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Victor Alumni Association to **Hold 122nd Alumni Banquet**

Make Your Reservation Today!

The Victor Alumni Association will celebrate its 122nd Alumni Banquet on Sunday, June 11th at the Ravenwood Golf Club, 929 Lynaugh Road, Victor, NY. The event will begin with a cash bar at 6:30 p.m. followed by a buffet dinner at 7:00 p.m. The cost to attend the banquet is \$19 per person and is payable at the door.

Co-organizer, Kay Cotton, Class of 1964 said that due to a spike in attendance last year, this year's banquet will be held in the larger ballroom of the club.

Both Cotton and Sue Masseth, Class of 1966, will be taking reservations for this year's event. When you contact them, please indicate your name (spelling, if needed), your Class Year, your phone number, and the name you would like on your name tag. You may wish to include both your birth name and married name. The Office of School and Community Relations has offered to print name tags for the event, so please give Kay or Sue your information on or before June 5, 2017. As always, attendees will be seated with their classmates unless advance requests are made to sit with other attendees.

> Sue Masseth '66 585-727-2359

Susanjmasseth@gmail.com

Kay Cotton '64 585-737-4673 Kaycotton@aol.com

"As we get older, it is great to attend the Alumni Banquet to reconnect with classmates and friends, and to learn about events and changes at VCS. If it's a special reunion year for you, please encourage your classmates to attend the banquet so that we may honor them. With your interest, our goal is to continue the banquets."

- Alumni Banquet Organizer, Kay Cotton, Class of 1964



WANT TO SHOW YOUR VICTOR PRIDE?

Order a custom t-shirt. The cost per shirt is \$15. Orders will be taken the night of the banquet.



122nd ALUMNI BANQUET

Ravenwood Golf Club

929 Lynaugh Road, Victor, NY 14564

Sunday, June 11, 2017

6:30 p.m. Cocktails

7:00 p.m. Dinner

\$19 per person, payable on arrival

For reservations please contact:

Sue Masseth '66

585-727-2359, Susanjmasseth@gmail.com

Kay Cotton '64

585-737-4673, Kaycotton@aol.com

Please give your name and class or class you wish to sit with



Class of '67 Reunion Committee Selects Weekend for Celebration of the 50th

August 18 – 20, 2017

Friday, August 18th

7:00 pm

Informal Evening Get Together in Victor location to be determined

Saturday, August 19th

6:00 pm – 10:30 pm Reunion Dinner at Finn's Tap Room in Victor

Sunday, August 20th

2:00 pm – 7:00 pm Afternoon Cookout Duffy Keefe's House in Canandaigua

For more details, please contact Duffy Keefe at: DKeefe@grcc.us or 585.301.2433



WANTED! Your Reunion Information

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

ALUMNI RELATIONS

Class of 1987 Plans 30th Reunion

Are you interested in attending the Victor High School's 30 Year Class reunion?

It will be great to see you!

Friday, July 21, 2017

Happy Hour at Thirsty Turtle in Victor

Saturday, July 22, 2017

Dinner at Champion Hills Country Club in Victor

(Possible golf outing at Champions Hills on Saturday, July 22nd during the day for anyone who is interested.)

Price: Save and register early. \$50* per person by May 31, 2017. Or \$55* per person by June 30, 2017.

Please share the information with other classmates. It will be a great event!

Please send an email or Facebook message to let her know how many people will be in your party along with your email address to kerry@kerrycommunications.com

Please make checks payable to: Kerry Szymanski and mail to:

Kerry Szymanski 1100 SW 12th St, Apt 206 Fort Lauderdale, FL 33315 Looking forward to seeing you! Kerry Szymanski kerry@kerrycommunications.com (954) 881-3611

- * The ticket price includes dinner and appetizers at Champion Hills Country Club on Saturday, July 22, 2017.
- * The price does not include drinks, but there will be a cash bar. Happy Hour on Friday at the Thirsty Turtle is not included in the price. Each person is responsible for their food and drink at the Thirsty Turtle. The price does not include golf, but if interested in golfing, Champion Hills invites Victor 30 year high school alum to golf on Saturday, July 22nd. More information and pricing about golf at a later date.

Ten Years Later . . . Class of 2006 Reunites

On Saturday, August 6th, 2016, members of the Class of 2006 reunited for a day of fun at Powder Mills Park in Pittsford, NY. Dan Tomkinson said reunion organizers wanted to do something family-friendly in case people wanted to bring their children. "We had yard games set up and used the park grill to cook some food. In total throughout the day, we probably had about 40 people come and go. We really just hung out and reminisced about our high school years and what people have been up to since," he said.



