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1966

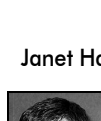


Kenneth W. Ferris
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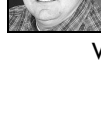
Scholarship Committee



Janet Hamner Albrecht
1971



Stewart Hatzinger
1993



Virginia Jacobs
Schuelke
1965

2008 Alumni Banquet

Saturday, June 14

Katie & Karl's Restaurant

Reception

3:30pm - 5:00pm
(Appetizers Served)

Business Meeting

5:00pm

Dinner & Program

Immediately Following
the Business Meeting

Annual Alumni Banquet Sooner than You Think!

Calling all Camden Alumni! The Annual Alumni Banquet is approaching sooner than you think. It is April, so the banquet is less than two months away. The invitation brochure has been mailed to more than 2,000 Alumni (active members, past active members and class members celebrating a 5 year anniversary with validated addresses in the alumni database), so be on the lookout for yours. If you have not received the invitation in the mail, you can go to the Camden Alumni web site at www.camdenalumni.com or use the reservation form to the right to make your banquet reservation.

This year's date is Saturday, June 14th at Katie and Karl's. The banquet is traditionally held the Saturday before graduation. But, due to scheduling availability, the date has been set at a week earlier than usual this year.

This year's banquet format has changed. There will be a reception beginning at 3:30 pm for everyone with free appetizers. The Reception will honor this year's anniversary classes. The business meeting will begin at 5:00pm and dinner will be

served at approximately 5:30pm followed by the program.

Cost of the banquet is \$16.00, plus we would appreciate your alumni dues of \$5.00 per year to support association activities. There is also a blank on the reservation form for the Camden Alumni Association Scholarship Fund Donation. You can choose how much you donate, but any amount will benefit eligible seniors who plan to attend a college in the fall.

Attendance at the alumni banquet offers many benefits. Among these are an opportunity for all Camden Alumni from across the years to get together to see old classmates and friends; it is a reunion that has already been planned; it can be part of a reunion weekend for your class; and the banquet's fund raising efforts help provide for future association activities and scholarships for deserving high school seniors.

Reservations deadline is Saturday, June 7, 2008. For further information, please go to the above named website or contact any Association Board member listed at the left.

We hope to see all CCS alumni there!

Scholarship Money Appreciated

A recent Camden Alumni Scholarship poll indicates that most scholarship money was used for books or tuition. With escalating college costs, every little bit helps.

I spoke mostly with parents as those who won the scholarship funds were either out for the evening or at school.

According to her mother, Meaghan Halliday, a 2007 alumni scholarship winner, used her money toward tuition at SUNY Cortland where she is completing her freshman year as a biology major. Caleb Herbst, another 2007 alumnus, used his scholarship money toward books at RIT in Rochester. Andrew Renwick's Mom told me that the scholarship money awarded to Andrew helped him complete his first semester at MVCC.

Kaylee Ann Schinn told me her money was used for books at SUNY Oneonta where she is currently completing her second semester as an Education Major. Susan Finn's mother said her daughter's scholarship was used at St. Elizabeth's School of Nursing in Utica. Another 2007 class member, Jerry Wall, used his money toward tuition and books at Paul Smith's where he is majoring in Urban Forestry.

His father said the award was most appreciated.

Bailey Mellon, a member of the Class of 2006, currently attends Utica College, and her major is Public Relations says her sister, Chelsea, an Alumni Association Member. Another 2006 class member, Daniel Seymore, said he bought his books for his Freshman year at SUNY Oswego where he is majoring in meteorology. Kelly Souva's mother states that Kelly is now a sophomore at Environmental Science and Forestry School at Syracuse University, and she used her scholarship for books.

Bradley Duerr, a member of the Camden Class of 2002, used his money for books, and has graduated from SUNY Oswego, and will graduate in May from SUNYIT with a MBA in Management Technology.

This is just a small sampling of the scholarships that the Camden Alumni Association has distributed since the first scholarship was awarded back in 1965. This evidence shows that the donations you make to the Alumni Scholarship Fund each year are being put to good use. The alumni association is most grateful for your continued contributions.

