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## Distinguished Alumnus Robert S. Karam



Robert S. Karam is Principal of Karam Financial Group, he is also Co-owner of SNE Broadcasting, WHTB 1400AM and Bristol County Broadcasting WSAR 1480AM. He is Director of Depositor's Insurance Fund (OIF), Chairman of AD Makepeace Board of Directors, Wareham, MA and former Director of Savings Bank Life Insurance of MA (SBLI).

Bob graduated from Durfee High School in 1961, he received his B.A. degree in Business Administration from

UMass Dartmouth in 1967, and is a Chartered Life Underwriter (CLU), a Chartered Financial Consultant (ChFC) and a Registered Employee Benefit Consultant (REBC).

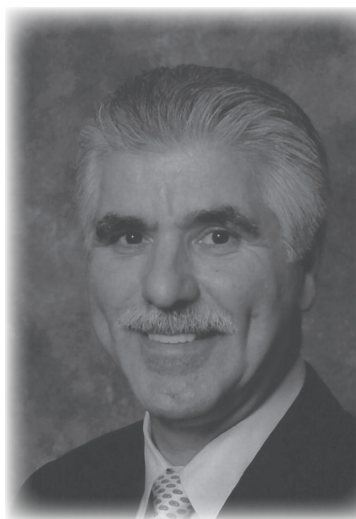
Bob has devoted much of his time serving his community and is former Chairman, Board of Trustees, University of Massachusetts (1996-2000). Vice Chairman, University of Massachusetts, Board of Trustees (1991-1996), Chairman Board of Trustees, UMass Memorial Health Care System, Worcester (1995-2005). A member and Past Chairman Board of Trustees, Southeastern Massachusetts University (1982-1991) and Member, Board of Trustees, South Coast Health Care System (2002-2011).

Mr. Karam is a recipient of numerous awards for his community service and received the following Awards: 1991-Honorary Degree Recipient-Umass Doctor of Humane Letter, 2007-Honorary Degree Recipient-Southern New England School of Law, 1995-New Bedford Chamber of Commerce 1995 Regional Leadership Award, 1987-Chamber of Commerce, Outstanding Citizen Award of Greater Fall River Area, and 2013-Recipient of uAspire First One Award.

Bob has Real Estate Developments at Oakwood Senior Estates, Swansea, MA, North Farm Senior Estates, Somerset, MA,

*Robert S. Karam cont. on page 2*

## Distinguished Alumnus Joseph A. Marshall



Joseph Marshall started in the life and health insurance business in 1975 working with a large independent insurance agency as a sales representative. Joe successfully obtained his NASD Series 6, 63 & 65 to allow him to focus his business on financial and retirement planning for his clients.

Joe has also given time to his community serving as President of the Fall River Office of Economic Development; Chairman of the Board of

Assessors; President of the Bristol Community College Foundation; Founder of the Prince Henry Society and several other community organizations and projects. President of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Wall Committee, Joe and his committee are the driving force for this project.

In 1988, Joe founded his own financial services company establishing J. Marshall Associates for the purpose of educating the small business and the senior population of the issues that exist that could create disaster for lack of planning. Joe has over 500 clients.

Joe has continued to grow his practice by hiring capable consultants and support staff that are required to obtain the necessary licenses and designations which will provide his clients with the best advice available.

Joe's education includes graduate of Durfee High School class of 1965, Associates in Business from Bristol Community College 1978, Bachelor of Arts from University of Massachusetts Dartmouth 1982, Financial Management Analysis, Dunn and Bradstreet NY, Graduated Dale Carnegie Institute. He is also a Registered Investment Advisor Representative and Certified Financial Consultant.

*Joseph A. Marshall cont. on page 2*

**Annual Meeting ~ May 22, 2020 ~ 7:30 PM ~ Nagle Auditorium ~ Refreshments 6:30 to 7:30 PM**

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Ella Despres '39

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# Letter from the President

Dear Fellow Alumni,

*"Raise our praises high to Durfee Alma Mater dear. Towering High beside the river radiant beacon clear". Or, "give a cheer, give a cheer for the girls (boys) who drink the beer in the cellar of old Durfee High!! These are some of the songs I think of and often sing the words or hum the tune when I reflect on my years at good old Durfee High!!! Sometimes I think about the mornings before the Durfee bells rang out 29 times in memory of the person whom the high school was named after, Bradford Matthew Chaloner Durfee, who died at the age of 29, as we stood in front of the Durfee building surrounding the old nicotine tree. These are only a few of the many fond memories I have of my years as a Durfee student more than 55 years ago. My two wonderful daughters have their own memories of their years at Durfee at the Elsbree Street Campus. I am sure all of you have your own wonderful memories of Durfee High School.*

*Our high school is about to once again experience extraordinary physical changes as a new Durfee High School can be seen emerging out of the ground on Elsbree Street. This new building with all its modern educational opportunities will be opening in September of 2021. Congratulations to the residents of Fall River, the Fall River School Committee and our municipal leaders for having the foresight to recognize that our current and future students deserve a modern school building. The entire Durfee Alumni Association which numbers thousands upon thousands of proud members commends and salutes you!!*

*As you go down memory lane with your fond memories now is the time for each one of you to consider getting involved with your Alma Mater. Please give serious consideration to getting involved with your class reunion committee or contributing to Durfee Scholarships by giving a contribution to the Alumni Assn. "Red & Black Club" which provides scholarship and achievement in civic, cultural, athletic and philanthropic activities of Durfee Students and Alumni. The Class of 1964 recently donated a new \$5,000 scholarship and plans to increase that amount over the years. The Alumni Assn. established a new scholarship in the amount of \$7,500 in honor of Peter G. Collias ('49) who has been the overseer of the high school scholarship committee for more than 35 years and has seen the scholarship fund rise from approximately 2-4,000,000 dollars to approximately \$12,000,000 today. Many other classes, individuals and city organizations have also made similar scholarship donations over the years. You and your classmates can do the same.*

*Finally, it has been an honor to lead this outstanding organization and on behalf of all I commend the Class of 2020 scholarship winners and all the Durfee Distinguished Alumni Recipients who have been honored over the years.*

*Raise our praises high to Durfee Alma Mater dear!!!*

James M. Gibney  
Class of 1964  
Durfee Alumni Assn. President

## Robert S. Karam continued

Westport Senior Estates, Westport, MA and Northside Village, Dennis, MA. He also has Condominiums at North Farm, Somerset, MA and Westport Village, Westport, MA.

Bob was the husband of the Late Susan (Hutchinson) Karam and the father of two children, Stephen Karam and Melissa Panchley and five-times a grandfather to Julia, Justin and John Karam, as well as Thomas & Christopher Panchley.

## Joseph A. Marshall continued

A Vietnam veteran, Joe served with the U.S. Air Force Security Service. Joe is a life member of the Million Dollar Round Table, Top of the Table, a member of the National Association of Insurance and Financial Advisors, and Bristol Community College's 2007 Cornerstone Entrepreneur Recipient.

He is married to the former Joanne Dusoe, they have 4 daughters, 9 grandchildren and live in Fall River.

