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Greetings Alumnus,

While our goal is to continue the Hartford High tradition of reuniting each year on Alumni day, We continue to have limited interest and participation in the planning of alumni events. Most of us are very busy these days and finding time can be a challenge, but if you are one of those who would hate to see it all go away, please consider donating a few hours of your time. If you live locally, you could join us at our monthly meetings, or help us out on Alumni Day either at the parade, picnic or dance.

We have a new Hartford Alumni website Please check it out and let us know what you think. Hartfordhighschoolalumni.org

The Dance is Back!!

We will have a dance at the Lebanon Elks Lodge on Heater RD in Lebanon NH from 7-11PM Saturday night June 22nd.

Class of 1954 ** 70th Class Reunion** We are planning a get together on June 22nd from noon to 4 PM at the Greater Hartford United Church of Christ, 1721 Maple Street , Route 14, Hartford Village 05047. Call Alice Lyman Vincent 802 -436-2428 or email vtalice2003@yahoo.com with questions.

Class of 1964 **60th Class Reunion** Our class will be building a float for the parade. We will let local classmates know what times we will be assembling the float and on Friday afternoon we will meet to finish the job ,followed by pizza at Jean Rowzee's house in Wilder. On Saturday all classmates are invited to ride on the float even if they can't help decorate. After the parade our class will picnic at the High School to reminisce, meet with old friends and take a tour of the School. Anyone wanting to go to the dance that night may do so. On Sunday we will be meeting for brunch. Details are pending. We will send them out as soon as we get them. If you have any questions you can contact Priscilla Blake at prismnh@comcast.net or Jean Rowzee at icre8invt@gmail.com

<u>Class of 1969</u> **55th Class Reunion** The class of 1969 is having a get together with dinner at the Public House in Quechee on Saturday June 22nd. Classmates can start arriving at 4:30PM for social hour with dinner to follow. Please contact Charlie Hall with any questions at chashall101@aol.com or at 802-291-2020.

Class of 1974 **50th Class Reunion** Our class is planning to build a float for the parade. We will meet at the North Hartland Dam for a picnic after the parade and are talking about a Sunapee Boat Cruise. We will contact classmates with specifics as they become available. If you have any questions please contact Barb Middleton bmiddleton56@gmail.com

Class of 1979**45th Class **Reunion ** Attention Class of 1979! Lets celebrate with a 45th reunion! We will be building a float (beginning in May) and have a picnic at the Hartland Dam after the parade. (first covered site on the right). More specifics on the float and picnic will come later via our Facebook page — most likely will be like picnics in the past (i.e., please bring a dish to share and your beverage.) If your are aware of someone not on Facebook, please leave a message and Candy will try to connect with them directly. #45!!

Class of 1994**30th Class Reunion**
Our class will have a float in the parade and will have a BBQ at Clifford Park in West Hartford at 3:00PM on Saturday. Contact Jeff Moreno (morenoj@hartfordschools.net) to RSVP. There is also a GroupMe(Alumni94)we are using to plan and coordinate our class events.

If you are interested in getting together with your class please contact your ćláss representative . If you do not know who that is contact us.

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Alumni Day Agenda Saturday June 22nd

9:15AM Parade Staging begins. Float participants meet at the White River Elem. School (Pine

11:00AM Parade begins .This year's theme is Mardi Gras 12:00-3:00PM Post Parade

Picnic at Hartford High School Band: Forever Young Food: from the Hartford Booster Club, K C Moore Ice Cream and sno Cones truck,

and GF salads Admission is free. (Food and beverage available for pur-

Corn Hole Games and Tours of the High School 7-11PM Alumni Dance Lebanon Elks Club with DJ Mark

