

News & Information for Ticonderoga High School Alumni and Friends

From the President



Where to begin?

I'm only allowed about 300 words in my ALUMNI CONNECTION and so much is happening!

- We added four new Alumni Board members to our team and their energy is already having a positive effect. Unfortunately, two veterans stepped off the Board as their terms came to an end. We will miss Cory Phinney's financial expertise and advice. Long time member and Treasurer, Anne Charboneau has also left the Board but has graciously agreed to stay on as a Finance Committee member to lend her experience to help us reorganize in what, we hope, is a post-Covid world.
- Speaking of reorganization, the Governance Committee under Allen Moore's leadership has revised our By-Laws to create two Vice-President positions; each of which has supervision over our Alumni committees.
- Our Alumni 2025 Extravaganza Committee, with Karla Vigliotti and Bob Dedrick at the helm, are working full throttle to plan and raise funds for an event that is only a year and a half away.
- Our Alumni Scholarship Program remains strong. Thirty-four members of the Class of 2023 applied for and became eligible to receive almost \$30,000 in Alumni awards. I believe my favorite part of being President of this great group is authorizing our Treasurer to send checks of either \$750 or \$1000 to awardees as they complete their first semester at college or tech-school, graduate from Advanced Individual Training (AIT) as members of the military, or finish an approved apprentice program; all of which is funded by Ticonderoga Alumni and their friends.
- And finally, A big Thanks to the newsletter team of Co-Chair Trisha Wojcik, Dixie Thorpe, May Shiell, Kay Greenough, Liaison Joyce Cooper, and everyone who submitted articles and photos- your efforts help create another quality issue of the ALUMNI CONNECTION. You are a "Class Act".

-Steve Boyce, President Ticonderoga Alumni Association

Meet the New Superintendent



Scott Nephew, Superintendent of the Ticonderoga Central School District, assumed his duties in the summer of 2023, replacing Cynthia Ford-Johnston who is now enjoying a well-earned retirement.

Mr. Nephew has been employed by the school district in a variety of positions for the past twenty years, starting as a physical education teacher and most recently as Elementary School Principal. He excelled as a teacher, colleague, mentor, member of several committees, coach and administrator.

He received his Bachelor of Science, History and Physical Science from Castleton University and Master's Degree of Science, Curriculum and Instruction from the University of New England, located in Biddeford, Maine. In 2019, he received his diploma in Educational Leadership as a School District Leader from the Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts.

A graduate of Moriah Central School in 1991, Scott was a three-sport athlete and member of the National Honors Society. His wife, Amanda is employed at the Ticonderoga High School as a central registrar. They have two children; Owen a senior and Emmy a junior, both of whom attend Moriah Central School.

Mr. Nephew's priorities are to:

- Be fiscally responsible while maintaining programs and opportunities for our students and staff,
- Continue to adapt our programs to meet the everchanging guidelines set forth by New York State.
- Provide our staff with professional opportunities,
- Upgrade and maintain our facilities.

The School District is very fortunate to have hired an experienced administrator who knows our District well.

High School Portico Update



The Past: For several years the portico on the front entrance of the high school building has steadily deteriorated. Water damage to the balustrade and roof led to pieces of plaster breaking off and falling to the ground. Scaffolding and netting have been in place for many years to protect those entering through the main doors. The School Board established a special fund to support future restorations. Many alumni, community members, and non-profit organizations have made donations to that fund.

The Present: CS Arch, an architectural firm familiar with the district, has been contracted to develop design, cost estimates and a plan for total restoration. The estimated cost of the project is \$725,000. In a recent referendum, local voters overwhelmingly approved the Portico Revitalization Project and the district began accepting bids on February 16th of this year.

The Future: The project is scheduled to begin in July with an anticipated construction period of three to four months. The School Board is excited to have this project move forward and appreciates the support received from the community and Alumni. This symbol of pride for the district and community is finally getting the attention it deserves.

Alumni Association Honors Six

On Friday, July 28, 2023 the 18th annual Alumni Awards Ceremony was held in the Ticonderoga Best Western Ballroom and four individuals and one couple were honored. Your alumni association is proud of these people, all of whom have contributed to quality of life in our school district's communities and beyond.

