



2015 Athletic Hall of Fame Inductees Honored

Four former VCS athletes were inducted into the prestigious Victor Athletic Hall of Fame at a special ceremony on Saturday, October 3rd at the Burgundy Basin Inn in Bushnell's Basin.

This year's Athletic Hall of Fame recipients were David Fladd (Class of 1987), Stephanie Bailey (Class of 1999), Nathan Kuchta (Class of 2000) and Katie Jo Passero (Class of 2004).



DAVID FLADD CLASS OF 1987

David Fladd made his mark on Victor Central Schools' athletics in three sports, cross country and indoor and outdoor track and field. He was a Section V Individual Champion in outdoor track in 1986 and both indoor

and outdoor track in 1987. In 1987 he broke not only the high school pole vault record, but the Section V pole vault record, as well. That same year he was named outdoor track State Champion in pole vault and the first individual State Champion at Victor. Other accomplishments by Fladd include winning the Leon Hill Memorial Track Award for Outstanding Male Athlete in Finger Lakes Track, earning a bronze medal in the Empire State Games in 1988, being undefeated in pole vault during his senior year for outdoor track through the State meet and holding the indoor track record at the University of Rochester in pole vault.



STEPHANIE BAILEY CLASS OF 1999

Stephanie Bailey will be long remembered for the impact she had on Victor Central Schools' cross country and indoor and outdoor track and field teams. Bailey's accomplishments include being named Most Improved Player in

outdoor track in 1996-1997, being named the Most Valuable Player (MVP) for both the indoor and outdoor track teams in 1997-1998 and earning the MVP again for outdoor track in 1998-1999. In 1998-1999, she also earned the Victor Central Schools' Outstanding Achievement Award and Finger Lakes All Star accolade. In 1999, Bailey was honored with the prestigious Barney Lynaugh Award for the Female Athlete of the Year. Other accomplishments include being a member of the Cortland State University track and field team for four years and a two-time All American at Cortland in track and field.



NATHAN KUCHTA CLASS OF 2000

Nathan Kuchta was an integral part of the baseball program. During the 1999-2000 school year, he was named First Team All League, First Team All Section, Most Valuable Player of the Section V Class B tournament and First Team All

State. Among his many records include most strike outs in one game (22) in 2000 for both the school and Section V and having the second most strikeouts in one game in New York State. During the 2000 season, Kuchta had 179 strikeouts, breaking the school record and placing fifth in Section V's all-time strikeout category. While playing at Victor Central Schools, Kuchta had an impressive 378 career strikeouts, holding the school record from 1998-2000.

Other Kuchta accomplishments were being a two-time Section V Class B Champion in 1999 and 2000, earning USA Today's All American Honorable Mention status and being a four year Division I baseball player at the University of Richmond where he earned two top twenty five finishes and was instrumental on their 2002 Regional Championship team.



KATIE JO PASSERO CLASS OF 2004

Katie Jo Passero's softball legacy is rich. She was named to First Team All League from 2001 to 2004 and to the Section V All Tournament Team from 2001 to 2004. She was also named to First Team All Greater Rochester from 2002 to

2004 and received numerous All State accolades – 5th team in 2002, 2nd team in 2003 and 1st team in 2004. Passero was Finger Lakes Player of the Year in 2002 and 2003 and Finger Lakes Co-Player of the Year in 2004. She was the Varsity team captain from 2003 to 2004 and the team's Most Valuable Player in 2002 and 2003. She shared team MVP duties again in 2004. After Victor Central Schools, Katie Jo played four years of collegiate softball. In 2005 she played at the University of Massachusetts at Boston College and from 2006 to 2008 she played at Iona College where she was voted most inspirational player in 2005.



The Victor Hall of Fame was founded in 1999 as a way to:

- Recognize and celebrate the accomplishments of outstanding athletes, coaches and Blue Devil supporters.
- Reconnect those individuals and their families with Victor Central School.
- Deepen the current student-athlete understanding and appreciation for the history of the Blue Devil athletes by seeking their participation.

Members of Class of 1955 Celebrate . . . Remember

Charles Militello, Class of 1955, hosted 22 alumni at his Lane Road residence this past spring to celebrate and remember the good old days. Militello said Otto Tomato catered a splendid buffet and a classmate brought dessert. "Classmates came from California, Florida and New York State. This is the 11th 5-year reunion we have had and I have enjoyed coordinating all of them," Militello said.

