

PULASKI ALUMNI ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

May 2006

P.O. Box 344, Pulaski, NY 13142

Minutes of the June 2005 Meeting

One hundred and sixty-three members and friends of the Pulaski Academy and Central School Alumni Association attended the 116th Banquet and Meeting held on Saturday, June 25, 2005 at the Pulaski Jr. Sr. High School. President Ted Williams welcomed the guests and the Rev. Bud Fancy of the Pulaski Wesleyan Church gave the invocation. Jack Jennings, Class of 1985, accompanied the singing of the Alma Mater. The cafeteria staff under the leadership of Carolyn Davis served a traditional roast beef dinner. Jack Jennings, '85 and Lori Lawton, '82, entertained with several musical selections.

President Ted Williams opened the business meeting and thanked the cafeteria staff for the delicious dinner along with The French Club students and their advisor, Beth Hallinan for serving. A motion was made by Charlotte DeGaetano, seconded by Kim Caufield to accept the minutes of the 2004 meeting as printed in the Newsletter, all approved. Patricia Ingraham read the Treasurer's report. A motion was made by Phyllis McNitt, seconded by Charlotte DeGaetano to accept the Treasurer's report, all approved. Corresponding Secretary, Barb Pulvermiller, reported that thank you letters were received from the 2004 scholarship winners as well as from Amy Scott from the Class of 2002. The Pulaski Public Library and the Pulaski Historical Society thanked the Association for the purchase of the 2005 yearbooks for their collection.

The following deaths were reported since the last meeting: Marian Tubbs Snapp, 1925; Alice Bass Clark Berner, 1926; Marjorie Barnes Parker, 1928; Ruth Thomas Crossett, 1929; Daisy Hale Finnerty, 1930; Garold King, 1930; Margaret Sprague Peters, 1931; Henry Davis, 1932; Lula Clark Calhoun, 1934; William Craig, 1934; Theresa Bonney Cunningham, 1934; Clifford Craig, 1935; Richard Sheeley, 1935; Shirley Foster Wilson, 1935; Kathryn O'Connell Lawton, 1936; Jack Roche, 1936; Jesse White, 1936; James Killam, 1937; Frederick Endsley, 1942; Ruth Smith Dennie, 1943; John Eldridge, 1948; Dorothy Schuler Lawrence, 1948; Robert Wilder, 1948; Beverly Spath Duett, 1949; Willard Mahaffy, 1951; Lois Brown Tanner, 1951; Paul Smith, 1953; Thomas Carpenter, 1954; Beverly Falvey McEachern, 1955; Joyce Heckle Dolan, 1956; Catherine Klein, 1959; Richard Colvin, 1965; Robert Koski, 1967; Nancy Crandall Kates, 1969; Clifford Sherman, Honorary (war years); Arthur Haynes, Honorary (English Teacher). A moment of silence was observed in their honor.

The three generation family in attendance was: Paul Mahaffy, Sr., Class of 1950; Paul Mahaffy, Jr., 1972 and Brandon Mahaffy, 2005.

Gifts were presented to Mildred Olmstead Drake and Ella Calkins Webb from the Class of 1927 for being the oldest graduates in attendance. In attendance from the Class of 1930 was H. Fred Whitney.

The following members of the Class of 1955 were introduced by Fred Dawley: Patricia Summerville VanNort, N.Syracuse; Doris Halsey Lyng, Winchester Center, Ct.; Dr. Harlow Dunton, Pulaski; Dorothy Halsey Smiley, New Hartford, Ct; Carol Delarm Ryan, Williamson, NY; Marilyn Salisbury Maurer, N. Syracuse; Jane Wart Kee, Mexico, NY; Caroline Gray Kelly, Watertown, NY; David Greene, Fulton, NY; Freeman H.S. Cole, Pulaski; Patricia LeClair Tanguma, Pulaski; Shirley Webb Bellows, Lake City, FL; Peg Daly Soule, Wolcott, NY; Frederick Dawley, Fulton, NY; Sue Thompson Velie, Norman, OK; Carole Mosher Cheney, Manchester, CT; Florence Pizon Gardner, Altmar, NY; Ramon Hiscock, Pulaski.

Members of the Class of 1980 were introduced by Bruce Johnson: Barb Mathison Pulvermiller, Pulaski; Donelle Crandall Sickler, Oswego, NY; Bruce Johnson, Pulaski; Nathan Reynolds, Orwell.

High School Principal Joseph McGrath introduced 21 members of the Class of 2005. Each told of his/her future plans.