**To nominate a Durfee Graduate for the Distinguished Alumni Award, please fill out and return the form on Page 11.**



# 2019 Scholarship Recipient List

"Allen L. Jarabek Memorial Scholarship" & "Philip Sabatino Memorial Scholarship" to .....	Trinity J. Affonso
"Brian J. Biancuzzo Memorial Scholarship" & "W. Walter Jaffee" & "Thomas H. Cahill, Class of 1953" to .....	Haley D. Almeida
"Frank S. Feitelberg" & "Catherine Furze Mobouck, Class of 1936" to .....	Madison E. Beaulieu
"Brian J. Biancuzzo Memorial Scholarship" & "Hon. Beatrice Hancock Mullaney Scholarship - Class of 1923" & "John E. Kiley, Jr." to .....	Jeremy P. Brum
"Lloyd H. Dixon & Gladys R. Dixon Memorial Scholarship" & "John J. and Marion C. Tuite" & "Class of 1938" to .....	Gina M. Cicckett
"Mary V. McCann & Margaret A. Harrington Memorial Scholarship" & "Class of 1957" to .....	Sara E. Cornejo
Alvin E. Hardy (Class of 1935) & Dorothy Boyer Hardy (Class of 1936) Scholarship Fund" & "Class of 1966" to .....	Deirdre R. Duarte
"Class of 1936" & "Annie Monk Simmons" to .....	Charlene Duong
"Philip Sabatino Memorial Scholarship" & "Joseph A. Cohen" & "Class of 1951" to .....	Kimberly V. Dy*
"John J. and Fabiola Moriarty Scholarship" to .....	Barbara Z. Ferreira
"B.M.C. Durfee Athletic Association – Sumner James Waring, Jr." & "Russell L. McIlwaine" to .....	Dararath Khon
"Sarah S. Brayton Scholarship Fund" & "Mildred R. Hawes" to .....	Kali D. Lima
"Beatrice Capeto Memorial Scholarship" to .....	Jasmine M. Manteiga
"The Rae Gitlin Memorial Scholarship" & "Edith Bottomley" to .....	Benjamin S. Menezes*
"Harold R. Bannister in Memory of James Edward and Catherine Manning Bannister" to .....	Kyle M. Neves
"Dennis Rezendes Scholarship & Ernest F. Potter, Jr. Memorial Scholarship" & "Alumni" & "Class of 1888" & "George O. Rigby" to .....	Steven W. Nieves Martinez*
"B.M.C. Durfee Athletic Association – George Lavoie" & "Harold Katzman Scholarship" to .....	Emily Pacheco*
"Hon. Beatrice H. Mullaney Memorial Scholarship" & "Betty Munro Welch Scholarship" & "B.M.C. Durfee Athletic Association –Lincoln P. Holmes" to .....	Kolby E. Peixoto
"Wilfred K. & Ruth Hunsaker Bradbury Memorial Scholarship" & "Grimshaw-Gudewicz Memorial Charitable Trust Scholarship" & "Thomas F. and Alice M. Harkin Memorial Scholarship" & "Reynard Thornton" to .....	Olivia R. Peixoto
"Brian R. Farquhar & Mary Farquhar Irwin Scholarship" & "B.M.C. Durfee Athletic Association – M. Norman Zalkind" & "Alden Wordell Scholarship" to .....	Catarina M. Pereira*
"The Richard B. Butler, M.D. & Milton J. Gilbert, M.D. Scholarship" to .....	Alexa G. Pine*
"B.M.C. Durfee Athletic Association – Peter G. Collias, Esq." & "Thomas W. Newbury, Jr., Class of 1933 & Robert E. Newbury, Class of 1939" & "Peter G. Collias Scholarship Fund" to .....	Jacob T. Roussel
"Louise R. Kay & Violet P. Kay Memorial Scholarship" to .....	Kayln J. Sardinha
"Ambrose F. Keeley" & "Mary B. Young" & "Margaret L. Brayton, Class of 1901 Fund" to .....	Adil M. Shahid
"Richard B. and Susan Wolfson Scholarship" & "Friar Family Scholarship" to .....	Zackery J. Silva
"Hyman & Lena Lifrak Scholarship" & "Abraham I. & Harriet G. Yamins" & "Mary H.C. Flynn Fund, Class of 1917" & "Class of 1940" to .....	Gabrielle R. Streeto
"Joseph V. & Mary Donnelly Fund – Class of 1923" to .....	Richard C. Torres
"The Richard B. Butler, M.D. & Milton J. Gilbert, M.D. Scholarship" to .....	Amaya M. Travassos
"The Richard B. Butler, M.D. & Milton J. Gilbert, M.D. Scholarship" to .....	Kelly W. Vincent

\*Grimshaw-Gudewicz Charitable Foundation

Respectfully submitted,

Peter G. Collias, President & Claudine A. Cloutier, Treasurer Trustees of the Fall River High School Alumni Scholarships

## Previous Distinguished Alumni Recipients

1961 Malcolm P. Aldrich.....	'18	1988 Frank S. Feitelberg .....	'24	2006 Hon. William C. Carey .....	'42
1962 Bishop James L. Connolly .....	'13	1989 James Dean .....	'50	2006 John Moriarty .....	'48
1963 Harold S.R. Buffington, Esq. ....	'05	1990 William H. Gaudreau .....	'46	2007 Arthur A. Teixeira .....	'62
1964 Edward B. Hanify, Esq. ....	'29	1991 Marcel P. Joseph .....	'53	2007 George Duclos .....	'52
1965 Dr. John C. Corrigan .....	'21	1992 William K. Reilly .....	'58	2008 Col. David W. Gavigan.....	'57
1966 Myer N. Sobloff .....	'24	1993 Brig. Gen. John J. Liset, USAF .....	'38	2008 Dr. William D. Tompkins.....	'39
1967 Ellis Gifford .....	'02	1994 Hon. Milton R. Silva .....	'40	2009 Dr. R. Judson Carlberg.....	'58
1968 Jerome Namias.....	'28	1994 William F. Powers .....	'48	2009 Thomas J. Curry .....	'60
1969 Helen Winward Brown .....	'03	1995 Hon. Edward F. Harrington .....	'51	2010 Betty M. Welch.....	'45
1970 Thomas Rodgers, Jr. ....	'30	1995 Joseph E. Mullaney, Esq. ....	'51	2010 Louise Durfee .....	'48
1971 John B. Cummings, Esq. ....	'08	1996 Michele Kaufman Rallis .....	'58	2011 James J. Karam.....	'65
1972 Humberto Cardinal Medeiros .....	'37	1997 Peter G. Collias, Esq. ....	'49	2012 Irving H. Picard .....	'59
1973 Ambassador William J. Porter .....	'30	1998 Mel B. Yoken .....	'56	2012 Joseph F. Sabik, MD.....	'79
1974 Hon. James P. McGuire .....	'31	1998 Faust D. Fiore .....	'39	2013 John J. Fletcher, MD.....	'53
1975 James A. Nannery .....	'31	1999 John J. McAvoy .....	'37	2013 Reena Deutsch, PhD.....	'68
1976 Hon. Beatrice Hancock Mullaney .....	'23	1999 Dr. John T. Harrington .....	'54	2014 Ruth Moss.....	'50
1977 Gen. Melvin Zais .....	'33	2000 William F. Long, Jr. ....	'44	2014 Robert J. Dupere .....	'48
1978 Francis L. Gragnani .....	'36	2000 Edgar C. Knowlton, Jr. ....	'38	2015 Joseph A. Conforti, PhD .....	'63
1979 Robert J. Nagle .....	'28	2001 Lester W. Cory .....	'56	2015 Ronald A. Schwartz, MD.....	'52
1980 Hon. Mary J. Fonseca .....	'32	2001 James Chace .....	'49	2016 Anthony F. Cordeiro .....	'80
1981 Dr. Roger N. Violette .....	'25	2002 Kenneth L. Nathanson .....	'42	2016 Hon. E. Susan Speier Garsh .....	'65
1982 Florence C. Brigham .....	'17	2002 James H. Smith .....	'47	2017 Zelma Vincent Braga.....	'52
1982 M. Norman Zalkind .....	'31	2003 Morton Dean Dubitsky .....	'53	2017 Charles D. Smith Ph.D.....	'54
1983 Bayless Manning .....	'40	2003 James F. O'Hearn .....	'53	2018 Margery Eagan .....	'71
1984 Phillip Sacknoff .....	'35	2004 Rev. Shirley Scholes Andrews .....	'54	2018 Hon. Joseph I. Macy.....	'61
1985 James J. Hammond .....	'26	2004 Ernest Moniz.....	'62	2019 Jerri Kaplan Sher BFA, MAEd .....	'66
1986 Richard M. Rosenberg .....	'48	2005 Lucille Roussel Hadley.....	'36	2019 Christopher J. Fontes, PhD .....	'83
1987 Thomas J. Brown .....	'42	2005 Daniel Bogan .....	'51		

