

TOMS RIVER SCHOOLS



HALL OF FAME

Twenty Second Annual Induction Dinner

May 5, 2013

Ramada
Versailles Room
Route 9
Toms River, NJ

Hall of Fame

On February 24, 1987, Charlotte Ford Spillane, Assistant Principal of Toms River High School South, obtained approval of the Board of Education of the Toms River Regional Schools to found a Toms River Schools Hall of Fame to honor those who had attended or graduated from the public schools of Toms River and who had made significant contributions to the cause of humanity in their various fields of endeavor.

A Board of Trustees was formed with thirteen members, each of whom had either graduated from Toms River or had been employed in the school system for a long period of time. Responsibilities of the trustees would be to research possible candidates, to manage financial support, to collect memorabilia and other gifts, and to organize a display of the honorees.

**1988
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CRITERIA FOR SELECTION OF CANDIDATES

1. A candidate will begin to be considered for induction twenty years after leaving school.
2. A candidate must have attended one of the public schools in a town now included in the Toms River Regional School District.
3. A candidate shall have made a significant contribution to the cause of humanity, improved the quality of life, or achieved outstanding recognition in his or her career or education.



NOMINATIONS

The public is encouraged to nominate those who have attended the Toms River Schools (graduation not a criterion) and who they feel are worthy of consideration. To nominate, send the name, address and telephone number of your candidate along with your recommendation to The Toms River Schools Hall of Fame, 54 Washington Street, Toms River, New Jersey 08753. A questionnaire will be sent to the nominee or to a friend or relative. Upon receipt of the questionnaire, the Board of Trustees will continue the research to determine eligibility of the candidate nominated. Trustees vote once a year to choose honorees. Those not selected remain on the eligible list for five years.

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PROGRAM

Welcome & Introduction of Distinguished Guests..... Linuel P. Lloyd III
Chairperson/High School Social Studies Supervisor

Greetings Debra McKenna
Assistant Superintendent of Schools

..... Ben Giovine
President, Board of Education

Invocation..... David Correll
Past Distinguished Honoree 09'
Retired High School South AP History Teacher

Presentation of Awards

Criteria and Selection Process Linuel P. Lloyd III

Honorees

2013 Distinguished Honoree

Martin Meszaros

Presenter: Linuel P. Lloyd III
Chairperson/High School Social Studies Supervisor

Last Year Attended or Year of Graduation

Category

1962 **Lloyd Keith Clayton**.....Army Pilot/Education

Presenter: Linuel P. Lloyd III
Chairperson/High School Social Studies Supervisor

1981 **Lori Grifa**..... Lawyer
(East) Administrative Law/State Cabinet Member

Presenter: Dr. Jeffrey Schenker, Trustee
High School South AP History Teacher

1987 **Kimberley Babiak Phillips**Marketing Executive
(South)

Presenter: David Correll, Past Distinguished Honoree
Retired High School South AP History Teacher

1989 **Michael Brune** Environmentalist
(East) Sierra Club/Executive Director

Presenter: Kim General, Trustee
High School North History Teacher

1991 **David Gavin Duff**..... Navy Pilot
(South) Commander

Presenter: John R. Garrabrant, Trustee
Former Assistant Superintendent of Schools

1992 **William Castner, Jr.**.....Lawyer
(East) Firm Director/Chief Council

Presenter: Debra McKenna
Assistant Superintendent of Schools

HONORARY AWARD

In 1990 the Hall of Fame created a plaque on which a Hall of Fame medallion was mounted. The plaque, with an appropriate inscription engraved, was given that year to two individuals who sanctioned, championed, and facilitated the goals of the Toms River Schools Hall of Fame.

Albert J. Dietrich
Superintendent of Schools

"For encouraging and supporting the founding of the Toms River Schools Hall of Fame with appreciation from the Board of Trustees."

John R. Garrabrant
Senior Assistant Superintendent of Schools

"For his dedication to and enthusiastic support of the ideals of the Toms River Schools Hall of Fame with appreciation from the Board of Trustees."

DISTINGUISHED HONORARY MEDALLION

In 1991 the Hall of Fame Distinguished Honorary Medallion was awarded for the first time. The medallion, which is mounted on a plaque, was created to honor those who did not attend the Toms River Schools but who contributed in an exemplary way to the ideals and educational philosophy of our school system.

1991 **Renee A. Ewart**

"Whose teaching inspired her students not only to love the French language but to respect all learning . . ."

"For a lifetime of excellence."

1992 Elinor Bryant

"For a lifetime of excellence in teaching."

"Love the children and let them know you love them."

1993 Dr. Edgar M. Finck

"Honored for a lifetime of creative educational ideas."

"Teaching is a joyous experience because it is a life of service; teaching is forever."

1994 Nathaniel S. Detwiler

"For a lifetime of excellence and innovation as an educational leader."

"He understood, encouraged, created and inspired with unique enthusiasm."

"G-R-R-R-R- Fight"

1995 Charlotte Ford Spillane

"Doing the right thing for students and the community is her delight."

"Her joie de vivre inspires all who know her."

1996 Bessie N. McLean

"Honored for a lifetime of inspiring in students the love of books."

"Treasured friendships make lasting memories."

1997 DeWitt E. "Doc" Ricketts

"A leader of teachers."

"He had the knack of seeing what was true and important and framing it clearly."

1998 Gerald Rich

"And gladly would he learn, and gladly teach."

1999 Joseph D. Clouser

"Yes you can...if you try."

2000 William "Doc" Dougherty

"United States Marine, teacher, coach, family man, humanitarian, friend to all."

"Try to be the best that you can be."

2001 Isadore M. Hirshblond

"The show must go on! Why? There's five dollars in the box office, and we can't return it."

2002 William E. "Bill" King

"Don't ever give up!"

2003 Albert J. Dietrich

"A leader in the pursuit of excellence for the Toms River Regional School District."

"Children are a product of their environment, and the Toms River community and schools provide a caring and safe environment."

2004 Olga Clement

"For leadership and encouragement of teachers and children in the face of challenge."

"Be prepared to give your best to everything you do."

2005 Margaret F. Bartlett

"For outstanding contributions to the Toms River Regional School District."

"Anything worth doing is worth doing well."

2007 Milton H. Gelzer

"I shall find the path or I shall build one."

2009 P. David Correll

"Do As Much as You Can! To As Many as You Can! As Long As You can!"

"Always do what's Right – No Matter what the Consequences!"

And, of course: "Ask not what South can do for you, but what you can do for South!"

2011 Joseph Monti

My greatest goal was "To instill patriotism in the students and appreciation of veteran's sacrifices for our freedoms throughout history."

