

New life members

Class of 1934
Edward Gillingham
—*Memorial by Norman Kelly '38*

Class of 1937
Leonora G. De Vito
Charles Gallagher
Mary Genther Timme
Frederick L. Hecht
John K. Moore
John Newns
John Oughton
William H. Russell, Jr.
—*Memorials by the Class of 1938*

George W. Saylor
Melvin G. Simmons
Gertrude K. Somers
Doris Westervelt Weaver
—*Memorials by Norman Kelly '38*

Class of 1938
Dr. Robert Ambacher
Asso
—*Gift by Norman Kelly '38*

Class of 1939
David L. Dean, Jr.
Dorothy J. Getches Fisk
Gerald L. Gibbs
James H. Gibson
John T. Gilligan
Ann K. Habhegger
Reisse
James C. Hughes
Erma R. Jones
William H. Kistler
—*Memorials by Norman Kelly '38*

Mary E. Kreider
Doris R. Margerum
Saurman
—*Memorials by the Class of 1938*

Mildred Massino
—*Memorial by Norman Kelly '38*

Helen Mc Allister
Mayfield
—*Memorial by the Class of 1938*

Thomas Moore
—*Memorial by Norman Kelly '38*

Fredrick D. Venables
Adeline Wentz
—*Memorials by the Class of 1938*

James K. Weil

Class of 1941
B. Frank Boutcher

Class of 1945
Elizabeth G. Winkler
Mangin

Class of 1947
George Hampshire

Class of 1948
Nancy A. Schwarz Settar

Class of 1949
Calvin Ebert

Class of 1950
Marion Arnold Boutcher
Susan Morris Ebert

Class of 1954
Robert Scott Blilie
Alan Braunworth
Corothy M. Schultz Britt

Class of 1955
Ken Beaver
Joseph Good
Barbara J. Patchell

Class of 1959
Lynn Espenshade
Josephine Serratore
Roach

Class of 1960
David Kohr
Linda Thomas Jones

Class of 1963
Melvin M. Dicks
Nancy L. Ogle Macur

Class of 1964
Robert Helm
James Tanner
C. Ross Todd

Class of 1966
Carlotta R. Lloyd
Carridice
Michael P. Matey

Class of 1968
June Cross Coyle

Class of 1969
Barbara L. Adamson
Shaw

Kathleen M. Smith
Messick

Class of 1971
Cora L. Basch Weiner

Class of 1974
Carole Maher

Class of 1975
Jacqueline Bernstein
Weisman

Class of 1976
John Nagel

Class of 1978
Dr. Stephen Soll

Class of 1979
Mona E. Haimowitz
Weinstein

Class of 1980
Geo Johnston
Mark Pfeiffer

Class of 2003
Kelly Allen
Kristen Allen
Christine Costello
Kerri Winters

Class of 2004
Matthew Arkans
Brittany Austin
—*Alumni Award for Cosmetology*
Jason Bell
Matthew Brennan
Shawn Brooks
Jacqueline Cairone
Keith Christian

Rachel Cohen
Joseph Corrigan
Timothy Czerviski
Conor Dibble
Alison Duff
James Duffy

—*Alumni Award for Collision Technology*
Tiffany Fleming
Rachel Goldberg
Julie Green
Danielle Greene
Jennifer Hayes
Kevin Hess
Lynn Hess

—*Alumni Award for Cosmetology*
Samantha Horowitz
Kristen Jasionowski
Christie Jephson
Matthew Kaufman
Lindsay Marquardt
Daniel McCoach
Laura McGough
Claire Melin
Amee Merkle
Sara Moskowitz
Ernst Pisch
Andrew Pollen
Nicholas Porrece
Adam Scharfberg
Briana Schmiedekamp
Justin Schorr
Glenn Seeholzer
David Tanenbaum
Joshua Wagner
Stacy L. Weinstein
Lauren A. Weld
Meghan E. Wendell
Glen E Woldow
Kevin J. Wolfe
Kye Jung Yun
Catherine R. Zickel

