

EIGHT INDUCTED INTO HALL OF FAME

Honored were: Bates, Boyd, M. Brecker, R. Brecker, Cutler, Farquhar, Fox, Littlepage

May 17, 1996 marked the fifth Hall of Fame Day at Cheltenham High School. The eight inductees returned to their alma mater to be honored by the Cheltenham High School Alumni Association for lifetime achievement. The new Hall of Famers spent the morning with the current student body and faculty talking to classes in their respective fields. In the afternoon a luncheon in their honor was held at the Melrose Country Club. That evening the Hall of Fame ceremony was held in the Little Theatre of the high school. Master of Ceremonies **Richard Weinstock, '76** introduced each of the inductees by reading excerpts from their "diaries" while a slide show was presented. All new Hall of Fame members received their plaques from CHSAA President **Betty Cataldi, '62**, and gave a short acceptance speech. The festivities then moved to the high school Hall of Fame lobby where the inductees' pictures and plaques were unveiled. Many friendships were renewed and new ones formed throughout this warm and glowing evening. Taken as

a whole, the day was a huge success!

The new Cheltenham High School Alumni Association Hall of Fame inductees included these eight Cheltenham graduates. **James Farquhar, '30** received his undergraduate degree from the University of Pennsylvania. His first philanthropic action was in the founding of the Ft. Lauderdale Symphony, which has now grown into the

Board of Trustees. In 1974, he was appointed Chairman of its State Board of Independent Colleges and Universities by the governor of Florida. His philanthropic work has benefitted the University of Pennsylvania, University of Maryland, Washington and Lee University, Jacksonville University, the University of Florida, and Broward Community College. He is married to another graduate of Cheltenham, **Nan (Wagner) '32**.

Barbara Snedeker Bates, '36, attended Wellesley College in Massachusetts. After graduation she spent a year working for the *Times Chronicle* and the *Glenside News* as the "assistant everything." Her college experiences earned her a job with Westminster Press in Philadelphia as the Editor of Books for Young People. She was also able to raise a family and write eleven of her own books. Two, *The Happy Birthday Present* and *The Happy Puppy*, have even been translated into French and German. She has taught courses at adult schools in creative writing. In 1986, Bates was honored with the sixteenth Drexel



1996 HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES: front row: (l to r): Winnifred Berg Cutler, '62; Adele Boyd, '49; Barbara Snedeker Bates, '36; James Farquhar, grandson of James Farquhar, '30; Back Row: Craig Littlepage, '69; Michael Brecker, '67; Randy Brecker, '63; Jon Fox, '65.

Florida Philharmonic Society and Museum of Art. He is one of the founders of Nova University, and was the first Chairman of

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ALUMNI ASSOCIATION AWARDS SCHOLARSHIPS

The Cheltenham High School Alumni Association, for the 18th consecutive year, has presented four graduating seniors with scholarship awards. Last year's four awards (\$500 each) bring the total amount of scholarships presented by the Alumni Association to well over \$36,000. The winners last year were Maureen E. Brown, Glenside; Matthew K. Chamberlain, Cheltenham; Erica C. Keen, Melrose Park; and Alexis A. Wetzel, Chel-

tenham.

Maureen E. Brown is the winner of the CHS Alumni Association's **Louise Bers Rose Scholarship**. Maureen, a true student-athlete, carried a schedule of honors history and English along with physics, French V and microbiology. She graduated with a 3.77 average and a rank of 17th in the senior class. A member of the National Honor Society, Maureen also excelled in field hockey, cross country, winter track and

soccer during her athletic career. Ms. Brown was voted the team's most valuable player by her teammates when she received the Holden Award, once in cross country and twice in soccer. She was also an All League Scholar-Athlete in soccer. During the past two years Maureen has served as assistant coach of the Hunter Soccer Club's Under 12 Travel Team. Maureen Brown is

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Panther Spotlight

Isaac "Ike" Richman, '84 is the Director of Public Relations for Comcast-Spectacor the company that owns and operates the Spectrum, the CoreStates Center, the 76ers, and the Flyers.

Scott Eveslage, '89' has replaced longtime Panther Basketball coach Steve Daley. He is assisted by **Brendan Nolan, '91**.