The original class size of 1955 was 42 and was housed at the original school building (the current Early Childhood School). Militello said they have lost 16 class members through the years but have many fond memories including those of their favorite teachers, Carl Palumbo, who taught math and Helen Schantz, who taught English.



WANTED! Your Reunion Information

Click on the link below to look for fellow alumni or post your reunion.

[ALUMNI RELATIONS](#)

Plans Underway for Class of '66 Reunion

The Class of 1966 is in the process of planning its 50th reunion.

For more information please contact Rita Simonds Shuffstall at rshuffstal@aol.com or 585-703-0657; Sue Whitney Masseth at susanjmasseth@gmail.com or 585-727-2359; or Carol Mandrino at frogs2go22@yahoo.com or 585-520-3658.

Class of 1965 Reconnects, Rekindles

This past summer, more than 80 members of the Class of 1965 came together for their 50th reunion.

Class of '65 Student Council President, Roger Barry said he and his classmates were grateful for their time together, including the special campus tour conducted by Victor Central Schools' Superintendent Dawn Santiago-Marullo.

Other special reunion "touches" included a photo display of the Class of '65 kindergarten class from the 1953 yearbook. "Eighty-three of us started in 1952. Forty-five of the 83 graduated together in 1965. Thirty of the 45 attended the 50th reunion," Barry said.

Another special remembrance was a display of the Victor Herald from Friday, June 25, 1965 on Saturday evening at the Canandaigua Inn on The Lake. "Luann Bauer Holtz was able to contact all but 4 of our graduating

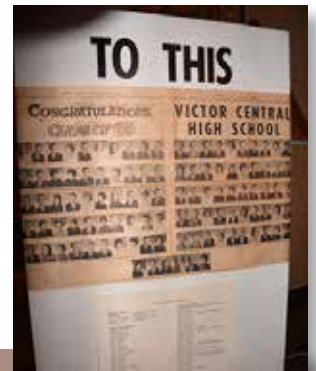
class and asked them to send us a 'bio' describing their life since graduation on June 28, 1965. We received 71 bios from the remaining 92 graduates. (9 of our 101 are deceased). Forty-three of the remaining 92 attended one of the events of our three day 50th reunion," Barry said.

"As our Alma Mater says 'it brings back scenes forgotten.' Our graduating class was the first class to graduate from the 'new' high school in 1965, and it is amazing to see what has happened to Victor and the 190 acre Ladd Farm since those days. I take great pride in telling people about the town where I grew up, and the great education I received at Victor Central Schools," Barry said.

1965 Blue Devil Logo cups for all the attendees



Tour of the new Aquatic Center.



On stage at the old high school



Class of 1975 Celebrates 40th Reunion and Challenges Other Classes to Give Back

This past summer, the Class of 1975 held its 40th reunion. Activities included a Friday night gathering at the 7s Lounge in the Finger Lakes Gaming and Racetrack, a Saturday morning tour given by VCS Superintendent Dawn Santiago-Marullo and a Saturday afternoon golf outing at Wing Pheasant golf course. Later that day, a banquet was held in the Vineyard Buffet banquet room in the Finger Lakes Gaming and Racetrack. There, a 180+ slide PowerPoint presentation brought back memories from all four high school yearbooks, as well as previous reunion photos submitted by a few classmates. Door prizes included numerous Victor Blue Devil t-shirts, hats and sweatshirts from Apparel Printers Plus. Sunday afternoon classmates gathered for a picnic at the

Farmington Town Park in downtown Pumpkin Hook which was catered by Tom Wahl's. Jim Exton, '75 alumnus said the food was excellent and everyone enjoyed their ice cream and root beer floats!

One of the weekend highlights was a visit from alumna, Victoria Hill who came from Australia. Victoria joined the Class of '75 during their senior year as the class foreign exchange student and lived with the Bud Smith family. Kelly Smith Rohrer, a member of the Class of '75, traveled from Winthrop, Washington to enjoy the weekend with her 'sister'. Exton said Victoria and Kelly's attendance helped to make the weekend truly remarkable.