# THE VIETNAM VETERANS MEMORIAL WALL



Massachusetts has traditionally been in the forefront of honoring our Soldiers, Sailors, Marines and Airmen.

In October of 2017, a group of Vietnam and Vietnam Era veterans from Fall River took the initiative to secure the exclusive rights to an 80% replica of the Vietnam Healing Wall to be erected on City of Fall River land to honor those deceased veterans enshrined on the Wall and all veterans who served in Vietnam.

It is important to realize that, although the location of the Wall is in Fall River, the meaning, the spirit and the value of the Wall is everyone's.

The Vietnam Veterans Memorial Wall Committee contracted with a company in Texas (AVIT) for exclusive rights to Massachusetts and Rhode Island to manufacture the 140 engraved panels. The panels were received on October 21, 2019 and are currently being stored at the City Pier. We expect that we will promote a ceremony when the panels are transferred to the construction site.

The Wall will be 360 feet long and 8 feet high at its pinnacle bearing the names of the 58,318 fallen heroes. We expect construction to begin with the first good weather of 2020 and completion no later than November 2020.

There are 3 other existing 80% replica walls now in the United States. They are located in Enid, Oklahoma, Elizabethtown, Kentucky and Layton City, Utah.

100% of the monies raised by this 501 (c) 3 organizations will be used to purchase, build and maintain this monument to our 58,318 fallen heroes engraved on the Wall. 1,350 from Massachusetts, 211 from Rhode Island - 21 specifically from Fall River.

The educational and economic development components that will be derived by this memorial is currently immeasurable.

The Vietnam Veterans Memorial Committee expects to stay together after the Wall's completion to supervise that these components are maximized.

The Committees motto is: "Never Forget" We won't.

Joseph A. Marshall/President '65

Vietnam Veterans Memorial Wall Committee

For more information, visit our website - [vietnammemorialwall.org](http://vietnammemorialwall.org) or email: [vietnamveteranswall@gmail.com](mailto:vietnamveteranswall@gmail.com)

## SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

by: **Kristen Mello Gauvin**  
**Class of 1990**

As we look ahead at to our new high school being built along Elsbree St, we thought we could take a look back at where some of our scholarship recipients are now. This year, we go back to 2010 and catch up with Kate McDonald Resendes.

Durfee Chimes: Well first of all, congratulations! You had an exciting year.

Kate Resendes: Yes, in August we welcomed our daughter, Ainsley Grace. It is such an exciting time.

DC: So happy for you. We like to catch up with our scholarship recipients and ask them how this scholarship helped them post Durfee. Can you tell us a little about that?

KR: Sure. I think my scholarship was \$500. That really helped buy my books at college. I can still remember how that money helped me in those broke days.

DC: Where did you go to school?

KR: I went to Franklin Pearce for undergraduate and I also got my MBA from there.

DC: You were quite the athlete at Durfee, did you play sports in college?

KR: I did. I played basketball and soccer at Durfee and I went on to play basketball in college. I actually played for 5 years. I tore my ACL in my senior year and I was red-shirted so I got to play one more year while getting my MBA.

DC: That is great, your husband is an athlete as well, right?

KR: Yes, Ruben played soccer at Durfee and he played in college as well. He is actually now the head coach at Franklin Pearce which is exciting for me to have him at my alma mater.

DC: You are a Durfee family. Did your parents go as well?

KR: They both graduated from Durfee. My dad was the last class to graduate from Rock St in 1978 and my mom graduated from the 'new' Durfee 1981. My brother BJ graduated in 2007.

DC: So what have you been up to since you finished college?

KR: Well, I started subbing at Kuss and that is where the principal at the time, Mrs. Christ approached me about teaching. I didn't know if teaching was for me, but I did know that phys ed was a good fit. I got certified and I worked at Tansey and now Letourneau.

DC: You are right back in Fall River where you

started.

KR: yes, we love Fall River and Durfee. This is where our hearts are!





## DURFEE 3.0 PROGRESS REPORT 2020

Durfee Students returned to school last fall to find it different than when they left at the beginning of Summer. New boundaries have been established. Slowly the new building is starting to be seen.

Construction started late last year with work ramped up over the summer with foundations being poured and some of the frame of the future building visible. Some areas will repurpose existing infrastructure. The Gym and pool will be renovated around sports seasons. Students and faculty will have to share some space during the project. The Durfee swim team will practice at Umass Dartmouth and the YMCA. Soccer teams will use fields at Britland Park while baseball teams build a lot of their schedules around away games.

The New Durfee will be 500,000 s/f, the cost 263 million, Fall River is only paying \$98 million of that amount. We are lucky enough to have been awarded an MSBA grant of 63.5% of the total amount. The school will be airconditioned and the windows will open. It will have four banks of elevators, lots of technology and wireless connections. CTE, Career & Tech Education has 7 groups, two more will be added.

A new 750-seat auditorium is included in the new school that will be Theatre Quality. There will be a Planetarium, it will house the telescope, which will also have a camera attached, taking pictures that can be projected throughout the school.

King Philip Mill wood, flooring and beams will be used in the new school along with granite from the State Pier.

Despite the rescheduling, Ken Pacheco said students, from his perspective, have remained excited about the project and have tried to stay involved with it. Students have been more curious that anything else.

The school's Nagle Auditorium has begun to be renovated; the renovated rooms will be used for the district's administrative offices once the project is complete. This is the only part of the school that will not be demolished.

Although cars were displaced by a lot that was taken to make room for the new school, a new lot was added, along with a lot that was expanded.

