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William Newcomb

Mr. William Newcomb joined the Board of Trustees in 1987, representing Windham, a sending town until the mid-90's. A career educator, the 1965 Pinkerton Academy graduate was proud of the school's reputed excellence and glad to support efforts for its continued growth.

"I was honored to be asked to join the Pinkerton Board of Trustees as a representative from the town

of Windham. It has been exciting to contribute to the Pinkerton community by helping to develop new programs, and by expanding Pinkerton facilities," Newcomb said.

"During my tenure as a trustee, we have added to the Saltmarsh Library, constructed the Ek Science Building, added CTE buildings and programs, and built a freshman building. Thanks to the generosity of the Stockbridge and the Spaulding families, we built the Stockbridge Theatre and the Spaulding Arts and Humanities Center. Recently, we added turf and lights to the varsity football field, and we built a second turf field through our Advancement Campaign. As our campus grows, the Board has developed a master plan to make our campus safer for staff and students."

Growing up in Derry, Newcomb says he was eager to attend Pinkerton Academy and partake in the many opportunities it provides.

"Pinkerton Academy was the focal point of the community. I was impressed by the traditions and the history of outstanding programs in education, sports, music, and theater. I was eager to have the same opportunities when I attended from 1962-1965," he said. "The teachers and administrators at Pinkerton were inspiring and dedicated, and I made many friends from Derry and from the sending towns of Windham, Chester, Auburn,



Newcomb and Board of Trustees President Dr. Nevios enjoyed the 2019 Alumni Golf Tournament.

Hampstead, and Londonderry. My experiences at Pinkerton prepared me for college and for my future in education and administration."

Those experiences included success in the classroom, in athletics, and in leadership activities. He played football, basketball, and baseball; his 1964 baseball team won the state championship. One of his coaches, Mr. Wes Root, helped shape his career plans.

"Mr. Wes Root was a Biology teacher and football and baseball coach. I was inspired by him, and I became a physical education teacher and an athletic director, after graduating from UNH in 1970," Newcomb said. "I enjoyed working in the public sector with students of all ages, and I coached a variety of sports throughout my teaching career. Many of my athletes were successful in New Hampshire and beyond."

Newcomb is most proud of his family and their accomplishments. His wife, Judy, graduated as salutatorian of the Pinkerton Academy class of 1965, and his two children are also alumni. Dr. Kathleen (Newcomb) Rekart was the valedictorian for the Pinkerton Academy class of 1995, a class officer, and a successful athlete. Dr. Matthew Newcomb graduated from Pinkerton in 1997. He was a class officer, student leader, and a decorated athlete in football, basketball, and track. Both went on to Ivy League colleges and graduate studies and are thriving in successful careers.

These noteworthy accomplishments have led to the entire family being inducted into the Pinkerton Academy Hall of Fame: Bill in 1994, Judy in 1996, Kathleen in 2001, and Matthew in 2012. While there is much to take pride in, Newcomb conducts himself with a quiet, humble dedication.

"My family is most important. I try to be a good husband, father, and grandfather. I strive to be a good coach and a dedicated trustee," he said. "I support scientific research on climate change and disease control, and I'm a champion of equal rights for all people."

In retirement, Newcomb enjoys golfing, skiing, traveling with Judy, and spending time with his family, especially his grandchildren. 🏠



Dr. Nevios, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Newcomb, and Dr. Powers at the 2019 Golf Tournament

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Even Teddy Roosevelt is “masked up” for the school year! The mask was made and donated to the Alumni Association Archives by Suzanne Welch, the proud mother of a member of the PA class of 2021. She is the proprietor of Suzanne’s Townies and has made and donated hundreds of masks to hospitals and local nursing homes. The bust of Teddy Roosevelt was given to the Academy by the Class of 1926. The Class of 1942 donated funds to have it restored and purchased the pedestal in the 1990s. Both have stood proudly in in the Alumni Center since 1996 (See Derry News, June 18, 1926; Pinkerton Alumnus [Summer 2017], p. 13). Photograph by Mark Mastromarino

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Members of the Class of 2024 enjoyed the use of the new outdoor spaces on campus. Clockwise from left, Medhanit O’Mara, Ava Brito, Trevor Pacheco, Corey Munrow, Jose Gutierrez, Bailey Obiri. Photography by J. Manrique '21.

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ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

THE THREE AMIGOS '53

By Aleksandra Carney '21

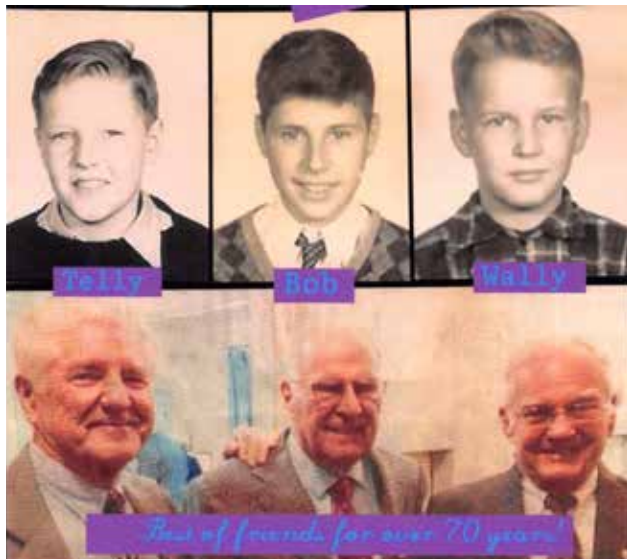
To the Pinkerton Academy Alumni Association, Bob Morrison, Wally Ramsden, and George (Telly) Wells are known by another name: the 3 Amigos.

Since the three best friends graduated back in 1953, the Amigos have been a constant presence at Pinkerton sporting events and projects, dedicating their time and effort to the school's continued success.

Bob Morrison and Wally Ramsden were the first of the three to become friends, meeting during the first grade at West Side School. Telly Wells would soon make the duo a trio after moving to the other side of the tracks half-way through the third grade. Though it wasn't instant friendship, the three would often walk to school together, meeting at Wally's house before making the one-mile trek. As Telly put it, "it was a neighborhood, so you knew everyone right off quick."

Their friendship would continue throughout their four years of high school, as members of the 78 students of the Class of '53. Together the three boys performed shows in the Chapel as part of the Barbershoppers, held boxing matches between classes, and played volleyball in the mornings before school. Reflecting on their time spent at Pinkerton, Bob and Telly shared their favorite memories.

"In our days we went up to Chapel every morning, the entire school, and Mr. Hackler, the headmaster, would be up on stage. We'd say a prayer, sing a hymn, and then we'd also use that as a space for activities. Once a year Miss Abbott would put together a show for entertainment, and parents would come," Telly reminisced. "We used to get on the stage and sing. I think I got up there once and played Johnnie Ray. Those are fun memories, but there's quite a few."



Best friends for over 70 years, Telly, Bob and Wally

For Bob, who was the class president, his favorite memory was leading the class down the front steps of the Pinkerton building for graduation.

"Graduation was right outside on the lawn. We only had seventy-eight people, and the front lawn was a lot different. The driveway was as wide, and there was a much larger grass area, so they would have the chairs all set up on the lawn. It was great."

The front lawn isn't the only part of Pinkerton that has changed since the Amigos roamed the halls. Their Academy consisted of the Pinkerton Building and the Old Academy Building (Alumni Center), which served as the freshman building. Where the rest of current campus stands used to be undeveloped woods and farm land, though the school still owned the land. A volleyball court stood next to the boys entrance, and students would often arrive early to play games with friends before classes started for the day.

"We didn't have a theatre, any of it, that was all done in the chapel. In the back of the Pinkerton building, that flat grass area was all there was. The little brook that runs down through the campus was in the woods."

It was on that little field that one of Bob and Telly's favorite school activities took place. Each year, the students would get a day off from classes for a school-wide field day. Events included a javelin throw, discus, football throw, a running broad jump, and a 50 yard dash. "All 350 students in the school would get involved. We had a good time," Telly reflected.

Though the three were friends in high school, according to Bob, the 3 Amigos didn't truly become inseparable until after graduation, when they came back to work in the Alumni Association with their former English teacher Miss Abbott.

"Our families had grown, we were empty nesters, always had loved Pinkerton, so we came back and did all kinds of weird things, including chasing cats out of the cellar [of the Alumni Center] and boarding it up to get rid of the smell. Originally she [Miss. Abbott] called us the three Musketeers, but then Robin Perrin, who was the current president of the Association, came in and saw what kind of work we actually did and said, 'I think maybe the 3 Amigos is a better title,'" Telly said laughing.

Even now that Wally has since passed, Bob and Telly continue to show their support for Pinkerton. The two have consistently attended the school's football games, loudly voicing their support for both the athletes and band members, and are well-known faces at the concessions stand. According to Bob, the two "used to bang on the side door cause everyone was going to the front, and they'd open it up and give us fresh Astro burgers right off the grill. We'd give them a tip and say, 'Put the money towards the band!'"

Like most of their friends, Bob and Telly have lived in Derry all of their lives. They have seen Pinkerton Academy transform from the small high school of 350 to the massive campus it is today.

"I'm really blessed," Telly shared. "My whole family is still here. I have a granddaughter who lived in Manchester for 3 years, and she has a little daughter. They just bought a house off the Bypass because when she grows up, she has to go to Pinkerton. It really doesn't get any better than this." 🏠



Telly Wells and Bob Morrison at the Alumni Center in the Old Academy Building.

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DANIEL PELLETIER '09

By Aleksandra Carney '21

A third generation Pinkerton graduate, Dan Pelletier ('09) did not always know he wanted to make a living in the theatre industry.

Now he teaches theatre to New Hampshire students at Granite State Arts Academy while he operates his own company, Cue Zero Theatre (CZT).

An avid athlete and member of the robotics club, Pelletier didn't realize his passion for the performing arts until participating in a professional production of *Footloose* at the Palace Theatre in Manchester, NH. It was there that he would go on to perform in a plethora of shows throughout the rest of his high school career. His theatre credits also include productions of *Les Miserables* and *A Midsummer's Night Dream* during his senior year as a member of the Pinkerton Players.

However, despite his love of theatre, like many students first attending college, Pelletier was still unsure of what career to pursue.

"I was between political science and computer science;" I took an intro for everything," he said. "But I also joined the student run theatre group at UNH, and I got cast in a couple of shows. I just realized from talking to the different theatre majors that was where I belonged."

Following his years at UNH, Pelletier graduated as a member of one of the most difficult industries to survive in: performing arts. After his high school and college experiences, he knew that he wanted to direct shows, not as someone's assistant or performer, but as the head of the production team. He interviewed with several community theatres while bouncing between day jobs, but no one was willing to hire a fresh graduate to direct a production. However, Pelletier was undeterred and determined that if no one would hire him, he would simply produce his own show. He rented the Derry Opera House and started his own group, proving to the bigger companies that he was serious. Reflecting on his success, he shared some advice for prospective theatre students.

"You have to make your own opportunities. Set goals.



The only thing in your control is how hard you work. It's all hard work and networking, and being in the right place at the right time," he said. "When working with others, strong



Daniel Pelletier, Class of 2009

communication and small egos are key. Everyone must be working on the same team. Everyone must be putting the organization first. Strong communication. Being able to express your ideas is super important. Trust is crucial."

On top of teaching and running CZT, Pelletier also engages in large amounts of community service with The Epping Community Theatre Artistic Committee and as the Kreiva Academy Public Charter School drama coach. He strongly believes that the art of theatre has the unique ability to provide a place for everyone to feel at home and is determined to provide that safe space to as many NH residents as possible. In honor of his commitment to giving back, Pelletier was awarded New Hampshire Magazine's "Best of New Hampshire": Best "New" Theatre, along



Pelletier was a member of the Union Leader's 2020 40 Under 40 Class

with a place in the *Union Leader's "Class of 2020: 40 Under Forty."*

"I love creating opportunities for artists who need them; it's the primary mission of Cue Zero. If any Pinkerton Alumni, especially recent

college graduates who might have had their dreams dashed because of the pandemic and are now forced to stay in NH longer than they thought they would, are looking for theatrical opportunities in directing, writing, design, or performing, they should reach out to me," he said. "Anyone who has a similar passion for the arts has a place with CZT." 🎭

ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

RUTH WELLS '37

By Julianna Manrique '21

A graduate of the Class of 1937, Ruth Wells is Pinkerton Academy's oldest living graduate at 101 years old.

Wells was born and raised in Derry, and she would walk to Pinkerton each day. She was an energetic, outgoing student and participated in activities like theater.

"We used to have plays on the stage, and I used to like to play a part in the play. I know that I would walk on and act very dashing and everyone would laugh. I remember it being fun," she said.

After her time at Pinkerton, Wells went on to the University of New Hampshire and graduated with a Bachelor's Degree in Education. Soon after her graduation, she started her career as a business owner and ran her own kindergarten for 25 years. Wells would earn up to 250 dollars a week from teaching at the school. Wells explained that things were much simpler then.

"[The students] had no computers or anything," she said. "All they did was enjoy themselves in a simple activity, playing outside and that type of thing."

When asked what advice she would give to students going into Pinkerton, Wells said, "You better consider yourself the first one — not the first one to the door, but the first one who's being a smart gal."

Wells is one of 6 generations to attend Pinkerton. Her grandfather and father, both optometrists in Derry, and her sister Pauline Spear, who was a doctor in Claremont, NH, all graduated from Pinkerton before her. The tradition continued as her 2 children, 3 grandchildren, and 5 great-grandchildren all have gone to Pinkerton. Currently her triplet great-grand daughters are members of the Class of 2022. Polly (Wells) Tewksbury, Wells' daughter, is a graduate of the Class of 1967 and the class correspondent for the *Alumnus*.

"Pinkerton has meant a lot to me personally through the



Ruth Wells '37 at her 100th birthday last year.

years as my great-grandfather, my grandfather, mother, aunt, my 3 children (Stevie '88, Shawn '89, and Stacy '92) and 5 out of my 10 grandchildren have attended and graduated from Pinkerton. Also my husband Steve '66, who I met at Pinkerton," Tewksbury said. "I have a lot of very fond memories of being at Pinkerton, being a cheerleader participating in a lot of activities and making long-lasting friends."

Tewksbury says the campus has changed over the years, but Pinkerton's focus on providing the best education continues.

