

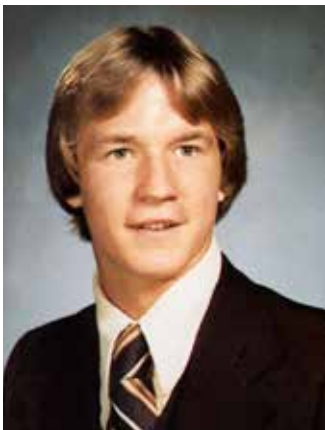


Visual and Performing Arts Hall of Fame Recipients Selected

The Visual and Performing Arts Hall of Fame was created to celebrate and honor the accomplishments of outstanding alumni, staff and community members who have excelled in the arts. It was also established to inspire current students to make contributions to the arts by reconnecting those selected for the hall of fame with our students, staff and community.

Please join us in welcoming three of this year's four recipients (Bill Kelliher is unable to attend this year.) into the Visual and Performing Arts Hall of Fame at a special induction ceremony on Thursday, May 9th at 6:45 PM in the Victor Early Childhood School Boardroom.

Visual & Performing Arts HALL OF FAME



David Grant Wright
~ 1979 Senior Photo



Bill Kelliher
~ 1989 Senior Photo



Tim Wheeler
~ 1991 Senior Photo



Andy Martinek
~ 2005 Senior Photo



Performer
**David Grant Wright/
Theater**

Actor, David Grant Wright graduated from Victor Senior High School in 1979. He was never involved in the arts at VCS, instead his world was his stage and he took full advantage of it participating in everything from soccer, baseball and the swim team, to student council and the National Honor Society. It wasn't until his junior year at Michigan State University when he was cast as Lysander in *A Midsummer Night's Dream* that Wright caught the acting bug.

After graduating with an MFA in Acting from Michigan State University, Wright's acting career took flight. He has been a professional actor for more than 30 years, appearing in 27 films, 43 plays, 150 television shows and over 100 commercials. Most recently, he appeared in the films, *Outlaw Project*, *50 to 1*, *Taken Away*, *Masterless*, *Skin in the Game*, and *End of Sentence* and television shows, *Scorpion*, *Angie Tribeca*, *Better Call Saul*, *Fear the Walking Dead*, *Crazy Ex-Girlfriend*, *Scandal*, *Flaked*, *The Last Tycoon*, *NCIS (LA)*, *Here and Now* and *Lucifer*.

A 25 year cancer survivor, Wright has raised thousands of dollars for

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Performer
Bill Kelliher/Music

Musician, Bill Kelliher, graduated from Victor Senior High School in 1989. Today, he is best known as the rhythm guitarist for the Grammy award winning heavy metal band, Mastodon. During the 1990s he was a major contributor to the Rochester music scene performing in bands such as Butterlax and Lethargy.

In 1999, Kelliher moved to Atlanta, Georgia with fellow Rochesterian, Brann Dailor, where they met guitarist Brent Hinds and bassist Troy Sanders at a rock show. Soon after, they began playing together and formed the heavy metal band, Mastodon. The group's first full-length album, *Remission*, was released in 2002. In 2004, the band took off with their album, *Leviathan*, a metal album based on Herman Melville's popular book, *Moby Dick*. In 2007, Kelliher and bandmate, Brett Hinds won the Metal Hammer Golden Gods award for best shredders, Mastodon's first ever award.

In 2017, they won a Grammy for the Best Metal Performance for their song, *Sultan's Curse*. That year, they were also nominated for Best Rock Album. Mastodon is a five time Grammy nominee.

Music isn't all Kelliher has found success in. In season five of the

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Performer
Tim Wheeler/Music

Tim Wheeler graduated from VCS in 1991. His music contributions to VCS and the community are undeniable. As an 8th grader he was asked to participate in the High School Marching Band. In addition to his marching life, Wheeler excelled throughout High School in the Concert Band and Jazz Ensemble where he was lead trumpet for several years. He also participated in numerous All County and Area All State festivals. In addition, he played *Taps* each Memorial Day from 8th grade to senior year in support of the local legion post, and was the recipient of the John Phillip Sousa award his senior year.

In 1985, Wheeler was recruited by his Elementary School trumpet teacher Timothy Stohs, to join the Rochester Patriots Drum and Bugle Corps. At just 12 years old, he was one of the youngest members of the Patriots when he joined.

In July, 1990, after his junior year of high school, Wheeler traveled to Washington, D.C. to audition for "The Commandant's Own," the United States Marine Drum and

Bugle Corps, the only full-time active duty drum and bugle corps in the United States Armed Forces.

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Visual & Performing Arts

HALL OF FAME

Visual & Performing Arts
Hall of Fame
Induction Ceremony

Thursday, May 9th

Early Childhood School Boardroom

6:45 ~ Reception

7:15 ~ Board Presentation

Family and friends of all of our new inductees
are welcomed to attend!

Performer

Any Martinek/Music

When Intermediate School music teacher Nancy Burt-Preece nominated 2005 graduate Andy Martinek for the Visual and Performing Arts Hall of Fame, she said she was always impressed by how passionate he was about jazz. “I remember talking to him about the number of hours he practiced to hone his incredible skill at playing drum set. He took private lessons with a jazz educator at Eastman and spent countless hours listening to jazz and watching jazz greats play the set.”

Martinek was immersed in school music from the fourth grade on. From multiple bands and choirs to the field and jazz bands and pit orchestras Martinek put his all into every ensemble he was part of. During high school he was also invited to play in the Eastman Youth Jazz ensemble and participated in The Patriot Drum Corps that played in the Citrus Bowl. During his senior year, he was awarded the Louis Armstrong Award. His nominator, High School band teacher Eric Everhart, called him one of the best musicians to ever graduate from Victor.

Martinek’s strong music roots continued to grow after VCS. From

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Candidates for the Visual and Performing Arts Hall of Fame can be nominated in one of four categories:

Creators - Individuals and/or groups of Victor Senior High School alumni who graduated a minimum of ten (10) years ago.