The team is working hard behind the scenes to contract fourteen (14) new File Trade Partners. This group includes: Miscellaneous Metals, Masonry, Painting, Tile, Plumbing, Fire Protection, and more! Additionally, the team is working toward securing a weather-tight façade over the next few months in order to continue work through-out the winter months.

New High School Update: Steel Erection Continues into Zones 3, 4, and 5, Alongside, Concrete Placement continue with steel deck turnovers, Spray Fireproofing has mobilized and has started to spray steel, and Exterior framing to begin this month.

Field House Renovations: Cost is 19 Million. Steel Entrance Addition is complete, Exterior framing on-going, and focus is on fitting out the new lobby and bathroom areas. The front will be refinished to match the new building. It will also have solar panels producing electricity for the school.

On November 19, 2019 during a traditional "topping off" ceremony two steel beams were installed atop the new B.M.C. Durfee High School. The beams were signed by the steel workers, hundreds of current juniors and seniors, city and local officials also signed their names. The juniors and seniors worked so hard for the new school, but they will graduate before the school opens. There was an American Flag on one side of the beam and a small evergreen tree on the other side.

Approx. 3,250 tons of steel have been put into place to support the next phases of the construction project. The New Building construction team is in a race to install exterior framing, sheathing and a roof in order to keep interior work moving forward.



### DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI NOMINATION

Alumni, please take a moment to think about nominating a Durfee High School graduate for the Distinguished Alumni Award. There are many graduates that are eligible some you probably know. The Award recipient shall be an individual of commendable character and reputation who have attained preeminence in a profession or occupation or provided distinguished service in public, civic or charitable causes and graduated from B.M.C. Durfee High School or its predecessors twenty-five (25) years or more prior to the Annual Meeting. The Award shall be an engraved silver Paul Revere bowl which is presented at the Durfee Alumni Annual Meeting in May of each year. Nominees are responsible for all travel and accommodations expenses.

You can find the nomination form on page 11 of the Chimes, please attach a resume, bio, any newspaper or magazine articles or any other information to assist the Distinguished Alumni Committee in making their selection.

Your help in this matter will be appreciated.

**Durfee Alumni Association**

### ALUMNI – DID YOU KNOW?

The Red & Black Club has 623 members.

Member Classes range from 1933 to 2005.

Member Classes 1933 through 1969 – totals 502

Member Classes 1970 through 1997 – totals 116

Member Classes 2000 through 2018 – totals 5

Several of our classmates have written asking why newer graduates are not joining???

**The Alumni Association joins with these classmates and challenges classes 1970 forward to increase your class ranks in the Red & Black Club for 2021!!!**

**INTERESTING ALUMNI INFORMATION** - We are always looking for news that would be of interest to our Alumni. You are encouraged to send anything newsworthy for publication in the "CHIMES". Be sure to include who is sending the information and how you may be contacted.

Send your stories to: Durfee "Chimes" Alumni Association  
P O Box 9656 - Fall River, MA 02720-0011

• 2019 - 2020 RED AND BLACK CLUB MEMBERSHIP •

**1933**  
James A. Partridge - Memoriam

**1936**  
Alice (Shaw) Harkin - Memoriam

**1938**  
Chester J. Bednarz - Memoriam  
Helen (Malinowski) Bednarz - Memoriam

**1940**  
Lucy (Torchia) Campos  
William F. McCarthy

**1941**  
Abraham Ehrenhaus  
Eldredge H. Leeming  
Rita (Denicourt) Pearson

**1942**  
Lucy (Bai) Los - Memoriam

**1943**  
George A. Bedard  
Dorothy (Mockas) Hough  
Joseph E. Sullivan  
Joan B. Twaddle

**1944**  
Madeline (Flynn) Tozowski

**1945**  
Shirley (Ayer) Correiro  
Stanley Janczura - Memoriam  
Betty (Munro) Welch

**1946**  
Janice (Tate) Anderson  
1st Lt. Raymond L. Berube, USMC - Memoriam  
Roger J. Boulay, MD  
Virginia (Kelley) Carey  
Philip A. Clorite  
Robert A. Deane  
Donald H. Hall  
Muriel (Girard) Laflamme  
Frederick L. Mason, Jr.  
James Mullins  
James F. Nichols, MD  
Peter G. Pacheco  
Rosann (Barrett) Patota  
Elizabeth (Pacheco) Strongo  
Juliette (Talbot) Whitehead

**1947**  
Sally (Cutler) McGinn  
Ernest H. Picard, MD  
Leona (Guidotti) Ribeiro  
Stanley F. Stafiej, MD  
Donald G. Wood

**1948**  
Doris (Allen) Blankley  
Phyllis (Capone) Corcoran  
Jeanne (Boissoneau) Collias  
Louise Durfee  
R. Meredith (Pearson) Eastman  
Gladys (Jaworski) Gaj  
Mary (Medeiros) Lamothe  
Constance (Capstack) Mendes  
John J. Moriarty  
Richard M. Rosenberg  
Alfred J. Smialek  
Cremilde (Torres) Stavros  
Marjorie (King) Tache - Memoriam

**1949**  
Peter G. Collias, Esq.  
Joan (Pemberton) Daley  
Peter P. DePaola  
Arline (MacDuff) Holland  
Paul R. Kelleher  
Helen (Warden) Martin  
Elizabeth (Williams) Marsden  
Louise (Pierce) McCarthy  
Reva (Wernick) Newfield  
Ralph J. Pickup Jr.  
Gerald Sandler  
Anne (Patten) Sylvia  
Julia (Sliva) Tesseneary  
Anne (Wisz) Zdon

**1950**  
Mary Lou (Walkden) Banks  
Carol (Jones) Begor  
Robert J. Berube  
Irene (Dupont) Brodeur  
Laura (Ramos) Garcia  
Prof. Stephen B. Goldberg  
Col. Joan I. Gray, USAF, Nurse Corp., (Ret)  
Paul B. Grozen, Capt., USN, (Ret)  
Alice (Fernandes) Hayden  
Lt. Col. Harold Katzman, USAF, (Ret)  
Louis B. Martins  
Ruth (Moskowski) Moss  
Jane (Larocque) Morse

Lillian (Dias) Price  
Florence (Serafin) Richardson  
Barbara (Cohen) Rosenberg  
Bernard A. G. Taradash  
Carolyn (Capstack) Tuovinen  
Janice (Kay) Warren

**1951**  
Daniel E. Bogan  
Edward S. Cunningham  
LTC Santi DiRuzza, USA, (Ret)  
Albert T. Estes, Jr.  
Maria (Cuthbert) Greenhorn - Memoriam  
Robert J. Hayden, Jr.  
Elva (Bertoncini) Kanakry  
CM Sgt. John Kuttner, USAF, (Ret)  
Carolyn (Holt) Lafreniere  
Marceline (Bertolini) Medeiros  
James F. Melvin  
Judith (Bergeron) O'Connell  
Franklin D. Raposa  
Earl Sanft  
William A. Seymour, MD  
Everett F. Smith  
Norman Shepherd  
Charles D. Somers  
Florence (Picard) Southland  
George F. Southland  
Angelo A. Stavros  
Doris M. Thornton  
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William J. Webb, Jr.

