the game with a small donation required for the food. Jim is asking for an RSVP so they have some idea of the amount of food needed.

To sign-up or for more information, e-mail him: [jimdurak49@yahoo.com](mailto:jimdurak49@yahoo.com).

## HOW TO CONTACT US:

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# A Gift for Amherst

Remember the beautiful old oak doors that once served as the Main Entrance to Amherst High School? Well, those doors are long gone – replaced with functional, unattractive, metal doors, and providing no sense of the beauty and heritage that lay beyond.

With the memory of those solid, lovely old doors firmly in place, we propose to present the school with the gift of new oak doors – flanked by a pair of carved, stone tigers – in honor of 75 years of wonderful memories and tremendous opportunities. You can be a part of this exciting and lasting gift to Amherst by participating in any of the following sponsorship opportunities:

## DIAMOND SPONSOR – \$1500.00

Personalized 2' x 6' (approx.) vertical pole banner displayed along the front "U" of the High School (limited to 24). This orange and black banner, titled "AMHERST CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL/CELEBRATING 75 YEARS!," includes your name, company logo, honored teacher, friend or memorial. Your banner will hang in this premium location for 3 to 4 months.

17" x 17" sign with your personalized message displayed (1) Thursday on the golf course during the 4th Annual Alumni Golf Classic, (2) Friday at ACHS during the tours and musical and (3) Saturday at the party at Samuel's.

Recognition in all event programs, special recognition in the 2006 Tiger Tracks and two FREE tickets to ALL anniversary events.

## SPIRIT SPONSOR – \$500.00

17" x 17" sign with your personalized message displayed (1) Thursday on the golf course during the 4th Annual Alumni Golf Classic, (2) Friday at ACHS during the tours and musical and (3) Saturday at the party at Samuel's. Plus, recognition in all of the event programs and special recognition in the 2006 Tiger Tracks.

## MUSICAL REVIEW SPONSOR – \$250.00

Free ticket to the Friday Night Musical Review in the High School Auditorium and a free ticket to the Afterglow at Daemen College, plus recognition in all three day-event programs and the 2006 Tiger Tracks.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY AMHERST SPONSOR – \$100.00

A "Birthday Candle" with your name placed on a large wooden birthday cake on the front lawn, plus recognition in all three day-event programs

## PATRON SPONSOR – \$50.00

Recognition in all three day-event programs.

*Thank you for your support!*



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### THE ALUMNI FOUNDATION WOULD LIKE TO GIVE SPECIAL THANKS TO THE FOLLOWING 75TH ANNIVERSARY DIAMOND SPONSORS:

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CLASS OF 1952

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# Amherst High School's Diamond Jubilee

75th Anniversary Celebration July 28, 29 & 30, 2005 REGISTRATION FORM

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Class Year \_\_\_\_\_ Maiden Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

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Please check the appropriate boxes:

- ☐ Diamond Sponsor – \$1,500 (includes two tickets to all events)  
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☐ Happy Birthday Sponsor – \$100  
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Please register early for all events! Limited seating for concert.

Send registration w/check payable to: ACAF, Inc./Diamond Jubilee  
 4301 Main St., Amherst, NY 14226  
 (716) 362-8259 / alumni@amherst.k12.ny.us

**Thursday, July 28, 2005** 4th Annual Alumni Golf Classic – 10:30am Registration/Noon Shotgun Start  
 Cost per golfer: \$115 (\$90 student; \$40 cocktails/buffet only)  
 # golfers \_\_\_\_\_ # students \_\_\_\_\_ # buffet only \_\_\_\_\_ TOTAL \$\_\_\_\_\_

**Friday, July 29, 2005** Back to School Tours (Middle School 12–2pm, High School 1–3pm) FREE  
 # attending \_\_\_\_\_

Diamond Jubilee Celebration Concert – High School Auditorium  
 7:30pm (No reserved seating)

Cost per person: \$15 # attending \_\_\_\_\_ TOTAL \$\_\_\_\_\_

Afterglow at Daemen College – Wick Center

Gourmet coffee and desserts 9:00pm

Cost per person: \$10 # attending \_\_\_\_\_ TOTAL \$\_\_\_\_\_

**Saturday, July 30, 2005** Happy Birthday Amherst Reunion Party – 7–11pm  
 Samuel's Grand Manor, 8750 Main Street (No assigned seating)  
 Open bar, food stations, desserts, photo slide show and much, much more!  
 Cost per person: \$50 # attending \_\_\_\_\_ TOTAL \$\_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL FOR ALL 3 DAYS** \$\_\_\_\_\_

Upon receipt of your registration form with payment, we will send a confirmation postcard. Unpaid reservations will not be accepted.

