

LAKE GEORGE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION NEWS



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Successful Scholarship Benefit "Thanks to Rachael '86"

Once again Rachael's overwhelming generosity has graced our Alma Mater with success and will allow the Alumni Association to award 8 scholarships to 2nd year college students. To all our attendees,

Alumni volunteers, show partners, Media Club, George's Restaurant, the LG Bakery, School and cafeteria staff we are always so appreciative of your continued support.

Pet & People donations exceeded the previous year and donations were given to George's Purrs & Paws, the SPCA in Queensbury and the Save-a-Stray in Corinth. Food donations were again shared with the Food Pantries at Sacred Heart in Lake George and Maxfield Community in Lake Luzerne. Added Thank You's go to Steven Smith pre show music and the LG Skateboard Club (LGHS students) for assisting with the collection and the distribution of the donated foods.

2012 SAVE THE DATE ~ Rachael Ray Benefit Show ~ Thursday, April 12, 2012 ~ Ticket Sales March 10, 2012

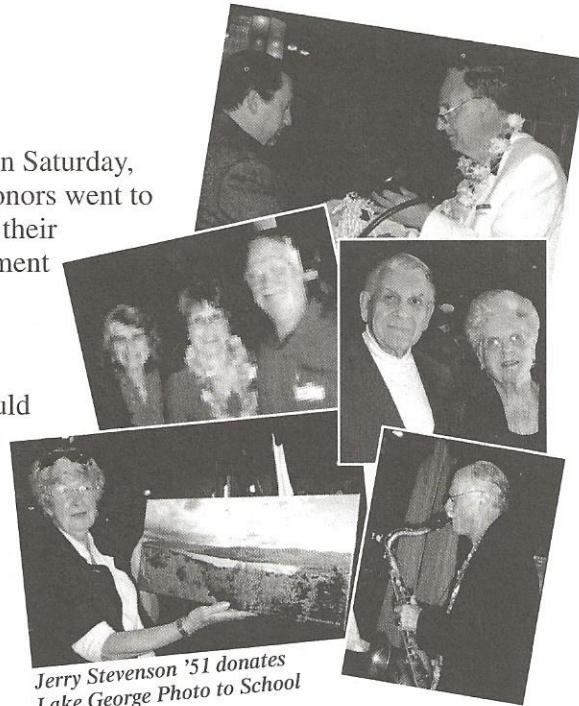
2011 Alumni Banquet, "Memories" Honoring The Class of 1961

The Alumni Banquet was held at the TIKI Resort in Lake George Village on Saturday, October 8th. 96 folks attended including 26 from the Class of 1961. Special honors went to Edward Dahlstedt from the Class of 1941 and some attendees were dressed in their Hawaiian finery. Food was delicious and everyone had a great time. Entertainment for the evening was by DJ's Debbie and Mike Gosline and featured music of the '50's and '60's.

The annual silent auction was held throughout the evening. It featured a variety of items from over sixty area businesses and citizens. The Alumni would like to thank all who participated by either donating or purchasing items. The profit from this event helps to give scholarships to students and to purchase necessary equipment for the school district.

Rounding out the evening were annual awards presented as follows: Educator's Awards to Richard Chase, who was Supervising Principal from 1954-1965, and Hiram Bevins, who was Instrumental Music teacher from 1954-1977; the Outstanding Member of the Community Award to James

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*Jerry Stevenson '51 donates
Lake George Photo to School*

2012 ANNUAL BANQUET ~ "Blast from the Past '62" ~ Saturday, October 6, 2012 ~ Tiki Resort

Annual Alumni Banquet, "Memories"

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Corkland; the Wall of Honor Awards to Robert Moon (class of '41) and Benjamin Osborn (class of '02). Mr. Osborn, Ben's father, addressed the group with warm acceptance.

Bob Bevins (class of '61), on his Tenor Sax and his sister, Mary Ellen Bevins Jolley (class of '72), vocally, led the Alma Mater and later Bob played a medley of "Lullaby of the Leaves," "All the Things You Are" and "The Way We Were" as a tribute to his father. It was certainly a nice touch to the awards ceremony.

SAVE THE DATE

Annual Banquet

"Blast from the Past '62!"

Join us Saturday, October 6, 2012
for our next banquet
featuring the class of
'62s 50th reunion.



1962 SUPER TEAM COMMITTEE

- Pat Burden Connors, Coordinator
patconnors1@msn.com
 - Orest Boychuck
 - Gail Morey Couse
 - "Goody" Goodness
 - Marty Ellis Hagan
 - Carol Hughes Prejean
 - Dan McGowan
 - Burt Morehouse

We are working hard to round up
classmates for a revisit to
Lake George and Memory Lane.
Won't you join us for a weekend reunion?