In appreciation of Superintendent Santiago-Marullo's special tour the VCS Class of 1975 donated \$500 to the VCS Educational Foundation (VCSEF) and challenges other classes to match or exceed their donation to be included as a member of the VCSEF Founder's Circle. Information about the VCSEF can be found on the school's website www.victorschools.org.

I.Y.C. STUDENT FROM AUSTRALIA

My experience here in Victor this year is one that I will never forget. I have met so many beautiful people, who have taught me so much, and all I can say to them is thank-you. I have found that people here in this community have gone out of their way to help, and especially wanting to be friends. This I've deeply appreciated and it shows me the friendliness and warmth of all of you.

There are so many I would like to thank - my friends, my teachers, and especially my family - the Smiths, because they are the ones who helped to make my life have an incredible experience.

I hope that future AFS'ers and other exchange students enjoy their stay in Victor, and try to live it to the fullest.



Victoria (Vicki) Hill in the 1975 Yearbook

Thank you for everything,
Vicki Hill



Bernie Pezzimenti and Richard Riccio



*Victoria Hill,
Jim Exton,
Kelly Smith Rohrer
(Victoria's host 'sister')*

Class of 1990 Holds 25th Reunion

The Class of 1990 held its 25 Year Reunion during Homecoming weekend in October. On Friday evening, a group met at the school for a tour of the Junior/Senior High building. Alumna, Dawn Knapp said several people on the tour had not been back to VCS since graduating 25 years ago and were absolutely amazed. “Even those who have been back since graduation were amazed by the updates that have occurred in the last few years. This was especially true about the Aquatic Center,” she said. Knapp said class members enjoyed walking through the current Junior High and recalling where different teachers and rooms were located when it was their high school. They also enjoyed seeing the layout and opportunities offered in the new high school. After the tour, Knapp said several families braved the cold

and enjoyed the Varsity Football victory against Rush Henrietta.

On Saturday evening, a group of fifty people including 32 members of the Class of ‘90 enjoyed dinner at the banquet room in the Finger Lakes Racino. In addition to dinner and socializing, the group enjoyed a slide show with pictures from their years at VCS as well as pictures from previous reunions. There was also a very special slide show presentation created by Amy Herzog in memory of Jeff Rickert, an outstanding member of the Class of ‘90 who sadly passed away this year.

Knapp said that although it was a relatively small group, those who attended had a great time reconnecting with classmates, sharing memories and sharing about their lives since high school. Special thanks goes out to Stacey (Vaughn) Bauer who organized the event.



Victor Central Schools to Honor 2015 Graduate of Distinction

On Thursday, November 12th Rochester Institute of Technology Professor, Dr. Todd Pagano, (Class of 1993), will accept the 2015 Graduate of Distinction award at the regular Board of Education meeting at 7:15 pm. An informal congratulatory reception will take place before the Board recognition in the Early Childhood School cafeteria at 6:00 pm. If you are interested in attending either the Board recognition ceremony or the reception to honor Dr. Pagano, please contact Liz Welch or Sherri Lasky in the Office of School and Community Relations at 924-3252, ext. 1407



The Graduates of Distinction program was initiated in 2002 as a way to recognize VCS alumni who have demonstrated outstanding achievement and made significant contributions to society.

Adam D. Fires Remembered

Last spring the Early Childhood School library received a generous donation toward the purchase of books from Jacquelyn M. Bell, the mother of Adam D. Fires. Fires was a fourth grader at Victor Central Schools in 1989 when he passed away.

“I have never stopped missing him, but it will help to know that I am able to make a small difference in the lives of young children at the school through the purchase of books in Adam’s memory,” Bell said.

Bell is also the proud mother of daughter, Amy Fires Bonanno, Class of 1997 and the grandmother of two grandchildren.



'73 Alumnus Works for a Worthy Cause

Dale Reed considers himself “one of the lucky ones” because he has a job that he absolutely loves. Reed, a 1973 graduate, works for Habitat for Humanity of Ontario County where he manages their ReStore in Canandaigua, New York.

Reed, a graduate of Finger Lakes Community College said that Victor Central Schools’ helped him get to where he is because of its people. “There were always those teachers that saw your potential and gave you encouragement, even if you were not the best student,” Reed said.

