

The Recorder



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CLASS OF 1960

Syracuse Central Technical
High School

Syracuse, New York

ALMA MATER

(Tune, "Annie Laurie")

*Hail to thee, O Alma Mater,
Bright morning star of youth-
May our lives prove yet the glory,
Thy name our badge of truth.
Thy name our badge of truth-
Thy sons shall e'er be true-
Hail to thee, our Alma Mater,
And thine emblem, red and blue.
Rich in years, enwreathed in laurels,
Thy long-spiced hopes abound,
And whenever lies the guerdon,
Their sons may still be found.
Their sons may still be found-
Thy sons shall e'er be true-
Striving still for Alma Mater,
And her emblem, red and blue.*

THE HISTORY OF SYRACUSE CENTRAL

(A chronological look back at highlights)

Syracuse Central High School, the future home of the Institute of Technology, has played a significant role in the history of Syracuse. It was the high school in its' early years and remained the largest high school in the city of Syracuse for a long period of time. Over the years the name has changed several times as follows; the **High School**(1854-1871), **Syracuse High School** (1871-1907), **Syracuse High School-Central & North** (1907-1908), **Syracuse Central High School** (1909-1959) and **Syracuse Central Technical High School** (1960-1975).

High school sessions were first started in 1855 and were held successively in a building on Park Street, Prescott School and in Genesee School, located in the rear of the old Board of Education Building at 409 W. Genesee. From there the high school was moved to rooms on the third floor of a building on West Fayette Street.

The first "high school" building was erected in 1867 on a lot costing \$16,000, opposite the old Board of Education, with a seating capacity for 600 pupils. It was slated to be the permanent residence of the high school, Board of Education and Central Library until the turn of the century.

The second "high school" building, slated to replace the 1867 building, began in June 1899 with the initial site development on the area called Billings Park where several small homes and farms, including a stable and blacksmith shop were purchased through condemnation. The Mundy home (1832) was purchased for \$15,000; and the Hayden property for \$13,000. There had been many arguments among school and city officials over other sites for the school such as Bellevue Heights and the Leavenworth properties. The architect chosen to design the school was Archimedes Russell who also designed The Fourth Onondaga County Courthouse and The Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception. The school formally opened with a Ceremony of Transfer on January 29, 1903, at a cost of \$428,076.

The building with its' very unique architectural features, was in the U-shape design intended to accommodate 1500 students. The interior of the U-shape contained an auditorium complete with stage

and was referred to originally as Assembly Hall and shortly there after on February 1903 was rededicated as Lincoln Hall. It was designed by noted architect Albert Brisbane. Sometime during the 1906/1907 time frame it was closed for alterations and with the help of sound expert, W.C.Sabine of Harvard University the acoustic properties of the hall were improved such that they were considered outstanding when the Hall reopened in October of 1907. The vaulted ceiling had Neo-Baroque panels of acoustical plaster. The arch was said to be the "third largest in the Eastern United States" and was capped by a huge gilded American eagle.

The 1,875 seat facility became Syracuse's cultural center. It has been reported that the opening lecture was given by Admiral Richard Byrd and that it was there that the Syracuse Symphony gave its first performance. Performances there included such artists such as George Gershwin, Sergei Rachmanioff, Ezio Pinza, Arthur Fiedler and Nelson Eddy. The backstage was the school's gymnasium. A moveable wall was folded back when basketball games were played. The court ran stage-left to stage-right and spectators sat a distance away in the confines of the auditorium.

The building did not contain a gymnasium or cafeteria but it did contain a small lunchroom in the basement and in the vestibule stood the heroic statue of Minerva, Goddess of Wisdom, complete with a spear, a gift of a graduate of the school. During 1907/1908, Syracuse High School housed two student bodies while the new "North Side High" was being built. Until the new North Side building was ready for occupancy, its student body was organized at Syracuse High School as an afternoon session. While this transition was taking place the school became known as Syracuse High School Central and Syracuse High School North, but there were also references to it as Northside and Southside. This was probably due to the fact that the dividing line between the two districts at that time was the Erie Canal and it was a way of easily distinguishing between two groups. In April 1909, by board action the names formally became North High School and Syracuse Central High School and in June of 1909, the complete separation of Central and North took place when the Recorder became the school paper for Central High only.