WALL OF HONOR - 2011

SPC. BENJAMIN D. OSBORN

Class of '02 ~ Jan. 21, 1983 - June 15, 2010

LAKE GEORGE -- Spc. Benjamin D. Osborn, 27, passed on Tuesday, June 15, 2010, in Konar Province, Afghanistan, while serving with the U.S. Army.

Born in Glens Falls Hospital, Jan. 21, 1983, he was the son of William D. and Beverly (Burnham) Osborn.

Benjamin served with the 1st Battalion, 327th Infantry, 1st Brigade Combat Team, 101st Airborne Division, Fort Campbell, KY, rank SPC 4. He was in active duty from April 2007 to June 2010, in Theatres of Operation in Iraq and Afghanistan. On Feb. 6, 2010, he married the love of his life, Nicole LaPier, in Queensbury. He was a caring, loving and passionate husband, who adored his wife and looked forward to their future.

Ben received his first trophy at the age of seven, when he competed amongst 11 boys in a tumbling routine. He received first place. This was the beginning of many, many sports trophies. He received the senior athletic award and played varsity football for four years, varsity baseball for two years, JV baseball for two years, JV basketball for two years and was a member of the varsity ski team for one year. He still holds the record at Lake George High School for career tackles in football, accomplished in two and half years. Along with his sports, he was involved in the Sister Cities Exchange Program and Odyssey of the Mind.

Ben will be remembered for his sense of humor, his appetite, loyalty, dedication, love of his family, brotherhood, friends and Lake George. He was a hero to so many in life and will be remembered as a hero to all in death. Ben will always be remembered for his ready smile, his sense of fun and adventure. His readiness to help others any time for anything. His willingness to stand up for his friends while always ready to get on the floor to play with the young.

Ben found true happiness and contentment in his recent marriage to his beloved Nicole. He was now complete and ready to face the future. Ben was such a loved and compassionate person, yet he fully subscribed to the creed of effort. *"I firmly believe that any man's finest hour is that moment when he has worked his heart out in a good cause and he's exhausted on the field of battle, victorious."* (Vince Lombardi) Ben gave his all for the mission at hand.

This tribute in honor of Benjamin D. Osborn was written by Barry Lashinsky.

ROBERT M. MOON

Class of '43 ~ January 21, 1924 - February 24, 2008

Bob was a dedicated bus driver throughout our high school years and continued as Lake George's Transportation Supervisor until his retirement in 1985. He touched the lives of many students as well as peers in the School District. He was loved by many and respected by all. For his back story, I would like to quote from his obituary -

"Bob was a 1943 graduate of Lake George Central School and a U.S. Army veteran of World War II, having served in the D-Day invasion of Normandy and the Battle of the Bulge campaign in the Ardennes region of Belgium.

He had a long and distinguished career in fire and public service. He was a Boy Scout Master for Troop 20 in Lake George; Noble Grand of I.O.O.F. Lodge; District Deputy Grand Master I.O.O.F. Lodge; Lake George Village Police Officer; Warren County Deputy Sheriff and dispatcher; New York State Park Ranger; Lieutenant of the Civil Defense Police where he was an instructor in unarmed defense; Chairman of the Communications Subcommittee for Tri-County EMS; Chairman of the Board of Ethics in the Town of Lake George; Secretary/Treasurer of Northeastern Fire Coordinators Association; Chief of the Lake George Fire Department; head mechanic and transportation supervisor at Lake George Central School; a member of New York State Pupil Transportation Association; Warren County Fire Communications officer; Warren County 1st Deputy Fire Coordinator; Warren County Arson Squad investigator; Warren County Fire Safety inspector; and served on the Board of Directors of the Lake George Historical Association. He retired from his public service career in 2006 at age 82.

He and his first wife, Virginia, who predeceased him, had two sons, Alan and Gary and a daughter Brenda; and later married Katherine, who had three sons, Mike, Jeff and Steven.

Bob was well known and respected by the community of Lake George and the entire region. He leaves behind an example with his commitment to community service and his desire to help people."

EDUCATOR AWARD: 2011 Recipients

RICHARD CHASE - In 1932, Richard Chase graduated from Hartwick College in Oneonta in its first graduating class. He soon took a teaching/principal job in a tiny school in Maryland, New York and later, when three small schools consolidated to form a central school in Schenevus, NY, his home town, he became its Vice Principal and Science teacher. Fearing he might not achieve his goals there, he attained his next job as Principal of Jefferson School in 1952. Jefferson was a very small farming community with a total student enrollment of 250 K-12.

