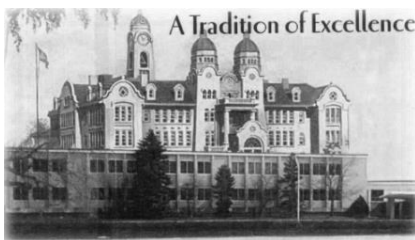


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ALUMNI ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

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Celebrating the Class of 1973!

Alumni Association Tea

Friday, June 23

2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Alice T. Miner Museum

Refreshments will be served.

ALUMNI BANQUET

Saturday, June 24

Blue Room, Rainbow Banquet Hall (Pecks), Altona

Social Hour 4:15 – 5 p.m. Dinner 5 p.m.

Program following immediately after dinner

A cash bar will be available.

Class of 1973 Biographies

Gayle Bechard Woodruff

"Enjoy every moment!" After graduation, I attended SUNY Morrisville majoring in Business Administration. I settled in the Rochester NY area in retail management. I married and had three wonderful children: Shannon, Casey who are in Rochester NY, and Phil who lives in Plattsburgh. We are proud grandparents of five grandsons: Zaedyn, Kaze, Evias, Riley and Bailey. We also have two canines: Dylan a shelter rescue, and Winston a white mini schnauzer. After a decade in retail, I pursued a career in IT at Unisys Corporation which ended after over 8 years due to a division move to Ohio. At that time, I needed a change and obtained my certification as a Professional Medical Coder in 2007, further advancing to a Certified Risk Adjustment Coder, retiring from Excellus Blue Cross Blue Shield of Rochester in 2019. We sold our home and returned to my hometown of Chazy. In my spare time, I enjoy reading, crocheting, gardening, and walking the canines. In 2003, I married the love of my life Kevin and love our life of travel and adventure, being outdoors with nature, camping, cruising, and travelling in and out of the US! It's great being back in my hometown, spending time with family and good friends."

Gary Brushnefski

"By September 1973 I was in Wassaic, NY working for the N.Y.S. Department of Mental Hygiene. I found this job because my brother (Steve) was working down there, as well as my cousin (Jim Badger). After three rewarding years working with the severely and profoundly retarded, I left there to return home to work in my family's marina in Rouses Point, NY. That was in 1975, and I did not return alone. Jacolyn Marsten was a girl I worked with in Wassaic, and we decided to get together and moved up 'North'. I continue working, as Dock Foreman, at the family marina "Anglers Pier" for years after. In February 1976, I took the last 'Regional Exam' for the N.Y.S. Department of Corrections. Regional meant I could only be sent to Dannemora of Comstock. I worked at our Marina full time until September of 1978, when I was finally called to the Corrections Academy. In the meantime, I had asked Jackie to marry me. September 9th was the date set for our marriage, which went off with minimal problems. Then it was off to our honeymoon, and my physical for Corrections on September 12th. It was a fun time, despite the Physical requirement. We found a nice hotel and a bar with Backgammon tables, a game we both enjoyed at the time. The job provided for my family nicely, so we travelled a bit. June 1981 here comes Nadia Ann Brushnefski. Then in June 1983 Bryce Joseph Brushnefski arrived. Our extended family moved to Plattsburgh eventually, where we lived on Cornelia Street for the next ten years. The in-laws lived in Connecticut, so we traveled there often for vacations and holidays. Jackie's family was very family focused and just good people. People I liked having my family (children)

interacting with. That all lasted until February 1998, when Jackie decided to return to her ex-husband after 23 years of marriage to me. I was devastated, but my kids decided to stay with me, even though their mom was moving to Florida and was dangling 'Disney' and such in front of them. Bryce almost went for it, but Nadia was staying because she was entering her senior year at P.H.S. and she was not leaving when she was finally 'King Pin' in her school. Bryce decided to stay also, and those two helped me through all the weeks and months of grief and wonderment. Well, we made it. The kids got out of school, and after I retired in January 2003, I went to Florida to visit Nadia, who was going to college there. I left 20 degrees below and was now in 80 degrees weather. I left my car in Florida and got a U-Haul in Plattsburgh and stuffed it with my things and moved to Florida. Through boredom I decided to work, and somehow became a handyman. Worked at that for a couple years, then finally landed my dream job – a bartender in my local, small bar. That was a fun time, where I met some nice people and made good friends. Even Nadia worked there, on occasion. That place was sold and then torn down to accommodate a new bank in 2011. A sad time for all. So, I was idle again, but it was then I moved back to Plattsburgh to spend time with my mother. Oops! I digress, in October 2012, I got a quadruple by-pass, and moved after that. In February 2018, after my mother passed away, I returned to Florida, cause my grandkids were growing up without me. I couldn't have that. Nadia's best friend, Vanessa, was in the process of buying a town house and needed help, so I moved in with her and come to find out my grandkids live across the road. Well, that sealed the deal. I'm still there. Bryce remained in Plattsburgh, working as a cook at the Pepper restaurant for years. He then moved on to the Twisted Carrot for a couple of years. He now resides in Vermont together with a lovely young lady (Kim) with 2 children – whom I have not met yet. Looking forward to that, during this trip. My grandkids, Aidan and Leia are great kids with manners and both are straight A students (unlike grandpa, if you recall) and Aidan is becoming a soccer star down here. At only 15 years old he looks me in the eyes – and I'm 6'2". Wow! Leia is a girly girl and smart as a whip. Can't wait to see where they end up and what they will be doing. Vanessa hopes Aidan will bring her to the World Cup one day. Lately, I've been relegated to chauffeur of the grand kids, which I don't mind, because it keeps me in their lives. So that's me, aside from some other lumps and bumps, I'm glad I'm here to share this with y'all."

Michele Carpentier

"Well, here's a little-known fact, when I was in school, I envisioned that my life would be going to college, then working for a few years, marrying a farmer and spending my days cooking big lunches for the farmhands. I was going to spend my days gardening and canning to feed my family of strapping children and my nights sewing up a storm. So that didn't happen. So, I did go to college at SUNY Plattsburgh and finished a degree in Home Economics Education. But then the path went a different way. I worked as a substitute home economics teacher for about 6 months and realized I had made a terrible mistake. I

decided to explore options – and I did everything from cleaning cow barns to driving busses to slinging hash in local restaurants. I taught Head Start for 4 years in Essex County and loved it. But even back then knew I couldn't support myself on less than \$10,000 a year. So back to SUNY Plattsburgh I went where I earned a master's degree in Marriage and Family Counseling and a Certificate of Advanced Study in School Counseling. I was very active at both the state and National level in the American Counseling Association and I am a Licensed Mental Health Counselor. While earning my School Counseling degree, I started working at SUNY Plattsburgh as a graduate student in the TRIO Student Support Services program. Shortly after that, I was asked to fill in for an individual who was making a sudden departure. I did so and then was asked if I would consider the position full time. Within a few years I was directing the program. Although I never imagined working with college students, I have to admit that the students at Plattsburgh have been the focus of my life for the last 36 years, most recently as the Assistant Vice President for Enrollment and Student Success. Over the course of my career, I brought in nearly \$15 million dollars in grant funding to support low-income and first-generation students – my personal passion. While working at SUNY, I also earned my doctorate in Educational Leadership and Policy Analysis at the University of Vermont. On the personal side, I was married for almost 20 years but never had children. Fortunately, my sister Melanie had plenty of children and I was lucky to share in their lives. Now I am a Granty (great-aunt) and will be the Granty of two in July. I was also fortunate that my job at SUNY required a great deal of travel and I have been able to see most of the United States (I hope to finish all 50 states in retirement). I have also had the fortune to travel abroad many times – a highlight was spending two weeks in Italy with classmates Brenda and Gerald and his husband Jeff. I will be retiring at the end of the month of June. I am looking forward to having time to quilt and spend time with my family."