Of all of his teachers, Reed said his English teacher, Kris Loeffler was most inspirational to him. “Everyone has special talents that they need encouragement to develop. She helped me realize and encouraged mine. That gave me a great sense of self-worth,” he said.

When asked what advice he would give to a current student as they prepare for life after Victor Central Schools, Reed had this to say; “Do not compare yourself with others, appreciate who you are and enjoy life wherever it takes you.”

What is the ReStore?

The ReStore is retail store that raises funds for Habitat for Humanity of Ontario County through the sale of new or slightly used home furnishings, housewares, appliances, building materials, art, music, and antiques. All of the items you will find on our sales floor have been donated by individuals and business from the surrounding community. Our staff of volunteers work hard to provide customers with quality items at exceptional values (often 50% to 75% of retail).

How can you help out?

ReStore is always looking for friendly, outgoing people to lend a hand in their store. To find out how you can get involved with Habitat for Humanity of Ontario County and the ReStore, visit their volunteers’ page at <http://restore.hfhoc.org/>

Would you like to donate an item?

Call (585) 396-3040, or stop by the store Tuesday through Saturday 9am – 5pm. ReStore will even pick up your donations at no charge! To find out more about what items they accept, visit their donations page at <http://restore.hfhoc.org/>



Dr. Stephen Geyer, 1992 Alumnus, Leads in Education

Dr. Stephen Geyer, VCS Class of '92, is having a profound impact on education. Geyer, the Assistant Superintendent of Instruction for Goochland County Public Schools since 2011 was not only named Curriculum Leader of the Year by the Virginia Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development (VASCD) in 2013 but this past fall, his school District was named the winner of the 2015 Flashlight Awards for District Data Use.

According to a VASCD press release on his 2013 Leader of the Year honor, Geyer's work is "characterized by a tireless focus on student engagement and is having a clear and significant impact on teaching and learning in Goochland. His leadership of such initiatives as teacher leadership, strategic compensation and balanced assessment provide models of effective practice for educators across the Commonwealth. His work exemplifies the student centered approach to leadership that drives meaningful and continuous improvement."

The 2015 Flashlight Award for District Data Use recognizes one school district a year for its use of data to answer questions, empower educators, and transparently communicate with parents and the public.

Geyer said education is more important than ever. "With every year that passes and every experience I have as an educator, it is more and more clear that school and classroom climate have a

profound impact on student success. This is to say that how students experience school, how it feels to be a learner in a specific environment, is paramount and should be prioritized by educators as such," he said

As for those Victor Central Schools' educators who had an impact on his life, Geyer said there were many. "Mr. Bob Thompson (Coach Thompson) modeled everything good about what it is to be a teacher, coach, and man; Mr. Bob Coleman and Ms. Platt had high expectations and challenged me to meet them; and Mr. Jim Jordan was a master at building meaningful relationships with students and leveraging those relationships to result in hard work and persistence," Geyer said.

When asked what he would tell a student thinking about going into education, Geyer had this to say. "I think any student attempting to decide on a career should answer the following three questions: Will I derive energy from my work? Will the work be intrinsically rewarding for me? Will the job/career provide me (and my family) with the kind of life I want to live? If aspiring educators answer yes to each of the three questions, they should jump in with both feet."

Dr. Stephen Geyer is married to VCS alumna, Emily (Weaver) Geyer. They have two children, Alexandra, age 11 and William, age 8.



'97 Alumnus Sculpting a Beautiful Life



Michael DeLucia, Class of 1997

Becoming a working artist is a dream for many people, but for Michael DeLucia, a 1997 VSH graduate, it is a beautiful reality that he cherishes every day.

What did you do after you graduated from Victor Senior High School?

I did a little of everything. First I did my undergraduate studies at the Rhode Island School of Design in Providence where I received a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree in Sculpture in 2001. After that, I lived in New York City for a year working for an artist as an assistant. From there I went on to do my graduate studies at the Royal College of Art (RCA) in London, England where I earned a Masters degree in Art.

After receiving my Masters degree I stayed in London for few years to work on a research project for the head of fine art Glynn Williams. When that was done I moved back to NYC where I got a studio to make a body of work while making money as a freelance CAD modeler. I did that until I was able to exhibit more and establish working

relationships with a few galleries in NYC, Paris, Brussels and San Francisco.

