

Potsdam High Class Of '68 Holds Tenth

A total of 77 members of the Potsdam High School Class of 1968 attended their tenth class reunion, held Aug. 5 at Fiocco's Restaurant. The weekend began Aug. 4 with a Friday night informal gathering at the Quonset restaurant and ended on Aug. 6 with a family picnic at Postwood Park.

The years rolled back when the class will and the class prophecy were read by Ken Friedel, Jane Irish Brown, Anne Holden Camera, and Steve VanNess. Miss Ruth Haley and Mrs. William VanAlstine attended as guests of honor.

Martha Hartle Cobane, mistress of ceremonies, presented the following gag gifts: most travel, Steve Weitzman; most children, Nancy White Green; mother of four girls, Karen Mero Phillips; best bottle collection, Dennis LaPointe; most home movies, Sue Mitchell Ovgian; one from farthest away, Diane Bautaw, Norwood; caretaker of those classmates left in Potsdam, Tim O'Brien; long standing secretary, Sharon Flanders; baldest, Doug Cheeseman; loss of most weight, Betsy Friedel.

The evening included dinner and dancing to the music of Blue Suede Shoes.



CLASS REUNION-The Potsdam High School Class of 1968 posed for this picture at their recent tenth class reunion.

Saints Go Marching In To State Fair

BY BEV STEENBERG

The St. Lawrence Central Marching Saints are putting even more enthusiasm than usual into their practices as State Fair time approaches. Band members, Band Boosters, Director Peter Goloski and twirling instructor Carol Martin seem to comprise a mutual admiration society. Each gives credit to the other for a successful summer band program.

Band Booster President, Dave Montgomery, states that no one is more dedicated than Mr. Goloski. Upon observing the band at practice, that claim is easy to believe.

Approximately 65 students, 14 of them new to the band this year, appear at the school twice weekly throughout the summer, practicing diligently, following rules laid down by Mr. Goloski. He gives a pep talk or instructions. Band members praise their instructor, always showing respect.

Mr. Goloski's daughter, Amy, who recently turned four, happily marches

along beside the band during most of their practices, visibly counting as the conscientiously keeps step with the other marchers. However, the Saints can't look forward to Amy's becoming a member, since she will attend St. Regis Falls School.

Important Addition

An important addition to any band is the twirling section and color guard. Carol Martin is responsible for instructing the St. Lawrence Central twirlers; she, too, receiving much praise for her dedication. Many of Mrs. Martin's girls are switching from batons to Swiss flags or swing flags this summer.

The twirlers conduct classes for anyone in the district from pre-school age to grade 12, charging a small fee. The money received from this activity goes into a fund for equipment and scholarships to a twirling camp. Selected to attend this year were Jan LaMarche, Karen Lashomb and Danielle Dalbec, who recently returned from a week at the Blue Mountain Sports

Camp in the Poconos. Transportation was provided by the school. Danielle and Jan will be competing for the spot of feature twirler for the band at the State Fair. Much credit is also given to Debbie Ashley, the drum majorette who leads the band.

Neighborhood youngsters, too, enjoyed the evening practices. Dreamy-eyed little girls attempt to keep up with the group marching around the circle, ducking swinging flags, squeezing by parked cars in an attempt to stay with the band.

Boosters Share Credit

Coming in for a share of the credit are the Band Boosters, a group of about twenty adults who are interested in the band. These people act as chaperones on the buses, provide refreshments when the band travels, and raise money for equipment. Their cheering section also boosts the morale of the band. The shiny, new drums were last year's donation; this year the Band Boosters have ordered a banner which is expected to arrive August 20.

After a long day of traveling and then marching on a hot day, there's nothing like a drink of cold water. An insulated jug, donated to the Band Boosters by Reynolds Metals, makes this possible.

Band Boosters who chaperone the buses not only enforce the rules, but follow them; it's a long trip for many of them from Brasher to Syracuse without a cigarette. Goloski states emphatically that the summer band program would not exist without the help of the Band Boosters.

