

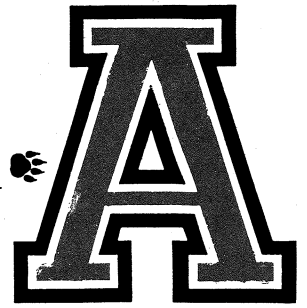
TIGER TRACKS

THE ANNUAL NEWSLETTER OF THE

Amherst Central Alumni Foundation, Inc.

"cherishing the past . . . enhancing the future"

2001 EDITION



REUNION 2000 GETS OFF TO RUNNING START

Amherst alumni returning to the high school for the 70th Anniversary June 9-11, didn't have to wait long for the excitement to begin. The weekend's activities got off to a somewhat "shaky" start Friday afternoon when the "Back To School" Open House had to be postponed due to a district wide bomb threat. Hundreds of alumni descended on the school Friday afternoon only to be told that the tour had to be canceled and the school evacuated. Not wanting to leave after having travelled many miles, groups of alumni gathered on the front lawn of the school reminiscing and waiting for official word. Joseph Podgorski, Principal, eventually spoke to all present and informed us that no bomb was found but as a precaution we would not be allowed in the building that afternoon. Joe then graciously agreed to open the building Friday night for the concert and on Saturday morning, following the ground breaking for the track, to allow alumni to tour the school. The 70th Anniversary Committee and the Board of Directors of the Alumni Foundation wish to thank all of the alumni present Friday afternoon in the hot sunshine for your patience and understanding. A big thank you also to Joe Podgorski and his staff for allowing us to go forward with the reunion plans.

The festivities did indeed go on and close to 1,000 alumni attended the Friday night show and afterglow at Daemen College. The Amherst music department students treated the audience to an absolutely wonderful concert showcasing their extraordinary talent. A special award was presented to Rosemary Dayton, retiring

Music Director at the high school, for her many years of service to the students. Everyone then enjoyed the "After Glow" party at Daemen College where we were treated to the great sounds of the Amherst Jazz Band.

The 70th Anniversary Celebration continued Saturday evening at the Buffalo Convention Center where hundreds of alumni enjoyed dinner and dancing to the "Boys of Summer". Several classes held individual get-togethers on Sunday. Hats off to the 70th Anniversary Committee for a job well done and thank you to all of you who attended and made it such a great success! Send us your comments about the 70th and your suggestions for the 75th!



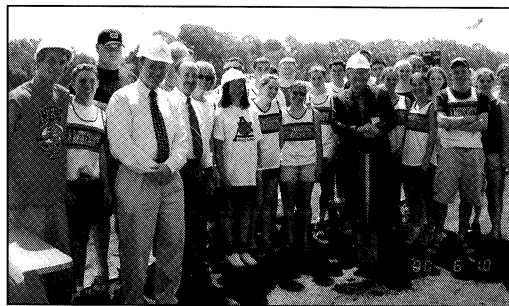
The Convention Center put up a terrific welcoming banner across Franklin Street

BREAKING NEW GROUND DIMP WAGNER '48 ALUMNI FIELD UPDATE

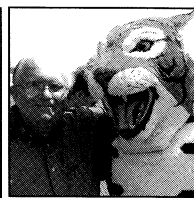
It's been a very busy summer, fall, and winter for those of us at the Alumni Foundation! A tremendously successful reunion in June and continued fund raising for Alumni Field have been at the top of the list. Now that things have quieted down a bit, we wanted to let you all know what's been happening with the track reconstruction project.

CONGRATULATIONS!!!

Your incredible generosity allowed us to "go over the top" of our goal to raise \$250,000 towards this project. More than 600 alumni from around the world have so far contributed \$269,000 - something we should all be very proud of. Those of you who live nearby have probably had the thrill of driving by the old track and seeing (before it was covered by 3 feet of snow!)...lots and lots of big trucks, earth movers, workers and piles of dirt because YES! construction has begun! In the late Spring of 2001, the students of



Dimp Wagner, members of the School Board, members of the Alumni Foundation and members of the Amherst Track team after the first shovelful of "cinders" is removed.



Dimp Wagner '48 and Tiger Man at the Alumni Field Groundbreaking ceremony June 10, 2000.

Amherst will finally have a beautiful new track - all because of us. Pretty neat, huh?

WE WISH WE COULD SAY THAT OUR JOB IS DONE - BUT WE CAN'T!!

When the bids were opened in late July, the low base bid of \$498,000 was more than \$150,000 higher than expected - the huge increase in the cost of petroleum based products (ie asphalt - the base for the running surface) drove the cost of the project higher than we ever expected. The track alone is costing \$110,000 more than estimated. As a result, many of the items we expected to include in the total project, have had to be put on hold. To add insult to injury, the contractors found an area of (for lack of a better term) "muck" that had to be excavated before further construction could be done. The bottom line: 1500 tons of wet clay had to be dug out and replaced with stone. An additional cost of \$30,000. That area has since sunk several inches and the asphalt, originally scheduled to be laid in November, will now not be laid until Spring to allow the spot to settle out

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over the winter. We are now looking at early June for the completion of the track.

Disappointed but not discouraged, we have launched a "Phase Two" campaign nicknamed "One More Step" to raise an additional \$100,000 to help facilitate the completion of the project the way we intended it to be. Items that were left out of the base bid like the replacement of the basketball court, new equipment for the pole-vault, steeplechase, hurdles, etc, a field house for storage and team use, reconstruction of the softball diamond, batting cages, etc. etc. are things we very much want to see happen. So, we are asking you again to remember how much Amherst has meant to you over the years and to contribute to our campaign to build the best darn track in Western New York!