Patricia Rau-Pinkston, '80 was inducted into the inaugural Pennsylvania Special Olympics Hall of Fame in March of 1996. A cross-country skier, Patricia won the gold medal at the 1989 International Winter Games in Reno/Tahoe for 500-meter cross country and a silver in the 1-kilometer race.

Paul Wapner, '77 is a professor at American University in Washington, D.C. He has published *Environmental Activism and World Civic Politics*.

William A. Sassman, '54 is an Episcopal priest and permanent Rector of St. Francis Episcopal Church in Fair Oaks, CA. He also is a part-time yacht captain.

Nancy Rhodes, '68 is an award-winning artist and illustrator. Her last project was two twenty-foot murals for the newly renovated War Memorial in Syracuse NY.

Mitchel J. Rosen, '71 was appointed Director of Biostatistics and Medical Information at the University of Maryland Medical School.

Karen Binkoff Winnick, '64 wrote and illustrated a new children's book, *Mr. Lincoln's Whiskers*, which is due to be published this fall by Boyd's Mills Press.

Richard M. Weiss, '63 is professor of Mathematics at Tufts University and chair of the Mathematics Department since 1982. He is currently writing a book on generalized polygons.

Robert H. Debbs, DO, '81 has completed a fellowship in Maternal-Fetal Medicine and is now practicing at Pennsylvania Hospital and Jefferson University Hospital.

Debbie Stern, '56 is an art teacher and potter. She has produced two videos and taught teachers about clay, glazes and techniques. She has published three articles in the National Art Teachers magazine "School Arts".

Larry Dannenberg, '72 is Director of Marketing for GTech Inc. — the largest operator of lotteries world-wide.

Marilyn Chesler Halperin, '71 is founder and principal of HAIL Enterprises, an infor-

mation management and executive business planning and consulting company for the health care and insurance industries.

Linda Dobb, '70 is Dean of Libraries and Learning Resources at Bowling Green State University, OH.

Dr. Michael Meshkov, '73 a dentist in private practice in Northeast Philly, became a kidney transplant recipient in April, '92. He joined Team USA in the World Transplant Olympics in England. He competed in squash and volleyball.

David P. Gordon, '81 has designed the sets for over 125 plays, operas and musicals. His work has been featured on and off Broadway. In 1995, he received the 1st Barrymore Award for outstanding scenic design.

Franz (Steve) Lidz, '69 a senior writer at Sports Illustrated won the 1996 Harold Herman Prize for Creative Non-Fiction. His 1991 memoir *Unstrung Heroes* was made into a movie last year.

Nancy R. Fox, '71 is an Economics Professor at St. Joseph's University where she won the 1995 Faculty Merit Award for Excellence in Teaching.

Gloria Strick Fine, '60 was appointed by the Governor of Delaware to serve as chair of the Juvenile Justice Advisory Group.

Lisa Liberman, '74 is an Assistant Professor in the History Department at Dickenson College. She is directing the Dickenson program in Bologna, Italy during the 1996-97 school year.

Judith Anne Miller Ruediger, '59 is the President of the Pennsylvania Youth Music Theatre.

Rabbi Sandy Sasso Eisenberg, '65 just published her third children's book, *But God Remembered*. Her fourth is due to be published in late fall.

Nora Jean Bieler Levin, '61 is a speaker, consultant and advocate on elder care issues. She was a delegate in 1995 to the White House Conference on Aging. She just completed *How to Care for Your Aging Parents: A Practical Guide*, which was published in January, 1997.

Felicita Rivera-Kornstein, '73 is senior financial aid officer at MCP/Hahnemann University.

Charles A. Sines, '48 is Director of Operations for the Hatboro Horsham School District.

Rabbi William Kraus, '71 is both a Rabbi and an actor. He starred Off-Broadway and in

Philly as "Rabbi Michael Wolfe" in the hit comedy "Grandma Sylvia's Funeral".

Janet Fleet Grossman, '68 is an educator and a self-described "freelance human being." She completed the New York Marathon in '95 and the 100th Boston Marathon in April, 1996.

Peter Kendall, '63 is an attorney with a "small" hobby. He is President of the International Guild of Miniature Artisans. A non-profit organization that promotes the creation of miniatures as an art form.