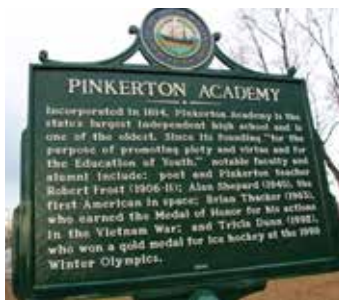
"Pinkerton has changed and grown tremendously through the years; it now looks like a small college, instead of a high school ... beautiful buildings, classrooms, theater, gym, sports activity fields," she said. "Pinkerton is one of the best private high schools in NH, in my opinion." 🏡

A Place in History

Thanks to the work of Board of Trustee member Mr. Mark Laliberte and the help of Mr. Mark Mastromarino, '79, Pinkerton Academy has been added to the list of New Hampshire's historical locations signified by the recognizable green signs. State Senator Regina Birdsall joined Headmaster Powers and Mr. Laliberte for an unveiling on November 20, 2020.

"New Hampshire's historical highway markers illustrate the depth and complexity of the state's history and the people who made it, from Abenaki Native Americans to poets, painters and contemporary sports figures; from meeting houses to stone arch bridges and long-lost villages; and from factories and cemeteries to places where international history was made."

(*New Hampshire Division of Historical Resources*, <https://www.nh.gov/nhdhr/markers/>)



State Senator Regina Birdsall, Dr. Powers, and Trustee Mr. Mark Laliberte

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SHELLY DEVLIN CLASS OF 1984

A hairdresser for more than 35 years, Shelly Devlin '84 has shared the joy and pain of countless clients. It was their stories, interwoven with her own life's events, that inspired the release of her memoir *As the Chair Turns ...*

"I've always said everybody could write a book; everybody has a story," Devlin said. "I thought about how many stories I was touched by through the years, and about my clients, about the people behind them. Through cancer, clients getting all dolled up, pregnancies and miscarriages...

everyone thinks that the moments you have with your clients are the proms and the weddings, but you're also there through the funerals and the death and the sickness, all of that. A lot of times you know more than their family knows, so the connection can be unbelievable."

Devlin did not always plan on a career in cosmetology, however. As a student at Pinkerton Academy, she hoped to one day become an artist or pursue a career in psychology. After high school she attended Continental Academie of Hair Design in Hudson with the intention of eventually going to art school.

"I realized very shortly into a career as a hairdresser that I had art and psychology all rolled into that career," Devlin said.

She went to work at a few salons but knew she wanted her own business. At the age of 23, Devlin opened her own salon, Water's Edge, in its original location in Windham. The salon would move to Hudson and Londonderry before finally moving to Derry. While at the Hudson location Devlin would hire fellow Pinkerton Academy graduate Sheri McCall Gayer '97.

"She was double majoring in Marketing and Cosmetology, and she started working alongside me, really as a partner almost," Devlin said. "My plan all along was to hand it [the salon] off to her."

She sold McCall Gayer the business in the 27th year, and it was her brother's unexpected death from a heart condition at 49 that pushed her to finalize the sale of the property to her as well. Devlin says now she punches in and out as an employee, but McCall Gayer has insisted that she

continue to decorate the salon and train the new hairdressers. The decision to sell her business has given her the ability to refocus her time and energy in new ways.

"I wanted to be mentally free to support my son in his business, because when you own a business, you're not mentally free," she said. "It was time to really put some priorities in place. I always said I was going to write a book, and three years ago I started writing



Devlin, her son Josh '13, and her mother Nancy (Parsons) Devlin '65.

and realizing all the stories that needed to be told and what I saw when I stood behind the chair."

With so many stories to share, Devlin has determined there will be more than one book.

"*As the Chair Turns* will become a series; I'm working on the second book now," she said. "The first book you needed to know who I was and what I've been through in order to be the person who stood behind the chair and listened to all these stories. Then I realized as I compiled all of them, this is either a really big book or I need to do a series."

The pandemic put on hold a planned July 2020 book launch with a stage performance reenacting select stories in the Stockbridge Theatre. Despite the disappointment, Devlin looks to hold it for the release of the second book instead. While the stories have some weight, she says there's joy to be found in them as well.

"There's definitely some good laughs," she said. "We tried to throw in some good laughs as well as the pretty deep and heavy stuff that's mixed in there."

Her mother Nancy Parsons Devlin '65 and her son Joshua Buxton '13 both graduated from Pinkerton as well, and Devlin remembers her time in school fondly.

"I loved Pinkerton. It was so different from other friends who went to school in Manchester or even went to school in Londonderry. It was like a college campus, incredible, and such a great opportunity," she said. "It was definitely the spirit -- the spirit of it was like it was a community. Pinkerton has what's like college spirit at a high school level."

You can purchase *As the Chair Turns* on Amazon. 📖



Book cover

HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES 2020



Zachariah Chandler

Zachariah Chandler attended Pinkerton ca. 1828-1832. One of the founders of the Republican Party, Zachariah was a lifelong abolitionist. He became the Mayor of Detroit, a 4 term senator from Michigan, and Secretary of the Interior under President Ulysses S. Grant.



Joseph Dion

Joseph Dion is a dedicated and well-respected member of the English Department. He is the intramural weightlifting coach after school and received a Shepard Award in 2003. He directed the faculty play for over 20 years to help raise scholarship money for Pinkerton students. In September of 2017, Joseph was ordained as a Deacon in the Catholic Church.



Kevin Morrison '92

Kevin Morrison '92 was an excellent student-athlete while in high school. He set many high school football records and still holds a single-season record for interceptions. In 1992 he was the Touchdown Club of Atlanta Player of the Year and was selected for the Shriner's All-Star Game. Kevin received a full scholarship to Northeastern University. He was named All-Time Letterman from

1993-1996 and was named to the Northeastern University and Yankee Conference All- Academic Team. In 1996 he received the Gold Helmet Award. Kevin is the volunteer wide receiver varsity football coach at Pinkerton, assisting with Pinkerton's Wing-T football camp.



Zachary Sanford '13

Zachary Sanford '13 is a stand out hockey player. During his sophomore year of high school, he was named 3rd team All-State. He was named New Hampshire High School Player of the Year. Zachary skated in the Eastern Junior Hockey League and the United States Hockey League and played collegiate hockey for Boston College. He then played for the Washington Capitals and was traded to the St. Louis Blues. In 2019 Zachary and his team, the St. Louis Blues, won the Stanley Cup.

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March 1st.**

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OWEN MCGARRAHAN AWARDED TRUSTEES MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD

The Pinkerton Academy Board of Trustees recently awarded the Board of Trustees' Meritorious Service Award to Owen McGarrahan. The award, given out on rare occasions, recognizes individuals who have demonstrated consistent, meritorious, service to the Academy.



Owen McGarrahan

"The prestigious Trustees' Meritorious Service Award acknowledges those individuals who have given exemplary service to Pinkerton Academy's student-centered mission," said Pinkerton Academy Board of Trustees President Dr. William Nevious. "Recipients have demonstrated their commitment to the Academy's core values of courtesy, respect, and responsibility, while working as an integral

part of the Pinkerton family to advance relevant learning and social opportunities for all students. We are proud to recognize Owen for his exceptional service to Pinkerton Academy and the community."

A senior vice president with Morgan Stanley, McGarrahan provided expert leadership as a co-chair of Pinkerton Academy's Open Space, Opening Minds: Capital Campaign. He says the announcement of the award came as a surprise.

"It was entirely unexpected, and I am honored. I represent a whole group of people, not just me, who want to help improve the education and experience for the students of Pinkerton Academy," he said. "I am constantly amazed by the opportunities at Pinkerton, and I think, why wouldn't you want to get involved? I am proud to be a part of it."

McGarrahan and his wife Beth live in Hampstead. They have three sons, two who attend Pinkerton Academy and one who graduated in 2019. He is a long-time supporter of local community youth sports and various charities in New Hampshire.

Photo courtesy of Morgan Stanley

The Show Must Go On

One of the most disappointing parts of the pandemic shutdowns has been the loss of live performances. This fall, however, the Pinkerton Player returned to the Stockbridge Theatre stage with *Puffs*, or *Seven Increasingly Eventful Years at a Certain School of Magic and Magic*.



The live audiences were limited to only immediate family of the cast, but live stream performances allowed anyone to watch from home. While the play is based on the stories of Harry Potter, the true magic was in seeing the talent and hard work of Pinkerton Academy students back on stage.

GOING VIRAL: PINKERTON PANDEMICS PAST AND PRESENT

BY MARK A. MASTROMARINO, PH.D. CLASS OF 1979

While recently driving down Bypass 28, I was struck by irony and curiosity as I viewed the most visible manifestation of the COVID-19 Pandemic at Pinkerton Academy—the pavilion tents behind Saltmarsh Library where well-ventilated classes can be held under the Big Top. Irony, because they are located on the site of the most (in)famous “temporary” classroom buildings on campus. The first “Portables” were a short-term solution (originally a five-year lease with option to purchase) installed to address an immediate shortage of classroom space in 1967–68, but they were demolished only in 2011, having served the needs of the Math and Social Studies departments for 43 years! Curiosity, because I wondered about two things in particular: how long would the new temporary structures grace the grounds? (“Winter is Coming!”) And how was the Pinkerton community affected by the last major pandemic, that of the Spanish Influenza, that killed up to fifty million people worldwide in 1918–19?

It is not known exactly when or how that disease came to Derry, but it probably arrived from Camp Devens via Nashua or Manchester. The virus most likely originally traveled from Brest, France, to the Boston Navy Yard with returning World War I doughboys at the end of August 1918. It then jumped to Camp Devens in Massachusetts by September 7 (that crowded army base would soon see 1,189 cases and 800 deaths). Who brought the virus to Derry thirty-two miles away is unknown, but a cluster of seven or eight cases was recognized on September 19, which multiplied to thirty by the next day. The first four deaths occurred a week later, on September 26. The *Derry Enterprise* reported on October 8 that there were probably three hundred cases in town. It is estimated that as many as one thousand influenza cases (or 20 percent of the population) occurred in Derry before it ran its course, resulting in approximately thirty-nine deaths (no official records were kept). Keep in mind that at the time Derry had no hospital, and the health needs of the population of about five thousand were met by only eleven doctors and thirteen nurses. That didn’t really matter, though, as no known cure or vaccination existed to be administered by them.

Only on September 26 did the Derry Board of Health take action. It ordered all schools, churches, and places of public entertainment to be closed until further notice. The original reopening date of October 11 was soon pushed back to October 14, and then to the 19th (the official reopening did not actually occur until October 25). I have been unable to determine the reasons behind Pinkerton Academy’s inconsistent observance of the ban issued on the 26th (it had just started fall term on September 11).



The pavilion tents behind Saltmarsh Library where well-ventilated classes can be held under the Big Top. Credit line: Photograph by the author

Pinkerton classes were canceled the week of October 14–20 (*Derry News*, October 11, 1918), as well as some extracurricular activities (for instance, the debate club known as the Philomathean Society missed two meetings in September after the 13th), but the administration permitted planned and impromptu social events to occur. On September 27, a large number of students and faculty attended the annual Freshman Reception in Academy Hall (*Derry Enterprise*, October 1, 1918). Similarly, sailor and student Ephraim Martin’s homecoming was celebrated by his classmates with an evening dance in The Chapel, and the *The Crow* also reported on the well-attended Halloween dance (which might actually have occurred after the reopening of campus on the 25th) sponsored by the sophomore class (*Pinkerton Critic*, No. 130 [Military issue, November 1918]).

Principal Perley Horne, who “urged all to take every precaution possible” at the Freshman Reception, two weeks later traveled to Camp Devens to visit his son Robert S. Horne who was stationed there (*Derry Enterprise*, October 1, 1918). Although student athletics were affected by the Spanish Influenza, it was not necessarily because of strict adherence to the closing ban. Football practice had just commenced on September 23 under returning Coach Connors of Manchester, and Pinkerton was excited about its prospects on the gridiron that fall. At the end of September, there were three known flu cases among Pinkerton students, but Manchester High School was hit much harder, as it canceled its October 3 football



Perley L. Horne. Principal, 1917–1929 ©Pinkerton Academy, Alumni Association Archives

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game with Pinkerton because so many of its players were sick with the disease. Pinkerton's game with Johnson High School of Andover, Mass., on October 5 was also canceled, at the last minute at that school's request, but the Pinkerton team got no rest or recuperation as Coach Connors used the time to hold more practices in preparation for the next game against Methuen on October 12. Presumably the away games at Dummer Academy on October 19, at Punchard High in Andover on November 2, and at Sanborn Seminary on November 23 were all held as scheduled.

By then, Derry was still seeing isolated cases of Spanish Influenza, but they were resulting in fewer fatalities. It looked like things were beginning to return to normal. Principal Horne and teacher Arthur Reynolds appeared in the Central Congregational Church's Ladies' Benevolent Society's play in Association Hall on

November 1 that had earlier been postponed. In December, however, another spike in cases forced the Academy to close again for a week, which resulted in Christmas vacation later being shortened from two weeks to one (December 20–29) and for classes to be held on New Year's Day 1919, in order to make up for missed time. But on December 28, the trustees postponed the scheduled opening of winter term on December 30 "on account of sickness among the teachers and scholars" (*Derry Enterprise*, December 31, 1918).



English teacher Miss Gracia Moule (1893–1918) had just started teaching at Pinkerton in September 1918. She died of pneumonia on December 18, apparently the only Spanish Influenza death among students and staff. Used by permission of the Alice Jeffres family

Earlier, on December 17, 1918, that same newspaper reported that three Pinkerton teachers were absent due to illness—Miss Moule, Miss Tewksbury, and Miss Helen Monroe. Twenty-five-year-old English teacher Miss Gracia Moule had graduated from Wellesley College in June 1917 and taught in Franconia, N.H., before starting at Pinkerton in September 1918. She missed classes on December 13 because of an apparent cold. By the 15th she was admitted to the Elliot



Senior portrait of Private Ervin R. Fisher, Class of 1907 (1887–1918). He died of pneumonia in training camp on September 30, before being sent overseas. ©Pinkerton Academy, Alumni Association Archives



Senior portrait of Annie Frasier, Class of 1911. ©Pinkerton Academy, Alumni Association Archives

Hospital in Manchester with pneumonia, where she died three days later (*Derry News*, December 20, 1918), apparently the only Spanish Influenza casualty on campus. The editors of the February 1919 *Pinkerton Critic* commented, "Of quiet retiring manner, of earnest and painstaking effort in all her work, she had made a place in our affectionate regard. Her influence upon the student

life was splendid because her fine Christian character was apparent in her daily relations with all whom she met" (p. 2).

