Alumni Connection

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News & Information for Ticonderoga High School Alumni and Friends

From the President —

2019 was a good year for the Ticonderoga Alumni Association. Thanks to the hard work of the Extravaganza Committee and the amazing generosity of Alumni and friends, we are poised to have a fun-filled, exciting 2020 Alumni Extravaganza in July. Once again, donors supported our Alumni Scholarship Award Program to the extent that allowed us to meet our commitment to the Class of 2019 AND grow our trust fund. We saw an increase in participation in our Alumni Golf Tournament, and our Website and Facebook usage has seen a dramatic growth.

However, 2020 presents a number of challenges and we cannot assume that business as usual will allow us to accomplish our mission of "Supporting Our Students and Serving and Honoring Our Alumni." Our Alma Mater is struggling to maintain a quality educational program in the face of increasing costs and declining enrollment and revenues. Many articles in this newsletter highlight the very positive things that are happening in Ticonderoga as the School, families, and Community work together to overcome their obstacles. I believe the Alumni Association is an integral factor in the rebirth of Ticonderoga and its schools.

As always, a big thank you to Past President Joyce Cooper for her efforts to design and edit an Alumni Connection that we all can be proud of.

It's great to be a Sentinel.

-Steve Boyce, President Ticonderoga Alumni Association

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After over twenty years as an educator in Ticonderoga, including nineteen years as Superintendent of Schools, Dr. John McDonald, Jr. has decided to take advantage of early retirement.

John, who is also a Captain for the Lake George Steamboat Company, provided the leadership that helped Ticonderoga become a model school for rural America. Under his guidance, Ticonderoga High School was chosen as one of U.S. News and World Report's Best High Schools in America. Dr. McDonald was also instrumental in the establishment of the Ticonderoga Alumni Association and creation of our Scholarship Award Program that rewards all graduates of Ticonderoga who take "one more step" after high school.

However, John's career as an educational leader is not over. Starting in July, he will become Head of School at Worcester Preparatory School in Berlin, Maryland. But he'll always be a Sentinel.



Alumni Association Recognizes Five Outstanding Citizens

Three years in a row the Annual Alumni Awards Ceremony has had a local flavor. All of the 2019 recipients currently live in Ticonderoga and only one has had a career outside our community. The positive impact our schools and community have had on these recipients is obvious. Information follows on these 5 great award recipients. We thought you might also enjoy seeing both their 'yesterday' (yearbook) and 'today' (Awards night) photographs!



Distinguished Alumni Awards



Mark Wright '80 Science and Community

Overcoming Acute Lymphocytic Leukemia, Mark graduated (on time) with the Ticonderoga Class of 1980. He attended Adirondack Community College and graduated from Syracuse University in 1984 with a Bachelor's Degree in Aerospace Engineering. In

1984, Mark married Laura Barron (THS, Class of 1980.)

His career has included work for the Department of the Air Force as a Safety Analyst and Department Chief. In 2001, he became part of the Federal Aviation Administration's Commercial Space Division. Mark is a recipient of the coveted Federal Aviation Administration's Golden Wings Award for Professional Services. In 2016, Mark and Laura moved back to Ticonderoga, where he continued to work for the FAA, recently retiring in 2019.

Mark is an active member of the Ticonderoga Community. An avid local history buff, he has shared his impressive collection of Ticonderoga memorabilia on-line at "If you grew up in Ticonderoga". He currently serves as a member of the Ticonderoga Heritage Museum Board, and as a member of the Fire Commission.

Special Service Awards



MARY CUNNINGHAM '74 Protecting the health and safety of the community

Mary Cuningham graduated from THS in 1974 and attended SUNY Plattsburgh, where she graduated with a degree in Health and Science. During her time in college, she coached swimming, basketball and track

at St. Johns Academy.



The tragic death of her sister, Michelle, in a 1977 automobile accident inspired Mary to become an Emergency Medical Technician (EMT). In 1984, Mary joined the International Paper staff as an EMT/ Security Guard where she helped organize the Medical Emergency Response Team. She also served as a member of the Ticonderoga Ambulance Squad for 15 years. She joined the Fire Department in 1993, serving as an officer for 23 years and was president for 21 of those years. Mary was also instrumental in helping to set up the Hall of Flame Museum at the Fire Department. As a CPR First Aid Instructor, she has taught life-saving techniques to over 4,000 people. As Chair of the local American Cancer Society Relay for Life, she has helped raise over \$90,000.