Admission is \$10.00



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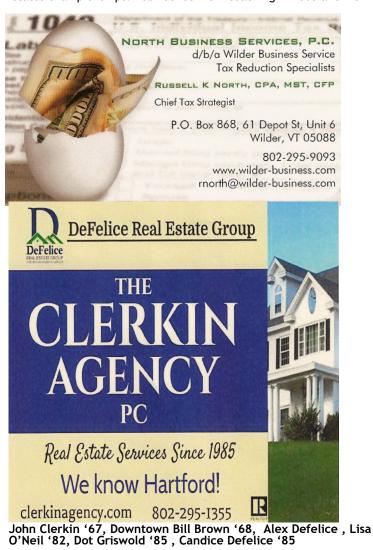
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Grand Marshal of the Alumni parade
We have selected Bob Potter to be this years' Parade Grand Marshal. After graduating from
Norwich University where he is a hall of fame Quarterback, Bob had a 41 year teaching career at Hartford where he coached football and baseball. He and former assistant Coach Mike Stone helped make Hartford into one of Vermont's powerhouse football programs, winning 11 states championships. Bob retired from coaching in 2005 and from teaching in 2009.









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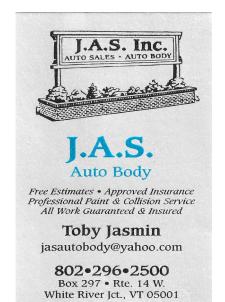
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Hartford High Sports in Review

Jeff Knight '89

The Hurricane athletic teams have had a year to remember! Last spring 4 teams were league champions: softball, baseball (Bill Veilleux '93), girls lacrosse, and boys lacrosse). The **boys lacrosse** team earned a #1 seed and won the first state title in school history with a thrilling 7-6 victory over Mt Anthony. The softball team earned the #1 seed in the tournament for the first time in school history and they made it to the semi finals for the first time since 1998. The girls lacrosse team earned the #1 seed but was defeated in the semi finals which snapped their 32 game winning streak. Boys track finished in 3rd place at the state meet only a few points behind.

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The winter season saw 3 more states titles with **boys indoor track** dominating the state meet on their way to a second straight state title and the girls (Kylie Young '02) and boys (Todd Bebeau '87) **ice hockey** teams both winning state titles in March on a magical night at Gutterson.

The boys basketball (Mike Gaudette '87) team also had a historical season with a 19-1 record and a trip to the final four for the first time 1984, advancing to the championship for the first time since 1933. They came up just short against a very talented Montpelier squad.

The 5 state titles in a single year breaks the school record of 3 set by 1994 and 2009.

The following teams are celebrating reunion years. All team members, managers, and coaches are invited to be honored at halftime of the homecoming football game next fall on Friday September 20th(7:45PM) team members should get in contact with Jeff at morenoj@hartfordschools.net to coordinate the event.

2020 Girls Indoor track	5th
2020 Golf	5th
2009 Field Hockey	15th
2004 Field Hockey	20th
1999 Field Hockey	25th
1994 Field Hockey	30th

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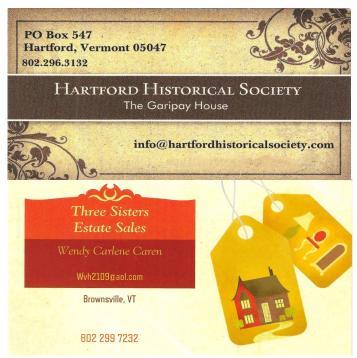


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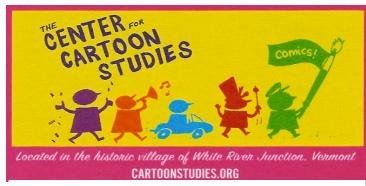


Wendy Henderson '75, Caren Henderson Holliday, '69 Carlene Henderson Lyons '69





Peter Henderson '77





Jason Gaffney 93

"Where the spirit does not work with the hand there is no art." Leonardo da Vinci

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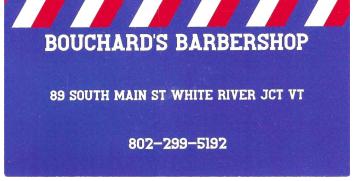
Student comments on this years' sports "We've had a great season, and have come super far. For Hockey we got to be the first group of girls ever to win a state championship. We had all the fun hanging out on our parade bus, skating with the trophies, signing things, and we did it all with the boys team right there with us. "Flynn Moreno '26