Dimp Wagner '48 whose generous gift of \$100,000 started our first campaign off with a bang, has graciously offered an additional \$10,000 in matching funds - he will match any gift up to \$500 beginning with donations received after November 1, 2000. It is a terrific opportunity to make your gift count more than once!

In addition, any gift of \$250 (this includes those of you who have previously given \$250 and also those of you who donated less than \$250 but now increase your donation to a total of \$250) will receive an authentic Amherst Varsity Letter - a gift from a very grateful track team, a wonderful piece of memorabilia and a reminder of a job well done!

Your continued support at this time is crucial. Let's make this the most successful project ever undertaken by a public high school anywhere - something to be proud of for decades to come!!

ADDITION TO HIGH SCHOOL COMPLETED

The three story addition to the High School was completed late this fall bringing much needed, state of the art space to the 70 year old building.

The addition, across the back of the school, boasts a fabulous new Library/Media Center (or as principal Joseph Podgorki calls it "The Information Center") on the first floor; a large, dividable multi-purpose space and two more traditional classrooms on the second floor and two chemistry rooms and two additional labs on the third floor.

The old library/stacks area will be converted to more traditional classroom space.

ALUMNI BID FAREWELL TO ROSEMARY DAYTON, MUSIC DIRECTOR FOR 20 YEARS

The auditorium was filled almost to capacity for the fantastic concert put on by the Amherst music department to kick off "Reunion 2000". Despite the earlier bomb threat that had closed the school and postponed the "Back-to-School" activities planned for the afternoon, the scheduled Friday night entertainment went on as planned - and what a show it was!

Every music group in the High School performed: Sweet Sixteen's and Varsity Singers in the courtyard as people arrived; Symphonia on stage as people were seated; orchestra and band and finally, concert chorale and their unbelievably beautiful medley from "Les Mis."

As she was retiring at the end of the school year, the Alumni Foundation presented Posey Dayton with a plaque commemorating her 22 years at Amherst, followed by the

traditional singing of "The Alma Mater" - and you guessed it: not a dry eye to be found left in the place!

Rosemary has been replaced by Michael Lippert, a recent graduate from Ithaca College. We wish him the very best and hope he has as a long and distinguished career at Amherst as all his predecessors have had.

PROFILE: DONALD R. "DIMP" WAGNER '48

"I feel fortunate to have had six great years at Amherst...I did not realize this until I slowed down a bit and took time to remember those good old days."

Known as "Dimp" throughout his high school years, Wagner began his athletic career as equipment manager for the football team - a team he went on to quarterback during his sophomore and junior years and to captain in his senior year. Dimp also was a three year member of the varsity basketball and track teams, both of which were Section 6 Champions his senior year.

Dimp was voted athlete-scholar of his class and was also President of the National Honor Society. He participated in marching band, Amherst symphony and choir. Dimp attended Dartmouth College, receiving an AB in economics and a MBA from the Amos Tuck School of Business Administration. His sister Barbara graduated from Amherst in 1947. His brother John attended but did not graduate from Amherst. He formed a company called Grabber that Dimp has been a part of for 30 years.

Dimp lives in Annapolis, MD with his wife, Loveday, and his West Highland Terrier, Sherpa.

"...it's like upgrading my own backyard..." Dimp Wagner in his address to the 200 alumni, track team members and school administration who attended the groundbreaking for Alumni Field.

INTRODUCING !!! WAYS TO HELP THE ALUMNI FOUNDATION WHILE HELPING YOURSELF !!!

In the face of the increasing costs of publishing both the Tiger Tracks and our Web Page (www.amherstalumni.org) we are offering you the opportunity to advertise your business by sponsoring a page of the Tiger Tracks or by being a quarterly, semi-annual or annual sponsor of our Web Page.

Tiger Tracks is mailed annually to 15,000 Amherst Alumni all over the world. Our Web Page receives hundreds of "hits" per month and is updated regularly - this opportunity will only be available to Amherst Alumni - on a first come, first served basis.

FORMAT

Business cards preferred or camera ready business card size copy. (For larger ads, please contact the Alumni Office at 716-362-8259.)

COST

- Tiger Tracks: \$500.00 per page (ad will be placed in lower left or right corner) Maximum Number of ads accepted: 8
- Web Page: \$500.00 one quarter, \$750.00 half-year, \$1,000.00 full year.
- (Quarters will begin January 1, April 1, July 1, October 1 beginning with July 1, 2001) Maximum Number of ads per quarter accepted: 8





Anna Becht, Meghan Barnett, Natalie Mischler and Lexi Cohen celebrate a victory in their new Crew Team uniforms provided by an Alumni Foundation grant.

- Copy must be received for Tiger Tracks by December 1, 2001 and for the Web Page: June 1, September 1, December 1, 2001 and March 1, 2002.

REMEMBER!!

THESE SPACES WILL GO QUICKLY AND WILL BE TAKEN ON A FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED BASIS !! SO DON'T BE LEFT OUT -CONTACT US NOW.

INDIVIDUAL ADVANCEMENT PROGRAM DISTRIBUTES MORE THAN \$3,000.00 DURING THE PAST YEAR

Field Hockey Camp, uniforms for Rowing Club and a camp Staff-in-training program are just a sampling of the grants awarded to Amherst students by the Alumni Foundation during the past year.

Also given were grants for students to attend a string music conference camp, take flute lessons and purchase music software for a home computer. Additionally, several students received funds to enable them to attend the Amherst /Bolzano exchange program in Italy and two more were able to participate in a music conference in Rochester.

Grants were also awarded to teachers in two of the schools - Jefferey Palmer at the Middle School for the development of a music program and Wendy Birch and Sharon Smith at Windermere for a Native American Program entitled "Living With the Earth".