Junior High School Seeks Former Art Award Recipients

If you are a former recipient of the Junior High School Principal's Art Award, Principal Brian Gee would like to hear from you so he can invite you to attend this year's award ceremony. "We look at this award winning work all of the time, some of which has been here since the late 80's," Gee said. "It would be great to celebrate all of our artists, past and present, at this year's ceremony."

If you are a former recipient of the Junior High school Principal's Art Award please contact Principal Brian Gee at 924-3252, ext. 4400.

Class of 1957 Wants to Meet Up at Alumni Banquet

Attention VCS Class of 1957! Please plan to attend the Alumni Banquet on Sunday, June 11 to celebrate your 60th graduation anniversary. You are also invited to the cottage of Sonja Cotton Lightbody on Canandaigua Lake for a picnic on Saturday, June 10, at 3:00 p.m.

To RSVP for the picnic email Sonja at: lightbody1@comcast.net or 240-271-5692.

See Page 2 to make For reservations for Alumni Banquet.

Class of 2007 to Hold 10th Reunion

Come join Victor Central School's infamous Class of 2007 to celebrate its 10 year anniversary. Take a walk down nostalgia lane and enjoy a casual evening at Next Door Bar and Grill in Pittsford. The class has reserved their tasting room. The cost for the event will be \$25/person if you register early and the price will go up to \$35 after June 17th. This event includes hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar.

Organizers say the venue has already been booked and they are looking to cover the costs through fundraising and selling ticket. Members of the committee have paid out of pocket at this point to turn this reunion into a reality. Anything additional that is raised will be put towards an open bar and more food.

Class of 2007 teachers get in FREE!

'91 Alum Heads-Up USA Rugby

This past February, alumnus Dan Payne took his rightful place in the Section V Wrestling Hall of Fame for a stellar high school career that included a 1991 Sectional championship. These days, he is making his mark in a different arena as the Chief Executive Officer for USA Rugby. In the following Q&A Payne talks about his life after Victor Central Schools and the many positive influences he experienced as a Victor Blue Devil.

What did you do post VCS?

After graduating from Victor Central Schools in 1991, I earned a Bachelor's degree in finance at Clarion University in Pennsylvania where I was an NCAA Division 1 All American in wrestling. From there, I took an assistant coaching job at the University of Pittsburgh and coached the wrestling team while earning my MBA. I also continued to train internationally with wrestling. Later, I played for the US National Team in Rugby and in the 2007 World Cup in France. Subsequent to that I was an assistant coach for the men's national team for four years up through the 2011 World Cup in New Zealand. After that I worked as a collegiate athletic director until accepting the CEO role at USA Rugby in the summer of 2016.

What are you currently doing?

I'm the CEO for USA Rugby, the national governing body that oversees all 130,000 members, high schools, men's and women's national teams and our men's and women's Olympic teams. My family and I live in Denver, Colorado and absolutely love the city, mountains and people.

What classes, activities and/or teachers at VCS most inspired you?

I grew up in a single parent home with three things that kept me on track:

A mother that was an absolute rock star of a parent and someone that my two siblings and I respect and aim to emulate as parents ourselves.

An extended family of grandparents, uncles, cousins, parents of friends, throughout the VCS community that helped guide and mentor myself, along with my siblings.

Athletics and my coaches at Victor Central Schools. Jeff Kaller allowed me to start serving as the manager of the Varsity wrestling team when I was in 4th grade. I spent every day after school from November through March looking up to the coaches and the athletes. As I progressed into high school it was Tom Mandara who still, to this day, I have to thank for giving up his own time on many occasions. He took me on some of my college recruiting visits when my mother couldn't get off work, was at the NCAA wrestling tournament five years later when I earned All American status, and most recently presented my induction at the Section V Hall of Fame ceremony.

It takes a village. Victor Central Schools and the Victor community

provided me with the tools and basic skill sets I needed to prepare me for life after the age of 18, although I'm not sure we can really ever be "prepared."



Advice to Coaches and Student Athletes:

To Victor Central Schools' coaches: Use your sport to educate and prepare student-athletes for life. Never, EVER, underestimate the power, impact and influence you possess toward your athletes. It's immense. Cherish it and respect the responsibility.

To the athletes: RESPECT AND APPRECIATE YOUR COACHES. LEARN FROM THEM AND ALWAYS, ALWAYS, thank them for their time. It's more valuable than you'll know ... until you're in your 40s.