PACS Superintendent Dr. Marshall Marshall presented Alumni Scholarships in the amount of \$500 each to: Michael Brosch, Amanda D'Elia, Alisha DeLong, Breanne Godfrey, James Hanks, Samantha LeBeau and Brent Nicholson. John Ben Snow Alumni Scholarships in the amount of \$500 each were awarded to: Kevin Fuller, Kyle Hill, Matthew Heenan and Rebakah Quick. **(Continued on page 2)**

(Continued from Page 1) The Lura M. Sharp Scholarship in the amount of \$2000 was presented to Breanne Godfrey. Athletic Awards in memory of Harold Youker of \$300 each were awarded to Alana Burke and Brent Nicholson. Clarence Litts, representing the Litts Foundation, presented scholarships in memory of Lura M. Sharp for \$1500 each to Alana Burke, Alycia Trump, Danielle McCormack and Richard Hamilton. Ted thanked Dr. Marshall and Mr. McGrath for their continued support of the Alumni Association.

The Lura M. Sharp trophy was awarded to the Class of 1927 with 66% in attendance. There was no old business. For New Business, Ted requested news for the newsletter, reports of deaths and addresses to keep us up to date, as well as e-mails from our alumni indicating the college they attended.

John Wing of the Nominating Committee presented the slate of officers for the 2005-2006 Alumni Association: President, Ted Williams; Vice-President, John Wing; Treasurer, Pat Sanderson Ingraham; Recording Secretary, Jennifer Griffith Edick; Corresponding Secretary, Barbara Mathison Pulvermiller. Executive Committee Members: Carol Caufield, Charlotte DeGaetano, Shawn Doyle, Grace Friot, Anne Gibbs, Kip Hilton, Mary Lou Morrow, Judy Parker, Don Pratt, Teresa Switzer, Nancy Thomas, Ruthann Walker, and Margaret Weigel. Motion to accept by Bernadette Fernan, seconded by Charlotte DeGaetano, all approved. A flower arrangement was given to Carol Caufield for her years of service.

Jack Jennings accompanied the singing of the Alma Mater. Rev. Bud Fancy gave the benediction. President Williams adjourned the meeting upon a motion by Kip Hilton, seconded by Kim Caufield.

Respectfully submitted,
Carol Caufield, Recording Secretary

**Pulaski Alumni Association Inc.
2005 Financial Report**

Community Bank, Pulaski

Balance Brought Forward	\$3,818.16
Receipts:	
460 Dues @ \$5. each	2,300.00
159 Dinner Res. @ \$12	1,908.00
Interest Income	<u>24.22</u>
Total	\$8,050.38

Expenses:

Post Office Box Rent	\$48.00
2-2005 Yearbooks @ \$35. each	70.00
2-2006 Yearbooks @ \$45. each	90.00
Yearbook Ad.	50.00
Postal Costs	865.03
Photographs & gift costs	92.00
Banquet for 200 (min) @12.	2,400.00
Flowers	75.00
Supplies	<u>176.22</u>
Total	\$3,866.25

Account Balance 12-31-2005: \$4,184.13

Pulaski Alumni Association Scholarship

Balance Brought Forward	\$9,081.42
Contributions	5,027.00
Interest Income	<u>56.36</u>
Total	\$14,164.78

Disbursements:

4-John Ben Snow Alumni Scholarships	
@ \$500.00 each:	\$2,000.00

7-Alumni Scholarships	
@ \$500.00 each:	<u>3,500.00</u>
Account Balance 12-31-2005	\$8,664.78

Lura M. Sharp Memorial Scholarship

Balance Brought Forward	\$3,384.78
Contributions	2,152.00
Interest Income	<u>21.32</u>
Total	\$5,558.10

Disbursements:

1-LMS Scholarship	\$2,000.00
1-Non Traditional Scholarship	<u>\$500.00</u>
Account Balance 12-31-2005	\$3,058.10

Harold Youker Memorial Athletic Award

Balance Brought Forward	\$10,464.91
Contributions	1,179.00
Interest Income	<u>65.30</u>
Total	\$11,709.21

Disbursements:

2-\$300.00 awards given	<u>\$600.00</u>
Account Balance 12-31-2005	\$11,109.21

Lura M. Sharp Certificate of Deposit

Balance 12-31-2005	\$25,107.58
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Pulaski Alumni Ass'n Certificate of Deposit

Balance 12-31-2005	\$14,327.77
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CLASS OF 1931