Deborah Clookey Napper

"When the CCRS class of 1973 was walking across the stage to accept their high school diplomas, I was entering into motherhood. My daughter, Karrie, was born on graduation day and that began my important role as a mother. For my early adulthood, I focused on my family and being an attentive and admirable Mom. I started my own cleaning business forty-two years ago which I am still operating today. After working for households through many years, they have become like family to me. I have always enjoyed boating, traveling, dancing, concerts, and live performances. When the weather is nice, you can find me soaking in some sunshine at outdoor music concerts. Most of all, I look forward to spending time with my family and friends who are near and far. Karrie married Allan Cook in 2000 and they have lived in Cincinnati, OH since. Karrie is an elementary school teacher and Allan is a Special Agent with the Department of Homeland Security. I have two grandchildren who call me Memme, Alexander (21) and Kathryn (19). Alex is a finance major in college (Northern Kentucky University) and Kate is pursuing

her degree in radio technology (University of Cincinnati). A few months go by between our visits with each other, but I treasure the holidays and memories we make together. I cherish the relationship I have with my boyfriend Glenn and appreciate the joy and laughter he brings to each day. When I am not with Glenn or my family, I am with my friends dining out, dancing, attending concerts, catching a movie, shopping, and visiting vineyards. I still see some of our classmates and it has been a fun trip down memory lane being a member of the reunion committee. Fifty years offers us so many reasons to celebrate!"

Richard Clookey

"It's hard to believe 50 years have gone by. I spent my life working on the farm and retired a few years ago. I have been married to Kelly for nearly 25 years and have two great kids. Daughter Jenna is at High Point University in NC studying science and healthcare and son Nick is at PHS studying girls and playing sports. He will be off to college next year. Have had lots of fun following the kids around over the years and cannot believe how time flies. I hope all of my classmates have had fun, happy lives and are looking forward to many more years of adventure."

Beverly Jean Coulombe Bechard

"I know I graduated in 72 but went through school with the class of 73. The class of 72 were always out for fun and having a good time. The class of 73 were going to change the world and do the best at everything. I don't want to offend either class both are great groups of people. I just needed to say this before going on my life adventures which started in Essex Junction, Vermont where my husband (Conrad) and I were supers for a 24-apartment complex. Then we moved to Central Falls, Rhode Island where I worked as a typist/secretary which was for a textile factory that sent bulk material all over the US. Next adventure was with Dexter Credit Union working as a teller. There I trained a lot of interesting people. I worked there until I had my first son (Keith). When I became pregnant with my second son (Scott) we moved back here to the good old town of Chazy. After the boys started school, I went back to work as a teller for Keeseville National Bank. The Bank went through many mergers ending up TD Bank which I retired after working there 23 years. I have 6 grandkids, 3 step grandkids and 3 great grandkids with 3 step great grandkids. This makes 5 generations going to CCRS including my mom. We like to spend our summers camping and gardening at our second property in West Chazy where we also raise beef cattle. All of this keeps us pretty busy."

Gerald Ducharme

"After graduating from CCRS, I attended SUNY Plattsburgh and received my bachelor's degree in 1977. I received my law degree from Albany Law School in 1980. I accepted position with a law firm in St. Lawrence County and moved to Canton on a five-year plan, but career commitments and good friends extended the plan more than eightfold. In 1984, I became a partner with Clements & Ducharme, PC. In 1997, I joined a Watertown law firm, Conboy McKay Bachman & Kendall, LLP, becoming a partner and working in our Canton office. My primary practice

areas were domestic relations, estates, and municipal law. Last year, two colleagues and I formed the Ducharme Goldie & Adams, PC law firm in Canton.

I retired in December 2022 but remain "of counsel" to our firm. My husband is Jeff Groenheide. His parents emigrated to Canada from the Netherlands. We met in Ottawa in 1997 and had a home there until 2005 when Jeff moved to Canton. We married in 2013, and Jeff became a US citizen in 2016. Jeff is a registered nurse, and in 2018 he accepted a position with the Delaware Veteran's Home. During the last four years we commuted between our homes in Canton and Delaware. Now that I have retired, our home will be in "Lower Slower Delaware". I am grateful to have had opportunities for travel. After sitting for the NYS bar exam, I joined my sister and two friends on a back-packing trip in Europe. The years that followed brought the chance for further travels in Europe - including a memorable journey through Italy with Jeff and classmates, Michele and Brenda - and through southern Africa and our own country. I feel fortunate to enjoy close friendships with many of our class and look forward to our reunion weekend."

Susan Duprey Rougier

"WOW!!! 50 years since we graduated!! Where did the time go?? After graduation I started working at Levy Brothers Catalog House in Plattsburgh. I was fresh out of high school, and it was all new and fun. I worked there from June 1973 until April of 1979. In between that time, I married my high school sweetheart on August 24, 1974. Dave and I moved into a small house in West Chazy and started our life together. At the time he was working for a local farmer, and I stayed at Levy's. An opportunity came up for a delivery driver and Dave wanted to get out of farming...so he ended up getting the job! I worked there for about 5 more years, and we were headed to work one morning, and my first-born Michelle decided she was going to come into this world early!! It was supposed to be my last week of work before maternity leave but ended up being my last week. I was fortunate enough to be able to be a stay-at-home Mom. Levy's eventually closed and Mr. Levy helped Dave to get a job at Imperial Paper Mill. Things were looking up. In August 1981 we welcomed our second child Matthew. I continued to stay at home with the children and we purchased a fixer upper. Boy was that a challenge!! Thank goodness my dear Dad helped us every weekend. In turn Dave learned some great carpenter skills! When kids were a little older and teenagers I needed to get out and work. I worked at Diamond Comics for about 5-6 years. The money was great, but the hours were horrible...if I had a chance to do it over again I would have done things differently. I then went to work at Schonbek...very nice man...Andrew Schonbek. I started in June of 2000, and I learned so many things and met so many wonderful coworkers! In October 2000 our first beautiful granddaughter was born! What a beautiful blessing our Princess Chloe Eva! Then in a year just past Chloe's first birthday I had my yearly mammogram. Worst possible news...I had breast cancer! I had to have a lumpectomy and radiation and had to take at the time what they called a chemo pill for 5 years. I am very happy to say that I have been cancer free since then. I am NOT bragging I AM SO very GRATEFUL...and I thank GOD!!!! On January 4,

