



# PANTHER'S TALE

SPRING 1981

## Congratulations CHS Seniors, There is a "Ticket to CHS for Life" inside

You've graduated. You're "out"! You're "free"! You're one beautiful Cheltenham High School graduate, and we love you. Welcome to the wide-wide world of Cheltenham Alumni. No secret handshakes. No whispered mottos. No fear-some or frolicsome initiation. You're "in"!

And you're in great company. Those of us, 15,000 strong, on the Alumni mailing rolls, are everywhere. We're in San Diego, California and Somerville, N.J., Augusta, Maine and Augusta, Georgia, Chicago, Illinois and Curacas, Venezuela, LaMott, Pa. and LaJolla, Calif., Glenside and Glen-

olden, Cheltenham and Conshohocken, Elkins Park and Elkins, West Virginia. Most everywhere one travels, there is a CHS'er in residence, or in the news. We in the CHS Alumni Association try to keep track of everyone. We are constantly updating our computerized mailing lists, so, say in five years you want to find out where someone in your class has gone, just give us a call and chances are we'll know exactly where in Saskatchewan to find him or her. We're also the folks who help you bring off your reunions, by providing class lists and current addresses to your reunion committees. We also give scholarships (see the Scholarship story on this page), and we promote Cheltenham's continued excellence. We are in fact, your contact with "CHS for Life."

Now is the time to join the rest of us. You'll have life-long delight in your membership in the CHS Alumni Association. A membership form is printed inside this "Panther's Tale," which is, in itself, another Alumni Association service. Your parents may entertain the thought of providing the one-time membership fee as a graduation gift. So, congratulations once again. We look forward to your membership.



## CHS ALUMNI SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED TO 3 SENIORS

The 1981 CHS Alumni Association Scholarships have been awarded to (seated L. to R.) **Mary Goebel, Jacquelyne Myers** and **Arthur Karloff**. The three graduating seniors are shown with **Betty Cataldi '62**, President of the Alumni Association and **Barbara Ball Portner '52**, Chairperson of the Scholarship Committee.

Established in 1979, the Alumni Associ-

ation scholarships are awarded on the basis of academic achievement and school and community citizenship. Each scholarship is in the amount of \$500. Mary will be attending Bucknell University; Jacquelyne, Virginia State; and Arthur, the University of Pennsylvania. The Alumni Association is proud to be in a position to further the education of these three outstanding students.

### WHO RAN OFF WITH THE CLASS OF '62?

The Class of '62 is missing. Oh, fickle fate. It is the very same class of our dear Alumni Association president. A great reunion is scheduled for some time in 1982, and we have very few current addresses. Please write, wire or call at once.



## Here they are! Meet the New CHS Alumni Board

Elizabeth A. Cataldi, President '62  
Barbara Ball Portner, 1st V.P., '52  
Charles Stamm, 2nd V.P., '67  
Lydia Rugel Zappacosta, 3rd V.P., '58  
Beryl Cohen Halpern, Recording Sec., '51  
Maryellen Worthington,  
Corresponding Sec., '78  
Henry Sklar, Treasurer, '58  
George O'Connell, Solicitor, '62  
Mary Louise Armstrong Wolf, '32  
Herbert Fleisher, '32  
William Fleming, '38  
Alice Feuchtwagner Stamm, '40  
Alan Shapiro, '42  
David Schloss, '43  
Joan David Sundheim, '52  
Catherine Bethel Vaught, '52  
Susan Shaure Hamberg, '56  
Victoria Goff, '70  
Geoffrey Landesberg, '71  
Sanford Student, '72

## BOOK REVIEW

### "SELF PORTRAIT OF A HERO"

Jonathan Netanyahu. Random House.

**Lt. Col Jonathan Netanyahu**, a former Cheltenham High School student, '64, was the officer in charge of the Israeli raid on the Entebbe airport in 1976. He was killed leading the raid. "Self Portrait of a Hero" is a collection of his letters to family, friends and the women he loved. Herman Wouk says in his introduction to the book, "Yoni's correspondence is the other side of the coin to Anne Frank's diary — she the unbowed victim, he the fearless fighter."