**1952**  
Dorothy (Kelly) Arruda  
Jean (Higgins) Bogan  
Zelma (Vincent) Braga  
Joan (Winslow) Buhrendorf  
Jean (Gosciminski) Chapman  
Hazel (Langton) Costa  
Albert E. Dean  
Roland T. Dupont  
Gerald Fallon  
John A. Freeman  
Richard Freitas  
Ronald A. Golz  
Mary (Ryan) Janczura  
Natalie (Wilson) Lafleur  
Doris (Belford) Lehmer  
Judith (Campeau) Liles  
John E. Machado  
Manuel V. Medeiros  
William L. O'Hare  
Cecile (Felipe) Oswald  
Paul A. Pannoni  
Dino Polselli  
Mario S. Polselli  
Thomas Powers  
Jacqueline (Zubat) Remus  
Ronald A. Schwartz, MD  
Joan (Ross) Smith  
Rona (Bernstein) Solberg  
Nancy (Pollock) Stavis  
Muriel (Briggs) Wachlin

**1953**  
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Ronald A. Caplain  
Lois (Hodgson) Condon  
William B. Dixon  
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Joanne (Bogle) Gerlach  
Margaret (Burns) Higgins  
Constance (Levesque) Karnasiewicz  
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James D. Salvo  
Ronald T. Silva

**1954**  
Rev. Shirley (Scholes) Andrews  
Nancy (Coven) Arruda  
Arnold H. Bennett  
James E. Bullock  
MSG Edmund Cabral, USA, (Ret)  
Rev. Alan D. Carvalho  
Majorie (Enos) Couri -Memoriam  
Robert L. Gagnon  
James L. Harrington  
Cecilia (Medeiros) Jennings  
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Douglas G. MacDuff  
Richard J. Masse  
Raymond H. Medeiros  
Richard J. Monis  
William J. Moran  
Cecilia (Pereira) Mull  
Stephen J. Nawrocki - Memoriam  
Wendell S. Ogden

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Bruce B. Place  
Robert Plourde  
Carol (Krasnow) Schwartz  
Lorraine (Dube) Silvia  
Col. Ronald Silvia, USAF, (Ret)  
Charles D. Smith, PhD  
Francis J. Sullivan  
Major W. Wheelock  
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**1955**  
Ronald Bernier  
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Gene V. Botelho  
Patricia (Donnelly) Callan  
Pauline (Kotlarski) Davis  
Winifred (Durfee) Dimock  
Muriel (Levesque) Gagnon  
Harry B. Golding  
Jan Greenwood  
Gertrude (Hargraves) Harrington  
Robert Hoole  
Viola (Borden) Jenks  
Robert M. Keshura  
Theophilus Kulipulos  
Raymond Longshaw  
Louis J. Lovit  
Joan (Delaney) Lunde - Memoriam  
Joan (Linhares) Mello  
Howard M. Miller, Esq.  
Dorothy (Henaire) Nicolau  
Beverly (Costa) Pereira  
Rhoda (Kaplan) Pierce  
Beverly (Tierney) Tansey  
Pauline (Morin) Vezina

**1956**  
Paul A. Borkman  
Nancy (Copperstein) Carney  
Patricia (Furze) Cassidy  
Robert F. Chapman, PhD  
Beverly (Padelford) Clay  
Lester W. Cory  
Douglas Crook  
Claude Desjardins  
Janice E. Farrell  
Herbert Feldman  
Lorraine (Lancis) Forcier  
Howard E. Gold  
Marlene (McNally) Gosson  
Daniel T. Harrington, MD - Memoriam  
Louise (Higgins) Harrington  
Jeannette (Lortie) Kenyon  
Robert Kitchen  
Robert L. Lagace  
Seraphina (Jacome) Lagace  
Delores (Franco) McGarr  
Eileen (Galego) Medeiros  
Beverly (Soja) Nawrocki  
Janice (Nichols) O'Brien  
Stephen F. Pirog, Jr.  
Judith A. Schneider  
Joan (Hopkins) Sheedy  
Pricilla (Mullen) Smith  
Wayne P. Smith  
Dr. David A. Sousa  
Lionel B. Spiro  
Sylvia (Hollins) Starkie  
Jeanette (Wood) Wirz  
Odette M. Wood  
Lois (Duckworth) Wordell  
Melvin B. Yoken, PhD

**1957**  
Richard Alexander  
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Ronald W. Coulombe  
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Lt. Col. Patrick J. Donovan, USAF, (Ret)  
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Bruce E. Hutchinson  
Eleanor (Fozzard) Kreassig  
Louis E. Lataif, PhD  
Charles H. Martin  
Joseph C. Medeiros  
Bessie (Jamouls) Pagonis  
Robert J. Pontes  
H. Bradlee Smith  
Geraldine (Callahan) Wise

**1958**  
Robert Benevides  
Barbara (Lipson) Berman  
Dorothy (Frain) Blais  
Margaret (Foley) Deston  
Judith (Longshaw) Fino  
Thomas R. Flynn

Howard Galitsky  
Ann (Boyko) Gannon  
William C. Griffiths  
William A. Harris  
William F. Keating, Jr.  
Francis A. Latessa  
Marilyn (Manchester) Lowney  
Norma (Dubiel) McKenzie  
Dorothy (Albernaz) Midura  
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Judith (Grinnell) Sanford  
Walter R. Silvia  
Jeffrey S. Trust  
Stanley J. Wieszbicki

**1959**  
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Muriel (Burns) Bodington  
June (Travers) Gagnon  
Barbara (Czapiga) Gajda  
Douglas A. Gray, Jr.  
George L. Gray  
Timothy Griffin  
Robert Hughes  
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Claire (Leary) McMahon  
Maria (Pereira) Medeiros  
Irving H. Picard, Esq.  
Phyllis (Oliveira) Pingley  
Sandra (Lima) Ratcliffe  
Judith (Leyland) Rizzi, MD  
Clorinda Ventura  
Suzanne (Guillotte) Vitale

**1960**  
Beverly (St. Laurent) Abegg  
Charles Auclair  
Clark E. Broden  
Mark G. Filler  
Prof. Richard A. Freeman  
Judith (Cohen) Goodwin  
Ronald J. Lowenstein  
Mary-Louise (Soares) Mancini  
Lois (Murphy) McMullin  
Mary Agnes (Pelton) Murphy  
Dolores (Botelho) Silva  
Linda (Towers) Warren  
Richard Warren  
Sandra (Stockinski) Watters  
Zen Williston, PhD  
Sandra (Thomas) Wood

**1961**  
Kenneth Barton  
Norman N. Bleau  
Steven R. Chafitz  
Eugene M. Czepiel  
David F. Fitzgibbons  
Joan (Brissette) Flynn  
Constance (Rocheleau) Furtado  
Thomas C. Gibson  
James A. Golen  
Ellen (Donnelly) Hardgrave  
Geraldine (Michael) Holewiak  
Cynthia (Loudon) Isherwood  
Natalie (Governo) King  
Frances (Gardella) Kingsley  
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Wayne P. Ponik  
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David C. Trindade, PhD  
Donald Yousif  
Marina Ventura  
Margaret A. Walsh

