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2011 Athletic Hall of Fame Inductees Named

On Saturday, October 8th VCS held its 2012 Athletic Hall of Fame Induction ceremony at Champion Hills Golf Club in Victor. This year, athletes from the classes of 1976 and 1994, two teachers/coaches, and a Blue Devil supporter were all inducted into the prestigious hall. 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.

DAN BAVINAEU - CLASS OF 1976

When Dan Bavinaeu graduated from VCS in 1976, he left with more than a diploma; he also graduated with the coveted Barney Lynaugh Male Athlete of the Year award. That same year he was named All League in baseball, football and basketball.

Bavinaeu's athletic career at VCS was impressive. In 1974, he set a school football record of 8 interceptions on a team that won the League Championships. His 8 interceptions remain a school record. In addition, Bavinaeu was Captain and



Quarterback of the football team and voted First Team All-League.

Bavinaeu was equally adept in basketball. He was not only Captain and Point Guard he also led the team in scoring, rebounds and steals. Bavinaeu and baseball were another success story. This four year starter pitched and played outfield. As a junior his team had a 5-1 record and reached the Sectional finals. During his senior year, Dan's team was 6-2 with two - one hitters and a 1.87 ERA. As a result of his high school success Dan was invited to try out for the Reds and Mets. Dan was known as an outstanding slow pitch player who won 3 championships breaking Kodak's 200 game win streak. Dan was selected Most Valuable Player on each of these Championship Teams.

DAVID CANNAN - BLUE DEVIL SUPPORTER

David Cannan was born and raised in Victor, NY. He was an outstanding baseball player in the late 1930's and early 1940's. David was a great catcher who caught the eye of many pro scouts and was offered a tryout. After conferring with his mother those thoughts were quickly put to rest. David served as a Gunners Mate aboard PT-332 in the South Pacific during WWII and came home to build a life in Victor.

David married Eileen Crowley and raised one son Daniel who in his own right was an outstanding athlete at VCS in the late 60's early 70's. Dan went on to



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graduate from the Naval Academy and served aboard the USS Nimitz and USS Forrestal flying F-14 Tomcats.

David Cannan was a “Booster” before we ever knew what a booster was. You would walk into the dairy and Eileen would get up from her bookkeeping and grab you a chocolate milk and fresh cookie for a snack. Dave would always come out from the back to visit even when he was busy. He always wanted to know the details of the upcoming football game, the health of the team, what “Coach” was doing to get us ready. On game day, football, basketball or baseball, you could always hear Mr. Cannan yelling encouragement to the players or offering much needed advise to an official.

You would be hard pressed to find an athlete who went through Victor in the 1960’s or 1970’s who doesn’t remember Mr. Cannan and the Victor Dairy. Those double sessions when water wasn’t allowed and salt pills were encouraged, a cold orange drink always greeted us after practice. It didn’t say Gatorade.

RON CIANFONI – TEACHER AND COACH

Ron Cianfoni graduated from Red Jacket Central High School in 1965.

He graduated from the State University College at Brockport in 1969 where he played basketball and football. Cianfoni earned his Masters degree from Geneseo State University.

In 1969 he began teaching science at the Victor Junior High School. That same year, he coached Junior High baseball and basketball and JV and Freshman football at VCS. From 1974 to 1980 he was VCS’ Head Football Coach. In 1974, his team won the Finger Lakes League Title and he was named Coach of the Year for football. From 1981 to 2001 Cianfoni was VCS’ Assistant Head Football Coach/Defensive Coordinator. He also coached JV and Varsity tennis at Victor from 1970 to 2002. He was the JV tennis coach for 22-years and Varsity tennis coach for 10-years.

Cianfoni’s tennis teams won the Finger Lakes East League titles in 1996 and 1997. His team was a Class B team Sectional runner-up in 1996 to 1999.

From 1972 to 1986, Cianfoni served as the Town of Victor Playground Director.