Densmore and Murdock Receive Distinguished Alumni Awards

Alan Densmore

Precision Personified

Alan Densmore made his mark in the world pursuing two careers that require precision: surveying and aviation. His story is both a model and inspiration for students who love the outdoors and the challenge of doing things "just so".



Alan was a member of

the Ticonderoga High School Class of 1967, whose motto was, "Not Finished, Just Beginning." He liked science, but struggled in math. His favorite teachers were Mr. Floyd Russell who helped him in Algebra and Mr. Thomas Cembalski who got him through Trigonometry in his senior year. Mr. Cembalski's words of wisdom were, "Learn the Basics and you'll pass the course"; a lesson Alan took to heart.

Growing up on his family's farm in the Adirondacks imbued him with a love of the outdoors and led to his decision to enroll in the New York State Ranger School at Wanakena, majoring in Forestry and Land Surveying, graduating in 1969. He applied to Syracuse University's College of Forestry and, while awaiting acceptance and working for New York State Conservation Department, he received his military draft notice. Influenced by his father, who had a commercial pilot license and was a certified flight instructor, he enlisted in the U.S. Navy; selecting naval aviation as a military career choice and attending aircraft electrician's school. His final duty station was Chase Field, Beeville, Texas. It was here that he learned to fly at the Navy Flying Club at Beeville Municipal Airport, receiving his Private Pilot License in 1971 and Commercial License in 1973.

After receiving his Honorable Discharge in 1973, Alan returned to Ticonderoga High School; not as a student but to discuss career choices with Guidance Counselors William Kerr and Craig LaCourse. Following their advice, he decided to enroll at SUNY Morrisville Ag & Tech. He graduated in 1975 with a degree in Natural Resources Conservation and Land Surveying.

In his career, he began as an entry level Engineering Technician and Surveyor for Howard Kelly Associates in 1976; becoming a Licensed Professional Land Surveyor in both New York and Connecticut. He would work with a number of firms to eventually become a Survey Project Manager before retiring in 2016.

Throughout his career he continued to follow his passion for flying. He advanced his ratings; becoming a Flight Instructor, Airline Transport Pilot, Chief Pilot and Check Airman, and Charter Pilot, helping to establish Reliant Air Charter. He retired as a Captain in 2013, but continued to fly for the company as second-in-command pilot until 2022. He continues to flight instruct-working with a flying club, flight craft school, and private aircraft owners.

Alan has also found time to serve his community as an Eagle Scout Advisor and a member of the Danbury, Connecticut Municipal Airport Commission. Upon returning to Ticonderoga, he played a pivotal role in the installation of the Kiwanis playground at Bicentennial Park and currently serves on the Ticonderoga Airport Committee.

Distinguished Alumni are chosen because their careers and community service show how far you can go or, more appropriately in this case, how high you can fly, with an education from Ticonderoga High School. We welcome Alan Densmore to the Fraternity of Distinguished Alumni.

James Anthony Murdock (Jamie)

A Career of Leadership and Service

As a member of the Class of 1995, Jamie Murdock's leadership and service was on display. As an athlete he excelled in football, basketball and track. As a senior, he was named Captain of both his football and basketball teams. He was a member of the National Honors Society, Natural Helpers peer mentoring program,



Student Council, Booster Club and Drama Club. He received several awards at graduation, including Sentinel Senior Award and Elks Most Valuable Student Award.

Jamie attended the University of Florida, receiving a Bachelor of Arts degree in political science and history. In 1999, while in college, he would earn his naval commission through Officers Candidate School in Pensacola. During his career he would receive his Masters of Arts degree in National Security and Strategic Studies from the Naval War College.

After graduation from college, Jamie began rising through the ranks of the U.S. Navy. Serving in damage control, navigation and engineering on the USS Higgens and USS Cape St. George; completing two deployments to U.S. Fifth and Seventh Fleet areas of operation. His leadership and service did not go unnoticed- he was awarded 2007 Navy and Marine Corps Association Leadership Award and Naval Academy Class of 1976 leadership Award. As Commanding Officer of USS Forrest Sherman he led his 320 sailors to win the coveted Battle "E" award given to the ship deemed best ready to accomplish its combat mission. He also led his crew to the Chezek Memorial Gunnery Award.