> Full Versions of Award Speeches can be found at www.ticonderogaalumni.org

Bernard (Ben) H. Leerkes '64 Strong Community Roots Ben was 11 years old when his family came from Holland to the United States to establish a dairy farm in Ticonderoga. The oldest of 10

children, Ben graduated from

Ticonderoga High School in

1964. He received a NYS

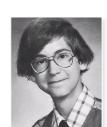
Regents Scholarship and

attended Manhattan College,



earning his Bachelor of Science degree in Electrical Engineering. But an engineering career was not in the cards when International Paper Company purchased the family farm to construct the "new" mill. The family purchased the old Cook farm and Ben offered to join his father and start a new farm. This successful business eventually included over 600 acres and about 160 livestock.

While fulfilling the long-day demands of farming, he has performed extensive community service, including the Cornell Cooperative Educational Services Board of Directors, Essex County Farm Bureau Director from 1971-2018, Miner Institute Research Institute Farm Board, Dairy-Lea and AgriMark Co-operatives, and Northern New York Agriculture Development Board. Ben is also a strong supporter of St. Mary's School and for many years served as Chairman of the Ticonderoga Planning Board.



Special Service Awards

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Corinna Woods'90 It's All about Kids

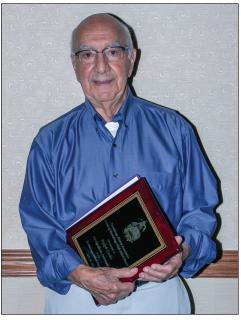
Corinna graduated from Ticonderoga High School in 1990. She attended Boston College. During her college years she began working with youth. Corinna worked as a Program Director for Camp Wakpominee (a Boy Scout camp) summers



from 1990-2012. She would later serve as Health Director at Curtis S. Reed Scout Center and Treasure Valley Scout Camp. In 1998, Corinna took job as a Teaching Assistant and Job Coach at Ticonderoga Central School District. Corinna also works at Great Escape Lodge as a safety officer and EMT, is Assistant First Aid Coordinator and EMT at Silver Bay YMCA, and acts as a medical consultant for the Lehigh Valley Phantoms, an affiliate of the NHL Philadelphia Flyers

In 2014, Corinna became Assistant Director of the local Summer Youth Program. She soon became the Camp Director for the program. Besides Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts, Corinna is still actively involved with children through the Ticonderoga Karate Club, Little League, Youth Soccer, Ticonderoga Tee Ball, and Youth Basketball.

Friend of Ticonderoga High School Award



Ralph Corbo

After graduation from Mineville HS, attending Cortland, and serving in the US Army, Ralph graduated from Plattsburgh State Teachers' College. In 1959, he joined the Ticonderoga Central School faculty as a 7th-8th Science Teacher.



During his 17 years as a science teacher, Ralph would also coach baseball, Middle School football, and serve as a class advisor.

In 1977, Ralph accepted the position of Principal of the Ticonderoga Middle School Principal, where he would help create a student-centered school. In 1984, Ralph became principal of the high school, a position he would hold until his retirement in 1995. As principal, he was instrumental in establishing the Senior Project Program and Natural Helpers, an initiative that would train students to provide counseling and conflict resolution for their peers.

As a member of the community, Ralph served as President of the Ticonderoga Federal Credit Union, and continues to be an active member of the Knights of Columbus and supporter of St. Mary's Church and School.

Do you want to nominate someone for the Distinguished Alumni Award?

Download the Nomination Form on www.ticonderogaalumni.org and follow the instructions on the form.

High School Partners with TRA

To help meet the shortage of contractors in the area and to provide career and technical training for students, the high school counselors have created a partnership with the Ticonderoga Revitalization Alliance (TRA), a non-profit organization dedicated to strengthening the economy of the Ticonderoga area.

TRA received a \$95,000 federal business development grant to provide tuitions for Ticonderoga High School seniors to attend the CV-Tec program in Mineville, NY. The grant also funded the production of a brochure that outlines for juniors and seniors the technical training programs available through BOCES and at regional colleges. The grant will also fund 8-week summer internships for students, allowing them to gain real-life work experience.