In 1954, Lake George School District hired Mr. Chase as its Supervising Principal and he remained in that position until his daughter Carol graduated in 1965. After retirement, he worked part time for several years assisting local schools apply for federal grants. He died in 1990 at 82 as a result of Parkinson's disease. His second wife Lena, a former student in the Maryland school where he first taught, still resides in Lake George and is 93.

Mr. Chase was a strong, disciplined Principal, respected by both students and faculty. Our class remembers him well.

Here is a short remembrance from Andy - "I think one of the most remembered incidents from our school days was when many of us, me included, got caught up in the HOT pepper incident when we were in the 7th grade. Those of us involved were summoned to the office where we had to eat hot peppers, which had been confiscated, washed in the cafeteria and cut into small pieces. I don't think another hot pepper ever entered the Lake George School again!"

HIRAM BEVINS spent most of his life in Milton, Vermont, graduating from Milton High School and furthering his education at the University of Vermont in Burlington. While at UVM he took a Civil Aeronautics course and upon graduation in 1941, he joined the U.S. Air Force as a cadet and trained as a pilot. During World War II, he was stationed in England and flew missions with the 61st Fighter Squadron over continental Europe. On September 3, 1943, Lt. Bevins' P-47C fighter plane (which he called the HV-B "Bunkin") was hit by a German FW190 fighter plane and bellied-in near Paris. He was missing in action for several weeks but was later found alive in a prisoner camp in Germany. He was reunited with his family three years later.

After the war, Mr. Bevins returned to his family home in Milton where he continued his education at UVM, earning a Master's Degree in Music. He began his new career at the Black River Academy in Ludlow, VT teaching English, Music and a course in Aeronautics. He later returned to Milton to teach music for six years, and in 1954 he, his wife Betty, sons, Robert and Bruce, and daughters, Mary Ellen and Suzanne, moved to Lake George where Mr. Bevins would teach Instrumental Music.

His great love of music was evident to all of his students and we were eager to learn from him. The school music programs expanded as more and more students joined our bands. Mr. Bevins helped instill in us school pride, and that enthusiasm was reflected at school concerts, exchange concerts, concerts in Shepherd Park, and at Memorial Day and firemen parades. He continued teaching at Lake George until he retired in January of 1977. He and his wife moved back to Milton where he lived until his passing in 1998. His wife Betty died in 2011 at the age of 93.

We were so fortunate to have known and to have been taught and influenced by Mr. Chase and Mr. Bevins and it is with great pleasure that we honor these gentlemen.

COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD: 2011 Recipient

Jim Corkland will be 90 years young on February 17, 2012. Jim grew up in Fort Edward and as a young boy, would travel by trolley from home to Lake George to visit his uncle. Graduating from high school in 1941, he joined the Army and was sent overseas with the 34th Infantry Division. He served 6 months in Northern Ireland, 6 months in North Africa and 2 years as part of the Allied invasion force in Italy.

June, 1945 he headed home and on October 20, 1945 married Betty Chambers, who Jim has known since childhood (their mothers had gone to grade school together.) In 1948, Jim entered Skidmore College and graduated in 1951. He taught for thirty years as a high school English teacher.

Jim worked summers for the Lake George Village Police Department from 1949 through 1964 and then for the Town of Lake George Police Department until 1970. Elected as Town Justice in 1970, he served 35 years in that position.

Jim's other civic associations include: 5 years as a member of the Lake George Fire Department; 5 years as a member of the Hadley-Luzerne Fire Department; 35 years on the Lake George Emergency Squad; Member of the Lake George American Legion; Member of the Lake George Rotary Club (one year as President); Member of the Lake Luzerne Lions Club.

This year, Jim and Betty will celebrate their 67th Wedding Anniversary. Their daughter Beth and her husband live in northern Washington County.

In Memory

GRADUATES

Sandra Beswick
Joan (Wood) Burch
Nancy (Jewesson) Carter
Ronnie (Sica) Coulter
Sandra (Duncan) Demmer
Marilyn (Simonetti) Duell
Bonnie (Finkle) Holz
Betty (Prosser) Kanar
Malcolm K. Lastrup, Sr.
Raymond M. MacDonald
Harold W. Moon
Thomas J. Moon
Benjamin D. Osborn
Dorothy (Folts) Schaldone Pulver
Joseph G. Regan
Thomas R. Waite
Debroah K. (Wells) VanTassel

CLASSMATES

Helen (Snyder) Allen
Malcolm Wallace Archard
JoAnne (Frasier) Baker
Raoul "Butch" Charbonneau
Daniel R. Lewis
Patricia A. (Schermerhorn) Terrell
James J. Wassel