While ashore, now Captain Murdoch served in the Office of the Dean of Students at the War College, Liaison to the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives and Director of the Surface and Mine Fighting Development Center. Among his decorations were Defense Meritorious Service medal, Meritorious Medal, Navy and Marine Corps Commendation, and Navy and Marine Corps Award.

Captain Murdoch is presently serving as a Commodore

responsible for Fifty-two ships of the Military Sealift Command Atlantic. Of the Ensigns commissioned in 1999, only 10% eventually command a warship; only 5% are selected for a Major Command. Jamie has done both.

Besides serving his country, Jamie has somehow found time to serve his community as a member of the PTA, Assistant basketball coach at a community center, and den leader of a Cub Scout pack. He and his wife Riley, also an active duty U.S. Naval Officer, are raising two children.

Commodore Murdock, we salute you and your family for your Distinguished Service!

★ SPECIAL SERVICE AWARDS ★

Joanne Bartlett

Quiet Service to Family and Community

The Special Service Award is presented to those alumni who help their community in a way that is a model for our students and future graduates. Joanne Bartlett fits that bill to a tee.



Some background information :

Joanne is a member of

the Ticonderoga High School Class of 1971, the first class to have members that spent their entire elementary years at St. Mary's before graduating from Ticonderoga High School. Joanne's favorite courses were math and science and she was active in National Honors Society, Student Council, French Club, Science Club, and Yearbook staff. She felt that her high school years helped her learn problem solving skills, teamwork, meeting deadlines, and the importance of good attendance, and punctuality.

Joanne's career choices after high school focused on helping people. She attended SUNY Cortland, transferring to SUNY Plattsburgh to major in Home Economics Education, graduating, in 1975. She and John were married in _____. Her career included being a home economist in business with Offray Robbins and later Streamline Industries in New York City. She would later become a home economics educator, starting a Home Economics Program at St. Mary's High School in South Amboy, NJ. Fours years later she would teach in Allentown, NJ, before she and John moved to Charlotte, NC.

The move to Charlotte led to a major career change. Joanne decided to become a nurse and graduated from Presbyterian Hospital School of Nursing in 1990. When asked about the reasons for shifting from teaching to nursing, Joanne remarked that she had always considered nursing as a possible career. Her mom had been a nurse and schools were dropping their home economic programs. As expected,

she excelled in a career focused on helping others. She spent three years of hospital nursing specializing in post open heart surgery care. For several years she worked as a Diabetes Educator, followed by a stint in a cardiovascular and thoracic surgeon's office.

The decision to return to Ticonderoga in 2004 led to a decision that would bring both careers together. She became the School Nurse at Ticonderoga Elementary/Middle School for fourteen years, retiring in 2019.

In 2013, She and John started the Ticonderoga Area Food Backpack program, one of the most successful of its kind to mobilize community resources to meet the food needs for kids. While John handled fundraising, ordering food, and recruiting community groups to fill backpacks, Joanne was the eyes and ears of the program, identifying families in need and making sure backpacks got delivered to the right kids in the right classrooms.

Joanne has not limited her community service to the Backpack Program. Since retirement, she also has worked in community clean-ups and helps School Nurses in Ticonderoga and Crown Point with their annual screenings of students.

For her quiet, dedicated service to her family, school, and community, The Alumni Association is pleased and proud to present Joanne Bartlett the 2023 Special Service Award.

Matthew J. Courtright

Ticonderoga Alumni Association's 2023 Special Service Award Recipient

One cannot walk in the Ticonderoga downtown business district without passing many local residents or building and business owners who know and respect Matt Courtright.

Matt Courtright is proud to call Ticonderoga his hometown. He graduated from Ticonderoga High School



in 2000 and went on to receive a bachelor's degree in public communication from the College of Saint Rose in 2004. After internships in the media field and marketing experiences with Inter-Lakes Health and Silver Bay YMCA, Matt joined the Ticonderoga Area Chamber of Commerce as its President and CEO in 2010. This organization currently promotes and supports businesses and organizations in Ticonderoga, Crown Point, Hague, Putnam and Moriah.