Performers - Individuals and/or groups of Victor Senior High School alumni who graduated a minimum of ten (10) years ago.

Practitioners - Staff and community members who have made significant and extraordinary contributions to the Victor Central Schools’ Arts programming for a minimum of five (5) years.

Contributors - Individuals who have made a significant impact on Victor Central Schools’ Arts programming, administration, and/or on regional, state, national, professional, or international levels. This honorary category may include, but is not limited to, VCS staff and local community supporters.

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

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the care and comfort of cancer patients through his acclaimed one-man show, *With Flying Colors*. Wright's nominator, former VCS English teacher and soccer coach, Timothy Smith, said David's professional career speaks for itself. "David was one of the most enjoyable kids I ever had the pleasure to coach. His effort and work ethic were always outstanding and he always put team before self," Smith said.

Grant once said that VCS provided him with "an absolute first class education," one that fully prepared him for Michigan State University and his high profile acting career.

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popular television show, *Game of Thrones*, Kelliher and several of his bandmates appeared as "wildings" in episode eight. The band's original song, *White Walker* is also featured on the *Game of Thrones* mixtape *Catch the Throne Vol. 2*. When he is not performing, Kelliher provides master classes to aspiring guitarists before concerts.

VCS English teacher and alumnus Joe Carey ('88) and his wife Marsha (Loopman) Carey, who graduated with Kelliher in 1989, nominated the Mastodon musician.

"When the news of a new Visual and Performing Arts Hall of Fame was announced, Marsha and I immediately thought of Bill Kelliher. I remember Bill for showcasing the true spirit of the artist. He never fell into that need for, especially in high school, conformity. He was one who was certainly true to himself and that was always on full display; particularly in his wardrobe and hairstyle choices! Marsha remembers his love for the guitar and music, which has so obviously served him well. As to the deserved merits of a Hall of Famer, his professional accomplishments and accolades all speak for themselves. Marsha and I were specifically drawn to Bill's desire to 'give back' through the master class events that he offers to guitar enthusiasts and fans backstage before shows, as well as other teaching opportunities. It is this sharing of his craft, a fostering of the love he has for his art, along with his incredible accomplishments, that certainly shows the spirit of the Visual and Performing Arts Hall of Fame," Carey said.

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After an intense and exhaustive audition, he was selected on the spot to perform as a Soprano Bugler in "The Commandant's Own" and subsequently enlisted in the Marines.

During his time in the Marine Corps, Wheeler performed for countless foreign and national dignitaries and Heads-of-State. In addition to providing musical support for both of President William J. Clinton's inaugurations in 1993 and 1997, he also performed for President George H. W. Bush in 1992 and for President Ronald Reagan's Intrepid Freedom Award reception in 1993 aboard the U.S.S. Intrepid Sea, Air, and Space Museum in New York City. Additionally, as part of a Joint Service Operation in 1993, he joined Army, Air Force, and Navy musicians to provide the music for General Colin Powell's retirement from the US Army.

In 1996, Wheeler was a featured soloist at the Imperial Palace in Tokyo, Japan in support of the Nippon Music Festival, held inside the Nippon Budokan arena. During this tour, he also performed in the Mount Fuji International Music Festival at the base of Mount Fuji. Back home, he took part in pre-game and half-time festivities for numerous National Football League games, including the Denver Broncos, the Dallas Cowboys, and the Washington Redskins. As a member of "The Commandant's Own," Tim performed the National Anthem for the inaugural game of Major League Baseball's Tampa Bay Devil Rays in

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1998 and the return of the Cleveland Browns in 1999.

From 1991 through 1994, Wheeler honored fallen Marine veterans by performing “Taps” at Arlington National Cemetery and other Washington, D.C. metro area cemeteries for more than 100 “Simple Honors” funerals, funerals that consist of a seven-man firing party, a single bugler, and six Marine “Body Bearers.”

Wheeler separated from the Marine Corps in December, 1999 with an Honorable Discharge as an E-6/Staff Sergeant. His military awards and honors include the Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal (2 Awards), Meritorious Unit Commendation (2 Awards), Good Conduct Medal (2 Awards), 2 Meritorious Mast Awards, 2 Letters of Appreciation, and 2 Certificates of Commendation.

Wheeler’s nominator, Senior High band teacher Eric Everhart said Wheeler continues to play trumpet as a civilian adult, primarily playing lead trumpet in a jazz group in the DC area.

He is also a member of the Clopper-Michael Post 10 American Legion Honor Guard in Boonsboro, Maryland and continues the honorable tradition of performing “Taps” for fallen veterans, marching in Memorial Day, Patriot Day, and Veteran’s Day parade alongside fellow veterans from the Honor Guard.

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2005 to 2010, he studied music education with an emphasis in jazz at Temple University. In 2008, he was a jazz student ambassador at the Amsterdam Von Conservator and in 2010 he spent five months working for Princess Cruise Lines as the ship’s lead percussionist. From 2011 to 2013 he obtained a Masters of Music in Jazz Performance and Improvisational Composition from Purchase Conservatory. While there, he studied with renowned jazz instructor, John Riley. In addition to Riley, Martinek studied with many other jazz greats including Eastman School of Music’s Rich Thompson, Temple University’s Terrell Stafford and Julliard’s Carl Allen.

Other notable accomplishments include playing drums with legendary rocker Peter Frampton, and performing at venues such as the Harvard Club, the Yale Club, Lincoln Center and NFL fundraisers in Philadelphia at the Barnes Institute.

Currently, Martinek is a freelance studio drummer in New York City playing alongside band members from Sting, Taylor Swift, Rihanna, Mother Feather, Snarky Puppy and Macklamore, to name a few. He is also actively involved playing drums, music directing, consulting and managing with several NYC artists including Emily Danger, Emily Claman, Bird Streets and The Dirty Pedals.

In addition, Martinek is a senior music producer and consultant with Internal Musicians League, a company he helped start and was recently recognized as the biggest employer of musicians internationally. He is also a

producer, recording engineer, drummer and composer for RINN, a solo project that will be released in the coming months, and a drummer and collaborator with producer Hanan (guitarist for Alicia Keys) for Emily Claman’s upcoming record. Martinek is also currently working on his second original album.