What are you currently doing?

I work full time as an artist in my studio in Long Island City, Queens. I live in Brooklyn, with my wife Celine Rognon and our 8 month old son Louis. We met at the RCA and I convinced her to join me in New York. She's a textile designer and works in the fashion industry here.

What is the proudest moment of your career?

It was the day I opened my first exhibition in New York at Eleven Rivington Gallery. It meant I could quit my job and become fully self-employed as an artist. It was such a liberating moment. That moment affirmed my career choices and allowed me to set new, higher goals.

How did VCS prepare you for your work today?

Victor Central Schools provided me with many good opportunities to do extracurricular activities which helped me develop unique skills.

Were there any teachers/classes that had a particularly lasting impression on you?

My first grade teacher Ms. Perkins taught me an important lesson about art world politics by rigging a drawing contest so that I couldn't win twice. This also helped me not to develop an over inflated ego.

Gary Thompson was my cross country coach. All of the strategy he taught the team about endurance racing and managing pain has really been useful to me as I've been developing my career.

Mr. Strauss helped me fill a void in my curriculum after I had exhausted all of the art classes that were available in high school. By the time I was a senior I had taken them all, so I did an independent study in Media studies with him. This was important in my artistic development in that I was able to delve into a medium that I knew nothing about at that point.

Mr. Rychlik, my 10th grade Global Studies teacher helped me see the forest through the trees after he suddenly kicked a trash can at the door during a lesson about terrorism. He also forced us to carry passbooks around for two weeks in the style of the South African apartheid government. It would affect our grade if we were caught without them. We were furious and wanted to revolt!

Mrs. Meyer who was the art teacher I had most in High school was also an important mentor. She was happy to let me hang out in the art room whether I was enrolled in a class or not. She gave me a lot of support and helped me hone my college application portfolio.

What advice would you give a student interested in pursuing a career in art?

Make sure you don't ever get too comfortable. Once you've mastered something set a new goal. It's important to always be in a challenging context with inspiring collaborators/competitors.

What's your favorite quote?

"You can observe a lot just by watching."

- Yogi Berra

2012 Alum Selected by Kansas City Royals

This past spring, following his junior season at Northwestern University, Matt Portland was selected in the 17th round of the Major League Baseball draft (519th overall selection) by the Kansas City Royals. He elected to sign a professional contract, and was assigned to the Idaho Falls Chukars of the Pioneer League.

Matt pitched exclusively out of the bullpen for Idaho Falls. He appeared in 16 games, striking out 28 batters in 29 innings, and was second on the team in saves. He had a 3.10 ERA and opposing batters only hit for a .202 average against Matt - both statistics were among the best on the Chukars' staff.

Matt is currently back at Northwestern, working on the completion of his undergraduate degree. In early March, he will report to the Royals' minor league spring training camp in Arizona.



John Maloney, Class of 2012, Named Scholar Athlete at UA

This past spring State University of New York Chancellor Nancy L. Zimpher announced 80 recipients of the 2014-15 Scholar-Athlete Award which recognizes outstanding academic excellence and athletic achievement. Among the recipients was the University at Albany's John Maloney, a 2012 Victor graduate.

Maloney, a senior biology/Pre-Med major earned the men's lacrosse award. With a 3.42 GPA, Maloney played in 18 games including 13 starts at midfield, helping lead the Great Danes to its third straight America East title and an NCAA Quarterfinal appearance. Maloney also contributed to UAlbany's highest scoring offense in Division I as the squad's top-scoring midfielder with 36 points, including 16 goals and 20 assists.

In order to be considered for this award, student-athletes were nominated by their campus athletic director. Nominees' academic credentials and athletic accomplishments were then reviewed by a panel of athletic directors from across the SUNY system and members of the provost's office.



VCS Foundation Holds First Annual Devil Dash 5K

A brisk fall morning set the scene for the Victor Central Schools' Educational Foundation's first ever Devil Dash 5K and Family Walk held on October 3rd. Despite cooler than normal weather, the campus course was filled with great energy and enthusiasm. Approximately 200 runners and 70 walkers took on the scenic campus course and helped raise \$9,000!