All of these grants were only made possible through your contributions to the Alumni Foundation - these students and teachers thank you!!

THANK YOU!!!

A special thank you to
Lynda Rohl Ostrowski '73
for the countless hours of work on Reunion 2000.
Without her, it just wouldn't
have happened.

Another special thank you to
Christopher Bechtel '66
for his expert accounting
and tax preparation services-
we really needed help this year!

ANNUAL FUND DRIVE 2001
YOUR DONATIONS KEEP US GOING!
We need your generous support!

HOW TO DONATE

General Fund-

This pays for our phone bills, the annual "Tiger Tracks" printing & mailing, special mailings, secretarial services, office supplies and most importantly, our grant programs. Your support is essential!! Please make your check payable to: *Amherst Central Alumni Foundation, Inc., 4301 Main Street, Amherst, NY 14226*

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4301 Main Street
Amherst, NY 14226

For gifts of securities please contact:

Ken Wilson '65
716-832-4398

For additional info:

Anne Harding Joyce '70
716-832-1320

See enclosed form

HERE AND THERE

You who read this are the reporters in the field. We invite your comments and news about you and other Amherst Alumni. We regret that we will not be able to include what we hear about spouses and children, or to detail the myriad academic and extracurricular accomplishments of hundreds of alumni still in undergraduate colleges. We will report deaths, but not births or marriages. All information is gathered from what is believed to be reliable alumni sources. We apologize if erroneous information is included, but we cannot be held responsible. We will gladly print the corrected information in the next TIGER TRACKS.

1940'S

George Newbury '43 writes that he met a fellow Amherst graduate recently and was encouraged to write to us. George retired from Florida Cooperative Extension Service in 1986 after 20 years, suffered a stroke in 1997 but recovered and is living in Flagler Beach, FL. - Marjorie Frank Gallard '44 received an award for outstanding service and contributions in the field of education from the Women's International Society of Delta Kappa Gamma. Marjorie lives in San Pedro, CA. - Tom Godson '44 lives in Buford, GA and was recently honored by former President Jimmy Carter for his work with school children visiting the Presidential Library and his participation in activities at the Carter Center. Tom is retired from the DuPont Company and as an Air Force Reserve Information Officer.

1950'S

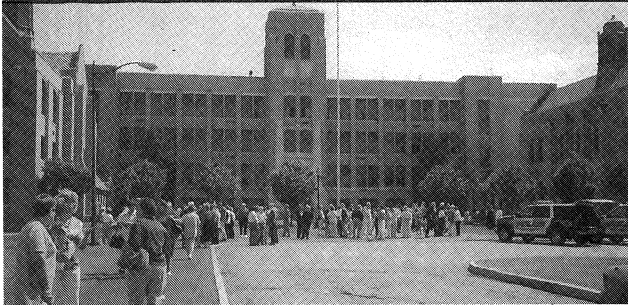
Doris Jones '50 was inducted into Buffalo Broadcaster's Hall of Fame in 1999. She started her career at Channel 4 in 1950 while still a student at Amherst High School. She became the first Buffalo female TV newscaster at Channel 2 in the 1960's. She also performed in thousands of commercials and hosted everything from game shows to public affairs to musical specials including "Romper Room" through the 50's, 60's and 70's.

- Barbara Van Lunger Geisenburg '53 retired from the Bank of New York in 1998 and now divides her time between White Plains, NY and Naples, FL and would love to hear from any classmates. - Richard Hutchinson '54 is living in Maniposa, CA, retired from Northrop Grumman, Ryan Aeronautical Center in San Diego, CA after 23 years. He built his retirement home near Yosemite National Park and invites any alumni to visit. - Jan Nichols Dillsworth '56 is still serving as a mission service corps volunteer with the Baptist Church and enjoying traveling to various places including American Samoa and Hawaii. She is also in disaster relief services with the American Red Cross and in September 1999 spent three weeks in Virginia helping with the after effects of Hurricane Floyd. - William Brunskill, PhD '57 authored "Learning to Write" and "Order & Format". He is professor of English and anthropology at Eric Community College and writes that Ron Berner '57 is a retired Northwest airlines pilot and living in Arizona. - Joan Steinberger Jones

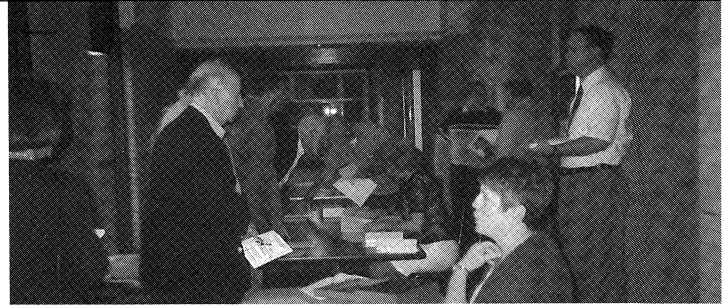
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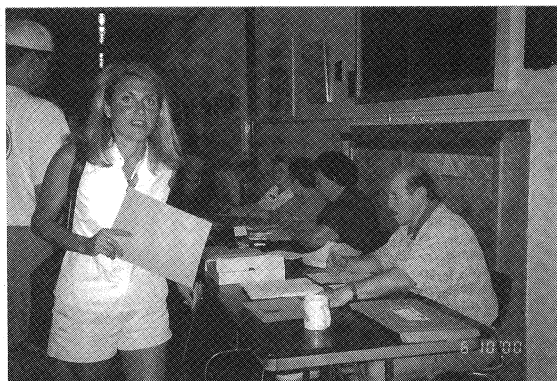
Despite the bomb threat that closed the school Friday afternoon, hundreds of alumni spent several hours in the beautiful sunshine getting reacquainted.