2009, my son Matt and his wife Danielle had our first grandson...Nathan Alexander...such a handsome little guy!!...and then on October 9, 2014, our second grandson Jace Kai was born. Two very handsome young men that will carry on the Rougier name. Then on December 20, 2015, our last little beauty was born, Charlotte Mae...my daughter's girls were quite a few years apart, but they are very close. It is so cute to see them together! Our family was growing, and Dave and I were enjoying every second! All the grandchildren ARE a BLESSING, each one has a special place in my heart...they are my Life! But as we all know things can change in the blink of an eye. :(Dave was diagnosed with lung cancer and retired from Bombardier in March 2016...our lives would never be the same! I ended up retiring from Schonbek in June 2016...I wanted to be with Dave and also help my brother Lee and his wife Maria with my Dad who was also ill at the time. My Dad lived with Lee so we all worked around our schedule to keep Dad as comfortable as possiblewe worked together as a team! We lost the BEST DAD EVER on September 14, 2016. Being home retired I was also Dave's caregiver. He didn't really show any effects of the cancer right away. So many DAMN tests, appointments, bloodwork...he was constantly tired...poor guy most of the time he slept but when he was awake, I was there! After about a year and a half we stayed home a lot and watched TV together and he started going downhill but he fought hard, and I guess we all do what we must do...he fought hard...he worked hard...loved his family...was a good guy...and made sure his family had a great life. Dave passed away November 1, 2018. One of the saddest and hardest days of our lives, we were married for 44 years. I wanted it to be longer, but someone had other plans! CANCER SUCKS!! Michelle, Matt, and Danielle were my saviors and of course the grandchildren. It took me awhile to adjust being just me...NOT FUN...but I was determined to do the task at hand. I didn't make any huge changes until almost 2 years. Matt and Danielle wanted to buy our home and I decided to put up a double wide...A LOT OF WORK!!! I am right next door...had enough land and we are far enough from each other that I try not to bug them:) I now have a partner...Marty...we have been friends for 50 years and I wasn't looking for a relationship...but things work out in mysterious ways... we chose to spend the rest of our days together! Hope everyone enjoys life...not all of us had that choice! STAY WELL! STAY SAFE! Susie"

Cathy Henry

"After our 30th reunion I have volunteered at school. Then they hired me. I worked until 2004. I went back to Price Chopper as their bagel slave. I retired in July 2022, but I went back in November and lasted four months. We had a really bad fire in March 2007. Lost the big barn and the small barn next to the house. The boys, cows, cat, and I were fine. I raise beef now since Fall 2006. I do my own hay and loving it. My boys are doing good, and I live alone now. I do have three dogs. We pretty much do everything together. As far as cancer goes, I'm still living. It has been 32 years. I had a few setbacks but right now I'm doing good."

Marguerite Hubbell Ross

"After graduation from CCRS, I completed my Economics degree at SUNY Potsdam. During

summers and Christmas breaks from college, I spent my time in Lake Placid in the restaurant and hotel business. Returning to Plattsburgh, after my college graduation, I went into restaurant management in the local area. After visiting Texas in 1984, I decided to move and changed my focus to bank management, accepting a training position with a large savings and loan bank in San Antonio. There I met and married my husband George, an Air Force pilot, in 1987. We began our Air Force moves as my husband advanced in rank. Together we completed 28 years of service, living in 15 "homes" in 7 states, returning to some locations more than once. It was challenging. During those years I changed jobs often. My favorite was as a Certified Instructor and owner of my own Kumon Math and Reading Center franchise. Students who move often or need more assistance benefited from this supplemental education program which originated in Japan. After my husband's retirement from the Air Force in 2012, we moved back to Niceville, FL where George started his AF contractor position. I am busy volunteering, reading, plus riding and touring on our tandem bicycle. Our first grandchild arrived this past November. Our daughter (who blessed us with our first grandchild) and her husband live in DC, and our son (who is also an AF pilot) lives in Clovis, NM with his wife, who is an aircraft maintenance officer in the AF. I am very grateful to have reached this momentous moment with our wonderful classmates. This was a great class to graduate with and I am proud to be part of CCRS legacy."

Wayne LaValley

"So many things have filled the past 50 years! I have worked at many companies; G & G, Kason Corp., Harris Corp., Ayerst Corp., and finally the NYS Department of Corrections. Sideline jobs have also kept me busy. With NYS DOCS I have relocated in or near Dannemora, Brockport, Lake George, Malone and finally St. John's Road in Champlain. My career with NYS DOCS ended in 2015 when I retired after 30 years. I also belong to the Knights of Columbus and have served on the Town of Champlain zoning and planning boards. My wife Céline & I were married in Lacolle, Québec in 1988. In the earlier years my hobbies were bowling, golfing, hunting, softball, dancing, motorcycling and just having fun. After retirement I enjoyed different construction projects. I worked part time for a local contractor, joined a group redoing the inside of St. Ann's Church in Mooers Forks, and now remodeling our home. We were blessed with four children. Our oldest son Andrew married Sara Gravelle of Chazy. They gave us our first grandson Parker, who is now 2 years old. A second child is expected this year. Andrew is a certified Electrician and is very talented in the construction field. Shaun, our second son, and his partner Kasha Bushey have two sons, Landon and Conner. Shaun is a mechanic for NYS Department of Transportation in Plattsburgh. They are building their first house this year. I already have my next project lined up! Stéphanie, our only daughter, followed her passion in health care. She is employed by the University of Tennessee Medical Center in Knoxville in the Mammography and Cancer Detection Unit. During Stéphanie's high school and college years she played school and travel softball. We enjoyed traveling to different cities to watch her play competitive games. She is marrying a Tennessee

native, Casey Brown in June this year. It will be a destination wedding. This event combined with our 35th wedding anniversary will find us traveling to Dominican Republic. Our youngest son, Steven, enlisted into the Army after graduating from NCCS. He spent five years in Fort Lewis, Tacoma, WA but is now located in Fort Drum, NY. It's so nice to have him closer to home for a while. Steven is an aircraft fueler. He is also a volunteer in the local Fire Department and taking EMT classes and doing well. He likes the Army and plans to make a career of it. A few years ago, we experienced hosting international students for full school years. A total of three students from France, Vietnam and Brazil became part of our family. We still get regular visits from Sarah from Brazil, whom we call our fifth child. We love vacationing in Zephyrhills, Florida. We enjoy several excursions visiting Bush Garden, going to shows, fairs, spending time with friends, walking on the beach in Tampa. We also like going on canoe rides on a river where alligators roam. In 2021 and the following year I couldn't avoid replacement of my knees. Both successful surgeries made it possible for me to return to a favorite past time of dancing rock and roll. My wife and I enjoy listening to local bands with friends. When the Class Reunion committee formed, I was glad to join and help. I can't wait to see you all."