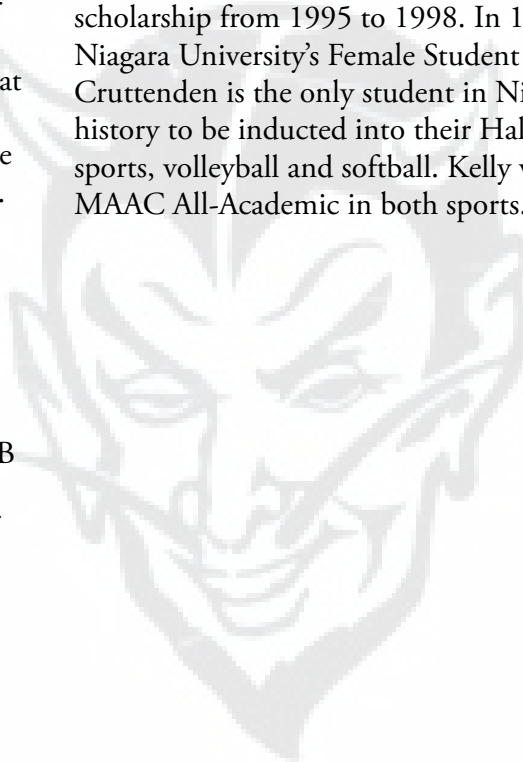
KELLY CRUTTENDEN – CLASS OF 1994

Kelly Cruttenden’s three-sport athletic career at VCS was outstanding. She culminated her VCS career by becoming the co-winner of the 1994 Barney Lynaugh Female Athlete of the Year award. Cruttenden began playing volleyball at VCS as a freshman in 1990. In 1991 she was part of the Section V All Tournament Team. In 1992, her team was the Section V champion. Cruttenden was also the Section V All Tournament Most Valuable Player (MVP), a member of the 1st Team All League, the Team MVP and Captain. In 1993, in addition to being the team captain, Cruttenden’s team was the State Semi-finalist at Minisink Valley and the Far West Regional Winners. They were also the Section V Champion. That same year, Cruttenden was the Section V All Tournament MVP, a member of First Team All League, the team captain and leader in kills and blocks.

In basketball, Cruttenden was the team captain in 1993 and 1994.

Cruttenden began playing VCS softball as a freshman in 1991. In 1992 she was named to the First Team All League. In 1993, she was not only the team captain but also a member of the First Team All League. In 1994, she was named to the First Team All League, yet again.

Kelly attended Niagara University on a full academic scholarship from 1995 to 1998. In 1998, she was Niagara University’s Female Student Athlete of the Year. Cruttenden is the only student in Niagara University history to be inducted into their Hall of Fame in two sports, volleyball and softball. Kelly was a three-time MAAC All-Academic in both sports.



DEB LEHMAN – COACH

Deb Lehman was a Victor Physical Education Teacher from 1970 to 1977. She coached Girls Soccer from 1972-73 to 1976-77. During the seventies she coached Girls Volleyball, Girls Basketball, and Girls Softball. Under her coaching, Lehman's teams won many League championships. The Girls Volleyball team was League champion in 1972 to 1977. The Girls Basketball team was undefeated in 1972 to 1974. Lehman's softball teams were League Champions from 1971 to 1974. Lehman's Sectional Championships were equally impressive. Her Girls Basketball team placed 2nd in Sectionals in 1973-74. Her Girls Volleyball team placed second in Sectionals in 1975-76. Her Girls Soccer team placed second in Sectionals in 1976-77. In 1973-74, her Softball Team secured the first ever Sectional championship for Victor Girls Sports. In 1976-77, her basketball team won its first Sectional championship for Victor Girls Sports in basketball.