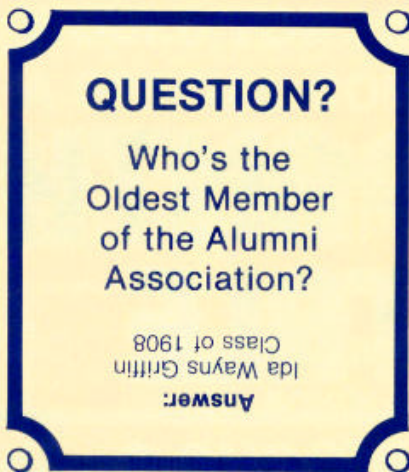
Neil Plakcy, freelance writer and reviewer said, "Jonathan Netanyahu's brothers have edited his letters into a collection that is remarkable in its record of one man's development."

### Laurie Colwin (Continued from page 5)

who is afraid to marry her. As they sit in the bath-tub together, she reads to him Sir Thomas Wyatt's poem 'They Flee From Me, That Sometime Did Me Seek.'

"An author who can conjure an image like that is worth reading."

Laurie Colwin's short stories have ap-



## CHS Athletes Clean up on Honors

### Girls Track Team—

Only 3rd year in existence. Coached by Mike Houghton — 3200 Meter Relay Team, won District's, Suburban I Champions, 2nd in States and Edyrl Parkinson set state record in 200 meters.

### Boys Gymnastic Team—

Suburban I Champions  
Lisa Geiger—3rd place swimming,  
State Championship  
John Donnelly—Suburban I One Team,  
Basketball  
Patti Smith—Philadelphia Bulletin  
Scholar Athlete (Basketball)  
Laurent Sacharoff—Triangle Club  
Scholar Athlete (Gymnastics)  
Barry Greenberg—Sectional winner  
Philadelphia Fencing Tournament  
Colin Peters—All-State Soccer

## SPECIAL ALUMNI SECTION IN CHS LIBRARY

As more and more CHS Alumni are authoring works of fiction and non-fiction, or having books written about them, the Alumni Association will be working with the CHS Library to establish a special section featuring these books. If you would like to donate books for this section, please send them to the Alumni Association for placement in the Library.

peared in many magazines, including "The New Yorker," Redbook, and Mademoiselle. In 1974 her first collection of stories, "Passion and Affect," was published. She has written three novels, "Shine on Bright and Dangerous Object" (1975) and "Happy All The Time" (1978).

## PANTHER'S SPOTLIGHT

**Steve Solms** '57, Philadelphia 76er Superfan. If you've ever watched the 76er Basketball team on T.V. or in person you'll see "the maniac in the first row," according to coach Billy Cunningham. Steve goes to about 80% of the sixer home games and several away games each season. He was recently profiled in "The Philadelphia Bulletin" — pictures and all!

Steve and his business partner Ted Ginsberg '55 are both ardent fans. "We have a common love for the game," Solms said. "Ted is into the appreciation of the athlete. He's a real fan but doesn't get as emotionally distraught. He's not at the same deranged level. He hasn't cried or gotten depressed with their efforts like I have."

**Dr. Myron L. Caplan** '60 and wife **Brenda Derringer Caplan** '62 have formed a scheduled airline, Air Nevada, in Las Vegas, Nevada, offering service from Las Vegas to the Grand Canyon, Arizona, Death Valley, California and Tonopah, Nevada. They hold the title President and Vice President respectively. Also, any Cheltenham graduate who can produce identification of membership in the Cheltenham Alumni Association, is eligible for reduced rate transportation on tours to the Grand Canyon.

**Robert A. Selig** '69 — Assistant District Attorney, Norristown, Pa., President Board of School Directors, Cheltenham Township.

**Linda Witchko** '74 — graduated Magna Cum Laude, Temple U. College of Music 1978. Received Masters Degree in opera, Temple U. 1980. Youngest finalist from Philadelphia in the Luciano Pavaratti competition held in September 1980 at the Academy of Music.

