



The 13th Corner

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Four new members of BSAA/BHS Alumni Hall of Fame to be honored on June 2 & 3

It's time to honor another outstanding group of **Brighton High School (BHS)** alumni at the **Brighton Schools Alumni Association (BSAA)/BHS Alumni Hall of Fame** events!

The 2011 **Symposium**, an opportunity for students, faculty and the community to interact with members of the **BSAA/BHS Alumni Hall of Fame**, will be held at 7 p.m. on Thursday, **June 2**, at BHS—free and open to the public.

The new members of the **BSAA/BHS Alumni Hall of Fame** will be introduced to the student body at the annual BHS awards ceremony on the morning of Friday, **June 3**. At that time, the BSAA will present its 2011 **Scholarship** award to this year's outstanding college-bound BHS student (see page 3). Honorees may visit classrooms during the day to share their insights and experiences with students.

The BSAA's fifth annual gala celebration for new members of the **BSAA/BHS Alumni Hall of Fame** will held on Friday evening, **June 3**, at Oak Hill Country Club, beginning with a cash bar at 6 p.m. Join classmates, friends, faculty and staff to honor this year's outstanding honorees, who represent achievement in academia, public policy and diplomacy, sports, civil rights, and religion.

The dinner celebration is a ticketed event. Tickets may be purchased in advance and portions of ticket purchases are tax-deductible. Invitations with



*This year's honorees—as BHS seniors (above) and adults (below):
Richard Appelbaum, Jim Crawford, Hank Greenwald and J. Allan Hovey, Jr.*



ticket order forms have been mailed to previous attendees. If you have not received a dinner invitation/ticket form, contact the BSAA at (585) **442-6055** or download one from our website: www.brightonalumni.org.

2011 honorees

The new members of the **BSAA/BHS Alumni Hall of Fame** are:

• **Richard Appelbaum** '60, professor of Sociology and director of the Global and International Studies master's program at the University of

California, Santa Barbara; leader in the new discipline of Global Studies.

• **Jim Crawford** '54, significant leader in religion and race relations issues at several pastorates; retired after 28 years as senior minister of the Old South Church in Boston.

• **Hank Greenwald** '53, the former "Voice of the Yankees"—sports journalist and broadcaster, author, early and important voice in the civil rights movement, and active volunteer in each of his communities.

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Fun moments for BSAA



Brighton Central School District Superintendent Kevin McGowan admires the board holding keys to the BSA's first two BHS time capsules at a BSAA board meeting. BSAA members staff a table at BHS every spring to collect students' mementos for the time capsules, which are to be opened at the 10-year reunion of each class.

Upcoming reunions

Several major reunions are coming up this summer (phone numbers are all area code 585):

• 20 years, **Class of '91**, July 29–31, **David Clar**, dave@clargroup.com

• 30 years, **Class of '81**, July 15–17, Contact **Nancy Levine Shinder**, shinder@brightonhs.org or 383-0905

• 35 years, **Class of '76**, August 5–6. **Randi Minetor** (randi@minetor.com) or **Cindy Blair** (cblair02@rochester.rr.com); details at the class Facebook page. RSVP to: www.reuniondb.com

• 40 years, **Class of '71**, August 12–14. **Ruth E. Thaler-Carter**, Ruth@writerruth.com or 248-8464

• 50 years, **Class of '61**, August 18–21, **Harriette "Cookie" Hochhauser Ginsberg**, hginsber@rochester.rr.com or 388-9614

• 55 years, **Class of '56**, August 19–21. **Kay Kaiser Salerno**, 442-1076, or **Jim Rawcliffe**, jrawcliffe@aol.com

Hall of Fame, continued

• **J. Allan Hovey, Jr.** '41 (deceased), executive director of the American Committee on United Europe (1950-1962); VP/secretary of Radio Free Europe; and international relations specialist with the Government Accounting Office.

Getting involved

There are several ways to get involved with this exciting BSAA project:

• Come to the 2011 **BSAA/BHS Alumni Hall of Fame** events to meet and congratulate members of the BSAA/BHS Alumni Hall of Fame (see page 1 for details)—

✓ **Symposium, June 2**

✓ **Recognition Gala, June 3**

• Nominate an alum—It's always time to nominate a classmate or friend for the **BSAA/BHS Alumni Hall of Fame!** Nominations are accepted year-round, with a cut-off date for selecting each year's new "class." If you know of a BHS alum who has achieved in

a profession or provided important service to a community, *let us know!* For a nomination form, go to www.brightonalumni.org or call 442-6055.

• Contribute to the **BSAA Scholarship** (see page 4), which benefits from proceeds from the dinner event, as well as from individual donations.