Date Set for 50th Reunion

The 1969 Class Reunion Committee has been hard at work making plans for the 50th Reunion.

Friday, June 21, 2019

Evening get together:

Raymor Estate Cellars Winery

3263 Wheeler Station Rd, East Bloomfield
(details to follow)

Saturday, June 22, 2019

10am - Campus Tour

6pm - Dinner:

Fins Tap Room

14 Railroad Street, Victor

Watch for follow up information.

Contact the committee at:

BNFish565@yahoo.com



35th Class Reunion

The Victor Class of 1984 will celebrate its *35th Reunion the weekend of August 2, 2019*

FRIDAY: August 2nd

Pumpkin Hook Carnival/Parade

SATURDAY: August 3rd

Golf Outing – TBD

SATURDAY: August 3rd – 7pm

Appetizers & Drinks:

Finn's Tap Room and Party House,
14 Railroad St., Victor.

Cash bar, suggested donation \$10/person
the night of the event.

Greg Lefebvre Cell: (585) 755-4734

WANTED! Your Reunion Information

Click on the link below to look for fellow alumni and to view any reunions.

*If you have reunion information please send that to us at
laskysh@victorschools.org and/or welche@victorschools.org*

[Victor Central Schools Alumni](#)

VCS CLASS of 1974 45th REUNION August 2 – 3, 2019



***** SCHEDULE OF EVENTS *****

FRIDAY AUGUST 2, 2019
Informal Gathering
Pumpkin Hook Carnival
You know the Drill....
It has NOT changed in 45 years

SATURDAY AUGUST 3, 2019
6:00 pm – 'TIL?

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113 Pittsford-Palmyra Rd (RT 31)
Macedon 14502

COCKTAILS & APPETIZERS
MUSIC, FUN, TRUTH & LIES

\$15 PER PERSON

SATURDAY AUGUST 3, 2019
Morning
Optional Golf Outing
(Details to follow if enough interest tees up)

RSVP & Send Check / Money Order
Payable to "VCS Class of 1974"
RSVP by 7/24/2019 TO:



Norma Weissend
4587 Ridge Rd, Canandaigua, NY 14424
normaweis@roadrunner.com
585-727-6190

RSVP By July 24, 2019

NAME: _____ **Maiden Name:** _____

EMAIL _____ **PHONE:** _____

ATTENDING: _____ **AMOUNT:** _____ **GOLF (Circle):** Y N

CLASS of 1979 40 year reunion

Saturday, September 21, 2019

Hello Everyone,

This is the official announcement of the 40th Reunion for our Victor Central School Class of 1979! I'll give you a minute to get back up into your chair. That does sound pretty crazy, I'll admit...

Here's hoping that we're all happy and healthy, and will come out in late summer to celebrate. The 40th Reunion will be held on Saturday, September 21, 2019. Classmate Kevin Hunt has graciously agreed to host our big old yard party on his property located at 430 Blazey Rd. in Victor. I've discussed details with people that attended our 30th and 35th reunions, and gained some good insight on changes to make this "big year" reunion another in a string of successful events put on by our class.

The party starts at 1 pm and we'll eat at about 4 pm. Kevin has a good stretch of road out front, so parking should be easy and plentiful. We are going to have the food catered by Colby's in Rush, NY. They'll deliver and set up a bar-b-q styled buffet featuring pulled pork, grilled chicken, tossed salad, baked beans, mac & cheese, potato salad, broccoli salad, plus rolls and cornbread.

Please note: This is a "bring your own beverage" affair, so we will have a bunch of coolers with ice ready to hold your drinks throughout the day. However; it's probably a good idea to bring your own small cooler and a folding chair if possible. We are renting a large party tent with tables and chairs to seat 60+ people, and we'll have dedicated guys & gals porta-potties, with a running water hand-washing station. The estimated price is \$30 per person, but we're hoping to make it even less!

Several class members have suggested that "donations" made to the general party fund could be put towards decreasing the cost per person. If you appreciate what we have in our enduring class spirit and continuing events, maybe help out with a contribution. That would be fantastic, and I thank you for your consideration. You can e-mail or call me with questions at 585-301-3666.

We will have our traditional 100/0 cash raffle, that means winner takes all! We will have games and give-aways, and music from the old days will be playing all day long. Capping things off will be a bonfire taking us through the evening. More details to follow, but it is for certain this all happens on September 21, 2019. Please mark it on your calendars! Remember that these events are awesome because YOU continue to come out and support your school chums! Thank you so much for doing that.

Please RSVP as soon as you know you will attend. I will reply with instructions for obtaining "tickets" with your payment once that amount has been determined.

Kind regards,
Eddie O'Brien
585-301-3666
emo42@frontiernet.net



V I C T O R C E N T R A L S C H O O L S

124TH ALUMNI BANQUET

Ravenwood Golf Club

929 Lynaugh Road, Victor, NY 14564

Sunday, June 9, 2019

6:00 p.m. Cocktails

7:00 p.m. Dinner

\$19 per person, payable on arrival

Open to ALL VCS Graduates!

For reservations please contact:

Susan Whitney Masseth '66

Susanjmasseth@gmail.com

585-727-2359

Reserved tables for Anniversary Classes.

Alumni Swim Meet

On Saturday, December 29th VCS swimming alumni gathered at the new VCS Aquatics Center for a swim meet and potluck dinner. Event organizer Lindsay Karl said the special event was well attended with a wide range of graduating years represented. “The older attendees loved racing the younger, more recent grads,” she said. Overall, Chrissy Judge said everyone had a lot of fun, even the kids who competed in a cannon ball contest. “Swimming worked up a big appetite and everyone enjoyed a nice potluck lunch afterwards. Per many requests, we are looking to do it again next year and after that every few years,” Karl said.