VSH Class of 1986 Alum, Mike Marro, VCSEF Vice President said the inaugural race greatly exceeded what they expected for a first year race. "We are all tremendously pleased on how our event went and how supportive everyone has been when hearing about the foundation and its objectives.

We are so excited for the future and that number to grow and grow each year. We have already had feedback from many business sponsors that they want to contribute and become more involved next year," he said.

Marro said the Foundation is most proud to hold an event on homecoming weekend where the students, faculty, staff, alum, parents, the community and area businesses all come together in a healthy, positive way to support our students.

All Devil Dash race proceeds will support the four main VCS Foundation Projects including Field Trips Forever, Technology for Today and Tomorrow, The Art of Teaching, and a general fund.



About the Foundation:

The Victor Central Schools Educational Foundation was started in the spring of 2014 by a committed group of VCS alumni in collaboration with Superintendent Dawn Santiago-Marullo.

Vision Statement

We envision an enhanced experience through increased opportunities promoting educational excellence for the VCS community.

Mission Statement

To support students and staff by providing resources to expand existing activities and create new educational opportunities.

Core Values

- Teamwork
- Inclusive
- Educational Excellence
- Loyalty
- Integrity

For more information on the Victor Central Schools Educational Foundation go to:

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VCS Website www.victorschools.org
select Educational Foundation
under Quick Links.

Then and Now

High School Celebrates 50th Anniversary

This year marks the 50th anniversary of the high school. The original high school on this campus was dedicated on March 14, 1965. The building has since morphed into the Junior High School, with an entirely new high school built adjacent to the original building.



Photo taken of the Senior High School, 1965.



Photo taken of the same building, now the Junior High School with additions, 2015.

Primary School Celebrates 60th Anniversary

Next month is the 60th anniversary of the dedication of the Victor Elementary School. In 1955 it was built to house grades K-6 grades. Since that time, there have been several additions, and it has become the Victor Primary School. When the school opened, there were 643 students enrolled in grades K-6. Today there are 653 students in the Primary School. The Primary School houses our grades K-3 multi-age program and all of our second and third graders. The original school on campus, now the Early Childhood School, houses Preschool, and the rest of our Kindergarden and First graders, a total of 697 students.



Photo taken of the Elementary School, 1955.



Photo taken of the same building, now the Primary School, along with the Intermediate School building, 2014. The Primary School is the building at the bottom of the photograph, and the Intermediate School is the building at the top of the photograph.

VICTOR HIGH SCHOOL THEATER PRESENTS



at the Junior High / Senior High Arts Center

November 13-14 at 7 PM

with an additional matinee at 1 PM on November 14



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Academic, Athletic and Artistic Distinctions

- In June 2015, 98% of our students graduated with a Regents Diploma, 62% earned a Regents Diploma with Advanced Designation.
- This fall, five Victor seniors were named National Merit Scholarship Semifinalists: Casey Brentnall, Griffin Fitzsimmons, Katherine Hartsough Kathryn Rohring and Matthew Klein.
- Victor Central Schools' athletics placed second for overall performance in the 2015 Kerr Cup standings, the annual competition managed by the NYS Sportswriters Association.
- Nearly every athletic team qualified as a scholar athlete team in 2014-2015, earning a 90% or higher average.
- Victor Central Schools' boasted many individual Sectional winners in 2014-2015: Swimmers, Natalie Zaravella and Jared Ritz; Diver, Erin Norton; Wrestlers, Mike Venosa, Kevin Marcano, Stevie Hetelekidis and Tristan Ierlan; and Track and Field members, Erika Tillotson, Christian Johnson, Matt Barton, Tim Williams, Nico Bellevia and Jason Hall.
- More than 50% of our high school students participate on at least one of our 80 athletic teams and many are two and three sport athletes.
- Our 2014-2015 Sectional winners included the Varsity Football team, the Boys Volleyball and Hockey teams, the Boys and Girls Lacrosse teams and the Girls Softball team.
- Two members of the Victor Alpine Ski Team – Maddie Haggerty and Joe Carrier were on the Section V team that won the NYS Championship.
- In 2014-2015 our Boys Volleyball team won State crown for fourth time since 2014.
- In 2015 our Boys Lacrosse team secured their first ever State Championship.
- Last spring, the VSH Varsity Choir and Wind Ensemble won their divisions at the 2015 Darien Lake Music Festival. They were also named Grand Champions.
- Last winter, four senior high art students' work (Claire Monnier, Skylar DiMora, Sara Eckerman and Emma Seager) was recognized at the annual Rochester-Finger Lakes Middle and High School Art Exhibition that took place at Rochester Institute of Technology. Senior Emma Seager, received the prestigious Deans Award for Excellence and Creativity.
- This past September, twenty five Victor Senior High musicians were inducted into the Tri-M Music Honor Society, Chapter 5863.
- The Victor Varsity Winter Guard was named 2015 State Champions.
- The Victor Cadet Winter Guard was named 2015 State Champions.
- The Victor Indoor Percussion Ensemble took home the 2015 State Championship in their division this spring.