In February 1909 a bronze bust of Lincoln was dedicated and it was probably around this time that the names Assembly Hall and Lincoln Hall started to

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fade out and Lincoln Auditorium was more commonly used.

In May 1909 a memorial bronze tablet containing the 38 names of Syracuse High School boys in the Civil War was dedicated and was to be erected at the entrance to Lincoln Auditorium.

In November 1912 a bronze tablet inscribed with the Gettysburg Address and containing a profile of Lincoln was dedicated. With this the transition was finally made so that future references would be made as Lincoln Auditorium.

On May 17, 1916 the dedication of a new 95-foot steel flag pole took place. It was located on the Adams Street side of the building and to the left of the boys' entrance on Warren Street. Mayor Stone delivered the address and an impressive tribute was paid to the flag by sixteen hundred boys and girls and sixty instructors. The more than 1600 persons recited in unison the pledge of allegiance as follows: "I pledge allegiance to my flag and to the country for which it stands; one nation indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

In 1920 the dedication of a memorial bronze tablet containing the names of Syracuse Central High School boys who served in WWI was dedicated and was to be erected at the entrance to Lincoln Auditorium.

In 1928 a \$250,000 grant was processed for an addition to Syracuse Central High School. It included a much needed Gymnasium, Cafeteria and Kitchen, and Science Labs. The addition and remodeling was completed in 1929 at a total cost of \$750,000.

In 1946 Alumni who became World War II veterans were honored with a bronze plaque following the tradition started with a similar plaque honoring Civil War and WW I veterans who had attended the old Syracuse High School, Central's predecessor.

A modern annex was added on the east side of the school in the late 1950's to house programs transferred from Smith Technical High School. In 1960 Syracuse Central High School formally became Syracuse Central Technical High School. The first class to graduate from Central Tech was in 1960 and the last class to graduate was in 1975, when the school officially closed its' doors and transfer was made to Geo. W. Fowler High School.

The landmark rested on the city's surplus property list six years. Its landlord was the Community Development Agency. Lincoln Auditorium was virtually

sealed and mothballed. The city allowed a few non-profit groups use of some of the empty spaces for free, including Syracuse Opera Theater. Rochester builder Albert Spaziano bought the building in 1984. His plan was to renovate old Central for offices. Because of its landmark designation, the building's exterior, iron stairways, railings and auditorium were to be kept as originally designed. There was a mystery regarding the statue of Minerva, the ancient Roman goddess of wisdom, which stood on a pedestal in the lobby of the main entrance. It was a favorite meeting place, and students would slip secret notes under the statue of Minerva for their friends. She seemed to have simply vanished after the school was closed, and rumors surrounded her whereabouts. In 1990 Dick Case, Syracuse Herald Journal columnist, wrote several articles regarding the mystery. Case finally reported that the missing statue was owned by Paul Christou who kept Minerva in his restaurant, Xristos, at the New York State Fairgrounds. At that time, she needed some minor refurbishing but since then the 1998 Labor Day storm occurred, she became a casualty, and was severely damaged. She is now in the custody of the Class of 1961 who with the help of a volunteer local art instructor are hoping to facilitate a complete restoration.

In the spring of 2000 the staff of Central Technical Vocational Center developed a concept proposal for a fifth high school offering a comprehensive Career and Technical Educational Program for the 21st century. At the present time the school district is continuing program development and has renovated the old Syracuse Central building for the program. The "**Institute of Technology @ Syracuse Central High School**" has opened, once again providing an outstanding high school program.

“Take a stroll along memory lane.”

Answers to quizzes can be found on page 18.



DO YOU REMEMBER THIS LADY?

#1 Who is she?