June 9th Alumni Banquet Is a Time to Reconnect and Remember

This year Victor Central Schools will celebrate its 124th Alumni Banquet. The Alumni Banquet will be held on Sunday, June 9th at the Ravenwood Golf Club, 929 Lynaugh Road, Victor, NY. The celebration will include a cash bar at 6:00 pm and a buffet dinner at 7:00 pm. The cost for this event is \$19 per person payable upon arrival. Reservations are required.

Organizers Bud Militello ('55), Kay Cotton ('64) and Sue Whitney Masseth ('66), Jim Exton ('75) said they had a wonderful turnout at the banquet last year. "We are so fortunate to have been residents of Victor-Farmington area and graduates of VCS. We encourage as many graduates as possible to attend the Banquet on June 9th. If your class is holding a reunion on another date, we invite you to attend the Alumni Banquet in addition to your class reunion," Cotton said.

For reservations, please contact Sue Whitney Masseth, Class of 1966

585-727-2359 susanjmasseth@gmail.com



photos from last year's banquet



NEW LOCATION!

18th Annual Senior Citizens Ball



Free and open to ALL
Victor Central School District
Senior Citizens!
(55 and Older)



Scenes from our 2018 Ball

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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 11, 2019

5 – 7 p.m.

Victor Early Childhood School Gymnasium

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

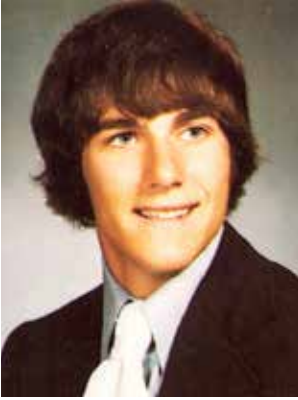
Then and Now!



1989 Stage Technicians



2019 Lights and Sound Technicians



Keith Partington ('79) Makes His Mark on Microsoft and More

When Keith Partington graduated from Victor Senior High School in 1979, he discovered the exciting world of high tech, landing his dream job at Microsoft. Despite his professional success, Partington has never forgotten his roots. In fact, giving back to his community is a big part of Partington's success story.

What did you do after graduating from VCS?

After I graduated from Victor Senior High School in 1979, I attended Finger Lakes Community College for two years and graduated from Rochester Institute of Technology. Community Colleges can be a great option for students. I was able to save money while advancing my educational goals and gain great experiences such as serving on the student senate in 1981 where we voted to approve plans for the Finger Lakes Performing Arts Center. At RIT, I became fascinated by a new

spreadsheet application called 20-20 on a DEC Rainbow computer and got excited about career options in the high-tech industry. That helped me land my dream job at Microsoft as an Excel Specialist. My favorite memories during my 28-year career at Microsoft were the ability to balance a variety of exciting job roles with my passion for civic engagement. This included numerous community outreach programs in education and workforce development such as a one-year sabbatical in 1997 at Science Linkages in the Rochester Museum and Science Center to develop the Community Computers for Youth program for schools and community centers. My technology experiences at Microsoft continue to be a powerful tool to share as I volunteer on different community projects.

What are you currently doing?

I'm married to Deb Lefebvre from the class of 1982 and we raised our three children ages (32, 21, 21) in Victor. I recently moved back to Victor after a five-year Microsoft assignment in Boston working with New England K-12 schools and universities. It was an awesome experience working and traveling in Maine, Vermont, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, and Connecticut, but I'm excited to be back in Victor. I'm currently enjoying some fun adult activities at Victor Parks and Recreation including pickleball and all the outdoor assets we have in the Finger Lakes region for hiking, biking, and kayaking with my family and two dogs.

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

I really enjoyed ski club including a school trip to Gore Mountain in 1978. Mr. Potter was a fun math teacher that helped spark my interest in STEM and a memorable chaperone for the trip to Gore Mountain! I also enjoyed being on the boys soccer team with Coach Smith. Outside of school, I fondly recall the experiences through my part-time job at the local IGA grocery store including the interaction with local families.

How did your VCS education prepare you?

VCS has always had great staff and a wide variety of academic and extra-curricular options in a campus setting and supportive community. That is a winning formula to help all students successfully develop through their different strengths and interests. That foundation was a benefit to me and why I chose to raise my family in the district.

Tell me about your work with the Victor Educational Foundation?

I joined the VCS Educational Foundation to help provide educational opportunities for students and staff that are not possible through the regular school budget. It's been a great opportunity to work with Superintendent Dawn Santiago-Marullo and a team of VCS alumni from classes of 1975 through 2013, including my son Cam. I'm leading the

Alumni Connections Committee and excited about this great opportunity to stay connected to Victor Central School's past, present, and future. One of my favorite projects is to grow virtual participants in our annual VCS Educational Foundation Devil Dash Family Fun 5K and walk. We've had remote alumni join in from Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, and Georgia. Please feel free to reach out to me at kpartin1@hotmail.com if you have ideas to expand other VCS alumni connections.

What advice would you give to VCS graduate?

I'm fortunate that our class of 1979 was supportive of each other in high school regardless of different interests and have stayed connected. Make sure to understand the power of your individual strengths and interests while learning from the strengths and interests of others. Leverage that foundation to develop a continuous learning plan and commitment to embracing diversity throughout your life.



*from left to right:
Cole Partington ('15),
Cam Maves ('04),
Allysa Partington ('15), Keith Partington ('79), and Deb Lefebvre-Partington ('82)*



Keith working at the STEM Fair



'94 Graduate Inducted into Section V Wrestling Hall of Fame

This winter, Victor resident Brian Aparo, a 1994 VCS graduate, was inducted into the Section V Wrestling Hall of Fame. Aparo, whose illustrious high school career* landed him a full scholarship to Michigan University, said he could not have achieved this accolade alone. "This award is very humbling and means that a lot of people helped me achieve success. No one achieves success without a lot of help," he said.

As for the people who helped Aparo get to this level, he says there were several. "High school wrestling Coach Tom Mandara really helped me focus on keeping things in perspective and to enjoy the process while my father, who worked with me in the offseason, really imparted a strong work ethic and competitive drive," he said.