Did You Receive an IB Diploma?

The senior high school wants to know where you've been and what have you've been doing. What profession are you working in or are you still in school? In an effort to develop a Blue Devil IB Network, we need to hear from you. Please e-mail Troy Bajardit at bajardit@victorschools.org to update us on what you've been up to since receiving your IB Diploma from VSHS. Current and prospective IB students as well as your former IB instructors want to know.

E-mail us ASAP and give us the good news!



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Sunday, June 12, 2016

6:30 p.m. Cocktails ~ 7:00 p.m. Dinner

for reservations call
Ken Weigert at 924-2944 or

Victor Senior High Play:

Pillow Talk

Friday, November 13th: 7 pm

Saturday, November 14th: 1pm and 7pm,

Victor Early Childhood School Auditorium

Ticket: \$7 Adults, \$5 Students/Children

Seniors Free.

Tickets available at the door.

Upcoming Music Events:

December 2, 2015

VSH Wind Ensemble
and Orchestra

Holiday Concert,

7:00 pm,

JH/SH Arts Center

December 14, 2015

VSH Choral and
Symphonic Band

Holiday Concert,

7:00 pm,

JH/SH Arts Center

December 3, 2015

VJH Instrumental

Holiday Concert,

7:00 pm,

JH/SH Arts Center

December 15, 2015

Beginning and Vivace

Orchestras and

Suzuki Group

Holiday Concert,

7:00 pm,

JH/SH Arts Center

December 7th

5th Grade Chorus and
Band Holiday

Concert, 7:00 pm, JH/
SH Arts Center

December 16, 2015

3rd Grade Holiday

Concerts,

6:30 and 7:30 pm,

VPS Auditorium

December 8, 2015

6th Grade Chorus,
Band and Orchestra

Holiday Concert,

7:00 pm,

JH/SH Arts Center

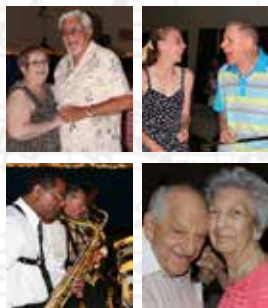
December 9, 2015

VJH Choral Concert,

7:00 pm,

JH/SH Arts Center

14th
Annual
Senior Citizens Ball



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Victor Central School District
Senior Citizens!
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5 - 7 p.m.

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30th Annual

Victor Central
School District

Senior

Monday, November 2, 2015
Victor Junior High School

Citizen's

Day

Enjoy a complimentary
breakfast, along with music
and entertainment

RSVP no later than October 28th to Victor Junior High School
585-924-3252, ext. 4412 or email Lori Babcock at
Babcock@victorschools.org

NYS STAR (School Tax Relief) Program Registration Deadline is March 1st.

If you are not a senior citizen and you filled out an application last year for the Basic Star exemption, you do not need to apply again. If you are not a senior citizen and are either a new homeowner in the District or you did not apply last year for the Basic STAR exemption, **YOU MUST APPLY BY MARCH 1, 2016.** For more information see page 16 in the District Calendar.

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FREE Yearbooks

VCS has a variety of old yearbooks from various years available at no cost. For more information contact, Chuck Callari at 924-3252, ext 2130.

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1990	2
1992	1
1993	1
1994	1
1996	1
1997	1
2000	1
2001	1
2002	1
2003	1
2004	1

VCS Seeks Names of Distinguished Graduates

Do you know a Victor Central School alumnus or alumna who has made a significant contribution to society? The Graduates of Distinction program honors such individuals. Applications are currently available in the Office of School and Community Relations or on-line at www.victorschools.org. Alumni selected for this honor will be recognized at a special Graduate of Distinction Day next fall.