How did your VCS education prepare you?

When I was at Victor it was a great blend of rural/community town feel, while also being a place where the teachers and staff challenged you to think big and outward. You get a very comfortable and community based experience at Victor Central Schools. It's nice to see that still exists today, despite the school growing much larger.

What advice would you give to VCS graduates?

Travel, look beyond our town, county and state. There's an entire world out there to explore and, most importantly, learn from. I wouldn't trade my youth, teen years and VCS experience for anything. The education I received, friends I made, family that still resides in Victor, are, and will always be, my base/hometown. I'm very proud of stating I went to Victor Central Schools and grew up in both Victor and Farmington. That being said, I'd challenge each student to use the amazing base VCS and the Victor community provides and travel, learn from other cultures, embrace diversity, inclusion and varying perspectives when you complete your high school education.

Our country and world is amazing, ... get out and see it!



District Orchestra Concert Celebrates Suzuki

On Thursday, March 16th, hundreds of families and friends came out to support our strings students during their annual District Orchestra Concert. In addition to listening to selections from our youngest students to our seasoned senior musicians, the group celebrated the 50th anniversary of the Suzuki violin program at Victor Central Schools. Several alumni, including former music teacher, Pam McGary came out to play with the group.











'96 Alumna Attributes Theatrical Success to VCS

Whether she is acting and dancing on stage or working with students at the Carnegie Mellon School of Drama creating intricate props, '96 alumna Kristin Ward performs at the highest level, a level of excellence that she attributes to the great education she received at Victor Central Schools.

What did you do post VCS?

I attended Nazareth College of Rochester, graduating in 2000 with a BA in Theatre and French. After that, I moved to Pittsburgh, where I began working in various aspects of the local theatre community, including working in the prop departments of Point Park and Carnegie Mellon Universities. I began learning Arabic style belly dance in 2004, and four years later united it with my love of theatre through the founding of Moquette Volante Theatrical Middle Eastern Dance Company, which brings Silk Road Folklore to life through dance, music and spoken word.

What are you currently doing?

I currently work for Carnegie Mellon School of Drama, working alongside students to create props for the season's shows. This has entailed everything from research to rebuilding furniture to making a realistic-looking rooster that can be "killed" onstage.

On top of that, I continue to create my own works as well, through dance and storytelling performances. Last year, I began branching out with Moquette Volante to launch two brand new projects that encourage and

promote cross-cultural connections. The first project, "Four Voices, One Story" presented four different world versions of the classic Cinderella tale as told in alternation by women of four different backgrounds, and through it I learned a lot about collaborating and cultural dialogue. The second piece, "Swan?" was about my own journey to find belonging in an adoptive world, and the friends, family and teachers that shaped me into who I am today. It debuted at Bread and Water Theatre in Rochester last fall, and plans for a summer tour are already under way.

What classes and/or teachers at VCS most inspired you?

I remember taking AP English my senior year with Mr.Brunson. My classmates and I often grumbled about how tough he was on passive voice. In the long run, however, Mr. Brunson's crusade against passivity made me a stronger writer, which has carried me through everything from scripts to press releases, to grant proposals and even job applications.

I also took Speech and Drama with Mr. Amstey and Choir with Mr. Thomas. These classes helped me learn about many aspects of performance and voice. People outside of theatre are usually surprised to learn that many performers, myself included, are naturally introverts. Practice speaking in front of a group and learning to strengthen my voice encouraged me in what would eventually become my career.



How did your VCS education prepare you?

I consider myself very blessed that I had the advantages of a good, well-rounded education in a safe environment. A person might think, "I'm going into the arts, so I don't need math." or, "I'm an engineer. I don't need to study literature." but in reality, VCS helped prepare me for life, not just a career. I use math to put together budgets and keep my finances in order, literature to get new ideas and have more interesting conversations, and social sciences to better understand my impact in my community.

What advice would you give to an aspiring actor?

When you go into a career in the arts, a lot of people will tell you that it will be hard. That is true. I have faced many rejections, hard times, and heartaches over the years. But if, deep in your heart, you can't imagine anything else you will be happy doing, then stick with it anyway. Keep showing up. No one is going to "discover" you. It's up to you to reach out and find your own opportunities.

I also strongly encourage that any aspiring actress or actor learn everything they can about many aspects of theatre (or film, if preferred). Skills in writing, directing, costuming, and props have not only helped me find consistent, rewarding work in my field, but empowered me to create the roles and characters I wanted to convey, rather than auditioning and waiting for the right one to come along.





