

RHS Alumni Association

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HOMECOMING 2010

Homecoming 2010 was a huge success in every way! Over 300 alumni with family and friends, and former RHS staff gathered at the new Iber Holmes Gove Middle School to enjoy an afternoon that will long be remembered! The gym doors opened at 1:00 p.m. as throngs of alumni descended into the lobby amid a festive setting of fall decorations and the smell of hay from a local barn! Decade tables were set up in the gym for all to look over, and soon it was one conversation after another as people darted about renewing acquaintances with classmates, friends and former RHS staff members.

Featured at the reunion was a showing of the RHS Alumni Committee DVD production of "John Callaghan: Educator, Coach, Citizen, Family Man." John and his wife, Dorothy attended the reunion together with daughters Kathleen Callaghan Baum and Sharon Callaghan Dugas. The film production featured tributes to John (and Dot) from former students, and teachers with photographs woven into the half-hour narrative. The Production was aired throughout the afternoon. (See more on page 2).

Reunion attendees were asked to write notes to former teacher Cynthia P. Lord whose career in Raymond extended from 1954 until her retirement in 1979. More than seventy-five former students, colleagues, and friends wrote notes to Cynthia for a scrapbook that was presented to her after the reunion. Cynthia's fondness and wonderful memories of her years in Raymond have not diminished over the years. Without question she is well remembered by her countless students, colleagues and friends!

A splendid array of hot and cold hors'douvres, beverages, and desserts was served throughout the afternoon by Lovin Spoonfull Catering of Deerfield (owned and operated in part by Diane Dyrkacz, RHS grad, class of '78).

The closing ceremony began with remarks from Alumni President Carol Martin Levesque, thanking all for attending and encouraging younger RHS alumni to become involved in the work of the Association. Following introductions of members of the 2010 Reunion Committee, special gifts of New Hampshire maple syrup were awarded. Edith Hammond, '33, as the Oldest Graduate in Attendance. Longest Married - Edna and Paul Berry (63 years)'47. Recognized for having the Most Children was Janet Severance Berube '52, and Person Coming the Greatest Distance was Nancy Drew Mercier '57 who traveled from the Yukon Territory. Following the singing of "Fair Raymond" Homecoming 2010 came to a close.

SCENES FROM 2010 ALL CLASS REUNION



Yvette & Wayne Bailey, Charlena Littlefield Thompson, Barbara Stetson Reczkowski and Shirley Holt Dodge



Alumni President Carol Martin Levesque offering reunion farewell



"Kip" Mataragas at '60's decade table



Back: M. Cross, J. McDaniels, L. & M. Martin, L. Mason, A. Maloney, G. Severance Dunphy
Front: S. Holt Dodge, J. & D. Callaghan, S. Guptill Paradis



Tribute to Cynthia P. Lord from RHS Alumni

ORDER FORM FOR FILM

"JOHN CALLAGHAN: Educator, Coach, Citizen, Family Man"

Name _____ Mailing Address _____

30-minute version	Quantity_____	@ \$15	Amount	\$_____
1 hour unedited version	Quantity_____	@ \$25	Amount	\$_____

Complete order form, include check payable to RHS Alumni Association and mail to RHS Alumni Association, P. O. Box 745, Raymond, NH 03077 (Cost includes mailing).



GOLF OUTING NETS \$9,400 (Wow!)

The 8th annual golf outing was held June 22nd at Candia Woods with 70 alumni, school district staff, and friends completing the roster. The winning team with low score of 61 was comprised of Gary Graham, Jerry Langdon, Al Mazza, and Bill Langdon. First low net of 53 went to the team of Kevin Cottrell, Jack Towle, Richard Noyes and Allen Burnham. Second net of 54 went to Larry Martin, Ed Daniels, Victor Fugere, and Mike Foley. Third low net of 55 (match of cards) went to Jen Dugan, Brian Cronin, Guz Andrada, Ryan Kennedy, and the team of Warren Clifford, Sumner Dodge, Barry Dunphy, and Roger Paradis took fourth low net.

Walmart Distribution Center and I. C. Reed & Sons of Raymond continued to be Gold Donors. Silver Donor sponsorship was shared by **JCR Construction of Raymond and IBEW Local 104. Argo Cyles & Autos** of Raymond was the event's Bronze Donor again this year. THANKS to all who supported the event!