"We've had such an up and down season, but in the end we found our stride and were able to win our first state championship since 2009. It was such a cool experience to be able to celebrate with my coaches, teammates, and family." Ezra Mock '24

We play well as a team but we don't always act like a team. We're a good team if we enter every game with confidence and we have a good chance to hang a banner even without our ace." Solomon Flores '25

"This season has been great. We have such a strong team and we work really well together and can help each other whenever. Over all this season has been amazing. " Mackenzy Carrier '27





Denise Morse Bouchard '81



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Performing Arts Review

We currently have 5 performing ensembles: 44 students in the concert band, 45 in the concert choir, plus jazz band, chamber choir, and pep band. We kicked off the year with a performing Arts Department Family Cookout hosted by FOPAH (Friends of Performing Arts at Hartford.)

The fall featured the pep band at all football games.
The annual musical this year was "Curtains", a murder mystery who-dun-it show featuring more than 40 students both on and off the stage.

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Ensembles performed 2 concerts and are gearing up for our final spring concert and awards night on Wednesday, May 22nd in the HHS Auditorium. The concert band, concert choir, jazz band and chamber choir will all perform on that night.

The band and Chamber choir will also perform at graduation on June 14th.

In November we hosted the District VI Fall Musical Festival and had 4 vocalists

and 17 instrumentalists.

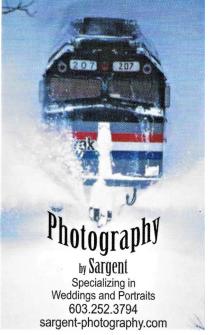
In January 17 vocalists and 4 instrumentalists performed in the District VI Winter Musical Festival.



Second Place - Class of 1998



Third Place - Class of 1973



Phil Sargent '72

Alumni Scholarship Winners

Congratulations to our scholarship winners! Last year's winner was Cecelia Wendling. This year we had two winners. Gabriella Gardner and Payton Bessette.



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Work continues on the Alumni Arch and Legacy Park projects. The brick columns are complete, the fencing is installed and the entryway is spectacular. There are new benches and picnic tables in Legacy Park and we're ready to install the first monuments and markers! Thanks to all alumni and classes who have donated to make this a reality... You have raised almost \$15,000 so far.3 classes (2018,1979,2020) have hit \$2500.00 and will have a brick added to the Arch.

Performing Arts continued

We had 12 students accepted into the New England Musical Festival and one was chosen to perform her solo at the event.

For the first time in Harford history we had a student accepted to the American Choral Directors Association Eastern Festival.

This year we had 12 students attend the Vermont All State Festival and 4 students received top scores in the state.

In January the Chamber Choir hosted the first ever Gala Night and raised over \$4000. for their trip to Ireland. Chamber Choir Alumni came back to perform along side our current members for a wonderful night full of music and laughter.



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In April the Chamber Choir traveled to Ireland to perform in amazing spaces in Cork, Kilkenny, Dublin, County Claire and Galway.
In February the Jazz band performed in the annual Tri Town jazz festival

along with the Hanover and Lebanon High Bands.

March was a busy month celebrating Music and Our Schools Month. HMMS and HHS combined forces for the annual Concert Grande. This year's theme was "Heroes"! Right after the concert HHS hosted "5th Grade Band Day" where all 66 Hartford 5th graders combined into one super group for rehearsals, sectionals, and performances to help build excitement for joining the 6th grade band.

In March the Tri M Music Honor Society put on Pizzazz: the HHS Variety Show—showcasing many HHS talents including singing, instrumentalists, stand up comedy, and balloon animals all tied together with an original script for a night of comedy and entertainment. Tri M has raised money throughout the year for Double H Ranch in upstate New York as this camp has had a huge impact on one of our members' life.

This summer the performing arts camp, Broadway/Ventures will perform

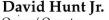
Mamma Mia on Friday, July 19th at 7:00 PM and Saturday, July 20 at 2:00 PM.

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Next fall we will be putting on a musical "Bright Star" on November 8-

10th.



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