Sacred Heart University Captures Second Consecutive Northeast Conference (NEC) Regular Season Crown with Help from Victor Grad

Sacred Heart University sophomore and Victor Central Schools' Class of 2015 alumna, Dominique Newton was named the NEC Co-Bowler of the Week after helping the Pioneers to their second



consecutive regular season crown. The Pioneers remained nationally ranked, earning the 11th spot in the March National Tenpin Coaches Association's Poll.

Newton posted the highest overall frame average, 20.91, of all individuals who competed at the second NEC regular season meet. The sophomore contested eight matches (seven traditional, one baker) and left only seven opens in 80 frames bowled. She made 92.3 percent of single-pin spare conversions and struck on 46.3 percent of her attempts on the way to a .913 filled frames percentage.

Victor Bids Farewell to Retirees

This school year, Victor Central Schools bids farewell to nineteen men and women who have been influential both inside and outside of the classroom. Congratulations and best of luck in your future!

Victor Early Childhood School

Lori Polesnak, 1995-2016, Teacher Aide

Victory Primary School

Danielle Dehm, 1994-2017, Principal Kay Arnold, 1991-2017, Reading Teacher Lorna Nevil, 2011-2016, Teacher Aide Jayne Heuring, 1995-2016, Teacher Aide

Victor Intermediate School

Kathleen Swigert, 1989-2017, Music Teacher Melanie Martinek, 1995-2017, Art Teacher

Junior High School

Regina Muscarella, 1992-2017, English Teacher Linda Martin, 2000-2017, Teacher Aide

Senior High School

James Jordan, 1987-2017, Science Teacher

Food Services

Nancy Benton, 1990-2016, Food Service Helper Patrice Mattice, 2011-2017, Food Service Helper

Facilities

Robert Kirchgessner, 2006-2016, Cleaner Frank Hendershot, 2006-2016, Cleaner David Rugenstein, 1974-2017, Cleaner John Moore, 1987-2017, Cleaner

Transportation

Florence Hafner, 1987-2016, Bus Driver James Berry, 1998-2016, Head Bus Mechanic Debra Moore, 1990-2017, Bus Monitor

2017 Volunteer of the Year Named 93 Year Old Eleanor Barry Vital to the Vote

Victor resident Eleanor Barry was honored with the 2017 Volunteer Committed to Service award at a special recognition ceremony in the JH/SH arts center on March 24th during Victor Central Schools' spring staff conference day.

Her nominator, Victor Central Schools' District Clerk Maureen Goodberlet said Barry's tireless commitment to the VCS voting process which includes an annual vote, Board of Education elections, capital project votes, voter registration and Victor-Farmington library votes is simply astounding.

"Eleanor has been the Chairperson of the Annual Vote and Election, Victor-Farmington Library vote (which is also run by VCS) and various capital project votes for well over twenty years. Sometimes there can be as many as three votes in a year. Eleanor is also an instrumental part of voter registration for every vote that takes place. These are paid positions and Eleanor has always volunteered her time, not taking a penny," Goodberlet said.

Goodberlet attributes Barry's wealth of knowledge in an age of ever changing State and Education Law voting procedures and her attention to detail to the success of Victor Central Schools' votes. "On the day of the vote Eleanor doesn't think twice about working a 16 hour day, even at her current age of 93. She comes in around 5:00 a.m.

to make sure voting machines are up and running and supplies are

set up appropriately. She works all day troubleshooting situations that arise with voter registration and voting machines and then closes the polls at 9:00 p.m. After the polls are closed she helps to verify the final numbers and presents results to those in attendance." Goodberlet said.

Goodberlet, who

has been managing school votes for ten years, said she continues to be amazed at how the efforts of one person can make a difference in how smoothly a vote runs, impacting tens of thousands of voters through the years. "Eleanor has earned the respect and gratitude of not only those of us who have the great privilege or working with her, but our entire Victor Central Schools' community," she said.

The Volunteer Committed to Service award was created in 2009 by Victor Central Schools and the Victor Teachers' Association as a way to pay tribute to those special men and women who give of their time and talents to VCS, whether through one major event or years of service to a group of students or a building.





Victor Teachers' Association President, Mike Modleski; Eleanor Barry; District Clerk and Secretary to the Superintendent, Maureen Goodberlet; and Superintendent, Dawn Santiago-Marullo

Long Time Principal Set to Retire

Primary Principal Danielle Dehm Spent More than Two Decades Making a Difference

Primary School Principal, Danielle "Danny" Dehm has spent 24 years at Victor Central Schools making a difference in the lives of not only thousands of children but their families, her co-workers and our community, too.