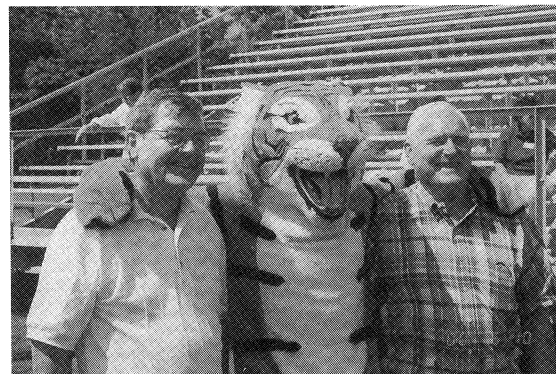
Registering for the fabulous Friday night concert by the High School student musical groups.



Sweet Sixteens and Varsity Singers perform in the courtyard as Alumni arrive for the concert.



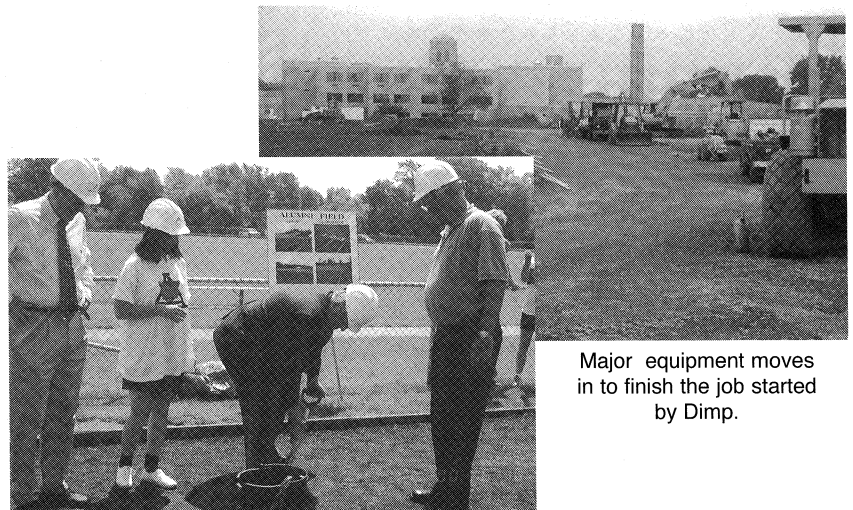
Bomb threat? What bomb threat??? Lori Roeder Grabenstatter '86, along with her dad, Jay '63, spent countless hours planning "Back to School" festivities.



Paul "Giffy" Gifford and Frank "Pancho" Harding both '46 visit with Tiger Man at the ground breaking for Alumni Field.



Members of the Class of 1970 had a great time catching up! From left: Gail Shister, (Darbie Stokes daughter), Darbie Stokes, Lee Bergwall and Nancy Graves.

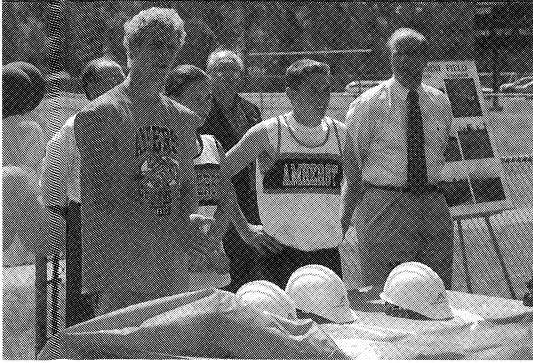


Dimp Wagner removes the first shovelful of cinders.

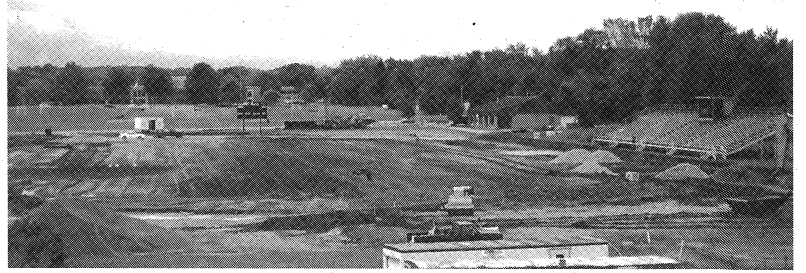
Major equipment moves in to finish the job started by Dimp.



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Members of the track team express their appreciation to the assembled alumni.



August 2000 construction begins. The cinders are gone!!



Anyone want to donate a new scoreboard? (Seriously!)



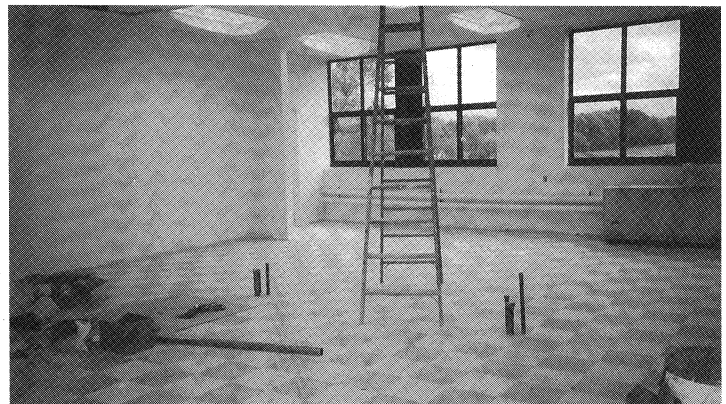
The night of the "Big Event" - alumni arrive at the Convention Center by the hundreds.