Deb Lehman coached four sports simultaneously with numerous Sectional appearances, including the first Section V Title for Girls' Sports in softball in 1974 and another Section V Title in basketball 1977. Her greatest achievement was in laying the foundation for the rich tradition Victor has had in Girl's athletics, making the transition from informal competition to interscholastic competition. ■



Academic, Athletic and Artistic Distinctions

- In 2011 we had 120 students earn AP Scholar Awards and three students named Commended Students in the 2012 National Merit Scholarship Program.
- In June 2011, 96% of our students graduated with a Regents Diploma. 62% earned a Regents Diploma with Advanced Designation and 26% received a Regents Diploma with Honors. To receive a Regents Diploma with Honors a student must have an average of 90% or higher on their Regents examinations.
- In 2010, the Victor Marching Blue Devils won their seventh state championship.
- The Victor Indoor Percussion Ensemble (VIPE) won the 2011 New York State Percussion Circuit State Championship for a second year in a row.
- Fourteen new members were inducted into the VCS Tri-M (Music Honor Society) Chapter this past September.
- Two teams were 2010-2011 Sectional Champions: Fall Cheer and Boys Volleyball.
- In the 2010-2011 school year 27 out of 30 teams were Scholar Athlete teams.
- In 2011 we celebrated four New York State Athletic Championships, the Boys Varsity Volleyball team, Diver Ashley Broderick, the Boys Varsity Baseball team, and Golfer Courtney Walker, a "team of one" for VCS with the NYS Champions Pittsford Girls Golf team.

Former VCS Coach Inducted into Section V Swimming and Diving Hall of Fame

This past August former VCS Swim Coach, Keith Shields was inducted into the Section V Swimming and Diving Hall of Fame at a special ceremony held at the Burgundy Basin Inn in Pittsford, NY. Coach Shields' record speaks for itself. Congratulations!

Keith Shields and his presenter, and son, Scott Shields.

Photo courtesy of Bob Black



High School Coaching Accomplishments Boys:

Overall Record: 287-139-5

Finger Lakes League Record: 250-85-3

9 Section V Championships

9 Finger Lakes League Championships

League Chairman, Class Chairman, and Sectional Chairman

High School Coaching Accomplishments Girls:

Overall Record: 294-26-1

Finger Lakes League Record: 256-8-0

19 Section V Championships (14 in a row 1991-2004)

25 Finger Lakes League Championships

League Chairman, Class Chairman, and Assistant Sectional Chairman

Awards

2007 - Monroe County Sports Commission's Coaching Excellence Award Winner

2007 - Victor-Farmington Kiwanis Club Town of Victor Citizen of the Year

American Red Cross Health and Safety Lifetime Achievement Award

United States Swimming Outstanding Service Award Winner

Niagara District Volunteer of the Year Award Winner

Other Accomplishments

Victor Swim Club Head Coach – 23 years

Oversaw Victor Aquatic Program – 34 years; summer aquatic director – 28 years

Founded Victor School District After School swim lesson program

American Red Cross Water Safety Instructor – 46 years

Lifeguard Instructor – 46 years; Lifeguard Instructor Trainer, CPR Instructor,

First Aid Instructor

Water Safety Chairman for the West Ontario County Chapter of the American Red Cross - Offered Safety Training to 196 coaches & as an Instructor Trainer, certified 962 Water Safety Instructors

Victor Grad Inducted into RIT Athletic Hall of Fame

Erik G. Zelbacher '07
Swimming
Industrial Design

On Sunday, October 16th, VCS graduate, Erik, Zelbacher '07 was inducted into Rochester Institute of Technology's Athletic Hall of Fame. The following excerpt is from the program:



"Few have accomplished more in swimming than Victor, NY native Erik Zelbacher. The three-time All-American was RIT Senior Athlete of the Year, Upper New York State Swimming Coaches Association (UNYSSCA) Swimmer of the Meet and Empire 8 Athlete of the Year.