Memberships and donations 2004

500 Club

36 Denise Case '73
37 Dorothy Campbell Lubkay '55
38 Susan Edith Rozelle '69

Century

399 Grace Norman Renz '54
400 Charlotte Bishop
Klockenthoer '35
401 Donald F. Pearce '68
402 George Johnston '80
403 Karen Weaver '76
404 Ellen Maitin '69
405 Jane Locker Sproat '44
406 Edward Gowen '52
407 George L. Timme '36,
memorial by Barbara Clayton
Timme
408 Virginia McClay Cunningham
'51

Cornerstone

389 Joseph F. Malseed '67
390 Paul Vestal '57
391 Eleanor Gutgesell Cropp '51
392 Donald S. Knight, Jr. '41
393 Jay Goldstein '74
394 Charles Sterrett '42

Maroon and White

175 Peace Paubionsky '35

Boosters

\$100 Charlotte Bishop
Klockenthoer '35
\$25 Edward Gorke '74
\$20 Dorothy Taliferro Dinkins '37

Specified Donations

\$50 Overlook Hills Women's Club
\$500 Fifty Plus Club

Memorial Donations

\$675 For Jean Renninger Whitman
'49 by the 1949 Reunion
Committee
\$500 For Robert E. Lubkay '55 by
his wife, Dorothy Campbell
Lubkay
\$100 For Clement Darby '47 by his
wife, Lois and his children,
Stephen, Susanne, and Beth
\$15 For Paul Williams '32 by Jean
E. Coley
\$100 For Paul W. Williams '32 by
his daughter and her husband,
Joan Williams Buehl '57 and
John Buehl
\$100 For Paul W. Williams '32 by
his grandchildren, Linda
Buehl, Keith Mock, Lisa
Buehl, Brian De Cesare,
David and Amy Buehl and
Dan Buehl
\$100 For Paul W. Williams '32 by
his great-grandchildren, Liz,
Kate and Tyler Mock, Jacob
De Cesare, and Ava and
Zachary Buehl
\$10 For Paul W. Williams '32 by
Don and Ann Guida
\$25 For Bettie Ross Jennings '65
by her sister, June Ross Coyle
\$25 For Beverly Carter Glass
Wolfe '61 by Suzanne Robson
Hills '61
\$30 For Ruth Luby Dicks '36 by
Melvin D. Dicks '63
\$50 For John Leidy '45 by his
sister, Jean Leidy Mangold '44
\$150 For Marion Elizabeth Beans
'32 by her daughter, Elizabeth
Bryant Park '58
\$100 For Kenneth Schaefer '36 by
his brother and sister-in-law,
Fred F. '33 and Stella Schaefer
\$50 For Gordon Mullen '37 by
Doris and Howard Schaefer
'35
\$100 For Ruth Schmidt Rittenhouse
'31 by Barbara Rittenhouse
Gory '61

\$25 For Howard Clark '44 by his
sister Ethel Clark '42
\$25 For Herb Peck '43 by Betty
Thurber Krewson '43
\$25 For Frank Wirs '43 by Betty
Thurber Krewson '43
\$50 For Patsy Gardner Wilkins '47
by Persis Hartzell Lequin '47
\$20 For Ruth Schmidt Rittenhouse
'31 by Nina Rosen
\$50 For Ruth Schmidt Rittenhouse
'31 by Jeffrey F. Clunie
\$25 For Jeffrey D. Wall '69 by his
parents, Adele Ritchie Wall
'41 and R. Bruce Wall '41
\$250 For Jim Kiesling '51 by his
brother Robert Kiesling '48
\$50 For Norman William Shriver
'52 by the Class of 1952
\$25 For Elizabeth Haffner Palmer
'44 by Charles Sterrett '42
\$50 For John V. Rafferty '45 by
Louise Huttlin Rafferty '46
\$50 For Larry Kinnear, Marine
KIA in Vietnam, by Skip
Matey '66
\$50 For Frank Malseed, Marine
KIA in Vietnam, by Skip
Matey '66
\$20 For Marian York Sharman '13
by her son Sumner F. Sharman
'45

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President's column

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designated Alumni Weekend is an intriguing concept which, when combined with the nostalgia of a football game at the new stadium, just may take off.