Chris Molnar, '87 is a graduate student at Penn State. He published a chapter about treatment for post-traumatic stress disorder and a journal article about changes in memory after treatment for PTSD.

Brad Nelson Karp, '88 is a PhD. candidate at Harvard University and a researcher in high-speed networks. He has been published in several professional journals.

Robert Cohen, '81 is an Assistant Professor of Physics at East Stroudsburg University, PA.

Harriet Tullen Miller, '51 is a clinical social worker. After the destruction caused by Hurricane Andrew, she served as a team leader for a Mobile Crisis Team.

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Are you a member of the Alumni Association? Check the mailing label on this newsletter. If there is a C or an L in the upper right corner, then you are a paid-in-full **Century** or **Life** member, and we thank you. If there is an N then you are **not** a member, and unless you do something to change that status, this may be the last newsletter you receive.

The Alumni Association's Board of Directors, after much serious discussion, has voted to cease mailing the *Panther's Tale* to all non-members who graduated prior to 1986 starting with the next newsletter. This cut-off year will be adjusted by one year with every newsletter mailed thereafter. Unfortunately this action has been necessitated by the ever increasing costs of printing, postage, and returns. Your Alumni Association can no longer subsidize the large number of non-members on our mailing list.

Help the Alumni Association to help all Cheltenham graduates: **Join today!**

Reunion Roundup

Class of 1933 - 63rd Reunion was held Monday, April 29, 1996 at the Yorktown Inn. The luncheon was attended by 25 people, 19 of whom were classmates. The class hopes to continue its yearly reunion with another luncheon in April of '97. The small attendance didn't stop the rest of the class from having a blast! The planning of this event was done by **Louis Wor Dunn, Allen Faet, Beatrice Kirkpatrick Golden, Peggy Berg Hahn, Betty MacBride Herr, Harry Meyers, Marie Parent, Carolyn Rieger, Bobby Rose, Ritchie Smith, John Thompson, and Sam Tucker.**

Class of 1936 - 60th Reunion was held Friday, May 17, 1996 at Old York Road Country Club. With **Dorris Hamilton** traveling all the way from Honolulu to be present at this reunion, it was bound to be successful. One alumnus said, "It was a real nice affair and real enjoyable!" The semi-formal lunch was attended by 60 people, 45 of whom were classmates. The reunion committee consisted of **Bill Rittenhouse, Joe Reedy, Ruth Gamel, and Jean Hawkins.**

Class of 1946 - 50th Reunion was held Saturday, October 19, 1996 at Cedarbrook Country Club. The reunion was attended by 130 people, 110 of whom were classmates. One alumnus flew in from Century City, California to attend this special event. People left the dinner with flowers from the tables. Everybody had a great time and wished for two year reunions instead of five. The reunion was planned by **Madelaine Timmings Tosh, Sallie Angle Nickel, Elaine Zeh Damiano, Jean Holland Radley, Ralph McDevitt Jr., Allan A. Weinstein, Jeffery Radley, and Robert Lamont.**

Class of 1951 - 45th Reunion was held Saturday, October 19, 1996 at Williamson's Restaurant. The dinner party was attended by 63 people, 39 of whom were classmates. People came from as far away as California to enjoy the company of their classmates. For this small class the evening was definitely one to remember. The reunion committee was headed by **Elsa-Lu Greenblatt Berkowitz, Bernie Comber, Beryl Cohen Halpern, Richard Dalsemer, Bill Krauss, Barry Raynor, Maggie Weber Hawkins, and Arlene Wolf Blumenthal.**

Class of 1956 - 40th Reunion was held at Melrose Country Club on Saturday, November, 9 1996. **Mary-Louise Jaegy and Louise**

Glickler flew in from France and England respectively. Others came from as far away as California, Seattle, and Vancouver to enjoy the company of old classmates. The reunion was attended by 120 people, 85 of whom were classmates. Everyone enjoyed the early dinner event as they danced to the music of a D.J. Time was taken out for a short memorial for deceased classmates which included the reading of the poem "No Man is an Island". The evening was directed by **Carol Fegley and Richard Cohen.** Having gone fifteen years since the last class event, the Class of '56 reunion committee worked especially hard to organize a truly great 40th reunion. The committee included **Lynn Jaron Feldgus, John Byrnes, M. Richard Cohen, Sally Stern Epstein, Anna Pileggi, Betty Storck, Ann Meyer Klein, Robert Koffler, Robert Korn, Kay Becker Mitchell, Lynne Samuels Sklar, Peggy Brush Webster, Joan Smith Will, and Judy Feigel Wilson.**