Alana Lucas Hogle

"Hi there! July 10, 1976, I married my sweetheart, Rick Hogle and moved to Swanton, VT. We have two children, Nicholas and Lindsay. Nick has two children ...Addison and Isabelle and they live in Highgate, VT. Lindsay has two children also...Payton and Beckett and live in New Market, Alabama. We started our own business 32 years ago, Fairfax Pharmacy. It was a small, family business and my husband was a pharmacist there. I did ordering of supplies and was general manager. My husband retired from this November 1, 2022. We adore our children and grandchildren and travel often to visit our daughter. My grandchildren are the light of my life. We are fortunate enough to be able to spend two months in Playa del Carmen each winter. I have always wanted to live by the lake, so we bought land on Lake Champlain near Swanton...Hog Island. We will be having a modular delivered June 14 to live there. We are so excited!! We know our grandchildren will be visiting and are more excited than we are!"

Linda Manor Parrott

"1 Minute 2 Minutes 3 Minutes 4 and more...As we all know, time stands still for no one...On a warm summer day, little did I know my life would change forever. A friend I knew wanted me to meet his cousin! He had an enormous black eye and skinned up knees. I closed my eyes and gave him a second look as I was wondering what to do next. Cousin quickly explained while playing baseball at the school he was trying to catch a fly ball and collided with a tree! Guess what? I married the cousin! Don and I have celebrated more than 50 years of marriage. Quickly the next years passed, we built a house across from my mom's on Clark Street. We had two wonderful daughters, Jennifer and Kimberly. "Sugar and Spice are what girls are made of." Ours gave us plenty of spice! We so enjoyed spending time with our girls and their friends. I was busy volunteering at the school, being a Girl Scout leader, and doing PTO.

Don coached Little League softball. Most afternoons would find us at basketball, soccer, or softball games eagerly cheering our girls on. And then came the grandkids, Katlynn and Jordan. I loved taking care of them as their parents worked. The next years quickly passed. Don retired from corrections and started working at the Chazy Post Office. As the morning sun first started to greet a new day, with my hand in hers my mom passed away. There are no words to explain... Don and I found ourselves living in my childhood home. Jenn, her husband, and kids moved in across the road to our first home. Soon even the grandkids had grown. Just when we thought there would be no more grandchildren Kim surprised us with 3 boys. Joshua was 3, Jacob 8, and John 11! With sparkling green eyes Joshua looked at me and in a little voice asked, "What do I call you?" With a smile in my heart, I replied "Granny." After 13 years at the post office Don decided to turn his interest to gardening. I was happy to have him home with me. Two years ago, Katelynn and husband Nate blessed us with yet another boy! Our great grandson stole our hearts the moment we saw him. Declan has big blue eyes, blond hair, and a never-ending smile. Love, love for my husband, my daughters, grandchildren, and great-grandson; love for my family and friends has been the most important thing in my life for the last 50."

Pamela Mayo Hamel

"Upon graduating high school, I entered Johnson State College in Johnson, Vermont. My dream had been to become a music educator. I was fortunate to find that the bulk of my professors were from the Julliard School of Music. Studying with the world's best musicians and performers was a great honor. I majored in music education with course work in both vocal and instrumental. Eventually I became an accompanist for many of my colleagues and for the JSC Choir. My teaching practicum was in the Stowe area, including Hardwick, Vermont. Graduating in December, my final senior performance was with dual pianos. Having graduated in three-and-a-half years, and finalizing my course work in December, I found a temporary teaching vacancy in the Milton School District. I did not have a music room, so I still have fond memories of pushing my spinet piano from classroom to classroom and always having a lot of helpers! The following year, I landed a full-time position at Westford Elementary. Having had a few credits in library science, I was hired as their librarian, but soon to fill the music position due to the music teacher's unavailability because of illness. At that time, I shuffled back and forth to the library. In the early '80s, I was employed by Christ the King Elementary School in Burlington. My task, at that point, was developing a music curriculum, carrying-on with classes everyday and attending daily mass with specific grades singing and playing the organ. I took an interest in court-reporting and attended Champlain College while continuing to teach at Christ the King. I found, because of the dexterity in my fingers, and being somewhat of a grammarian, I became a candidate for the court-reporting program. I managed to attend legal and medical classes and a scheduled three-hour daily practice on the stenotype machine. I completed this rigid course work in two years and attained 225 words a minute, a requisite for becoming a court-reporter. In my spare time, which was basically weekends and vacations, I

worked as a trial judge's secretary in Chittenden Superior Court with superior court judges and the late Vermont Supreme Court Justice Thomas Hayes, along with his law clerks. In 1983, I joined Court Reporters Associates, the largest reporting firm in Vermont, at that time. The firm was owned by Christine Affolter, a fabulous pen writer...yes, she sat in court with a pen and stenopad. We were the first in the state to have owned two monster computers at 60k a piece, which enabled us to produce transcripts quicker and more efficiently for our attorneys through computer-aided transcription. Another wonderful lady by the name of Carol Boone also became owner/partner, and later, I did as well. I also had the opportunity to travel to New York state, where I worked for the Attorney General's Office, the District Attorney's Office and Prisoners' Legal Services. This travel allowed me to visit with family back in Chazy, from time to time. In 1996, I moved to North Carolina, continuing work with CRA doing transcription, as we had contracted with the State to transcribe all taped and computer recordings. I had discovered a fellow court reporter had become the chief court-reporter for the State of North Carolina. She was desperately searching for someone to help with transcript backlog. I volunteered and helped many of her reporters. I also worked mornings performing all facets of office duties for Court Reporting Services of Raleigh. While in Cary, I volunteered at Dorcas, a thrift shop and social concerns office, which was supported by the area churches. Basically working in the social concerns office, I helped with disbursements of funds for the needy and in distributing food from our pantry. In 2001, my husband Dave was appointed to OSHA-Federal Department of Labor. We moved to Virginia and built a house in Dumfries, a couple miles from Quantico. Our home was within walking distance to Swans Creek Elementary School, where I substitute-taught and still continued to work in the transcription world. As you know, there are a wide variety of interesting places to visit and experience in Washington, DC. One of my favorites was becoming a member of the Kennedy Center and attending the Kennedy Honors Programs. Retiring in 2018, we moved to the famous Jimmy Buffett-themed Margaritaville, a 55+ retirement community. There are many activities offered to us here, as well as having access to our own private beach club. I volunteer twice a week at AdventHealth, a local hospital, working on the surgical floor doing some PAT clerical work and escorting people to patients' rooms pre and post-surgery. Our favorite pastimes and hobbies started in Cary when we became members of the Raleigh Ski & Outing Club, a 2200-member group. Hiking, camping, pig-pickins and holiday parties became a big part of our lives. With my husband, being a world traveler through his work, I have enjoyed traveling to many places in the U.S. and abroad. We have a Tiffin-RED, where we now glamp in comfort. We also, not long ago, rescued a two-year-old Yellow Labrador whose name is "Angel." She truly has the demeanor of a therapy dog, which I am hoping to certify soon. I hope all of you are in good health and will be able to attend the reunion. I am really looking forward to seeing y'all! Fins Up!"