The Pinkerton community was also saddened by the influenza deaths elsewhere of its alums, particularly those serving their country in the armed forces (at least 118 students and alums served in the army and navy, and at least five died, three of them from the Spanish Flu). The first to die was Charles W. Hall (Class of 1908), who had pitched for the school's baseball team and played the violin in the school orchestra while a student; he was one of the 800 soldiers who died at Camp Devens, on September 28. The next was Ervin R. Fisher (Class of 1907) who died of pneumonia two days later while stationed at Camp Upton on Long Island and whose body was returned to Derry for burial on October 5. The popular Annie Frasier Norton (Class of 1911) also died of Spanish Influenza while in uniform. The U.S. Navy Yeoman, 2nd Class, from Manchester was stationed at the Portsmouth Naval Yard in August where she was serving as a clerk when she caught the flu on October 9 and died of pneumonia the following day. She was inducted into the Pinkerton Hall of Fame in 2011 as the first American woman to be buried in uniform with full military honors. 🇺🇸

According to this card, Mr. Fisher intends to spend his life far from home and friends:

Ervin Fisher, a fortune will gain
In the far west, perhaps on the plain.
As a ranchman, you will win a name,
For honesty, honor, if not for fame.

The class prophecy in the June 1907 issue of the Critic concerning Ervin Fisher. It proved partially accurate: he did spend his life far from home and friends, and he did win a name for honesty and honor; if not fame. ©Pinkerton Academy, Alumni Association Archives

English Teacher Jennifer Gentile Receives Mini Grant

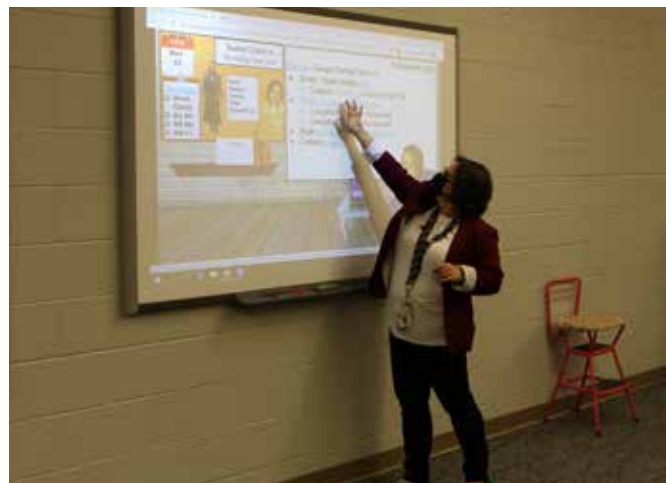
New curriculum model gives students better access to education.

The Pinkerton Alternative Choices in Education (P.A.C.E.) program has provided students with more personalized paths to a diploma since its inception. This year students in Ms. Jennifer Gentile's British Literature class are navigating much of their coursework independently. Gentile, a 1998 Pinkerton Academy graduate and member of the English department, was awarded the NH Department of Education Adult Ed Earn and Learn Grant to develop curriculum and enhance student experience. The mini grant is specifically designed for work completed over the summer, as educators typically do this work without compensation.

Gentile revamped her curriculum in two ways. First she created student-centered modules that allow students to progress through the material at their own pace with specific points marked for check-ins with the teacher. After a few students reviewed it, she then changed the delivery method to a module-based slide presentation that was more visually appealing. Gentile says the changes have been immediately noticeable.

"This year I am much more a facilitator and less 'a sage on the stage,'" she said. "While I'm leading discussions and we're working through the material, I'm speaking less and students are engaging more. Students are able to progress at their pace, which means they're slowing it down or are able to speed it up. This even allows some students to finish the course early."

The move to remote learning last spring inspired Gentile's work. Beyond benefitting her classroom, her model is available for other educators in the state to incorporate into their own curriculum, helping others to



To start class Gentile ensures each student knows how to navigate the coursework.

create some stability in the midst of the uncertainty of the pandemic.

"The whole reason for this project was the sudden move to remote last spring. My P.A.C.E. class seemed to have the most difficult transition because we meet just once a week, so a huge chunk of work needs to be done in a short amount of time," she said. "The new set-up of the course allows for a very easy switch over in the case of remote learning. All the material is digital, so there is no scrambling for materials. Because we've been using it all semester, students know how to access it; they know the format of class and my expectations of work."

With 13 years of teaching tenure at Pinkerton and 10 years in the P.A.C.E. program, Gentile is constantly reevaluating her materials and curriculum to best meet the needs of her students. While she admits it took

some extra work to get the students to be comfortable, she believes the changes she has made for her P.A.C.E. students can be beneficial to her traditional students as well.

"The concept is working. I need to train students to trust themselves to work it. That slowed us down the first few weeks. Students were unsure and needed that walk through. However, students are gaining confidence in their own abilities," Gentile said. "I do plan on using this same format next semester with my day students. I'm hoping it will bring the same student-centered environment into something that is usually very teacher-led."

P.A.C.E. Director Lynne Lonergan, '80, loves the way the course has been working this semester and sees the model as one that



Working independently, students in Ms. Gentile's P.A.C.E. class are able to spend the time they need to on each module.

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MODULE 2

Checklist

- Review the Anglo-Saxon Background Notes
- Complete the Quiz
- Watch *Clash of Gods: Beowulf*
- Complete the discussion questions
- Meet with Teacher

LESSON 1 | Anglo-Saxon Background

[Anglo-Saxon Background Notes](#) [Anglo-Saxon Cultural Notes](#)

[Anglo-Saxon Intro Quiz](#)

Beowulf Background

[Clash of Gods: Beowulf Questions](#)
[Clash of Gods](#)

Check In

Check in points allow Gentile to ensure students understand the material.



Gentile checks in with the students who are working remotely.

better serves students for many reasons.

“Jen did an amazing job not only revamping her course, but more importantly in implementing it. Jen holds class each Thursday from 4-7 in the Media Center and has very high expectations of her students. Any student who must join remotely is expected to do so the entire class time and are expected to participate in lectures, group work and join chat rooms as assigned.”

“Not only has the new structure of her course been instrumental in ensuring remote students are successful, but it is extremely beneficial for students who before or after class want to revisit a topic, access an external link, rewatch a video, download classroom materials, etc.,” Lonergan said. “This new structure has allowed students to roll into the class at any point in the semester and allows for 24/7 access to the course.

12 November 2020

Agenda - Google Meeting Check-In

- 30 min - Begin reading [novel](#)
 - Complete [Check-in](#) at the end of 30 Min.
- [Module 2 Lesson 3: Medieval Age](#)
 - Complete King Arthur background
 - Complete Robin Hood background
- Begin [Module 2 Lesson 4: Medieval Hero](#)
- Continue [Legacy QPA](#)

Teacher Check-In
Thursdays 4pm-7pm

Checklist

- Novel Check
 - KA BG
 - RH BG
 - ME #1

PACE
Nov. 12

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HOW TO

A more visual presentation of materials appealed to Gentile's students.

3
MODULE 2

Checklist

- Review the Medieval Background Notes
- Complete the Quiz
- Watch the backgrounds for King Arthur and Robin Hood.
- Complete the discussion questions for each.
- Meet with Teacher

LESSON 3 | Medieval Background

[Medieval Background Notes](#) [Background Quiz](#) **Check In**

King Arthur Background **Robin Hood Background**

[Worksheet](#) [Worksheet](#)

IS THERE ANY TRUTH TO THE KING ARTHUR LEGENDS?

Was Robin Hood A Real Person?

It is extremely helpful to students who are absent due to transportation issues, illness or family emergency as well. Jen has really made great strides in making education accessible to all of our students.” 🏰

Modules are designed with all necessary links provided so students can easily access the coursework.

PINKERTON'S GOLF TOURNAMENT

The 28th annual Alumni
Golf Tournament was held
on October 2, 2020 at
Passaconaway Country Club.



This year started with a little rain but ended with sunshine. Alumni from the years of 1957 through 2014 attended the event where memories were shared and made, laughter and golf occurred. Thank you to everyone who sponsored, played, and volunteered at this event!

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50/50

Our 50/50 raffle brought in \$3,060.00. When Jon King's '84 name was called as the winner, he immediately said "give it all back to the school." Jon could have taken \$1,530.00 home but his kindness, generosity and support of Pinkerton's *Campaign for Excellence* made all the players cheer for what he did.

AWARDS

FIRST PLACE: SCORE - 57

Mark Barron

Kevin Murphy

Tammie Morrione

Jimmy Tokanel

SECOND PLACE: SCORE - 60

(scorecard playoff)

Jim Gill '83

Tom Holmes

Scott King '82

Dave Nadeau

All of our signage for the tournament was provided by Ron Valentine of Quality Graphics, Inc. Mack's donated the apples, Brennan Food Vending Services donated chips and Coca-Cola of Northern New England provided drinks. *A special thank you to the committee members and volunteers who make this day possible!*



(left to right): John Mastromarino '74, Jay Mastromarino '82, John Mastromarino '78, and Ed Mottola.



Chuck Upton '90, Jamie Wood '90, Brian Coombs '87 and Ron Coombs '88.



Alex Parent '14, Ryan Coombs '12, and Jay Dunlap '14



Kevin Murphy, Mark Barron and Jimmy Tokanel '89



Travis Dalton, Ryan Lannan, Tom Lannan '77, Ryan Robinson



Barry Rogers '87



Save the date!
Our tournament will be held on
Friday, October 1, 2021
at Passaconaway!

NEW POSITIONS AND NEW HIRES AT PINKERTON ACADEMY

Dean of Pupil Services | Heather Barrieau

A member of the Pinkerton Academy faculty since 2007, Barrieau has held several positions in her tenure, most recently as Assistant Director of Special Education. The newly created Dean of Pupil Services role provides leadership, oversight, and coordination of all pupil services, specifically the School Counseling and Special Education Departments and their related services such as Section 504 and English Language Learners. Barrieau will ensure the compliance of Pinkerton Academy with state and federal laws and support the departments in the development and implementation of new policies and procedures.

Barrieau says the dean position, which she took on in July, combines her two professional passions, special education and counseling, and allows her to support students and staff in both departments.

"I strongly believe all students should have access to a supportive but challenging educational experience that allows them to maximize their success," said Barrieau. "I am looking forward to the opportunity to improve the social, emotional, and academic development of all students."



Heather Barrieau

"Most of my time is spent working on prevention strategies, looking to prevent an incident before it ever occurs," Kester said. "This is done by forming relationships within our community with staff and students. It's about outreach and assisting school counselors and administration with behavioral interventions. Checking bad behavior that, if left unchecked, could develop into a violent outburst. This involves relationships with not only PA students and staff, but with local resources as well such as the Upper Room, Center for Life Management, and local Police and Fire Departments."

Director of Health Services | Nora Portnoy

Before starting at Pinkerton Academy in March, Portnoy was a Nursing Supervisor and Educator at Concord Hospital. She says she was first interested in making a move to a school setting after working as a substitute nurse for a short time. She found she enjoyed the middle and high school ages, and she wanted to see what opportunities were available as she grew in leadership and administrative roles at the hospitals. She sees her role at Pinkerton as combining some of her skill sets.



Nora Portnoy

"I really saw myself continuing along that path of leadership while wanting to keep my clinical and nursing skills fresh and relevant, too," Portnoy said. "This position was attractive because it encompassed both school nursing and leadership. It allows me to use my clinical judgment, nursing skill sets, and my leadership skills."

Portnoy started as Director of Health Services at Pinkerton just as the impact of the pandemic was starting to be felt. Her first day was on a Wednesday, and that Saturday the governor issued the emergency order that moved schools to remote learning in the spring. Under her leadership the health office has expertly responded to the constant challenges of the pandemic.

School Marshal | Eric Kester

As part of continued measures to put proactive security measures into place and under the guidance of Governor Sununu's 2018 School Safety Task Force, Pinkerton Academy has hired Eric Kester as its first school marshal. Kester, a recently retired member of the Derry Police Department with over 20 years of law enforcement experience, took on the new position in March. He oversees the Security Department and, in many ways, acts like a school resource officer. The school marshal, however, is an employee of the school, and Kester has worked to connect himself to the Pinkerton Academy community.



Eric Kester

For Kester, most of the job is prevention, and he knows the relationships he builds will enable him to better protect Pinkerton.

Fresh Faces

This year 25 new employees began careers at Pinkerton Academy. Welcome!



*Rebecca Benyik
Computer Applications*



*Celia Botto
Case Coordinator*



*Savannah Bynum
Spanish Teacher*



*Maryann Canary, Health Science
Technology Instructor*



*Janet Caron
English Teacher*



*Cole Carter
Social Studies Teacher*



*Donald Crooker
Case Coordinator*



*Rebecca Cunningham
Concussion Room*



*Judith Evans, Main Office
Administrative Assistant*



*Christine Foley
Paraeducator*



*Alan Foscitt
Automotive Teacher*



*Meaghan Gadbois
Math Teacher*



*Hallie Geldermann
Nurse*



*Sydney Graves
School Counselor*



*Jessica Lapsley
PASSES English Teacher*



*Kayla Morel
Case Coordinator*



*Kristine Moulton, Senior Office
Administrative Assistant*



*Lindsay Prudhomme
Social Worker*



*Amber Skach
Health Teacher*



*Michael Slavin
Computer Programming Instructor*



*Delilah Smith
Assistant CTE Director*



*James Smith
Paraeducator*



*Stephen Spry
Spanish Teacher*



*Katherine Wachel
Speech Language Pathologist*



*Zachary Zamenski
French Teacher*

A LETTER *from the* HEADMASTER

Dear Pinkerton Academy Community,

Years from now the history books will give an account of these times and how they ultimately impacted our society. At the Academy, the COVID-19 pandemic has changed the way in which we teach, but we have continued to maintain our high standards and provide a consistent educational experience for our students as best as possible during these times

While incorporating the most current best practices, we also continue to rely on the tradition of excellence that has prepared our graduates for success for over 200 years. Throughout this fall, there have been many successes and challenges to reopening school during the pandemic. Some of our biggest successes have been seeing the faculty/staff interact with the students on a daily basis. Whether it has been in a remote classroom or in-person, the interaction and learning that have occurred are great to see.