Class of 1976 - 20th Reunion was held Saturday, November 30, 1996 at the Reading Terminal Market. The reunion was a casual affair with cabaret tables and a buffet dinner. A D.J. played music throughout the evening as classmates mingled and swapped stories. A record turnout of 345 people (including 240 classmates) made this a memorable evening. Everyone in attendance received a class directory and a ceramic mug to remember the evening. Classmates came from as far away as California, Oregon and Florida. **Adam Kolker** discontinued his performing in Paris to attend the reunion. The reunion was chaired by **Marcy Kurtz Goldshear** and a great committee that was made up of **Saly Glassman, Amy Breslow, Lauren Bender, Lesley Brown, Sue Dipenstein, Lisa Nerenberg, Jackie Matusow, Sue Kendall, Jonathan Shechtman and Joe Goldshear.** A Reunion Yearbook is available. Contact Sue Kendall for details.

Class of 1986 - 10th Reunion was held Friday, November 29, 1996 at Arthur's Catering. The dinner dance was a smashing success. The ticket price included an open bar and a great buffet dinner along with a D.J. playing music from the early 80s. Throughout the evening a photographer circulated among the crowd, taking over 600 candid polaroid pictures of the class to take home as souvenirs. In addition each class member received an updated class directory. TV sports reporter **Warren Flax** travelled from Seattle, WA while **Ellen Flacker** flew in from Oregon. Class sponsor,

Charles Stamm, '67 was also in attendance. The reunion was organized by the class officers **Jay Glickman, Rob Beck, Ken Spivack and Scott Steinberg** along with **Dara Markind Aronow, Andy Aronow, Janine Cauvin Chilson, Karen Lefbvre-Christou, Ralph Richardson and Marlie Robbins.**

Class of 1990 - 5th Reunion was held Saturday, November 29, 1996, at Curtis Hall. The casual setting along with a cash bar and plenty of hot and cold hors d'oeuvres allowed the over 125 class members to talk and reminisce with the music of their high school years playing in the background. The reunion was planned by class president **Scott Bogdan, Mike Rockower, and Josh Ginsberg.**

THANKS

The Alumni Association would like to thank the **Class of 1936** for their generous gift of \$300 for the Alumni Scholarship Fund. Thanks also to **Bernard B. Rothschild, '32** (Hall of Famer and Century Member) for his continued financial support of the Alumni Scholarship.

OLD HIGH SCHOOL MEMORIES

Get a piece of the old high school! The Cheltenham High School Alumni Association has saved 150 patio blocks from the front plaza of the old high school building. These 9" x 6" x 1" red blocks are the only known remains from the old school. A commemorative metal plate has been designed for the block that bears a picture of the high school and the inscription "Cheltenham High School, 1926-1959." If you would like to purchase one of these limited quantity mementoes send your name, class year, and address to the Cheltenham High School Alumni Association, P.O. Box 217, Wyncote, PA 19095-0217. The cost is \$30 plus \$8 shipping and handling. The proceeds from the sale of these blocks will benefit the Alumni Association Scholarship Fund. Please allow four weeks for delivery.

ATTENTION WRESTLERS

A wrestling team reunion is in the planning stages for all Coach Saltzman-era wrestlers (1961-71). The plan now calls for a January, 1998 get-together. If you are interested in being put on the invitation list please call the Grabfelder of your choice:

Kurt (610) 828-3023, Grant (215) 699-5774 or Mark (610) 584-8899. Maybe we can find out what moves work behind the ESSO station!

Hall of Fame

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Citation for contributions to children's literature. Currently, she lectures in creative writing at Beaver College in Glenside.