In all probability, most of you have never visited the Alumni Association office. Located in the Administration Building (formerly the junior high school), it's a rather inconspicuous place. The entrance is in what, in my day, was the ramp from the boys locker room to the first floor corridor. For those of us who frequent it, the Alumni Association office has recently become

a much brighter spot due largely to the efforts of the Cunninghams—Ginny '51 and Wayne '50—whose tireless efforts have resulted in a fresh coat of paint and plans to attractively display some of the many archives.

I once again remind you that each new Life Membership in the Alumni Association helps provide scholarships for deserving seniors. Scholarships awarded in 2004 totaled \$11,000. If you are not now a Life Member, why not send in your check today? As you review the record of memberships and donations on this page and the next

page, you will notice that many alumni also take advantage of the opportunity to upgrade their memberships or provide a memorial donation in memory of a deceased classmate or friend.

Thank you again for your generous support of the stadium fundraising campaign. We are nearing our goal and move eagerly toward kickoff: Abington versus Plymouth-Whitemarsh on September 9.

*For the Maroon and White,
Bill Landherr '55*

Class reunions

The Fifty Plus Club Luncheon will be held at noon Friday, Oct. 14, at the Williamson Restaurant, Easton and Blair Mill roads in Horsham, Pa. The welcome mat will be out for all graduates and their guests from classes up to and including the class of 1955. Reservations forms will be mailed in mid-August. Space is limited to seating 450, so advance reservations are a must. The deadline for reservations is October 8, and once the reservation limit has been reached, no further reservations will be accepted. We will not seat walk-ins the day of the luncheon. Plan now for this great gathering.

Class of 1945 (60th)—Plans under way for the weekend of Oct. 14-15. Contact Bob Stokes, 2820 Kentner Rd., Hatboro, Pa. 19040, 215-675-0423.

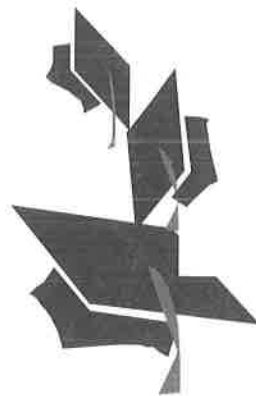
Class of 1950 (55th)—Plans under way for the weekend of Oct. 14-15. Contact Buzz and Jane Walker, 1576 Derry Drive, Dresher, PA 19025, 215-643-1974.

Class of 1955 (50th)—Weekend of Oct. 14-16 at the Trevoise Radisson. Contact Bill Landherr, 215-646-2493, e-mail wjlcorro@aol.com.

Class of 1960 (45th)—Saturday, April 30, at the Huntingdon Valley Country Club, \$70 per person. Golf is available Saturday for \$55 (greens fees and cart). Contact Charles Kremp, 406 Newbold Road, Jenkintown, Pa. 19046, e-mail ahs60@kremp.com.

Class of 1965 (40th)—Organizer needed.

Class of 1969—Missed the 35th, planning the 40th. Contact Linda Altadonna Gray, 5251 Geddes Way,



Pipersville, Pa. 18947, 215-766-0455 or e-mail lindacarolarts@yahoo.com.

Class of 1970 (35th)—Organizer needed.

Class of 1975 (30th)—Friday, Nov. 25, plans under way. Contact Francie Stoddard Denson, 4 Steeplechase Circle, Horsham, Pa. 19044, 215-646-2271, e-mail fdenson@comcast.net.

Class of 1980 (25th)—Friday, November 25, at Normandy Farms in Blue Bell. Contact Cheryl Carroll Burn, P.O. Box 1004, Roslyn, Pa. 19001, 215-886-7139 or e-mail ahs1980@comcast.net.

Class of 1985 (20th)—Plans under way for November. Contact Ann Bonfiglio at annbon@comcast.net or Scott Gallant at shlubba@aol.com.

Class of 1990 (15th)—Organizer needed.

Class of 1995 (10th)—Friday, Nov. 25, at the Great American Pub in Conshohocken. E-mail ahs95reunion@yahoo.com or visit <http://www.geocities.com/ahs95reunion>.

Class of 2000 (5th)—Organizer needed.

For the latest class reunion news, visit the Association's web site at <http://www.abington.k12.pa.us/alumni/alumni.htm>.

Sports

The highlight of Abington's football season, in which the team compiled a 5-7 record, was a 21-7 upset of Cheltenham on Thanksgiving morning.

