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Alumni Association awards \$15,000 in scholarships

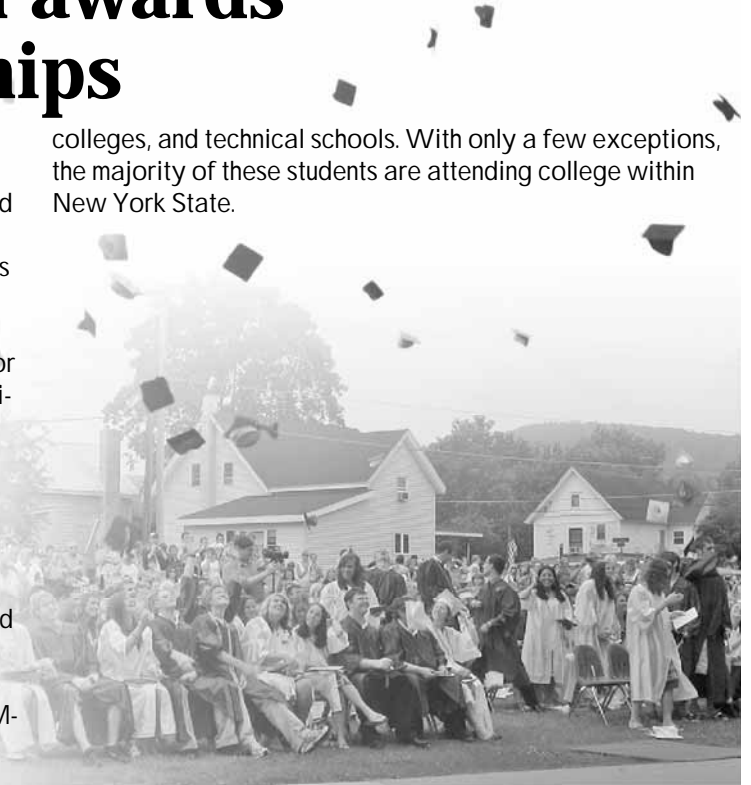
We are proud to announce we have just made our largest annual award to the largest number of scholarship recipients to date. The Ticonderoga High School Class of 2009 received a total of \$15,000 from the Ticonderoga Alumni Association.

Sixty-one applicants were awarded funds based on points earned for their academic performance, attendance, citizenship, extracurricular activities, family involvement, and community service during their high school years. To be eligible for the awards, seniors must plan on attending a college or technical school following graduation. The awards are received upon successful completion of their first semester of school. Since 2006 we have awarded \$49,000 to 165 graduating Ticonderoga High School seniors.

Also, through the Alumni's Association affiliation with Dollars for Scholars, six 2009 graduates were able to access an additional \$1,600 by attending Partner Colleges which agreed to match the Association awards.

Based on high school guidance department records, 2009 graduates are attending the following colleges: Clarkson, LeMoyne, NYU, Paul Smiths, RIT, RPI, St. John Fisher, St Lawrence, Siena, Union, as well as various SUNY colleges, community

colleges, and technical schools. With only a few exceptions, the majority of these students are attending college within New York State.



From the President

The Alumni Association lost a great friend and supporter last August. Since the very beginning of our organization, Mike Hayes was there for us. He organized the first Alumni Golf Tournament in 1999 and was our sole fund raiser for 3 years. After our incorporation in 2002, he continued raising money for our association through the tournament, ensuring that donations to TAA would never be used for operating expenses.

Mike was the creative force, host, and financial backer of the 2001 Alumni Extravaganza and hosted the Friday evening event of the 2005 Extravaganza, an evening still talked about

today. The 2008 Friends of Ticonderoga Celebration held in conjunction with our golf tournament followed. Mike enjoyed throwing a good party for Ticonderoga. Knowing Mike most of my life, this was not surprising. He loved his hometown and shared this love through such special events and golf. As a result, our Alumni Golf Tournaments have been among the most popular and unique in the area.

But perhaps Mike's other contributions are even greater than those mentioned. He challenged and expected those around him to do the best they possibly could. I remember Mike saying to me back in the early organizational days:

"It's been a year. Are you ready to give up?" His comments were not intended to belittle or anger, rather to motivate people to succeed. I know I speak for all who have been involved in the association in saying I value the wisdom he shared and all the support he gave our organization.