Under his leadership, the Chamber has grown and expanded its outreach and has positively impacted our town. Chamber membership has gone from 132 in 2010 to almost 400 today. Members include businesses, individuals, and non-profit organizations. Its Board currently has 9 members and 6 Executive Board members. Along with 4 full or parttime staff, TACC has 12 volunteer Ambassadors charged with helping grow the organization and participate in Chamber events. The dedication of these people has resulted from their belief in Matt and Chamber endeavors. Office staff have labeled him a "great leader", highly organized and methodical, adaptable," and most importantly, "thoughtful and positive."

Matt has helped businesses open and grow through the development of business plans, disclosure of sources for funding, ribbon cuttings, marketing opportunities, and use of media. He has advocated for more housing, more childcare providers and more support from the local, county and state governments. Fishing tournaments and other local events have increased under his leadership. Plans are presently underway to relaunch the Chamber's Young Professionals Group with the goals of providing a social group for these workers and keeping them in Ticonderoga.

Chamber activism and Matt's extensive work were essential in securing Ticonderoga's \$10,000,000 Downtown Revitalization Initiative Grant. He serves as a member of the local DRI Committee which worked to secure the grant.

Because of all of Matt's Chamber work, he and the opportunities to be found in Ticonderoga have become well-known by local, state and county officials, putting Ticonderoga 'on the map' and Matt in dialogue with ROOST (Regional Office of Sustained Tourism) and other important county and state organizations, agencies and officials.

As a volunteer Matt has also served our community well. He is or has been a member of the Essex County Industrial Development Board, PRIDE of Ticonderoga Board for 4 years, given 11 years of service to the Tiny Tim Christmas organization, served on the Fourth of July Committee since 2009 and the Streetfest Committee since its beginning, worked for the Relay for Life program for 3 years, and served on the Advisory Committee for North Country Community College. He has also volunteered at St. Mary's School.

FRIEND OF THS AWARD

Tom and Marlene Stricker

Friends of Ticonderoga Schools



Tom grew up in Neshaminy, Pennsylvania, graduated from Neshaminy High School and attended Temple University. He was known in Philadelphia as "Mr. Running Back." Marlene grew up in Philadelphia, graduated from Lincoln High School and also Temple University where she was on the dive team. Tom started his teaching and coaching career in Doylestown, PA Marlene started hers at Penn State and Cherry Hill, NJ.

Tom and Marlene were married in 1965. They honeymooned at the Blue Water Manor on Lake George where Tom fell in love with The Adirondacks. They have three children Jennifer, Steve and Nancy Jo.

Tom and Marlene came to the Ticonderoga School District in 1971 as Physical Education and Health Teachers. While at Ticonderoga, Tom coached football, basketball and track and field. Marlene coached gymnastics and track and field. In 1972, the Federal Government enacted Title IX which granted equal

opportunity to both men and women to participate in sports. Marlene was instrumental in the creation of the girl's Gymnastic Team and Track and Field Team. Tom and Marlene were a huge part of the many athletic titles and championships. Tom retired in 1995 and Marlene in 1996. And they now reside in Murrells Inlet, South Carolina.

Tom and Marlene were unable to attend the Awards Ceremony, however several colleagues and former students shared their memories of the Strickers; both humorous and personal:

- While Tom was prone to losing his keys, getting lost on road trips, occasionally forgetting what down it was (or that a player assigned bear crawls as a consequence for missing curfew was still doing them after two hours), he was also remembered for treating all students, whether athletes or not, with caring and respect. There was never any doubt that he had the best interest of kids in mind.
- Marlene's favorite quote may have been," Stay off the apparatus," but several of her former students remembered how she taught and encouraged all students to set higher goals for themselves; whether in sports or their lives.

Tom and Marlene Stricker had successful teaching and coaching careers at Ticonderoga. What made them Friends of Ticonderoga School was their dedication, as a team, to their students and the model that they presented for other teachers. In the words of Board Member Karla Vigliotti's presentation speech, "We thank you for your hard work and dedication to the students of Ticonderoga. You are True Sentinels and Friends."

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Eye On Alumni- Shaundra Bartlett Yaw '2000

To readers of THE SUN, Shaundra Bartlett Yaw, Class of 2000, is well known as a correspondent whose articles show local communities in a positive light and reinforce the core values of smalltown life in the Adirondacks.

Parents and grandparents of young children may also know her as Shaundra Bartlett, author and artist of five, soon to be six, successful storybooks. The main character of her Bartlettberry Briar series is Peaches, a young squirrel whose adventures help young readers learn life-long lessons of responsibility, empathy, problem solving and sacrifice.