**Becca Wolpert** '75 — Sultry singer appearing with the jazz-rock band Indigo.

**Rob Hamilton** '76 — Acrobatic dancer and instructor at Resorts International. Former Pa. State Gymnastics Champion.

**Brian Reiss** '77, **Laurie Leider** '77 — First decided to go steady in hallway outside Guidance Dept. This Spring ('81) Brian proposed to Laurie by getting the school to open on Saturday, through teacher Tom Fisher. Brian hung a sign, "I promise to love, honor and obey. Will you marry me?" on the 10' Guidance Department bulletin board. He brought Laurie to the school. She read the message, and said . . . "Yes!"

**Kevin Eldenshink** '79 — Captain Gettysburg College Wrestling Team.



# "HALL OF FAME" AWARDS ARE SMASHING SUCCESS!

*Over 250 Honor Fellow CHS Alumni in Sociable Spectacular of Alumni Season*



Taking part in the ceremonies were, from left to right — front row: BERNARD ROTHSCHILD, class of '32 internationally known architect; Dr. Leonard B. Finkelstein, Supt. of Schools; U.S. District Court Judge NORMA LEVY SHAPIRO, class of '45; LEWIS KLEIN '45, Master of Ceremonies; back row: RICHARD LEVINSON '52, Emmy-Award Winning Writer/Producer, BARBARA BALL PORTNER '52, Event Chairperson; BETTY CATALDI '62, Alumni President, and James Tufano, CHS Principal.

Judging from the many letters and phone calls, our first Hall of Fame Awards night was a fabulous success.

More than 250 people from all over the country came to the Franklin Plaza Hotel to honor their fellow alumni on January 17, 1981.

RICHARD LEVINSON '52, NORMA LEVY SHAPIRO '45, BERNARD ROTHSCHILD '32 and Martinez Jackson (speaking for Reggie '64) spoke of their memories of C.H.S. and how their experiences influenced their careers.

Each Honoree was presented their award by someone who knew them during their formative years. Mr. Frank Hahn presented RICHARD LEVINSON and BILL LINK their awards. Mr. Hahn was an English teacher at Elkins Park Jr. High and has worked in Radio and Television for many years.

Frank Hahn, a Philadelphia attorney, colleague and friend of NORMA LEVY SHAPIRO spoke of Judge Shapiro's rise to U.S. District Court Judge.

STEVE FRIEDMAN '64, Philadelphia lawyer and close friend of REGGIE JACKSON, presented the award to Reggie's father, Martinez Jackson. Steve spoke of Reggie's accomplishments as a professional ball player and of his community activities in N.Y.

Dr. Herman Wessel presented BERNARD ROTHSCHILD'S award. Dr. Wessel of course is remembered fondly as the Principal of Elkins Park Jr. High School. He gave us a lesson in Architecture in his presentation.

Dr. Leonard B. Finkelstein, Superintendent of the School District of Cheltenham and Mr. James Tufano, Principal of C.H.S. both spoke of the impact C.H.S. has on its students past and present.

LEWIS KLEIN '45 was an eloquent Master of Ceremonies. He is currently executive V.P. of Gateway Communications, Inc.



BETTY CATALDI '62, President of the CHS Alumni Association, expressing the Association's joy in initiating the Hall of Fame Awards.



RICHARD LEVINSON '52 Emmy Award Winning Writer and Producer. Hall of Fame Inductee.





Frank Hahn, Esq. Former Cheltenham School Director, presents award to Judge NORMA LEVY SHAPIRO '45.



ROBERT SELIG, Esq. '69, President, Board of School Directors presenting a commemorative resolution from the Board.



BARBARA BALL PORTNER '52, Hall of Fame Awards Night Chairperson saying "Hello."



James R. Tufano, Principal, Cheltenham High School welcoming alumni and friends.



STEVEN FRIEDMAN '64 presents REGGIE JACKSON'S award to Reggie's father, Martinez Jackson.



Dr. Leonard B. Finkelstein, Superintendent of Schools lending his gracious words to the sparkling evening.



Dr. Herman Wessel, former teacher and principal presented award to BERNARD ROTHSCHILD Class of 1932.



## Laurie Colwin CHS '62 Lauded for New Book

THE LONE PILGRIM.  
By Laurie Colwin.  
211 pages. Knopf. \$9.95.