2013 Martin Meszaros

"And gladly wolde he lerne, and gladly teche"
The Oxford Clerk, from *The Canterbury Tales*, By Geoffrey Chaucer

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HONOREES

<u>Last Year Attended or Graduation</u>		<u>Inducted</u>
1882	Simon Lake	1989
1883	Ethleen Longstreet	1988
1883	William Henry Fischer	1991
1891	Philip Sheridan Bailey	1988
1904	Frank W. Sutton, Jr.	1989
1908	James Stanley McClenahan	1992
1910	Dorothy Jameson	1988
1914	Benjamin Novins	1989
1917	George Daniel Moore	1990
1920	Elizabeth Sculthorpe Force	1988
1922	Adolph E. Woolley	1989
1924	Johanna Wells-Smith	1988
1924	Mildred Worth Potter	1991
1925	Margaret Maisch Moore	1990
1926	Ethel Price Gaunt	1988
1926	Joseph A. Citta	1988
1927	Bartholomew Applegate Ellis	1990
1928	Arthur Cornelius, Jr.	1997
1931	Lewis H. Elverson	1988
1934	Dr. Robert E. White	2002
1935	Rt. Rev. Albert Van Duzer	1988

1936	Dr. Faye Glenn Abdellah	1989
1936	Dorothy Dugan	1989
1936	Pauline S. Miller	1988
1936	Barbara T. Carlino	2003
1937	John H. Beddow	1996
1937	CDR George Cornelius USN (Ret.)	1990
1937	Nelson H. Cornell	1999
1938	Jack H. Milne	1989
1938	Hugh Connolly Clayton	1991
1938	Dr. Arthur A. Socolow	1993
1939	Dr. Edwin P. Mickiewicz	1998
1939	Lloyd R. Clayton	2003
1939	Bernard "Ben" Carroll	2004
1941	Carolyn M. Campbell	1995
1941	Sidney L. Harris	2009
1942	Wallace A. "Gub" Polhemus	2002
1942	George A. Lillie	1999
1942	Rt. Rev. Vincent King Pettit	1991
1942	Janet Loveman Taber	1998
1943	Dr. Alfred J. Casagrande, Jr.	1999
1943	Robert L. Garthwaite	1991
1943	Dave Johnson	2001
1943	Vincent J. Smith	1994
1944	Richard C. Clement	1990
1944	L. Manuel Hirshblond	1991
1944	The Rev. Lloyd Rogers Applegate	1993
1944	Robert F. Novins	2000
1944	Dan Kahler	2005
1944	Friar Emmett Carroll	2007
1946	Mary Ellen Hudson	2000
1946	Lester A. "Bud" Tice	2000
1946	William Lee Polhemus	2004
1946	William Skillman	2007
1947	Robert W. Camp	1998
1948	Clifford William Campbell	2001
1948	Dr. Allen H. Kassof	1988
1949	Juanita Carfora	1993
1949	Lolita Carfora	1993
1949	Burton K. Davis	1993
1950	Zev Rosen	1991
1951	Roberta Hornig Draper	1994
1951	Dr. Karl Engelman	1990
1951	Annette Brafman Meyers	1992
1952	Capt. Albert E. Graham	1998
1952	Dr. Walter J. Kahn	1995
1954	Max Culpepper	1989
1954	Richard D. Garretson	1994

1955	Robert Gasser	2007
1956	Alan Rinzler	1999
1956	William Sommeling	1993
1957	Dr. Carl E. Wagner	1990
1958	Maxine Glorsky	1990
1958	Charles H. Ehrmann	1991
1959	Donald J. Bennett	2002
1959	David K. Jeffrey	2003
1959	Gia Maione Prima	2004
1959	Peter E. Thompson	2009
1960	Laurence M. Johmann	1992
1960	Diana Janusz Kedz	1997
1960	Roman Rudnytsky	1988
1961	Donald V. Browne	1992
1961	Carole Applegate Hedinger	1999
1962	Lloyd Keith Clayton	2013
1962	David Bailey Lee	2002
1962	Dr. Celia Genishi	1989
1962	Hon. Alexander D. Lehrer	1993
1962	Robert L. Pastine	1997
1962	Dorian Rudnytsky	1997
1962	Clarence E. "Bud" Aldrich III	2000
1963	Dr. Heidi Hartmann	1989
1963	Dr. Bambi Bernhardt Schieffelin	1988
1963	Marie E. Snyder	1996
1963	RoseanneCitta	2011
1964	Judge Julio M. Fuentes	2001
1964	Dr. Susan D. Halsey	1992
1964	Dr. Noel Ritter Valis	1995
1964	Ellen Estomin	2004
1964	Paul Raffer, MD	2007
1965	John C. Bartlett	2007
1965	Robert H. Ogle	1995
1965	Dr. Lewis Pyenson	1990
1965	Richard C. Ward	1998
1967	Laurence E. Bethune	1992
1967	Dr. Kenneth M. Green	1997
1967	Linda Troeller	1994
1967	Bonnie L. Nycz Blume	2002
1968	Tom Brown, Jr.	1994
1968	Marian Head	2009
1968	Louis Ureneck	2011
1969	William Campbell	1992
1969	Gary A. Jobson	1990
1969	Glenn R. Reichardt	1997
1969	Brig. Gen. Norton A. Schwartz	1996
1969	Nancy Hudson Aaberg	2002

1970 (South)	Dr. Russell C. Cattley	1995
1970 (South)	Dr. Eric Dinerstein	2009
1970 (South)	Thomas L. Finkbiner	1999
1970 (South)	Dr. Vivien Green Fryd	1996
1970 (South)	William "Rip" Scherer	1996
1970 (South)	William Malast	2005
1971 (South)	Joan E. Bray	1994
1971 (South)	Dr. Dale Whilden	1992
1971 (South)	Miguel Reabold	2003
1971 (South)	Debrah Morante	2011
1972 (North)	Colonel Mike Applegate	2000
1972 (North)	E. David Millard	2001
1972 (South)	Miechelle O. Willis	2003
1972 (South)	Diana (Levine) Madaras	2005
1972 (North)	Theresa Lettman	2005
1972 (South)	Mark Perlmann	2011
1972 (North)	Deborah Ralph	2011
1973 (North)	Steve Mormando	1996
1973 (North)	Dr. Lee E. Schechter	1995
1973 (North)	Valerie R. Bencivenga	2004
1974 (North)	Sonya Naryshkin, M.D.	2001
1974 (South)	Geoffrey Rich	2005
1976 (North)	James Crane	2011
1977 (South)	Anthony G. Calamai	2003
1978 (South)	Neal Mayer	2001
1978 (South)	Sandra D. Levine	2004
1979 (South)	Todd G. Buchholz	2000
1979 (North)	Marie DeNoia Aronsohn	2009
1981 (East)	Lori Grifa	2013
1982 (East)	Danny Clinch	2009
1983 (East)	Joseph W. Scott	2005
1984 (East)	Michael Piscal	2007
1987 (South)	Kimberley Babiak Phillips	2013
1989 (East)	Michael Brune	2013
1991 (South)	David Gavin Duff	2013
1992 (East)	William Castner, Jr	2013

