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**JOINT ANNOUNCEMENT FROM:
SUPERINTENDENT JENNIFER SPRING
COHOES CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
&
PRESIDENT BARBARA McDONALD
COHOES HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION**



The Cohoes community can be proud of a very important milestone - the original Cohoes High School will be celebrating its 100th anniversary celebration for Saturday, September 28th from 1-4 at the Cohoes Middle School/formerly Cohoes High School. The first meeting is scheduled for April 11th at 6:00 p.m. in the professional development room at 21 Page Avenue. Initial ideas include: an open house to allow attendees to tour the building, a ceremony to honor and recognize past graduates, students singing the Alma Mater and other Cohoes songs, a display in the library highlighting school district artifacts through the years, and having current students interview Cohoes alums on their school experience and compile and preserve the interviews into an organized and publishable format.

Picnic 2018

If you think that looks like Tom Carter, you are right. No, he's not leading the orchestra. He is being as loud as he can be announcing winning numbers for the 50/50 and other great door prizes donated by alumni and other sponsors.

It was a beautiful day for our annual picnic at the Ukrainian Club. A crowd of about 100 attended. "Babes did a great job with delicious foods topped by strawberry short cake for dessert. Everyone left with a full stomach and happy smile on their face. see pages 4&5.



Grace Bartolomeo Brennan, Delores Deschamps, Jean Ayotte Beaulne, Joan Fontaine Seguin & Tom Carter.

President's Corner



Greeting to all and thank you for your support of The Alumni.

. When driving down Columbia Street on a daily basis, I cannot help but reminisce on what use to be. Memories flash through my mind!

Oh! there is Miss Gilcrest's house on my right as I approach where the Cohoes High School was and is now the Cohoes Middle School.

To my left is where Hagadorn's used to be. Remember the crowd at lunch time and how we crossed Columbia Street carefully to hurry back to class?

Going home, it was downhill all the way to Van Schaick Island where I lived. You could always smell the pizza as we passed by Danny's. Take a glance to our left to see Martha Lacy's. What a great Sundae was prepared there! We pass by the house where the Comley's lived and the Sangamon Mills were spinning the greatest dish-cloths in the country.

We could also stop by Howard's if we needed a snack or a Coca Cola.

Crossing Main Street, we headed toward the island and passed Mrs. Biskin's house on the right on Saratoga Street. Crossing Saratoga Street, we pass by Carlson's. Parents never had to worry about who was watching their children as the Carlson's were right on top of it.

Depending on the season, it was the place to be to either swim or skate with your friends.

I could go on forever but there is just so much room in this newsletter.

Thank you for letting me share some of my memories and for all everyone has done to support The CHS Alumni.

Sincerely,
Barbara McDonald, President.

TREASURER'S CORNER

This hasn't been our best year. A lot of people we will be missing from our events this year. Some were classmates, some were good friends.

That's the gloom and doom report. We have a lot to look forward to.

The Cohoes Middle School will be celebrating it's one hundredth birthday September 28th. This is still in the planning stage.

The City of Cohoes will be celebrating it's one hundred and fiftieth birthday. That also is in the planning stage.

Remember to save the date for our 20th Annual Picnic September 15th, at Ukrainian Club Grove. watch for reservation forms in our next letter.

Treasurer's 2018 Year End Report Income for 2018

Checking account balance 1/01/2018	\$5,878.24
Dues	960.00
Donations	30,762.00
Annual Picnic	317.00
Apparel inventory	491.00
<u>Apparel Sales</u>	<u>189.00</u>
	\$38,597.24

Disbursements from checking:

Annual awards	\$28,450.00
Awards night catering (Pingelski)	78.81
Annual picnic expenses	2,798.00
Office supplies (Staples)	93.27
Apparel purchases Walsh & Kustom Kreations	491.00
Newsletter printing, preparation and postage by The Mailworks & Albany Times Union	4,523.09
<u>Web Site Fees(Brooks)</u>	<u>117.28</u>
Total expense	\$36,551.45

Assets December 31, 2018

Key Investment Account(Abbott)HQ1****29	\$88,923.86
Checking balance 12/31 18	3,277.84

\$92,201.70

William Reu

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 Class of '49

Please accept our sincere apologies if you have donated in memory of a loved one or a friend and your donation was not acknowledged. This newsletter is published in mid January and August of each year. Your donation may not be included because we have already gone to press. Check the following newsletter edition. Call or e-mail us if it still is not listed.

