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THE ATHLETIC GALLERY OF HONOR

The Morristown High School Athletic Gallery of Honor was established in 2003 by the Morristown High School Athletic Gallery of Honor Association. The Gallery is supported by the Morristown High School Alumni Association and the Morris School District Board of Education.

The purpose of the Athletic Gallery of Honor is to provide a con-

tinuing history of the Morristown High School athletics program and to honor individuals whose performances in athletics typify the true meaning of student-athletes; those individuals who meet academic requirements and perform on the field in accordance with the highest standards of fair play. Students must maintain a 2.0 grade point average and must be making satisfactory progress toward graduation in order

to participate in any sport.

Morristown High School's athletic teams, known as the Colonials, compete very successfully in the strong Iron Hills Conference and in post-season title competition sponsored by the New Jersey State Interscholastic Athletic Association. More than 400 boys and girls each year vie in more than 600 games, meets, or matches in all levels of local and state competition.

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MHS 4TH ANNUAL ATHLETIC GALLERY OF HONOR INDUCTION

2pm SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8TH – MHS AUDITORIUM

2007 INDUCTEES

INDIVIDUALS

Wayne Backes	1960	Baseball
James Borin	1989	Fencing
Robert Callahan	1949	Tennis
Lori Lawrence	1980	Basketball
Kimberly Romano	1983	Field Hockey
Rick Sofield	1975	Baseball
Rocco Vigilante	1929	Baseball
Gary Wikander	1960	Wrestling

COACHES

Jim Bassano	1965-2006	Football
John Porcelli	1989-2005	Football

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We applaud our student-athletes and our athletics program, which this year is 112 years old. The Gallery of Honor has been established and will be maintained as a museum to portray in lively fashion great episodes in our achievements on the fields and courts of honor.

**FAMILIES, FRIENDS,
STUDENTS, ALUMS
ALL WELCOME TO THE
INDUCTION
CEREMONY!**

The AGH Executive Committee includes Co-Chairs Athletic Director Kathy Perri and Alumni Association President David Perry 1952, John Cunningham 1932, Assistant AD Peter Frazzano, retired teacher and coach Arlene Inglis, Kerry Bentzlin Begley 1982, Dan Myers 1950, Mike Barry 1950 and Jack Gutjahr 1952.

The AGH Selection Committee is made up of chairperson Arlene Inglis, Mike Barry, Peter Frazzano, Donna Gelegonya (Swimming Coach), Jack Gutjahr, Nick Lavecchia 1963, Pat Mattos (Tennis Coach), Ken MacKenzie 1953, Stan Prater 1974 and Dick Ryan 1962.

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DANIEL B. MYERS '50

By Jane Emery Moore '47

When Dan enlisted in military service in 1952, he had no idea that the slogan "Join the Navy & See the World" would indeed come true for him. But after completing the required basic and specialist training, he was assigned to a destroyer, USS Wadleigh, and spent the rest of his naval career on sea duty.

"I was fortunate that my captain wanted to be at sea, instead of requesting home assignments," Dan said. "So I made several trips to Europe and the Caribbean areas, and once we sailed all around the world. I was able to see how the very affluent people lived on the coasts of France and Italy and then compare this to the living conditions of very poor residents of Hong Kong and Korea."

Working as an Interior Communication Electrician, Dan achieved the rank of Petty Officer, 3rd Class, before his discharge in 1956. By that time, he'd done enough traveling and was glad to return to his NJ roots.

Dan (and his younger sister, Ann Myers Doherty) grew up in the Fairchild section of Morris Township. He attended St. Virgil's Grammar School and has fond recollections of Sister Francisca, whom he described as being very likeable and patient with all her pupils. Dan then went to Alfred Vail School for 9th grade, where his favorite teacher was Sam Hollander. "I only had him for music class, where it was obvious that I was tone-deaf. I think he treated me kindly because he felt sorry for me."

Dan's favorite teacher for the next 3 years at MHS was his homeroom teacher, Vic Boell. Other well-regarded teachers were Miss Lewis for Math and Percy Cowan for English.

But sports were also an important part of Dan's high school years. He recalled that as an incoming sophomore, on September 1st, he walked to MHS to sign up for football. "Before I finished answering Coach Flynn's question as to why I wanted to play football, Mike

LaBove said, 'You're a guard.' Hank Mellinger was our trainer and he was really tough." Dan made the 1st team in his junior (member of the 1948 State Championship Team) and senior years, in addition to participating in Track & Field events all 3 years. Dan believes that associations with other players, such as Joe Battaglia, not only fostered long-lasting friendships, but also paved the way in adjusting to the over-all school environment.