**1962**  
Veronica (Rodrigues) Barreiro  
Theresa (Arruda) Bell  
Valerie (Smith) Booth  
Thomas J. Braga, PhD  
Thomas S. Cinquini  
Nancy A. Coray  
Sharon Cronan  
Irene (Carvalho) Davis

Gary W. Drewniak  
William A. Green  
John B. Hart  
Karen (Leyland) Jackson  
G. Edward Larivee  
Maurice N. Larivee  
Paula (Kline) McGillivray  
Nancy (Tobol) McManus  
John E. Mullaly  
James H. Packer  
Gregory A. Pelagio  
William J. Perry  
Joseph S. Radovsky  
Susan (Fearnley) Ramsden  
Janet (Spence) Ringuest  
G. Milton Ryan  
Irving H. Schneider  
Barbara (Goltz) Sheer  
Harriet (Forman) Shrater  
Jean (Gazarro) Staiti  
Mary Ann (Pereira) Trznadel  
Paul L. Trznadel  
David W. Turner  
Robert L. Williston

**1963**  
James M. Blackburn  
Prof. Joseph A. Conforti  
Penny (Berger) Glunts  
Barbara (Zukroff) Koppel  
Betty (Read) Mathias  
John P. Mathias  
James McManus  
E. Jeffrey Pontiff  
Marilyn (Smith) Rose  
Theresa A. Ryan  
Norman R. Somer  
Bahira H. Sugarman  
John T. Tunney

**1964**  
Joseph Brum  
Sarah L. Burns  
Ernest H. Dessert  
Joyce (Wilson) Dessert  
Pauline "Polly" (Buffington) Dooley  
Josephine (Gesiak) Dumont  
Cheryl (Clarke) Furze  
Angelina (Duarte) Gastall  
James M. Gibney  
William S. Hampi, Jr.  
Linda (Stafford) Harrop  
Carol A. Hryciw-Wing  
Jean (More) Limoges  
David J. Mello  
Henry L. Pineau  
Frances (Lyons) Sammons  
Michael L. Shand  
Nancy (Hart) Shand  
Charlotte (Costa) Thomas  
Gerard E. Vaillancourt  
Alfred R. Vieira  
Robert C. Wood

**1965**  
Vincent J. Berube  
Barry L. Bor  
Doris (St. Laurent) Buck  
Steven A. Camara  
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Leonard T. Farias  
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Cheryl (Harvey) Mish  
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Suzanne (Perron) Montour  
Joyce Perry  
Christine (McIntyre) Plante  
Ann (Masciarelli) Seery  
Sharon (Viana) Vieira  
Russell C. Walters  
Irving H. Zangwill

**1966**  
Thomas Athearn  
Teresa (Furtak) Berard  
Robert G. Botelho  
Douglas G. Clarke

Joyce (Felipe) Coelho  
Deborah L. Dunham  
Jean (Pitera) Halligan  
Marilyn (Furtado) Harris  
Bonnie (MacLaughlin) Heap  
Rabbi Allen Juda  
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Stephen D. Perry  
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Elizabeth (Ferreira) Schneider  
Janet (Carroll) Smith  
Sandra J. Souza  
Anne M. St. Lawrence  
Edward J. Tavares  
Robert A. Taylor  
Donna (Enos) Wahl  
Cynthia (Janusz) Azevedo

**1967**  
John Azevedo II  
Henry A. Chamberlain  
Barry Dias  
Jose G. Norversa  
Carol (Feldman) Schneider  
James M. Smith

**1968**  
Susan (Booth) Avery  
Ronald J. Bettencourt  
Deborah (Grozen) Bieri  
Susan (Pacheco) Buchan  
Reena Deutsch, PhD  
Roberta (Castro) Dobbins  
Norman J. Lamontagne, Jr., PhD  
Capt. Raymond Mello PE CEC USN, (Ret)  
Jean (Botelho) Parenteau, PhD  
Allen M. Rabinovitz  
Robert A. Rapoza  
Diane (St. Laurent) Sanders  
Lois (Avila) Wilding

**1969**  
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Geraldine (Cabral) Duarte  
Patricia (Joseph) Goldman  
Virginia A. Handfield  
Ann M. Harkin  
Kenneth G. Littman, Esq.  
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Paul J. Paradis  
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Richard S. Schwartz  
Stanley J. Sikora, Jr.  
Susan (Teixeira) Sousa  
Robert P. Thomas  
Michael D. Young  
Joseph M. Ziccardi

**1970**  
Mary (Swist) Clement  
Judith Conrad  
Cynthia (Cabral) Corriveau  
Jeanne (Pereira) DeMarco  
Christine (Jean) Gibney  
Sheila M. Kelly-Chace  
Anne McPartland  
Robert Pearson  
Jenny L. Ryan  
Dr. Barbara (Bishop) Sandusky  
Penny (Sevin) Shore

**1971**  
John E. Bronhard  
Paul Coogan  
Gregory D. Coulombe  
Cathy R. Del Nero  
Susan (Smith) Horvitz  
Robert Labonte  
Mary (Martins) Lopes  
Richard St. Amour  
David R. Vasconcellos  
Michael J. Vieira, PhD

**1972**  
Linda E. Greer  
Robert C. Hadley  
Joan (Harkin) Lacoss  
Kris E. Roberts  
Sheryl A. Ryan, MD  
Anna (Noversa) Silva

**1973**  
Phoebe (Massoud) Blackburn  
Gail (Pacheco) Bliss  
Michael C. Cass  
Joanne Carroll-Connor

John R. Morris  
Patricia Murphy  
Stephen C. Rebello  
Jane (Fiore) Bigelow

**1974**  
Thomas D. Gaffney  
Thomas W. Jean  
Roberta (Fillippi) Schneller  
James Vaillancourt  
Barbara (Urban) Walsh

**1975**  
John D. Costa  
Michael P. Duarte  
Adelia (Lopes) Gaffney  
Carol (Rivard) Geller  
Debra (Perry) Ozug  
Susan (Ogden) Pavao  
Jane Piotrowski

**1976**  
Gary C. Bigelow  
Linda (Karnasiewicz) Egan  
Justin F. Paulo  
Gale (Souza) Powers  
Steven G. Tessier

**1977**  
Martha (Lannigan) Arruda  
Robert J. Bisson  
Jane A. Murphy  
Robert E. Ryan  
Shirley A. Tobol

**1978**  
Brenda (Bishop) Azar  
Holly J. Bronhard  
James R. Hathaway  
Lisa (Lundy) Kusinitz  
Colleen (Walsh) Taylor

**1979**  
Scott Bernat  
Roberta A. Bonifacio  
Caroline (Ferreira) Pereira  
Moses Pereira  
Sharon (Bogan) Quinn  
Christopher Rockett

**1980**  
Anthony F. Cordeiro  
Paula (Coutroubis) Kaylor  
Patricia (Nawrocki) Murphy  
Barbara (Medeiros) Williams

**1981**  
Joseph R. Costa  
Antone (Tony) Lima  
Monique (Tremblay) Oliveira  
Jane (Kravitz) Shelton

**1982**  
Michael J. Coury  
David P. Nicolau  
Susan (Faria) Nicolau  
Antonio E. Sousa

**1983**  
Timothy G. Kelly  
Francis M. "Chico" Kuhn  
William A. Suneson

**1984**  
Alison (Hornalay) Chaltas  
Scott J. Fazzina  
Matthew G. Leger

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Lisa (McGinn) Canuel  
Elizabeth (Callahan) McDonald