It is no wonder that when asked what she will miss the most upon retirement her response was unequivocal, "the people." Dehm said that through the years, it was people who made the ultimate difference in her career. "... This includes my colleagues who do the hard and important work dayin and day-out, who I believe are some of the most talented people I have ever met. It includes my administrative colleagues who work incredibly hard and thoughtfully to maintain the positive perspective that is so critical while doing this work. Most of all, I will miss the children . . . who I adore, . . . who are the most important reason of all, who make me laugh and admire the possibilities of childhood, and who are entrusted to us by parents to always do what is most right," she said.

A background rich in education, family and world travel was just a part of Dehm's positive influence at Victor Central Schools. One might say it is her personal style that had the greatest impact on those around her. She is present at every turn, thoughtfully considering each and every aspect of anything put before her. Her energy is kind, creative and contagious, too. You can see it in the fun-loving quotes lining the walls of her building's hallways and feel it in cheers of students and staff at her monthly morning meetings.

Whether you are walking down her building's beloved Panda Lane or Brown Bear Lane, the warmth of the Primary building is undeniable.

Creating a nurturing learning environment is not all Dehm will be remembered for or all she will

remember when she retires later this spring. Of the most important experiences that are etched in her mind Dehm said it is those where children taught or reminded her of an important notion. "There is Ebony and her whole walnuts with peanut butter spread on the outside who taught me that children are clever, and brilliant, and courageous to say or show what they need and most of all, that need is to be included. There is Jonathon who taught me that by sticking by someone's side, a mindset can change and miracles can happen in the hardest of moments. There is Kyle who taught me that our teachings go beyond the classroom and sometimes children simply need someone to be there for them. There is Lauren who taught me that patience and the consideration of out-of-the-box thinking has potential magic in it. There is Blaine who reminds me that every child has an inner light of goodness and some may need to be reminded of that more often than others," Dehm recalled.

Whether she was learning, listening, teaching or inspiring,



Dehm's presence at Victor Central Schools was constant and genuine. In retirement, Dehm plans to continue to live and learn as thoughtfully as she did at Victor Central Schools.

"While I will travel and workout more

often, I will continue to teach for SUNY Oswego in the Education Administration Program and have quite a list of 'things I need to do before I die' which includes making a difference on behalf of families and children!"

Families and children will continue to come and go at Victor Central Schools despite Dehm's retirement but her legacy will live on in everyone she touched and perhaps, even those she will never meet. When asked what advice she would give future Victor Central Schools' employees Dehm said it like she lived it, "Love your work and begin each day as a new day!"

Coach Jim Haugh Named to Section V Football Hall of Fame

The Section V Football Hall of Fame welcomed thirteen new honorees this spring at its 20th annual induction ceremony. Among the esteemed honorees was Victor's very own long-time coach and Director of Human Resources, Jim Haugh.

Coach Jim Haugh spent eighteen seasons at the helm of Victor Blue Devils program. During his tenure, the Blue Devils amassed a record of 120-50-2, including a 9-1 record in 2010, his last year as head coach. During Haugh's reign Victor won eight league titles, finished second six times and also made nine trips to the Class A Sectional Finals. During the 2000 and 2003 campaigns Victor captured league titles and Section V Class A Championships. The Blue Devils also won the NYS Western Regional Championships in 2000 and 2003 while advancing to the State Final Four. Haugh has won nine League Coach of the Year Awards, Nine Ontario Honda Coaching Awards and was named All Greater Rochester Coach of the Year after the 2000 season. Coach Haugh maintained several memberships in professional coaching organizations and was a long time Executive Committee Member at the Nike Coach of the Year Clinic in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

A native of Livonia, New York, Haugh earned his Bachelor's degree from Cortland College, a Masters degree from Wayne State University, a Certificate of Advanced Study in Educational Administration from

Brockport College and a Certificate in Human Resource Studies from Cornell University. Prior to being named Head Coach at Victor, Jim was an Assistant Coach at Cortland College and Wayne State University. Jim has also been a high school and collegiate Ice Hockey Official intermittently since 1989 and



most recently refereed the 2016 NYSPHSAA State Class B Ice Hockey Championship game. A former Health and Physical Education Teacher and Assistant High School Principal, Coach Haugh is currently the Director of Human Resources at Victor Central Schools. Jim and his wife Kathy have three children, Emily, Allison and Andrew.