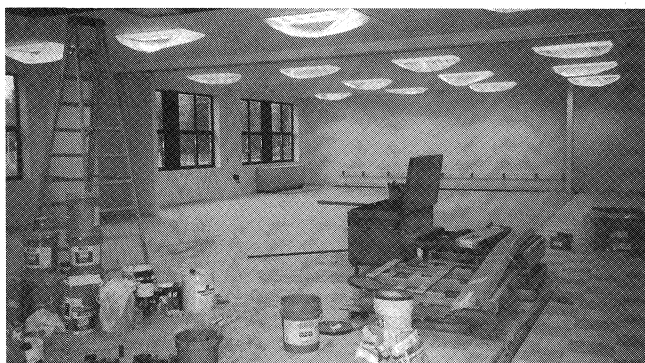
Tiger Man was a busy guy all weekend!



Construction continues...inside as well as out!! The new library (information center!)



One of the new "state of the art" science labs under construction.



"Flexible space" (didn't some of us call that 'portable classrooms'??)



Just think how wonderful it will be....



'58 owns the Bow Street Inn in Portsmouth, NH and would love to see any Amherst graduates if you are in the area.

1960's

- Steve Welch '60, Dennis Grotke '61 and Roxanna Wilson Zuppelli '61 organized a great reunion weekend in February 1999 in Ft. Myers, FL. Attending were Bob and Sandy Wilson Cannon from Jupiter, FL, Dennis and Debbie Grotke from E. Amherst, NY, Rosemarie Jonathan from Monterey, CA, Russ and Tammy Runnalls from Conoga Park, CA, Ed and Lynn Shuttleworth from Moorpark, CA, Steve and Carol Welch from Deerfield Beach, FL, and Jackie Wilson O'Brien from Tonawanda, NY. - Judy Nieman '61 returned to Buffalo three years ago after 30 years in many parts of the world. She is working as a domestic violence advocate for the Buffalo Police Department. - Kurt Kloesz '61 has been living in Cincinnati for the last 29 years working for Proctor and Gamble. - Michele Monson '61 is living in Tiburon, CA. After teaching high school biology, physics and middle school science for a few years, switched to educational publishing in the 1970's. She was senior editor at both Addison-Wesley Publishing Company and Harcourt, Brace Jovanovich where she developed science textbook programs. She completed an MS degree in financial planning and is a Certified Financial Planner. She was involved in a docent training program at the Asian Art Museum in San Francisco where she was named a full docent in May. - Class of 1962: Janet Buscaglia Young in Margate, NJ, Marilou Gapsinski Barton in St. David's, PA, Susan Niederpruem Fitzpatrick in Burlington, VT, Jill Pelson Cook in Morristown, NJ, Susan Rinebolt Burns in Snyder, NY, Marcia Travers Rosenberg in Great Neck, Long Island and Joan Van Burek Dehm in Thornton, PA. For the past 22 years, this group has been gathering for reunions annually. They also report seeing Anne Boylan Moss in New York City and Bill Humphries in Philadelphia. - Mike Diamond '63 currently working as a senior project engineer for Special Devices Inc. in Thousand Oaks, CA. - Mark Sutter '66 is working for Eastman Kodak and has his own wedding photography business in Hilton, NY. - Gail Kintzer '67 after graduating from the University of Florida School of Law in 1992, Gail clerked for Judge Emory Widener, Jr. of the United States Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals and was a visiting assistant professor of law at Widener University School of Law in Harrisburg, PA and is now associate professor of law at Appalachian School of Law in Grundy, VA. - Ken Wells '67 is the director of customer service/support for Corvis Corporation in Columbia, MD. - Debbie Larson Austin '68 is in her 27th year of teaching and remembers fondly beginning her teaching career at Harlem Road Elementary. She is now living in Safety Harbor, FL. - Edward Henderson '68 included a note with his donation for the high school track that he did many laps on that old track in the late '60's as part of the track team and cannot believe it is still cinder! Not for long Ed!!!!

- Alan Bartczak '68 is living in Asheville, NC and after five years managing the engineering department of Disney Development Company in Florida he is currently Vice President of Planning and Development for the Biltmore Estate in Asheville. He also serves as the president of the local Habitat for Humanity.

1970's

- Barbara Lou Shafer Taam '70 is a technical writer in Ithaca, NY and living in Berkshire. - David Brody '71 is an attorney and consultant living in Amherst, NY. John Hamlin '72 is an attorney in Stamford, CT with Paul, Hastings, Janofsky and Walker. - Glen Macnow '73 is living in Havertown, PA where he is a talk radio show host in Philadelphia and a writer of children's books. - Katherine Seaman Couraud '73 is teaching French and other world languages at Hillsboro-Deering Middle and High School in Hillsboro, NH. - Sherri Rumer Cooper '74 is an assistant professor at Bryn Athyn College, PA in the biology department and adjunct assistant professor at Duke University in the Nicholas School of the Environment. - Barbara Glair '76 is a project engineer for Avery Dennison in Milford, MA. - Colleen Glair Gajewski '74 is living in East Aurora, NY. - Amy Suggs Rosacker '75 retired from the US Navy after 20 years as a commander, certified nurse midwife and is working part time teaching midwifery at Georgetown University and is living in Annapolis, MD. - Michelle Cook Dougherty '77 is living in the Hudson Valley area and is currently operating a part-time photography business from her home. She is also a freelance writer and recently had an article in the September '99 issue of Shutterbug magazine. - Mark Bilger '78 joined Acclaim Entertainment as Executive Vice President, Worldwide Development and climbed Kilimanjaro in 1999.