Now that the Ghosts have a new stadium, the traditional Abington-Cheltenham rivalry will be an annual Thanksgiving Day event scheduled home and away on alternate years. Don't miss the game and ceremonies opening the new stadium—Abington vs Plymouth Whitmarsh on Friday evening September 9, 2005.



wrestling team sent four wrestlers to the districts, and one went as far as the Southeastern regionals.

The top two teams in the Fall were golf (18-2) and boys soccer (11-9). During the Winter sports season, boys basketball had a fine season, making the playoffs, but losing in an upset in the first round of the district playoffs. The

News

Rally round the flagpole update

When the Stadium campaign kicked off last year, your Alumni Association pledged \$10,000 for naming rights to the flagpole. Many other naming opportunities were available, but we chose the flagpole because the flag is symbolic of the loyalty, honor, dedication and pride that so many graduates of Abington Senior High School feel for their alma mater.

With so many generous alumni selecting from the myriad opportunities for named gifts, the Flagpole Fund could hardly be expected to draw serious attention. Thus it is that with the opening of the stadium just six months in the future, we are still more than \$3,000 short of our commitment.

For those of you who wish to contribute to the Stadium Fund, but not through purchase of a paver or named gift, your flagpole donation of any dollar amount will be most appreciated.

Any flagpole funds received in excess of the \$10,000 will be applied to the stadium campaign. To contribute, use the Membership and Donation form on page 7 and check "Flagpole Fund" under Donations.

Contributors to the Flagpole Fund

Neil Beahan
Ken Beaver
Joan Bondi
Russell Burger
Walter and Lorraine Cameron
G. W. Chapman
Carol deLuca
Carol Rowland Diehl
Dorothy Donaldson
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Susan Steckline Overbey
Benjamin F. Overbey
Players on three championship baseball teams of 1946, '47, '48
Bonnie Jean Davey Rae
Dorothy Spence Schere
Tim Simmons
Ruth Lefferts Stapleton
William Wagner, MD
Barbara Nitterauer Watt
Jonathan Weiss
Shirley Mills Wilson
Jean McGee Young

Six in Class of 2004 awarded Alumni Association scholarships

The Alumni Association awarded six scholarships to members of the Class of 2004. Receiving scholarships of \$2,500 were Matthew Arkens, attending Franklin & Marshall University, and Jihan Thomas, attending the School of Visual Arts. Receiving a \$2,000 scholarship was Warren Longcore, attending Trinity College. Ernst Pisch, attending Binghamton University, and Jessica Deck, attending Albright College, both received scholarships of \$1,500. Receiving a \$1,000 scholarship was Laura Sauerman, attending Drexel University.

Ghosts of the past

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their time. Those of you with long memories will recall that the 1953-54 team was undefeated and the 1954-55 team lost only to Lower Merion.

The October 14 game will feature the Ghosts of 2005 versus North Penn in a classic matchup on the new stadium turf. Other events include a nostalgic halftime ceremony, the return after 50 years of Gail Pfahler Patterson as honorary head cheerleader, and a reception following the game.

Earlier on October 14, the Fifty

Plus Club luncheon will be held. Reunions for the Classes of 1945, 1950, and 1955 will be held on Saturday, October 15. These events have prompted Abington High School Principal Dr. Robert Burt to designate the weekend as Alumni Weekend. This is not to be confused with the annual Homecoming celebration, held on the day of the Abington-Cheltenham game (this year, it's November 24, Thanksgiving Day).

Where are they now?

Louise Buell McClure '41 of Rydal, Pa., retired from the Centennial School District in Bucks County, Pa., and received an award for 37 years of distinguished teaching. During her career, she received many degrees and honors.

Jack Reading '41 of Clearwater, Fla., is a retired plumbing specialties sales manager of Southwest U.S. In retirement, he's served as president of the Clearwater Kiwanis Club and his homeowners association. His son, **John Reading III '80**, was the athletic director for Central Bucks East. His daughter, **Linda Kay Reading Bright '83**, is teaching in the Los Angeles area. You can contact Jack at keelay@gbonline.com.