The Section V Football Hall of Fame was established in 1998. The newly inducted members are selected as players, coaches, officials and contributors. They have distinguished themselves and have made Section V football the very best in New York State.

Academic, Athletic and Artistic Distinctions

- In June, 2016, 99% of our students graduated with a Regents Diploma, 66% percent earned a Regents
 Diploma with Advanced Designation.
- In 2016 Victor Central Schools' SAT scores were among the highest in the Greater Rochester Area ranking 5th out of 54 school districts.
- Last year, Victor Senior High School was ranked 265 out of more than 4,700 top high schools in the nation in the 2016 Newsweek High School Rankings. There are 26,407 public secondary schools and 10,693 private secondary schools across the United States.
- This fall, five seniors were named
 National Merit™ Scholarship semifinalists.
 Congratulations to Victor seniors,
 Nathan Baker, Ryan Bellinger, Kyle
 Bensink, Paul Kopp, and Jacob Lichti.
- This fall, 127 juniors and seniors were inducted into the prestigious National Honor Society.
- This spring five DECA students were inducted into the NYS DECA Honor Society, Taylor Lamy, Carrier Stewart, Nate Krueger, Mike Nelson and James Caggiano. To be considered for this honor, students must have a 90% or higher GPA in business classes for three years.
- This spring, Victor DECA students took home 27 medals and 3 trophies at the 2017 New York State DECA business competition in downtown Rochester. Eight students also qualified for the national competition in Anaheim, California.
- Victor Senior High School's Math Team completed their season with a great finish at the Monroe County Math League meet. They came in first place in their division and 2nd placed overall out of 30 teams.

- This past fall, 13 students were inducted into the prestigious Tri-M Music Honor Society.
- This winter art students, Gianna Damico, Caleb Choate and Hanna Kumpf, took home three of the 27 awards given at the Rochester-Finger Lakes Middle and High School Art Exhibition at Rochester Institute of Technology.
- This year our Senior High Drama
 Club performed *The Little Mermaid* to several sold out crowds.
- This spring at the annual District Orchestra Concert, hundreds of student musicians, staff and community members celebrated the 50th anniversary of Suzuki Violin at Victor Central Schools.
- This April the Victor Indoor Percussion
 Ensemble took first place at the
 New York State Championships at
 Onondaga Community College for
 their performance of "The Muse." This
 is the third straight year VIPE was
 named a NYS gold medalist
- Last summer, the New York State
 Public High School Athletic
 Association, Inc. (NYSPHSAA) named
 Victor Senior High School a 2015-16
 Scholar Athlete School of Distinction.
 VSH was on the prestigious list of only 32 schools in New York State
 to earn this honor. Schools earn this
 Distinction when 100% of their varsity
 teams earn a 90.00% grade point
 average or higher.
- Victor Central Schools' 2016-2017
 Sectional and National winners

~ Spring 2016

Track and FieldErika Tillotson 400 meter hurdles and triple jump,
 4X400 meter relay

- ~ Rebecca Roth high jump
- Jenna Strickland, Payton Elliott,
 Carly Oddi and Erika Tillotson,
 4X400 meter relay
- Girls Lacrosse Team -Section V, Class B Champions
- Boys Lacrosse Team Section V, Class A Champions
- Last spring, the Boys Lacrosse Team also won their second New York State Championship.

~ Fall 2016

- Girls Soccer Team -Section V, Class AA Champions
- Diver, Erin Norton -Section V Champion
- Tennis, Emily Stanley Singles Section V Champion
- Tennis, Ajla Karabegovic
 and Sarah Marro Section V Doubles Champions
- Varsity Football Team Section V, Class AA Champions

~ Winter, 2016-2017

- Indoor Track: Girls 4 X 400 m relay
 Jenna Strickland, Erika Tillotson,
 Payton Elliott and Sarah Urban
- Indoor Track: Girls 4 x400 m relay –
 Nico Bellavia, Kyle Bensink, Connor
 Preston and Alex Gonnella
- Swim: Jared Ritz, 200 Freestyle
- Mike Venosa and Alex Samson –
 Class AA Champion, Super Sectional
 Champions
- The Varsity Cheerleading squad took home first place at the Contest of Champions National Walt Disney World's Wide World of Sports Complex

Save the Date for the Victor Central School Education Foundation Third Annual Devil Dash 5K!