"The highlight of my high school career was when Mike Barry and I were called to Coach Flynn's office to meet with scouts from West Point. They wanted us to join their team but first they wanted us to accept a one-year scholarship at Valley Forge Military Academy to build up our academic credits." Dan said he enjoyed that year, continuing to play football and track, pursuing his earlier interest in English and learning to like Physics. One of his good friends that year was Norman Schwartzkopf, who many years later became famous for his involvement in "Operation Desert Storm."

However, neither Dan nor Mike ever enrolled at West Point. "Mike was in the National Guard and his unit was activated. All of my friends were also going into military service, so two buddies, Joe Dempsey and Joe Elias, and I all joined the Navy together."

When Dan left the Navy, his experience with electronic communication led him to employment with NJ Bell Telephone Co. After working for 11 years as a lineman and installer, he transferred to marketing and eventually became a sales manager in the Newark office. During this period he represented his company in the local Lions Club, helping to raise funds for projects to benefit visually impaired individuals, especially children. He is a member of the Knights of Columbus and Veterans of Foreign Wars. Dan retired in December 1991.

In 1962, Dan had married Maryclare Dempsey ('56). The couple lived in Parsippany for 2 years, before buying



DANIEL B. MYERS

their present home in Morris Plains. They have 4 children: Maryclare Procanik ('82), Daniel ('84), Edward ('85) and James (87) — and 11 grandchildren.

Through the years, Dan has been active with St Virgil's Church, eventually becoming a trustee and also serving as president of the Parish Council. He served as a Cub Master of Pack 57 and was a Little League Baseball Manager. In 1992, he volunteered to be the Historian for the Borough of Morris Plains, and soon he was also named Director of the Morris Plains Museum. Originally housed on the second floor of the Morris Plains Library, in May 2005, the local history collection was moved by Dan and other members of the Museum Association to the Community Center on Jim Fear Drive. He is the Co-Author of Images of America Morris Plains.

Despite these many family and community responsibilities, Dan has still found time to be involved with the MHS Alumni Association since it was reorganized in 1997. Although he has just "retired" after 10 years as Treasurer, he says he'll continue to serve as the adult member of the MHS Heritage Club. Holding this position since the Club was founded in 1998, Dan said he enjoys working with the students, particularly during their deliberations to select people to go into the Alumni Hall of Fame. He also processes orders for memorial bricks for the Alumni Walk. He was a founding Member of the "Flynn Boys" Lunch Club (named for the former football coach, Bill Flynn) and on the Organizing Committee for the MHS Athletic Gallery of Honor.

Reflecting on his long-term experiences with MHS, Dan observed that it isn't just the academics and the sports that are so remarkable. "MHS is also a very personal place," he said. "Friendships made there last forever!"

CLASS NEWS

1938 We received a nice note from Al Forman '45 in Kitty Hawk, NC, enclosing an obit on Tony Sciacca, who was living in Rome, Italy. Tony was an eclectic jazz clarinetist who died in April. He was known professionally as Tony Scott and was very popular throughout Europe.

1939 Former teacher, coach and recent inductee to the MHS Wall of Fame - Jack Horner - wrote us from Durham, NC. He and his wife, Anne, enjoyed their long April weekend back in the Morristown area and Jack had great recall regarding many of the old haunts and landmark spots. He also became a Life Member and purchased a brick for the Alumni Walk. It was great being with Jack, Anne and former Brookside pal, John Cunningham '32.

1941 Former Tin Can Sailor Ken Williams was one of three recently honored for serving in the Battle of Saipan in World War II. They were presented with a special medallion which commemorates the battles of Saipan, Taiwan, and later Iwo Jima and Okinawa. Ken served aboard a destroyer as a pharmacist's mate during the battle of Saipan and who went ashore as a medic with the invading Marines.

1942 Former Class President Stuart Eadie writes from Forked River - The Class of 1942 held its 65th Reunion on Friday, September 7, 2007 at Ambrosia's Restaurant in Morris Plains. Fifty people attended, including 27 members of the class. A tribute was paid to members who had passed away since the 64th reunion: Frank Benjamin, John Maietta, Ellen Connon Doherty, Edward Zecca, Leroy Sturtevant, Catherine Boller Earle, William Franey, and Martin Pisciotto.