1980's

- Diane Glair Allevato '80 is currently living in Shrewsbury, MA. - Amy Stockman '82 is a project management consultant for Analysis International, a member of Project Management Institute and living in Bellevue, WA. - James Rehak, Jr. '82 is an associate partner with Lawley Service Insurance Group, concentrating in employee benefits and qualified retirement plans as well as individual financial planning. He is also an active member of the local Juvenile Diabetes Foundation and is a resident of Williamsville, NY.

- Edward Andrew Holyoke '83 has been appointed chief financial officer for Vandelay Industries, an international importing/exporting firm and is living in Eggertsville, NY. - Michael James Kaye '84 is working for Xerox in Rochester, NY and living in Penfield. - Rochelle Sanders '84 recently directed Les Belles Seours and Marisol at Buffalo Ensemble Theater and Black Coffee at Riviera Theater in North Tonawanda. - Allison Wingert Anderson '85 is living in Hainesville, IL, a suburb of Chicago. - Valerie Case Beausergent '86 is living in Paris and teaching at the American School there. - Anne Marie Willard '87 received her masters in English Education from Buffalo State College and is in her third year of teaching for the Buffalo Public Schools. - Charles Collins '87 is living in Albuquerque, NM and worked for 14 months for Lockheed Martin at Michoud Space Systems in New Orleans on fracture mechanics for the external tank on the space shuttle. He is now working in the high temperature materials lab at Sandia National Laboratories doing fundamental research on materials with unique electrical properties.

- Marce Dziekonski '89 earned her masters at the University of Wyoming and decided to stay in Laramie where she loves that part of the country. - Gene Kim '89 is Research Associate/McNair Coordinator at University of Wisconsin-Madison and recently won the local judo as well as body building competition for 205 lbs weight class.

1990's

- Jennifer Baehre Wood '90 is teaching second grade in Houston, TX and ran the Houston marathon in 1998 and 1999, the 1999 Marine Corps Marathon in Washington, DC and the Boston Marathon this spring and planning on running in the Toronto Marathon in the fall. Over the summer she competed in the Houston triathlon. - Ryan Speth '91 graduated from Parson's School of Design and is employed at Lexington Photo Labs in New York City doing commercial and private client work. - Diane Wedekindt '94 graduated from D'Youville College with a BS/MS in occupational therapy and a minor in psychology.

DECEASED

Janette Atkinson, Retired Faculty, died February 5, 2000 in Sister's Hospital after a long illness. She began teaching at Amherst in 1955 and remained there until her retirement in 1976. She was chairman of the English Department from 1967 to 1976. In 1973, she received the Jenkins Memorial Award for outstanding teacher and was faculty advisor to The Tatler, the school newspaper, for more than 10 years. In 1970 she took a sabbatical to visit elementary and secondary schools through England and Europe. She was an active member of Amherst Community Church, Amherst PTA, National Education Association, New York State Teachers Association to name a few and an avid doll collector. She is survived by two sons, William and Alan and a step-daughter, Patricia as well as several grandchildren.

Lorraine MacLeod, Retired Secretary, died on August 9, 2000 in Williamsville. Lorraine was much respected and appreciated by everyone when she was secretary to Tom Davis at Harlem Road School. She was active in the Amherst Retired Teachers Association. Survived by her husband, Gordon, son Bruce '72 and daughter Heather Adams '74 and three grandchildren.

Elton Petersen, Retired Faculty, and former chairman of the science department at Amherst, died February 27, 2000 in Millard Fillmore Suburban Hospital after a brief illness. He was a World War II veteran, serving in the Army Signal Corps. He taught science, primarily chemistry, for 27 years at Amherst and also started and coached the rifle team. He was active in the Amherst Retired Teachers Association, Phi Delta Kappa, Western New York Alumni Club of Syracuse University and a member of the Orange Pack Boosters Club. Survivors include his wife, Pearl.

Glen Ungerer, Retired Faculty and Administrator, died February 13, 2000 at home in Williamsville after a long illness. He served the Amherst Schools for 31 years as a science teacher, assistant principal and high school summer school principal. He spent many summers working in the research divisions of Westinghouse and Cornell Aeronautical Labs. In 1957, he was honored as a Shell Research Fellow at Cornell. After his retirement from Amherst in 1977, he was an active member of the Amherst Central Alumni Foundation and Amherst Symphony Orchestra Boards and was also active in the Amherst Retired Teacher's Association. While at Amherst, he founded the Amherst Ski Club and organized a 1972 trip to the French Alps for 200 Nichols and Amherst students. Survivors include his wife of 60 years, Elizabeth (Betty), sons Robert '62, Ronald '69 and daughter Nancy Sachs Duval '65, a brother Roland and sister Meta Zimmerman and several grandchildren.

Lester Bramley '34, a retired technical sales engineer, died October 18, 1999 in Cheektowaga. He worked at the former Hewitt-Robbins Company for 25 years before it closed in the early 70's. He then worked at Buffalo Weaving & Belting Company before retiring in 1979. He is survived by two daughters, a son and four grandchildren. His wife, Katrine, died on April 19, 1999.

Dr. William Voss, Sr. '34, a retired dentist died November 2, 1999 in his Clarence home after a long illness. He entered the Army in 1942, serving as dental surgeon on Governor's Island with the rank of captain.