Members of the Class of 1931 were: George Stanley Bennett, Norman Bennett, Dorothy Butler Edick Wolner, Francis Carey, Edward Carl, Carl Clark, Leon Clark, Marion Clark Minckler, Gertrude Chapman Trombley, Veronica Coville Bonner Glover, Inez Crouse Neill, Hazel Dean Zbytniewski, Ralph Downes, Harwood Dunbar, Marion Gardner, Ada Greenfield Hilton Loomis, Jessie Harnden Helland, Elizabeth Hill Matheson, Erwin Lilley, Merrill Hurd, Ethel Keeney McNally, Frances Mattison Hoenow, Howard Litts, James Main, Richard Mandigo, Ruth McHenry, Grace Merriam Lilley, Jane Murray, Grace Potter Sanderson, Dorothy Post Demarest, Charles Pulver, Clifford Reese, Helen Rhoades Ross, Caroline Rojicek, Fern Sheeley Woodard, Etta Sloper Polney, Margaret Sprague Peters, Dorothy Towsley Warcup, Marcelline Utley Peck, Ruth Whitney King, Beatrice Wilder Thomas, Edna Warren Horn, Flora White Dougherty, Richard Valley

CLASS OF 1956

Members of the Class of 1956: Nelson Atkinson, Kent Birdslow, Jr., Patricia Bosak, Rosalie Clement, Richard Cooper, Franklin Delarm, Carol Dollinger, Rita Dollinger, Cornelius Donahue, Phyllis Fetzer, Michael Fox, James Gaffney, Norma Gayne, Raymond Gould, June Gregory, Frederick Hall, Joyce Heckle, Harolyn Hilton, Sidney Hitchcock, Robert Hunter, Maurice Hurd, Jr., Ruth Jewett, Arlene Keator, Joseph Lambert, James Letterman, Bertha Loomis, Jean Nash, Joyce Nelson, Eleanor North, Harry Novak, Carol Nutting, Frank Ostrander, Carole Peacock, Frederick Potter, Shirley Schryver, Philip Smiley, William Smith, Sally Stevens, Constance Stowell, John Thomas, Shirley Towsley, Howard Weisenburger, Sally Wilson, Lucy Wing.

CLASS OF 1981

Members of the Class of 1981 included: Veronica Archer, Kelly Atkinson, Kathleen Balcom, Sharlene Bellows, Tammy Benway, Linda Boies, Joseph Bonacquesti, John Boyle, Robert Bray, B. Jay Brown, Brian Butterfield, Aida Camacho, Charles Chiasson, William Chrisman, Lori Clark, Rebecca Collins, LeRoy Cosilman, Kelly Curry, Omar Davis, David Engle, Betty Fravor, Doanld Friot, Kevin Gagnon, Alicia Gasperini, Timothy Gates, Jeffrey Gibbs, Paul Glenister, Ira Halsey, Elgin Harten, Michael Havens, Donna Haynes, Julie Heckle, Sherry Hilton, Stephen Howland, Kirk Huffstater, Scott Jaquin, Linda Jencik, Christine Jones, Jamie King, Elaine Klebs, Alyson Klug, Richard Krebs, William Krupke, Susan LaFave, Jeffery Lewis, Gary Luce, Nancy Lundgren, Kevin Manton, James Manwaring, Lisa Martin, Jackie Martinek, Tammy Matott, James Maxam, Jr., Rick McNitt, Amanda Michalski, Zakaria Mohammed, Karen Moot, Margo Moyer, Mark Noble, Lawrence Norton, Glenn Olds, David Powell, Jr., Keith Prins, Kurt Prins, Karen Rice, Paula Rice, Laurie Richards, Enrique Rodriguez, Brian Salisbury, Linda Sanderson, Michael Scott, Stefanie Smith, William Spoon, Timothy Stewart, Gregory Thomas, Jeanne Thomas, Nancy Thomas, Frederick Thurston III, Thomas Uhlig, Christie Van Duzer, Katherine Van Egmond, Chester Vrooman, Jeffrey Watson, Paul Watson.