Martin Meszaros

Martin Meszaros was an English Teacher for the Toms River Schools for 37 years first starting in 1960 at Toms River High School which became Toms River High School South in 1969 when High School North was first opened. In 1979 he moved to Toms River High School East where he worked until his retirement in 1996. He served as the English Department chair while at High School East as he continued to teach English classes. Martin also worked at Ocean County College teaching English from 1970 to 2006 with some of that full time after retirement from High School East.

The person being awarded the Distinguished Honoree was born and raised in West Virginia having lived near Wheeling, WV where his father was a coal miner and graduating from Wellsburg High School in 1953. He followed in an uncles' footsteps by enlisting in the United States Army honoring that relative who survived Bataan during WWII as a prisoner of war for 3 ½ years. Martin served in the Military Police from 1953-1956 then used GI benefits to attend college.

A BA in English-History was earned at West Liberty State College from 1956-1960. He began his teaching career after graduation at Toms River High School in 1960. Martin taught all levels of High School students of various ability levels learning his craft and perfecting an ability to reach all students. He credits Mr. Gerald Rich who he pays special tribute to as the man he considered his mentor. He took a year to work on earning an MA in English in 1965-1966 at West Virginia University working as a teaching assistant. By 1970 he earned his MA and continued his development as an educator.

In 1972 Martin Meszaros was named Teacher of the year at Toms River High School South and had begun working as an adjunct faculty member at Ocean County College.

Hungry for knowledge, Martin completed additional courses in English from Rutgers University, Temple University and Trenton State University (today The College of New Jersey) from 1966-1975.

In 1984 he was an NEH fellow at Princeton University and in 1985 he attended a summer session in advanced placement studies at Carnegie-Mellon University. Then in 1987, Martin traveled to Cambridge University in England to study contemporary poetry and in 1988 studied film at Edinburgh University in Scotland.

Martin Meszaros offers on the Hall of Fame Questionnaire he completed that "his most rewarding experience as a teacher had been to observe the success of many of my students. I am proud to say that I had the privilege to associate with students who attended the finest Universities in America or returned to Toms River to serve as Dentists, Doctors, Surgeons, Lawyers, Business People, not to negate those who positively impacted the Trades as well. To be addressed as "Mr. Meszaros" makes me feel as though I have achieved a goal in my life."

I end with a quote from a letter one of Martin Meszaros students wrote about him to the late Mr. Peter Kohl, Principal of High School East.

"I was lucky to have him as a teacher in High School and at Ocean County College where he had an always indescribable manner in his quiet enthusiasm, wit and insight. His excellence in his field challenged me with such intensity to examine the larger picture, human struggle/condition behind the words on the page. I can only explain this in "distant" retrospect, but I cannot easily forget the rapt attention he evoked in myself and in others; and beyond this, sort of awelike appreciation."

We here today express our deepest appreciation for your efforts on behalf of Toms River Regional Schools students and are proud to award you the Distinguished Honoree for 2013.

Inducted 5/5/13

Lloyd Keith Clayton

Lloyd Keith Clayton attended the Toms River Schools from 1949-1962 attending Toms River Elementary School, Toms River Intermediate School and Toms River High School, graduating in 1962. From there, Keith attended Delaware Valley College and graduated with a BS in Biology in 1966.

By September of 1966 he was enlisted in the United States Air Force in Officer Training School being commissioned as a Second Lieutenant in November of that year. He reported to Laughlin AFB to undergo 53 weeks of pilot training. In February of 1968 he earned his pilots wings and had his training upgraded in the 4-engine C-130 Hercules aircraft. He then reported to his first operational assignment at Naha AB, Okinawa in July of 1968. Keith flew combat missions totaling 860 hours in Southeast Asia, earning the Distinguished Flying Cross (DFC) along with 6 Air Medals:

1. Meritorious Service Medal
2. Air Medal
3. AF Commendation Medal
4. AF Outstanding Unit Award
5. Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal
6. National Defense Service Medal

All these medals and awards earned were for his contribution to combat operations. The DFC Medal was earned while flying in the top secret, Blind Bat mission that resulted in the destruction of a major refueling site concealed in the jungles of Laos.

Keith then rose to the rank of Captain and qualified as an Aircraft Commander. He flew combat missions as the pilot in command. After transferring back to the United States, he held varied assignments such as and including photo mapping, functional check pilot to check air worthiness of aircraft, pilot of executive jet aircraft transporting high ranking military and civilian personnel, and Staff Officer at major command headquarters.

Keith Clayton was Chief of Operations Plans at Pope AFB in North Carolina when he retired as a Major in November of 1986.

He found time in 1977-1979 to earn his MA in Management at Central Michigan University.

Keith Clayton lived in Fayetteville, NC with his wife Kris and his first job after the Air Force was in the Financial Services Industry in 1986-1988. Then in September of 1988 he moved on to become a recruiter in the Basic Skills Literacy Department at Fayetteville Technical Community College (FTCC). Through the FTCC he worked with Adult Basic Education/GED preparation class in the Cumberland County Jail leading to approximately 200 inmates passing the GED. At the same time he reached out to offer similar service to the Homeless.

Keith became a certified Basic Skills Resource Specialist through continued course work at Appalachian State University. He also volunteered in various capacities for the Basic Skills Project Advisory Council for 8 years, for committees-advisory boards for the North Carolina Community College Systems, as a Youth Soccer coach in the YMCA, as a Boy Scouts committee member for his son's troop, as a pastoral council member and Eucharistic minister at the St. Patrick Roman Catholic Church, worked on the Board of Directors for Habitat for Humanity and was active in the Rotary Club as President.

Finally he attained Master Gardener designation growing mainly orchids becoming VP of Cumberland County Master Gardener Volunteer Association.

We here today are honored to induct Lloyd Keith Clayton to the Toms River Regional Schools Hall of Fame for 2013.