EDUCATORS

Adele (Wagner) Boyd
"Coach" John A. Dawes
Joseph A. Garry, Jr.
Dr. Robert Remais

ENGAGEMENTS

Jane Elizabeth Agresta to Michael Anthony Haven
Kaitlin G. Pulito to Taylor P. Wyre '01
Victoria Grace Taibe '99 to John David Masco
Jessica Jarosz '02 to Brian King '99
Lauren Tefft '05 to Steven MacWhitney

WEDDINGS

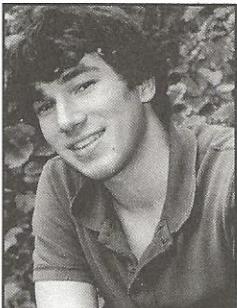
Jessica Thompson to John Palange
Bethany Lynn Osborn '99 to Travis Jerold Birkholz
Carey Patricia Mulherin to Zachary Sherman Parker
Katherine Nevins to William "Jerry" Stevenson '51

Ken & Laura '31 Mason Award

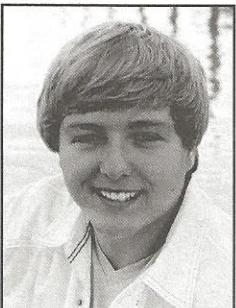
This award was established in 1996 as an endowment from Ken Mason and his wife Laura, a 1931 graduate of LGCS, to the Lake George Alumni Association and is to be given annually to LGHS graduating seniors who are relatives of a Lake George Alumni or may have financial need.



Alissa Duesler
Norwich University



Richard Feather III
SUNY Oneonta



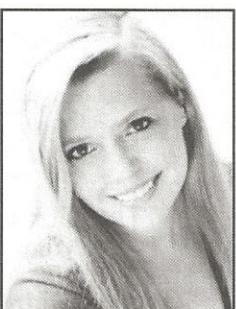
Zeke Merchant
Clarkson University



Reagen Morehouse
SUNY Oneonta



Carrie Stewart
SUNY Adirondack



Cassidy Woods
SUNY Oneonta

2011 Alumni Awards to Class of 2010 LGHS Graduates

Scholarships are awarded to second year students furthering their education.



Sara Anderson
SUNY Adirondack



Tess Bannon
Buffalo State



Makayla Byrne
Syracuse University



Christine Ilsely
Mildred Elley



Rachel Jackson
School of Visual Arts



Ryan Labruzzo
Rose Hulman Inst.



Erika LaPlante
Northeastern Univ.



Connor Perkett
Georgia Ins. of Tech.

CLASS OF 1961



Sandra Cotherman Brown, Eileen Pollman Bentley, Charles Yagar, Marcia DuFour Hastings, William Gates, Carol Harris Higgins, Gerald Moppert, Sharon Ryther King, Elina Hannula Mavromatis, Sharon Rhodes Siaulnski, Pamela Steen, Daniel George, Ernest Pollman, Susan Martindale Mellon, Lauren Lackey, Jane Stevenson St. Pierre, Thomas Parrott and Robert Bevins. Inset: Andrew Chase.



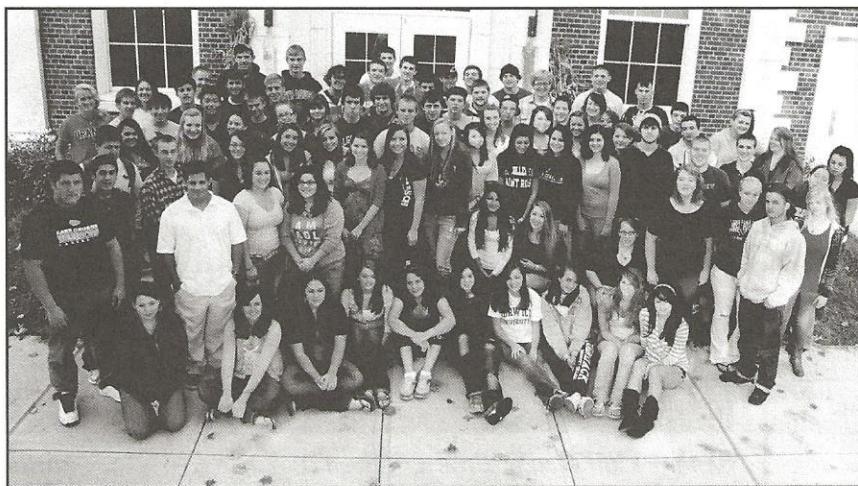
Samantha Root
LGHS Delegate to Annual Convention of Future Leader of America

2012 SAVE THE DATES

February 15	.....	Regular Meeting
March 10	.....	Rachael Ray Show Ticket Sales
March 21	.....	Regular Meeting
April 12	.....	Rachael Ray Benefit Show
April 17	.....	Regular Meeting
May 16	.....	Regular Meeting
May 31	.....	Senior Awards Ceremony
June 20	.....	Regular Meeting
September 12	.....	Regular Meeting
October 6	.....	Banquet & Silent Auction
October 17	.....	Regular Meeting

We Wish You The Best!