Bill Redstreak '50 is the author of *Wine of Life*, a novel based on his experiences in the Korean War. The Lower Gwynedd, Pa., resident is writing a new series of historically accurate tales of uncommon heroes of North America. The first book in the new series, *Taste the Earth*, is an unvarnished depiction of the harsh life of common people in Europe, where women were the property of men, and in North America, where powerful matrilineal tribes influenced those who gave us our foundations of freedom. Bill's second book is titled *Runner of*

the Woods. Bill is a member of the Lenape Nation. Contact him at redstreak@msn.com.

Patricia Wells Lunneborg '51 of Seattle, Wash., is the author of *Women Police: Portraits of Success*, which documents the particulars of police lives. Contact her at lunneborg@comcast.net or visit <http://www.lunneborg.net>.

Barbara Gattirer Wood '57 of Melvin Village, N.H., is a member of the town planning board of Lake Winnepesaukee and a master gardener. **Susan Pratt Espenshade '61** of Westhampton, N.J., retired as a social science teacher and department chair from Mount Holly (N.J.) public schools, and is now the coordinator of distance learning at Burlington County College.

Dr. Raymond J. Boccuti '76 of Langhorne, Pa., was appointed superintendent of the school district of Jenkintown, Pa. Contact him at drrjbmusic@comcast.net.

Sharon Hernes Silverman '77 of Ambler, Pa., is the author of *Brandywine Valley: The Informed Traveler's Guide*, published by Stackpole Books. For information, visit <http://www.BrandywineGuide.com>.

Wendy Cunningham Martin '78 teaches in the Pemberton (N.J.) School

District and has been honored multiple times in *Who's Who in American Teachers*. She lives in Wrightstown, N.J.

Sibel E. Awan '85 has lived in Turkey and Saudi Arabia, but is now home in Abington. She's director of Pre-Paid Legal Services Inc., and an ambassador for the Greater Horsham-Willow Grove Chamber of Commerce. Contact her at <http://www.abouthelpingyou.com>.

Amy Eisman '90 is living in Santa Monica, Calif., and is a licensed psychotherapist and director of day treatment at a large mental health agency in Hollywood.

Danielle R. Burke Baile '93 holds a degree in astrophysics from Lycoming College, with a double minor in English literature and mathematics. She lives in York, Pa.

Jonathon Loy '98 of Huntingdon Valley, Pa., has been appointed general director of the Center City Opera Theater in Philadelphia, based at the city's Kimmel Center for the Performing Arts. The company's first opera was Verdi's *Rigoletto*; the company also gives lectures at Starbucks coffee-houses, Tower Records, and Equality Forum. You can get acquainted with the company at a martini bar. For information, visit <http://www.jonathonloy.com>.

Association seeks help to convert alumni database

The Alumni Association is seeking help from the alumni to bring its database forward from a DOS-based application (PC File) to a Windows-based application such as File Express or Microsoft Access. Within the next year, the association will select a systems developer to convert the database.

The PC alumni database was started in 1987 by Charles Corwin '40. Chuck developed many different reports, listings, form



letters, and mailing labels before formally retiring from this responsibility last year.

If you have experience in Windows-based application development, specifically database (DBF) files, and would like to freelance or donate your skills to the association, contact Tim Simmons at tasimmons@gmail.com or call 215-947-4118

Hall of Fame

The AHS Hall of Fame began in 1988 as an annual commemoration, honoring distinguished living graduates of Abington High School.

The categories are arts, athletics, business, education, government, science, and service. Induction into the Hall of Fame is now every three years with the next ceremony

scheduled for the fall of 2005.

Of special interest to all alumni is the posthumous category. You may nominate deceased alumni who distinguished themselves in any discipline for consideration by the committee. Final selection of the posthumous awardee is made by your Alumni Association.

Hall of Fame Nomination Form

I wish to nominate _____ Class of _____

to the Abington High School Hall of Fame in the category of _____

Nominee's address

Nominee's phone number _____

Return this form to William Penderghest,
 Chairman, Hall of Fame Committee,
 Abington Senior High School,
 900 Highland Ave., Abington, Pa. 19001.

Membership and Donation Form

Membership

- Life, \$20 (one-time donation)
- Cornerstone, \$25
- Maroon & White, \$50
- Century Club, \$100
- 500 Club, \$500

Donations (any amount)

- Booster donation
- Memorial donations—other than life membership memorials
- Flagpole Fund
- I am willing to give a little time to work for the Alumni Association.