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Vicki (Soares) Shield

**1987**  
Anne (Pacheco) Allen  
Tracy (Furness) Lepage  
Sean P. Murphy  
Delia Vieira-Cruz

**1988**  
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J. Barry McDonald, Jr., Esq.  
Glenn Smith

**1989**  
Mary Ellen McMahon  
Antone "Tony" Moniz

**1990**  
Timothy Burke  
Kristen (Mello) Gauvin

Laurel (Gastall) Howe  
Filomena (Pavao) Kuchar  
Brian D. Raposa

**1991**  
Lisa (Hermenegildo) Hargraves  
Michael M. Hargraves  
Matthew Kuss  
Todd Majkut - Memoriam  
Joshua Panchley  
Melissa (Karam) Panchley

**1994**  
Kate (Brown) Michaud

**1995**  
Erin L. Sullivan

**1996**  
Barden H. Castro  
Colin W. Christ  
Danielle (DeCoste) Stille

**1997**  
Paul G. DaSilva

**2000**  
Melanie (Oliveira) Leite

**2003**  
Barret H. Castro  
Nicole J. Morell

**2005**  
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Matthew Raposo  
Antone Benevides

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# SAVING THE MANN MURALS UPDATE 2020

by: Joyce B. Rodrigues '62 - B.M.C. Durfee Alumni Association, Member at Large

*This article is the third in a series to save and preserve the Mann murals for future generations of Durfee students and to keep classmates informed as the project progresses.*



Location: Technical (Tech) High School Auditorium  
showing interior water damage (2019)

## 2017-2018 Durfee Chimes:

The Durfee Chimes in its 2018 edition reported that the School Department provides ongoing maintenance in the Tech auditorium to address the leaking roof and interior water damage. In addition, the School Department with Community Preservation Committee (CPC) support contracted with an art conservator to assess the value and condition of the Mann murals.

The assessment of the murals was conducted on July 19, 2017 by Mr. Peter Williams of Peter Williams Museum Services Boston. Mr. Williams, an art conservator, is a leading authority on art work dating from the New Deal period of the Works Progress Administration (WPA).

Mr. Williams in his report to the School Department concluded that the murals are priceless and cannot be removed since they are mounted on a brick wall which is plastered over with a hazardous adhesive. He recommended cleaning the murals on-site and retaining them in the auditorium, since removing them from the walls would in effect destroy them.

## Fast forward to 2019-2020:

The Fall River School Department with municipal and state monies from the Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA) is scheduled to replace the roof in the Tech Auditorium in 2020.

**Reference: Herald News, September 11, 2019.**

Replacing the roof is a critical and necessary step prior to cleaning the murals in-place and prior to saving them for posterity.

After cleaning the murals, the next step is to photograph them using the process of high-resolution digital photography. This process is used by museums all over the world when original art work cannot be moved, or when museums wish to document their collections. It will create copies of the murals to be located in the central atrium of Durfee 3.

This project now requires soliciting estimates and funding for cleaning and photography. The timeline for this part of the project is 2020-2021 so that cleaning and photographing can be accomplished back-to-back utilizing the same interior construction scaffolding set up to complete the work.

This timeline will coincide with the completion of Durfee 3 which is scheduled to open in September 2021.

To learn more about the murals, click on the Keeley Library website: <http://www.sailsinc.org/durfee/mannslides.htm>.

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### DURFEE FLORIDA SOUTHERN REUNION

Glen Eagle Golf & Country Club

Naples, FL

March 21, 2020

Contact: Connie Rocheleau Furtado

774-217-0476, [toco267@msn.com](mailto:toco267@msn.com)

Or Ron (Rabby) Raposa

508-208-7704, [rabbidoo@comcast.net](mailto:rabbidoo@comcast.net)

### CLASS OF 1965 - 55TH REUNION

Sunday, September 6, 2020

at The Cove, 392 Davol St., Fall River, MA

12:00 Noon - 4:00 pm - Cost \$35.00

September 4th, 2020 - Friday Night

Social at the Belmont Club

Additional Information contact: Arlene Harnett 508 676-9393

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### DURFEE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION CLAM BOIL

Fundraiser to benefit the Alumni Association Scholarship Fund  
Monday, May 18, 2020 - 4:00PM - 8:00PM - Eat in or Take Out

Lepage's Seafood & Grill - 439 Martine St, Fall River, MA 02723

\$30.00 per person - \*Advanced tickets are required\*

\*Deadline for tickets is May 12th\*

Email @ [durfeealumniassociation@gmail.com](mailto:durfeealumniassociation@gmail.com)

Call 508-675-8100, ext. 41998, leave message

Or contact a member of the Association

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<https://www.fallriverschools.org/durfee>

**Durfee Yearbooks:**

<https://www.fallriverschools.org/durfee/durfee-links/durfee-yearbooks>

**Alumni Website:**

<https://www.durfeealumniassociation.com>

## *Photos from the Durfee Alumni Annual Meeting May 24, 2019*



### **DURFEE BELLS BEING EXPANDED FROM CHIME TO CARILLON!**

**By: Les Cory '56**

Thanks to a generous donation from Louise Harrington, class of 1956, the historic Durfee Chime of bells will become a carillon through the addition of 9 newly cast bells. The World Carillon Federation defines a carillon as a musical instrument composed of at least 23 tuned bronze bells which are played from a baton keyboard. The Guild of Carillonneurs in North America GCNA defines a carillon as "a musical instrument consisting of at least two octaves of carillon bells arranged in chromatic series and played from a keyboard. When our carillon is listed next year, I believe that Durfee High School will enjoy the distinction of having the only carillon in America installed at a public high school.

Mrs. Harrington's gift in memory of her late husband, Dr. Daniel Harrington, includes not only the bells being cast by the Sunderlin Bell Foundry in Virginia but also a 23 baton

clavier to be installed in the new belfry at the front of the new high school building and also a 23 baton practice clavier to be located in the music department and used to teach budding carillonists the fine points of playing this magnificent instrument. The practice clavier will only be heard within the practice room but provisions are being incorporated to record selections on flash memory that can later be reproduced on the real bells in the belfry.

The largest of the new bells, weighing roughly 675 pounds will be inscribed in memory of Dr. Harrington who was the president of the class of 1956 and an ardent supporter of the bell project since its inception more than 15 years ago. The Harrington family has generously supported Durfee High School and the Durfee Alumni Association over the years and we thank them for their generosity.

Bricks in the new walk way in front of the school building will list the names of others who have donated bells as well as the distinguished alums and others who have made major contributions toward the success of the project.

All of the bricks in the former Pathway of

Memories have been carefully removed and they will all be reinstalled along with the granite benches that lined the former walkway. The iconic steel tower that housed the bells for most of the past decade has been relocated on the campus. It sits today at what will become the main entrance to the athletic field and will be used as the ticket booth leading to the stadium. All 4 of the original clocks will be electrically refurbished and will remain with the tower in accordance with the donor's wishes.