While we know the experience for our students is not the same as in prior years, we continue to strive to provide the opportunities each student needs to have a positive high school experience, whether it is transitioning to high school or preparing for the next step after graduation. This year that charge has been more challenging, but also more important, than ever.

When the pandemic is over, I am confident that Pinkerton Academy will be an even stronger school. The pandemic has reaffirmed our core values and beliefs while showing us that our student-centered mission needs to continue to evolve. Our students have grown and changed over time, and we will continue to grow and change as well to provide the best education possible. When this is over, the efforts we made in this transition will not allow us to revert to where we were before the pandemic. Our transition will lead us to utilize what we have learned, strengthening our classrooms and experiences for our students.

We thank our extended Pinkerton Academy community for the unwavering support you have offered and look forward to the day we can all be back on campus together.

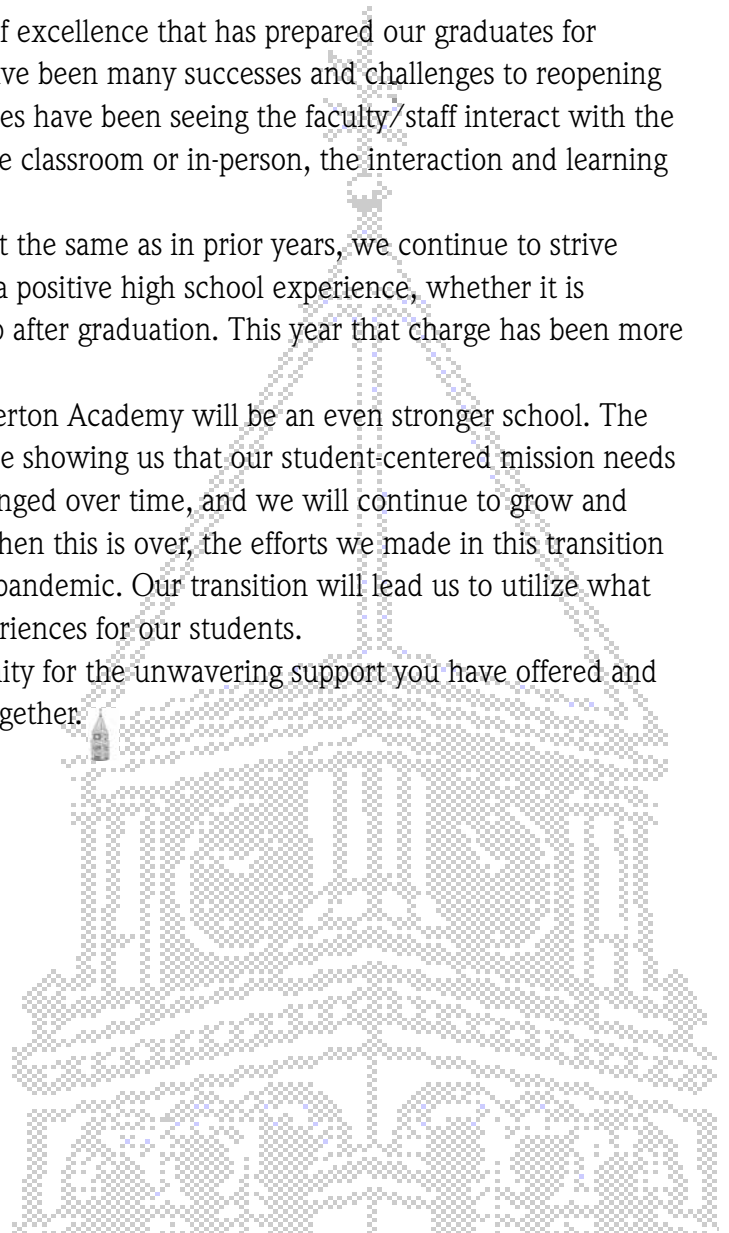
Respectfully,



Dr. Timothy J. Powers
Headmaster
Pinkerton Academy



Dr. Powers checks in with a student to see how he's navigating remote learning.



CLASS NEWS

FALL 2020

—1943—

Melvin L. Page died on May 1, 2020. He graduated from Pinkerton in 1943, during which time he played piano and organ for chapels and in the jazz band. He joined the US Navy after graduation, and served as a dental corpsman during WWII, after which he attended Marquette University and graduated from the Chicago College of Chiropractic, which later became the Illinois College of Podiatric Medicine. He practiced podiatry for 35 years in La Crosse, Wisconsin. An accomplished musician, in retirement he remained active in his church as well as singing, performing, and composing music, studying hymnology, and engaging in volunteerism, serving his community through the local Mobile Meals program and playing at local nursing homes including the one at which he later became a resident. He is survived by his wife of 74 years, Marian, two daughters, three grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren. Originally from Chester, he spoke proudly of his connection with Pinkerton Academy throughout his life. Dr. Page was 95 years old.

—1944—

Geraldine (Stannard) Gerry passed away on May 14, 2019. She was the valedictorian and on the first undefeated girls basketball team.

—1945—

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—1953—

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Apologetically a correction regarding the passing of **Phyllis Verge Bergeron**. In talking with **Ray Bergeron** this summer, we realized Phyllis passed as a result of a fast developing cancer, rather than long term disease as we reported. Also, sincere condolences to classmate and friend **Powell Allen**. His wife, **Naomi Milne Allen** Class of 1956 passed away in December 2019. This spring I received a call from **Janette Tinkham Post '54** Tel 352-694-5800. Janette is the sister of our classmate **John Tinkham '53**, who left PA before graduation to join the military. Janette is the second "PA 54" call I have received asking about "PA 54" class correspondents. Appears there is an interest in news and classmate contact. Hopefully some networking will accomplish good things. Brief story that involves John Tinkham. In the spring of 52 or 53 on a sunny late May weekday, myself and others (3 carloads) enjoyed a day out of school and a trip to the White Mountains. John Tinkham drove his car and two others drove theirs. I only had gas money (.22 cents a gallon). What a great day! Some of the 14 or so may still remember. I'm not squealing, but other drivers' initials were B.T. and Larry. "Go Green and White." Other memories come to mind. A letter to the editor in the Manchester *Union Leader*; thanked Mack's Orchards in Londonderry for supplying warehouse space to unpackage, sort and distribute some of this year's Girl Scout Cookies!! A good deed and a smiler maker. Mack's Orchard brings memories of working at farms in the forties and fifties. Anyone recall good, bad learning times of harvesting berries, veggies and fruit? Growing up, beginning at our 4th or 5th grade years, many local farms paid us youngsters to take foods from "Ma Nature" to the market. Locally I remember Mack's, Woodmont, Sunnycrest Farm, Parmenter's, Elwood's, Hardy's and others I'm sure. Some of us had the chores and learning experience of the "Victory Gardens" at home during WWII. Once picking apples at Woodmont's, my ladder slipped from one tree to another creating a half bushel of "drops" instead of "Grade A" fruit (not good!!). I remember a boss at Parameter's saying "hey! Go easy on those beans. Those blossoms you're crushing will be beans in three weeks!" A man I knew, John D., worked in the Chelmsford shoe factory on South Ave in Derry. With his 6'3" height and long arms he would stop working at peak apple picking season and earn more money picking apples than he could at his year round job in the early 1950's. For us kids working all day at the orchard or garden required bringing a lunch. So at noon we would rest, eat and have fun. Classmate **Norm Germaine**, in the fall of 1944 (5th grade) jumped from one garage roof to another (having fun at noon). His leg injury found him wearing a cast for 6 months or more. But boy, could he move on those crutches! Anyone want to share stories and/or memories of things we P.A. kids experienced back when? Well, then say something! Going down town? Don't forget your face covering or medical mask. Be safe, be well. Telly

A note from Janet — Dear Classmates, spring and summer have passed, seasons we New Englanders look forward to. But it came with a challenge called COVID-19. I am praying that the virus will have lessened by the time you receive this edition. To me it is as if we are living in an episode of "The Twilight Zone." A bizarre television series written by Rod Serling back in the sixties. He was a genius story teller. This could have been one of his stories.

Being confined to our homes- shopping only for necessities- police presence- wearing masks and gloves-keeping six feet apart- seniors at risk- businesses closed- restaurants-take-out only. If any of you remember the series, his shows did not end well. I am hoping we will fare better.

On March 30th a news station captured the arrival of the

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USNS medical ship "comfort." In the background was the statue of Lady Liberty in New York Harbor. That ship was pristine. It was a brilliant white with a vibrant red cross medical emblem on the sides and breathtaking to see. If you had lost some of your patriotism, this surely would restore it. I'm glad I did not throw out my cookbooks. Wished I lived closer to **Virginia Verge Nelson** "class of 49" because she has every spice ever made! No excuse not to get spring cleaning done. Miss seeing people and going to lunch, but will make up for it when this subsides. Don't watch the news constantly only to get the basics. The situation is not good, but I don't like how some newscasters sensationalize everything. Growing up, back in the thirties and the forties, I remember my father having a huge garden. My mother canned vegetables, blueberries, peaches and stored carrots and potatoes in the cellar. We did not have to run to a store for much. Milk was delivered. My mother cooked on a wood stove and to this day I marvel at how she could keep an even temperature to cook everything. We had roosters and hens, so we had a supply of eggs at hand. The Sunday dinner entree usually was one of those fowl spared only if it could run faster than my father! But, alas, there was always a next Sunday. Our wish to all of you is to have a wonderful holiday season. Please stay well and think good thoughts. *Janet, Telly & Bob*

—1954—

Correspondent Needed

—1955—

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Classmates & Friends,

Well, guys, Fall is here. The leaves are getting bright colors, but also dropping with the winds we have been having. Where did summer go? It seemed to fly by especially fast this year. Probably because we have still been in quarantine since March. Today is October 1st! Everywhere you go these days you see pumpkins, scarecrows, and mums appearing in neighborhoods all around.

I have one bit of sad news. **Arthur E. Reynolds** passed away on August 26, 2020. Arthur served our country in the Army National Guard. He also served on the East Derry Fire Dept, where he became Chief, until he retired in 1993. Her later owned and operated A.E. Reynolds Tree Service. Arthur and his wife Joan (Higgins) Reynolds retired in Bradford NH, our condolences are sent to Joan & family. We are very sorry for your loss.

I just got a call from **Bob Zames**. His cousin and our lovely classmate **Priscilla Cote Aquino** passed away last night, September 30th, 2020. Priscilla was living in Florida. I don't know much other than she had some health issues and gave up living alone and was living with her daughter. Our condolences go out to her daughter and the rest of her family and friends.

I spoke with **Claradell Gard Anderson** a couple of weeks ago. She and **Fred (Andy) Anderson** are back here from Florida. They have a home in Epsom, NH. They are doing well. Also spoke with **Patricia Fling Henderson**. She has taken up a new hobby. She is enjoying gardening. She has planted flower beds at her home in Fl. Pat always said, "I am not good with flowers. I could kill fake silk ones. You go girl!" I'm so proud of you!!!!!! We were sorry to postpone our 65th reunion, but it was obvious we had no choice. We are hoping to start planning for it in the spring. Also hoping to be able to have it at The Astro Cafe (at Pinkerton). It is a nice close drive, plus more affordable for many of us. You should be receiving this in November. Wishing you very healthy and safe Holidays.

May your Christmas be Merry and your New Year be Happy!
Hope to see u'all at our 65th reunion next year. Until then, be safe, healthy & happy. Please let me hear from you. That's it for now!!!!!!
EVERY DAY IS TRULY A PRECIOUS GIFT!
Your friend & Classmate, *Pauline*

—1956—

Ed Holm, Jr.

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First and foremost, **Bob Bettez** and **Janet Horsfall Bettez** are not getting divorced. In the last *Alumnus* I tried to connect Bob and Janet having to quarantine for 14 days, causing them to divorce, as a joke, unfortunately 3 or 4 classmates took it serious. Bob and Janet will be celebrating their 65th wedding anniversary this Spring. I hope no one else misinterpreted my attempt to make a joke. Bob and Janet are not returning to Florida this Winter. They are selling their mobile home in Bonita Springs, Florida. They will have to suffer with the rest of us Snow Bunnies.

Received the following from our President **John Goyette** Dear Classmates: We hope you are well in these difficult, "uncertain" times. We all remember World War 2, and how we made sacrifices for the good of every American. Please wear masks, maintain distances from the infectious little droplets that hang in the air, and wash and sanitize those hands. We continue to have faith that we will celebrate our 65th reunion in 2021. Our thoughts are that it will occur in either late August or early September, and the time of day will be afternoon. In addition we promise that it will be a very special occasion worth waiting for. So pencil your 2021 calendars. Meanwhile, please let Ed know about happenings in your lives. It keeps us all together.

Received a telephone call from **Mary Burnham Perry** in Florida. She would like to get in touch with **Doris Bourassa (O'Connell?)**. If anyone knows her whereabouts, call or email me. Will pass on the information.

It is Fall in New Hampshire and it is my favorite season. Played golf this morning with the temperature about 60 degrees at Hoodcroft Golf Course. Soon the course will be surrounded with a blaze of color. Derry is very fortunate to have this gem in the middle of town, thanks to the Hood family. Many will remember cows crossing East Broadway to pasture on what is now the Hoodcroft Golf Course and returning to be milked in the afternoon. Recently our financial/reunion committee voted to reduce our class funds to \$1000 and donate the remainder to Pinkerton's Open Space and Opening Minds Capital Campaign. Classmates can access the campaign by going to Pinkerton's website, clicking on the Alumni link and then Giving Opportunities. This campaign is a combination of academics and athletics. This will leave \$1000 which should subsidize our 2021 reunion.

Pres. Goyette received a letter of appreciation from Dr. Timothy Butterfield, PA Trustee. It thanked our Class of 1956 for our gift of \$2558 to the *Open Space, Opening Minds Campaign*. It went on to say, that Pinkerton is widely recognized as a leader in over 60 co-and-extra-curricular activities, including NHIAA sports. That our support will help Pinkerton continue that leadership. It thanked us for our generous donation.

Our class fund was initiated by Pres. Goyette to raise \$1000 for a granite bench for school grounds in 2006. Classmates contributed approximately \$4000 which left \$3000 for other donations to Pinkerton. Over the years we have donated to many Pinkerton clubs and organizations and partially subsidized our last three reunions. We received excellent investment returns due to investing our excess funds with the Pinkerton Investment Portfolio.

Hope everyone has been able to be COVID free. *Ed Holm*

**Lost your yearbook or need to replace it?
Limited yearbooks available. \$50 includes
yearbook and postage.
Email msojka@pinkertonacademy.org.**

—1957—

Nancy Dick Scott passed away on June 9, 2020.