CONTRIBUTORS TO RHS SCHOLARSHIP FUND
In excess of \$100 during 2009-2010 year:
 Edith Hammond '33
 Jean Waterhouse Saladino '50
 Paul & Maryellen Houle '65, '66
 Andrew Maloney '66
 Wayne Neimi '70
 John Ornell '75

DON'T PLAY GOLF? WANT TO HELP OUT??

The third year of Family, Class, and Memorial sponsorships has caught on in a big way. Thanks this year to:

Class of 1957
Class of 1966
Class of 1974
In Memory of Deceased Class Members of 1965
Girls in Classes 1970 & 1971
In Memory of Irene Quintal, '40
In Memory of Robert Rollins, '50
In Memory of Bruce Clark, '64
In Memory of Karen Walton Quintal, '75
In Memory of Scott Griffin, '82
In Memory of Bob & Vivian Cammett
In Memory of the Cote twins
In Memory of Emile Quintal
In Memory of Martha & Austin Ingalls
In Memory of Romie and Bessie Levesque
In Memory of Leo Plante
In Memory of Miriam Vining
In Memory of the Lacouture Family
Arnault Family
Bailey Family
Clock Family
Houle Family
Mandile Family
Ornell Family
Stewart Family of Deerfield
Waterhouse Family

How about it RHS classes of '36, '41, '46, '51, '56, '61, '66, '71, '76, '81, '86, '91, '96, '01, '06?? 2011 is a milestone year! Call classmates and send a check for \$50 to: Alumni Golf Outing, P. O. Box 745, Raymond, NH 03077.

RHS REMAINING CLASS FUNDS

The following classes have remaining funds being held by the Alumni Association: **2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, and 2005.**

Funds may be accessed by two or more class officers or members for a class reunion. Request to be made in writing to the Alumni Association at P. O. Box 745, Raymond, NH 03077. Documentation of such reunion will be required. Release of funds will be by vote of the Executive Board.

If request for use of funds is not received within one year of the date of public listing (November 18, 2010 in Carriage Towne News) and the year of graduation exceeds ten years, remaining class funds will be used for the benefit of RHS and/or awards for graduating RHS seniors.

\$10,000 In Scholarships Awarded 2010



In 2010, awards of \$2,500 were made in June to college-bound seniors.

Congratulations to:
Sheamus Ahearn
KerryAnne Belanger
Holly Montmarquet
James Worcester

REACH HIGH SCHOLARS UP-DATE

The Program's objective is to encourage RHS students with outstanding academic, athletic and leadership qualifications to "reach high" and "go for it" at one of the approximately 80 top colleges and universities in the country. It was created by the Alumni Association in conjunction with a group of RHS faculty members, parents and alumni (several of whom are active in the program.). The Program supplements the resources which RHS is in a position to provide. It emphasizes such things as (a) furnishing information on highly competitive colleges and the financial aid which they offer; (b) organizing visits for RHS students to visit several of those schools that are within a one-day drive from Raymond; (c) encouraging students to attend summer enrichment programs at top educational institutions; (d) encouraging students to take courses on-line that are not available at RHS, including honors and advanced placement courses; and (e) more thorough preparation for SAT and other standardized tests.

Summer Enrichment Programs

The Program has been a catalyst with summer enrichment programs which stimulate the students to enjoy studying and to take control of their own academic destiny. In the summer of 2010, RHS had a total of 18 students enrolled in two to five-week programs at Phillips Exeter Academy (7), St. Paul's School (3), Dartmouth College (6), Brown University (1), and Middlebury-Monterrey Language Institute (1). Almost all of them were attending with substantial financial aid, only a small portion of which came from Raymond-related sources.

In addition, this summer Phillips Exeter started "Raymond Roundtables", a 4-week program in Raymond for Middle School students. Two PEA teachers did Math and English classes for a total of 21 students using the Academy's famous Harkness method (with a maximum of 12-14 students around a table with the teacher.)

Summer Enrichment at Dartmouth (SEAD)

The Program was also instrumental in having RHS accepted as one of five high schools in the country in the Summer Enrichment at Dartmouth (SEAD) program. SEAD expands the educational opportunities for promising high school students from under-resourced urban and rural schools.

Six current RHS sophomores were selected to attend the SEAD program for the past and next two summers. The principal criterion was that they have a potential and desire to achieve excellence, but may have lacked the resources and support systems necessary to succeed. The emphasis is on students showing high promise rather than high achievement. They must be of modest economic means. RHS will continue in the program through the winter of 2016-17. In addition, there will be a Dartmouth student full time at RHS during the fall and winter semesters to advise the six SEAD students and help with the college admission process. Each winter the RHS SEAD students will go back to Hanover for a reunion weekend.