Our Tournament will continue as the Ticonderoga Alumni Tournament at Mike's request. But in essence and in our hearts it will be the Mike Hayes Memorial Tournament. We thank you, Mike, and we miss you.

Joyce Gallant Cooper '59
President

Distinguished Alumni Honored

The Distinguished Alumni Committee and Alumni Board of Directors are pleased to announce the newest members to be honored as Distinguished Alumni: Richard (Dick) Arthur, Thomas Burleigh, and Elliott Shaw, Jr. They were recognized in a special ceremony on Friday, July 25.



Richard F. Arthur

Dick Arthur graduated from high school in 1956 as class salutatorian. After working hard to earn the money to attend college, he graduated from Albany College in 1961 with a B.S. in Pharmacy. Upon graduation, a husband and father of 2 small children, he took a job in Burlington, VT before returning to Ticonderoga as Pharmacist/Manager at Meyer Drug.

"Dr." Dick was a familiar face in downtown Ticonderoga for 40 years and well-respected businessman. He purchased the drug store in 1982 and worked until his retirement in 2002. During much of this time, he also served as Director of Pharmacy at Moses Luttington Hospital.

Although a father, husband, and businessman, Dick still found time to serve his community. In 1964 he served as Co-Chairman of the Bicentennial Ball. He also found time to serve on the Ticonderoga Golf Corporation Board of Directors for 20 years and still serves on the boards of the Ticonderoga Federal Credit Union and Valley View Cemetery.

Dick was also highly involved in town government. From 1974 to 1982, he served on the Ticonderoga Town Board and as Police Commissioner in 1976. In 1982 he was appointed Ticonderoga Town Supervisor, the same year he was appointed first Chairman of the

Ticonderoga Fire Commission. Dick has also served as Chairman of the town's Board of Ethics Committee.

He co-founded the Adirondack Chapter of the National Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. He also served as area Fund Raising Chairman for the organization.

Dick Arthur's hard work and community involvement exemplify the characteristics of a Distinguished Alumnus.



Thomas F. Burleigh

Tom Burleigh was one of nine children in a family of strong religious faith. He graduated from Ticonderoga High School in 1952 and Union College in 1956.

After graduation he took a job at International Paper Company until he was drafted into the Army. After discharge he returned to IP and worked there for almost 20 years, holding the position of Manager of Sales. In 1978 Tom began work in Sales and marketing for Keith Clark Company. Within 2 and 1/2 years he was named President.

In 1982 Tom took a sales and marketing job with Portals, Incorporated, a British company making currency and high security paper. His territory was the United States and Canada. He soon became Vice President of Sales and Marketing. At the time of his retirement 16 years later, he was President of the US Division of the company.

During his career extensive business travel left him with little leisure time, but this changed with retirement. Visits to nursing homes through the St. Vincent de Paul Society led him to continue to volunteer to help others. He has assisted

in the building of a Habitat For Humanity home in Georgia. He has traveled to Lourdes, France for volunteer work with pilgrims visiting the shrine. He has recently started working in Jamaica with Missionaries of the Poor.

He currently volunteers as a case worker for St. Vincent de Paul Society. He can also be found spending a few nights a year in homeless shelters in Atlanta. Tom is particularly proud of his work with I Care in Atlanta. Volunteers of this organization, providing their own vehicle and gas, transport senior citizens to doctor appointments in Georgia. I Care is unique to Atlanta and currently has about 40-45 active volunteers and a full-time director and has provided about 100 round trips for seniors averaging 40-50 miles each. Tom has volunteered with I Care for 11 years and has served on its Board of Directors. He has served as its President for 6 years.

Tom's love and respect for his fellow man is admirable.



Elliott A. Shaw, Jr.