At the 2005-06 NCAA Championships, he posted a time of: 20:21 in the 50-yard freestyle, which was the fastest time in Division III. He also had the second fastest time in the 100-yard freestyle (:44.82) and second fastest in the 100-yard butterfly (:48.690). His times were also UNYSSCA and Empire 8 records.

The RIT team captain also won the UNYSSCA Doug McDevitt Award for academic excellence. He was also consistently on the RIT Dean's List.

The five-time RIT Athlete of the Week was a three-time Empire 8 Swimmer of the Meet. He currently ranks among the top 10 in Division III history for the 100-yard butterfly.

Zelbacher is the school record holder in the 50-yard freestyle, 100-yard freestyle, 100-yard butterfly, and part of the 200-yard freestyle relay, 400-yard freestyle relay and 200-yard medley relay.

Zelbacher now lives in Pittsford, NY."



Source: 2011 RIT Athletic Hall of Fame program

Reflections from Keith Shields, Section V Swimming and Diving Coordinator

On Sunday, October 16th, I attended the Induction Ceremony of Erik Zelbacher into the RIT Hall of Fame. The program was dedicated in Memory of Raymond C. Bell who was an Athletic Trainer for RIT, University of Rochester and Nazareth College. He also worked with athletes at Victor Central School and was a good friend of former Athletic Director and Coach Ed Ahonen. He lived in Victor and Brighton and was one of Mike Guinan's (Sr.) best friends until he passed away this past year. Ray was a regular at Papa Jacks and could be seen driving around town in his pick-up truck with his dog beside him on the front seat. Ray was inducted in 1985 to the RIT Hall of Fame. I also noticed that Jerry O'Dell (VSH Social Studies Teacher and Coach) is also a member of the RIT Hall of Fame and was inducted in 2007. My son, Scott Shields, was the Head Coach at RIT and coached Erik for one year.

Ahonen Earns Academic All-America Honors

David Ahonen (Victor/Farmington), a graduate student on the Ithaca College baseball team, has been named to the College Division Academic All-America Team. Ahonen was a second -team choice as an infielder.

A third baseman, Ahonen started 30 of Ithaca's 32 games this spring. He led the Bombers with five home runs, 32 runs scored and 11 walks and ranked among the team leaders in runs batted in (second, 24), slugging percentage (third, .564), on-base percentage (third, .440) and batting average (fourth, .362). Ahonen is a four-time first-team Empire 8 all-star and was the league's Rookie of the Year in 2008. He's also a three-time all-region selection and became the first Bomber to earn a regional Gold Glove award last season. His career average of .392 ranks sixth all-time at Ithaca and he's also sixth on the program's all-time list with 188 hits. Ahonen ranks among Ithaca's career leaders in assists (10th with 273), home runs (13th, 15), runs batted in (14th, 118) and runs scored (17th, 125).

Ahonen, who graduated in six semesters with a bachelor's degree in accounting, recently completed Ithaca's MBA program. A strong safety on Ithaca's NCAA playoff football team, Ahonen was a three-time all-conference pick and earned second-team all-America honors this fall. He received Ithaca's James Harris Award last spring as the top multisport athlete among the graduating senior class.

A total of 138 Ithaca athletes have earned academic all-district honors over the past 14 years, including three this year (junior Kate Thoene was named to

the volleyball team in addition to Ahonen's selection to the football team). Ahonen is the eighth Bomber baseball player to earn this honor in the past nine years. The College Division At-Large All-Academic Team honors student-athletes from NCAA Division II and III and NAIA Division II schools in Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New York, Rhode Island and Vermont.

A total of 73 Ithaca athletes have earned academic all-America honors, including at

least one for each of the past 15 years (41 Bombers, representing 15 sports, have been recognized in that span). Ahonen's selection to the football and baseball academic all-America teams marks the sixth time an Ithaca athlete has been voted to two teams in one year. The College Division Academic All-America Team honors student-athletes from NCAA Division II and III and NAIA Division II schools.