2008 Banquet Reservation Form

Please make your check payable to and mail to:

Camden Alumni Association

35 Fourth Street, Camden NY 13316

(Please write your year of graduation on your check.)

2008 Alumni Banquet Tickets: _____ @ \$16/person \$ _____

Alumni Association Dues: _____ @ \$ 5/Alumni \$ _____

Scholarship Fund Donation: _____ \$ _____

Grand Total: \$ _____

Name: _____ Class of: _____

Address: _____

Please check one of the following boxes:

I prefer to sit with my graduating class,

I would rather sit with (indicate the persons): _____

Other people you are making reservations for:

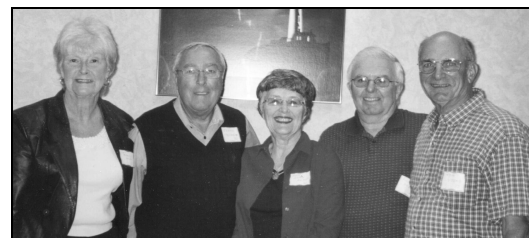
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Florida Snowbirds Reunion 2008

As Camden Alumni have learned, winters in Camden, NY can be brutal. So several members from various classes head south for the winter and meet in Leesburg, Florida for an alumni reunion. It is centrally located, making it easier for alumni scattered throughout Florida to meet there.

The reunion this year was held at the International Super Buffet with a cost of \$10.00 per person, and it will be held at the same location next year. If you need to plan ahead, mark your calendars for next year's Florida Reunion to be held on January 21, 2009.



Class of 1953 attending 2008 Florida Reunion (L to R):

Patricia Brazil Belge, Bernard Theobald, Ann Ryan Hunt, Richard Ryan and Thomas Young



Class of 1957 (L to R): Back Row: Ethel Eckel Palmer; Bruce Theobald; Doris Dale Short. Front Row: Louise Wanner Coady; Katherine Brazil D'Aprix; Barbara O'Rourke Young and Marlene Keil Webb

Camden Alumni Scholarship Program for 2008

by: Chelsea Mellon, Scholarship Chairperson

The Camden Alumni Association has announced the Student Scholarship Program for 2008. Up to six scholarships will be awarded to qualifying students who are graduating seniors in June 2008. To qualify, a student must have a mother, father, step-parent, or legal guardian who was a graduate of Camden High School or Camden Central School; and must be accepted to a two or four year accredited college for the fall. Each scholarship will be for \$750. Scholarship Application Forms are available in the High School Guidance Office. Students must complete a scholarship application form and return it to the High School Guidance office by Friday, May 2nd.

The Camden Alumni Association takes great pride in the young men and women who comprise the current graduating class at Camden Central School, and hopes that this

award will help the recipients reach their goals in life. The Camden Alumni Association Scholarship Fund is supported through donations from Alumni and from anyone else wishing to make a contribution. Contributors can make general donations, or memorial donations in the name of an individual or individuals. All donations can be included when returning the Registration Form and Ballot for the Annual Meeting and Banquet, or can be made directly anytime, by making a check payable to: Camden Alumni Association Scholarship Fund. Checks should be mailed to: Chelsea Mellon, Scholarship Chairperson, 2598 Skinner Settlement Road, Camden, NY 13316. If you have any questions about the Student Scholarship Program, please call John Gerber, Alumni Association President, 315-245-2620.

Camden Alumni Association Active Membership Application & Scholarship Donation Form

First Name: _____

Email: _____

Return This Form and Dues Payment To:

Last Name: _____

Spouse's Name: _____

Camden Alumni Association

Maiden Name: _____

Graduating Class: _____

35 Fourth Street

Street Address: _____

Home Phone: _____

Camden, NY 13316

City: _____

Dues are \$5 per year. # of Years Paid: _____

Make Your Check Payable to:

State: _____ ZIP: _____

Alumni Scholarship Fund Donation: \$ _____

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