In a recent article about Shaundra that appeared in the PRESS REPUBLICAN, she described the goals of her books as helping adults shape children into good people; introducing them to coping tools and people skills that will start them out in the right direction. Shaundra is a self-taught traditional water colorist. It usually takes her about eighteen months to write and draw a book. Her latest



creation, an ABC book, is due out during the 2024 Holiday Season.

Shaundra is an international award-winning author and artist. Her stories have won two Purple Dragonfly Book Awards for their originality, innovation and creativity in content and design. Recently she received two Mom's Choice Awards that recognize authors for their efforts in creating quality family-friendly media products.

She also started her own publishing company, Little Table Books, which produced her latest Peaches book, "The Sweethearts Dance." Shaundra also shares her skills through elementary school programs that include hands-on, interactive drawing demonstrations.

Shaundra is available through Instagram at bartlettberrybriar for event and school visit inquiries. Her books are available at bartlettberrybriarbooks.com.

(Parts of this article were adapted from an article written by Lohr McInstrey that appeared in the PLATTSBURGH PRESS REPUBLICAN.)

"The Alumni Association has provided a Scholarship Award for all of my children, so I know what a difference these awards make.

I would like to thank the Alumni Association for their continued support of our Ticonderoga graduates." - a grateful parent



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The Spirited Class of 1976 really enjoyed the 2021 Extravaganza.



Audrey Cook, a junior at Ticonderoga High School, is a talented graphic artist and musician. Well-known locally for her exhibited artwork, performances in school plays and concerts, her talents are gaining state, national and international attention.

Audrey's career is about to go national and international. In February she returned from New York City's Carnegie Hall after performing with the French horn. This summer she will be Londonbound as a member of the Honor Performance Series to perform with other talented student musicians from across the United States at the Performance Hall.

All this travel, while it provides invaluable experience, is very expensive; travel to New York City and London had a cost of \$8000. It is here where the school and community stepped up to help Audrey. We Are Instrumental (WAI), a non-profit organization created support music in the schools, organized fund drive to help offset travel costs. Within a week's time, not only was the \$8000 raised, but an additional \$15,000 came in, money which can be used to help other students pursue their dreams. According to Evan Mack, WAI founder and current Treasurer, "As always, this community steps up when called upon. It is nice how easy it was for us to raise the money to pursue these amazing opportunities because in part the town recognizes the talents of our kids."

The support comes in many forms besides fundraising. Music teacher Mike Iturrino along with other members of WAI have driven Audrey and other students to venues where they can perform and be exposed to different types of music and musical careers. Also, we would be remiss if we did not mention the nurturing and support given Audrey by her maternal grandmother, Karen Austen, Class of '81.

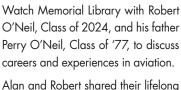
Every step of Audrey's musical pathway makes it easier for other students to pursue their dreams in the Arts. Through all the attention paid to her talents and accomplishments, Audrey remains a very humble and appreciative young person. "None of this is possible without the Ti community and whatever success I find in the future will be thanks to Ticonderoga, NY," Cook said.

The photograph and portions of this article were adapted, with permission from an earlier article written by Shaundra Bartlett Yaw that appeared in THE SUN TIMES.

Please visit weareinstrumentalny.org for more information on the organization and how you can help make Ticonderoga's musicians live their

An Alumni Connection

In the Fall of 2023, Alan Densmore, Class of 1967, a licensed commercial pilot and flight instructor (and recent Distinguished Alumni) met at the Black Watch Memorial Library with Robert O'Neil, Class of 2024, and his father Perry O'Neil, Class of '77, to discuss careers and experiences in aviation.





passion for flying. Robert, who recently completed his solo flight, hopes to become a commercial aviator.

Sentinel Support Fund Helps **Students** Learn Life Skills

The Sentinel Support Fund is an Alumni Association mini-grant program designed to help provide funds to students and teachers when the school cannot fully fund valuable activities and programs. Each year the Association sets aside \$1000 for the Support Fund and encourages the school population to apply for grants up to \$250.