Each classmate received a copy of a brochure which included some historical data. David Jones, our honorary classmate and chairman, was again in charge of reunion arrangements. Attendees included: Rose Ackerman O'Mahoney, Ryland Anderson, Peter Cillo, Laura Cross Davis, Joseph Detaranto, Patrick Diassi, Stuart Eadie, Grace Foran Turbett, Carmen Galdieri, Joseph Grassi, George Hagemeister, Robert Hein, Rita Kappertz Hein, Jane Kirkner Adams, Benjamin Litwin, Robert Matthews, Joseph Monahan, Virginia Noncarrow Cullen, Liber Panella, Patricia Pillion Kagan, William Prentiss, Nelly Radder Van Herwerden, Thomas Romano, Rosaline Rooney Peach, Sidney Schlosser, Jean Stover Sickles, Shirley Van Auken Grier, David Jones (honorary member). Tentative plans for next year include a possible 66th reunion at Ambrosia's on September 13, 2008.

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1947 Allan Tour came back in April for his 60th reunion and also attended our All-Class Mixer that same weekend. Allan is a nationally known comedian who works mainly out of Las Vegas. He recently wrote us with suggestions for bigger and better all-class affairs. He suggested that we send mailings to every known alumnus and utilize the internet, etc., as a PR source. Also, have a special gift for each attendee and invite famous alums to participate. We want to get more younger graduates involved – all good points.

Thanks to Shirley Wilkie Potts from Far Hills for sending us a 1944-45 handbook (well worn) and a '47 Graduation Program. The memorabilia corner is growing.

1948 Thanks to Audrey Wrege for her very positive words concerning the newsletter.

Yes, the Rolios have left Morristown. Mr. "Roll-fast" and Mary have moved to Lewes, Delaware – the best of everything to both of them. (See Photo at Right)

SAVE THE DATE for our 60th reunion luncheon on May 16, 2008.

1949 A wonderful memorial service for Bob Callahan, who died in March, was held on September 29th at the Delbarton School. Bob spent a year at Delbarton after graduating from MHS and the service was organized by his 1950 classmate and long-time friend, Morristown barrister Ed Broderick, Jr. While Bob retired to Florida in 1988, he was a native Morristonian and all that he was and all that he did, for the majority of his life was defined here. Of

note, Bob will be inducted into the MHS Athletic Gallery of Honor on December 8th.

1952 We can report on a very successful 55th reunion held on October 5th at the Birchwood Manor in Whippany, and our thanks to the Marino family for helping to make it a memorable occasion. The Committee did its usual great job and consisted of Co-chairs Nancy Perry Voll and Rosalie DeNunzio Loia - along with Jack Gutjahr, Helen Zilka Hunt, Joan Reyenga Lightner, John Loia, Dave Perry and Dud Warner. The class graduated 244 students and at present there are 58 deceased members and 32 that are missing. We had 47 returnees and over 80 attended, including spouses and friends. These included Rich Antonaccio and



Annabel Lucas, of Cincinnati, Ohio, while visiting her grandparents in Morristown, located the brick at the Alumni Walk, showing her grandparents, Mary and Joe Rolio, and her mother, Laura, as well as her Aunt Audrey and Uncle Joe. She was delighted with her discovery.

Carolyn, Ben Babbington, Jack and Nancy Bauer, Jack and Pat Bensley, Lorraine (Taylor) and Tom Bergen, Joan (Courter) Blisnuk, Paul and Barbara Boller, Robert and Lenore Cacchio, Barbara (Mueller) Chittenden, Josephine (Costanzo) and Ralph Detaranto, Jim Dormer and son Jimmie, Peggy (Nunn) and Harry Eisnaugle, Matthew and Barbara Fisher, Marlene (Duval) and Leroy Gearhart, Emily (Moodey) Gehrett, Fran (Cifrese) and Jim Giordano, Jean (McCoy) Gorrell and granddaughter Kelsey, Jack and Ann Marie Gutjahr, Harry and Agnes Hansen, Roy and Andrea Horowitz, Helen (Zilka) and John Hunt, Lou and Anne Katz, Tom Kimbrough, Joan (Ferriss) and Lou Lefke, Phil Leininger, Joan (Reyenga) Lightner, Rosalie (DeNunzio) and John Loia, Albert and Phyllis Lombardi, Fay (Pierce) Meola, Anthony and Joan Palmieri, David Perry, Russell and Roxy Polo, Joyce (Kargaard) Russo, Betty (Boniface) and Cliff Schaible, Tom and Victoria Spruiell, Dot (McNatt) and Jim Stapp, Stan Sutton (Rev.), George Taylor and guest, George and Carol Tiger, Joan (Zealiff) and Don VanWinkle, Nancy (Perry) and Bob Voll, Dudley and Peggy Warner, Walter and Joyce Wisnewski, and Jean (Clum) and Jan Wotowicz. For the evening, the operative words were "mingle and mix" and everyone really did get around. Jack Gutjahr passed out a terrific 1952 trivia (people/events) quiz to each table; Phil Leininger came the farthest distance (Arizona) and Harry Hansen won the 50/50. All are looking forward to #60 and still want (now) it to be an EVENING event!!