—1958—

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Sandra Manning Lessard sent a letter to me regarding their 2018 post reunion trip back home to Arkansas which was submitted in the previous *Alumnus* issue. I reported her name incorrectly, sorry that happened Sandy!

Sandra B. Creech sent a note saying she “is not in the line of Fire” with those California fires but a haze in the sky exists with calm winds. In other news from me and mine. My younger daughter Kristin donated a kidney to her husband Sean (he has polycystic kidney disease, hereditary) on Sept. 14. She came home from the hospital the next day and he on that Thursday. Both are doing well. Phew! He is even cleared to drive! She is driving already. Lots of prayers attended those surgeries and very good surgeons. I hope everyone is well and cheerful as you can be despite the virus and other issues tearing at our beloved country. *Sandy*

It appears the Pinkerton Finance Committee and Board are requesting a change in the monitoring and holdings of our class funds as well as all class funds. As I understand after five years or a fifth reunion sequence, each class will have to relinquish the balance of class funds to the Academy in some manner. Our class (1958) as of September 23, 2020 has a balance of \$2,829.37 in our treasury. At our next reunion in 2023 whatever balance remains after reunion expenses etc, must be released or gifted to Pinkerton Academy. Being a past class treasurer with no real guidelines for me to follow at that time and realizing the PA finance committee has looked after our funds for some 64 years, I can understand the need for restructuring of those monies. Since all 1958 classmates are in the twilight of our lives, I suggest the extinguishing of the class funds account anyways. We have plenty of time to determine how we use those funds, so let's all plan on a great time! I am certain Brad would welcome any comments or ideas.

Take care and be safe, *Wayne Ross '58*

—1959—

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Hello to all classmates! Who would have believed that we would be in the world as it is today? No, I am not talking politically; that is a subject not to be discussed. COVID-19 and all the ramifications on life in general. Ann and I have been staying pretty much to ourselves and have very few interactions with other human beings. I am glad that we enjoy each other. I hope that you are staying safe and coping with the world around us.

However, on September 27th, we did “run-away” and drove north to see the foliage. We went as far as Dixville Notch and Colebrook. We both commented that we had never seen such a complete display of color. It was amazing!

For those of you that do not enjoy cutting down trees to make paper, please consider visiting the Pinkerton Academy website and reading the *Alumnus* online. Please be sure to contact Meagan Sojka at 603-437-5200 x1101 and tell her your preference to not receive a paper copy of the *Alumnus*.

I have sad news to report. Ronald T. Smith of Winchester, VA passed away on November 8, 2020. A graveside service will be conducted later at Arlington National Cemetery. The members of the class of 1959 extend their thoughts and prayers to Ron's family.

Harry Stephen Wood has moved from Sanbornville to Rochester, NH. He sends his best wishes to all classmates.

“Greetings to all, Class of 1959. It has been a challenging year dealing with Covid-19, hot weather, politics, climate change, and staying well. Kay and I are well, as we “jump” into the 80's. We have had contacts with Roger Beliveau, Bob Hilliard, Joe Plaza, Bob & Yolande Klein, Don Carey, and Ken McCann. One of the highlights of the year was seeing our grandson, Owen Sezgin, graduate from Pinkerton Academy and our granddaughter, Ava Sezgin, complete her freshman year at PA.

Our best to everyone and please stay well!” Ray & Kay Vercoe
Thank you, Ray, for the update.

“Hi All, Have been reflecting on last year's Class Reunion and even though we had lots of time together to do minimal “catch-up”, I wish I could be spending time with more of you individually and with friends and family again in the beautiful NH setting.

I see that NH folk have been looking out for one another's safety according to stat numbers and perhaps is one of the safest places to be right now. I'm not secure yet about flying and cannot find a safe and comfortable place within even an 8 hour drive to vacation with the fires and unhealthy air quality in the Western states. I did travel away from home last year for over ten weeks. A number of those weeks visiting several countries. Staying healthy and enjoying beautiful travels on my TV big screen on YouTube is one way I relax and helps satisfy my wanderlust a little.

Having been in the teaching field, I find myself evaluating and helping in a small way my 8- year-old granddaughter's facetime distant learning as well as my daughter-in-law's assistance on line with autistic students. I am impressed and amazed with the programs from 8 until 2:30 (not quiet around here) especially with transition to all subject areas and accountability. Like many, I am keeping busy and sane with projects that were tucked away as we preferred to socialize rather than isolate with home projects. I am looking forward to that time again. Until then, hugs all around!” *Carolyn Fullerton Stamey*

We are glad that you and your family are doing well and staying safe. The way things are looking currently, Ann and I will not be going to the races in February in Las Vegas as we had expected.

I received the following from Bob Klein “We had been going to Bar Harbor for a couple months in the summer and Florida for the winter, but that has been put on hold until the pandemic is over. Hope it's soon, at this age, well you know!! Still living in Windham but taking care of the property is getting more than we can handle. Daughter, Johanna teaches in York, ME, easy for us to get together. Son, Dana works for Boeing in Washington state, not so easy. We gave up skiing a few years ago, a cracked rib* made that clear. *Witnessed by Ray Vercoe. Thanks, Ray, for helping me. Stay well and good luck to our classmates.” *Bob & Yolande*
Bob and Yolande, thank you for the news and stay away from the slopes.

Dick Low wrote “I sincerely wish that I had made it to our recent class reunion. I would have enjoyed the good times that the planners had worked to prepare for our enjoyment. I hope not to make that mistake in the future. I do enjoy an occasional email or phone call from Connie, Bob Garland, and Joe Stowers, and no, we don't just talk about our illnesses or favorite restaurants! Love and good health to you all”.

I have the following from Thelma Eaton Furr “On March 7th I left to visit my son Dale and his family in southern California. I was supposed to be there for three weeks. Well just a few days after I arrived California pretty much shut down. I was not able to return home until the end of April. We had one outing while I was out there and that was either the day after I arrived or the second day. We went up into the mountains that are just north and east of San Diego. I never expected to run into snow and ice in southern California, but we did. The whole month of March was chilly and rainy. When Dale was able to reschedule a flight

for me there was a slight charge due. Dale had to use his credit card to pay the \$.10 due. Yes, I mean ten cents. All in all, I had a great visit. When I got back to Indiana, I did self-quarantine for two weeks. Usually I spend a week on Peaks Island, Maine in the summer. Because of Covid-19 that was not possible. The realty company we have worked with for the past 24 years was not doing any short-term rentals. I still went east though. I spent a month in New Hampshire with my daughter in Auburn. We did go down to Peaks Island for just one day at least. We did some other wandering around doing memory lane things. We followed all the safe protocols that were expected, but I did get to visit with family members. My daughter, Noel, came up from Virginia for a while. It was her first time out of the state since March. She loves old historic hotels, so she had made reservations for us at the Mount Washington hotel for three days and two nights. It was really nice. I would love to visit there again when things are back to normal. On our way back to Auburn traffic on the highway was almost at a standstill for some reason. This was just north of Concord. We decided to exit when we were able and take back roads. We ended up having lunch in a little restaurant in Contoocook. I thought of you and Ann and wondered just how far we were from you. I purposely did not contact any of my classmates as I did not want to make anyone uncomfortable because of this virus. Hopefully, things will be better next year." Thank you, Thelma, for sharing your summer and spring activities. It sounds to me that you had a busy time.

I want to give a shout out to **Connie Sutton Bell** and thank her for all of her "Saturday's Thoughts" that she posts on her Facebook page. It is so nice to start off each week with her inspirations. Thank you!

If any of you have contact information for **Anita Garrett Handren, Patty Akins, Ron Smith**, or **John Sullivan**, please contact Roger or me. Thank you.

We hope that your memories of the class of 1959 are good ones, and we want to hear how you are today. Each of you is an important part of our class. Please "keep in touch." Thank you all! Stay safe. *Dick West*

—1960—

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I am amazed at how time flies. It's already time for the Fall/Winter issue of the *Alumnus*. I heard from **Kenny Strino**. He checks in, every once-in-a-while, to let Gail and I know he appreciates our columns and keeping him in touch with what is going on. The only trouble is that, if we don't hear from anyone, there isn't much to say except that we are still kicking it through all the virus and stuff going on. Hopefully, things will be getting back to normal this next year. I know that there are a lot of our Classmates out there as the Christmas cards are mostly delivered. A few come back but not too many. It's getting to that time of the year again and I will have to contact the Center for the mailing labels. If there are any changes, please notify them so I will have correct ones in case you moved. I have been wondering how **Wayne Hatch** is doing with the fires out West and how **George Piper** is doing in Texas. I know **Elizabeth Morrill** had damage from one of the storms as I saw photos on Facebook.

I got this message from **Donald Doc Jones** after begging for some info. "OK This Don I set home and play games and then go to the casino. Between Judy and I we do OK. My sister Sylvia is the big winner. My son is a father for the 7th time yesterday. I will have my second great grandson in Jan. Hope we can get together next year. Hope you all are doing ok. How is my catcher doing

Rusty. Talk to you later. Judy and I renewed our vows 25 year."

I guess this is all I am going to hear from at this time. I was wondering how you are dealing with the virus. I am hanging in there without going too many places. Until the next time I talk to you, I wish you all the best and keep safe and healthy.

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Received the following from **Wayne (Cappy) Smith** shortly after the latest issue of the alumni magazine, sent from his iPad. His e-mail address is wsmith05@rochester.rr.com. "Hi Sue, I have enjoyed your writing in the Pinkerton *Alumnus* over the years. I hope all is well with you and thank you. My status is retired like everyone else in our class and living the dream. Happily married since 1968. 38 years at Xerox; 22 years US Army active + reserve; 1 deployment to Korea in 1967; 3 sons, 6 grandchildren. I would hope to swing by Portsmouth when this virus struggle is behind us and say hello. For now, I will keep washing my hands frequently and do what I can to stay positive. Best regards, Cappy Smith"

Just after the alumni magazine came out in July I received a call from **Rita Olesen**, wife of classmate **William Olesen**. Bill passed on 14 February 2020, in Phoenix, AZ. Rita said that Bill did 6 years with the US Navy; that they had traveled to every state by motorcycle and motor home, and that they had had a good life. She is now living at 69 Stonehenge Rd, Londonderry, NH 03053. Rita also asked that she continue receiving the alumni magazine – I did pass that request along to the alumni office.

Received the following from class President **Rich Misiaszek** in response to an e-mail I had sent him regarding our class funds and Pinkerton's newest policy RE: same.

"Hi Sue nice to hear from you. No, I have not done anything about the funds. I live in Florida now so I am not planning on organizing the next reunion but if someone wants to do it I'm sure I will try to attend. I will do whatever I can to help if someone decides they want to do it. My wife **Linda** (1963) and I live in the Villages along with many PA Grads. I golf and play pickleball with **Dave Buffum** most every day. My daughter lives in FL and is moving to the Villages next year. I still have two sons that live in NH, so we do get up there a few times a year. I have 5 granddaughters which are all doing well. My address is 1910 Rosario Road, Lady Lake, FL. 32159 Tel # 603 717 1161. E-mail is richlin1963@gmail.com. Please keep me informed and thanks for doing the *Alumnus*. *Dick*"

In regards to a 60th class reunion in 2022: I have received absolutely NO feedback from class members regarding having a reunion, so I must assume that means nobody is interested in having one. Three people have said that – if there is a reunion, they will try to attend (but they're in CA, FL & NY) – but nobody has stepped up to volunteer to help in planning one. C'mon People – I know you're out there!! Please respond!!!

Meanwhile, I do hope you are all well and staying safe. And if that means wearing a face mask -as much a nuisance as that is – I hope you are wearing the masks and washing hands, etc., frequently and staying safe. This pandemic is bad, but if we all do our part we will survive and come out ahead. Unfortunately, as climate change continues, everything I'm reading, says this is not going to be the last pandemic to happen!! Stay safe, be well. *Sue*

—1963—

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I was pleasantly surprised when I received a call from Priscilla Lund Davis of Lawton, OK. In September of 2019 Priscilla was involved in a serious traffic accident which resulted in a broken neck. At the time of her call (in August of 2020) she was waking without a Rollator. She said life in Lawton was pretty quiet. Lawton at that time was the safest area in OK although they had more cases of COVID than any other city they also had more recoveries and less deaths. She attended college for one year but said it just wasn't for her. She has worked at a wholesale drug warehouse, at a riding stable; giving riding lessons and caring for the horses and leading trail rides. She cared for her Mother at a nursing home and helped at her daughter and son-in-laws. She has three children (Girl-Boy-Girl) and lives with one of the girls and her son-in-law with her husband, a 20 year Veteran. Her Grandchildren are Heather, Eric, Robert, and Shannon and she has four Great Grandchildren Aberdeen, Emily, Aileron (sp?) and AJ. Nice to hear from you, Priscilla.

In July, I also received a letter from Billie Jean Patnaude Bernier: "Every time I receive the *Alumnus*, I complain. Wil says, Well! So decided I would write. When I saw the beginning of the Years was 1945, the year most of us were born, I start to reflect. My sister, Arline, graduated in that class and Gladys was one of her best friends. My condolences to Gladys' family. My last brother (Scott, Class of 1958) just died in December. I'm the last of nine and we all graduated from Pinkerton. Wil and I have four children, nine grandchildren and seven great grandchildren. We live between Londonderry and Barefoot Bay, Florida. We enjoy traveling and had a trip planned to go to Oberammergau, Germany next month, but of course, that was cancelled. Wil works for Enterprise and I volunteer at Caregivers in Londonderry. Stay Safe. My best to all. *Billie J. Patnaude*"

Billie Jean, Wil, Gaye Merewether Yanuszewski and I attended a Memorial Bench Dedication Ceremony honoring Brian Thacker as a US Army and Congressional Medal of Honor Recipient from the Class of 1963 held on November 14th on the Rail Trail in Derry. It was a very nice dedication ceremony sponsored by the American Legion, the VFW and the Halcyon Club. (Billie Jean and Wil were not planning to go to Florida this year at that point. And it was pretty cold that day!)

—1964—

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Rick Perry - Since our last reunion we've been blessed with a great grandson and a great-granddaughter. The grandfather is our son Mike Perry class of 1990 who is currently stationed in So. Korea. Due to the pandemic we've not been able to travel to see them. We still live in Derry and I enjoy working in my flower garden. Otherwise all is well in the Perry family.