Today, as co-director of the Victor Youth Wrestling Club and father of two sons that are in the VCS wrestling program, Aparo is imparting his own wisdom on today's generation of Victor wrestlers.

**Pinning Down Aparo's Wrestling Record*

- ~ Career Record: 132-32
- ~ Two time Class B Champion
- ~ Two time Section V Champion
- ~ 1994 outstanding wrestler of Section V
- ~ Placed 2nd in New York State in 1993
- ~ Placed 4th in New York State in 1994
- ~ Attended Michigan University on a full wrestling scholarship
- ~ Two year starter at Michigan
- ~ 1994 High School All-American (3rd place)



Producing a Great Life, From Retail to Radio, Christina Wallace Dwyer ('04) Shares Her Story

When Christina Wallace Dwyer graduated from VCS in 2004, her path took her down some challenging and creative roads. From working three concurrent jobs through college to running a Kombucha store, working on the production crew of a major feature film, and producing a local radio show, this alumnae's work (and life) philosophy knows no boundaries.

What did you do post VCS?

My post VCS life was a type of whirlwind. I went to MCC for two years, earned my Associate's degree in Communication, and then went on to graduate from the University at Buffalo with a Bachelor's in Communication, with a certification in marketing, public relations and advertising.

While at VCS, and as soon as I turned 16, I worked at Eastview Mall. Ever since then, I've had at least two jobs at any given time. I worked my entire way through high school, MCC, and UB, and

even to this day I have at least three concurrent projects.

I've worked in more positions than most people my age have, but I owe that to my insatiable urge to continually learn more. I've kept a lot of my bridges intact, and am grateful for the opportunities I've had. I've been in retail, hospitality, and fitness industries, and more recently in film production and radio.

Since 2009, I have been doing freelance/contracted production crew work including two feature films (including the recently publicized John Lithgow film), Wegmans and University of Rochester commercials, I LOVE NEW YORK campaigns, and a Comedy Central Christmas special, while also working a variety of part/full time positions in different industries.

Currently, I am the producer (known as Christina Lynne on air!) of the Bob Lonsberry show at WHAM1180, and I run a store on Monroe Ave called The House of Kombucha. I continue to accept freelance and contract positions as well.

Tell me about your job at WHAM radio as the producer of the Bob Lonsberry show? How long have you been in this job? What do you do as a producer?

While I was in high school, I worked promotions for 98PXY, which at the time was CBS Radio. Now, 15 years later, I'm back in the exact same building, same floor, different company, but working in radio again.

I came into IHeartRadio as a producer of a different show on FM radio in October of 2018, but after starting the project at the store, I realized I had over committed myself and didn't have the time I needed to be able to focus on either project. It was a "coincidence" the producer position for Bob became available for the first time in decades. His show schedule allowed me to stay full time at IHeartRadio, and dedicate my off-time to my store.

Since January 21, I've learned how to operate the biggest board in the station on WHAM1180, while balancing a personal sponsorship and running Bob's calendar. As a person, Bob is an extremely appreciative and a genuinely great person. I am nothing but thankful and honored to be working with him.

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

My time at VCS was defined by many teachers:

Mr. LaGree
Mrs. Sax and Mrs. Huber
Mr. Gillenkirk
Mr. Strauss
Mr. Jordan
Mr. Rychlik
Mr. Potter

I got along with and love a lot of the others, but if you're asking me who I initially think of while recounting my time at VCS, these would be it.

How did your VCS education prepare you for what you're doing today?

What I loved about VCS was the community. We all grew up

together - some people even from Pre-K (Wee Wonders) - which created a huge sense of pride for me. Sure, we all went through normal trials and tribulations of becoming a person in any environment, but I felt like we were all in the same community, same campus, we had a sense of belonging. There is rarely a time I'd spend bad mouthing any Victor grad, because I have the respect of their path through life that I most likely was around, and they, me.

What advice would you give to VCS graduate?

Any advice I'd give to anyone, VCS or not, keep working hard for yourself. I honestly struggled at times through high school and college - failed a few subjects and more often than not had to dedicate time to focusing and understanding what I was missing, or learning how to look at information differently.

We are in a day and age where too much information is at our fingertips. Be someone who knows your truth sources, and allow others to have their own opinions, and respect them for doing so. Focus on your purpose.



Christina Lynne and Bob Lonsberry



TD Ierlan ('16) Takes On Yale

After attending the University of Albany for two years, this past summer, 2016 alumnus TD Ierlan, made the decision to take his academic and athletic pursuits to another level by transferring to Yale. There, Ierlan not only hopes to get one of the finest educations, but play lacrosse for the nation's best team. This winter, the *Inside Lacrosse* magazine highlighted Ierlan as one of the nation's top face-off specialists in the NCAA. To read the complete article, go to <https://www.insidelacrosse.com/article/february-cover-story-td-ierlan-s-next-chapter/53728> In the meantime, VCS caught up with Ierlan to get his "Blue Devil" perspective on playing for the Bulldogs.

How do you feel about playing lacrosse with the defending national champions Yale Bulldogs?

I am super excited to be able to play for Yale. The team is a really close-knit group that anyone would be lucky to be a part of.

How did VCS prepare you for Yale, as a student and an athlete?

Victor did a great job preparing me for Yale. Academically it gave me the tools to thrive at one of the best universities in the country. Athletically I was able to play for some of the best coaches around and was fortunate enough to be a part of some of the best sports teams in New York State.

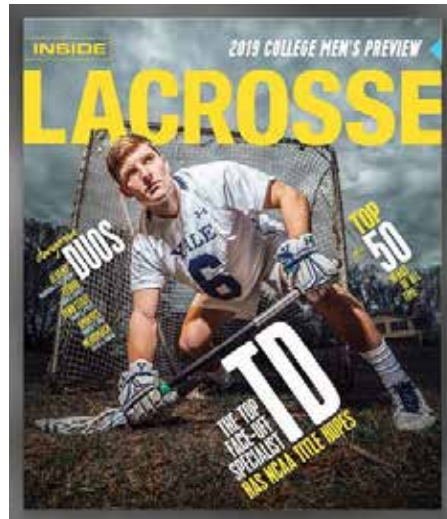
Who were your most memorable teachers and coaches at VCS? Why?