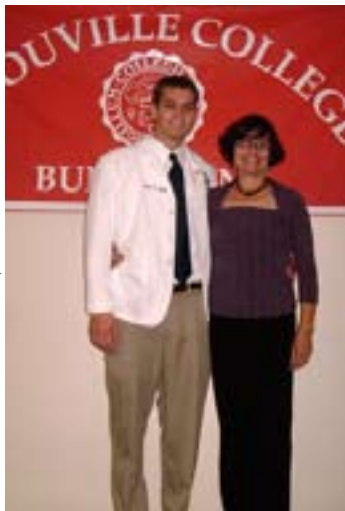
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D'Youville Pharmacy Students Help City High School

VCS Grad Leads Effort

D'Youville pharmacy students came up with a unique fund raising idea that helped a local high school. Alex Caron, VCS Alum and D'Youville president of the Class of 2014, along with the two class vice-presidents, Nicole Gong and Josh Cahill, wanted to give back to the community in a way that would help young high school students. "With school programs cutting back and budget cuts, what better way to give back then to support local math and science programs that helped each and every pharmacy student get to where they are today," Caron said. The class officers visited some local high schools where they had a tour, met with students, learned about their programs and got a list of school supplies the schools needed and would like to have. Included were review books, pens, pencils, and projectors. "We learned that any help, whether it was monetary, school supplies, or simply volunteering was in high demand and would aid in all of the schools we visited," Caron said. They developed a PowerPoint presentation for their pharmacy class, presenting their findings from each of the high schools they visited. Included were Hutchinson Central Technical (Hutch Tech), Lafayette, and St. Luke's Mission of Mercy. The class chose Hutch Tech based on their location on Elmwood Avenue, ties with D'Youville, and



what major supplies they needed. It was determined that SOLAR TI-30X II calculators would be of the most help to the students in their mathematics and science classes. A charity dinner event was planned at Chef's Restaurant and a sit-down dinner for those who pre-purchased tickets was offered. Tickets were sold to other students, faculty, friends and family. Sixty people attended the banquet making it a great success. "One of my ideas was to reach out to a local business and ask them to donate money and Rutowski's Pharmacies generously offered to match the proceeds from the dinner," Caron said. The dinner event raised \$600 and Mr. James Rutowski, owner of J. Rutowski Pharmacies, matched the contributions resulting in a total of \$1200 raised for the high school. "Jim Rutowski was great to work with and he is a role model to our class and the college." An order for 75 calculators was placed with Texas Instruments. "One of my goals as class president was to help build the reputation of D'Youville's College of Pharmacy and its students. As pharmacy students, we are very fortunate to be given the opportunities we have and we should give back to the very community that supports us," Caron said.

Press Release submitted by John Bray, D'Youville College

D'Youville Students Tout Dangers of Prescription Drug Abuse

Alex Caron is one busy college student! On Wednesday, October 26th, this 2007 VSH graduate was part of a special presentation on Prescription Drug abuse in the JH/SH Arts Center. It was all part of the District's Red Ribbon Week Celebration. Alex and his fellow D'Youville Pharmacy students and staff presented to VSH students during two assemblies.



Where are they now?

Former VCS Music Teacher, “Miss Goldman” Reflects on Her Time at VCS

When did you teach at VCS?

I was a teacher in VCS from 1976 to 1979 in the Junior High (Vocal/Choral Music) and in the Senior High (Vocal/Choral Music) from 1979 to 1994.

Why did you leave VCS?

I married for the first and only time at the age of 42 in 1992. I had my daughter in 1994. My husband then got a full time teaching job at SUNY Cortland, so we moved.

Two years later SUNY Cortland cut their music major, and my husband began looking for another position. We moved back to Rochester, and I was lucky to get a full time teaching job in Avon NY teaching music Grades 7-12. After two years of doing that I got a full time college music position at the University of Tulsa in Oklahoma, teaching vocal music education courses and voice, so we moved to OKLAHOMA! My husband teaches at the University of Tulsa now part time and my daughter is a senior in high school.