Lori Grifa

Lori Grifa is a member of the very first graduating class of Toms River High School East, proudly accepting her diploma in 1981. She was a two-time class president and a varsity letter winner in track and gymnastics. Following graduation, she headed to Rutgers University, becoming a Henry Rutgers Scholar, earning her B.A., *cum laude*, and being elected to *Phi Beta Kappa*. From there, it was on to Boston College Law School, graduating with a law degree in 1988.

Now practicing law for more than 25 years, Lori has enjoyed many different experiences as a lawyer.

She is presently the chair of the Regulatory Affairs Group at Wolff & Samson, one of the State's largest law firms. She handles matters involving administrative and regulatory law and government affairs before numerous state agencies, including the New Jersey Departments of Banking and Insurance, Environmental Protection, Health, Labor, Transportation and Treasury.

She rejoined that the law firm after serving for 2 years in Governor Chris Christie's Cabinet as the commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs. During her tenure as Commissioner, Lori also chaired the NJ Meadowlands Commission, the NJ Redevelopment Agency, the NJ Council on Affordable Housing and the NJ Housing Mortgage Finance Agency. In addition to creating approximately 3,000 units of new, affordable housing during this period, she managed 2,200 annual grant programs involving nearly \$500 million.

Even before serving in Governor Christie's Cabinet, Lori showed a deep commitment to public service. From 2002-2003, Lori served as chief of staff to New Jersey Attorney General David Samson. In that capacity, she was responsible for managing the New Jersey Department of Law & Public Safety and overseeing the state's civil defense and criminal prosecution efforts.

Prior to joining her law firm in 1997, she was a special assistant district attorney in the Homicide Investigation Unit of the New York County District Attorney's Office, and a senior assistant district attorney in the office of the Brooklyn District Attorney for nearly 10 years, specializing in homicide and gang-related prosecutions. Achieving a life-time conviction rate of 90 percent, she tried the longest criminal trial in New York State history, resulting in convictions and life sentences for all 9 gang-members and guilty pleas from more than 50 others. The trial inspired a book entitled *Gangbusters* by Michael Stone and launched a 5 year stint as a guest commentator on Court TV.

Lori is listed in *The Best Lawyers in America* in the area of Administrative Law. She has twice been named by *NJBIZ* as one of New Jersey's "50 Most Powerful People in Real Estate," and in 2008 she was named by *NJBIZ* as one of New Jersey's "Best 50 Women in Business." She has received Martindale Hubbell's highest 'AV' rating.

Lori married her college sweetheart, Estes Hoffman, in 1990. They live in Montclair, New Jersey.

We here today are honored to induct Lori Grifa to the Toms River Regional Schools Hall of Fame for 2013.

Kimberley Babiak Phillips

Kim Babiak Phillips' amazing career began in high school and college where she became a four sport letter winner at High School South and a four year starter in tennis at Jacksonville University in Florida. Her accomplishments were amazing when you realize she never had a tennis lesson but yet defeated most opponents in both high school and college. Top that off with the fact that she was a member of the Houston Energy Women's Professional Football Team and you realize that Kim was a unique woman with a determination to set goals and accomplish them. However, the major factors why Kim would accomplish many things in her life were as follows: 1) a loving family, 2) being taught the value of the work ethic, 3) being shown the importance of responsibility and respect in one's life, and 4) being given by her parents the idea that individuals can make a difference during their lifetime. Today is the second time that Kim has been honored by the Toms River Regional School System. Several years ago she was admitted into the Toms River Schools Athletic Hall of Fame. Without a doubt, she has made a difference. She gives most of the credit for her success and talents not only to her parents but also to the educational and extracurricular activities provided for her by the Toms River Regional School System.

While working for her MBA at Jacksonville University from 1991-1993, she was given the position of Director of Athletic Operations. She was responsible for all game operations and promotional activities for fifteen varsity sports. Kim then accepted employment at the University of Minnesota as Assistant to the Athletic Director. Her responsibilities at the university were to coordinate special projects for the newly built Sports Pavilion including the Hall of Fame. She also coordinated a Links to Leadership Conference to Promote Women in Sports. Her greatest accomplishment at the university was to be the Project Manager of the 1995 NCAA Final Four Basketball Championship where she oversaw a successful tournament that crowned the University of Connecticut (35-0) champions.

After successfully meeting the challenges of college athletics, she entered the private sector and became the Director of Marketing for the Baltimore Bandits Professional Hockey Team where she oversaw the operations of the entire franchise on a day-to-day basis. In other words, she did everything but play hockey. Bigger and better things were in store for Kim as she became the Director of Advertising and Promotion for the Philadelphia Eagles from 1996-2001. For the Eagles she created and implemented an advertising campaign to promote all organizational activities and events. She was also the Game Day Director that handled every aspect of the game except the competition between the teams on the playing field. She then accepted the offer to become the Vice-President of Marketing for the Houston Texans from 2001-2007 where she served a major role in launching a new franchise and opening a new stadium. As we now know, Kim proved her value to the Texan organization and those who live "deep in the heart of Texas" by being a member of the team that created a successful football enterprise. In 2007 she accepted the position of Vice-President of Marketing and Special Projects for the Redstone Corporation where she oversees all marketing, branding and public relations for the company and is the prime mover of all special events including the LPGA Tour Championship and Shell Houston Open PGA Tournament.

Kim was an integral part of 6 Super Bowls where she was part of a team of men and women that were responsible for all pre-game and post-game entertainment, the National Anthem, the coin toss, and presentation of the trophy.

Kim says that her greatest thrill professionally was helping to successfully launch a professional football franchise from the ground up. The best thing about her is that she has many more years to contribute great things to our nation.

Today the Toms River Schools induct Kimberley Babiak Phillips-Administrator Extraordinaire-into their Hall of Fame.

Michael Brune

Like many environmental activists, Sierra Club Executive Director Michael Brune first decided to pitch in and protect the planet for selfish reasons.

"I grew up in Chadwick Beach, on the New Jersey shore," says Brune. "In the summer, as a teenager, I'd spend all day every day at the beach." So when hypodermic needles and chemical waste from nearby plants began washing up on the sand, he was disgusted. When his body was covered in a rash and New Jersey beaches were closed because of the dangerous contamination, he and his neighbors took action. "I saw how a handful of community groups were able to inspire and organize people to work together to develop solutions -- and they prevailed."

The experience impressed upon Brune the connection between loving the natural world and the responsibility to protect it.

Michael Brune went on to earn dual degrees at West Chester University in Economics and Finance. After graduation, he worked for Greenpeace and knew he had found his calling. With four years of grassroots organizing and campaigning under his belt, Brune moved on to the Rainforest Action Network (RAN).