Adele Boyd, '49 has distinguished herself as an outstanding athlete and coach in the sport of field hockey. In 1953 Boyd received her undergraduate degree from Ursinus; the following

year she joined the faculty at Cheltenham as a physical education teacher and coach of the Lady Panthers' field hockey, basketball and lacrosse teams. She was a member of the Philadelphia Amateur Team from 1953 through 1967, and played on the U.S. National team from 1961 until 1967. In 1972, Boyd took over as the field hockey head coach at Ursinus, beginning a 17-year career that would include 16 winning seasons. She took the Lady Bears to three consecutive second-place finishes in the AIAW Tournament during the late 1970s. Her 1983 squad won the Eastern College Athletic Conference title. Boyd's career has earned her a place in the United States Field Hockey Association (USFHA) Hall of Fame, the Ursinus College Hall of Fame for Athletes, and the Philadelphia Chapter of the Pennsylvania Sports Hall of Fame. Boyd has served as national umpire, officer, and team selector for the USFHA. Currently, Ms. Boyd is Associate Professor of Exercise and Sport Science and Associate Director of Athletics at Ursinus College.

Dr. Winnifred Berg Cutler, '62 has strived to educate women and their doctors on female health issues. After graduat-

ing from Ursinus College, Dr. Cutler earned her Ph.D. in biology from the University of Pennsylvania in 1979, and did her postdoctoral work in behavioral endocrinology at Stanford University, where she founded the Stanford Menopause Study.

The author of six books on women's health, Dr. Cutler co-founded the University of Pennsylvania Women's Wellness Program in 1985, and served as its first Scientific Director. Dr. Cutler founded the Athena Institute for Women's Wellness, the first program of its

Brecker left the group after a year to join the Horace Silver Quintet. With that group, Brecker recorded his first album as a leader, *Score*, which also featured his 19 year-old brother Michael on tenor sax. After working with Horace Silver, Brecker co-founded the two pioneering jazz/rock groups that would establish his place as one of the architects of fusion: Dreams and the Brecker Brothers. Dreams, the more short-lived of the two, recorded two adventurous and wildly acclaimed albums before they disbanded in 1971. The Brecker Brothers, however, lasted for six years, making six albums and receiving seven Grammy nominations for their innovative blend of jazz with electrified rock and funk. His trumpet performances have graced albums by James Taylor, Bruce Springsteen, and Frank Zappa. Ten years after they disbanded, the Brecker Brothers reunited to produce a



Hall of Fame Master of Ceremonies Richard Weinstock, '76 kept the evening lively with his "diary" readings.

kind in the Delaware Valley. Dr. Cutler has published over 30 scientific papers in medical journals and holds several patents. She has spoken to medical societies, business groups, and television and radio audiences all over the world on issues concerning women's health. Dr. Cutler is a member of the International Society of Psychoneuroendocrinology and the International Academy of Sex Research.

Randy Brecker, '63 was voted "best all-around instrumentalist" as a CHS senior. After three years at Indiana University and one at New York University,

Brecker began what would become a prolific and innovative musical career by helping to form Blood, Sweat, and Tears.

triple-Grammy nominated recording, *The Return of the Brecker Brothers*. In the fall of 1994, the Brecker Brothers released the double-Grammy winning *Out of the Loop*.



During a luncheon reception at Melrose Country Club, Hall of Fame inductee Adele Boyd, '49 chats with Cheltenham's leading basketball scorer, Brandi Butler, '96.



Craig Littlepage, '69 imparts some wisdom during an assembly during Hall of Fame Day at Cheltenham.



Randy, '63 (Left) and Michael Brecker, '67 speak with a music class during the morning of Hall of Fame Day.

Congressman Jon D. Fox, '65 has dedicated nearly fifteen years to serving Montgomery County. Fox earned his bachelor's degree in Public Service from Pennsylvania State University in 1969. Fox received his Juris Doctor from the Delaware Law

School (now the Widener University School of Law) while working for the United States General Services Administration in Washington, D.C. In his first elected post as Assistant District Attorney in Montgomery County, Fox aggressively prosecuted violent criminals and drug offenders from 1976 to 1980. In 1984,

Fox was sent to the Pennsylvania House of Representatives by the 153rd Legislative District. In 1991, Fox was elected to the Montgomery County Board of Commissioners. Fox is currently a member of the 105th Congress. Originally elected by Pennsylvania's 13th District in 1994, Fox serves on the Banking and Financial Services Committee, the Veterans Affairs Committee, and the Government Reform and Oversight Committee.