1953 Our thanks to Priscilla Drury Dentler, now living in

Mechanicsburg, Pa., for sending us a copy of the 1921 Cobbonian, which she believes belonged to her mother's cousin, Olive Dickinson. We'll add it to our MHS archives.

We received a lengthy and very interesting letter from Lee Munsick, now living in Vero Beach, Florida. He was very interested in the lists of honor at MHS – Athletic Galley of Honor, Alumni Wall of Fame and the Teacher's Corner. Lee spoke glowingly of his two older doctor brothers, Bob '46 and George '50. He also thought that former Principal Dr. Ralph Perry, who was responsible for bringing so many fantastic teachers to MHS, should be a strong candidate for the Teacher's Corner. We're interested in any and all worthy application forms.

1957 Class President Dr. Richard Derrick and Outi Honkanen Oostdyk presented at the Morristown High School Senior Awards Ceremony on June 13, a \$3,300 scholarship to Courtney Cutter of Morris Plains, on behalf of the Class of 1957 honoring our 50th year class anniversary. Forty class members contributed to the scholarship. Also the 27 classmates listed below were honored at the Morristown High School Commencement Ceremony on June 25th and each received a 50th anniversary participant certificate. There also were ten guests present and the ceremony was preceded by dinner at Tiffany's Restaurant, Morris Plains, and a cocktail party afterwards hosted by Carol Emberley Lindskog. Participants included Leroy Aiken, Marcia Alford Nicoletti, Carol Berg Haviland, Ann Marie Burns Hanrahan, Anna Casamassa Pisciotto, Frank Cecala, Thomas Chesson, Evelyn De-



Class of 1957 is Recognized at MHS 2007 Commencement

Pew, Dr. Richard Derrick, Patricia Donnelly Scherr, Carol Emberley Lindskog, Eugene Forman, Janice Fyfe Foley, Gail Gannon Forman, Robert Gardner, Brian Hays, Eugene Hill, Arthur Jukes, Anthony (Sal) Mazzoccoli, Frank Pagano, Frank Parker, Patricia Reilly Bartell, Diane Sieben Cecala, Jean Sinclair, Veronica Thompson Hedgepath, Robert Valleau, Wendy Wilson Gill (see picture at right).