He practiced with his father in Buffalo and later had an office in Amherst. He retired in 1985. He was a widely known breeder of miniature schnauzers. He served on the board of directors of Amherst Community Church and was an exempt member of the Snyder Volunteer Fire Company. Surviving are his wife, Marie, three daughters and two sons, several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Roy Straley '35, a land surveyor of Williamsville, died March 16, 2000 after a lengthy illness. A veteran of World War II, he was stationed in Germany. He held several posts and was a member of the Niagara Frontier Land Surveyor Association, Niagara Frontier Boat Racing Association and Iroquois Region Rolls Royce Owners Club. He was a 32nd degree Mason, a Shriner and member of the Royal Order of the Jesters Court 22. He is survived by his wife, Mary, a daughter, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Howard Wells '39, of West Seneca and San Jose, Costa Rica died December 12, 1999 in Mount Sinai Hospital after a brief illness. He was a civil engineer and former owner of several Dairy Queen outlets in Western New York. He was a captain in the Army Corps of Engineers during World War II and worked on the Assam Highway in Burma. He was a civil engineer for Montgomery Ward Stores in Texas, Oklahoma and Louisiana. After retiring in 1971, he enjoyed traveling to India and other countries before settling down in Costa Rica where he lived for nine months a year. Survivors include his wife, a son, a step-daughter and stepson and a sister.

Marie Nowak Fronczak '41, a former teacher and real estate agent, died September 29, 2000 in Houston after a brief illness. A lifelong resident of Amherst, she dedicated her life to her family, friends and community service. She was a member of the Amherst Central Board of Education from 1979 to 1988. She was also a former president of the Amherst Central Alumni Foundation and was an active member of the Foundation until her death. She was a former director of Goodwill Industries. She received the Amherst Education Association Award for outstanding contributions to education and the Golden Empire Award in 1987. Mrs. Fronczak worked as a primary school teacher in the Lockport and Cleveland Hill School Districts until her retirement in 1950's. She also worked as a real estate agent for her family business, Fronczak Realtors until 1994. She will be deeply missed by the Amherst Alumni Foundation and the Amherst School community. She is survived by a daughter, Rosellen Spikula '75 and a son, John Jr. '82 and four grandchildren. She was the widow of John F., an attorney.

Nancy Marchand '45 died after a long battle with cancer. A veteran stage & TV actress for 54 years, she was best known for her role as Margaret Pynchow in the 1980's television series "Lou Grant" (for which she won four Emmys as Best Supporting Actress and as Livia Soprano in the current HBO series "The Sopranos"). She also appeared in several films and made guests appearances in several films and made guest appearances in numerous television shows.

Viola Wannenwetsch Hunt '45, of Snyder, died May 30, 2000. She was a retired employee of the University of Buffalo. She worked in the anthropology department at UB as an assistant to the director of the archeological survey program. She was a member of the Williamsville Art Society and Ascension Lutheran Church. She is survived by her husband, a son and a daughter and grandchildren.

Jack A. Davis '46, died in November 1999. "Jake" served in the Navy during World War II. He was employed at Streng Oldsmobile for over 35 years and was head usher at Christ United Methodist Church. He is survived by his wife, two daughters, three grandchildren and a sister, Nancy '50.

Joseph Herr '46, co-founder of West-Herr Ford, died September 20, 1999. He was a Navy veteran of World War II serving as a seaman first class on the SS Nathan S. Davis in the Asiatic-Pacific campaigns. He held several military decorations, including the World War II Victory Medal. He co-founded West Herr Ford in a tent on Clark Street in 1950. He was a partner until 1973 and remained active until recently in the business which moved to Camp Road in 1966. Surviving are two sons, two daughters, two sisters, two brothers including Donald '50 and a grandchild. His wife, Marjorie, died in 1998.

Edward Berger '48, of Amherst, a co-owner of Frontier Lumber Company, died May 5, 2000. He was inducted into the Amherst High School Athletic Hall of Fame in 1994. He was a member of the Naval Reserve and an active member of St. Vincent DePaul Catholic Church. He also served on the board of the Buffalo Lumber Club. He is survived by his wife, his mother, five children, a sister Mary Berger Fanning '52 and a brother and several grandchildren.

Eric Siegfried '48, retired executive of Siegfried Construction, died January 10, 2000 after a brief illness. A member of the Reserve Officer Training Corps, he was commissioned a second lieutenant in the Army upon graduation from Cornell University. He worked for Siegfried Construction which had been founded by his father and uncles. He was named vice president in 1963 and in 1969 was promoted to executive vice president. He retired in 1974. He was involved in many projects including Western Savings Bank headquarters, Kenmore Mercy Hospital, St. Bonaventure University among others. He is survived by his wife, Donanne Seymour Siegfried '47, four daughters, Carol Geyer '71, Heidi Neuberger '72, Amy Quinn '74 and Barbara, a sister and nine grandchild-

dren.

Fredrick Lambrecht '50, died May 9, 2000 in Mill Valley, CA. He was a Korean War Veteran serving with the 187th Airborne Regimental combat team. His decorations include the Army Commendation Medal, Purple Heart Medal, Combat Infantry Man's Badge, Distinguished Member of the 187th Infantry Badge, Presidential Unit Citation and Special Forces Award. He was an avid yachtsman and member of the Golden Gate Yacht Club for 30 years. He is survived by his wife, three children, three grandchildren and a brother, Julien '52.

Rev. James Andrews '52, died December 10, 1999. Rev. Andrews started with a rented room in Amherst and began what became The Chapel on North Forest Road in Amherst, one of the largest and most influential non-denominational churches in the area. Through hard work, a weekly television program that ran for 36 years, nightly radio broadcasts and a preaching style that sometimes brought congregants to the edge of their pews, Mr. Andrews built The Chapel into a church with 3,500 members. He is survived by his wife, Joan, a daughter and a son.

Philip Barber '54, died October 2, 1999 after a long illness. He worked for New York Telephone for 38 years as an installer, trainer, manager and engineer. He was a specialist in the Army from 1959 to 1961 and a member of the Army Reserve from 1961 to 1963. He raced at Holland Speedway in the 1950's and then worked as an announcer at the track through the 60's and 70's. He is survived by his wife, two daughters, Abby Kirkland '81 and Brooke Haubeil '85 and three grandchildren.