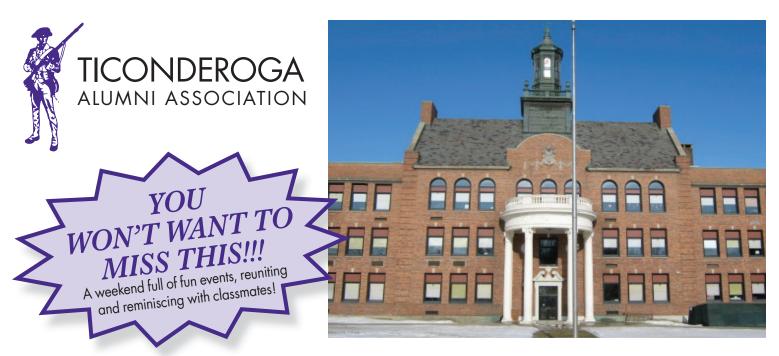
A major aspect of the grant is "Contractors in the Classroom," which will bring different contractors into the classroom to work side-byside with students. The goal of this project is to expose students to careers in the trades by providing skilled mentors who may become potential employers.

The grant will also help fund a Trade Education Scholarship that will support local students' desire to pursue a trades-related education.

More from the President:

As the Alumni Connection is about to go to print, our school is faced with another challenge! Due to the threat of the coronavirus, Ticonderoga School District is closed until at least April 19th and all school, activities have been suspended. The School Board, administration, teachers, and staff are hard at work attempting to assist families in meeting the needs of our students and maintain an educational system in these trying times. I have no doubt our Alumni Association will do all in its power to support these efforts. Coach Stevenson used to have a sign in the locker room: "When the going gets tough, the tough get going." It's time for us to get tough!





2020 Extravaganza Weekend —— July 23, 24, 25 & 26, 2020 ——

Accommodations for the Alumni Weekend

Mention that you are with the Ticonderoga Alumni Association and get a **DISCOUNTED RATE!**

- Best Western: 518-585-2378
- Circle Court Motel: 518-585-7660
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Shank You!

Many thanks from the entire Ticonderoga Alumni Association!! This spectacular event would not be possible without the support of each and every person that contributed. We sincerely THANK YOU!! We were absolutely amazed at the response to the 'TWENTY for 2020' campaign...

THS Alumni are ONE OF A KIND!! Get ready for a phenomenal weekend!!!

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2020 Extravaganza Weekend SCHEDULE

Thursday, July 23 in the Park

All Day - Set up your tent space in the Park! (40X100 Alumni Tent with space for all decades or set up your own tent)

5PM-8PM: Alumni Tent-Registration, Information, Merchandise, etc. in the Park

5PM-9PM: Yearbooks on display- at the Ticonderoga Heritage Museum

5PM-10PM: Food Vendors – The Hot Biscuit Diner and The Windchill Factory in the Park

5PM-10PM: Local Musicians

Friday, July 24

All Day - Set up your tent space in the Park! (40X100 Alumni Tent with space for all decades or set up your own tent)

5PM-7PM: Alumni Awards Ceremony at the Best Western

5PM-8PM: Alumni Tent-Information, Merchandise, etc. in the Park

5PM-10PM: Food Vendors – The Hot Biscuit Diner and The Windchill Factory in the Park

7PM-10PM: VRROOM in the Park

7PM-11PM: Music by Bad Chaperones in the Park

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Saturday, July 25

All Day- Set up your tent space in the Park! (40X100 Alumni Tent with space for all decades or set up your own tent)

8AM-3PM: Alumni Golf Tournament – Ticonderoga Golf Club

10AM - 3PM: StreetFest

1PM- 8PM: Alumni Tent- Information, Merchandise, etc.

2PM – 3PM: Tour of High School & Planetarium Show Ticonderoga High School

3PM-4PM: Slideshow Presentation by William G. Dolback: History of the Ticonderoga School System - Ticonderoga High School Auditorium

3PM-7PM: Pep Rally Activities, Parade of Classes, Photo Opportunities, LaChute Walking Tours, Children's Activities

5PM-10PM: Food Vendors – The Hot Biscuit Diner and The Windchill Factory

6PM-10PM: Music by Ruby Shooz

10PM: 2020 Fireworks Extravaganza!!! Be sure to join us in the Park!