Another lovely lady is **MURIEL KETCHUM CONNERTON** from the faculty of Central Technical High School. She has many memories of the wonderful Seniors of 1960 both in class and on stage. The best part of her life today is being able to travel, the theater and making new friends at educational conferences. She has no regrets as yet. Mrs. Connerton has retired from the Syracuse School District and is living in Syracuse, NY.

JAMES LEITER: Married 19 years to Allison Woeger (Class of '70), he credits the many friendships he made to his many years at Central Tech. The father of two and grandfather of one, he feels that his family is the best part of his life. Jim is retired from practicing law and presently lives in Liverpool, NY.

CAROL BREED RICE: Carol credits her education and social lessons used through out her life as the best things she gained while attending CTHS. Family and friends who have shared her life and various career experiences are the best things about her life today. Her regrets are more children vs. more education—still conflicted! Married eight years, Carol is the mother of two children and four grandchildren. She also has four great-grandchildren with one on the way. She is retired from the New York State Court System—Onondaga Family Court. Carol presently lives in Syracuse.

SONDRA SCHULZ SCHWARTZ: Sondra has been married for 44 years to Phil Schwartz and is the mother of 2 daughters who have given her 3 grandchildren. She states they are her pride and joy. She is retired from Sears where she worked part time.

Sondra feels the teachers and education as well as the friendships she made as the best things she gained

JACK WILLIAMS: The best thing about attending CTHS for Jack is the education he received. Being semi-retired is the best thing in his life today but Jack is still consulting. Married for 43 years, he has four children and four great-grandchildren.

EDWARD J. SINAY: Ed has been married to his lovely wife Patricia for 47 years. He is the father of 3 children who have given him 3 grandchildren. The best thing about his life is his family and the fact that he is retired. Ed says he has no regrets.

while in school

CHARLENE WOODWORTH HOGG: The wife of “Tom” (Class of ’61) for 46 years, she is the mother of one son “Chuck” and grandmother of Charlie and Hannah Chloe. The best thing about her time at Central Tech was meeting Tom, spending many special moments with Linda Cornish as well as taking all those crazy shorthand classes. Her family is the best part of her life today.

Retiring as an Executive Assistant from Red Capital Group in Ohio she and Tom returned to Kentucky to be near their son and his family. It was not long before her son convinced her to return to work for him handling the books for his companies. Charlene presently resides in Louisville, Kentucky.

#2 “GRADUATION” WHERE AND WHEN DID IT TAKE PLACE .

ALBERT “AL” WAVLE: Al stated that the best thing he gained from school was receiving his B.S. from Michigan State U followed by his Post-Grad in Accounting at Univ. of Akron which prepared him for his CPA career. His time in retirement with his wife, children, grandchildren; working for the Lord in Prayer Ministry at their church and his recent trip to the Holy Land are the best things in life today.

Al’s only regret is that he wished he had had more enjoyment all the way through school. Married for 44 years to his wife Flo, Al is the father of two children and grandfather of 4. Living in Fairlawn, Ohio, Al is retired as a self-employed CPA in Tax Accounting and Advising.

MARGARET “MIDGE” GALASKA WOODS: Midge says she received a good foundation and the meeting of many life long friends as the best part of attending CTHS. Health, family and friends as well as enjoying what she has every day as the best part of her life today. Midge is widowed and the mother of two children and grandmother of four girls. She works a little and enjoys some retirement in Marcellus, New York.

ROBERT D. “BOB” SHALALA: Bob credits Jim McGee, his teachers and school mates who helped him to prepare and accomplish goals he sought and enjoy today. He has been happily married to his special girl for 28 years and is the father of three girls and one son who have given him seven grandchildren.

Bob is a motivational speaker to both civic, business, private groups. He was a Lay Minister in the United States Marine Corp and is involved in the American Legion. He is now retired after 40 years from the Philadelphia Police Department where he was in Public Relations.

LINDA CORNISH FOREMAN: The best part of Linda’s time at CTHS was being a part of the Gymnastic Club and meeting her best friend Charlene Woodworth. They shared many special moments together. The best thing about her life today is that she has been married to her newest and best friend “Chuck” for one year.