Elliott Shaw, Jr. graduated from Ticonderoga High School in 1977. He graduated from Siena College in 1981 with a degree in business. An internship at the Business Council of New York State led him to a career in government working inside the State Capital. Following the internship, he continued to work at The Business Council for over 20 years and became Director of Government Affairs. During this time he was asked by Governor Cuomo to serve on a panel to select state workers for a special Productivity Award. He was asked by Governor Pataki to represent the business community for a revamping of the state's managed health care laws. He

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The Changing Face of THS



The Ticonderoga High School we all remember as pictured in the photograph on the left is becoming a memory. Construction is progressing on the new east wing. Pictured in the photographs below is the new wing's ground floor which will be used for technology space. This floor will be topped by two more floors which will house music and art education. We will keep you posted on the progress of the construction project.



Photos courtesy of Maria Bagneschi



How to nominate Distinguished Alumni

Any graduate of Ticonderoga High School prior to 1999 is eligible. Nominations will be accepted until April 30, 2010 for this year's candidates.

To receive nomination forms, you can call Joyce Cooper at (518) 585-2640 or write to the Alumni Association, at PO Box 644, Ticonderoga, NY 12883. Forms may also be downloaded from the Association's Web site at www.ticonderogaalumni.org

Distinguished Alumni

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was also asked by Governor Spitzer to work with the AFL-CIO on an overhaul of workers' compensation laws.

Elliott is presently working for WellCare of New York as Director of Government Affairs, monitoring and assessing the impact of legislative and regulatory changes to New York's Medicaid system.

He has still found time to serve on many statewide advisory boards as well as a board member of Northeast Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, New York State Department of Health, and the New York State Workers' Compensation Managed Care Boards, to name a few.

Elliott is currently serving on the Albany International Airport Board of Directors, holding the office of Treasurer and serving as chair of the Audit Committee. He is also serving as Board Member of the Community Advisory Board at the SUNY Albany Prevention Research Center.

Elliott enjoys writing book reviews and finds time to be a frequent blood donor. His remarkable career and community involvement make Elliot an ideal person for the Distinguished Alumni Award.

Special Service Awards Bestowed

On Friday, July 25 Special Service Awards were given to John Bartlett and posthumously to Donald Gijanto, Sr. for their service to the community of Ticonderoga. For more information on this award, please visit the Alumni website and click on "Special Service Awards."

John Bartlett

John Bartlett graduated from Ticonderoga High School in 1970. After a career as an insurance actuary, John took early retirement and returned to Ticonderoga with his wife Joanne in 2005. Since that time John has been actively involved in the community.

He joined the School District Community Facilities Committee which planned the school building project presently underway. He was appointed chair of the Finance Committee which explored the financial impact of taxpayers. He prepared a spreadsheet which disclosed the annual impact of the building project on taxpayers, helping the public have a better understanding of its effect on tax bills.

John was then recruited by the



John Bartlett accepts his Special Service Award award.

Ticonderoga Montcalm Street Partnership which is dedicated to the revival and improvement of the historic downtown and asked to join its Board of Directors in 2008. As its Program Coordinator, he administered the final year of a \$125,000 grant. He is presently Chair of its Design Committee and pursuing ways to implement parts of a streetscape plan which was funded by the grant.

His service also extends to town gov-

ernment. A frequent attendee of town committee and board meetings, John has joined the Economic Development and Parks and Recreation Committees and other committees. He has written grants to help reduce expenditures and benefit the town and its taxpayers.

In addition, John is an active member of Kiwanis Club and is serving on the Ticonderoga Quality Destination Committee.

Donald R. Gijanto, Sr.

Don Gijanto graduated from Ticonderoga High School in 1948. He enlisted in the Army and served his country during

the Korean War. He was later awarded the Medal for Merit and the Conspicuous Service Star. Following his service, he returned to Ticonderoga and opened the Adirondack Lanes with his brother, becoming its sole proprietor in 1974.

During his lifetime he was a member of the Elks and served as Exalted Ruler. He joined Kiwanis Club of Ticonderoga in 1961 and at the time of his death was the club's longest serving active member with 37 years of service. As a Kiwanian he served a club president and District Lieutenant Governor. He worked with the Kiwanis team that worked on the development and building of different structures at Bicentennial Park and coached the club's Little League team.