Kappy Mills Kelly - First thank you Richard for encouraging us to write and being our correspondent, your dear mother Marion would be so pleased.

So Hi from Bainbridge Island, WA. Tom (my dear husband from Manchester) and I were in Tucson when COVID came crashing in and we thought stay in Tucson, our sunny place. So I applied myself to the COVID challenge by hunkering down with extras lattes, embracing the latest fashion trends (velour pant suits -available on Amazon), doing my own Getty Museum challenge (a painting we have of a babushka with a cow), dancing a lot, reading, making cards, praying, walking more with Tom and running less. I was missing my volunteering. After a few weeks of being homebound, I woke up one morning with my hair standing straight up so I put on my bright turquoise velour top with

silver ornaments and FaceTimed a classmate, Yup Susie Tsetsilas. We laughed so hard. Eventually we did have to evacuate to Washington since my eye doctor in Tucson was not seeing patients, unless an emergency. So when the fires came to Tucson we thought, so glad we are not there. Brilliant right? But who would have known all that would unfold over these last 6 months especially in our Seattle area. All that to say we are so thankful and blessed to all be healthy and to use this time to reconnect with family, friends, classmates and bless our neighbors as we go through these unprecedented times. So I cannot end without saying my heart truly grieves with our fellow black Americans for all that they have been through for centuries and confess my ignorance until a few years ago to the depths of the pain and in justice they experienced even up to present times. But I know even one person caring and giving hope to another along our daily path makes a real difference. So I really look forward to reconnecting with many of you and seeing how you are doing. You can find me on FB, Kathy Kelley, and messenger me if you are coming our way so we can possibly meet up. Seattle is only 35 minutes away on the ferry. Bless you all.

Dave Graham - I hope you are all well, as of today I am alive. Jane and I spent the last three months at our camp on Toothacher Island in Rangley, Maine. (Yes, Dave is alive contrary to the report of his demise in the last *Alumnus*.)

I also heard from Marion Dutra in California wine country that she has so far survived this year's fires unscathed.

As always it's nice to hear from any of our classmates and especially those we haven't heard from recently. Keep those emails coming! Stay safe and well.

In the spring 2020 edition David A. Graham '64 was mistakenly listed in the "In Memoriam" section of the magazine. We deeply regret this error, and we sincerely apologize to David, his family, and his friends.

—1965—

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While it is now cliché, it's fair to say everything looks different this year. However, traditions at Pinkerton Academy live on. The Senior Cass hosted two socially-distanced Freshman Receptions after school under the tents to welcome the Class of 2024.



FRESHMAN RECEPTION IN THE TIME OF COVID-19

Newly elected freshman officers donned the traditional hats made by their senior counterparts and enjoyed meeting members of the administration.



Class of 2024 advisers Mr. Torro and Mr. Plante.



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If you have questions about the campaign or your gift, please contact us: giving@pinkertonacademy.org 603-437-5200 ext. 5140.

Hello classmates, the only news I have is that I received a wonderful phone call from **Doug Stetson** & his wife Brenda. Doug had lost his yearbook, and asked me if there were any extras out there. I gave him the Alumni Office email to contact. I had an extra years ago but used it as photo-name tags to be worn for reunions. It was so nice to hear from him. He sends his regards to all our classmates. Also received a call from **Marcia Miller Peterson** that same weekend. **Judi Chase Kilham** came for dinner just before we left NH for FL. Hope all are happy and well amidst this Covid 19 ordeal. By the time this gets in the *Alumnus*, Bob and I will be back in Florida after enjoying summer in our beloved Granite State. Be safe & happy all. God Bless and Happy - Healthy New 2021 Year.
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—1970—

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—1972—

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Hi everyone, I am happy to report that we've heard from several additional classmates. Yeah! I can't help but wonder if the Zoom meeting that I attended with the *Alumnus* office helped. There were a few helpful hints from other class correspondents --- OK so I chose guilt—which WAS a top recommendation! But not the top one. Glad to know that it worked—well in at least one case but more importantly, thank you classmates for the updates. It is really nice to hear from friends from long ago and now if you aren't on FB you have new information to reconnect.

Erin Cassel-Bruen wrote It was so nice to get my *Alumnus* and find you as our new correspondent! Thank you for taking on that job for us. I thank Nancy and Don also for all their years of keeping us up to date. I can tell you will be great at this! I was so saddened to hear of **Nancy Caton's** and **Rosemary Carchide's** passing! I remember them dearly. I don't know if I've ever written in the *Alumnus*, maybe one time, can't remember (Does anyone else have that problem??!!). So I figure it's high time I did. I was married, divorced, re-married and had 5 children by the time I was 29! That was a crazy decade! Lots of time passes and now my husband Casey and I live in NC where 3 of my children and 3 of my grandkids live (others' live in GA and the other in FL). I still come up to NH to visit/care for my parents, a few times a year. The rest of my time I spend gardening and doing volunteer work. I'd love to hear from any classmates – e-mail: C-ebrien@hotmail.com. Full disclosure... I did not pay her to say that!

Michael Pelletier wrote that he and Carol (Blake) are retired. Sadly he reported that they lost Carol's father in May; on behalf of our class, our condolences to you both. This summer they were busy camping, spending time with grandkids and watching their games, along with fixing up their house. They are looking forward to our 50th reunion—and since the planning is getting started hope that any classmates who want to share suggestions/ideas to please make them known. Lastly, they hope that everyone stays safe.

Bruce Gurley kindly replied to my pleas for information and wrote that he saw my request and guilt worked! He is still living in Derry and retired 5 years ago from sales in the graphic arts/printing business. He has 2 sons Ken 41, Craig 29, 2 wonderful granddaughters Nona 5 and Willa 7. Still enjoy fishing, hunting, golf, racquetball and occasional trips to the casinos. He also enjoys spending time at his camp on Merrymeeting Lake and has been

a member of the Derry Rotary Club for 36 years. It sounds like he truly is keeping busy. Like others, he hopes everyone is well. Thank You Bruce for the update... but I am sure that NO-ONE will be surprised to hear that you are still an avid sportsman. But I wonder... do you still get up in the wee hours of the morning to fish...in the rain?

Bruce provided his email: Email-bgurley11252@gmail.com He also said he'd be interested in attending a class reunion and suggested that maybe a combined one with the class of 1971 would create more interest. Great input; thank you Bruce.

Karen Cann wrote to say that she was not ignoring my pleadings for updates but wanted to wait to give you a brand new move update. As much as I enjoyed my time before leaving Alaska in "retirement" working (playing) at Moose Run golf course; America's northernmost 36 hole facility. And, after spending almost a year in Salem, Oregon, I am moving to New Mexico. I accepted an appointment as the Deputy Secretary for the Department of Corrections beginning November 1st. My golf game will surely suffer but I look forward to the challenge ahead...I believe it keeps me young...or crazy, I am not sure which!

Well Karen, if we aren't crazy by now... keep trying. You always enjoyed a challenge—best of luck!

Rick Cushman wrote to share that for the last ten years he has been retired after 32 years of teaching. He moved to North Carolina but his two boys ages 33 and 30 still live in NH. To keep busy when he isn't dodging hurricanes, he buys homes to flip or rent. I hope this hurricane season didn't help with the flipping and you were safe. He enjoys playing softball and stays fit running and working out daily...though at a senior citizen pace. Lastly, he wishes everyone well and does miss the PA days and has many fond memories.

Rick Driscoll wrote to tell us what's been happening with him. He was married in 2017 to his wonderful wife Kim. Unfortunately Kim was diagnosed with cancer in 2019 but he said that she is still in recovery mode with chemo side effects and chronic pain. Cancer is a terrible thing. He wrote that Kim asked him to reinstate his business when she was diagnosed because she knew he loved to help people. So to honor her request he did exactly what she asked. He is working as the CEO of Executive Connection LLC and has met with NH legislators and senior executives including The NH Hospital Association. "Who says it is time to retire, I am having too much fun, plus my lovely wife Kim asked me to help others and that is exactly what I am going to do".

We wish Kim continued improvement in her recovery and success in the new business endeavor. If you'd like to reach out to Rick his number is (603) 845-7479.

Kathy (Manning) Vachon wrote to say she retired this past summer from Vachon, Clukay & Company PC, a firm her husband founded in 1982. They were looking forward to traveling but have postponed that idea until things begin to normalize. I hope that both things come true... some normalization and travel.

Thanks everyone for taking the time to let us know about your life. The recurring theme from everyone is to please be safe and stay healthy. If you'd like to drop me a note, please do. If you are out discovering the world and have a great travel photo... send it along.

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We've been having "fun" with a complete renovation of the family home in Derry. The parents built it in 1963 and Mom (class of '48) liked the vintage style. Now with only my youngest brother, **Rich** (class of 1982) and me left living in the house we decided time for change. My brother-in-law is the general contractor and my nephew-in-law, **Adam Buycck** (not sure which class but he is a PA alum too) a master plumber who owns ALLC Mechanical is doing all of the plumbing. It's a family affair. Cannot wait for it to be finished.
Brenda Keith

From your Class Correspondent:

It's so good to hear from fellow alumni! As the years pass, ever so quickly, I hope everyone is staying healthy. This year has been "not normal" as you all know, and being in our 60's, we see so much through a different lens. Born in the 50's and experiencing decades of change, never expecting this is where the world would be in 2020. Please take a moment or two and reach out to those who you have not connected with for years. Stay Safe. Stay Healthy. *Wynette*

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Class Advisor **John Barry**: Just a brief pep talk from the old guy! COVID seems never ending...I'm no expert, but I can see us getting thru this by spring! Imagine being in prison for life? I see it as a one year sentence...We are about half way...Hug those that you can and save up hugs for those you can't...Enjoy what you can, when you can, with whomever you can...I'm still retired up in Madison NH...Waiting for what is expected to be a pant load of snow...Hope to get to see as many of you as I can in the spring...Stay safe and healthy.

Ellen Schmidt Shaw: In the absence of no other news to report, here's a question: how many of us are bionic? I have had my right hip joint replaced, and so has my husband David. Who else is out there with joint replacements to report?

Fran O'Donnell: Sending good wishes from Florida.

Dan Thibodeau: I have been keeping quite busy in this Covid filled world of ours. I've had to make some adaptations as have we all, but there is always the opportunity to do good...all we need to do is make the time to do it. I've assumed a greater contractor role with the Air Force on the AWACS program here on Hanscom AFB, taken some experience from my day at the missile test range and created an additional Test Engineer position (on top of my normal duties) for my efforts. It has taken more time than I would have liked, but it is fulfilling and I make a difference to all those that I touch. The weather has been nice, but like many...I removed the A/C units out of the windows before Mother Nature was done with Indian summer. I've enjoyed driving the Shelby around New Hampshire and

have done some extended weekends, it's just tough out there for so many people. Personally, I'm getting involved in the local Masonic Lodge and our local American Legion Post as well. I hope to assist both in the coming future. I'd like to also volunteer to work on the 45th anniversary of our graduation from Pinkerton.

Dee McCoubry: Hi Class of 76. I know I'm really late with this announcement, but my family has welcomed grandbaby #8!! William Edward Swanson arrived August 6, 2019, joining my son Rick, his wife Laura, big sister Julie (7), and brother Dennis (6). AND now grandbaby #9 will be joining the same branch of my family tree in January 2021! I'll try harder to be more timely with that announcement. I hope all have been weathering the current times as best they can. I miss human contact and being able to run my concerts. Be well.

Al Raine: Pleased to share that I have recently become engaged to my lovely fiancée, an intelligent, robust, and capable equal from Vermont. Closer by, my two sons and grandchildren delight me with their love and emerging prowess. I am a lucky man. For this edition, Robin had to fish for our input more than ever. I think we are a bit weary and waiting for a way out of CV19 and the shadow of our compromised leadership's affect on our country. I know I am. CV19 has been an exercise in patience, which seems to be an elusive trait for many of us. Fundamentally, waiting and adjusting are what we are confronted with, given the health challenges and pausing of our habits until a possible vaccine is effective collectively. Growing up in Baltimore, then Derry for most of my childhood, I learned the concepts and worthiness of service, community, respect, and cooperation. They became the foundation of my adulthood and measure of my own and others' stature. I never thought I would see the day when our leader(s) ethically vacant behavior would gain traction among us. We expect our leader to hold high our selfless ambitions as a country and ensure the health, safety, and well being of us individually and collectively. I invite us all to revisit our formative years' foundations and hold ourselves to living to higher ideals, ethics, and collective principles, lest we unravel the fabric of a well-woven, albeit imperfect, society. Hopeful for us All, *Al*

Correspondent **Robin Anderson Simard**: Not much has changed since spring publication. Most construction is done on the house and I love the house. Much better for me and entertaining. I even have my own dance hall. Of course, the virus keeps things limited, but I am so much happier here. My son and his dog moved in with me in September so I have a roommate, now. I missed 6 trips that I was to take this year so I have not had much of my usual adventures to report. Trying the online dating thing, again. Figured if everyone has to stay home it is a good time to play on the computer and get to know other people. Thankfully the summer was wonderful in NH so outdoor activities were popular and safer than inside. Stay well, more virtual hugs to you all.

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Congratulations **Tina Potter** and **Mike Girard** on your special day!! Yes they were married on August 31, 2020. Tina and Mike are retired from USPS.

Happy Anniversary **Gary** and **Doreen Martin**! Gary has two children Trevor and Chantal. If you are looking for Gary, you will find him on the golf course.

Who in our class has been married the longest?? Is it **Laurie** and **Bob Metts**? Let me know.

Joe Gallien lives in Tulsa Oklahoma. He works for Spirit Aerosystems. He has a son Evan and a daughter-in-law Amber and a granddaughter Anna.

I had a nice visit with **Joanne Sullivan Greer**. I have not seen Joanne since we graduated. Joanne and her husband live in Boswell, Oklahoma. Joanne has two sons from a previous marriage. One son lives in Portland, Maine and the other lives in Manchester, NH. Joanne and her husband are thinking of moving to the Cape Coral, Florida area.

It is with a heavy heart to announce that the class lost another classmate **Ginette Boutot Macero** on August 26, 2020. Ginette passed away from pancreatic cancer. She is survived by four children and two granddaughters. Ginette worked at C and K Restaurant, Sabatino's and Amphora restaurant. You will be missed Ginette!