Linda is the mother of two, grandmother of four girls and great-grandmother of one lovely little lady. She regrets not being able to attend the reunion as it is too far away and too expensive. Linda is retired from nursing and presently lives in Ocala, Florida which is called the place “On Top of the World”.

FRANCIS A. SCHAROWN: Francis credits his time at Central Tech with preparing him for his position at American Bank Stationary Company where he prints checks and later became a clerk at the same company. The best thing about his life are his many nieces and nephews.

#3 WHAT WHERE YOUR CLASS COLORS?

ARTHUR J. VINETTE: Arthur attended Bellevue from 1947 to 1957 and then attended the Cathedral Academy where he graduated in 1961.

DAN MARCHITELLO: Dan has been married to Betty for four years and is the father of three and grandfather of three. Friendships and good memories are the things he gained the most from school. He has no regrets as he never looks back. Retired from the U.S. Secret Service, Dan lives in Cheshire, Conn.

NANCY SINAY: Nancy has been married to her husband Dennis for 43 years and is the mother of three children and the grandmother of 7. She feels her education and friendships were the best things she gained from her time at Central. She is retired from the medical field and credits her family and friends as the best thing about her life today. She states she has no regrets. Nancy lives in Chandler, AZ.

JOHN WADSWORTH: Married to Marilyn for 46 years, John presently works for Monroe County and reside in Rochester, N.Y.

#4 WHAT WAS YOUR CLASS MOTTO?

MARILYN PATNODE HUTTER: The wife of Raymond for 44 years, she is the mother of 3 and grandmother of 9. She feels the best thing about attending Central Tech were the friends she made. Her grandchildren are the best things about her life today. Marilyn is retired from St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church. Marilyn stated that she has no regrets.

LINDLEY WOOD: Lindley has been married to his wife Diane for 25 years. He feels the avocational opportunities in music and competitive sports were the best things he gained from his experience at Central. He has been married to his wife Diane for 25 years. The best things about his life today is a multitude of interests that keep him busy. He regrets never having mastered a conversational foreign language. Lindley is retired from GAF Corp., Lenza Inc.

KAREN PIERCE DELISLE: Karen advised that the best thing about her years at Central Tech was the friends that she made and regrets having lost contact

with them. The best thing about her life today is her family. She is very proud of her daughters and their families.

JOHN MCLOUGHLIN: John believes the best things about his life today is his retirement and three grandchildren. He also has another on the way. The father of two, he is self employed and lives in Baltimore, Maryland. John is a graduate of the class of '61.

SUSAN RAMSEY FIFIELD: Her education and the friends she made is the best thing gained from attending Central Tech. She is retired from Aurora of Cay, Inc. Presently living in West Palm Beach, Florida where she does not miss the snow. She is presently a widow after 40 years of marriage. Susan has two children and four grandchildren.

RICHARD "Dick" OSBORNE: A good education and wisdom are the two things he gained from his years at Central Tech. The best thing about Dick's life today is his great family relationships. Married with four children, he is also a grandpa to four. Having retired from his life as an Episcopal Priest/Pastor, he is presently living in Lovington, New Mexico.

BARBARA KORTHAS WILLIAMS: Barbara stated that she gained many friendships during her time at Central Tech. She states that everything is the best thing about her life. Married 45 years to Bruce Williams, she has two children, two grandchildren and is retired.

RICHARD T. NAGY: Life-long friends is what Dick gained from his time in school. He has so many fond memories he cannot count them. Retirement, family, friends, good health and his personal faith in God are the best things about his life today. He has been married to Janelle for 14 years and has two children and six grandchildren. He has retired from the University of Illinois and is residing in Lindenhurst, Illinois.

SUZANNE KENYON BARTOW (Class of '61): Suzanne is the mother of two boys and recently retired from Haylor, Freyer & Coon Inc. an independent insurance agent. She presently lives in Morrisville, NY.

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JOESEPH “JOE” BARNES: Joe credits Central Tech with his quality education received from good teacher and shared with interesting classmates. The good health of himself and his family is the best thing about his life today. He regrets that he did not learn a musical instrument in high school. Married 25 years to Cheryl, he is the father of Lisa and Emily. Joe is retired from the New York State Department of Transportation and lives in Glenmont, NY.