ANNUAL PICNIC AT UKRAINIAN CENTER IN COHOES

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 16, 2018
Catered by Babe's Catering of Cohoes



Fred Anderson, Pat Anderson, Alice Brooks Vautrin, & Rose Marino Jarvis. *standing:* Sue Dibble Shanahan & Carol Darwak Paskin.



Tom Carter, Linda Carter Burns, Gail Hicks Taddeo. *Standing:* Ruth Carter Shaffer



Joyce Palka Vellutino & Pat Reu
standing: Shirley Senez Blanchard, Lorretta Davingnon Malley & Marge Goode Klippel



Jim Koval, Mary Ann Patrignani Obzud & Bob Rusiecki.
standing: Iris Rusiecki, Judy Donlon & Nancy Koval



front: Barbara McOمبر, Lloyd McOمبر, Mary Biel, Bill Biel Linda Legg & Frank Melrose.
standing: Mike Miranda, John Potyrala. Barbara Manoni & Ron Sausville.

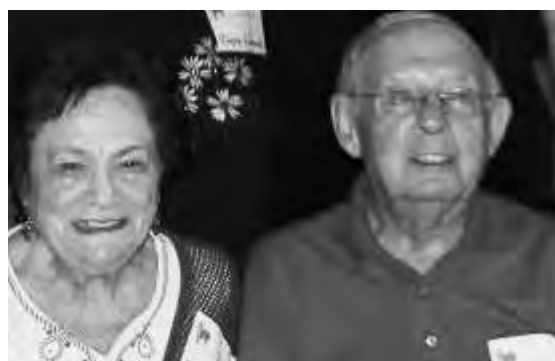
2018 PICNIC



Helen Rusiecki Boivin, Barb Turpin Shipman, Sheila Ferrigan & Judy Smith Williams



Randy Ceccucci, Dom Colaruotolo, Lorretta Colaroutolo, & Marilyn Dame. rear: Tom Dame & Frank Gorleski



left:
John &
Barbara
Marra
McDonald



"Babes Crew" Phil, Pat, Sal & Paula. Great job!



Ann Campana Shields, Jane Streever Bouchey, Joyce Miranda Lemrow, Ray O'Konski & Jerry Flatley



Bill Reu



Dom Colaroutolo, Frank Melrose & Barbara Turpin Shipman. 2nd row: Fred Anderson, Emily Mendel Kosek, Carolyn Marino Jarvis, Alice Brooks Vautrin, Carol Darwak & Judy Smith Williams. rear: Randy Ceccucci, Rich Szmyr & Tom Dame.



Cohoes Community Center
"We miss our pool and gym"

What's new in Cohoes?

Some are new, some revamped. Take a ride around town and check these out. There's a lot of construction going on.



Cohoes Music Hall
New Sign & New Management. Check it out



Veterans Park & WWII Monument
Columbia Street



The Cohoes Hotel
Renovated inside and out.
Rooms available



West side of Sargeant Street
between Ontario & White



Cohoes Theater lot. Construction has begun on retail spaces with parking



**Van Schaick Island Veteran's
Park & pond area & Gazebo**

Hudson Square Apartment Complex
East side of Van Schaick Pond to
Delaware Avenue



Hudson Square building # 2 from
Delaware Avenue looking west

**Admiral's
Lookout**
overlooks the
Hudson River



2019 Annual meeting of *The Cohoes High School & Keveny Alumni Association - Wednesday, May 15th AFTER THE OUT TO LUNCH BUNCH GATHERING.*

This will be an open meeting and all alumni are welcome and urged to attend. You may join the Lunch Bunch or join us at around 1:00 PM. Some important decisions have to be voted on at this meeting. Re-elections of officers, future distributions of the award funds and plans for the September 15th Annual Picnic will be discussed.