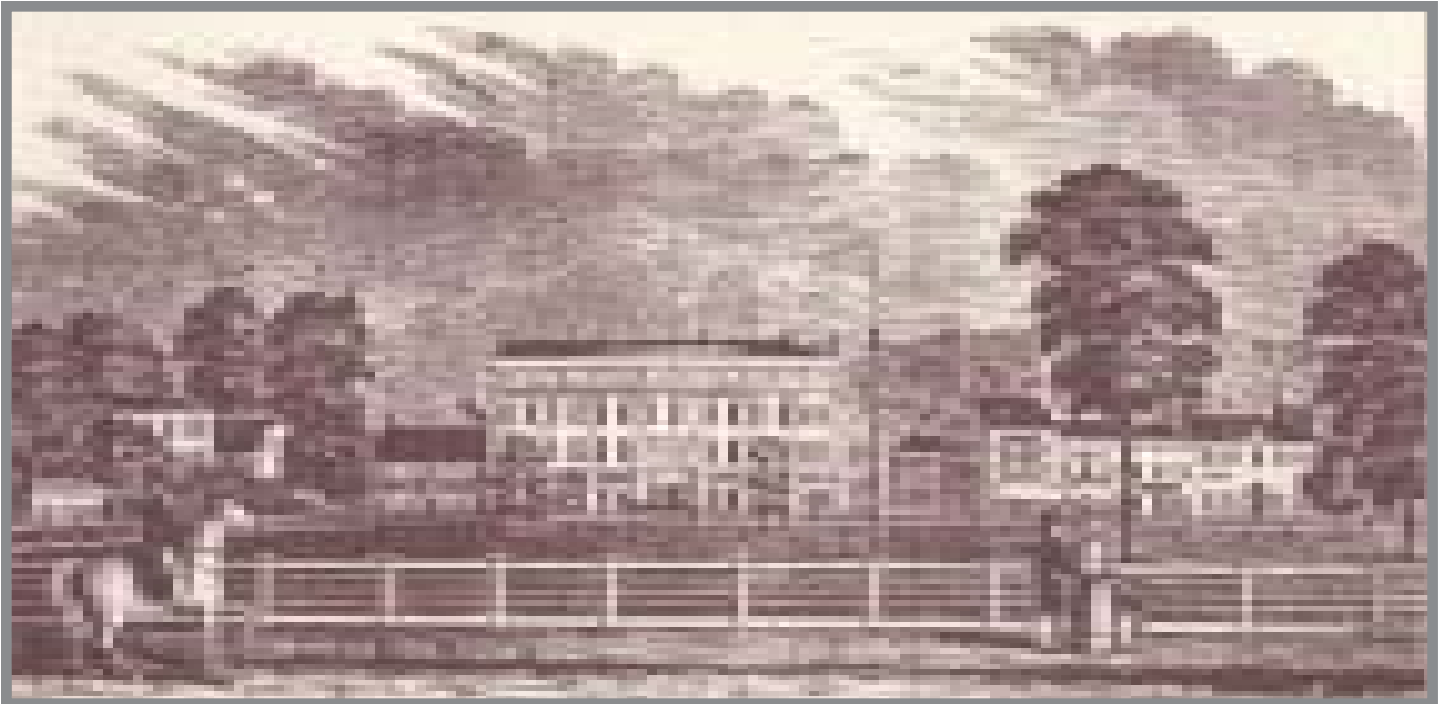
1959 "Greetings to my fellow Morristonians," writes Life Member Suzy Forman Gaynes from Weston, CT. She was very pleased to read that English (not Math as was noted) teacher, Lawrence Lightner, was inducted into the MHS Teacher's Corner last spring. During her senior year she was a student in his study skills course and along with the college survival skills Mr. Lightner imparted, there came a life-long appreciation for the fine art of written expression. Suzy was also thrilled on the Saul Swanger (Math) induction. She writes, "He,

too, was one-in-a-million! His many students over the years have counted themselves very lucky to have had such an inventive and intuitive teacher. Algebra and Geometry for Dummies! He could have written the book, such was his talent for demystifying these subjects. Mr. Swanger's gentle humor and remembrance of what it was like to be a kid allowed him to bring to the classroom a generosity of spirit that was seldom found in other classrooms."

1988 20th Class Reunion, Friday, October 3, 2008, Hilton Hotel, Parsippany, NJ. Classcontact: Moira Fenton Fennessey, 973-538-4047 (June-Oct.). Email: oshea8@aol.com. Organization contact: Reunion Unlited: Tel. 732- 617-1000.

Website: reunions-unlited.com.

MHS Florida Reunion
Friday, January 25, 2008
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MORRISTOWN GREEN - 1844 A COMMON FOREVER

Rededication of the Morrystown Green
Wednesday, October 10, 2007

The Morrystown Green has existed ever since there was a Morrystown. Like many colonial settlements, Morrystown was modeled on an English village with a common at its center. The Green was a pasture for livestock, the site of the county courthouse and the jail, a gathering place for citizens. During the Revolutionary War, citizens met here to discuss their grievances against the British and young men drilled on the nearby Parade Ground. General George Washington's headquarters during his first winter in town were at Arnold's Tavern which overlooked the Green. His aides had offices around the Green.

In 1816, the Presbyterian Church sold the land for \$1,600 to 13 citizens who became Trustees of the Green with the understanding that the Green was to remain a "Common forever" for the use and enjoyment of the people. The Trustees, still 13 in number, continue to fulfill this responsibility. Today, we are here to celebrate the completion of the "Green Vision" campaign, a project which restores the natural beauty of the Green, underlines its history and ensures its future.

Let us celebrate the legacy we have inherited from our forefathers, a legacy we will protect for our children.

In this 2.5 acre commons area, some of the great figures of American history have walked. And on this common ground, people of all ages and all backgrounds come together – to talk, to debate, to celebrate.

NOTE:

The above has been reproduced from the program of the Green rededication.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Morrystown High School was well represented at the ceremony, with the Heritage Club and Color Guard assisting in opening ceremonies and the raising of the flag – and music selections being provided by the MHS "Colonials" Marching Band.