PATRICIA DODGE ROBERTS: Pat has been for 48 years to fellow classmate Ray Roberts and has two children, four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. She is a retired real estate agent and lives in Liverpool, N.Y.

LAWRENCE GILBERT: Married to Artie Diana Fartzis for 47 years, his five grandchildren are the best part of his life today. He is the father of three sons and lives in Camillus, New York.

**#5 DID YOU ATTEND YOUR PROM?
If so can you remember the theme ?**

JOAN HAKANSON SIPLEY: Joan credits her long lasting friendships to the best thing she gained from her school years. The best thing about her life continuing friendships and many opportunities to do things she enjoys. She says she has no regrets. Presently divorced, Joan is the mother of two children and one grandchild. She is retired from the Syracuse City School District.

DAMON PANELS: Damon presently lives in Fayetteville, NY.

LINDA VEIL HEWLETT: Linda met her future husband Phil Pivawer while attending school and says her life with him is never dull and the best thing in her life. The step-mother of one daughter and step-grandmother of two little girls. She is retired and splits her time between their home in Connecticut, their co-op in New York City, their condo in Troy, New York and their house in Spain. Linda says she has no regrets.

RON DUNCAN: Ron believes that getting to know students and teachers with so much diversity as the best thing he gained from school. He is comfortably retired with his wife of 45 years in a community he enjoys. His three children are all thriving and have given Ron and his wife seven grandchildren.

He has always regretted not being able to finish his junior year at Syracuse and competing with great athletes and coaches. Ron is retired from Ameriprise Financial where he was the owner (Ronald N. Duncan CFP, CLU, CHFC).

STEPHEN “Steve” GONSA: Steve says that the best thing gained from attending high school at CTH was his education and preparation for life. A widower, Steve says the best thing about his life today is that he has met his second wife and was married on July 17th of this year. He says that he has no regrets as he did it his way. The father of two daughters, Steve is retired from the transportation industry and member of the Teamsters. He is presently living in Nashville.

GRETCHEN DAUBENTHALER THOMPSON: Gretchen credits making some great friends, some of whom she is still in touch with today as the best thing she gained in school. Her new-born grandson, Felix is the best thing in life. She regrets that she did not work harder at math. The mother of one, Gretchen has one grandchild. Working for RAND Corporation (think tank) she presently lives in Laguna Beach, CA.

ALLEN SYLVIA: Allen feels the best thing gained in school was the friends he made. The best thing about his life is that he has been able to live around the world. Ten years in Europe and two years in the Orient. When asked if he has any regrets he asks “Do you have a day?”

The father of two children, Allen also has a three year old grandson. Allen is retired from the US Air Force and presently lives in Yorktown, Virginia, the home of the Battle of Yorktown.

DOUGLAS NEWTON: Doug is a retired physician from Physicians East in Greenville, North Carolina. Having been married for 45 years, he has two children and two grandchildren.

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#6 WHO IS THIS STATELY GENTLEMAN AND WHERE CAN HE BE FOUND?



RAYMOND C. ROBERTS: Ray states that besides his education, meeting a lot of friends and the good times, he also met his wife in his senior year. They have been married for 48 years and will love her forever. The best things about his life are his wife, his two children and four grandchildren. The also love to go camping. Ray is retired from construction and lives in Liverpool, NY.

MARION FAY COOK: Marion Attending Central Tech gave Marion an exceptional basic education. She feels she was well prepared for the working world. Her family and friends, and the joy of life are the best things in her life. Married 19 years to Don Cook, Marion has two stepchildren and three grandchildren. She is retired from M&T Bank (USBANK) where she was secretary to the President. She spends her time in Marietta New York May through December and Tequesta, Florida January through April.

VERNELLE STARLING EVANS: Her education is the best thing from her years at school along with wholesome friends and associates. Her background has offered her a great outlook on life and was balanced throughout. The mother of three, Vernelle has been married 47 years and has two grandchildren. Vernelle is retired and living in DeWitt, NY.