Michael Brecker, '67 is one of the world's most respected and versatile musicians. His unique combination of pop and



Cheltenham School Board President Emily Brecker Greenberg, '65 presents resolutions to her Hall of Fame inductee brothers Randy and Michael on behalf of the Board of School Directors.

jazz on the tenor saxophone has been heard on recordings for such diverse artists as Quincy Jones, Bruce Springsteen, John Lennon, Frank Sinatra, Herbie Hancock, Paul Simon, and Janis Joplin. After a year at Indiana University, Brecker began his musical career in New York at eighteen years of age joining his brother Randy in the ground-breaking fusion group Dreams.

The Brecker brothers continued to work together for the next several years, as the front line for Horace Silver's quintet in 1973, and recording and touring with drummer Billy



Dr. Winnifred Berg Cutler, '62 receives her Hall of Fame plaque from classmate and Alumni Association President Betty Cataldi, '62.

Cobham in 1974. In 1975 Michael and Randy finally formed their own funk-based band and, that same year, released their debut album as The Brecker Brothers. After touring with such jazz legends as Pat

Metheny and Jaco Pastorius, Brecker began his solo career, releasing his self-titled solo debut on Impulse in 1987. Named "Jazz Album of the Year" by both *Downbeat* and *Jazziz* magazines, it was nominated for two Grammys. His second solo album, *Don't Try This At Home*, won him a Grammy for Best Jazz Instrumental Performance. Soon after his third solo

album was released in 1990, Brecker began recording as a featured soloist in Paul Simon's *Rhythm of the Saints*. In 1992, Brecker reunited with his brother to produce *Return of the Brecker Brothers*, which won three Grammy nominations and spawned a world tour. His first solo album in five years, *Tales from the Hudson*, won this year's Grammy for best Jazz Instrumental and the cut "Cabin Fever" won for

best Jazz-Instrumental Solo.

Craig Littlepage, '69 was an All-American, All-Region, and All-State basketball player at Cheltenham, who went on to play a key role in the University of Pennsylvania's

basketball team. After graduating from Penn's Wharton School of Business and Finance with a B.S. in Economics in 1973, Littlepage held assistant coaching positions at Villanova, Yale, and the University of Virginia. In 1982, Littlepage returned to his alma mater as head basketball coach where he led the Quakers to the Ivy League championship and the NCAA tournament in 1984-85. Littlepage then moved to Rutgers, and later returned to the University of Virginia. Following two years as a Virginia assistant coach, Littlepage was promoted to Assistant Athletic Director for basketball administration, and from there to Associate Director of Athletic Programs. In December of 1994 Littlepage was named the university's interim Director of Ath-



Barbara Snedeker Bates, '36 receives a citation from the Montgomery County Commissioners from Alumni Vice-President Charles Stamm, '67.

letics, a position he held until July 1995, when he was again elevated, this time to Senior Associate Director for Athletic Programs. Today he is responsible for the operations of the University of Virginia's \$15 million, 24 sport athletic program.



Randy Brecker, '63; Jon Fox, '65; Michael Brecker, '67; and Craig Littlepage, '69 pose after unveiling their pictures in the Hall of Fame Lobby of Cheltenham High School following the induction ceremony.

Alumni scholarship winners

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currently attending Vassar College in Poughkeepsie, New York.

Matthew K. Chamberlain was awarded the CHS Alumni Association's **Jack Wagman Scholarship**. Matt is attending Carnegie-Mellon University in Pittsburgh and will major in Mechanical Engineering. While at Cheltenham, Matt carried a full load of honors and enriched subjects for four years earning an incredible 3.919 cumulative average and a weighted class rank of seven. Chamberlain was recognized by the Merit Scholarship Corporation with a Letter of Commendation. An active member of Cheltenham's instrumental music department, Matthew played oboe and bells in the concert and marching band. He was the winner of the John Philip Sousa Award as well as the Albert E. Weston Award in Language Arts and the Clopp Memorial Service Award. Matt was a medal winner in local science fair competitions, earning first place recognition twice. He also was a sports writer for the *Cheltonian*. Outside