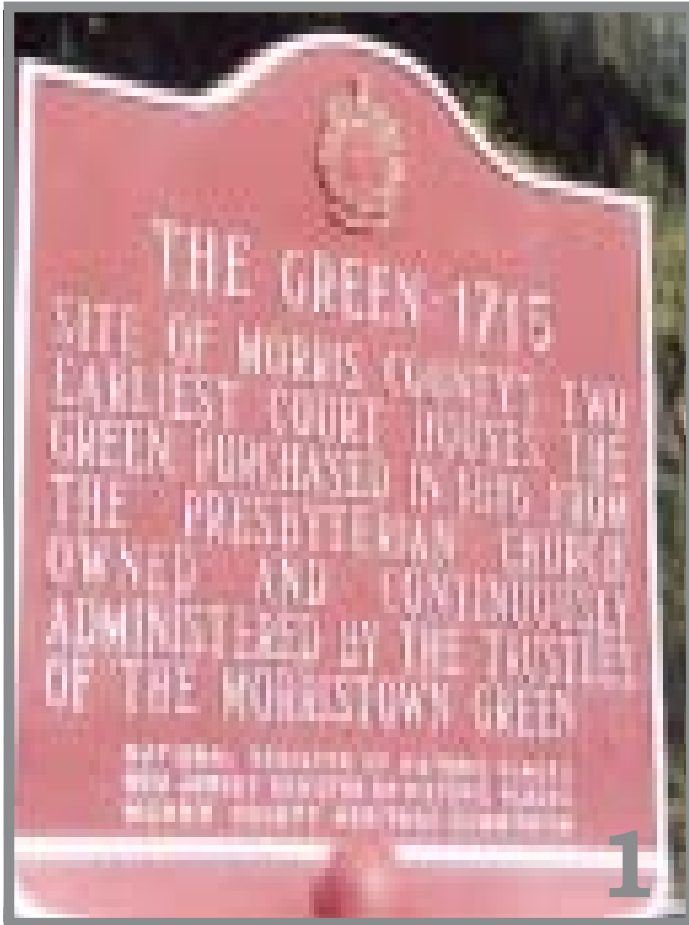
1. The historic register of 1715 - sign near the fountain on the Green.

2. THE ALLIANCE - represents an important point in the American Revolution. The statue depicts the moment when Lafayette returned from France to tell Washington that French King Louis XVI was going to send a 6,000- man Expeditionary Force to help the Continental Army. The statues are life size, with Washington ® at 6'2" and Hamilton © and Lafayette (l) both about 5'6".

3. The 56-foot, semi-circular bench at the Central Plaza on the new Green. Volunteers donated this rare material. The stone, which is purple, and flecked with white quartz pebbles, is a mixture of different, irregular-sized grains and pebbles and held together by a finer matrix usually formed from quartz and sand.

4. Featured speakers included Glenn Coutts, Sr. (MHS '47), President of the Trustees of the Morrystown Green, and John T. Cunningham (MHS '32), renowned New Jersey Historian and Author.

A Most Memorable Day on the Green



October, 10, 2007
Photos by Dave Perry

The Old Ice Cream Shop

Days of eating ice cream have faded into the cool fall air, but Wilbur Day stopped serving it long before that. Wilbur and his brother, Pennington, opened catering companies and confectioners throughout the state in the late 1800 to early 1900s, including an ice cream shop on Morristown’s South Street, as the Colonial Restaurant. Opened in 1862, it was also known for catering. It stayed in the family until 1942, a few years after this late 1930s photo, and was eventually torn down to expand Epstein’s department store.(Picture on Right)