Cathy Munson Devins

"It's interesting how 50 years can change a person's outlook on life. What mattered most 50 years ago seems to matter little today. Like some of my

classmates, I married soon after graduation in 1973. Had my first child, Danielle Rae, in 1975 and my second child, Matthew Ray, in 1982. Also, like many of my classmates, I attended college, just many years later, graduating in 1997 from Clinton Community College, Salutatorian, with an Associate's Degree in Business Administration. I've had several part-time jobs and two full-time jobs, earning titles of Secretary, Bookkeeper, Administrative Assistant, Typist, Account Clerk Typist and Central Treasurer, but the most important and fulfilling jobs I've ever had, are the ones with the titles of "Mom" and "Grammy". My daughter, Danielle, lives in West Henrietta with her husband, Charles, and two daughters - Serena and Catrena. She is a School Psychologist at the Monroe 2-Orleans BOCES. Serena (18 yrs. old) will be graduating in June with honors from Rush Henrietta High School. She's a member of the Urban League of Rochester Black Scholars, Language Honor Society for ASL, and National Honor Society. She will be attending the Rochester Institute of Technology (RIT) in Rochester this fall and is majoring in American Sign Language-English Interpretation. Catrena (16 yrs. old) will be a Junior at Rush Henrietta High School in the fall. She also is a honor student, member of the Urban League of Rochester Black Scholars, First Amendment, First Vote Club, and was recommended by classmates and faculty to participate in the Natural Helpers program which provides support and counseling for peers dealing with difficult issues. My son, Matthew, lives in Chazy with his wife, Karissa, and two children - Adelyn and Stetson. Matthew assumed the Technology teacher position at C.C.R.S. this school year after being a Physical Education teacher for 16 years in another school district and is very happy to be "back home" at his Alma Mater. Adelyn "Ady" (10 yrs. old) attends C.C.R.S. and will be in the 6th grade in the fall. She excels in school, as well as soccer and hockey, loves to read and spend time with her friends. Stetson "Stets Man" (8 yrs. old) also attends C.C.R.S. and will be in the 4th grade in the fall. He also excels in school, as well as soccer and hockey, is a math whiz and loves to make people laugh. In past and present years, I have been involved with C.C.R.S. and the great community of Chazy volunteering for numerous organizations and serving on boards. I am presently involved with the Alumni Association of C.C.R.S., Chazy Republican Party, Town of Chazy Hometown Heroes, Chazy Senior Citizens, and have been a Chazy Town Council Person for 21 years. When I'm not volunteering, I fill my days doing the things I love to do most... spending time with family and friends, gardening, painting, redoing antique furniture, traveling, and giving thanks for life's many blessings!"

Gwendolyn Oliver Utberg

"I live in Randolph, New Jersey with my husband Dan of 44 years, where we settled after we both completed grad school and first began working. I recently retired from UPS after a 37-year career in IT as a software development manager. We love the location of our home, as it is near hiking trails and public gardens and our daughter lives nearby, so here we will remain. After graduating from Chazy in 1973, I attended SUNY Potsdam and received a bachelor's degree in biology in 1977, which included coursework in ecology, limnology, and field nature. I was fortunate to have Jane West as a fellow student

there and we shared many of the same friends and experiences. I then started post-graduate work at the University of Wisconsin-Madison where I met my future husband, who was in the engineering program. When he began working at Bell Labs in New Jersey, I transferred to Rutgers where I received a Master's in Entomology in 1981, with a focus on aquatic insects. I spent a couple of years working for a chemical company as a Regulatory Affairs Coordinator (I registered pesticide labels with the EPA) and then decided I wanted to do something different. I became a software programmer and worked up the career ladder at Levolor, then Ashland Chemical-Drew Marine, and finally at UPS, where I spent the last 23 years before retiring. As an Application Development Manager, I managed project teams of 15-to-35 onshore and offshore developers, creating custom software solutions for the company. The most significant event for my husband and I was the birth of our daughter Bryanna in 1986, who is on the autism spectrum. This charming, precious soul immediately captured our hearts, and her well-being and happiness has been, and always will be, the first priority in our lives. In retirement, I keep myself busy serving on the Board of Directors for two non-profit organizations, advising the local community garden, and volunteering as a stream monitor for a watershed organization. Continuing my interest in science and the environment, I earned a certificate in Horticulture from the New York Botanical Garden and I am currently pursuing a certificate in Environmental Stewardship from Rutgers. I enjoy growing orchids, gardening, hiking, and reading."

Michael Parker

"After graduation, I worked at CVPH for a few years then moved to Vermont where my parents were living. I started working at Aubuchon Hardware and remained there for 15 years. While living in Vermont, I married Debra Wehrin in 1978 (Class of 1977). We had two beautiful daughters, Corrie and Sarah. Corrie lives in Vermont and is a Financial Advisor. Sarah lives in Boise, Idaho with her husband, Gary, and is an Accountant. In 1988, Debra and I divorced, I left my job at Aubuchon Hardware, and I returned to New York. It was then that I found a job working for Bruce Pellerin Construction Co. and worked there for 18 1/2 years. In 2011, I fell at work and broke the middle of my back. I had a couple of operations but nothing more could be done, and I was deemed permanently disabled. In 2015, I had surgery on my left lung for cancer. They took a piece of my lung out, sewed me back up and was happy they got it all. Other than dealing with COPD and asthma, my lungs are okay. In October of 2020, I had a heart attack, then triple bypass in December. Came out of all that smelling like a rose! More recently I have been diagnosed with kidney disease and have dialysis three days a week. Aside from a few ailments, my biggest problem today is thinking I'm still 20 years old and can still do it all...which is why I do some of the stupid things I do! Like so many, I have learned to deal with whatever is dealt to me. After all, why cry about it when there's nothing you can do about it?"

Brenda Poissant Maurice

"Hello. For the past thirty years I was in Vegas working as a pole dancer. Ain't no pole I can't climb. Haha, I just wasn't sure about how to begin this story.