So far this year, the Fund has been used to help the Ticonderoga Key Club send members to the Leadership Training Conference in Albany, NY and to purchase equipment and support field trips for the school's innovative Unified Physical Education class that partners students with intellectual disabilities with students without disabilities in a way that allows all students in the class to learn teamwork, communication and collaboration skills.

If you would like a real treat, check out the video about Ticonderoga Central School's Farm to School Program produced by Adirondack Harvest, a program of Cornell Cooperative Extension that encourages farm fresh foods and local producers. The Farm to School Program, in its early stages, was helped with a mini-grant from the Sentinel Support Fund. To access the video, go to adirondackharvest.com and select Ticonderoga Farm to School.

The Sentinel Support Fund is separate from the Scholarship Award Program and is funded by income from the Annual Alumni Golf Tournament.

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In Memory of RICHARD LIDDELL

-Sylvia & Steve Boyce

-Gary Dillon & Wendy Geiser

In Memory of DONALD F. MALANEY '45

-Victoria Malaney

In Memory of TOM & CAROLYN MALANEY, ANN MALANEY & JEAN HOPKINS

-Colleen (Malaney) Rainone

In Memory of AARON MARS '80

-John M. Scanlon

In Memory of MARION & EDMUND MORETTE

-Kathy & Ron Schubin

In Memory of MOM, DAD, ELAINE & JOHN

-Deborah McCarthy

In Memory of CHARLES N. NADEAU

-Debbie Nadeau

In Memory of FRANCIS, ROMAINE, JANE, and FRANCIS NADEAU Jr.

-Richard A. Nadeau

-Margaret Lamb

In Memory of DEWEY E. O'DELL & PHILLIP A. HUESTIS

-Phil & Timi-Joy Huestis

In Memory of ROBERT J. PALANDRANI Sr.

-Cory & Marissa Phinney

-Tommy & Michelle Jebb

In Memory of PATRICIA A. PANICCIA

-Anthony Paniccia

In Memory of ELMER SR., KATHERINE, ROBERT,

& WAYNE RICE

-Kevin & Linna Charboneau

In Memory of JOHN MARK ROSS

-Chris & Dave Ross

In Memory of FLOYD RUSSELL

-Karen Kunz

-Robert & Pamela Whitford

In Memory of JERRY & MARY GAIL RUSSELL,

RONALD HUGHES

-Andy & Julianne Russell

In Memory of BETH MOODY SCHILTZ

-Lois Gunning

In Memory of PATRICK & ALBERTA SHARKEY,

PATRICK SHARKEY Jr, GENEVIEVE MERRIAM SMITH

& TIMOTHY R. SMITH

-Theresa & James V. Sharkey

In Memory of ELLIOT, PEG & JEFF SHAW

-Wendy Shaw

In Memory of CARLTON STACY

-Maureen Stacy

In Memory of MARK STOWELL

-Floyd Russell

In Memory of CAROL THOMPSON

-Lisa Thompson-Kring & Ed Kring

In Memory of THOMAS E. THOMPSON

-Betty F. Thompson, Michael & Michelle Thompson

In Memory of DOROTHY & PETE WELLS

-John & Joanne Bartlett

In Memory of KRAIG WHITE '65

-Kathy and Joe Liddell

In Memory of LEE & FREDA WOODS

-Margaret & Larry Lauman

In Memory of ROLLY & AGNES YAW,

BOB & VIV COSSEY

-Nate & Eve Yaw

In Honor of the CLASS OF 1960

-David Ferguson

-Linda D. Thompson

In Honor of the CLASS OF 1971

-Terry K. Hurlburt

In Honor of TI HIGH TEACHERS PAST & PRESENT

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In Honor of the VARMETTE FAMILY

-Judy A. Euber

HALL of FAME



Jordan McKiernan

Class of 2013

Jordan's high school athletic career included:

- Varsity softball starting pitcher from 2011-2013; helping the team win CVAC Section VII championships each year, NYS Sports Writer's All State team in 2012 and All CVAC team in 2013, and in her senior year. co-captain.
- Varsity bowling team from 2009-13 (2009 Section VII Champions), individual bowler at state championships 2010-2013; winning state sportsmanship award in 2012, she set CVAC record for three game series score (750) and tied for high single

After graduation, Jordan went on to receive an Associate's degree in Criminal Justice from Hudson Valley Community in 2016 and a Bachelor's degree in Human Services from Southern New Hampshire University in 2022.