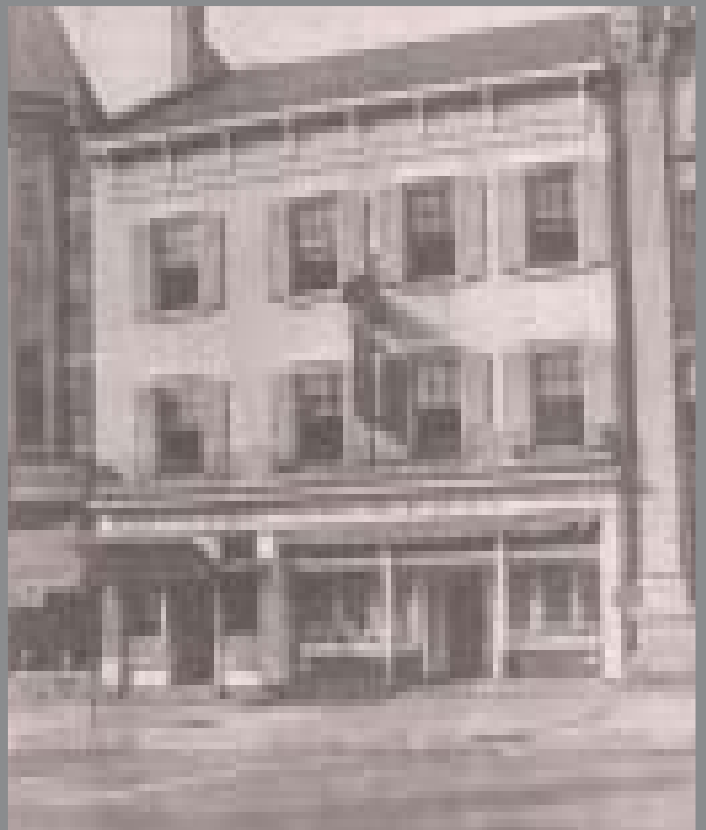


Longtime Friends and Writers, Joan Knight Barbato ’44 and Kemper W. Chambers ’47 met recently at Evergreen Cemetery in Morristown for Kemper’s book signing (A Walk into the Past through The Evergreen Cemetery).

**MHS ALUMNI
LET’S COMMUNICATE**

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Glimpses of History



In the General’s Footsteps

George Washington may have marched down this road, known today as South Street. He spent two winters in Morristown, one of them at the Green’s Arnold’s Tavern in 1777. This photo, taken more than 100 years later in 1885, faces the Green at the intersection of South Street and DeHart Street.

IN MEMORIAM**1929**Lusena Brown Hill
August 31.....Morris Township**1931**Annie McDougall Bertholf
August 12.....Morristown**1932**Frederic Lewis Faulkner
June 28.....Fallbrook, CA**1936**Alice Dugan Guild
August 22.....Pompton Plains**1937**Alice Barrett Allenzo
July 13.....Charlotte, NC
Clifford G. Burton
Oct 17.....Morristown**1938**Elizabeth Townsend Behre
July 25.....Florham Park
Tony Sciacca (aka Scott)
April.....Rome, Italy**1939**Elizabeth "Bessie" Cacchio
June 2.....Mendham
Thomas J. Moreland, Sr.
August 26.....Morris Township**1940**Edward Francis Tuttle
August 13.....Lincolnton, NC
Taylor S. Buck III
Oct. 2.....Morristown**1942**Martin J. Pisciotto
July 21.....Madison**1943**Madeline "Mickey" Cillo Fagan
May 27.....Mendham
Richard J. Johnson
May 29.....Cedar Knolls**1944**Barbara A. Callahan
May 19.....Englewood, FL**1944** *Continued*Michael Cifrese
August 7.....Fayetteville, NY
Kathleen "Ruth" Callahan McEntee
September 19.....Morristown**1945**Franklin W. Markey, Sr.
May 28.....Hanover Township**1947**Edward Bishop Thomas, Jr.
June 26.....Chester
Dorothy T. Connelly Hanusocky
Oct. 3.....Hackettstown**1949**Angelo A. Rizzo
October 27.....Roxbury**1950**Carl (Army) Armstrong
June 3.....Tacoma, WA**1952**Mary Lee Aiken Bass
September 9.....Morristown
George Benes
February 19.....DeLand, FL
Ruth Cacchio Bezanson
June 13.....Silverthorne, CO**1953**Charles Cattano
September 1.....Morristown
Beverly Schoop Butera
September 24.....Sparta
Maureen Jane Prunier Allison
Oct. 12.....Denville**1956**Helen T. Cortright Guida
Oct. 1.....Hackettstown**1957**Phyllis Giordano
Feb. 1998.....Randolph
James Mansfield Brady
July 7.....Valley Springs, CA
Dr. Warren Lawrence Davis
July 7.....Morristown
Joan Johnson Garvin
August 16.....Morristown**1961**Winifred Jean Aiken
Oct. 9.....Morristown**1963**Dr. Edmund Aloysius Drew, Jr.
August 2.....South Orange**1967**Harold Edward Gill, Jr.
June 18.....Orleans, MA**1968**George J. McGuinness
September 23.....Phillipsburg**1973**Marguerite Susan Logan Kerscher
September 4.....North, SC**1975**Russell P. Garris
September 18.....Rockaway**1976**Matthew D. Garris
Oct. 19.....Branchville**1977**Craig D. Ignatuk
October 17.....Convent Station**1978**John Joseph Elia
Sept. 30.....Long Valley**1983**Andrew Paul Pennino
August 20.....Palm Springs, CA**1986**Brian Fleury
October 19.....Morristown

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with current updates.

Thank you

MHS ALUMNI ASSOCIATION 2007 SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS



Jennifer Sarkis
Joyce M. Heinold
Lafayette College



Nathan Stornetta
John M. Montieth
Brigham Young University

Congratulations to the Wong Family Scholarship Winner Harrison Lu who is attending Cornell University this fall.