I began working at CVPH Medical Center, and married my husband Tim. We were married for thirty-two years. We were fortunate to have traveled to Dominican Republic, Mexico, Aruba, and St. Martin. As with all good happenings there are sad times too. Tim died of cancer in 2008. He had the opportunity to proceed in experimental medication at Sloan Kettering. This allowed him to survive very well for another ten years! At CVPH I worked in the sterile department transferring to the operating room. This was my most favorite job, lots of fun and great comradery. I learned so much from the nurses, techs., and Drs. In 1987 my dear brother George passed away, acutely, from a benign brain colloidal cyst. My sister-in-law Kelly and niece Brittany are family, we are so fortunate to have them. Brittany has a beautiful set of twin girls and a soccer player, Rylan like his grandfather. And another nephew is on the way!!! Well, this seems to be quite lengthy but wait, there's more! While working in the OR I chose nursing as a career. In 1992 I began working for the elderly, and then went to mental health receiving certification for psych nursing. Fascinating work. In 2010 a very dear friend said we should travel. The decision was made right then to travel. There was four of us. We went to Italy. We had the best time taking a cooking class, lots of Chianti provided by "Giuseppe". He taught us how to make risotto, tiramisu, and provided the skill of making pasta. So...we learned the art of "rollin' the dougha anda beata the meata." I may have taken some poetic license. I left the hospital after 29 years and went to work for the state at Clinton Correctional in Dannemora. I retired in 2017. After retirement, I helped my sister, Lynne and favorite brother-in-law, Mickey, take care of my mother. I am fortunate to have family close by. My nephew Jake and his two great girls who are fun. My brother Mike AKA Joe and sister-in-law Leah live in Florida for the winter. Can't wait to see my nephews David and Devon and Seth. Presently getting my sparkle and joy on. Thanks for your time and reading this."

Rick Rabideau

"Growing up in Chazy was a unique and special experience; even today I occasionally reminisce about CCRS traditions, playing soccer and the friendships formed from having a K - 12 classmate cohort. Following high school graduation, as a farm-boy lacking a worldly perspective, I attended SUNY Canton. I selected agriculture as a major not fully realizing the abundance of opportunities that existed beyond farming. While at Canton I discovered Agricultural Education, a field in which I could blend my familiarity in agriculture with my curiosity for teaching. I transferred to Cornell University to continue my studies as an Ag. Ed. major. My experience there helped me see the value and joy of learning as a lifelong endeavor. During my college summers I worked at the Miner Farm where I met Terry Delwiche, a fellow Cornellian, who became my wife in 1977. We have had 45 wonderful and adventurous years together and are so proud of our two beautiful daughters. Erin earned a Ph.D. in Clinical Health Psychology and operates a practice in Rhode Island. Amy earned a Ph.D. in Biochemistry and is a Research Fellow at Moderna in Boston, where she contributed to the development of the Covid-19 vaccine. Terry and I moved to Jefferson County in 1977 where I became a Vocational Agriculture teacher at Alexandria Bay C.S. During my three-year tenure I learned that I was not well suited for teaching high school. It was very difficult to stay motivated when the majority of students were uninterested. Terry and I decided to attend graduate

school and so we packed a U-Haul and drove to the University of Minnesota to pursue our academic aspirations. My goal was to pursue a doctorate in Ag. Education with aspirations of becoming a researcher and teacher educator. Soon after my arrival, the department purchased two Apple II computers and asked the graduate students to explore how they may be applied in education. I quickly discovered a passion for technology and, following attainment of my M.A. degree, applied for a position with Apple Computer, Inc. Thankfully I had acquired just enough knowledge that Apple hired me to provide technical support to its fledgling Dealers. My supervisors recognized my background in "training" and I was soon tasked with creating courses and curricula for new products. I loved the job, its fast pace and support of adult learning needs. Apple leadership supported the continuation of my academic aspirations, and I attained a Ph.D. degree in Adult Learning Theory. My dissertation focused on identifying the workplace productivity improvements of utilizing computers in business. The Apple environment enabled me to thrive, and I was provided opportunities of increasing responsibility. I ultimately led the learning needs of Apple's Large Business Division located in Atlanta, GA. Apple asked me to move my family from California to Atlanta, which we were happy to do. However, in the perplexing wisdom of large corporations, six months after moving to Atlanta, Apple disbanded the division and asked me to return to California. Having just settled my family in Atlanta, it was too much to ask. In 1992, after twelve years, I, sadly, left Apple to seek new opportunities to share my talent and experience in adult learning and technology. After leaving Apple I had the good fortune to work with the leadership of some of America's finest companies. At Prudential Life Insurance Co. I led the transformation from a traditional corporate training approach to a performance-learning methodology and developed the computer-based learning infrastructure. My tenure at Prudential also enabled our well-traveled family to return to New York State. I then had the opportunity to apply my trade leading performance-learning transformations at MetLife Ins., Morgan Stanley and, following a failed attempt at starting my own company, Mass Mutual Ins. Throughout my 38-year corporate career I approximate that my teams have supported the learning and development needs (from new hire job training to executive leadership development) of over 250,000 colleagues. From humble beginnings as a naive, not-so-great student at CCRS to corporate executive offices, my career has been challenging, interesting, and rewarding. Through it all I have learned one indisputable lesson; Learning is the journey! Terry and I are both retired and settled in Athens, NY, 40 miles south of Albany. Terry is a former children's librarian and actively volunteers at our local library. I spend my days doing home improvements, reading, skiing, biking, hiking, and striving to stay healthy. Together we enjoy walking our dog, Journey, and planning and taking trips in our RV. Life is good. Thank you Chazy for launching me on this remarkable adventure."

Louise Salassi Hughes

"I'm most proud of my wonderful family: a husband (Rick) of 41 years; and 2 children with careers where they make a difference (Rachel as a Doctor and Professor in NC, and Austin as a US Army Aviation

Officer in AK). I'm thankful to the upper classmen who paved the way by pursuing military service. As a Poli Sci major at LSU, ROTC was a good fit and it led to 6 years of service as a Regular Army Officer. Highlights included: living in Germany, travel, skiing throughout Europe, running marathons on 3 continents, Airborne School, exposure to logistics which led to an MBA, and meeting my husband and serving an additional 8 years together in the Army Reserves before starting our family. Close friends at CCRS gave me a sense of community; and I was lucky to be in a class with a lot of VERY smart students. Those relationships influenced my joining Procter & Gamble (P&G) - a company that values both. I enjoyed a 29-year career with P&G in Cincinnati where I had a series of dream jobs. I was proud to work as a lobbyist for a company with a stellar reputation, and then to be trusted to shape P&G's local community relations and philanthropic efforts. P&G supported my Reserve obligations, and then our family obligations as a dual career couple and parents. I'm now enjoying retirement on Lake Keowee, SC (which reminds me of Lake Champlain), near mountains reminiscent of the Adirondacks, in a small town about the size of Chazy and where I volunteer in a nonprofit that supports local schools. Golf, sewing, enjoying our boat named "Still Waters", wellness pursuits, and the sense of community are all part of the appeal; but the key is that it's a perfect place for visits from our children and my mother, who lives nearby."