# Alumni Foundation Makes Three New Grants

The Amherst Central Alumni Foundation provided financial assistance to three worthwhile projects consistent with its mission of enhancing the total education experience of Amherst students.

Assistance was provided to the art department for its acquisition of a movable display panel system to be used primarily for the display of students' artwork at both on- and off-site events. During times of tight school budgets, academic programs frequently receive priority over art department needs. The Foundation's funding will help maintain the high standards the district sets for its art students.

The entire Windermere Boulevard School fifth grade recently attended a perform-

ance of the Lion King at Buffalo's Shea's Theater. The trip was made possible for all students regardless of their family's economic status because of the Alumni Foundation's grant. Students were required to pay a portion of the cost of the event in order to defray the districts' costs. The Alumni Foundation picked up the tab for those in need of assistance.

When the Amherst Middle School made ambitious plans for a Multicultural Forum educating students about the diverse cultures of the world and celebrating the rich diversity within the Amherst District, the Alumni Foundation was there to provide assistance. The event included speakers, storytellers, and musicians.



## HOW TO CONTACT US:

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[alumni@amherst.k12.ny.us](mailto:alumni@amherst.k12.ny.us)**

## IS YOUR CLASS SPONSORING A BANNER?

As part of this once in a lifetime Diamond Jubilee Celebration, the Alumni Foundation is raising money to donate beautiful, new oak doors for the main entrance of the High School to be flanked by a pair of carved, stone tigers (see article on page 8) – a magnificent addition to the courtyard area and a lasting and meaningful gift for generations to come.

Each class is being asked to raise \$1,000 towards this all-class gift to the high school and as their goal is met, they will be represented by a wonderful celebratory banner specifically for their class. This banner will hang for several months either in the main hallway or in front of the school.

To send a donation (of any amount!) please indicate your class year on your check and your donation will go towards your class banner. You can also contact your class director for more information (see list at [www.amherstalumni.org](http://www.amherstalumni.org)). Donations may be sent to:

Class Banner, ACHS Diamond Jubilee Celebration  
4301 Main Street, Amherst, NY 14226



**SAMPLE BANNER**

# History of Amherst Junior High/Middle School Being Written

## Author Seeking Alumni Input

Tom Tripp, a retired Science Teacher (1970-2002) from the school district is currently writing a book about the Amherst Junior High/Middle School. He will include "a little history, some insights on the special administrators and teachers that made it tick, plus all the special, fun-filled zaniness that goes into making a Junior High or Middle School. Another aspect will be to represent the changes that the school has gone through over the past fifty years."

Tom would like to locate alumni who would be willing to "share their perceptions and reminiscences of this wonderful building of learning," preferably during the 1950s-1990s. Did a special teacher or class impact your career choice or direction in life? In addition to memories of influential and inspirational teachers, Tom would be especially interested in reading any special memories about events, happenings or just overall impressions of those years – anything that would capture what made Amherst Junior High/Middle School such a great place to teach and to learn.

Tom needs input sent as quickly as possible – he hopes the book will be published in time for the 50th anniversary of the Middle School this summer. Email him at [ttljt@adelphia.net](mailto:ttljt@adelphia.net) or mail your recollections to 354 Burroughs Dr. Amherst, NY 14226. For information or questions, call him at (716) 839-5868. Remember to include your year of graduation from the Junior High/Middle School.



## Amherst's First Graduating Class to be Anniversary Weekend's Special Guests

The Amherst Central High School Class of 1933 will be the special guests of the Alumni Foundation for the entire Diamond Jubilee weekend. We are delighted to let you know that the following members of that class are already signed up and rarin' to go!

- Betty Becker Cornelius
- Dorothy Eichhorn Fox
- Sue (Myrtle) Haslach
- Wesley Johnston
- J. Paul Sheedy
- Sheldon Stark and wife
- Louise Kling Tefft

Several other Class of '33 grads have indicated that they, too, would love to be here for all the festivities and will be in touch this spring. The Alumni Foundation is delighted to host these first-ever Amherst grads.