Under Brune's leadership, RAN secured a commitment from Home Depot to phase out the selling of wood from endangered forests. Time magazine called the victory the most important environmental story of 1999. RAN went on to win more than a dozen other key commitments from America's largest corporations, including Citi Group, Goldman Sachs, Bank of America, Kinko's, Boise, and Lowe's.

While at RAN, Brune wrote ***Coming Clean: Breaking America's Addiction to Oil and Coal***, which addresses climate disruption and lays out an ambitious plan for moving America to a clean-energy economy.

In March 2010, Brune left RAN to become the executive director of the nation's largest and most influential environmental organization - the Sierra Club. One month later, Americans witnessed the worst environmental disaster in U.S. history. BP's Deepwater Horizon oil rig exploded in the Gulf of Mexico, killing 11 workers and sending millions of gallons of oil into the ocean. More than 2,000 Sierra Club members and friends volunteered for the cleanup. Brune surveyed the devastation firsthand.

Congress did little to address the disaster so the Sierra Club launched the *Beyond Oil* campaign to prevent another disaster by decreasing America's dependency on oil with better gas mileage and smarter transportation options. Two years later the campaign's hard work paid off when the federal government put in place a car standard of 54.5 miles per gallon by 2025. This is projected to cut U.S. climate pollution by 10 percent and save Americans billions at the pump every year.

The Sierra Club's *Beyond Coal* campaign celebrated a huge milestone in 2011 when it received a \$50 million donation from Bloomberg Philanthropies that is helping to phase out the use of coal energy in the U.S. and replace it with a clean-energy economy. Nearly 130 coal plants either have been retired or are scheduled to retire in part because of the *Beyond Coal* campaign.

In October 2012, the need to solve the climate crisis was brought into sharp relief when "superstorm" Sandy ravaged the East Coast, including Brune's hometown. The storm flooded his parents' home, which had been built by his father and uncle nearly fifty years before.

"The Sierra Club's motto is to explore, enjoy, and protect the planet," Brune says. "This is an organization that's both devoted to protecting the planet's last, best places and to having a great time exploring and enjoying those places. A love of nature helps inspire us to do what we must to save it."

We here today are honored to induct Michael Brune to the Toms River Regional Schools Hall of Fame for 2013

Commander Gavin David Duff

Gavin Duff graduated with honors from High School South in 1991 as valedictorian of his class. Upon graduation, he entered the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis and graduated with honors in 1995. Upon being commissioned as a Naval Officer, he immediately reported to Pensacola, Florida to begin training as a Naval Aviator. Subsequently, in June of 1998 he earned the privilege to wear Naval Aviation Wings and he completed his training to fly the F/A-18 and to become a carrier-based aviator.

Once designated as a Naval Aviator in 1998 in Meridian, Mississippi, he was given orders to Strike Force Fighter Squadron (VFA) 106 in Cecil Field in Florida for F/A-18 Replacement Pilot Training. Upon the completion of this training, Commander Duff was ordered to the Marauders of VFA 82 based at Naval Air Station Cecil Field in Jacksonville, Florida.

After the completion of his additional training at Cecil Field Florida, he deployed on board the USS John F. Kennedy (CV 67) in support of Operation SOUTHERN WATCH and the USS THEODORE ROOSEVELT (CVN 71) in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM in the weeks following 9/11. During his tour with VFA 82, he was selected as the 2001 Commander, Naval Air Forces Atlantic Pilot of the Year.

Upon completion of his tour with VFA 82, he received orders to the US Naval Test Pilot School. Commander Duff graduated from the US Test Pilot School in 2003 with Honors. Upon completing test pilot school, he served as a test pilot during his tour at Patuxent River Naval Base where he tested and flew the F/A-18 Super Hornet. During this duty assignment he also found time to serve on the Board of the Habitat for Humanity. In so doing, he led construction crews in the building and refurbishing of a number of homes in Maryland. After his assignment duties in Patuxent River Naval Base, he was subsequently transferred to the Salty Dogs of VX-23. While at VX-23, he served as Project Officer overseeing F/A-18 Super Hornet Weapons Systems Integration, Out of Control Flight and Carrier Stability.

In November of 2005, CDR Duff was ordered to the VFA 115 Eagles where he served as Department Head deploying on board the USS RONALD REGAN (CVN 76). He participated in multiple deployments in support of Operation IRAQI FREEDOM as well as VALIENT SHIELD and various Seventh Fleet watch stations. During his Department Head tour, CDR Duff was selected as the 2007 Commander, Naval Air Forces Pacific Michael G. Hoff Attack Aviator of the Year.

Upon completion of his Department Head tour, CDR Duff received orders to the Navy Personnel Command in Millington, Tennessee where he served as the Strike Fighter Community Detailer from June 2008 until June 2010. After completing his tour in Millington, he reported back to Lemoore, CA for training at VFA 122 where he assumed duties as the Executive Officer of VFA-14 (the Top Hatters) in July 2011.

During his most recent deployment to the Persian Gulf from early fall 2012 to late April of 2013 aboard the USS John C. Stennis, CDR Duff was promoted to Commanding Officer of VFA-14 in early October, 2012. It should be noted that VFA-14 has the unique distinction of being the oldest serving Naval Fighter Squadron in the Navy. Throughout this deployment he has continued to fly and lead missions.

Throughout his career as a naval officer, he has exemplified leadership skills that Gavin feels had their roots in the education he received in the Toms River School System. Within the naval ranks, he has had the opportunity to speak before commissions, train other officers and, needless to say, lead numerous flight missions. Gavin Duff believes in the importance of service to his country and to working with and leading others to ensure that democracy is

retained in our country and nurtured in others. He is married and has four children and understandably he is anxiously looking forward to reuniting with his wife and entire family when his current deployment concludes in late April, 2013. In the service of the United States of America as a premier fighter pilot, CDR Duff has logged over 3,000 plus flight miles and he has flown over 120 combat missions. As a naval aviator qualified to fly the F/A-18 Super Hornet, he is flying the most advanced fighter aircraft in today's Navy. If CDR Duff chooses to continue to remain on active duty in the Navy, he will, no doubt, be promoted to the position of Captain sometime within the next two years.

It is Gavin Duff's extraordinary accomplishments as a leader, fighter pilot and representation of the finest that America has to offer in its Naval Aviators that he is being welcomed into the Toms River Regional Schools Hall of Fame. There is no finer defender of our values as a nation than Commander Gavin David Duff.

We here today are honored to induct David Gavin Duff to the Toms River Regional Schools Hall of Fame for 2013.

William J. Castner Jr.