PSAT and SAT Prep Courses

The Reach High Scholars Program continues to offer courses to help RHS students prepare for the PSAT and SAT college admission tests. The courses take place at RHS for 2 ½ hours on Saturday mornings over a 13-week period, conducted by Mrs. Deborah Harmon and Mrs. Susan Spinney, parents of current RHS students. The program began this fall with 32 students that included 15 sophomores who were there to prepare for the PSAT tests in October. The remaining 17 juniors enrolled are preparing for the PSAT and SAT tests in December.

Contributions for Summer Programs and Pre-College Expenses

The Alumni Association and RHS Program have established a process to defray a portion of the cost to RHS students of fees incurred in applying to summer programs, preparing for and taking standard college admission tests, and applying to four-year colleges.

ANNUAL DUES PAYABLE

Annual dues of **\$10.00** are payable which cover the period from November 1, 2010 to October 31, 2011. **Thanks to all those who stopped by the table to pay dues at the reunion! Your support is what keeps the organization going.**



TO PAY YOUR DUES

Name at Graduation

Year you graduated

Has your address changed?

Clip and Mail with your check to:
RHS Alumni Association
PO Box 745
Raymond, NH 03077

WHY THE INCREASE IN DUES?

Since the revival of the RHS Alumni Association in 2000, dues have remained at \$5.00. Dues were increased to \$10.00 this fall. It is the income derived from payment of annual dues that allows the Association to function throughout the year. (Expenses include postage, printing costs, annual newsletter, annual auditing fee, reunion expense, golf outing supplies and materials to name a few.) All clerical work of the

Association (which involves many hours over the course of the year) is performed entirely by committee members with "0" remuneration.

~ IN MEMORIAM ~

Our sympathies to the families of alumni who have lost loved ones in 2010. The Association would appreciate receiving news of RHS alumni who have passed away so that the listing in each newsletter is complete for the preceding year.

Dorothy Love Drowne '38
Lillian Orfield Mafera '44
Philip Towle '47
Robert Rollins '50
David Baker '51
Curtis Merrill '52
William Prince, Jr. '61
Ronald Quimby '62
Elizabeth Welch Peterson '62
John Greene '64
Valerie Carver Leonard '70
Bonnie Witham '80
Donna Hammond Wason '81
Fred Richard, Jr. '89
Randi Huntley '03
Miriam Vining (former elementary teacher who passed away in 2010 at age 104)

DONATIONS TO SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Doug Nelson
In Memory of Scott Blothenburg '79 and Scott Griffin '82

Denise Cascio Bolduc
in Memory of her mother, Honey Cascio who worked at RHS for 30 years

Jean Waterhouse Saladino
in Memory of her brother John Waterhouse '48

Jean Wason Bethune
In Memory of Bernice McFarland '50

Wilbur Miller
In Memory of Iber Holmes Gove '23

Edith Hammond
In Memory of Donna Hammond Wason '81

Lydia Farr Peak
in Memory of Nettie Maynard Farr '32

RHS ALUMNI ASSOCIATION WEBSITE

<http://www.rhsalumninh.org>

The RHS Alumni Association succeeded this past year in setting up its own web site with the help of Tom Paige, RHS alumnus Class of '78. The current newsletter as well as other information about events and activities will be posted in a timely manner.

NEWSLETTER TO BE MAILED TO 30's, 40's, 50's, 60's, 70's CLASSES ONLY

Alumni and members of the Classes of the 80's, 90's and 2,000's. are encouraged to access the newsletter and other alumni news on the website at <http://www.rhsalumninh.org>.

With the establishment of the alumni website and other avenues of communication presently available (Facebook, Classmates.com, e-mail) this seems the way to go. This decision is reinforced by the lack of alumni in these decades who wish to engage in the task of lending a hand to keep addresses up to date. Consequently many of the newsletters are never received.

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**9TH ANNUAL GOLF OUTING
CANDIA WOODS
TUESDAY, JUNE 21, 2011**

**“RHS ATHLETIC HALL OF
FAME”**

**Please visit Raymond High
School on the school district’s
website at: www.sau33.com
and complete a nomination
form for worthy individuals or
teams to be honored and
inducted into the RHS
Athletic Hall of Fame**

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