### IMPORTANT 75<sup>TH</sup> REGISTRATION INFORMATION

We will be issuing identification tags for each of the events you will be attending (except the golf classic). These tags will be included in your registration packet and you must have **one for each event** you attend. You may pick up your registration packet on any of the following dates:

Mon.-Wed., July 25-27.....Alumni Office, Rm.103, 12-4pm & 6-8pm

Thurs., July 28.....Office Closed for Golf Classic

Fri., July 29.....Alumni Office, Rm. 103, 1-3pm

Cafeteria, 5:30-7:30 (before musical)

Daemen Wick Ctr., 8:00-10pm

Sat., July 30.....Samuel's Grande Manor, after 5:30pm

Questions? Please call the Alumni Office at (716) 362-8259.

# Distinguished Educator Emeritus Award 2004 Recipient

**Donald W. Munson** received this year's crystal tiger award from Susan Fretz '73, Amherst Central Alumni Foundation President, at the Class of 2004 graduation on June 26, 2004. Mr. Munson has been a member of the Amherst Family since 1945. He was a graduate of East High School, received his B.S. from Buffalo State Teachers College and continued his education at the University of Buffalo, where he received his Ed. M. in Guidance and Administration. During 1945-48, Don was a teacher at Amherst. From 1948-50, he moved into the Guidance Office as a counselor, and from 1950-56 was Director of Guidance. In 1956-57, Don was Acting Principal. Don climbed the ladder of success quickly until February, 1961, when he was appointed Principal, a post he would hold until June, 1980.

Don was, and still is, an active participant in education. His summers from 1959-65 were spent on many college campuses as a visiting professor. Some of these were: St. Lawrence University, Hobart, and Alfred. From 1967-71, Don did consulting work for

Plattsburg State University. From 1988-91, Don was a part time Supervisor for Administrative Interns at Canisius College.

Don's affiliations both past and present are numerous. He was a member of Phi Delta Kappa, the National Association of Secondary School Principals. He participated on the Pastoral Relations Committee at Central Park Methodist Church, along with being a Merit Badge Counselor for the Boy Scouts. Other activities and posts held include: fund drives for UB, former chairman of Friends of Scouting Fund Drive, teacher and superintendent for his church, critic teacher for teachers at Buffalo State and UB. Don was also Program Chairman for the N.Y.S. Counselors Association. He is presently President of the Amherst Retired Teachers Association.

Don's interest in athletics includes track and cross-country; from 1945-48, he was part time Track and Cross-Country Coach at Buffalo State. He was also a Head Coach for Amherst High School from 1945-55.

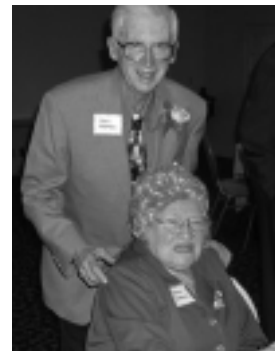
In 1968, Don was Chairman of the Niagara District A.A.U. Olympic Fund, and for 25 years he was chairman of a cross-country running group for this section of New York State. Don's interest in the A.A.U. stems from his youth. In 1943, he won the National Junior



John Krochmal '48 and Don Munson

Cross Country Champion-ship. In 1945, he participated on the A.A.U. All-American Cross Country Team. And for three years, Don was Niagara District Cross Country champion, along with being the two-mile champ for a year.

Don's first wife, Marion Veta Mollnow Munson, passed away in 1969. They have four children. Don remarried in 1973 to Ruth Pilgram Osborn Munson. Their son is John P. Osborn, M.D. Don and Ruth reside in the Amherst School District.



Don Munson and Elenora Hildebrand (Retired Faculty)

Don is honored for his leadership at ACHS, its community, its faculty, and most of all, its students. One thing he's most remembered for are his random – and not-so-random – acts of kindness. Don

continues to be quite active in the education field and serves as an Honorary Director of the Amherst Central Alumni Foundation.

**The Foundation is pleased to announce the first-ever Distinguished Educator, Donald W. Munson.**



1st row: Marilyn Munson Crone, Pam Munson Tierney, Ruth Munson; 2nd row: Don Munson, Garry Munson



# JoAnn Balazs Named Principal of Amherst High School



The promotion of JoAnn Balazs, from Assistant Principal to Principal of Amherst High School was approved at the February 1st

Amherst Central School District Board of Education Meeting to be effective July 1, 2005. In succeeding the retiring Principal, Joseph Podgorski, Mrs. Balazs becomes only the 5th individual to serve as Principal of Amherst High School in the 75-year history of the school.