William J. Castner, Jr. has been recognized as an accomplished attorney and an influential figure in New Jersey politics and government. He formerly served as Chief Counsel to Governor Jon S. Corzine and is currently working as a director at the Gibbons firm where he is known for his broad legal and public policy expertise. Mr. Castner's candor and keen communication skills have gained the respect of leaders in both political parties in Trenton where he has been a prominent figure for more than a decade.

Mr. Castner's integrity, work ethic and ease with articulation attracted the attention of State House leaders early on in his career and aided him in gaining important positions in all three branches of state government. His unique background and skill set have positioned Bill for a bright future as he continues on in his chosen field.

Mr. Castner attributes the beginning of his interest in politics and government to the exposure he gained from Mr. Vito's Political and Legal Education (PLE) course at High School East. It was his English teacher, Mrs. Adams, who saw something special in young Castner and recommended that he be chosen to participate in the active government class. Part of the course requirement for PLE was to attend a certain number of local government meetings. What impressed Bill the most about these meetings was that he saw important issues being decided on the local level. These decisions led to changes that had a direct impact on the quality of life in his own town and convinced him that the efforts of local government officials were important and valuable. Bill is greatly appreciative of the efforts of all his teachers; especially Mr. Vito, who provided him with inspiration and support and, at the same time, encouraged him to form his own thoughts and views about the world around him.

Bill's desire for active involvement grew at Rowan University where, among other things, he served as a member of student government and was appointed as Student Trustee on the University Board of Trustees. He took his role as Trustee seriously and was successful in drafting and gaining acceptance for a resolution for guidelines on freshman pledging. Additionally, while at Rowan, he interned for a summer in Senator Frank Lautenberg's congressional office and volunteered to work for Mayor Todd Armstrong of Glassboro. Through these varied experiences, Mr. Castner began to truly appreciate the awesome gift of living in a democracy—a place where individuals have the power to engage in policy making and initiate change.

Upon his graduation magna cum laude from Rowan, where he majored in Political Science, Bill moved on to earn a master's degree in Public Policy from Rutgers University's Eagleton Institute of Politics and earned a law degree at Rutgers, Camden. It was during these years that he gained technical skills in drafting legislation in his position with the New Jersey Legislature's non-partisan Office of Legislative Services. Following law school, he served as a staff attorney for the Fair Share Housing Center where he litigated New Jersey's affordable housing laws and regulations.

Mr. Castner had the opportunity to gain experience in the judiciary system with two high level clerkships. During the New Jersey Supreme Court's 2000-2001 term, Mr. Castner served as a law clerk to then-Associate Justice James R. Zazzali, who went on to become Chief Justice of the Court. Chief Justice Zazzali appointed him to the Court's Ad Hoc Committee on Mandatory Continuing Legal Education in 2007, and in 2005, former Chief Justice Deborah Poritz named him to the Court's Joint Working Group on IOLTA and Financial Institutions. Mr. Castner also served as a law clerk to the Honorable Sylvia B. Pressler, Presiding Judge for Administration of the Appellate Division, during the 1999-2000 term.

Mr. Castner showed his ability to think and learn on his feet when in 2002, General Assembly Speaker Albio Sires appointed Mr. Castner as General Counsel to the New Jersey General Assembly. In this position, he served as the chief legislative adviser to that body and was involved in reviewing policy, researching the constitutionality of bills and offering legal advice on the Code of Ethics and Conflict of Interest laws. In 2006, Assembly Speaker Joseph J. Roberts, Jr. promoted Mr. Castner as the Executive Director of the New Jersey General Assembly Majority Office, becoming the youngest director in that office's history. Under his direction, a well-respected group of staffers was assembled to translate complicated policies and offer opinions on sophisticated issues. In all roles, Mr. Castner has the reputation of being passionate and assertive in promoting causes to benefit society.

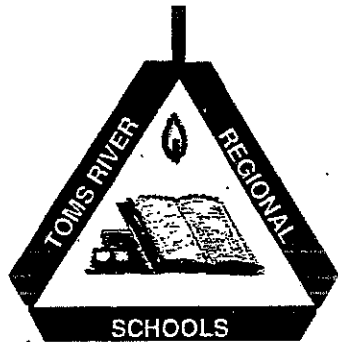
As Chief Counsel, Mr. Castner provided legal advice to the Governor on a wide variety of legislative, regulatory and policy matters, was responsible for judicial appointments and drafted executive orders. Mr. Castner was appointed by Speaker Roberts in 2010 to serve on New Jersey's State Commission of Investigation (SCI).

After serving as a Director at Gibbons P.C. in 2010, Mr. Castner was then appointed as Chief Counsel to the Democratic members of the New Jersey Apportionment Commission in 2011 and to the New Jersey Redistricting Commission in 2012.

Mr. Castner has been named to many prestigious lists, such as; the 2008 *IntheLobby.net* "Ten Greatest Partisan Staffers Who Ever Lived", one of New Jersey's "Rising Stars" by *PoliticsNJ.com* and one of the 40 "Leaders of the Bar" in the *New Jersey Law Journal* in 2012. He is consistently ranked on *PolitikerNJ.com*'s "Power List: The 100 Most Powerful Political Players in New Jersey" (most recently, number 11 in 2011 and number 14 in 2012).

Mr. Castner and his wife, Georgette, reside in Mount Laurel, NJ. He is the proud father of two boys, Billy and Braden.

We are most pleased and proud to induct William J. Castner, Jr. into the Toms River Schools Hall of Fame.



Hall Of Fame



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From 1988 through 2011, the Toms River Schools' Hall of Fame inducted 145 Honorees whose graduation years ranged from 1882 through 1984. This year's inductees advance the total to 151 and now include graduates from the original Toms River High School plus High Schools South, North and East. The Honorees' respective fields of endeavor reflect an amazing variety of outstanding achievements in an impressive variety of disciplines.

In 1991 the Distinguished Honorary Medallion was awarded for the first time. The medallion which is mounted on a plaque was created to honor those who did not attend the Toms River Schools but who contributed in an exemplary way to the ideals and educational philosophy of our school system. Including this year's recipient, 19 have been honored.

Following is the latest news from some of our past Honorees:

NANCY HUDSON AABERG (Class of 1969)

Now in her eighth year as Superintendent of the Yuba City, California, Unified School District, Supt. Aaberg continues to thoroughly enjoy her work in support of 13,000 students on 18 campuses. She reports that "California public education experienced numerous challenges over the past four years, primarily due to significant fiscal challenges that resulted in staff layoffs, shortened school year, and program reductions. Finally there is some light at the end of that long tunnel that offers opportunity to expand staffing, restore the calendar to a full school year and analyze program growth opportunities."