Erica was a totally involved Cheltenham citizen. Co-captain of the Girls' Tennis Team and Coaches Award winner, Erica was first team All-Suburban. A member of the school's string orchestra, Erica was a member of District and Regional Orchestra. Keen was an active member of Student Council, both as a homeroom representative and as a member of the Executive Committee, where she served as chair of the Promotional Committee. She served as co-editor of the school's literary magazine, the *Quintessence*, as well as being a staff writer for the *Cheltonian*. She was a performer in the school's musicals and the talent show. As a student, Erica won numerous awards at local and state-wide science fairs. Last year Erica was Cheltenham's lone winner of a National Merit Scholarship. Erica attends Yale University in New Haven, Connecticut where she is majoring in molecular biology and bio-chemistry.

Alexis A. Wetzel is a multi-talented student-athlete. Tackling a course load that included calculus, honors English, French V, and European History, Alexis was able to maintain a 3.65 cumulative average. A member of the National Honor Society, she was awarded the Dr. Herman Wessel Award in



(Left - Right) CHS Alumni Association Scholarship Chair Joan David Sundheim, CHS '52, presents \$500 checks to scholarship award winners Maureen E. Brown, Matthew K. Chamberlain, Erica C. Keen, and Alexis A. Wetzel.

of school Matthew contributed a large amount of time to Rotary Club activities as well as being an active member of his church.

Erica C. Keen has a list of awards and achievements that befits her number one class ranking and Phi Beta Kappa Award as the senior class's most outstanding scholar. In addition to a schedule that included all honors and enriched classes for which she earned a perfect 4.0 average,

Social Studies. A strong athlete as well, Alexis was a four year performer in field hockey and lacrosse and was a tri-captain of both teams her senior year. She was voted to the All League Team in both sports. On the cultural side, Alexis played the cello for four years in the string orchestra and the chamber orchestra. Alexis was also a member of Students for Environmental Awareness (SEA). Ms. Wetzel attends Pennsylvania State University as a history major.

Sports Update

Since the last *Panther's Tale* Cheltenham's athletes have been winning championships at a spectacular pace. The 1995-6 Girls' Basketball Team led by all-time leading scorer Brandi Butler won Cheltenham's first District I Championship and finished in the final four of the PIAA State Championships. The track program was on the fast track last year when both the boys and girls placed second as teams in the PIAA Championships. The Boys' Tennis Team won the Suburban I Championship while the Girls' Softball team placed 4th in the District I tournament.

This year, the Girls' Tennis team started the spring with a Suburban I Championship. The Boys' Soccer team, with their best team since 1990 won the Suburban I crown and placed second in the District I tournament. Junior goalie Scott Simon set a state record for most consecutive shutouts with 10. The Girls' Basketball team won their 11th straight Suburban I Championship, finished second in District I and lost in the State semi-finals to the eventual PIAA champs. The indoor track season saw the Chelts crown two state champions: Anthony Hollis (55 meters) and David Gary (long jump). Senior Tim Gerhardt had the top time in the state for the 800. Go Chelts!

IN MEMORIAM

Dr. Edwin B. Keim, principal of Cheltenham High School from 1954 to 1973, died at age 85 on December 23, 1996. Dr. Keim came to Cheltenham in 1954 from the Kennett Square school system where he served as a teacher and administrator. Keim will be remembered as the principal who helped plan and execute the construction of the current high school in Wyncote in 1959 and the additions in 1966. He was also responsible for maintaining the high educational standards that have become synonymous with the name of Cheltenham.

Dr. Keim served as president of the National Association of Secondary School Principals and also as president of the Headmaster's Association. Since his retirement, he served as a professor in the Graduate School of Education at Lehigh University and as a visiting professor at several other universities.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Cheltenham High School Alumni Association Scholarship Fund.

JOIN THE CENTURY CLUB LIST

The CHS Alumni Association's **Century Club** is looking for a few good graduates to help us reach our goal of 1000 **Century Club Members** by the start of the new century. All you have to do to join the **Century Club** is send the \$100 century membership fee today! If you are already a life member of the CHSAA then you can move up to the **Century Club** for only \$75. Show your Blue and Gold spirit; join today. Listed below are all the **NEW Century Club** members since the last *Panther's Tale* was published. Will your name appear in the next issue?