Class year	Present membership	Phone number
_____	_____	_____
First name	Maiden if applicable	Surname
_____	_____	_____
Address—please check here if this is a new address <input type="checkbox"/>		
_____	_____	_____
City	State	ZIP Code
_____	_____	_____
Spouse's full name		

Please add memorial donation information here. Attach second sheet if needed.		

Total enclosed (make checks payable to Abington High School Alumni Association) _____		
Please detach form and mail to AHSAA at P.O. Box 55, Abington, Pa. 19001.		

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■ Attend the annual Association business meeting at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, May 12, in the Alumni Office in the Administration Building on Highland Avenue in Abington.

■ Help build the scholarship fund by registering for eScrip at <http://www.escrip.com>. Specify number 149066266 to benefit the Association.

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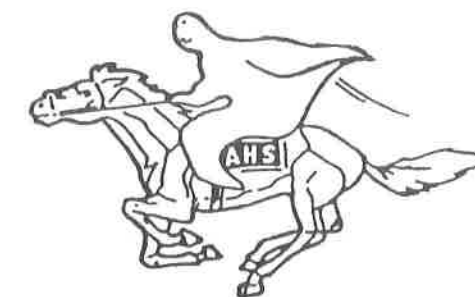
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Abington Ghost Stories



Spring 2005

Ghosts of the past herald Alumni Weekend

The headline read, "West scores 21 TDs." Do you remember the year? For you trivia buffs, that was 1954, and marked the end of a brilliant three-year career for Rollie West and his teammates from the Class of 1955. Those 21 touchdowns came in only eight games, as the schedules were shorter 50 years ago and Hurricane Hazel caused cancellation of the game against Bok Vocational.

On Friday evening, October 14, 2005, the Ghosts of 1954 and 1955 will once again set foot on the gridiron. We're bringing back those heroes of yesteryear for one more moment of glory—stalwarts like Rollie West, Bill Bannak, Gordon Biddle, Chip Archer, Bob Brosso, Tom DeFlavis, Harry Martin, Jim Casey, Ronnie Vaughn, Vince Hottle, Ray Marino and Ronnie Zimmerman, many of them legends in

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Rollie West takes a handoff in the '54-'55 Ghosts' 28-0 victory over Chester.

Fifty years after graduation: Looking back, looking ahead

A year ago, your Alumni Association, in cooperation with the Abington Educational Foundation and the school administration, set out to raise \$1 million for the new Abington High School field facility through an enthusiastic fundraising campaign. I am delighted to report that we are well on the way to achieving our goal, with pledges as of March 1 totaling over \$850,000 and almost \$600,000 deposited in the bank. Specific gifting opportunities such as pavers, lockers, and trees are still available. Don't miss out on the opportunity to add your name to the ever-growing list of alumni donors. Contact Dr. Amy Sichel, superintendent, at 215-881-2500 or e-mail GallopingGhosts@abington.k12.pa.us. Your generosity has also helped push contributions received for the Alumni Association flagpole to almost \$7,000 or 70% of our \$10,000 goal. You may contribute to the flagpole fund by using the Membership and Donation Form on page 7.



From the
President

The year 2005 marks my 50th year since graduation, and I look forward with anticipation to my class reunion

planned for this fall. For those of you who may be thinking about your own class reunion, here's an example of what can be done with dedicated effort:

At the conclusion of our 45th reunion, the Class of 1955 began to form an e-mail network that has now grown to include almost 75% of the class members. A planned three-day event including golf, the Fifty Plus Club luncheon, Abington versus North Penn football game, postgame reception, tours of the school district, a Saturday night gala, devotional service, and Sunday brunch will attract participation from about 85% of the surviving class members.

Your alumni association can get you started planning your own class reunion, but the key to success is to begin early. Two years before the event, your committee should be working and a location should be reserved. The alumni data base maintained by the Alumni Association will provide you with the most recent mailing addresses on file, but the rest of the work of keeping in touch is up to you.

This year, the weekend of October 14-15 has been designated Alumni Weekend, and will feature the reunions of the classes of 1945, 1950, and 1955. The idea of an annually

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