The New York Times called it a "fictional anatomy of love." In a laudatory book review, the Times reviewer said, "In **Happy All The Time**, her recent novel, **Laurie Colwin** wrote about successful love, that grand surprise. In 'The Lone Pilgrim,' her new collection of stories, she writes about some of the unsuccessful aspects. 'Love, in its initial stages,' a character says, 'takes care of everything.' After that, the lovers discover that it is they themselves who have to take care of everything. Love, Miss Colwin reminds us, involves an immense amount of trouble. It is, in both a positive and a negative sense, a disturbance of the peace.



"One of the prettiest — and again, the saddest — images in 'The Lone Pilgrim' is of a young woman and the man she loves,  
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### COME BLOW YOUR HORN

Let us know what you're doing so you can be included in the PANTHER'S SPOTLIGHT. When you write to us be sure to include your class, and females, your maiden name please.

### ★ ★ ★ JOIN THESE DISTINGUISHED "CENTURY" MEMBERS

- ★ Margaret Cloud Altdoerffer '29
- ★ Frederick E. Bitting '29
- ★ Ruth Openshaw Cowell '30
- ★ James Farquhar '30
- ★ Grace E. Paist Wagner '30
- ★ Herbert Fleisher '32
- ★ Dr. Richard S. Koch '32
- ★ Eleanor Schaefer Krivin '32
- ★ Jack Wagman '32
- ★ Jane Gill Barry '33
- ★ Peggy Berg Hahn '33
- ★ Dr. Gordon Henry '33
- ★ William M. B. Fleming '38
- ★ Robert Morrison '38
- ★ William Eagleson, Jr. '43
- ★ Dr. Linda Nelson '46
- ★ Carol Subin Gold '47
- ★ Marjorie Fischman Shushan '47
- ★ William Link '52
- ★ Herman A. Regusters '52
- ★ Sanford Student '72

# REUNION ROUNDUP

The following reunions are scheduled for the coming months.

1931—50th reunion—Sat., May 23, 1981  
Luncheon at the Picket Post  
(formerly the Forrest Inn)  
contact: Marguerite Giles Foster  
Valley Stream Apt.—D-204  
Lansdale, Pa. 19446  
855-7860

1951—Anyone interested in working on the 30th reunion of the class of 1951 please contact Beryl Cohen Halpern  
ME 5-0452, 152 Church Rd.,  
Elkins Park, Pa. 19117

1952—30th reunion — planned for Spring 1982  
contact: Barbara Ball Partner  
7901 Rodgers Road  
Elkins Park, Pa. 19117  
635-3985

1956—25th reunion—Sat., Nov. 7, 1981  
The Marriott City Line Ave.  
contact: Susan Shaure Hamberg  
7509 Woodlawn Ave.  
Melrose Park, Pa. 19126  
635-4772

1958—in planning stage  
contact: Melanie Wuest Hopkins  
506 Vernon Road  
Jenkintown, Pa. 19046  
885-5692

1961—20th reunion—Sat., Nov. 28, 1981  
Philmont Country Club  
contact: Zelda Stillman Topkis  
576-8865

1971—10th reunion—Fri., Nov. 27, 1981  
Warwick Hotel, 8 P.M.  
contact: Peggy Klaus  
925-2414

1972—10th reunion—planning stage  
contact: Richard Greene  
7814 New Second St.  
Elkins Park, Pa. 19117  
635-2700  
Lydia Zappacosta  
ME 5-2733

1976—5th reunion—Fri., Nov. 27, 1981  
Philmont Country Club  
contact: Sue Kendall  
886-3811



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**CHELT Footballers  
chomp at bit for  
'81 season**

After an outstanding 9-2 season in 1980, the Panthers, under coach Ted Weinstein, are ready to tackle 1981. Come on out to the games.

Sept.	12	Bensalem	H	1:30
	19	Lower Moreland	A	1:30
	26	Methacton	H	1:30
Oct.	2	Upper Merion	A	7:30 p.m.
	10	William Tennent	H	1:30
	16	Upper Moreland	A	7:30 p.m.
	24	Norristown	H	1:30
	31	Upper Dublin	A	2:00
Nov.	7	Bishop McDevitt	H	1:30
	14	Plymouth Whitmarsh	A	1:30
	21	<b>ABINGTON</b>	A	1:30

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