Before joining the Amherst Central School District, JoAnn graduated from SUNY Geneseo in 1990 with a BA Cum Laude in English. She earned her Juris Doctorate in 1994 from the State University of New York at Buffalo School of Law, and upon admission to the New York State Bar in 1995, worked as an attorney for five years in general practice. Many years of volunteer service with the Youth Court in the City of Tonawanda and as a Mock Trial Coach, helped launch an employment change.

In September 1998, JoAnn began a teaching career at the High School as an English teacher for grades 9 and 12, while

pursuing her Administrative Certification through Canisius College. Following a year-long administrative internship, JoAnn was promoted to Assistant Principal of the High School in June 2001. In that capacity, she expanded the leadership-training program for upperclassmen and brought new dimension to a team-building program for all incoming freshmen entitled "Project Adventure". Outside of school, JoAnn has managed to continue her work with the administration of Amherst Youth Court and recently was recognized for her instrumental efforts with that organization by being named one of the 2004 Town of Amherst Youth Board "Service to Youth Award" winners.

JoAnn is married to Dr. Thomas Balazs, an Amherst dentist. They live in East Amherst with Victoria, who will be 3 in May, and Benjamin who just turned 1.

With her limited "free time", JoAnn enjoys scrap booking, and whenever possible, the entire Balazs Family loves to travel.

JoAnn is looking forward to meeting as many alumni as possible during this summer's Diamond Jubilee celebration. We, in turn, wish JoAnn a long collaboration as High School Principal with the Amherst Alumni Foundation.

# Memories: Class of '48

Our high school experience began in 1943 at the height of World War II. Sixth grade classes from School 18 (Harlem Road) and School 13 (Eggert Road) were merged as we entered 7th grade. Also joining us at that time were students from Parochial Schools.

Life was much simpler then. Although these were difficult times, we all remember our high school days with much fondness. Few people owned more than one car and fewer still students had access to a car. Bussing was unknown to us. We all walked to and from school, sporting events and dances at the school and churches in the area. After school, the Eggertsville contingent met at Woeppel's Deli, while the Snyder group met at Hoolihan's Drug Store and Soda Bar.

In our Freshman year, new students were bussed in from Cheektowaga and Sweet Home. We made many new and lasting friendships with these students.

One of our fondest memories is of the jukebox in the girls' lunchroom, where we played Glenn Miller, Artie Shaw and Benny Goodman records, while we danced away our lunch hour.

Perhaps the most remarkable aspect of the class of '48 occurred after graduation. We began having class reunions with our 25th anniversary and have continued this practice every five years. These reunions have been very successful. In addition, the local grads get together for lunch – the guys, monthly, and the gals usually bi-monthly. We are not discriminatory, however, as we gladly include friends from other classes! Interestingly, many of us have become better friends over the years even though we may not have been close during our high school years.

## ACHS Class of '54 Reunion Recap

The Class of 1954 gathered at the Holiday Inn on Grand Island in September for their 50th reunion. A grand time was had by all! Saturday morning some alumni toured Amherst, led by Gary Runckel, Retired Faculty/Class of '54 member. Many memories, many laughs. A smaller group attended the Amherst Tigers Football Game and went to lunch. In the evening, 84 classmates and guests met in the Regency Room for cocktails and dinner. Six retired faculty members joined the festivities. Attendees sang the Alma Mater, presented awards, and reminisced until the wee hours. Sunday, alums awoke to a summer-like day and boarded *The Grand Lady* for a breakfast cruise on the Niagara River. As one classmate said, "The weekend was a moment in time not to be forgotten."

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and in Canada on the best seller's list for 72 weeks. She recently completed a second book, a novel called *Seduction*, which is coming out in Canada in March 2005. It's a thriller about Darwin and Freud. Her website is [www.gildiner.com](http://www.gildiner.com). **Suzanne Brownson Riccitiello '66** just converted an 1884 Victorian home on the Intra-coastal on Daytona peninsula to "Lilian Place Bed & Breakfast" ([innkeeper@lilianplace.com](mailto:innkeeper@lilianplace.com)). She welcomes all Amherst grads. **Rose Popper '66** is employed as an art teacher in the Buffalo public schools, teaching at Riverside Institute of Technology. She takes her therapy dogs to visit DeGraff Skilled Nursing Home. **Andrea Jean Lapey '67** is Assistant Director of Curriculum and Instruction for the Lynn, MA Public Schools. Andrea received her Master's Degrees in Library and Information Science (Simmons '99), School Administration (Canisius College '91) and Special Education (Boston U. '72). She moved to Boston in 1995 and would love to correspond with Amherst graduates in the Boston area. **Christine Chiarmonte Sanford '67** is a pediatric nurse practitioner at Lakeside HS Wellness Center and is a Major in the U.S. Army Reserves. **Tina Cohen '69** is self-employed certified arborist in Seattle. Hobbies include hiking and gardening. This summer, she's part of a relay team doing the Danskin Triathlon. **Nancy Krull Durdan '69** moved to the Litchfield Hills of North West Connecticut in the past year to be closer to sisters **Brenda Krull Carey '69** and **Gretchen Krull '67**. She spent the last 20 years in the DC area, working in the Tradeshow/Marketing arena, and the last two years with Northrop Grumman Information Technology as a contractor. **Robert Lindemann MD '69** took early retirement for health reasons after 25 years at same practice of Internal Medicine/Diabetology. He's been