MARSHA LAPHAM HOWARD: Marsha gained her love for music and the theater from spending her high school years at Central Tech. The best thing about her life today is that she knows what she wants to do, is able to take of herself and handle any situation. Her only regret is that she never threw caution to the wind and just did something without thinking about it. Marsha is a widow and has three children, ten grandchildren and 18+ step-grandchildren. Still working in the Clinique Department at Macy’s Carousel, she lives in Liverpool.

ERIK HAGUE: The best things gained from school was learning new things every year. Erik believes that his being able to share his experiences, especially travel, with his family is the best part of his life today and his only regret is not being able to take advantage of every travel opportunity. Married for 45 years, Erik is the father of three and grandfather of five. He is retired from the National Park Service and lives in Louisville, CO.

#7 TRUE OR FALSE: THERE WAS A GYMNASTICS TEAM DURING OUR FOUR YEARS AT CENTRAL TECH.

ROBERT “BOB” HEAPHY: Bob presently is living in Syracuse.

PAMELA JONES: Married for 46 years , Pam is the mother of a son and daughter. She has wonderful memories of parties, sports, music, friends, newspaper, teachers and a good time from her time at Central Tech.

MARIA RUSSO JOHNSON: Maria is the mother of five children, 13 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. Presently employed by Miller Agency of N.Y. Inc. (Insurance), she greatly appreciated the teachers that instilled a joy to learn. She remembers most of her high school classes as a joy to learn and there were only a few that she was bored with. Family, church (St. Anthony’s), social involvement in

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community affairs (Syracuse United Neighbors and T.N.J. are the best things about her life. She regrets not getting her college degree, attended piece meal but never finished.

NANCY HUNTER SEHNERT: The mother of two daughters, Nancy is a divorced mother of two daughters and presently resides in Liverpool, NY.

CRAIG W. RISSER: Craig presently lives in Cazenovia, NY.

#8 WHAT WAS THE NAME OF OUR AMERICAN FIELD SERVICE STUDENT? WHAT SCHOOL DID SHE ATTEND BACK HOME?

CYNTHIA VOSBURG ZACHAREK: Cindy has been married to George Zacharek for 15 years. She has five step-children, eight step-grandchildren and one step-greatgrand baby. Cindy worked for the Visiting Nurse Association and resides in Baldwinsville.

KAREN FRUSCELLO PARRILLO: Karen credits her time at school with giving her life-long friendships and having great teachers. She has been married to "Peter" for 45 years and they have four children and seven grandchildren. Crediting her family as the best things in her life and has no regrets. Karen is presently working for the Syracuse City School District and the Salvation Army.

WILLIAM "BILL" GOODWIN (Class of 1961): As to the best thing gained from his years at school Bill states "I can't remember that far back". He advised that he is active, in good health, travels, loves genealogy and is an avid cyclist. He has no regrets but the years have gone by too fast. He is presently working part-time at the Onondaga County Public Library but is retired from MONY Insurance Company. Bill presently lives in Syracuse and looks forward to attending the reunion.

BRUCE P. NASH: The father of two children, he is also the grandfather of two children. Bruce lives in Manlius, NY

#9 WHO WAS THE YEARBOOK DEDICATED TO?

WILLIAM "BILL" STEVENSON: Bill presently lives in Rochester, N.Y. with his wife of 23 years, Linda. He feels the best things about his life today are his family and work. The father of three, Bill has five grandchildren. Bill presently is a professor at the Rochester Institute of Technology.

WALTER DRUMM: Married to Barbara for 46 years, Walt is the father of two children and eight grandchildren. Walt feels he gained a sense of humor from school. The best thing in life today is wintering in Naples, Florida in their motor home and his visit with the grand kids.

Retired from the Defense Department, Walt and his wife live in Leesburg, Virginia during the warmer months.

BARBARA GONZA MACIDES: Her business courses enabled Barbara to receive a good secretarial position. Good health, time with family and still being able to play tennis and golf are the best things in her life. Married for 46 years, Barbara has two sons and four grandchildren. She works part-time at Hallmark as a merchandiser. Barbara presently lives in Syracuse.