Lynn Sanger Greene

"I left for college on a frigid January morning in 1973. It was so cold that we had to push the car down the hill then jump in to get it started. And so, my adventure began. By August 1976 I had a degree and started a career in education as a K-8 art teacher in the Weedsport school district. After that one-year position I moved to Rochester NY to get married and take a job as a preschool teacher in a private inner city nursery school where I taught until 1984. Jason was born in 1980, and Andrew in 1984. I continued to teach part time but then opened a daycare in my home so I could be with my boys full time. I was fortunate to have space in my home where I could set up a dedicated daycare. I really enjoyed my day care years. We always had a full roster of kids and a waiting list, but the time was coming when I would need to rejoin public education, so I began working on a masters in special education at Nazareth College. In 1992, with my new certification (and a fresh divorce) I was at the right place at the right time to accept a full-time appointment at Brighton High School where I designed and implemented a special program for students who came to us from a group home in Brighton run by the State School at Industry. The class was made up of 10-12 young men aged 14-17 who were finishing their incarceration time and about to reenter society. My job was to gradually help them transition successfully into our regular education classes one at a time. I had them for academic instruction in four subjects, until they could be placed. The average placement at the group home was 30-90 days, so there was a constant rotation of students into and out of the class. It was like a one room school within the larger high school. I absolutely loved the challenge of teaching students in 4 subjects tailored to their needs. Eventually, after about 14 years, the state closed the group home and

I moved into the special education department, co-teaching with regular education teachers. Because I had certifications and experience teaching 4 subjects I could be placed in any classroom. Over these years I co-taught English 10 & 11, Chemistry, Geometry, Algebra, World History and US History (my favorite). I was also a resource room teacher but gradually became aware that I needed a new challenge. So I went back to school, this time at Brockport to earn a Certificate of Advanced study in Administration. I didn't want to leave the classroom but now I could work during the summers as the principal of the K-12 Extended School Year program for the Brighton School District. I did this combination of work until covid changed everything. Over the CLA weekend of March 13-16, 2020 the district shifted our classes to full time online instruction-- which I hated! And that's how I finished my 44 years in education. I retired from Brighton in June of 2020. Since then, I have been able to be at home with my husband of 20 years, Mark who is a full-time farmer. We live on the Hopkins Farm in Pittsford which has been in his family since 1812. He grows corn, oats, wheat, soybeans, pumpkins, a variety of fresh market vegetables, and sunflowers. I have a big garden and 45 chickens. Between us we have 4 adult children and 8 grandchildren- 5 of these are little girls aged 1-9. It is a busy time for us with them around. So-that's what I have been doing for the last 50 years. I look forward to reading what you've been up to. You can find me on Facebook: Lynn Sanger Greene"

Pamela Sanger Zubis

"I currently live in Goderich, Ontario (known as the prettiest town in Canada). Both my daughters and their families also live here so we are fortunate to be able to see each other often. I enjoy working full-time for The Learning House as office manager and love the challenge, the stimulation, and the families we serve. My husband John passed away in June 2019 so, after 40 years of marriage, I'm finding myself having to learn a new way of life. I have told many friends about our CCRS 50th anniversary celebration and many expressed envy for such a great tradition! Thank you everyone, for your hard work!"

Debbie Trombley Smith

"After graduation I didn't have a clue what I wanted to do so I went to work at Imperial Wallcoverings, working in the purchasing department. There, I met my husband Bill we married in 1978. As the saying goes "long story short" his corporate career moved us nine times throughout the country. We finally settled in Virginia Beach, VA. I worked at Bank of America as a project manager. After several years, I was feeling burned out and decided to take a job as a broker in a logistics company. This turned out to be very fast paced, a race to the finish everyday moving freight. After about three years I got a similar job as a coordinator for a tugboat business. I was responsible for six crews up and down the Atlantic. We had a crew in Mayport, FL dredging to accommodate the nuclear aircraft carrier moving there from Norfolk, VA. It was very interesting work; we did a lot of various jobs for the Navy but this was not my cup of tea. A short time later I was given the opportunity to support the owner of a premier catering company in Virginia Beach, VA. She had quite the clientele doing beautiful weddings that have been written up in Bride magazine, Bar Mitzvah's, house parties we even did the commissioning of the Gerald Ford aircraft carrier serving about 1500 guests. After several years in that position, I was feeling the call to retire, 2018. We have one son,

Matt who lives in Denver. He is a certified optician in optical sales. We try to meet during ski season but since COVID we've kind of retired the sport. We've found the mountain to be too crazy busy. These days we've been spending a lot of time in Chazy. My 93-year-old mother still resides at her home with the wonderful care of Cindy Brunelle helping us out."

Jane West Minotti

"After graduating from CCRS, I attended college in Potsdam and majored in English. When I graduated from college, my first job was in a school library in Heuvelton. This set me on the path for a fulfilling career in libraries. I married my husband, Sean Minotti, in 1979 and we moved from St. Lawrence County to Albany in the early 80's. I received my Master's in Library Science from University at Albany in 1983. After living and working in Vermont for a few years, we returned to the Albany area in Rensselaer County near Averill Park. I worked part-time in the public library for several years while my three sons were young. After 20 plus years, I decided it was time for a career change, and in 2007, I began working for NYS, retiring from the State Library in April 2023. Band was such a big part of CCRS, and 14 years ago I joined the trumpet section of the local community orchestra where I am still a member (and now owner of two additional cornets). Music continues to enrich my life through new friendships and good times. I still love the change of seasons in the Northeast and continue to make my home in Rensselaer County. Spending time with my friends and family including two delightful grandchildren, ages 3 and 7, keeps me busy. Also, knitting projects, reading, book group, walking and outdoor activities, road trips with my husband, and camping at our family site in Delaware County are favorite activities. I'm looking forward to seeing everyone-- I can't believe 50 years have passed. We miss our classmates from the Class of '73 that we hold in our hearts. Friends and family continue to bring me north to Chazy where a part of me will always be at home."

Janet West Clerkin

"I attended SUNY Oswego after high school and graduated with a BA degree in English and history in 1977. The sense of community and solid education we shared at CCRS have served me well. Several teachers - Mrs. Boyle, Miss Weatherup, Mrs. Mooney, Mr. Southworth, and Mr. Martin - inspired me to pursue a writing career. After graduating from college, I worked in the newsrooms of Oswego newspapers, starting out as a proofreader. During the early 1980s I was part of an employee-owned daily paper in Oswego. After the paper folded, I took a part-time position with Oswego County government as public information officer. Although I expected this to be a temporary job, it evolved into a career in marketing and media relations. I retired in January 2022 after more than 35 years of managing tourism promotion and public information activities in Oswego County. My work experiences ranged from writing news releases during extended Lake Effect snow events and public health emergencies to landing a 23-lb. Lake Ontario Chinook salmon and meeting Good Morning America meteorologist Sam Champion next to a massive snowbank. I also wrote feature articles as a contributing writer for the Syracuse Newspapers and served on several heritage tourism organizations. I married my husband, Kevin, in 1979. We have two sons and a daughter and live in a 160-year-old farmhouse in rural Oswego County. Over the years Kevin and I have backpacked, canoed and camped in many areas of the Adirondacks. We also enjoy helping to care for our grandson and

spending time with family, camping, gardening, and cross-country skiing. We are both members of the Oswego County Pioneers Search and Rescue Team and continue to be involved in search and rescue activities. I treasure my Chazy friendships and experiences, and I return to the North Country often."