Montgomery proudly relates that the Marching Saints had just four practices before going to Cape Vincent on July 8. They took second place in that competition and were given a trophy for a very outstanding performance after the parade. They have also marched in the Ogdensburg Seaway Festival and the Gouverneur Fair. On August 12 they marched in the Lawrenceville Firemen's Parade and plan on competing in the New York State Fair on August 26. Mr. Goloski stated he believes home town parades are very

important and likes the band to march in as many as possible. He feels the band could march in three or four local parades each year.

Never On Sunday

The youngsters do not march on Sundays, most of the members preferring not to. Many parents, too, objected to Sunday marching, according to Mr. Montgomery. Mr. Goloski added that this opinion was expressed to the Board of Education and the Board made a ruling to that effect.

In arranging the band's schedule, three events take priority: The Cape Vincent French Festival, the Ogdensburg Seaway Festival and the New York State Fair. Mr. Goloski prefers to be contacted personally at any early date if a group wishes the band to march. He pointed out that the Lawrenceville Fire Department requested last March that the group take part in their parade in August.

The hard-working band is a source of pride to Mr. Goloski. "They are a bunch of great kids," he remarked.

People

BREGG GRADUATES

Martin J. Bregg, Box 285, Norfolk, received the bachelor of science degree at the recent commencement exercises at The College of Saint Rose in Albany.

INJURED MAN

Kevin Helmar, son of Mr. & Mrs. William Helmar, Butternut Ridge Road, Potsdam, was in an accident on June 17 and is in Brook Army Hospital with serious injuries to his right leg. He expects to be in the hospital several months with skin grafts, and bone fusions. He would like friends for writing and would appreciate hearing from folks back home. His address is: PFC Kevin R. Helmar, 111-49-6178, Brook Army Hospital, Beach Pav. 43C, Fort Sam Houston, Texas 78234.

BRUMELLE ATTENDS CONVENTION

Miss Nelle Brumelle, 25 Leroy St., attended the recently held 1978 International convention of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society International. The convention, held from July 23-30, drew over 2,500 women from 11 different countries. Delta Kappa Gamma is the largest organization for women teachers in the world.

DAVIS ON DEAN'S LIST

Susanne Davis, a psychology major at Ladycliff College, was named to the Dean's List at Ladycliff for the spring semester. A student must earn a grade average of 3.5 or higher to be so honored.

GIBSON IS PHARMACIST

Miss Faith M. Gibson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Gibson of Pierrepont, has been appointed to the Department of Pharmacy at Mary Imogene Bassett Hospital in Cooperstown, N.Y. Miss Gibson will be a clinical pharmacist with that hospital.

She is a graduate of Colton-Pierrepont Central School, and a graduate of Union University, Albany College of Pharmacy. She is also a graduate of Kentucky College of Pharmacy, where she served a university internship at Mary Imogene Bassett Hospital and a hospital pharmacy residency at Norton Children's Hospital, Inc., Louisville, Ky. and at A.B. Chandler Medical Center, Lexington, Ky. The residencies were completed concurrently with a doctor of pharmacy academic program.

RUFA PARTICIPATES

Fernando Rufa, of Box 372, Winthrop, was among the participants at a recent week-long grounds maintenance workshop held at SUNY Cobleskill, Cobleskill, N.Y. Rufa is employed by SUNY Potsdam as a Grade six groundsman.

DEAN'S LIST

Mary Kay Fogarty, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald A. Fogarty, Bradley Dr., Potsdam, has attained a place on the Dean's List for her 1977-78 academic record at Hobart and William Smith College, Geneva. A 1975 graduate of Potsdam Central School, she is a member of the senior class at the college.

ATTENDS GRADUATION

Mrs. Mary Crosssett, 9 Barclay St., has returned from a month's vacation in Los Angeles, Calif., where she attended the graduation of her niece, Allor Howard Cole, a former Potsdam resident, from the Los Angeles School of Professional Nursing.