married for 30 years and has four children. **Edward Meyer '69** is Managing Director with Easton Hunt Capital Partners, a private equity investment fund in Miami, FL. **Mary Dunham Criscione '69** and husband Don are living in Bedford, MA and have two sons. She is manager of Pre-Sales Support at Progress Software Inc. **Gary Lehman '69** is living in Brentwood, TN with his wife and two children. He is a Certified 6 Sigma Black Belt and is with Caterpillar Financial. He's a recent recipient of the Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award.

### 1970s.

**Gary Burrett '71** graduated from SUNY-Geneseo in 1975, B.A. Sociology, and is currently working for Jim Culligan Pontiac. **Gary Morgan '71** sold Morgan Press, Inc., a printing company he and his wife started in 1984. **Lisa Lehman Metzger '72** is living in West Falls, NY with her husband and two kids; she recently retired as a cardiac care RN and now manages her own personal training business. **Mike and Sue D'Amico Miano '73** are alive and well in St. Pete; they recently celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary. **Jackie Downing Mulrooney '75** writes that her mother, Betty Downing, who was a library aide for Miss Hortense O'Dell at Harlem Road Elementary, died in June 2003. She has great memories of Harlem Road, and Bertie Buttons and going to Camp Holland Dell. Jackie recently launched an on-line computer software consulting services catalog, [www.JPSYS.com](http://www.JPSYS.com). **Beverly Morgan '76** is Public Relations Manager for South Coast Plaza shopping center in Orange County, CA: the highest grossing planned retail center in the US, with annual sales over \$1B. **Lori Hilburger Miller '76** is married with three kids, living outside Boston, MA. She works at the Superintendent's office in her

town. **Greg '79 and Katherine Whitelaw Barrett '76** performed a chamber music concert last summer in Vienna's Musikverein. They are living in DeKalb, IL.

### 1980s.

**Dr. Elaine Alessi Ramesh '80** is working as Patent Counsel for Takeda Pharmaceuticals, N.A. Her husband is VP of ONDEO-Nalco Chemical Co. They have three thoroughbreds at home in IL. **Mary Ellen Haefner '83** writes about Haefner family accomplishments this year: Mary Ellen got engaged, **Margaret Haefner Berg '84** is expecting, **Liz Haefner Boeson '85** had a daughter, **Matt Haefner '00** graduated from Penn State, Dad turned 70, and Mom and Dad are celebrating their 40th wedding anniversary. **Erika Jansen Freeman '86** is a stay-at-home mom living on the Gulf Coast of Mississippi with husband Mike and sons Andy (6), Colin and Mathew (4 year old twins). She reports that her father, **Bruce Jansen '64** and sister, **Leslie Jansen '88** are doing well. Leslie lives in Colorado and was recently nominated for Colorado Engineering Woman of the Year.

### 1990s.

**Erik Steiner '91** married Sarah Ucci in 2003. He is living in Williamsville and working for Synthes as a cranial-spinal specialist. **Jeffrey Pengelly '94** is a Police Officer working in Fairfax County, VA. He is Gang Coordinator for the Reston District Station after two years with the police dept. Last fall, he received the Meritorious Commendation Award for his efforts in the reduction of gang activity in his patrol area.

### 2000s.

**Katelyn Rudolph '04** was the 2004 recipient of the Angela Coniglio Memorial Scholarship. She is currently a student at Springfield College. Her father, **Jim**

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Rudolph '75, was inducted to the Amherst Athletic Hall of Fame in the same ceremony as Angela Coniglio '84 in 1997.