The meeting will be held after the "Out to Lunch Bunch" get-together at the Van Schaick Country Club. If you plan on attending, RSVP to Rose Zandri, Vice President at 518-237-3435.

The Class of 1969 is planning a 50th year celebration at the Ukrainian Club in Cohoes, on July 27th 2019. Class members and anyone else interested in joining are asked to contact Steve Lackman at slackman@COHOES.ORG or 518-237-6797

The Classes of Cohoes High School and Keveny Memorial Academy

Reunion Organizers Unite!

Let's help one another to make our CHS and KMA reunion parties the great successes that we all want them to be. Network with and learn from alumni who have already organized reunions. Advise and encourage those who are just getting started or are considering doing so. Pass along your expertise! Lots of research has already been done, so why invent the same wheel over and over again? Maybe we can even join forces to negotiate the best rates from venues, caterers, bands, DJs, etc. Or even combine multiple reunions? Together we can get the biggest bangs for our reunion bucks. If nothing else please provide Steve with contact information for your CHS or KMA class's reunion organizer so that we have a central repository for this valuable information.

All who are interested in providing or obtaining reunion advice please contact Steve Rock (CHS Class of '76) at 845-621-2373 or Steve_Rock_0916@yahoo.com.

"The Out to Lunch Bunch"

Meets every third Wednesday of the month at MAX410 at Van Schaick Island Country Club at 12 Noon. A varied light lunch menu is available. Please, if you do decide to attend, call and let us know you will attend. Everyone is welcome.

Call Barbara at 518-237-9645 or Rose at 518-237-3435

Cohoes Day in Florida

Sad to say, there was no "Cohoes Day" in Florida this year. If you are in Florida this winter, make a call to an old friend or classmate. Get together for lunch or dinner. As my friend Barbara says, "it's always good weather when good friends get together."

WE NEED HELP!

If you read the Times Union or the Times Record Newspaper on a daily basis, you have been seeing a lot of familiar names. Our membership has been shrinking through attrition and because many of our members are reaching 80 or more.

Contributions are not the problem. It seems that as we grow older we become more generous. We are in need of people to take over and reorganize the Alumni Association. We need Directors to guide the everyday business and make decisions that are equitable to the members.

As Treasurer for the past twenty years, I take care of the day to day pick up of mail, keep track with a spreadsheet and deposit of the donations. This involves checking the mail box, entering donations on the books and depositing the checks. This takes a couple of hours every other day.

Barbara manages the Awards. This involves calling donors to be sure they want to continue the award and arranging funding. She also is co-ordinator between with Brianna Patrick at CHS and the Alumni.

We are sorely in need of new people with new ideas and to vote on some very important issues that will guide us through the future. These duties involve some phone time contacting donors and coordinating with Brianna for Awards Night. My duties involve the mail donations and depositing them to our account. I also compose and edit the Newsletter. This is the most time consuming job and, once I get myself into it, I enjoy the job.

We have secured our own CHS Alumni Assoc. site on the internet and are looking towards making it available on-line with the option of receiving a mailed copy upon request.

Thank you for your generosity over the years. Please contact us at the phone numbers or e-mail addresses on last page of the newsletter. We need your input and guidance.

Barbara Marra McDonald, President
Bill Reu, Treasurer

The Spindle City Historical Society

The Society has published it's third book "Cohoes Revisited". It is available at several locations including Marra's in Cohoes. If you are interested in obtaining a copy of the book or receiving the quarterly newsletter, please contact **Danielle Cherniak at cherniak@nycap.rr.com or 237-5618 or www.spindlecity.org**. Monthly meetings are held at **The Visitor Center** at 58 Remsen St., Cohoes, NY 12047 on the last Wednesday of the month. Subscribe to the "snail mail or e-mail version of their newsletter.

Keveny Memorial Academy & Cohoes High School tee shirts and sweatshirts are available at Marra's Pharmacy.