WILLIAM FRY	'27	ELIZABETH NEWHART REICHERT	'51	HERSCHEL ELIAS	'65
MIRIAM BLOCH SIMON	'32	EDWIN ZERRER	'52	ROBERT GOLDMAN	'65
NORMAN TEMPEST	'32	HAROLD ABRAMS	'55	JOAN GREENBERG	'65
JEANNE FRIEDMAN WESTHEIMER	'32	GEORGE SCHMIDT	'55	PHYLLIS BLECHMAN LANGBERG	'65
NANCY FLEISHER GIDEON	'33	ELAINE MOOK LANDAU	'56	DONALD MATHIS	'65
OSCAR LOFSTROM	'33	MARY RICKER WESTCOTT	'56	LOUIS ROSSMAN	'65
DAVID TYRE	'35	LOUISE SPERBER	'56	EARL SEGAL	'65
MARGARET BRISTER KIZLIN	'36	WILLIAM TETLOW	'56	CHARLES STERNE	'65
ELEANOR HUSTON SCOTT	'36	IVAN POPKIN	'57	JEROME MARCUS	'68
EARL GOTTSCHALK	'37	MORTON LANGSFELD III	'58	KATHY DELANTY PORTNER	'68
SAMUEL MOORE	'37	VIVIAN ROTHSTEIN KISSILEFF	'59	WILLIAM PORTNER	'68
JANET MORRISON TYRE	'37	THOMAS MADORNO	'59	JAY LIPSCHUTZ	'69
CURTIS MYERS	'37	SUSAN ALEXANDER POPKIN	'59	JILL GANSMAN KRAUS	'70
KENNETH MEINKEN	'39	MYRON CAPLAN	'60	HONEY TRACTENBERG SAYER	'70
CATHERINE KEELAN MCKEE	'41	GLORIA STRICK FINE	'60	BETH ALEXANDER	'71
ALICE FRANCE BOWDITCH	'42	MITCHELL GINSBERG	'60	ANDREW GROSS	'71
RUTH OHLER FLETCHER	'42	GILBERT BENJAMIN	'61	LAWRENCE DANNENBERG	'72
ELIZABETH QUINN BILLINGS	'43	WARREN LINDIG	'61	CHRISTINE PETCH URFFER	'72
ALAN BRISTER	'44	STEVE WOOD	'61	ELISE EGERTER LEONARD	'73
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The May 1996 Israeli national election marked the first direct election of a prime minister in Israel's history, and the vote was close, **Benjamin Netanyahu**, 1,501,023 (50.4%); **Shimon Peres**, 1,471,566 (49.5%). But with that vote Israel had a new Prime Minister in 1967 Cheltenham High School graduate **Benjamin "Bibi" Netanyahu**.

Netanyahu, who was born in Israel, came to Elkins Park with his parents and two brothers in 1963, when his father was appointed a professor at Dropsie College for Hebrew and Cognate Learning, now part of the Annenberg Research Institute. He was 13 years old and in the eighth grade at the Ogontz Jr. High. He continued his studies through Cheltenham High School as an outstanding honors student, finishing fourth in his class of 542. Leaving just before his 1967 graduation along with several classmates, "Bibi" returned to Israel to help in the Six-Day War.

He served five years as a paratrooper, being promoted to captain after the Yom Kippur War. Later, **Netanyahu** returned to the United States where he at-

tended MIT, earning his undergraduate and master's degree. He then returned to Israel. After his brother **Jonathan's** tragic death on July 4, 1976, in the commando raid on Entebbe, Uganda that freed 105 hostages, he became director of the Jonathan Institute. Named for his brother, the institute studies all aspects of terrorism, a theme that Benjamin has focused on ever since he began his public life.

From 1982 to 1984, **Netanyahu** served as Israel's deputy ambassador to the United States in Washington. He was appointed ambassador to the United Nations in 1984, a position he held for four years. He resigned to return to Israel to run for the Knesset, Israel's parliament.

Cheltenham congratulates its first international head of state, Prime Minister **Benjamin Netanyahu**, '67!



Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, '67

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