## In Memoriam

Letha E. Curzon '33 on May 21, 2001  
 Lillian Georger Brown '34  
 Marian K. Fuge '34 on Sept. 23, 1999  
 Daniel C. Sheedy '35 on March 9, 2005  
 Betty Stratton Johnson '37 on June 6, 2003  
 Dorothy Crist Helf '39 on Jan. 23, 2004  
 Lewis M. Smith '39 on March 13, 2004  
 Raymond A. Bilger '40 on Nov. 18, 2003  
 Robert A. Allen '40 on Nov. 4, 2004  
 Anne Widener Johnson '40 on Nov. 3, 2004  
 Robert Dobbie, MD '41 on Oct. 26, 2004  
 Robert A. Coyer '42 on April 28, 2003  
 William H. Ayer '45 on Aug. 28, 2003  
 Donald P. Jacobi '46 on Dec. 27, 2004  
 Kevin J. O'Connor '48 on Jan. 29, 2002  
 Paul M. Howlett '48 on Feb. 15, 2004  
 Sally (Betz) Grant '49 on Jan. 31, 1998  
 Richard Duermeyer '51  
 Thomas J. Pepper Jr. '53 on Oct. 23, 2004  
 Andy Evarrs (Andres Echevarria) '53  
 on Nov. 21, 2004  
 Richard Deichman '54 on Feb. 7, 2004  
 Joanne Schinstock Hallett '56  
 on Feb. 6, 2004  
 David Earl '55 in Jan., 2004  
 Carol Meyers Gernold '56 on Dec. 6, 2003  
 Jonathan M. Morris '64 on July 4, 2002  
 John P. McElligott '65 on May 31, 1998  
 Thomas T. Truman '67 on May 13, 2004  
 Dianne Nelson Binger '68  
 on March 23, 2005  
 Gregory Steck '68 on Sept. 4, 2004  
 William Bauer '69 on Nov. 22, 2004  
 Peter Coit, Jr. '69 on April 11, 2004  
 Eric R. Schmidt '69 on Feb. 15, 2002  
 Sandra Kidd Merrill '70 on Jan. 25, 2005  
 Joel F. Long '71 on Sept. 13, 2003  
 Jonathan A. Ley '71 on March 8, 2005  
 Lawrence B. Peita '86 on Nov. 19, 2004  
 Nicholas A. Dusenberry '98 on Dec. 8, 2004

## Faculty.

Dorothea C. Duttweiler (Miss Dutt)  
 on June 18, 2004  
 Ann Marie Goss on March 8, 2005



## Don't miss coffee and desserts immediately following the 75th concert

Immediately following the Diamond Jubilee Celebration Concert, stroll across Main Street and join us for gourmet coffees and desserts in the Wick Center at Daemen College.

This is an informal opportunity to gather with classmates and congratulate the fantastic concert performers for their wonderful show. Non-concert attendees are encouraged to join the fun (\$10.00/person). Limited reservations available so please make yours now! For more information, call us at (716) 362-8259 or email us at [www.alumni@amherst.k12.ny.us](mailto:www.alumni@amherst.k12.ny.us).

## AREA HOTEL LISTINGS

The Lord Amherst  
 5000 Main Street, Amherst  
 716-839-2200  
 (We have 20 rooms held at \$85/night)

The Hampton Inn  
 5455 Main Street, Williamsville  
 716-632-0900  
 (We have 20 rooms held at  
 \$115/night – includes breakfast and  
 transportation to Friday night events)

The Holiday Inn  
 1881 Niagara Falls Blvd., Amherst  
 716-691-8181  
 (We have 25 rooms held)

The Hampton Inn  
 10 Flint Road, Amherst  
 716-689-4414  
 (We have 25 rooms held)

Best Western on Delaware  
 510 Delaware Ave., Buffalo  
 TheatreDistrict  
 716-886-8333

Residence Inn  
 100 Maple Road, Williamsville  
 716-632-6622

The Hampton Inn  
 220 Delaware Ave, Buffalo  
 716-855-2223

The Mansion on Delaware  
 414 Delaware Avenue, Buffalo  
 716-886-3300

Days Inn  
 1120 Niagara Falls Blvd., Amherst  
 716-835-5916

Ramada Airport  
 48 Freeman Road, Williamsville  
 716-634-2700

Super 8 Motel  
 1 Flint Road, Amherst  
 716-688-0811

The Adams Mark  
 120 Church Street, Buffalo  
 716-845-5100

The Marriott Buffalo/Niagara  
 1340 Millersport Hwy., Amherst  
 716-689-6900

Courtyard By Marriott  
 4100 Sheridan Drive, Amherst  
 716-626-2300



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