In 1981 he joined the Knights of Columbus and rose to the rank of 4th degree Knight. He held many positions including Grand Knight, district Warden, District Deputy, and member of the Color Corps. He was instrumental in the creation of the K of C Golf Tournament and served as co-chair. In 1998 Don was named the Knights of Columbus Irishman of the Year for service to the organization and the community.



Gijanto Family Members Receive the Award

Another Great Tournament

The 11th annual Ticonderoga Alumni Association golf tournament was once again entertaining and very competitive, as a field of one hundred twenty four golfers came together under sunny skies on Saturday, July 25th to renew old friendships (and rivalries). This popular golf tournament has raised thousands of dollars to benefit college bound seniors. It has become the focal point of vacation plans for many returning alumni. What a great way to reconnect with old friends and support educational opportunities

From the longest drive contest early in the morning, to "Let's Make a Deal" in the early evening, everyone was challenged and entertained all day long. Seldom does one find more fellowship, and spirited



competition than at this annual gathering of friends and classmates. Each year there have been unique prizes and contests to stir the competitive juices and reward even the most

Although Mike will not be with us in 2010, his spirit, dedication, and energy will always be the center of this gathering. No one loved Ticonderoga and the Ticonderoga Golf Course more than Mike Hayes.

for the children of fellow classmates.

Once again, Mike Hayes, the tournament creator, provided an atmosphere of excitement and surprise that has made this fund raiser the highlight of the golfing season at the Ticonderoga Golf Course.

novice of golfers. Even after the last putt was sunk, Mike always added a new "twist" that culminated the day's activities and brought a unique meaning to the word "winner."



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Mark Your Calendars!

Ticonderoga Alumni Association will host the following events:

- **Alumni Awards Ceremony on July 30th**

You are invited to join us at the Ticonderoga Country Club for the Ceremony and/or after for an Informal Gathering of Alumni and Friends (cash bar).

- **Alumni Golf Tournament, July 31st**

In Memorium

Alma E. Bush
1918 - 2009

Born in Massachusetts, Alma (Elliott) Bush graduated from the University of New Hampshire. She became a resident of Ticonderoga in 1945. She was employed as a teacher in Hague and Ticonderoga and known by many as a THS Business teacher. She retired in 1982 after 33 years of teaching.



Ti Quiz Bowl Team Continues Success



Pictured above is the 2009 Ticonderoga High School Quiz Bowl Team after a tour of the United States Capital Building.

Although they did not win the National Academic Championship at Marymount University last spring, they did receive a very special honor. The Ticonderoga Team was named the Best Small School Team at the competition. As we go to press, the 17-member 2010 Quiz Bowl team is competing in regional competitions and hoping to earn its fourth trip to the Nationals. Keep up the good work team members!

Classmates Enjoy Reunions

Four classes, the Class of 1959, 1969, 1979, and 1999, held their reunions in 2009. We understand all who attended enjoyed the evening spent with their high school classmates and friends.

If you are planning a class reunion, please register your date and reunion information with us. We will also appreciate getting a copy of your mailing list to update our files. Contact us by email, by mail at P.O. Box 644, Ticonderoga, or by phone at 518-585-2640. When you contact us, we can enter your information on the website. If you are trying to locate a missing classmate, perhaps we can help.

Already held your class reunion? To share reunion information and photographs on our website, please send us an email at www.ticonderogaalumni.org.

Matching Grants

Does your company offer matching grants for employee donations to nonprofit organizations?

In 2009 the Alumni Association Scholarship Fund received donations from two alumni who submitted the appropriate paperwork to their company's foundation for this grant. With a little paperwork on our part, the matching grants were approved, and the alumni donations were matched by the foundation. The end result: double the amount of their original donation went into our scholarship fund!

Please remember the Ticonderoga Alumni Association has been designated a 501 (c) (3) public charity by the Internal Revenue Service.

Facts and Figures

Scholarship awards to date:

Class of 2006	39 Recipients Total Awarded: \$12,000
Class of 2007	31 Recipients Total Awarded: \$10,000
Class of 2008	34 Recipients Total Awarded: \$12,000
Class of 2009	61 Recipients Total Awarded: \$15,000

In four years \$49,000 has been awarded to 165 graduating seniors of Ticonderoga High School.

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