Nominees to the Victor Central School District Graduates of Distinction program shall be selected based upon the following criteria: A. Nominees must have graduated from Victor Senior High (or have attended Victor Schools BEFORE there was a high school in the case of Honorable Recognition) at least 15 years before they are eligible for selection. The committee may waive the graduation time limit requirements in certain circumstances, as it deems necessary; B. Significant achievement after attending Victor Schools which include: (1) Educational achievements; (2) Professional achievements; (3) Job-related achievements; (4) Honors, awards, professional affiliations, publications; (5) Civic or community involvement; (6) Other appropriate qualifications which the committee believes merit consideration;

Nominations must be submitted by Monday, January 11, 2016 to:

Graduates of Distinction Committee
c/o The Office of School and Community Relations
Victor Central Schools 953 High Street, Victor, New York 14564

Send Us Your News

If you are an alumnus of Victor Central Schools, we encourage you to e-mail us at alumni@victorschools.org.

Feel free to tell us about accomplishments or events in your life such as a wedding, birth of a child or grandchild. Whether or not you have visited campus lately, participated in a recent alumni event, or browsed our directory, you are sure to find information instrumental in helping you maintain a connection to your alma matter and other Victor graduates.

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TEN WAYS TO MAKE IT A

Blue Devil Day!

1 Be a Cheerleader! Attend any one of our hundreds of yearly sporting events.

2 Support the Arts! Take the family to a school musical, play or art show.

3 Get in Tune With One of Our Music Programs. Go to a band, orchestra or choral presentation.

4 Play! Take some time with your children after school or on the weekend and play on one of our great playgrounds.

5 Get Involved. Volunteer in your child's classroom or for a special event or organization.

6 Jump In! Take a dip in our swimming pool during open or family swim times.

7 Make a Difference. Take part in one of the District's food drives or community service efforts.

8 Take a Walk. Our new campus fitness trail makes for great exercise.

9 Show Your School Pride. If you are a VCS alumni, get involved in the VCS Alumni Association or attend your class reunion.

10 Stay Connected. Check out our website on a regular basis for the latest news and information at

www.victorschools.org



Victor Central Schools Seeks Archives

“Students can benefit in several ways from researching their school’s history... This is history that is near at hand and that has a direct connection to their lives.”

~ Larry J. Hackman, Director, Truman Presidential Museum and Library; former New York State Archivist

Do you have photographs of the victory garden that students in our school planted and tended during World War II?

Does an old box or filing cabinet hold copies of letters that students wrote concerning our country’s involvement in Vietnam?

Did the science curriculum at Victor Central School change during the formative years of the personal computer revolution?

Schools produce rich historical records. Yearbooks, school lunch menus, flyers promoting dances, student elections, musicals, plays, photographs, letters, issues of the school newspaper, and other items document not only the history of the school, but often reflect the history of our community, state, and nation.

We have developed a school archives in our records center, housed in room 130 of the Primary School Building. Hopefully, this archive, or historical collection can serve two primary purposes:

1. Be a repository for the collection and preservation of historically valuable documents relating to the history of our school, which would otherwise be lost.
2. Constitute an important element of programs for teaching research-related skills to students.

As a key element in establishing this archive, we are urging the public to help support our endeavors by donating artifacts to the archives that they may have in and around their homes, which may otherwise be lost to future generations. We are particularly interested in:

Student handbooks

Student newspapers

Photographs

School lunch menus

Course catalogs

Student term papers about the school or Community

Artifacts (trophies, flags, uniforms, memorabilia)

Older Newspaper articles from the local newspapers

Special awards received

Records of special school programs

Audiotaped or videotaped oral histories

Scrapbooks

Videotapes of school performances and athletic events.

Perhaps you don’t wish to part with your piece of history. You can still help our efforts by loaning us the article to copy, scan, or photograph. We look forward to your response. We also plan on having the artifacts exhibited from time to time. By the way, does anyone have a school bell from one of Victor’s many one-room school houses? We’d love to hear from you.....

**Contact Chuck at callaric@victorschools.org or 585-924-3252, ext. 2130*