Recent donations and proceeds from brick sales will be used to add internal clappers to all 23 bells making it possible for them to be played mechanically for the first time since the bells were last played on Rock Street in 1978. Any additional donations and the proceeds from any additional brick orders will be used to establish a fund for the ongoing maintenance of the bells which is estimated to cost between \$500 and \$1,000 a year.

For additional information concerning the bells, please contact Les Cory at 401 624-3478 or email [Lcory@umasd.edu](mailto:Lcory@umasd.edu)



## DURFEE HALL OF FAME-2019 ANNOUNCED

The latest selections for the Durfee High School Athletics Hall of Fame are a class act. And in the case of half of the selections, make that a Class of 2001 act. Four of the eight selections for induction hail from Class of 2001. The overall list includes a sister-brother combination, a baseball pitcher-catcher combination from the 2001 class, one of Durfee's first ice hockey standouts, a great runner, a former student-athlete already in her college's hall of fame and a former Miss Massachusetts...

### DAVE MAZZARELLA, Class of 1978

The elder statesman of the Durfee HOF Class of 2019, Mazzarella was a rock-solid defenseman in the early days of the hockey program. Mazzarella mixed toughness with dignity, often conspicuous for keeping his cool when others did not. Mazzarella was able to dominate a game from his defenseman position, a rarity. After playing his freshman year at Diman Regional, he was a three-year varsity standout at Durfee, and he followed with a superb career at then Southeastern Massachusetts University where he captained in his senior season. In 1982 he was offered a tryout with the Erie Blades of the East Coast Hockey League and with the Italian national team. A respected and honored hockey referee, Mazzarella since 2008 has been the head hockey coach at Southeastern Regional High School in Easton.

### NICOLE KOGLER, Class of 1996

One of the top gymnasts in school history, Kogler was also a top-notch outdoor track and field athlete. The four-time MVP of the gymnastics team, she is best remembered for her explosive floor routine where, in 1996, she earned the school's first 9.0 score. She is the first Hilltopper gymnast to be selected to the Massachusetts High School National team and she attained a No. 4 ranking in the state in the all-around. In track and field, Kogler set the school record in the 100 meters, qualifying for the State Class A finals her senior year. Academically, she was No. 10 (out of more than 700) in her senior class and found time for the student newspaper, yearbook staff, Press Club and Varsity Club. Married and mother of two, Kogler is a senior project manager for Nitsch Engineering in Boston and lives in Bridgewater.

### MICHAELA GAGNE, Class of 2000

In the years before she earned the title "Miss Massachusetts", Gagne was a remarkable athlete at Durfee, competing in soccer, basketball and outdoor track and field. She earned 11 varsity letters before missing her senior track and field season due to health concerns. In soccer, where she was primarily sweeper, Gagne was a two-time team MVP, four-year starter, and four-time league champion. In basketball she was a two-time captain and Durfee's Dave Cowens Award nominee. In

track and field, Gagne qualified for the Eastern Massachusetts Division 1 Championships in the long jump, triple jump, 100-meter hurdles, and 300-meter hurdles. She scored 158 points (counting big meets) as a junior and set the school long jump record. Gagne was named track and field's most valuable athlete in her junior year.

### ROCHELLE LAVOIE, Class of 2001

Durfee's 2001 female athlete of the year, Lavoie played varsity for four years for volleyball, basketball and softball. A three-year volleyball starter and two-time Big 3 Conference all-star, the heavy hitter in her senior year helped lead the Hilltoppers to a surprise trip to the South final. A four-year basketball starter, she became the program's second 1,000-point scorer. She averaged 17 points per game as a junior and then 20 ppg. in her senior year. In softball, Lavoie, as a freshman, contributed to the state championship team. She stepped into a starting role (third base, first base) the next year. As a junior, she batted .542 with five homers and 32 RBIs and, as a senior, batted above .500 while taking over at catcher. She played the same three sports at Worcester State where she was the school's 2005 female athlete of the year and a 2013 hall of fame inductee.

### KEVIN SHURTLEFF, Class of 2001

The talented left-hander enjoyed a superb baseball career. Known best for his pitching, he was also a fine outfielder and hitter. A three-year varsity player, Shurtleff chalked up 19 wins and more than 150 strikeouts (76 in 2000). His career ERA was sub-2.00 and he posted a 1.47 in 2000. He threw a no-hitter his senior year. He also batted a career .335 with 30 extra-base hits. While in high school, Shurtleff was selected for the Super East team (top players from Massachusetts) which competed in a humanitarian series in Cuba. Professionally scouted and a college recruit, Shurtleff played at Division 1 Marist College in Poughkeepsie, N.Y. Owner of a degree in criminal justice, Shurtleff has since 2006 worked for the United States Border Patrol and is a supervisory border patrol agent (acting watch commander) in Indio, Calif. He has a wife, Sheryl, and a daughter Zoe.

### VICTORIA SOARES, Class of 1994

One of the premier runners in Durfee history, Soares ran indoor track and field for four seasons and both cross country and outdoor track and field for three seasons. Along the way, she earned 10 varsity letters and was named to nine all-star teams. In cross country, she qualified for All State individually as a sophomore and then her top-10 finishes helped the Hilltoppers to a fourth and then a second place at the All State Championships the next two years. She is one of only three Hilltoppers to break 17 minutes for the Durfee course. In outdoor track and field, she took seventh place All State in the 800 meters (2:23.9; still 3rd

fastest time in school history). In dual meets, she had 23 career wins and placed in 11 of the 14 events staged in the sport.

### JUSTIN KOGLER, Class of 2001

A three-season athlete, Kogler in football was a running back/linebacker/placekicker/punter and compiled 172 career points, including 80 as a senior when he helped lead Durfee to its first and still only Super Bowl appearance. Combining his junior and senior years, he gained 1,600 rushing and receiving from his fullback position. Durfee's 2001 male athlete of the year, Kogler in baseball was the Big 3 Conference's batting average leader his senior year, finishing at .387 with two home runs, 24 runs scored, 15 walks and eight stolen bases from the leadoff spot. He also played four years of basketball. After graduating from Durfee with a 4.2 GPA, Kogler played football at Bridgewater State University. He has been varsity football coach at Bishop Connolly and Old Rochester Regional high schools and is now the new head coach at West Bridgewater High.

### ERIC KELLY, Class of 2001

A baseball, football and basketball player, Kelly may be best remembered as a baseball catcher with a rocket arm and quick release. A four-year member of varsity baseball, Kelly threw out 72 percent of those daring enough to try to steal against him. He also had four pickoffs at first base and two more at third. He twice led the Hilltoppers in home runs and RBIs and he also helped pitching early in his career. An all-state selection after his senior season, Kelly earned a scholarship to Barry University in Miami, Fla. Following an injury, he finished his career at Rhode Island College. During high school, Kelly played on a Massachusetts all-star team that played Connecticut at Fenway Park and he was on a team that played a series of goodwill games in Cuba.

Members of the Durfee Athletic Hall of Fame Class of 2019 were honored September 13, 2019 during halftime of the Durfee-Taunton football game. They were formally inducted September 14, 2019.

**Annual Meeting**  
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Name of Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_ Year of Graduation \_\_\_\_\_

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