Her community work includes participation on the advisory boards for Friday Night Live, United Way, and the Sutter County Children and Families Commission. She is also a commissioner on the Yuba City Economic Development Commission. She participates on the California Public Schools Accountability Act Advisory Committee in conjunction with the California Dept. of Education and State Board of Education.

"Grandchildren have grown significantly with the oldest now graduated from college and the youngest finishing third grade. My husband and I enjoy golf, weekend 'get-aways', and our family."

REV. LLOYD ROGERS APPLGATE (Class of 1944)

Rev. Applegate died March 2, 2012, at Jersey Shore Medical Center at the age of 86 after a long and distinguished career. He was inducted into the Toms River Schools' Hall of Fame in 1993.

According to his obituary, he met his future wife Joanne Buntain while attending the Forked River Methodist Church where he began his spiritual journey

at age 17. They were married in 1950 and had one son Gary Lloyd Applegate. Rev. Applegate is predeceased by his first wife Joanne in 1997. He is survived by his wife Patricia, his son Gary, his daughter-in-law Deborah of Lincroft and three grandchildren, Diana, Mark and Dawn.

Rev. Applegate published various works including a biography of Dr./Cong./Gov. William Augustus Newell who founded the U.S. Life Saving Service, now the U.S. Coast Guard.

DONALD J. BENNETT (Class of 1959)

Don recently attended the Random House launch of Dan Fagin's novel, Toms River, at NYU where Fagin is a professor. The critically acclaimed book recounts the citizen activism that exposed the toxic toll of the Ciba-Geigy and Union Carbide chemical companies at what would become Superfund sites. Fagin also documents the exhaustive largely unsuccessful, attempts to link that pollution to a cluster of childhood cancers in Toms River.

Bennett's work as an investigative journalist nearly 30 years ago was twice recognized by the New Jersey Press Association for public service reporting and is recounted in Fagin's book.

In June, Bennett will moderate a panel discussion on the history of Toms River seen through the eyes of several people who witnessed it over the decades. That June 1 discussion at the Ocean County Library will be filmed so the accounts can be preserved.

BONNIE L. NYCZ BLUME (Class of 1967)

In 2005 Bonnie Blume retired as Deputy Chief and as an Agent in 2007 from the Ocean County Prosecutor's Office. The next chapter included volunteering with Soroptimist International of Toms River, a women's organization which helps women and children internationally and within the local community, the American Cancer Society and helping out with local wildlife as needed.

Not too long after retirement, Bonnie worked part-time with the Toms River Police Department as an Aide focusing on the Department Accreditation. As time progressed, she eventually transferred to the Township Department of Human Resources working as an Administrative Assistant. Although her volunteering activities have been diminished to a great degree, Bonnie continues to work full-time with Toms River Township.

"I have set specific goals and challenges for myself which keeps me focused on the future. I have been blessed my entire life. If I am given the opportunity to continue, I will strive to do my very best. I am looking forward to the Next Chapter!"

DONALD V. BROWNE (Class of 1961)

In July of 2011, Don retired from NBCU after 35 years. He was President of NBC's international Spanish language media network Telemundo. In 2009 Don was inducted into the national and international Broadcasting and Cable Hall of Fame (the top honor given in the media business).

He is currently on the advisory board of Duke University's Graduate School focusing on early childhood education. He is also involved with a regional mentoring he co-founded 14 years ago for high school girls at risk nationally. It has currently expanded to South Florida, Detroit and Philadelphia.

Don's son Chris (Princeton '05), UVA Law, has just been appointed as an Assistant United States Attorney. His son Ryan (Harvard '07) has just built and put on line Afghanistan's version of West Point. He also introduced the first female class of cadets into the academy (an historic landmark for that struggling country). He will be in Columbia's MBA program this fall.

On May 9 Don and his wife Maria Junquera will be celebrating their 32nd wedding anniversary. He writes, "She has been the essential ingredient in any success I have had".

One of those successes is a Jersey Shore memory: When Don was Executive VP of NBC in NYC, he recruited Brian Williams and transitioned him to Tom Brokaw's anchor job. "Brian was not interested in leaving CBS but we bonded on being from the Jersey Shore. With that opening I was able to convince Brian to come to NBC and the rest is history." And Don Browne continues to create more history!

RICHARD C. CLEMENT (Class of 1944)

Richard Clement, a past president of the IACP, died August 14, 2012. He was 88. Inducted into the Toms River Schools of Hall of Fame in 1990 after serving for 33 years with the Dover Township Police Department, he served as Chief of police from 1967-1979.

Nearly one year ago, the complex housing the police headquarters in Toms River was named in Clement's honor. Current and former officials for the township, the county, and the state, as well as Clement's colleagues came out to honor his decades of service. Clement called the rededication "the highest honor" he received. The Toms River Police Headquarters are now known as the Richard C. Clement Law Enforcement Center.

Rick was predeceased by his father, Curt, mother, Orabell, his son, Dr. Richard J. Clement, his daughter, Dr. Cheryl Clement, and his wife, Margaret K. Clement. He is survived by his wife of 20 years, Deborah, his daughter, Kathleen Mora of Lexington, KY, his daughter Maureen and her husband, Richard Cubeta of

Houston, TX, his son Michael Powell and his wife, Sharon of FL, his daughter-in-law, Diana Clement of MD, ten grandchildren and eight great grandchildren.

GARY A. JOBSON (Class of 1969)

Gary will not be attending this year's induction of Honorees because he will be at a conference in Denmark. To keep up with his latest appearances, check your TV listings! In 2012 he and Todd Harris hosted the America's Cup World Series on NBC-LIVE. The same year Gary and Mitch Booth did the commentary for the America's Cup on You Tube. Earlier in the year he and Jim Kelly hosted an ESPN Classic, 1987 America's Cup Retrospective which dramatically detailed the amazing comeback tale of Dennis Conner who had suffered a traumatic defeat losing the America's Cup in 1983. The New York Yacht Club had held it for 132 years. Six months later Connor mounted a comeback after defeating 12 other teams to earn the right to be the challenger. He faced the Australians in the 1987 America's Cup winning in four straight to become a national hero. ESPN covered the races live. The program that Gary hosted relived the historic comeback. Connor talked about his experience on the 25th Anniversary of his victory with Stars and Stripes.

You too can enjoy Gary's live or TV appearances by visiting his website at <http://www.jobsonsailing.com>!