It is really hard to name only a few teachers because so many made a lasting impact on me. Coaches are similar but some that will always

stand out is Coach Mandile for how he was always a role model of being calm and composed no matter how hectic the situation. Coach Andre for how he doesn't let other people's opinions phase him, he has also made Victor Lacrosse into one of the best programs in the country. Lastly but certainly not least Coach Kaper, who has taught me so many life lessons and I can never thank him enough.

What advice would you give to a student interested in playing a sport in college?

If you work hard, as cliché as it sounds, you will have a chance to play a college sport.



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Hannah LaMarco ('16) Launches Bracelet Company to Support Haitian Hospital

VCS graduate, Hannah LaMarco (Class of 2016) has always had a passion for people, especially the less fortunate. This former president of the Victor Cares Club, one of the oldest community service groups at Victor Senior High School, is currently running her own company, Mercy Bracelets, out of her college dorm room at Cedarville University in Ohio.

LaMarco, a college junior, said Mercy Bracelets was inspired by a mission trip she took last spring to Haiti with a team from Cedarville University. While they were there, their mission was to minister to the people and to help build Mercy Hospital, but upon returning to Ohio, LaMarco had a feeling her mission wasn't quite complete.

"After we came back from our two week trip, I just had this feeling that God had more for me to do in Haiti. I struggled with the feeling that I should be in Haiti and the obligation that I had to finishing my business degree. We arrived home from our trip in May and in

June I had the idea to sell bracelets to raise money for the hospital. I would sell the bracelets for \$10 or \$15 and give \$5 from every bracelet to help build the hospital. The rest of the money goes right back into the company. Originally I did not think I would sell that many, in fact, I remember counting how many people I thought would buy one and I estimated only nine of my friends would buy one. The day after I had the idea, I asked some friends and coworkers about the idea and they loved it. I bought some supplies that very day and went home and set up a website that night. Before I knew it, I had sold a dozen bracelets. And then another dozen, and then another. In the first week, I raised \$200 for the hospital," LaMarco said.

Since last June, Mercy Bracelets have raised more than \$6,000 for the Haitian hospital, and while LaMarco has been largely responsible for making most of the bracelets herself, she said there have been so many people who have supported her mission along the way.

"About 4 months ago I put together a team of five students to help me market and sell bracelets around Cedarville University's campus. These students are called enthusiasts because of all the work they do out of enthusiasm for the cause.

Honestly, so much of our success has been because of the incredible administration at Cedarville that has given us opportunities to share our mission with campus," she said.

One might say LaMarco's mission to Haiti and Mercy Bracelets has roots right here at VCS where LaMarco vividly recalls struggling with questions about the world in high school. Fortunately, LaMarco

said her journalism teacher of three years, Kim Przbysz, had a talent for seeing students' true passions and giving them the opportunity to express them.

"I remember struggling with a lot of questions about the world when I was in high school. I struggled with the fact that there are slaves in the world; that many people have no homes, and that children don't have parents, or have parents that are not fit to take care of them. As I struggled with these issues in my heart, Przbysz gave me the opportunity to work them out through the articles I wrote for our school newspaper. I will always value the opportunities she gave us as young students," LaMarco said.

Another teacher that LaMarco said had a huge impact on her was English teacher Deb McManis. "Deb McManis is another heart I will always cherish. More than a teacher, she was my friend. I worked under her as the president of Victor Cares Club my senior year. Just like Przbysz, she gave me the freedom to learn as I worked. She showed all of her students what it meant to help others."

Helping others is what Hannah LaMarco and Mercy Bracelets is really all about. It is more than a jewelry company, it is a mission, one that LaMarco takes little credit for.

"When it comes down to it, Mercy Bracelets is the result of God's grace. Without Him, none of this would have happened," she said.

For more information on Mercy Bracelets and to order your own Mercy Bracelet go to <https://www.mercybracelets.com/>



Superintendent Announces Retirement

Santiago-Marullo Taught Spanish for 18 Years before Becoming an Administrator

This past January Victor Central Schools' Superintendent Dawn Santiago-Marullo notified the Board of Education that she will end her 37 year career at the District and retire effective July 17, 2019.

Santiago-Marullo has been at the District's leadership helm since 2009. Prior to being appointed Superintendent, Santiago-Marullo was the District's Director of Special Projects and Programs, Director of the Victor Teaching Center, Coordinator of the K-8 Enrichment Program, a Staff Developer, and founding coordinator of the International Baccalaureate Diploma Program, a rigorous world-view academic program. Before these leadership positions, Santiago-Marullo was a Spanish teacher at Victor Senior High School for 18 years.

Under Santiago-Marullo's leadership, the Victor Central School District has grown steadily over the past decade, despite challenging economic times that

included a recession and millions of dollars in state aid reductions.

Santiago-Marullo was involved in many new and exciting changes at VCS during her tenure as Superintendent. Physically, the campus changed immensely thanks to three capital projects. Among the many changes Santiago-Marullo oversaw was the addition of around 60,000 square feet, which includes approximately 25 new classrooms campus wide. A new playground, parking lot and a reengineered bus loop at the Early Childhood School also highlight progress under Santiago-Marullo's leadership, not to mention a state of the art aquatics center at the Senior High School and a new gymnasium and large group music ensemble room at the Intermediate School.

Programmatically, VCS flourished under Santiago-Marullo's leadership. Among the major accomplishments she oversaw in this area were the addition of a full day Universal Pre-Kindergarten program, the reframing of the District's Inquiry Program, the implementation of an 8-1-1 program at the Primary School, expanded Math and English Language Arts Teacher Coaches for grades K-6, and the addition of Standards Leaders in English, math, science and social studies for grades 7-12. Santiago-Marullo also oversaw the introduction of a dynamic performing arts connection between the District and the Merry-Go-Round Theatre Company, a Family Support Center that connects families with professional counseling, and LifePrep@Naz, a groundbreaking program developed in conjunction with the ARC of Monroe County and Nazareth College that provides 18-21 year old students with

disabilities a college experience.