Ask **Maura Sutton** and **Ann Cino Simmons** "what they had on their back?" Goats!! Yes they attended a Goat yoga class recently. Both of them said "the goats were heavy". Check it on the Facebook pages.

Bobbi Mahoney Seuss's son Andy has 2 wins in the xfinity races at his new team for Jon Matriott.

Cindy Hawkins Baldwin's daughter Sierra got engaged this weekend! Congrats.

Sherrri Cummins Farrell and her husband John recently announced the engagement of her daughter Meredith. Sherry is getting ready for the election. Sherrri is the town clerk for Londonderry NH.

To everyone in our class "Happy 60th birthday," I hope each one of you were able to celebrate the way you wanted to. Let the class know how you spent your special day. Enjoy the holiday season!!

Hello friends, WHAT A YEAR! I hope 2020 gets better for all of us. Covid, to me, is similar to cancer...we all know someone affected. I pray this all gets resolved. It's such a scary world of late. My heart breaks for the young children of this pandemic. What will their futures look like...here's to hoping 2021 is a better, kinder start.

Our heartfelt sympathies go out to the Boutot family! They lost their Dad August 11th and a few short days later they lost a sister, **Ginette Boutot Macero**. Ginette joined her Dad on Aug 26th. May the angels greet her and guide her to her Dad.

Ellen Uicker Mulligan received a major blessing this year. She joined the "Grand" club. She welcomed her first grandchild, a sweet boy named Ethan James O'Loughlin. Congratulations to all!

As for me...always busy! Spent time with **Joe & Sharon Grabowski**, first in July. I spent a week helping pack up their house of 28 years and move boxes to storage. We sure did laugh a lot! Then I went back in September for 2 weeks to help unpack and arrange. I'm sure some of you saw the most flattering picture of me on a ladder...LOL I thought my husband was going to kill me when he saw the pictures on facebook. We really did enjoy ourselves. Fishing off their dock and playing Mexican Train with **Tammy Gallien** (class of 1979) and **Dale Barton** (class of 1979). My goodness there were lots of laughs at that game. Then Tammy showed us how to paddle-board...she is amazing! Then I got precious time with my sister **Karen**, (class of 1981). She moved to Deland, Florida about 4 years ago! So wonderful to share all the laughs and love with her. My husband



*Ginette
Boutot
Macero*

was quick to tell me that this was the first time in 38 years that we didn't spend my birthday together. He actually proposed on my birthday 38 years ago. It was a little weird not being together...but at 61, it's just another day at this point. Speaking of my husband, we spent an afternoon catching up with a fellow classmate, **Steve Vachon**. Totally enjoyed catching up on life and we are trying to plan another get together. Turns out Steve lives in Salem, not far from me. He and my husband seemed to click! Such a great afternoon. Looking forward to more days together.

We also got to spend an evening with **Patti Tyler Doyle** (class of 1981) & Michael Doyle. Great times spent with wonderful people. Always a good time together. And we also spent some time this summer at York Beach. Got to spend a few days with **Debbie & Ken McPhillips**. My grandchildren are still talking about the time with Ken fishing for crabs. I hope your summer was all you hoped for. I spent a few days with **Cheryl Parraway**. She and I have known each other for 50 years. Congratulations to her as she became a grandmother for the second time to a sweet baby girl, sorry Cheryl I can't remember her name, but I know it was beautiful!

Just an FYI...there are a lot of classmates that are not on Facebook, this is their only contact that they are able to see what old friends are up to, so please send myself or **Susan Pugh** an email and share what's happening in your life.

And lastly, HAPPY 60TH BIRTHDAY to the Class of 78.. maybe 2021 will be kinder and we can all gather to share in that milestone.

Peace, love & happiness always, *Jo-Ann*
I can't believe I remember this (let me know if it's wrong):

WE'RE THE CLASS OF 78
WE'RE THE ONES WHO REALLY RATE
WE'RE THE CLASS OF BLUE & GOLD
PA'S TRADITIONS WE SHALL HOLD
GIVE US A YELL, GIVE US A CHEER
THE CLASS OF 78 IS HERE
YEA 7 YEA 8
YEA YEA 78

—1979—

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Hello Classmates,

I hope this finds everyone is well. I have asked Classmates for updates on their lives & appreciate the updates I have received. Thank you so much. This year has undoubtedly dealt us an interesting hand, but the upside is we get to choose how to throw our cards down. Be well, be safe, and keep playing!

Please send in any info you may want to share to myself or **Karen Kelly**.
Cheers, *Caroline*

After 21 years in beautiful New England, **Robert Danielson** left New Hampshire after graduating from the University of Maine with a journalism and Spanish degree. His last three and a half decades brought him to Mexico City, Tampa Bay, Florida where he had a fruitful career as marketing director of the City of St. Petersburg, and finally to the southwest—Las Vegas & Phoenix. Since his retirement from government in 2016, he has dabbled in what he loves most, writing. He worked as a columnist at *Phoenix Magazine* and also as a special contributor with the *Las Vegas Review Journal*. Ed Cassidy, his life partner, recently retired and the two have flown home to New Hampshire for their golden years. They admit their migratory patterns are opposite most who leave the cold northeast for warmer pastures, but Robert says after years in the hot south and southwest that they are ready for some seasons. After a summer in Portland, Maine, the couple

have purchased a home in Rochester, NH. Let's give them a warm welcome back to the Granite State.

Hello everyone, It's been quite awhile since I have spoken to a lot of you. I haven't been on the P.A. campus in a few years either. Every fall I think back to my high school days and how beautiful the campus looked in the fall months.

I don't get to see much of the leaves changing these days since I live on the "Big Island" in Kailua-Kona, Hawaii. My husband Rod and I have lived here for the last 6 years. It's a long way from our Family and friends in New England and we miss everyone, but we also enjoy living in the beautiful weather here.

It's the same everyday hot and sunny. (I'm not complaining). I think one of the best advantages of living here besides the beautiful weather and landscaping is we get to hike, bike, fish and go to the beach whenever we get a free day.

We really look forward to having our occasional visitors [Sue Baisley Murray](#) and her daughter, Lauren visit quite often. Fun times are had when they come to town. A few years ago we met up with [Lisa Barnett Boyer](#) and hubby when they were visiting the Big Island. One of the biggest changes we have had to deal with living here is when the Patriots play ball. Remember we are Pacific time zone, six hours behind eastern time. So that means that if the game isn't on regular cable station we have to find a bar that's open in town showing the game and that usually means the game starts at 7 A.M.! It's worth it, it's fun meeting fellow New Englanders while watching the game.

Well I am going to say a hui hoy! (Till we meet again)

[Diane Ramsay \(Sarcione\)](#)

Hi All, my husband, Mike and I are an airline family working with UPS and American Airlines in the DFW Texas area.

We plan to retire in the Colorado mountains and enjoy rafting the Arkansas River! Our son followed us to Colorado to live. Our daughter, Lauren works in the Texas wine industry. Miss my Pinkerton peeps! [Susan Baisley Murray](#)

Hello Class of '79. I have been living in Dunedin, FL since '91 and married to my husband Steve for 30 years this November. The LaGree siblings have moved near me in sunny Florida [Steve LaGree '83](#), [Sue '84](#) and [Dave '86](#). Our youngest brother Kevin will be joining us in the future. We enjoy boating on Lake Tarpon on the weekends. I have been in my group pediatric practice for 20 years. Boy how time flies and we are all getting old!!! Take care and stay young at heart. [Karen A \(LaGree\) Kelly MD](#).

Please consider joining us for the Pinkerton Reunion in Florida taking place this Feb. 21, 2021. It will be on the water overlooking Tampa Bay at beautiful Philippe Park in Safety Harbor. That weekend, we will also be hosting a fun-filled PA Alum party at the Tiki Tavern in Safety Harbor, owned by [Dave LaGree '86](#), and [Steve Castle, '86](#). SW flights from Manch to Tampa are very reasonable, so are Jetblue flights from Boston to Tampa. I have several discounted options for places to stay nearby, so please reach out if you are interested! From my sister [Sue LaGree](#) class of 84. You could reach out to me also [Karen \(LaGree\) Kelly](#).

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[Sue Scanzano Bureau](#) reached out to me recently. She lives in Bedford, with a cottage on Big Island Pond, and is Dean of Academics at Alvirne High School. Sue's daughter Hannah is a violinist in Chicago, and her son Michael works at the Y in Burlington, Vermont. She says she and her husband Ed are empty-nesters gearing up for a downsize, so best wishes with that.

I also heard from [Karen Hanson Wellman](#), who contacted me for the address of Scott True's parents so she could send them her condolences about Scott's death from ALS. Karen reports that she's on a mini-sabbatical from work, and has more time on her hands than she's had since high school. Karen has become a passionate rower, belonging to two rowing clubs in Oakland, California, serving on the board of one of them, and becoming a candidate to referee for US Rowing.

I reached out to [Mark McComiskey](#), who replied that he recently drove to New Hampshire to enjoy the autumn weather and is looking forward to seeing everyone at a 40th reunion. [Mike](#)

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Hello, Class of '82. Last issue we had to leave blank as I'm not hearing from many people. Remember, lots of people remember you and would like to hear how you are doing. Drop me a quick email so I can mention you in the next *Alumnus*. I heard from [Scott Picanso](#) through his brother [Todd](#) (class of 81). He is interested in getting in touch with [Randy Cargill](#). If you're reading this Randy or if anyone knows how to get in touch with him, send me an email and I will forward along the contact to Scott. I last heard from Randy about 10 years ago and he was living in Ohio (I think). I also recently heard from [Tim Noel](#). Tim writes: "After leaving NH in 1987 I bounced around Florida a little bit living in Ocala & Tallahassee. In 1992 I moved to Kissimmee and worked at Walt Disney World in an Italian restaurant called Mama Mel Rose's in the then MGM Studios Park. In 1995 the Executive Chef Raymond Pitts talked me into going to Johnson & Wales University in North Miami. I made the Dean's list with a 3.85 GPA. Unfortunately, in 1997 it wouldn't last due to an accident that left me with a back injury with severe nerve damage. I now live in Ocala where I look after my 91-year-old father with the help of my brother Dean who was class of 1987." It was great to hear from you Tim. I think the human connections we can have here or in person or even through social networking are more important than ever. I know personally, this crazy time has made me reevaluate my perspective on some things. By the time this issue comes out, I hope the COVID-19 crisis is over and everyone is happy and healthy in their lives. We'd love to hear from you. Until then, enjoy the holidays and you'll hear from me again in the spring.

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In other news, **Rick Reebecker** has moved back to NH with his family after spending most of his career in California. Big loss for CA, but a big gain for NH!

Kathy Marquis shared that she has a 31 year old son and has been keeping safe through the covid. She is an essential worker, dispatching for a local limo company. Kathy tells me she has kept in contact with a few classmates, namely **Robert Maitner**, **Karen White**, **Mike Whiter**, and **Yvonne Comeau**. She hopes everyone is doing well. She lives in East Hampstead now and loves being in the country. If anyone would like to reach out to her, her email is racinglady2002@hotmail.com.

Robert Maitner continues to work for DHS in Washington DC and would be happy for visitors-post pandemic of course. I can personally attest that once you sip one of his fabulous drinks on his lovely front porch, you won't want to leave! His husband Troy Prinkey is the department head for world languages at the Landon School in Bethesda. He is also an amazing cook! Robert says, "we love our neighborhood in DC and plan on more home renovations this fall. In 2021 we have trips planned to Colombia and Spain that were canceled this year. Stay safe everyone and keep in touch at rmaitner@yahoo.com."

Peggy Wilkinson shared, "We are excited to celebrate our son, Jon's wedding this month, Covid style 2020. Both my husband Joe and I have been essential workers through this and have managed to stay safe. Also, our older son, Mitchell has been safe as an essential elephant zookeeper in Tulsa. Hope everyone is doing well and looking forward to when I can travel to New England to see family and friends again".

Lastly, it is with a heavy heart that I share the news that our fellow classmate, **Walter Owen**, passed away in August. Walter retired from the Derry Fire Department where he had worked as a firefighter and paramedic. He left a wife and two children and will be dearly missed.

—1985—

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In October, we lost a dear classmate. **Patricia (Trish) A. Baker-Schmitt** passed away in her home at the age of 53. Tricia's pursuit: To become "the omniscient, almighty guru of life" and terminate Barbie-ism". Tricia embraced life and brought joy to all her knew her. She will dearly be missed. December 31, 1966-October 10, 2020.



From our 30th Class reunion: From Left to Right: Gary Thomas, Julie Haggerty-Southworth, Mimi Salzman-Thomas, Stephen Blinkinsop, Karen Sheppard, & Tricia Baker-Schmitt

2021 - We are hoping for a better year and an opportunity to still have a reunion. Look for details on our Facebook Pinkerton Academy Class of 85 page after the New Year!

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Hello fellow classmates. Strange times we find ourselves in for sure but I hope you all had a great, long, hot summer. Before we get to some class news, I'd like to mention that the annual All-Pinkerton Reunion (south) will be taking place on February 21, 2021 at Philippe Park in Safety Harbor. That weekend there will also be a PA alum party at the Tiki Tavern in downtown Safety Harbor. The Tiki Tavern is owned by a few of our alums, **Dave LaGree '86** and **Steve Castle '86**. The annual Art & Seafood Festival is also that weekend on the waterfront in Safety Harbor so lots of reasons to head south, especially with all the cheap flights right now. My sister **Jessica '95** and I just bought a house in Dunedin so we'll be there – hope to see some of you there too.

On to class news. It is with great sadness that I report the passing of **Robert Brady (Rob) Heenan**, who died on September 15 at New England Sinai Hospital in Stoughton, MA after a long battle with Primary Progressive Multiple Sclerosis. Here is an excerpt from Rob's obituary, which can be viewed here: <https://www.peabodyfuneralhome.com/Obituaries.htm>

"Rob grew up with a love of two things: sports and newspapers. He played baseball and hockey, but had a love for all sports. One of his favorite pastimes was reading the Sunday sports pages (usually out loud). After UNH, he began his career in the newspaper business as a reporter and, eventually, editor of various newspapers around New England. His career led him to working for the United States Tennis Association based in Denver, Colorado where his passion for tennis, writing and the outdoors were all combined. Upon his MS diagnosis, he moved back home to New Hampshire where he took on his new role as "Uncle Rob".