DR. ALLEN H. KASSOF (Class of 1948)

Dr.Kassof, although retired in 2005 as president of the Project on Ethnic Relations, still maintains an active interest in ethnic conflicts in Eastern Europe and the Balkins.

He claims he is busy now trying to educate (or reeducate) himself concerning history, politics, literature, science and everything else. "Despite a career that included some years as a professor at an Ivy League school, I am left as an octogenarian with a distressing sense of how little time remains to figure it out. My teachers at Toms River used to tell me that I had a lot to learn and if they were around now, they'd still be saying it."

DR. SONYA NARYSHKIN (Class of 1974 North)

As we are inducting new Honorees this year, Dr. Naryshkin will be traveling to Paris, France, to give an invited talk, "The Enduring Relevance of Cervical Cytology" at the 18th International Congress of Cytology. In May of 2011 she and colleague, RM Austin gave a presentation on the "Limitations of widely used high risk HPV DNA testing in patients with invasive cervical cancer".

Two of Dr. Naryshkin's recent articles include: "Limitations of Widely Used High Risk Human Papillomavirus Laboratory Developed Testing in Cervical Cancer Screening" published in Drug, Healthcare and Patient Safety. (2012; 4:167-172) and "Assessment of quality of data provided on Pap test requisitions: implications for quality of care and patient safety". CytoJournal (2009; 6-11)

Her medical knowledge and expertise has also been shared serving on national professional society committees including:

- American Society of Cytopathology Clinical Practice Committee, 2011-2013.
- Co-chair, Screening Algorithm Task Force, American Society of Cytopathology, 2010-2011 as well as serving on the Economic and Governmental Affairs Committee during the same time period.

Doctor Naryshkin currently serves in the following capacities at Mercy Hospital in Janesville, WI: 1) Secretary-Treasurer, Mercy Hospital Medical Staff, 2013; 2) Department of Pathology, Chairman, 2013- ; 3) Transfusion Committee 2013; 4) Infection Control Committee.

In the non-medical world, Sonya Naryshkin recently performed in a musical stage production; "An Easter Tale" put on by Crosspointe Community Church in Whitewater, WI and also performed at Young Auditorium at University of Wisconsin, also in Whitewater.

Sonya sends her best wishes and warm regards to all

WILLIAM LEE POLHEMUS (Class of 1946)

Sheriff William Lee Polhemus, age 84, a lifelong resident of Seaside Heights passed away December 14, 2012. He served 27 years as Sheriff of Ocean County during which time he also served by appointment of the Freeholders as the County Emergency Management Coordinator. He co-founded a County Computer Crimes Unit to enable the County to stay on top of the growing abuse of computer technology. He served on many county committees including the Commission of Missing and Exploited Children.

He is preceded in death by his son, William L. Pohemus, Jr. in 2009. He is survived by his loving wife of over 60 years, Agnes; his daughter, Lorraine Polhemus Adams of Seaside Heights, his daughter-in-law, Linda Polhemus of Ft. Meyers, FL, four grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

DR. BAMBI BERNHARDT SCHIEFFELIN (Class of 1963)

Dr. Schieffelin remains a Professor of Anthropology at NYU and in 2007 was also named Collegiate Professor. In 2012 she was awarded the Distinguished Teaching Award in Arts and Science.

GEN. NORTON A. SCHWARTZ (Class of 1969)

On May 11, 2011, Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. Schwartz was inducted into the Aviation Hall of Fame of New Jersey in Teterboro.

Each year the hall recognizes four Garden State individuals who have made outstanding aeronautical achievements which have brought worldwide recognition to the state. Gen. Schwartz serves as the senior uniformed Air Force officer responsible for organization, training and equipping of about 680,000 active duty National Guard reserve and civilian forces both in the United States as well as overseas.

In addition, Schwartz is a member of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and serves as one of the military advisors to the President, the National Security Council, and the Secretary of Defense.

ARTHUR A. SOCOLOW (Class of 1938)

Arthur A. Socolow, age 92, of Gloucester, MA., formerly of Harrisburg, PA., died March 25, 2013, in the Rosewood Nursing Home in Peabody. He was born in New York City, attended the Toms River Schools and graduated from Rutgers with a BS/MS in Geology. In 1947 he received his Ph.D in Environmental Geology from Columbia.

He was the former Director of the Pennsylvania State Geological Survey, Professor of Geology at Southern Methodist University in Texas, Boston University and the University of Massachusetts at Amherst.

He is survived by his wife Edith Blumenthal Socolow, his son Carl and his wife, Holly, of Camp Hill, PA., his son Roy and his wife, Mindy, of Westford, MA., his son Jeff and his wife, Amy, of Lynnfield, MA., and four grandchildren.

LINDA TROELLER (Class of 1967)

Last summer Linda received a well-reviewed self-portrait show at the Photoville Photograph Festival in Brooklyn followed by her opening at Ververs Gallery in Amsterdam. The Lloyd Hotel, Amsterdam, and Toskana Therme, Germany, have acquired her work to make legacy exhibitions this year.

Linda will teach "Developing Your Personal Vision" photo workshop at the Bad Gastein, Austria, Workshops from August 2 to 10 this year.

Her book Chelsea Hotel Atmosphere: Linda Troeller can be seen and purchased on Google at Blurb.com just look up her name and the title. Linda Troeller has lived and exhibited her work at the Chelsea Hotel in NYC for 17 years and is currently making a brave (and expensive) legal battle to remain living and working at the Chelsea. The hotel, known worldwide for many years as the home of countless famous artists and writers, is currently under siege by owners who want to make it into a "boutique hotel" and are trying to get current long-term successful professionals in the art and literary fields to leave. This is a dramatic and stressful time for not only one of our most admired, artistic Honorees but for all those passionate about saving the Chelsea as an historic NYC landmark!

NOEL VALIS (Class of 1964)

Noel Valis, Professor of Spanish at Yale University, has published in the last few years the following books:

Sacred Realism: Religion and the Imagination in Modern Spanish Narrative (Yale University Press, 2010)

La cultura de la cursileria: Mal gusto, clase y kitsch en la Espana moderna (Antonio Machado Libros, 2010)

Burning Cartography, a translation of poems by Noni Benegas (Host Publications, 2nd edition, 2011).

A SPECIAL NOTE TO ALL HONOREES AND DISTINGUISHED HONOREES

Please keep in touch! If you have an honor or achievement, personally or professionally, that you would like to share with the hometown crowd, please contact me at any time. Another important consideration is the need for us to know of a change of address ----- you wouldn't want the next invitation to get lost in limbo! We care about your lives and always look forward to seeing you at the Hall of Fame luncheon, a unique reunion.

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