What do I miss most at teaching at VCS?

I miss all of those kiddos that made me want to come to work every day. There were so many. Through Facebook I have found a lot of them and it makes me so happy to connect with them again. I also miss the teacher friends I had at VCS - Liz Ernenwein, Adele Cutrali, Betty Kocher, Krys Loeffler, Larry McNelly. They were some of the best friends I ever had! I miss the musicals and the excitement before a high school concert, too.

Who influenced your teaching career?

Betty Kocher - who taught strings in Victor at the time. She was a mentor to me, always encouraging, and a great friend.

Today, Susan Goldman-Moore is an

Applied Associate Professor of Music Education Coordinator of Vocal Music Education and Voice at the University of Tulsa, School of Music



Susan Goldman-Moore

1976 Junior High Chorus with Mrs. Goldman-Moore



NEW FEATURE

Where Are They Now?

Are you a former VCS staff member or do you know one? We'd love to hear what you're up to. Simply e-mail us at alumni@victorschools.org.

The End of an Era

by Joy Underhill

Commencement means beginning, but for one area family, it also means the end.

At this year's Victor graduation, two cousins - Mason Underhill and Alexis Annechino - will graduate, marking the end of a 70-year unbroken string of Underhills enrolled at VCS.

"I don't know how we got talking about it," says Tom Underhill, '85. "We just began comparing graduation dates and realized that someone had always been at Victor. In many cases, we had someone starting kindergarten the same year we had a grad."

The long chain of students began in 1941, when Vern Underhill Sr. enrolled in the "new school" - now the oldest building on campus - and was in the first class to attend there from K-12. Since then, there has been at least one Underhill enrolled through 2011.

Going even further back, Vern Sr.'s mother Gert graduated from Victor in 1931. She also served as head of the cafeteria for years, and her husband, Franny, headed up the bus garage. Other Underhills acted as library clerks in both the Primary School and Jr. High.

So what has changed in all those years?

"I remember having to pass the JFK physical fitness test to advance to the next grade. We played girls basketball on a half court, where we had to dribble twice and then pass the ball - and only the forwards could shoot!" - Karen Underhill Norman, '62

"We rode busses #2 and #6 respectively - and the bus numbers have been counting up ever since." - Vern Sr., '54 and Mary Underhill, '57

"I was in the first class to move into the new Intermediate School. When we moved in, pipes were sticking up out of the floor, the chalk boards weren't up, and the cafeteria wasn't finished." - Molly Underhill, '78

"Back in the day, everyone - including the spectators - sang the alma mater before each Varsity basketball

game. My kids have never even HEARD the alma mater!" - Theresa Underhill Annechino, '79

"I remember one bus stop where all the Maple Avenue kids assembled - even those from Coville Street. Nowadays, the bus stops at every single house." - Betsy Underhill, '82

"I was privileged to be part of the State Championship baseball team this year, and that's a way I'll always be connected to my teammates." - Mason Underhill, '11

"We're not sure if this is a record at VCS, but it might be," says Joy Brantl Underhill, '75. "There are still a lot of the 'old' Victor families in the area, and they may have their own records going."



Visit From an Airman

Students in the classes of Mrs. Hegeman, Miss Murphy and Mrs.

Pezzimenti were surprised with a guest reader this month to coincide with the school wide community read book, *Dear Toni*. Miss Jamie Randall, a SUNY Geneseo student teacher working in the classrooms with co-teacher Mrs. Prociuous, arranged for Mitchell Liegerot (Airman First Class in the United States Air Force) to come in to read part of the book. Liergerot is also a proud Victor graduate (class of 2007) and was very enthusiastic to participate in the opportunity to read to the students, share his pictures, uniforms and his experiences of life in the Air Force. The students and teachers made great connections during the visit was the perfect way to bring the scene in the book alive for everyone!