Sunday, July 26

8AM-11AM: Breakfast Buffet at the ELKS Club (Cost \$9.00)

9AM-11AM: Alumni Run – LaChute Road Runners

11AM-12PM: Tour of the High School & Planetarium Show Ticonderoga High School

12PM-1PM: Slide Show Presentation by Mark Wright Ticonderoga...Past to Present - Ticonderoga High School Auditorium



Be Part of Our Fun-Filled Annual Event! (Cartwheel celebrations are optional)

PLAY IN THE ALUMNI GOLF TOURNAMENT ON SATURDAY, JULY 25TH

8 a.m. Shotgun at Ticonderoga Country Club Contact George Mackey at (518) 585-2801 to sign up.

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Thank You 2019 Donors!

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(Cumulative Donations)

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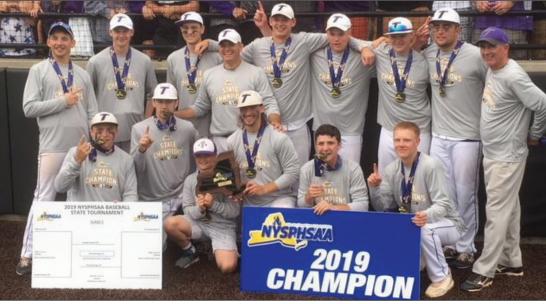
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In Honor of the Class of 1955

CHAMPIONS!

The 2019 Sentinel Baseball team was one for the record books. The team captured the school's first team state championship in June, defeating Cooperstown High School at SUNY Binghamton. The Sentinels advanced in the playoffs thanks to a 15-0 victory over Lake Placid at the sectional level. Russ Gallo's 7 inning gem on the mound helped the Sentinels to a 9-1 win over previously unbeaten #1 ranked Fort Plain, and propelled Coach Dorsett's squad onto the final weekend of the season. A 3-1 victory over Gananda punched Ti's ticket to the title game, thanks to timely hits by Jack Grinnell and Mike DuShane that matched another great outing from Gallo. Senior Michael DuShane got the ball for the championship game and delivered, combining with Bryce Gautreau for a complete game no hitter, and a 7-1 season-ending victory.

In addition to Gallo and Dushane, the Sentinels were led by a group of seniors who all made huge contributions throughout the season. Jack Grinnell's strong performance both behind the plate and at it, helped the Sentinels throughout each round of the playoffs. Senior Nick Robarge-Green kept his bat hot throughout the



(top left) Russell Gallo 3rd, Carter Dedrick, Nick Robarge-Greene, Coach Dorsett, Terence Benedict, Monty Benedict, Steven Barnaby, Michael DuShane, Coach Rick McClintock (bottom row) Carson Reeves, Conell Tierney, Manager Jackson Dorsett, Bryce Gautreau, Dillon Schlogl, Jack Grinnell

season to go along with timely RBI's late in the year. Carson Reeves ability to get on base and defensive prowess was another strong asset for the Sentinels. The always reliable Bryce Gautreau was his usual outstanding self all season, as he excelled at the plate, at first base and on the mound.

Steven Barnaby, Monty Benedict, Terrence Benedict, Carter Dedrick, Dillon Schlogl and Conall Tierney all return from the championship squad as the Sentinels look to repeat their success this year.



Despite budget cuts, the faculty and staff of Ticonderoga have continued to provide their students with vibrant and rewarding experiences in the arts. Building on the excellent elementary school musicals produced and directed by Wayne Chagnon and Nicholas Follette, and starting with almost no funds, Mary Kate Kroll, a physical education teacher at the Ticonderoga Elementary-Middle School, followed last year's performance of "Annie" with "Peter Pan Takes back Neverland".

The Shows Must Go On

(with the help of the Alumni Association)

With the help of Mr. Follette and Home and Careers teacher, Kathy Marshall, Ms. Kroll's cast and crew of twenty-five middle school students did two performances of the musical comedy that Mary Kate, in order to save royalty costs, wrote herself. But writing the play was not the end of her efforts. She also raised the funds necessary for costumes, scenery, and props by reaching out to local organizations, businesses, and families for financial support, including a \$250 matching grant from the Ticonderoga Alumni Association Sentinel Support Fund.

She was assisted by high school language arts teacher and Drama Club advisor, Kyle Lang, who loaned a background set from a high school play. This year, Mr. Lang also received a matching grant of \$250 from the Sentinel Support Fund to obtain the services of New York City choreographer, Robert Aronowitz who provided training in stage combat for the high school cast of "She Kills Monsters", a dramatic comedy by Qui Nguyen. Performances were scheduled for April 3rd and 4th at the Ticonderoga High School Auditorium.

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