Mary Williams Gospe

"After high school, I attended Colgate University, where I majored in psychology. I then went to graduate school at Duke University, where I met my future husband, Sid Gospe. We were married in 1980. He graduated from medical school the following year and we moved to Houston, TX, for his residency. Our two children were born there, Sid III in 1982 and Jessica in 1985. In 1987 Sid took a job at UC-Davis Medical School, and I spent our 13 years in California as a stay-at-home mom, also keeping busy with volunteer work and part-time work at the children's elementary school. In 2000 Sid accepted a job at Seattle Children's Hospital/ UW Medical School, so we moved again. With the emptying of our nest, I enjoyed increased opportunities to travel with Sid and to teach preschool part-time. In 2017 Sid retired and we moved back to North Carolina to be near our first grandchild, Ethan Gospe, and his parents. Later that year our daughter gave birth to twins, Peter and Elizabeth Flores. Sid and I are enjoying being grandparents and take frequent trips to San Antonio to visit the twins and their parents."

CLASS OF 1973 INFORMAL GATHERING

**THURSDAY, JUNE 22
5:00 p.m.
at**

VESCO RIDGE VINEYARDS

**All CCRS Alumni are
welcome to join us!**

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*After the Alumni Banquet
on Saturday, June 24
at Rainbow Banquet Hall
stay for an evening of great
music, dancing and fun
with music by
THE 3 B's
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Make your reservation now
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All CCRS yearbooks from 1921, 1951, and 1962-2018 are viewable online! Go to our website, www.ccrsk12.org. Click on Community > Alumni > Yearbooks.

All available copies of *Our Inheritance*, a booklet/newsletter printed in-house at CCRS from 1925-1931 were digitized and added to our website. Click Community > Alumni > Our Inheritance. These booklets are filled with CCRS history and give us a window into the early activities of the school, including classes, sports, graduation, Class Day, music, and much more. Several have messages from William H. Miner himself. Student writing is included, with the name of the student writer. Many familiar local names are represented. Take a look!

CHAZY LIONS CLUB 56th ANNUAL OLD HOME DAY

Saturday, July 22, 2023

Starts at noon

Chicken or Barbecued Beef
Take-out available!

Live music, vendors, hamburgers, sausages,
French fries & more.



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Checks can be made payable to: CCRS Yearbook Club

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FINANCIAL REPORT 2023

REVENUE

Dues	\$2,060.00
Dinner	1,475.00
Scholarship	1,145.00
Total	\$4,680.00

EXPENSES

Rainbow Banquet Hall	\$1,403.00
Banquet Music	250.00
Tea expense	676.84
Yearbook & ad	87.40
Scholarship (1)	1,000.00
After-Prom Party	100.00
Border Press	184.68
Thank-you gifts	300.00
Total Expenses	\$4,001.92

Remember our two biggest fundraisers this year:

AUGUST 2nd: ANNUAL CCRSEF TRIVIA NIGHT & SILENT AUCTION

@VESCO RIDGE VINEYARDS! Trivia night is always a big attraction, and on this night we include some great Chazy-based trivia as a special bonus. Bring your favorite Chazy expert to help insure the victory. We will have some outstanding items for our Silent Auction that you won't want to miss. And in **NOVEMBER**, it's **FACEBOOK GIVING DAY!** See our website, www.ccrsef.com, and our Facebook @CCRSEducationFoundation for details!

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May our fellow alumni rest in peace.

CCRS EDUCATION FOUNDATION

Greetings CCRS Alumni!

Again this year we express our gratitude for your help this past year—your donations and enthusiasm have helped the CCRSEF continue to fund projects that our teachers need for their classrooms and students.

We are proud to have funded grants of all kinds over the years, including scientific calculators, comfort seating to help students focus, musical instruments and cases, 3D printers for STEM classes, mats and weights for the gym, assistance to our global-award-winning Harvard Model UN team, and so much more.

Your generosity has helped us to provide crucial educational materials that are above and beyond what the annual school budget can. **THANK YOU!**

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Make ONE check payable to: ALUMNI ASSOCIATION OF CCRS

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Dues (EACH ALUMNI) MUST be prepaid (if not a lifetime member) to attend the Alumni Banquet. Walk-ins to the banquet will NOT be accepted.

NUMBER ATTENDING the BANQUET:

\$30 each person attending: _____ Number of alumni

_____ Number of guests

_____ **TOTAL NUMBER
ATTENDING**

ALUMNI BANQUET

Saturday, June 24

Blue Room, Rainbow Banquet Hall (Pecks), Altona

Social Hour 4:15 – 5 p.m. Dinner 5 p.m.

Program immediately following dinner

NUMBER ATTENDING the TEA: _____ (no charge)

NEW INFORMATION REGARDING NEWSLETTER MAILINGS!!

****EFFECTIVE 2023 you will ONLY be able to view the newsletter online on the school website at: <https://www.ccrsk12.org/alumni/>**

If you are unable to view it online and want to receive a paper copy, please X here: _____

Donation for Scholarship Fund: \$ _____

To Parents Regarding Scholarship Eligibility:

The parent/guardian must be a paid member of the Chazy Alumni Association for the preceding three years prior to and the year of the applicant's graduation. All dues must be paid by December 31 of those four years.

Please contact the CCRS Guidance Office for the complete scholarship eligibility requirements.

2022 Alumni

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Kayden Alicia Bannister
Kaelen Elizabeth Billow
Maggie Jean Blair
Kira Lynn Blais
Amelia Hope Chaffin
Saige Lynn Clausen
Jenna Marie Collins
Shay Michael Collins
Benjamin De Ondarza

Trinity Alana Deso
Dale Scott Gonyo, Jr.
Madisen Ane Guay
Abigail Ann Huchro
Alain Bradley Juneau
Jeremy Lee Juneau
Piper Madison Lapier
Felicia Roselynn LaRose
Camille Patrice Leclerc
Hadley Mae Lucas

Joshua Shane Pilon
Cael David Ross
Dayton Marinus Rovers
Adriona Rushford
Dallas Andrew Santor
Dometri Edwin Sterling
Zane Wilson Stevens
Trent Lee Trahan II
Harry Francis West
Megan Nichole Defayette



Chazy Central Rural School Alumni Association Scholarship Recipient

2022: Jenna Collins, \$1000