Special thanks goes out to Airman Liegerot and Miss Randall for making this opportunity so meaningful for students!



Airman Liegerot works on an F-15 Aircraft with his fellow Airmen at Sheppard Air Force Base, TX.



Miss Randall and Airman Liegerot with students from Miss. Murphy and Mrs. Pezzimenti's class.



VCS Alum Savor Fifty Year Reunion

This past September former students from the Class of 1961 gathered to celebrate their 50th reunion! Reverend William Bodisco Massink and his wife Janet (Fisher) of Fuquay-Varina, North Carolina were among the thirty or so alum who came back to celebrate their big milestone. Among their many special activities, a tour of their old high school (the current ECEC) and the new high school by Superintendent Dawn Santiago-Marullo.



Touring the Early Childhood Education Center (ECEC) library. Formerly the original school library.



Class of 1961



In one of the VSH computer labs.



In the VSH bus loop entrance

Class of '79 Celebrates 50th Birthday!

On Saturday August 6th, the VCS Class of 1979 gathered at Powder Mills Park to celebrate their 50th birthday. We had about 45 class members attend, and had a great time catching up since our 30th reunion. We grilled - enjoying a wonderful picnic styled meal, played games, took lots of pictures, had a 50/50 raffle, and laughed all afternoon telling stories well into the evening. We encourage everyone from our class to sign up on the VCS Alumni website and/or send your current contact information to Ed O'Brien via email to ensure your invite to the next class event. Ed's email address is emo42@frontiernet.net. We are currently planning a Post-Holidays' gathering in mid January at a local establishment. We'd love to see you there! (submitted by Ed O'Brien, '79)



Front Row: Wallace, Keefe, Woodward, Wright, Roberts, Prezpiora, Sadler, Hawkins, Morley, Burns. 2nd Row: Beatson, Bargo, Reid, Dickinson, Militello, Emond, Nourse, Sale, Beer, Besteder, Decker, Crandall, Cretekos. 3rd Row: Senn, Keller, Soper, Sproull, Siciliano, Bosco, Dwyer, O'Brien



David Cowles and Kathleen Emond



Jill Sadler, Wendy Wallace, Allison Sale



Sam Cretekos, Dave Wright, Kevin Beatson



Kathy Militello, Anne Keefe, Ed O'Brien, Ronalee Roberts



Ed O'Brien, Dave Sproull, Jerry Bosco, David Cowles, Tom Dwyer

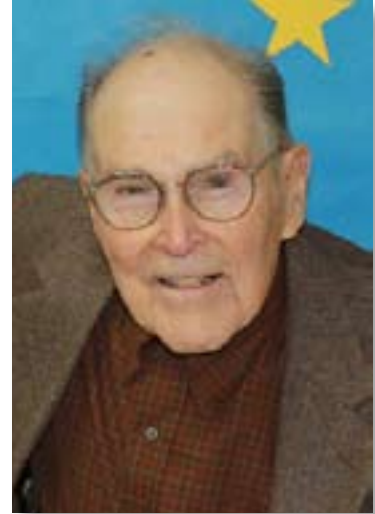
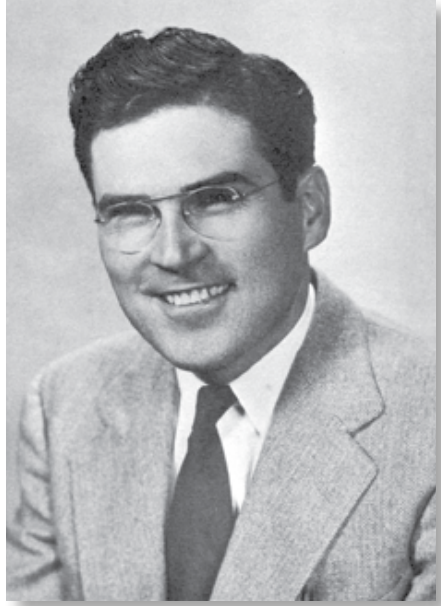
We Remember "Mr. Rose" (1914 - 2011)

Charles George Rose was born November 24, 1914 in Geneva, NY. He attended Geneva High School from 1930 to 1934. He attended Hobart College from 1935 to 1939 where he received a Bachelor of Arts degree. He attended the University of Rochester from 1941 to 1942 for additional courses in Education.