Providing students with opportunities was Santiago-Marullo's mantra. At the beginning of every new school year she always began her opening day speech by reiterating her philosophy that "every student deserves to be prepared for his/her future with a high quality education." Students were not Santiago-Marullo's only priority. Every connection she had, with every person, from parents and alumni, to community members, school cleaners, food service staff, bus drivers, coaches, nurses, groundskeepers, teacher aides, teachers, technicians, secretaries, maintenance and bus mechanics, and administrators, was marked with genuine interest, care, concern, and respect. Her passion for people and possibilities was relentless.

In 2014, she founded the VCS Educational Foundation which raises money to support District programs. She was also instrumental in creating several recognition programs including, True Blue Hero, the Volunteer Committed to Service Award (in collaboration with the Victor Teachers' Association), the Superintendent's Civic Engagement Awards and the Visual and Performing Arts Hall of Fame.

Thanks to her affinity for technology and communication, Santiago-Marullo also established the District's first ever social media presence on Facebook in 2010 and Twitter in 2011. She also oversaw the creation and implementation of the District's new ADA compliant website.

Despite the thousands of hours that Santiago-Marullo logged at VCS during her 37 years of service, she never saw it as a job, rather a gift. In a letter to all staff and administrators she said, "It has been

the honor of a lifetime to be part of this educational organization. I've been extremely blessed in my career, having the personal and professional joy of both teaching and leading in our District."

In a statement on behalf of the Board of the Education, Board president Debbie Palumbo-Sanders said Santiago-Marullo's legacy is one of a true educator.

"Dr. Santiago-Marullo's career has been founded on a devotion to the students and staff of Victor Central Schools and a commitment of service to the whole Victor-Farmington community. Her knowledge, commitment and achievements have enhanced our District and continued to position Victor as a respected, accomplished and transformative school community. The impact of her efforts and accomplishments will indeed benefit Victor Central Schools and our entire community for years to come. We are grateful to Dr. Santiago-Marullo for her dedication and leadership, and we wish her the very best in all her future pursuits," she said.

Victor Bids Farewell to Thirteen Retirees

This school year, Victor Central Schools bids farewell to thirteen men and women who have made a big difference both inside and outside of our classrooms. Congratulations and best of luck in your future!

Victor Early Childhood School

Karen Dellert, 2003-2019, Elementary Teacher

Victor Primary School

Nancy Standinger, 1988-2019, Elementary Teacher

Martha Unrath, 2013-2018, Library Clerk

Victor Intermediate School

Susan Fischer, 2004-2019, Elementary Teacher

Nancy Burt-Preece, 1993-2019, Music Teacher

Senior High School

Peter Fleckenstein, 1999-2019, Technology Teacher

Margaret Daly, 1993-2019, Math Teacher

Facilities

Jose Hernandez, 2004-2019, Cleaner

Grover Chanthapheuy, 1988-2019, Cleaner

Transportation

John Messersmith, 1995-2019, Bus Driver

District

Susan Reed, 1997-2019, Typist/Technology Department

*Melanie McGuire, 2005-2019,
Director of Special Programs and Compliance*

*Dawn Santiago-Marullo, Ed.D., 1982-2019,
Superintendent of Schools*

Retirees as of April

Save the Date for the Victor Central School Education Foundation Devil Dash 5k

By Keith Partington, '79

The Victor Central School Education Foundation Devil Dash 5K will be held on September 7, 2019. The Devil Dash is a great way for VCS alumni to support current students that sit in the desks and classrooms we all fondly remember. Our last Devil Dash grew to 277 participants including 49 alumni and raised over \$10,000. There was a three-way tie for the class of '79, '86, and '15 for most participants in the Devil Dash Alumni Challenge.

This year's course will be set in the Village of Victor during the afternoon. There will be plenty of extra fun before and after the race. Take a stroll through the 43rd annual Hang Around Victor Day celebrating everything great about Victor including bands, games, food from local restaurants, and kid's activities. The Devil Dash race will conclude at the Victor Fireman's Field just in time for the Victor Downtown Bash sponsored by the Victor Business Connection that will include kid's activities, live bands, food and beer.

Please consider signing up and recruiting a team for the Devil Dash 5K. All Devil Dash 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.

There were three grants awarded in 2019 to support unique and

innovative ideas that enhance learning and improve student achievement. The Physical Education Staff at the Early Childhood School purchased a portable projector to introduce new topics and skills (i.e. throwing or kicking), promote PTSA or other school sponsored events (i.e. Nutrition Month – Healthy Rainbow), and display current events related to physical activity (i.e. Olympics). The Victor Primary School purchased additional STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, Mathematics) Morning Tubs. Morning Tubs offer a play-based opportunity for students to explore, create, and communicate. Morning Tubs help get students excited about the day and encourage collaboration. The students engage with their peers to problem solve and be creative in a fun way. The Victor Intermediate School added two Varidesk Stand 2 Learn Desks to support students with different learning styles. This pilot will be able to be evaluated through observational evaluation and has already had a positive impact on test scores.

Please feel free to contact the VCS Education Foundation Devil Dash 2019 Planning Team at victordeildash@gmail.com for additional questions or feedback. You can also access the registration page soon at <http://www.fleetfeetrochester.com/races>.



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

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 20, 2020 to:

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

Visual & Performing Arts HALL OF FAME

***Do you know a Victor Central School
alumnus or alumna who has made a significant contribution to the arts?***

The Visual and Performing Arts Hall of Fame honors such individuals.

Nominees shall be selected based upon the following criteria:

A. Graduated from Victor Senior High School at least (10) years ago. Nominee may have or may not have been affiliated with a VCS arts program.

B. Staff member, parent or community member who made significant contributions to the VCS arts program a minimum of (5) years.

Suggested "types" of artists that could qualify would be
Creators - Performers - Practitioners - Contributors

Go to www.victorschools.org for more information.