YOUR ALUMNI ASSOCIATION OFFICERS (2005-06)

President-Ted Williams, '77

Vice President-John Wing, '65

Corres. Secretary-Barb Mathison Pulvermiller, '80

Rec. Secretary-Carol Frary Caufield, '70

Treasurer-Patricia Sanderson Ingraham, '66

Executive Committee

Mary Lou King Morrow, '47

Jennifer Griffith Edick, '90

Grace Gibbs Friot, '86

Anne Hurd Gibbs, '54

Kip Hilton, '74

Teresa Clark Switzer, '82

Charlotte Summerville DeGaetano, '59

Judy Schreiner Parker, '59

Donald Pratt, '55

Margaret Mathison Weigel, '67

Ruthann Spath Walker, '61

Nancy Boyd Thomas, '59

Shawn Doyle, '84

NEIGHBORING ALUMNI SOCIETIES

Sandy Creek-Mary Hicks, Secretary, c/o 240 Miller Rd., Lacona, NY 13083 shop@marysneedleart.com

Altmar-Parish-Williamstown-c/o Mary Lou Guindon, 2885 E. Main St., Parish, NY 13131 guinfam@aol.com

Belleville-Craig Veley, President, c/o P.O. Box 155, Belleville, NY 13611 mlherron99@yahoo.com

Camden-Daisy Brady can be contacted at 245-2292 or on the web at DMB354@webtv.net Camden has a great web site at www.camdenalumni.com

(Pulaski Alumni has a good working relationship with these, and other neighboring alumni associations, collaborating on common addresses and sharing ideas.)

PULASKI AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETIES

Returning alumni are encouraged to contact the Pulaski Historical Society at 3428 Maple Ave. in Pulaski.

The Society is the custodian of all alumni archives, along with being a repository for local history of all types.

The Society conducts tours by appointment, and can also be reached by email at: PHSPulaski@aol.com

PHS conducts interesting monthly program meetings, and produces an informative monthly newsletter which is available by contacting the Society at the above address. Annual dues are \$15.

Half-Shire Historical Society, located in the former Richland School, represents the surrounding nine townships of northern Oswego County and the Lewis County Twp. of Osceola. Half-Shire produces a 14-page newsletter 5-6 times a year, and conducts monthly lunch meetings in Richland. For more information or to join (\$12 annual dues) contact the Society at P.O. 73 Richland, New York 13144 or halfshire@hotmail.com

CLASS NOTES:

Class of 1956 Reunion

Connie Stowell Haas has taken the lead in organizing the 50th year reunion. The tentative plan calls for a Saturday June 24, afternoon reception at the Salmon River Fine Art Center on Lake Street and a tour of the Pulaski Historical Society. Connie can be reached at her home: 109 White Pine Circle, Stephens City, Virginia 22655 or by email at: GNPatton@visuallink.com

Class of 1966 Reunion

We have had a good response to the reunion letter that was sent out. There are still some of you that we have not heard from!! If you have not mailed your \$10.00 (per person) reservation money yet—please do not hesitate any further!!

The Reunion will be held Saturday August 5, 2006 (Pulaski Field Days Weekend) at Brandy's Sunrise Restaurant, located on State Rte. 3 just a short distance north of Port Ontario, at 7:30 p.m.

Mail your check or money order to:

Connie Richards Seiter
P.O. Box 1
Mexico, New York 13114

-or-

Terry Rossman
4043 Port Street
Pulaski, New York 13142

See you in August!!

Class of 1981 Reunion

As of this writing we have received no word from the Class of 1981. Generally, the 25 year class hosts the "after Party" at the Ringgold Fire Hall Social rooms on Banquet night. Email

PACSAumni@hotmail.com for updated information—or to pass on news.

ALUMNI ASS'N EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

(Summarized minutes) On January 30, 2006 the members of the Alumni Association Executive Committee held their winter planning meeting at the home of Shawn Doyle in Pulaski. Present were President Ted Williams, Vice President John Wing, Corresponding Secretary Barb M. Pulvermiller, Recording Secretary Carol F. Caufield, and the following members of the Executive Board: Jennifer G. Edick, Charlotte S. DeGeatano, Judy S. Parker, Kip Hilton, Mary Lou M. Morrow and Shawn Doyle. Pulaski Schools Superintendent Dr. Marshall Marshall was also a guest. Treasurer Pat Ingraham was excused due to illness, but spoke to the committee by phone. Member Nancy B. Thomas also spoke to the committee by phone on some issues. Absent were Anne Gibbs, Grace G. Friot and Margaret Weigel.

Following the discussion of the 2005 banquet, President Williams opened the floor to discussion of new business. President Williams expressed his concern, echoing the concern of our members, that interest income is too low. Williams recommended the Association enter into an agreement with the Central New York Community Fund out of Syracuse. This fund manages a collection of various non-profits that pool their resources to gain higher returns. The fund is well managed under the supervision of a board which is comprised of leading members of the Central New York community .