His first teaching job was with the Brockport High School in September 1943. After only 7 weeks of teaching, Charles was drafted into the US Army on October 29, 1943, where he served as a clerk-typist until February 12, 1946. He completed his M.Ed. in 1949 from the University of Rochester. He received permanent certification as a Social Studies teacher in 1950, and the Counselors Certificate in 1952.

Charles and Amber Rose were married on February 26, 1951. He was a member of the Victor Central School staff both as a teacher and guidance counselor from 1946 to 1959. He left Victor Central School at the end of the school year in June, of 1959. Charles was also the father of former Victor School Board member Robert Rose and grandfather of VCS alumni Chris and Tim Rose.

Charles was a member of the Victor Town Board, President of the New York State Magistrate Association, Magistrate of the year, history teacher and guidance counselor at Victor Central School and a guidance counselor at Penfield High School, and Victor Town Justice for 28 years. He will be missed by many.



*1949 Bagel dedication photo
At the 2009 annual Senior Citizen Ball
1959 Guidance office*

VCS Seeks Names of Distinguished Graduates

Do you know a Victor Central School alumnus 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 graduation in June, 2012.

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 2, 2012 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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SAVE THE DATE

Ravenwood Golf Club

929 Lynaugh Road, Victor, NY 14564

Sunday, June 10, 2012

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

for reservations call
Ken Weigert at 924-2944 or
Kathleen Brady at 924-7982

VCS Alumni
Association Seeks
New Banquet
Coordinator

Interested in getting involved with your VCS alma mater on an annual basis? Why not consider becoming the District's new Alumni Banquet Coordinator. The person responsible for this special event, held each year during the month of June, can contact the current banquet coordinator, Ken Weigert '59 at 924-2944 for more details.

Upcoming Music Events

December 6, 2011

5th/6th Grade Bands, 7:00 PM,

JH/SH Arts Center

December 7, 2011

Intermediate Orchestra, 7:00 PM,

JH/SH Arts Center

December 13, 2011

Intermediate Choruses, 7:00 PM,

JH/SH Arts Center

December 14, 2011

3rd Grade Concerts, 6:30 and 7:30 PM

Primary Auditorium

December 15, 2011

JH Choral Concert, 7:00 PM,

JH/SH Arts Center

December 19, 2011

SH Holiday Concert, 7:00 PM,

JH/SH Arts Center

December 21, 2011

JH Instrumental Concert, 7:00 PM,

JH/SH Arts Center

The Class of 1992 Planning 20 Year Reunion

The Class of 1992 Planning 20 Year Reunion will take place on Saturday, July 21st, 2012 at the Champion Hills Country Club in Victor, NY. Please save the date! For more information and to be kept up to date please like the "VHS Class of 1992 Reunion" page on Facebook. We are still in the initial stages off planning and will be having committee meetings soon to plan the rest of the reunion (more details to follow on Facebook). Also, we are working on blocking nearby hotel rooms and will post information once we have firm details! Formal invitations will be mailed in the spring of 2012. We hope to see all of our class of 1992 alumni there! For more information please contact Jennifer Perrone Gallivan at kjgallivan@rochester.rr.com or Stephen Ricketts at 585.734.9894 or srickettsiphone@gmail.com

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 our 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 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 on the second floor of the Victor Education Center. 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

Yearbooks (especially from 1998)

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.....

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