Robert E. Taratko Field House

NEW LIFE MEMBERS

- 1939 John E. Horner
- 1943 Jane Van Gieson Franey
- 1952 Emily Moodey Gehrett
- 1952 Bernice Sheerin Loges
- 1952 George Taylor
- 1959 Dale Molitor Histan
- 2007 Alexander Katz

2008 CLASS REUNIONS ??

**'38, '43, '48*, '53, '58, '63,
 '68, '73 '78, '83, '88*, '93
 '98, '03**

*** Scheduled Reunions
 (See Class News)**

**Let us Know Dates and Details!
 We'll Help Publicize**

**TEACHER'S CORNER
 CRITERIA**

In our Spring 2007 Newsletter, we asked the membership to vote on whether to change the criteria from posthumous to a minimum of 10 years service and 5 years out-of-MHS. There were only about 20 responses (4-to-1 for change) but with such a low number we have decided not to change anything and to possibly review again next year.

Robert E. Taratko

On November 4, 1972, defensive lineman Robert E. Taratko was selected as captain of the Morristown High School football team. A short time later, the talented and affable senior died of a ruptured spleen during the game against Livingston High School.

There are times when great good can come out of a great tragedy. This was one of those times. To honor Robert, his family established the Robert E. Taratko Memorial Scholarship Fund. Each year since 1972, a senior member of the Morristown High School football team who most exemplifies Robert's qualities of hard work, sportsmanship, dedication, and teamwork has been awarded the Robert E. Taratko Scholarship.

A dedication ceremony of the Robert E. Taratko Field House was held at MHS on September 15th.

The TEAM UP FOR TURF committee has made great strides in its effort to raise funds for a turf field at Morristown High School. Contributions from individual donors have topped the \$125,000 mark and efforts are well underway to secure donations from potential corporate and business sponsors.

Turf is becoming more common throughout Morris County as the benefits of these all-weather, always-available, multi-sport surfaces are proving to be well worth the investment. Player injuries are fewer on turf, maintenance costs are reduced significantly, and turf is better for the environment. From a player's perspective, the best part of turf may be the fact that it is not a food source for geese, so they go elsewhere. That is a definite plus!

"When Morristown High School or community recreation teams compete at schools where turf is installed, the home field advantage is multiplied many times over," notes Kathy Perri, Supervisor of Athletics at Morristown High School. "So many aspects of a game are influenced by the surface on which it is played. The speed of play, footing, and the way balls bounce are totally different on turf when compared to grass fields. We need to come together to support this cause so that our student athletes can be on a level playing field when competing against teams that have turf."

For more information about TEAM UP FOR TURF please call 973-292-2300 ext 2114, or visit the TURF website, www.teamupforturf.com

Put Your Game Face On!

**TEAM UP
FOR TURF**



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TURF HOTLINE

973-292-2300, X 2114

MEMORABLE GIFTS

The Holidays are coming and a membership in the Alumni Association or a brick in the Alumni Walk would be great gifts for Christmas, Hanukkah, a birthday, or special occasion. Membership is \$10 per year, or \$120 for life. A brick is available for \$50 and can be imprinted for a graduate or a family. Both are memorable gifts. An order form for both is located below.

THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR CLASSMATES-YOUR HIGH SCHOOL-
REUNIONS-ALUMNI ACTIVITIES-AND MORE

YES, I would like to join the Alumni Association of MHS as a :

Life Member (\$120) _____ One Year Member (\$10) _____

MHS ALUMNI WALK

Each brick costs \$50.00. The order form is below.

Note: there are three lines of 12 spaces. All information must fit in these lines.

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Youth's Bright Years:

An American High School "The Film"

Based on the Book by John T. Cunningham

Production by the MHS Radio/TV Dept. & Mr. Cunningham

Cost: \$25.00 (Includes shipping and handling)

PLEASE PRINT



Class of _____

Name: _____

Maiden Name _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State, Zip _____

Telephone: _____

Email: _____

Membership: \$120 / \$10

Brick: \$50

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UPCOMING EVENTS



Saturday, December 8

Founders Day (138 years) 2:00pm

Athletic Gallery of Honor

4th Induction Ceremony



Friday, April 18, 2008

Heritage Day

1:00 pm



. **Alumni Wall of Fame Inductions**

. **Teacher's Corner Inductions**



. **9th Annual All-Class Mixer**

6:00 pm

. **Birchwood Manor, Whippany, NJ**