Nominations must be submitted by Tuesday, January 21, 2020 to:

Visual & Performing Arts Hall of Fame committee c/o The Office of School and Community Relations
Victor Central Schools, 953 High Street, Victor, New York 14564
or by emailing laskysh@victorschools.org

Academic, Athletic and Artistic Distinctions

- In June, 2018, 98% of our students graduated with a Regents Diploma, 63% percent earned a Regents Diploma with Advanced Designation.
- This past October, the Victor Central School District was ranked 15 in academics out of 431 upstate New York school districts in 48 counties by *Buffalo Business First* magazine.
- In its 2018 rankings the *U.S News and World Report* ranked Victor Senior High School the 63rd best school in New York State and the 558th best school nationally out of 21,000 public high schools nationwide.
- This February, Niche.com ranked VCS 14th out of the 50th best school districts in Upstate New York!
- In February, 2019 Victor Senior High School was one of 426 school nationwide to receive the 2018-19 Project Lead the Way Distinguished School designation for its PLTW high school program!
- In February, 2019, Niche.com named Victor Senior High School the number one school in Upstate New York for athletes.
- This school year senior Grace Meise earned the highest possible ACT composite score of 36. She was also named a candidate in the 2019 US Presidential Scholars Program, as well as a National Merit Scholarship semifinalist.
- Five Victor Senior High School seniors were named National Merit Scholarship semifinalists for 2019: Allison Heltz, Katherine Kopp, Gabriel Lind, Grace Meise and Keonwoo Park.
- The Junior High School has maintained its extraordinary status as a New York State high performing middle school and "School to Watch" for the past 13 years, since first being designated in 2006.
- DECA: Forty six students advanced to the State competition in March 2019. Eleven students qualified for the International Career Conference in April. Three students were also selected to attend DECA's THRIVE academy.
- This past fall, viola player, Barbara Hansen was selected to play in the NYSSMA Conference All-State Symphony Orchestra at Kodak Hall at the Eastman School of Music.
- This past fall our Senior High Drama Club produced the play *Romeo and Juliet* and this spring, they put on the musical, *Big Fish*.
- This winter at the Rochester-Finger Lakes Middle and High School Art Exhibition at Rochester Institute of Technology, senior, Hanna Gefell won an award for her 2D illustration.
- All 2018-2019 fall and winter athletic teams were named Scholar Athlete teams by the New York State Public High School Athletic Association. To receive team recognition with a certificate, the team's average GPA for 75% of the roster must be greater than or equal to 90.00.
- Victor Central Schools boasted many Sectional and State athletic winners during the 2018-2019 school year:
 - Fall 2018 Sectional Champions:**
Girls Golf, Girls Volleyball
 - Winter 2018 -19 Sectional Champions:**
Wrestling: Alex Samson (132 lb. weight class) and Joe Theede (170 lb. weight class)
Track: Boys Mike Bailey, 55 Hurdles Champion; Greg Cole-Allen, Shot Put
Alpine Ski: Lucy Haggerty, Slalom
Boys Swimming: Brayden Murphy, 200IM
 - Winter 2018 -19 New York State Champions:**
Wrestling: Alex Samson (132 lb. weight class) - Victor's first ever NYS wrestling champion!
Indoor Track: Mike Bailey, 55 Hurdles

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 3130.

1948	2	1960	1
1950	2	1962	1
1951	2	1979	2
1952	2	1985	3

ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME

Nominations Sought

JUNE 7TH 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 Duane Weimer 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 Duane Weimer, VCS Director of Health, Physical Education and Athletics at (585) 924-3252 ext. 6307 or weimerd@victorschools.org.

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

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

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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VCS Internships

Victor Central School District is committed to providing our students with the best education and experience during their school years. As a part of this commitment, we believe that students can greatly benefit from career awareness and experiences.

Victor Senior High School has a College and Career Center that is dedicated to partnering with area professionals. Through this partnership, our students gain exposure and a concrete vision of future opportunities. In addition, businesses establish working relationships with driven, hardworking students.

We appreciate your valuable time and would like the opportunity to work with you in any capacity that you envision, whether it is a job shadow, unpaid internship, or small group discussion. All of these experiences provide a valuable resource to our students. If you have worked with us in the past, we appreciate your support.

Victor is extremely fortunate to have you in our community and we would appreciate the opportunity to partner with you in the future. If you are interested in working with our students, please email Cindy Mereness at merenessc@victorschools.org or she can be reached at 585-924-3252 x6424.

Technology Survey

Victor School's Technology Committee is conducting a brief six question survey to assist us in determining how well we are preparing our graduates in terms of computer skills. We would appreciate your input, please click the link provided below.

[Technology Survey](#)

VCS Implements New Phone System and Extensions

This April, Victor Central Schools installed a new phone system campus-wide.

The new technology replaces a nearly twenty year old infrastructure.

VCS Director of Technology, David Henderson said all phone extensions, with the exception of District Office lines, were updated to support the new technology.

Below are the main office and attendance extensions for each building as well as administrative extensions. For specific staff members' numbers, please see the staff directory on our website:

<https://www.victorschools.org/district/staff-directory>

Phone: 585-924-3252

Early Childhood School, Grades Pre-K, K & Grade 12600

Attendance 2620

Dorothy DiAngelo, Principal

Melissa Goho, Assistant Principal

Primary School, Multiage, Grades 2 & 3.3600

Attendance 3620

Jennifer Check, Principal

Leah Kedley, Assistant Principal

Intermediate School, Multiage, Grades 4-64600

Attendance 4620

Kevin Swartz, Principal

Michele Maloney, Assistant Principal

Junior High School, Grades 7 & 85600

Attendance 5620

Brian Gee, Principal

David Thering, Assistant Principal

Senior High School, Grades 9-12.6600

Attendance 6485

Brian Siesto, Principal

Carrie Goodell, Amy Shannon, and Karl DuBash, Assistant Principals

Dawn Santiago-Marullo, Ed.D.

Superintendent of Schools 1402

Zdenek Chumacero

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James Haugh

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School and Community Relations 1408



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. 3130*