In other class news, we received a note from **Heidi Sheehan**, who wrote: "Hi there Class of '87! I can't believe it's been three years since the reunion! I'm still living in Londonderry (since '91) with my husband and pooch and have pursued a career in IT. I am currently the global VP for Information Technology in the medical device space. I recently completed my M.S. in IT and can honestly say that I never envisioned this path when

we were at Pinkerton but I found my inner-nerd and love it! My identical twin boys are 27 now and married. One has a beautiful son that turns 2 this Christmas! They are living on Bainbridge Island outside of Seattle where my son works in the fly-fishing industry and his brother, wife and dogs are in Alaska where he is stationed as a Captain in the Army and recently purchased a home. I am so fortunate to have amazing kids and beautiful places to visit! I hope everyone is doing well and staying safe and I look forward to the next reunion." *Heidi*

We also received a note from **Karen Osterroth Flyer**, who shared: "Hey class of 1987! This past year has been a crazy one for just about everybody, but particularly crazy for me. After decades of doing small business and non-profit consulting, my husband Alan and I just bought our 3rd Mathnasium on Long Island, NY, which I am now running (Mathnasium is a math tutoring center franchise). That, in addition to my college consulting business, is keeping me super busy on the professional front. On the personal side, my son graduated from high school this past June (after missing so many senior year milestones including following in his mother's footsteps as valedictorian). He is now a freshman at Princeton majoring in electrical engineering, although he's currently taking online classes from an apartment in Brooklyn with two friends. My daughter is a senior at Duke (majoring in psychology), following in her mother's footsteps in a different way! Who knows what graduation will look like for her this May. I look forward to a time in the future when we can have in-person reunions and I can see many of you again. *Karen*

Lastly, **George Jack** shared: "There is an audiobook version of my kids book, *Popsicle Insurance*, narrated by me, available on iTunes". On a personal note, I got a chance to spend some time with some alums when my sister and I rented a house on Higgins Beach in Scarborough, ME this summer. **Lisa Richard** came up for the week and we had a great time catching up with old friends, including **Carmon Emery**, **Jeff Rath**, **De Puzzo Donnelly**, **Dave LaGree ('86)**, **Steve Castle ('86)**, **Sue Foucher ('85)**, **Deb Simard Hill ('85)**, **Kevin LaGree ('88)** and **Bill Lee ('86)**.

Lastly, it was great to see everyone that turned out for the 28th annual Pinkerton Academy Alumni Golf Tournament October 2nd. Thought the pandemic reduced the numbers a bit and altered the normal activities, we still had a great time. My team included **John Robinson**, **Chris Synder** and **Mike Cookson ('86)**. Our bogey-free 8 under unfortunately was not good enough to take the title, as the winners posted 15 under. Next year boys!

Thank you to Heidi, Karen and George for the updates. If you have any news you would like to share for the next edition please email me.

Cheers, *Eric*

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—1994—

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Heather Pelletier, Class of 2012 married her college sweetheart Molly Dussault on 10/17/20. Pinkerton guests ranged from the Class of 1966 to the Class of 2021! Wedding party included: Heather's mother, Lori (Devine) Pelletier '77, Heather's father, Richard Pelletier '73, Molly's mother, Kathy (McGratty) Dussault '78, Heather's brother, Dan Pelletier '09, bridesmaids: Melanie Dussault '12 and Samantha Hennequin '13.

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—2008—

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CLASS OF 2010 REUNION CANCELLED: Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, we are sad to share that our ten year reunion is cancelled until further notice. While we're disappointed to cancel such a long anticipated event, we're excited for the day that we can all get together and have fun without the need to worry about our classmates' health and safety. For real time updates, please be sure to join the Facebook group "*Pinkerton Academy Class of 2010 Alumni*" and/or email Yera Ha at yeraha.nyc@gmail.com to keep in touch. Until then— please take care, VOTE, and stay well!

—2011—

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Ronald Thomas Beimel '11 and Mary Ann Baker both graduates of Liberty University in Spokane, WA, were married on May 31, 2020.

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—2013—

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 Kinsey Manchester • kinseymanch@gmail.com

Hey PA Class of 2014! We were very excited to hear from some of you recently—please feel free to reach out to either myself or **Natalie Fabrizio** with any updates you have.

Josh Moser and **Laurie Toombs** got engaged a few weeks ago after first meeting in Mr. Gundrum's AP Physics class. They currently live and work in Cleveland, OH with their two fur babies, Finn and Astro (appropriately named).

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AROUND CAMPUS

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CLASS NEWS

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Rebecca Kachuck recently got married to Blaine Andreoli on September 19, 2020.

Julie Murray married Mackenzie Kreger on May 2, 2020.

Connor Kwiecien, Class of 2014, was in New York City performing stand-up comedy until COVID-19 began. Then, he moved back into his parents' house—really living the dream. With comedy clubs and indoor venues closed, Kwiecien and Trevor Glassman, a fellow NYC comic and New Hampshire native, started Curbside Comedy. Curbside Comedy is a simple idea: whether it's your event, business or backyard, their comedy show is brought directly to you.

They bring the equipment, they bring the jokes, and you bring the laughs from your desired location. What started as a simple idea and a means to continue performing during the pandemic safely, really took off. To date, Curbside Comedy has been featured on New Hampshire Chronicle and WPRI's Street Stories, performed more than 40 shows and raised almost \$5000 for charity. Kwiecien and Glassman are still doing social distanced shows while the weather and guidelines permit, and would love to hear from you if you want a laugh.

We hope you're all doing well and staying safe!

Best, *Kinsey Manchester*

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—2017—

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—2018—

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William Papageorge • wpapag@gmail.com

—2019—

Laurel Breen • breenl@merrimack.edu

—2020—

Rachel-Marie Zarba • rachel.zarba1@gmail.com

JROTC Reunion (All Years)

June 5, 2021, 12pm – 4 pm

Pinkerton Academy Memorial Garden –

Lower Gazebo area

RSVP to Colonel Steadman NLT

by May 31st

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Check the PA website for the most up-to-date information.

Apollo 14th 50th Anniversary
Wednesday, February 3, 2021

36th Annual Alumni Florida Reunion
Sunday, February 21, 2021

Philippe Park (Safety Harbor, FL)

9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.



Alumni in the Villages Regional Event
Tuesday, February 23, 2021

Whispering Oaks Winery (Oxford, FL)

1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Alumni, Family & Friends
Foxwoods Bus Trip

Saturday, May 15, 2021

9:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

29th Annual Alumni Golf Tournament
Friday, October 1, 2021

Passaconaway Country Club

Noon

Stay connected for events and reunion information!



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MEMORIAM, MARRIAGES AND FUTURE ASTROS

We celebrate the lives of Pinkerton Alumni and Friends.
Below are recent updates from our Astro community.

IN MEMORIAM



Theresa (Blanchard) Wright '39
August 12, 2020

Arthur E. Reynolds '55
August 26, 2020

Walter J. Owen '84
August 6, 2020

Margaret (Manning) Morrison '43
September 2, 2020

Nancy (Dick) Scott '57
June 9, 2020

Raymond J. Bergeron '84
November 8, 2019

Melvin L. Page '43
May 1, 2020

Ronald T. Smith '59
November 8, 2020

Patricia (Baker) Schmitt '85
October 10, 2020

Courtney P. Allen '45
October 11, 2020

William M. Olesen '62
February 14, 2020

Robert B. Heenan '87
September 15, 2020

Samuel A. Low '45
October 1, 2020

Patricia (Mills) Raches '62
December 22, 2019

Vicki L. (Berch) Allen '88
October 4, 2020

Harold Gross '46
November 15, 2020

W. Todd (Guild) Tourangeau '63
October 24, 2020

Peter J. Dizio '92
July 17, 2020

Gloria I. (White) O'Leary '46
July 4, 2020

Christopher W. Floyd '68
October 7, 2019

Tara Cipriano '99
November 2019

Eleanor (Bliss) Murphy '47
December 26, 2019

James Kelley '69
July 20, 2020

Simon D. Ackerman '09
February 20, 2020

Charles G. Bartlett '48
October 23, 2020

Barbara J. (Newcomb) Gallichant '74
August 5, 2020

Jeremiah J. Love, Jr. '09
July 28, 2020

Shirley A. (Butterfield) Beaulieu '53
April 5, 2020

Karen (Shottes) Vitale '74
November 24, 2019

Tyler Anderson '18
August 25, 2020

Sylvia (Matarozzo) Costello '53
August 19, 2020

Ginette (Boutot) Macero '78
August 26, 2020

Molly Rockwell '19
November 12, 2020

Priscilla (Cote) Aquino '55
September 30, 2020

Donald D. Collette '83
October 6, 2020



IN MEMORIAM

Robin Perrin, Pinkerton Academy retiree, Hall of Fame Inductee, and Honorary alumnus passed away on November 17th. Robin held the position of Alumni Director, which also included responsibilities in the area of Public Relations and Fundraising from the time he started in 1981 to his retirement in 2011. He was also the faculty advisor to the Student Council and was involved in the Destination Imagination program. Our thoughts and prayers go out to Robin's family.

MEMORIAM, MARRIAGES AND FUTURE ASTROS

FRIENDS OF PINKERTON ACADEMY



Frank Cunningham, *staff* — September 27, 2020 | Arthur R. Strong, Jr., *former student* — July 20, 2020

MARRIAGES



Ronald T. Beimel '11 and Mary Ann Baker — May 31, 2020 | Rebecca Kachuck '14 and Blaine Andreoli — September 19, 2020

Julie Murray '14 and Mackenzie Kreger — May 2, 2020

Heather Pelletier '12 and Molly Dussault — October 17, 2020 (*photo on page 29*)

CORRECTION



In the spring 2020 edition David A. Graham '64 was mistakenly listed in the “*In Memoriam*” section of the magazine. We deeply regret this error, and we sincerely apologize to David, his family, and his friends.

In Memorium: We rely on friends and family to send us obituaries (*especially for alumni who live outside of New Hampshire*). Please contact Meagan Sojka at msojka@pinkertonacademy.org or 603-437-5200 ext. 1101.

Marriages and Future Astros: If you have a marriage or family update to share, please contact your Class Correspondent for inclusion in the next *Alumnus Magazine*. Class Correspondent contact information is listed in the Class Notes section.

If you would like to make a donation in honor or in memory of a loved one, please contact Judy Spigarelli at jspigarelli@pinkertonacademy.org or 603-437-5200 ext. 5140.

PINKERTON COMMUNITY MOURNS THE LOSS OF FRANK CUNNINGHAM

DIRECTOR OF SAFETY AND SECURITY

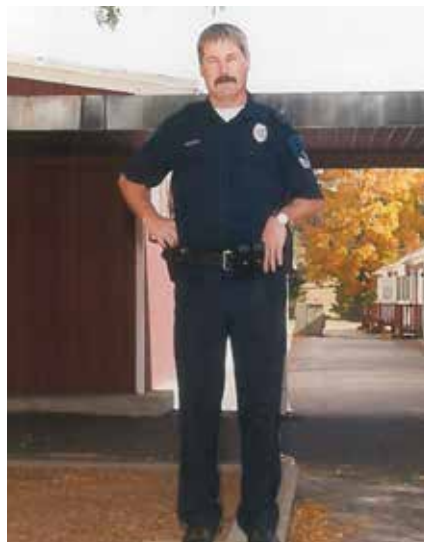
The entire Pinkerton Academy community mourns the loss of Frank Cunningham, Director of Safety and Security. Frank passed away in September after a battle with lung cancer.

Frank was a longtime member of the Pinkerton Academy community, first serving as our School Resource Officer. After retiring from the Derry Police Department, he became the school's first Director of Safety and Security in 2008. Those closest to Frank will remember the way he could combine his no-nonsense approach to issues with his unique sense of humor. His years of experience provided him

with a steady manner and an admirable ability to keep all things in perspective. He took great pride in his security team and served not only as a mentor but also as a friend to them all.

Under Frank's leadership and guidance, Pinkerton has adopted practices and procedures that have made our community safer. His absence is deeply felt, and the impact of his influence on campus is a testament to his work.

Frank leaves behind his wife, Sheryl, a former Pinkerton paraprofessional, and their daughter, Kellie, a graduate from the Class of 2007. We join them, the Derry Police Department, and all of Frank's friends and family in grieving his loss.



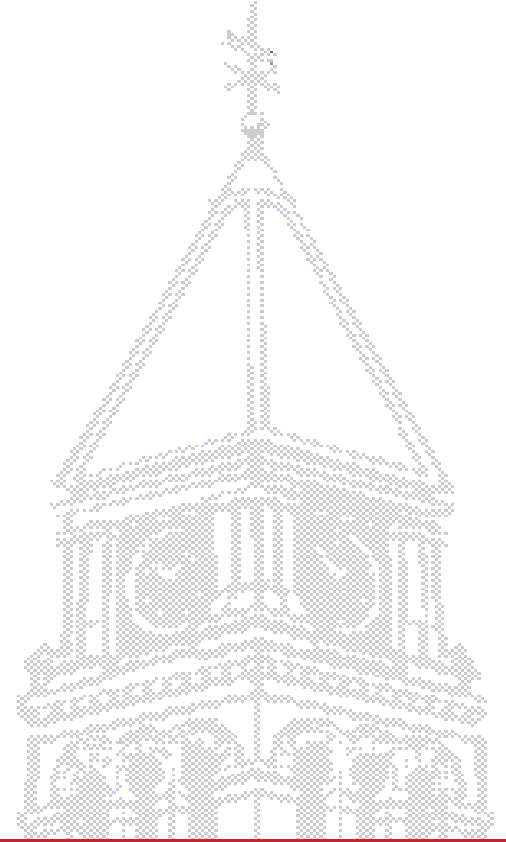


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MEMBERS OF THE PINKERTON ACADEMY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION



Members of the Alumni Association take a group picture on campus — John Breda '96, Patty (Millsaps) Blair '79, Lorrie (Burdick) Belinsky '75, Mark Mastromarino '79, Ariana LoFaro '18, Lani Buskey '98, Nancy (Gilbert) Ek '57, Dennis Burdick '65, Michelle (Lafond) Stock '91, Andy Stock '14, Gayle (Emerson) Gagnon '65, Michael Pelletier '72, Ronald Gagnon '64, Steve Pearson '94, James Sullivan '60, Michael Holm '82, Jen Brown '97, Jo-Ann (Kingsbury) Del Mastro '78. *Missing from photo:* William Newcomb '65, Pam Martin '78, Nancy Jane (DeLuca) Sweeney '87 and Adam Mead '04.

TOGETHER WE ARE PINKERTON