James Abbey '58, a retired naval officer and real estate broker died January 9, 2000 in Virginia Beach, VA after a long battle with cancer. His naval career spanned 23 years. After his retirement, he was the managing broker for 10 years with Century 21 in Virginia Beach. Survivors include his wife, two daughters, a sister Barbara Ervalina '62, a brother and four grandchildren.

John DiCosmo '68, passed away November 7, 1999 after a brief illness. He lived in Phoenix, AZ for the past ten years where he enjoyed hiking. He is survived by his wife and son and sisters Geraldine '77, Gloria '79, Patricia '66 and brother Paul '73.

Jack Hermann Jr. '68, died August 2, 2000 in Hyannis, MA. He worked in the restaurant business in the Buffalo area until 1981 when he moved to Newport, RI and then lived in Cape Cod until his death. He was a guitarist and songwriter. He is survived by two sisters.

Cheryl Laur Borzillieri '68 died February 10, 2000 in Strong Memorial Hospital in Rochester. She owned and operated Through the Looking Glass, a boutique in Williamsville in the 1990's. A lifelong interest in the arts, she received the Albright Knox Art Gallery's photography prize. Surviving are a son, her mother and stepfather, a sister and close friend, Edward Henderson.

Jordan MacLean '77 died August 7, 2000 in Alger Co, MI. He moved to Cadillac, MI in 1991 after graduating from Michigan State University and College of Osteopathic Medicine in Chicago. He served as Chief of Staff both in Kentucky and at Mercy Hospital in Cadillac. He practiced at Medical Arts/Great Lakes Family Care since 1991. He is survived by his wife, four children, his mother, brother Craig '73, Ronald '89 and Lori '85.

Charlotte Bennett Metzger '78 passed away October 10, 1998 at her home in Rochester. She was an electrical engineer for IBM since 1984. She is survived by her husband, two children, her parents, a sister Lisa Dunning '76 and a brother George '86.

Carrie Quintilone '94, died unexpectedly August 7, 2000 in Indianapolis, IN. She was an active volunteer in many organizations including Mothers of March of Dimes, the Anorexia-Bulimia Buffalo Association and the SPCA. She worked as a teacher's aide at Infant of Prague School and was employed by Applebee's Restaurant before moving to Indianapolis, where she worked for the Indiana Members Credit Union and Bath & Body Works. She is survived by her parents, a brother Michael '98 and her grandmother.

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1961- Barbara Begia Taefi (716) 854-5133
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Events Planned

Fri., July 13- Welcome Home Cocktails

Sat., July 14- Miss Buffalo Cruise

Dinner & Dancing at Hamlin House in Allentown

Sun. July 15- Day to visit with old friends!

Contact us for Hotel information.

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1971- Watch for details

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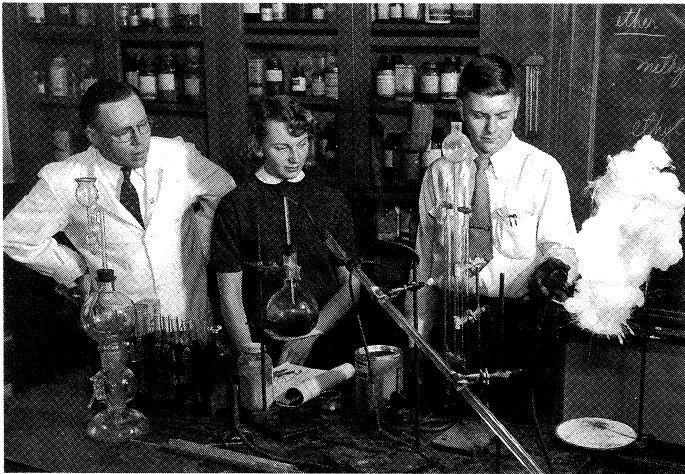
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“Black Pete” Remembered with Donation to Alumni Foundation

The nephew and wife of former long time Amherst chemistry teacher Elton “Black Pete” Petersen have donated \$1,000.00 to the Alumni Foundation in his memory. The money will be used to provide the chemistry department with a yet to be determined piece of needed equipment or essential service.

Mr. Petersen taught at Amherst from 1945-1973. He was one of the best known teachers at Amherst, even many years after his retirement. As Midge Hasselbeck Flanagan '46 remembered - we loved him but “we...were all scared of him!” Anyone wishing to make an additional donation in “Black Pete’s” memory to be used in conjunction with the \$1,000.00 may send their contribution to the Alumni office.

We’re Moving!!

The Alumni Foundation will be moving into new digs in February-bigger, brighter (it has windows!!) and more functional space for us to do our ever expanding job of keeping up with our 15,000 alums!

As of February 1, 2001 we will be located in Room 103 of the High School (first floor, to the left as you enter the front door).

New Phone: 716-362-8259

Email: alumni@amherst.k12.ny.us

Web Page: amherstalumni.org

In addition, our new office will be dedicated to the memory of long time Alumni Foundation Board member and former Amherst School Board member, Marie Nowak Fronczak '41. She will be greatly missed by us all.

ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the Amherst Central Alumni Foundation, Inc.

will be held on Thursday, May 17, 2001 at 6:00pm.

Please watch the Web site for details.

All members are eligible to attend and vote.

FAREWELL!

This is our final edition of Tiger Tracks as Editors. We have enjoyed our tenure and look forward to our retirement! Keep those cards, letters, phone calls and emails coming! The new editors, whoever they may be, will always appreciate your input- as we did.

-Susan Hens Greco '74
-Anne Harding Joyce '70

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