Everyone seemed positive on the idea, and it would be recommended to the general membership for a vote at the June 2006 banquet. Other scholarship funds benefiting Pulaski Students are currently being invested with this fund. More information will be available at the banquet.

There was discussion about the rules regarding the award of the Lura Sharp attendance trophy. It was decided that the Sharp trophy criteria should not be changed (*class with the largest percentage alive present at the banquet*) but that a new trophy be purchased that would be awarded to *the class having the most people present*. President Williams and others agreed this new trophy should be called the Henry Mathison Memorial Attendance Trophy in recognition of former history teacher, and later Principal of Pulaski Schools. Mathison is popularly remembered as the founder of the annual 8th grade trip to New York City. Mary Lou Morrow agreed to see to the design and purchase of this trophy.

In discussion of the Newsletter, Editor Shawn Doyle suggested we solicit news from graduates on births, marriages and their academic and career paths after PACS.

It was agreed that we would keep the dues the same for 2006, and endeavor to keep the dinner price the same. Shawn Doyle said he would donate the gifts for the eldest graduates, and would work with Ted Williams on taking the photographs.



Pictured above are volunteers at Lura Sharp School Cafeteria last April, assembling the 2005 Alumni Newsletters for mailing. Costs are kept down by volunteer efforts such as this, and by generous assistance provided by many friends of the Association. Our thanks especially go out to Dr. Marshall Marshall, Pulaski Schools Superintendent!

CLASS OF 1960 REUNION, SEPTEMBER 2005



On the weekend of September 23, 2005 the Class of 1960 held their **very 1st** class reunion to mark the 45th anniversary of their graduation. Organizers Donna Thornhill Ireland and William Gregory did a tremendous job at locating all of the missing class members, and even some who did not finish with them. The class had a Friday night dinner at Holiday's Corners Restaurant near Sandy Pond. On the following day they were led on a very informative tour of the Lura Sharp School Building (which once served the entire twelve grades from 1939-69) led by Dr. Marshall Marshall, School Superintendent. A tour of Pulaski Historical Society, followed by a picnic at the Legion finished the day. On Sunday they all met at Ponderosa Steakhouse for a breakfast.

At the end of the tour of the school, class members assembled on the old front steps to replicate their class photo. Members present included:

1st Step: Robert Curtiss, Donna (Thornhill) Ireland, William Gregory, Suzanne (Seeley) Anderson.

2nd Step: Elaine (Lloyd) Tilkins

3rd Step: Ann (Walklett) Schultz, Mary Diane (DeLong) Clark, MaryJane (Clark) Payne, Channing Funk, John Tilkins, Raymond Naramore

Top Step: Leonard Payne, Richard Slingerland

The Class of 1960 proved that "it's never too late" to get together, and have a good time! Donna provided each class member with a very thoroughly done booklet on their class experiences, and subsequent lives.

PLANNING A CLASS REUNION? THINKING ABOUT IT?

One of the services your Alumni Association offers is class reunion organization assistance. If you are a Pulaski graduate and are thinking about a class reunion, contact us by mail or email and we will assess what we have for your class in the way of photos, names and addresses.

When classes establish updated address lists, we also ask for a copy for our records, to more accurately do our own annual mailing.

THE CALL.....

.....To the 2006 Annual Meeting

The 117th Annual meeting of the Pulaski Alumni Association will be held Saturday June 24, 2006 at the Pulaski Junior-Senior High School Cafeteria. A roast beef dinner will be served at a cost of \$12.00 per person beginning at 6:30 p.m. Punch bowl reception will be held prior to dinner at 5:45, and the annual meeting of the Association we begin immediately following dinner about 7:30. Honored Classes this year include 1931, 1956 and 1981 as well as the present graduating class of 2006. Prepaid reservations should be returned to the Treasurer no later than Monday June 12, 2006.

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____ Yes! I/we will be attending the 2006 Pulaski Alumni Banquet on Saturday June 24, 2006

I enclose the Following amounts for Dues, Scholarships and Reservations
(Scholarship Donations are tax-deductable)

____ 2006 Pulaski Alumni Dues (\$5)

____ Dinner Reservations (\$12.00 each)

____ Alumni Scholarship (all donations are MATCHED by the John Ben Snow Foundation!)

____ Harold Youker Memorial Sports Scholarship

____ Lura Sharp Memorial Science Scholarship

\$_____ Total Enclosed (*thank you for your contributions!*)

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