Choose medium weight, light gray Jerzee pullover sweatshirt, dark blue or gray zip front sweatshirt, blue polo shirt or a gray pullover sweatshirt. Included on sweatshirts CHS Alumni lettering and bright orange tiger. Your first name and class year is below tiger at no additional charge. Logo is approximately 4"X6". Blue hats embroidered with a tiger and CHS Alumni logo.



Zipper front style sweatshirt with hood in blue or gray

- Size- S, M, L, XL_ Blue___ Gray___ @\$27.00_____
- Size-XXL Blue___ Gray___ @\$29.00_____
- Size- XXXL Blue___ Gray___ @\$31.00_____

Pullover style gray sweatshirt or blue polo shirt.

- Size- S, M, L, XL_____ @\$25.00_____
- Size- XXL_____ @\$27.00_____
- Size- XXXL_____ @\$28.00_____



Keveny Memorial Academy Logo on blue tee shirt.

- Size- S, M, L, XL_____ @\$12.00_____
- Size- XXL_____ @\$13.00_____
- Size- XXXL_____ @\$15.00_____



Blue hat with CHS Alumni & Tiger embroidered on brim. Cohoes High Alumni on rear. Strap adjusts to all sizes. _____ @\$12.00_____

Please hold at Marra's Pharmacy 217 Remsen St. for pick up. Check here _____

Orders shipped by Priority mail to your home. One item per box. S & H \$8.00 _____

Total enclosed for apparel ordered: \$ _____

Embroidered First name: _____ Class _____ Second shirt: First name _____ Class _____
 Ship to: _____ Street _____
 City _____ ST. _____ Zip _____ Phone() _____

Mail with check or money order to: CHS Alumni Association, P.O. Box 229, Cohoes NY. 12047

GOLDEN OLDIES

COHOES HIGH ALMA MATER

I

*Where the green and rushing Mohawk forms a wondrous waterfall,
As it takes its way, all foaming as it flows,
Stands the well-known Spindle City with its busy whirring mills,
And the grand and stately High School of Cohoes.*

CHORUS

*And we're singing, singing, singing with a will
Of that loved and honored building on the hill;
Loyal hearts beat proudly, all our pulses thrill,
Singing praises ever of our High School.*

II

*In the past a faithful record of the classes gone before
Tells the story of our colors, blue and gold,
Of the noble men and women, pupils here in days of yore,
They whose names have been on honor's page enrolled.
IIIFor our Alma Mater's glory let us hold her banner high;
Let the present and the future years attest
That, as eager as the Mohawk rushes onward to the sea,
So our loyal hearts devote to her our best.*



*I Love my Hometown (I Love Cohoes)
Words & Music by Ruth Elliott Vore*

*I love my hometown, I love Cohoes, I love the spot where the Mohawk flows,
I love our people, whose spirit glows, I love my hometown, I love Cohoes!
With God's help & guidance, we bravely carry on, I'll sing of her praises
Till life and breath are gone. I love the memories of day of yore,
Of our dear loved ones, who've gone before.
I love our churches, where our faith grows,
I love my hometown, I love Cohoes!*

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Have some class news or an upcoming reunion or event? Call Bill Reu at **518(235-1402)** E-mail at **R37P42@aol.com** or Barbara McDonald at **(518)237-9645** E-mail **bmcdona1@nycap.rr.com**

Trying to get in touch with an old friend? Contact us, and we may be able to help you contact them. We are still trying to contact class representatives from the late 60's through 2017. Contact us at one of the numbers or e-mail us at one of the addresses above. We would like to talk to you. If you know of someone who would like to receive the newsletter, let us know.

Please notify us when you change your address. *This newsletter is free to anyone who would like to receive it. All we need is your address. Help us meet our goal of making these awards an annual helping hand to our college-bound seniors.*

The Alumni Association is non-profit and all contributions are tax deductible.

CHS Alumni Association 2019 Dues (January through December)

Name _____	Maiden _____	CHS Alumni Association
		P O Box 229
		Cohoes NY 12047
Street _____	Class _____	<i>Retain your cancelled check for your tax records.</i>
City _____	St. _____	Dues: \$5.00 _____
	Zip _____	Donation: _____
Ph() _____	Date: _____	
	E-Mail: _____	
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