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Must Create Pageantry Befitting Olympics

LAKE PLACID: "The Olympics is a festival. In order to create a festival you need dignified, simple and moving ceremonies."

That statement by George Christian Orloff reflects the challenging job which the new chief of ceremonies and awards has started with the Lake Placid Olympic Organizing Committee (LPOOC).

The 39-year old Lake Placid native is currently organizing the intricate ceremonies procedures which are required during 1980 when the top international athletes assemble here for the XIII Olympic Winter Games.

As chief of ceremonies, Orloff is creating those "dignified, simple and moving" opening and closing ceremonies along with daily awards programs for the 12 days that this premiere event reigns supreme in the sports world.

Orloff said, "It's easy to hold an expensive spectacle even if it isn't in good taste. But it is a real challenge to develop a simple and interesting ceremony which retains the awesome heritage of a 3,000-year old event."

In addition to major ceremonies, Orloff is working on plans for the formal opening and other ceremonies at the Athletes Village to herald the arrival of teams.

Another key project will be to arrange the ceremonies associated with the transportation of the Olympic torch from ancient Olympia in Greece to Lake Placid.

"We want the Olympic Games and the pageantry of the ceremonies to reflect America and its ideals," Orloff said, "along with the traditions of the Adirondacks and the people here with their heritage and beliefs."

"And finally, we want to show the world that we can do every bit as good a job as cities which have held the Games in the past," he said.

Orloff said his job as chief of ceremonies "brings all the things I am interested in together for the Games." "My background is in television, art, graphics, theatre and music and it all relates to this job."

His appointment was announced last week by Ronald M. MacKenzie, president of the LPOOC. "Ceremonies during the games are one of the key functions and we are glad that Chris has joined our staff to assist the organizing committee with this critical aspect," MacKenzie said.

Along with Stephen C. Orloff, he is the author of the popular book "Lake Placid: The Olympic Years, 1932-1980." The LPOOC Protocol official is president of Macromedia, Inc. of Lake Placid, N.Y. in 1975, he was the public relations director of the Center for Music, Drama and Art at Lake Placid. From 1973 until 1975 he was a news

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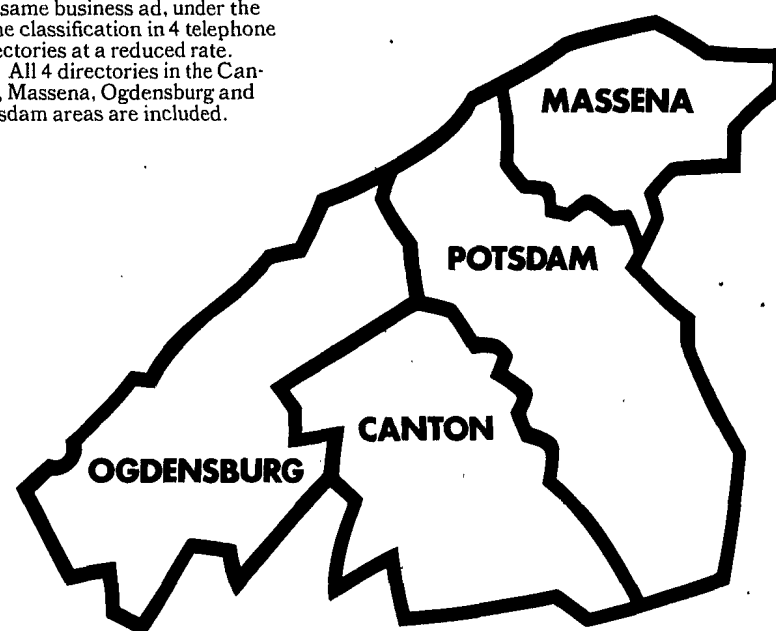
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