CONGRATULATIONS CLASS OF 2011



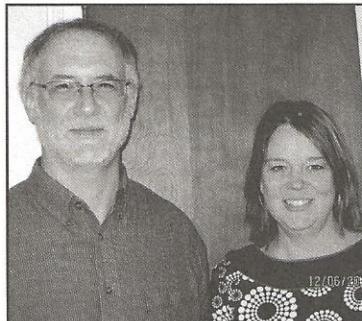
Lake George Supervisor

January 1, 2012

Dennis and Andrea (Grant) Dickinson, both Lake George Graduates Class of '64 & '65, start their new role as Town of Lake George Supervisor and First Lady.

NYS Highest Awards

Congratulations to Anthony "Tony" Cocca '75 and Tammy Darby for achieving National Board Certification, the highest credential a teacher can receive. Tony and Tammy are Math and Science teachers respectfully at the LGHS.



New Superintendent for Hadley-Luzerne

The Hadley-Luzerne Board of Education has selected, Paul Berry as their new Superintendent. Paul is a 1982 graduate of Lake George High School.

2012 Alumni Officers

President..... Tom Roach
 Past President and Fundraising Chair Gloria Gilman
 Vice President Judd Brynes
 Recording Secretary Ellen Himmelbeau
 Treasurer & Corr. Secretary Pam Morin
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MEMBERSHIP, RENEWALS & DONATIONS

Date _____

Name: _____

First _____

Maiden _____

Last _____

Class _____ Years _____
 Year _____ Attended _____

Address _____

City _____

State/Zip _____

Telephone _____

E-mail _____

Annual Membership DUES include Newsletter, Updates and Announcements (Membership year is Dec. - Jan.)

Annual Dues \$10.00
 Scholarship Fund \$ _____
 Dedicated Donation of \$ _____

To _____
 (Example: Music Department)

Total Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

Check # _____

Date Rec'd. _____

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"Taking Care of Memories"

Lake George High School

ALMA MATER

Oh Lake of crystal water,
surrounded by yon hills:
the mountains peaks rise up
to kiss the blue'nd skies and rills.

Our high school stands
upon the mound,
we gaze at all thy charms!
God bless our Alma Mater
in the Adirondack Arms!

As forward through the years
we march,
our footsteps toward success . . .
we dream of

Lake George High School,
and the friends that we possess.
The love and honor in our hearts
shall last forever more:
the things that we have accomplished
shall reflect upon the door!

Written by
Lake George Central School Sophomore
Barbara Parsons Langworthy 1941

SAVE THE DATES

March 10 • Rachael Ray Show Ticket Sales ~ April 12 • Rachael Ray Benefit Show ~ October 6 • Banquet and Silent Auction

"Thank You, We Appreciate Your Support"

----- RETURN THIS PORTION -----



"Blast from the Past!"



2012 ANNUAL ALUMNI BANQUET RESERVATION

- October 6, 2012 from 5:00 to 11:00 pm at the Tiki Resort - 668-5744
- Response Deadline: September 28, 2012
- Reception - 3-Course Dinner - Dancing - Door Prizes - Special Awards
- All Dinners: \$38.00 per person - includes Tax & Gratuity
- Silent Auction for Scholarship Benefit

Name/s _____ Class _____

Telephone _____ E-mail _____

Mailing Address _____

Comments _____

Meal Choice: _____ **Prime Rib of Beef** - *Herb crusted and served with Horseradish Sauce*

_____ **Baked Sole Stuffed** - *with Crabmeat*

_____ **Pollo al Toscana** - *Marinated Chicken layered with mozzarella & dressed with trilogy of mushrooms & Marsala sauce*

_____ **Eggplant Parmesan** - *Parmesan & Mozzarella blanketed with Marinara*

No. Attending: _____ Total: \$_____ Check #: _____ Rec'd Date: _____ Deposit Date: _____

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An alumnus (pl. **alumni**) according to the *American Heritage Dictionary* is "a graduate or former student of a school, college or university."