The Third Annual Devil Dash 5K will be held on the Victor Central School Campus on Saturday, October 7, 2017. The 5K route is wheelchair accessible and race walkers and strollers are welcome to participate in the 5K event. You can access the registration page at http://devildash.itsyourrace.com/.

Join us for a morning of healthy exercise and fun while supporting the Victor Central School Educational Foundation. Victor students, staff, community members, and alumni have participated in the past two years. This included alumni participation from the following classes ('64, '81, '82, '85, '86, '87, '88, '89, '90, '91, '93, '94, '95, '87, '98, '02, '04, '05, '06, '10, '11, '13, '14, '15, and '16) which is a great way to connect with classmates.

If you are unable to join us on race day in Victor, please consider participating in our Virtual 5K program. Virtual runners and walkers register for the Devil Dash and participate in a local course. Participants receive a bib and t-shirt for race day and submit their virtual race time to the Devil Dash team. Cole and Alyssa Partington (Class of 2015) participated in last year's Devil Dash Virtual 5K because they were away at college. They plan on participating in the Virtual 5K again and Cole is recruiting a VCS alumni virtual



Devil Dash Class Challenge. The existing VCS class or alumni class with the most participants will be honored on a new digital plaque that will be displayed on our website. The Class of 2015 is off to an early start for bragging rights, but there will be stiff competition. There has been strong participation

race team to join him on a course in Pittsburgh.

The Devil Dash will be adding a registration field to track class status for the new



from the alumni classes of 91, 94, 04, and 05. The Class of 2021 had the most participants in 2015 and class of 2025 had the most participants in 2016.

The Third Annual Devil Dash 5K is a great way for families, friends, and classmates to support the VCS Education Foundation. All Devil Dash race proceeds will support the four main VCS Education Foundation Projects including Field Trips Forever, Technology for Today and Tomorrow, The Art of Teaching, and a general fund. Come out and join us in showing our amazing community support of our students and the wonderful opportunities that these projects will provide! We look forward to sharing great stories and pictures for the Third Annual Devil Dash on our VCS Education Foundation Facebook site from the VCS campus, Pittsburgh, Vermont, and around the globe!

For more information on the Victor Central Schools' Educational Foundation, go to: Facebook - https://

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www.facebook.com/ VCSEFoundation/and Twitter - @VCSEF. You can also find out more about the Foundation by going to Victor Schools website at www.victorschools.org and selecting Educational Foundation on the left side under Quick Links.

Please feel free to contact the Devil Dash Race Team if you have any questions or feedback at victordevildash@gmail.com.



AMAL Senior Citizens Ball



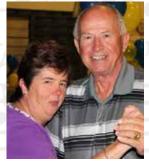


Free and open to ALL
Victor Central School District
Senior Citizens!

(55 and Older)







Presented by VICTOR CENTRAL SCHOOLS Office of School & Community Relations and the Senior High Key Club

Special Thank You to the Kiwanis Club

ENJOY

Dinner & Dancing

AND ENTERTAINMENT BY

Western New York Big Band

Saturday, May 6, 2017 5 – 7 p.m.

Victor Intermediate School Gymnasium

Reservations required, call School & Community Relations at 924-3252, ext.1407 or e-mail welche@victorschools.org and laskysh@victorschools.org

Victor A-Z

Having trouble finding what you're looking for on the VCS Website?

Click here *Victor A - Z*

If you still can't find what you're looking for please let us know.

laskysh@victorschools.org and welche@victorschools.org

Graduate of Distinction Program Seeks Committee Members

The Graduates of Distinction Program is currently seeking two Victor Central Schools' graduates to serve on its selection committee. Terms of membership on the committee are three years with a two consecutive term limit. The committee meets two to three times per year. The goals of the committee are:

- 1. To recognize Victor Central School
 District alumni who have achieved distinction through outstanding accomplishment or significant contribution within their school, family, career, community or personal life; and
- 2. To share these accomplishments with the community at large as incentive for the current and future students.

If you are interested in representing Victor Central Schools on this important committee, please send a letter of interest to Victor Central Schools' District Clerk, Maureen Goodberlet, Victor Central Schools 953 High Street, Victor, New York, 14564 or email her directly at goodberletm@victorschools.org

Hall of Fame Nominations Sought

JUNE 9TH DEADLINE FOR NOMINATIONS

Victor Central School District is seeking nominations for the Athletic Hall of Fame Program. Any individual can nominate a potential candidate by completing a Hall of Fame nomination application. Applications are available on the school district website at www.victorschools.org or may be picked up at the office of Victor's Athletic Director Ronald Whitcomb located in the Senior High School.