DAVID FULLER: Married 14 years, Dave is the father of 2 children and grandfather to three. He is retired and living in South Carolina. David advised that he is sorry but he will not be able to attend.

ROBERTA HAYDON HOWARD: Roberta states that the best thing she gained from her school years was to set goals for herself and work to accomplish each goal. Being retired, traveling and experiencing new adventures is the best thing in her life today. She

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states she has been happily married to Shawn for the past 44 years and they have one son. Roberta is retired from the Dayton Public School District and lives in Trotwood, OH.

NANCY HAGUE POQUADEK: Nancy is joining us from the Class of '61 and is the sister of Erik Hague. She presently resides in Syracuse, NY

#10 WHAT WAS THE NAME OF THE FIELD WHERE OUR TEAM PLAYED THEIR FOOTBALL GAMES?

EDWIN LUKENS: Ed is presently living in Skaneateles, NY

ROBERTA SMILEY LUTZ: A good education and friendships that go back over 50 years is the best thing she received from her time at school. The best thing about her life today is that it is great. Her children and their families are happy and all live close by. She and her husband of 47 years are the biggest fans at the grandchildren's baseball and softball games.

Roberta resides in Simi Valley, California and is the mother of three children and two grandchildren. She still works at Farmers Insurance but retirement is on the horizon. She has no regrets except that she would have liked to attend the 50th reunion.

RICHARD "SKIP" STEVENS: The best thing gained from his school years was having Mr. George Mulfinger as his Chemistry teacher in his senior year. Mr. Mulfinger was interested in starting a ham radio club and as a result of this, it changed Skip's avocation from becoming a chemist to an electrical engineer. He attended RPI in Troy NY and by 1973 received his doctorate. The best thing in life today is having advanced to a point in his life where he has time to enjoy his family and personal pursuits with them and with his community.

He states he regrets the economic downturn which has weakened the buying power of retirement finances. Skip has been married twenty-one years his second

time around and has three lovely daughters from his first marriage and two wonderful step-sons from his second marriage to Stephanie. Combined he has two grandsons and one granddaughter, three step-granddaughters and one step-grandson.

Skip is semi-retired as a result of being laid off from Boeing Satellite Systems. He is presently helping to prepare a report on the 2009 attempted space launch of a communication satellite by the Republic of North Korea. He expects to be published in Jones Defence Weekly before the end of the year. Steve is presently living in California.

IN MENORIAM

GONE BUT NOT FORGOTTEN!

William E. Bannon
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Lorenzo Benati
Cathy Brown Deans
Diane Coleman Stolusky
John Doyle
Donald Duffy
Barry Fairbanks
Judy Fellion Sweeney
Martha Flint
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ANSWERS TO ALL THOSE QUESTIONS

- #1 **MINERVA** (The ancient Roman goddess of wisdom.) She once stood proudly on a pedestal in the front entrance foyer. She is presently at Shenfeld Studios being restored. Thanks to the Class of 1961, she was found in great disrepair but hopefully, will soon be put back on her pedestal once again.
- #2 Class of June, 1960: It was held in Lincoln Auditorium on June 27th at 8 PM
- #3 January, 1960: Light Blue and Silver.
June, 1960: Blue and Red
- #4 Class of January 1960: "Knowledge comes, but Wisdom lingers."
Class of June 1960: "We build the ladder by which we climb."
- #5 Class of June 1960: "Drifting and Dreaming" held in the Grand Ballroom, of the Hotel Syracuse on June 24th from 9 PM to 1 AM with music by Mario DeSantis. Do you remember your date for the evening?
- #6 Sniper Monument in Billings Park. Billings Park is located in front of the school.
- #7 True It was during 1957 and 1958. They even appeared on a local television program..
- #8 Nermin Akbas attended Kayseri High School in Turkey.
- #9 Miss Marion Marsh
- #10 Roosevelt Field (located to the right of Roosevelt School)