Jordan is married to her husband Austin and is currently a stay-at-home mother of two young children, ages 4 and 1.



Katie (Palandrani) Menon

Class of 2013

Katie was a catcher and four-year starter on the Sentinel varsity softball team. Her accomplishments included:

- Contributing to a team that won the Section VII CVAC championship four years in a row,
- CVAC all-star 2011, 2012
- 2013 CVAC Player of the Year

Beyond softball, Katie was a four-year defensive starter on the varsity soccer team and was named a CVACC Division II All-Star in 2012.

She also played basketball for the Sentinels throughout high school, except for her junior year due to a knee injury. Katie was selected for the John J. Herbert All-Academic Team for the 2013 winter season.

After graduation, Katie attended and graduated from Northeastern University, Continuing her catching career on Northeastern's club softball team. Katie is currently pursuing a PhD in Hearing and Speech Sciences at University of Maryland, and resides with her husband, Feroze, in Bethesda, MD.



Lucy Sammis Rooney

Class of 2006

Lucy participated in cross country running and indoor and outdoor track and field throughout high school. She was the Section VII Class C champion for cross-country in 2004, leading her team to a sectional championship. Between indoor and outdoor track and field, she was also a 4-time Section VII Class C champion. Lucy was named a NYSPHSAA Scholar-Athlete. She also held the school's record for girl's high jump for a number of years.

After graduating from Ticonderoga in 2006, Lucy attended St. Lawrence University. She graduated in 2010 receiving a BA in history with departmental honors. She went on to receive her juris doctorate from UNH Franklin Pierce School of Law in 2013. Lucy became a partner of her law firm in 2017, where she practices transactional law. She currently resides in Vermont with her husband and 5-vear-old daughter



Andrea Rich

Class of 2013

Staff Sergeant Andrea Rich graduated in 2013 from Ticonderoga, earned an Associate's degree from North Country Community College, and while serving in the United State Army, earned a Bachelor's degree from Purdue University.

In 2011 Andrea made the A 11 CV AC team as a sophomore. She continued her varsity softball career as the starting centerfielder with a batting average of .523, earning her a spot as a Division II All Star in both 2012 and 2013. As a multisport athlete, Andrea was also selected as an All Star in soccer in both 2012 and 2013. In the same years, Andrea earned All Star status for basketball as a guard who averaged 14 points per game.

Andrea is currently serving as a Squad Leader for the 57th Military Police Company at Schofield Barracks in Hawaii, where she conducts both law enforcement and field operations. Just returning from a rotation to Malaysia, Andrea looks forward to attending the United States Army Drill Sergeant Academy in June 2024. Upon completion of the academy, Andrea will be stationed at Fort Leonard Wood, MO as a Drill Sergeant for the 31st Engineer Brigade Barbarians.



Jake Taylor Class of 2009

Jake araduated from Ticonderoaa High School in 2009 and Hamilton College in 2013. Jake was a three-sport standout athlete at Ticonderoga High School and was a middle infielder for the Sentinel Baseball teams that won Section VII Championships from 2007-2009. He was selected as a CVAC All Star during his junior and senior years. Jake was also selected as a CVAC All Star in football as a defensive back and wide receiver. Jake helped the Sentinels reach the NYS Championship Football game at the Carrier Dome in Syracuse. Beyond his football and baseball accomplishments, Jake was also a starting guard for the Sentinel Basketball team as a junior and senior.

Jake is currently a Director of Client Services and resides in Queensbury, New York with his wife Jennifer and their two children, Owen and Ellie.

Ticonderoga Cross Country Program **Stays Strong**





Both the boys and girls Ticonderoga Sentinel Cross Country teams had another successful season this past fall. The boys repeated as Section Seven Class D champions and three of the girls' team qualified, along with the boys, to compete in the State Cross Country Championships held in East Syracuse, NY. Garrett Beebe was Class D section Champion and Avery Blanchard, besides being Class D winner, was overall Sectional Champion. Avery went on to finish 4th in the NYS Championship-the highest any Ticonderoga girl runner has ever achieved. Coach Jay Wells was named Section Seven Coach of the year.

In a very emotional year, the team will have eight seniors graduating; five of whom have been on the team since seventh grade. They have been excellent role models and will be missed.