Through nomination and committee selection, the VCS Athletic Hall of Fame will recognize individuals who fall under any of the following categories:

ATHLETES

Individuals who were athletes in the Victor Senior High School and have been graduated a minimum of ten years.

COACHES

Individuals who have made a significant and extraordinary contribution to the Victor Athletic program.

HONORARY

An honorary candidate must have made a significant impact on Victor athletics and/or on sectional, regional, state, national, professional, administration or international levels of athletes. The honorary category may include but not be limited to counselors, faculty managers, scoreboard/book operators, cheerleading coaches, as well as local community supporters.

Inductees will be chosen by the VCS Hall of Fame Committee which is comprised of eight voting members representing coaching staff, administration, Board of Education, students and/or community residents. The Athletic Director will serve as a non-voting permanent member of the Committee.

The Hall of Fame was established in order to recognize and celebrate the accomplishments of outstanding athletes, coaches, administrators and Blue Devil supporters. Through recognition, those individuals and their families will be reconnected with Victor Central School providing current student athletes with a deeper understanding and appreciation for the history of Blue Devil athletes.

Honorees selected for the annual Athletic Hall of Fame will be announced in the Fall of each school year along with an announcement of the planned celebration event.

For more information on the Athletic Hall of Fame program, please contact Ron Whitcomb, VCS Director of Health, Physical Education and Athletics at (585) 924-3252 ext. 1460 or whitcombr@victorschools.org.









Photos of Amy Marx's classroom and students. A photo taken in 2012 after the Superintendent moved out and the renovation was starting. In this photo you can see the fireplace that was in the original classroom.

District's First Kindergarten Classroom Comes Full Circle

One classroom in the Victor Early Childhood School has seen a lot of changes through the years.

Room 109, Amy Marx's current Kindergarten classroom, has been many things through the years. In addition to being the district's first Kindergarten classroom, it has been a nurse's office as well as the District Superintendent's office. In 2011, as part of a capital project, the space was renovated once again into what it originally was, a Kindergarten classroom!

Do you have old photos or memories of your time at the Early Childhood School, in particular, room 109? If so, please send them to Sherri Lasky or Liz Welch at laskysh@victorschools.org or welche@victorschools.org



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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VCS Seeks 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 in the fall of 2018.

Nominees for 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 22, 2018 by mailing to: Graduates of Distinction Committee

c/o The Office of School and Community Relations Victor Central Schools 953 High Street, Victor, New York 14564 or by emailing to welche@victorschools.org

VCS Class of 2017 Graduation Ceremony

Friday, June 23, 7:00 p.m.

at the War Memorial / Blue Cross Arena, Rochester

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May 16, 2017 3:30 - 9:00 PM VCS Campus

F E A T U R I N G

Chicken BBO

Victor Cares Carnival

Random Acts of Art

Musical Concert

and SO MUCH MORE

District Council Seeks Community Member

The District Council is currently seeking a community member to serve on the 2016-2017 committee. The chosen member would serve a two year term. Some of the roles and responsibilities of the District Council include monitoring the development, implementation and evaluation of Building Council goals, providing support for all Pre-K – 12 instructional program initiatives and district-wide goals and serving as a forum for all issues raised which may have district-wide impact on student achievement. If you are interested in serving on District Council, please sent a letter of interest to:

VCS District Clerk, Maureen Goodberlet at 953 High Street, Victor, N, Y., 14564 or email her at goodberletm@vicstorschools.org by June 30, 2016.

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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Office of School and Community Relations

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TEN WAYS TO MAKE IT A BUC Devil Day!

- **Be a Cheerleader!** Attend any one of our hundreds of yearly sporting events.
- Support the Arts! Take the family to a school musical, play or art show.
- Get in Tune With One of Our Music Programs.
 Go to a band, orchestra or choral presentation.
- **Play!** Take some time with your children after school or on the weekend and play on one of our great playgrounds.
 - Get Involved. Volunteer in your child's classroom or for a special event or organization.
 - Make a Difference.
 Take part in one of the District's food drives or community service efforts.
- Take a Walk. Our new campus fitness trail makes for great exercise.
- Show Your School Pride.

 If you are a VCS alumni, get involved in the VCS Alumni Association or attend your class reunion.

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

Jump In! Take

a dip in our

swimming

pool during

open or family

For more information contact the School and Community Relations Office at 585-924-3252, ext. 1407



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