BSAA/BHS Alumni Hall of Fame members to date

2006: *William F. Scandling '40, Jacksel M. Broughton '42, Jacksel M. Broughton '42, David Kearns '48, Pauline Yu '66*

2007: *Brad Berk, MD '71, Arthur Lonne Lane '57, John Shoemaker '60*

2008: *Daan Braveman '65, Karen Noble Hanson '61, Robert A. Weisbuch '64*

2009: *Chris Gleason '71, Jim Gollin '76, Sandy Gradinger '54, Alan Shestack '56*

2010: *Hank Appelbaum '58, Irene Taylor Broksky '88, Laura L. Carstensen '71, Tom Richards '61, Tom Scalea, MD '69*

Information about honorees, and photos and highlights from past events, may be found at www.brightonalumni.org

2011 BSAA Scholarship recipient is passionate about business

The 2011 **BSAA Scholarship** recipient fulfills everything the BSAA looks for in awarding its scholarship.

Mary Claire Corbitt has been an A student in several business classes and has a 3.75 GPA in all her classes, including AP Language & Composition, was a semi-finalist in the Cornell Essay Scholarship. In her senior year, she took AP English Literature, doubled in math with AP Statistics and pre-calculus, and a fourth year of science. She has been a junior class representative and vice president of the Student Council; heavily involved in the BHS DECA (Distributive Education Club of America) business club all through high school, serving as president in 11th and 12th grades; a member of the cross-country team since seventh grade and on the outdoor track and field team for three years.

Claire tutored another student in math; taught students at School 52 to read; and volunteered at St. John's Nursing Home. She also has worked at Great Northern Pizza Kitchen.

"Through DECA, I have had a broad look at what the business world will be like and it has opened my eyes to what kind of leader I may become," she said. "Since my junior year, I have been a co-president of our school's chapter. Having the role of president and my experience on student council has helped me to develop into a leader and face my fear of public speaking ..."

According to her teachers, Claire is:

- an "independent and focused young woman who seems to have found a niche in the business area. She has the ability to think outside the box and brings an interesting perspective to class discussions. She has a strong commitment to academic growth and is a kind individual who always makes attempts to include classmates in group discussions.

- "a leader among her peers. She is bright, confident, hard-working and



concerned for the well-being of others. A strong reader and writer, Claire regularly shares insights in class that engages others in the topic at hand ... she is charged with positive energy."

- "... looked up to by other mem-

bers of the council and prom committee ... assertive and recognized as a leader."

Claire responded to the scholarship application essay question—"What aspect of your Brighton High School experience (academic, extracurricular or community service) has had the most impact in shaping your future direction and why?"—by saying in part: "The business department at BHS has given me the opportunity to discover my passion for business ..."

Asked about her biggest challenge, Claire said she had to cope with a knee injury that meant she could no longer participate in her beloved cross-country activities by finding a way to fill the time and passion she had invested in that sport.

Claire is the daughter of Mary Lowenguth and Daniel Corbitt, and is heading to SUNY-Binghamton with plans to major in business and look into secondary teacher education.

BSAA says "thank you" for major scholarship contribution



BSAA board members **Mary-jane Kimmell Link '58**, **Gretchen Shafer**, **Nancy Hackett** and **Pete Heinrich '55** give a "thumbs up!" to say thank you to

BHS alum **Bruce Bedford '58** for his second generous gift to the **BSAA Scholarship Fund**. He challenges other alumni to match his gift. For details, see the next page.

A challenge to alumni: Support future BHS scholars!

Now in its sixth year, the **BSAA Scholarship Fund** has provided significant financial aid to several **Brighton High School** graduates. Full-time students who qualify based on need receive \$1,500 per year for four years of college, up to a total of \$6,000.

Supporting the **BSAA Scholarship** is a great way to remember classmates, teachers and staff in the Brighton schools, and is a meaningful use for class reunion gifts. The BSAA is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit corporation, so all gifts are fully tax-deductible. Funding for the **BSAA Scholarship** has been provided by donations large and small from generous Brighton alumni and classes pledging their reunion gifts.

The **BSAA Scholarship Fund** now totals nearly \$150,000, which puts us well on the way to our goal of \$250,000. That amount would bring the fund to an endowment status, so that annual awards can be funded from interest earned. **Bruce Bedford** gave \$30,000 this round—his second large gift. He challenges all alumni to contribute toward matching his generous donation—every gift counts, no matter how large or how small. Help us meet this challenge by making a donation, and pass the word to your reunion committee to consider supporting the **BSAA Scholarship** as a class gift.

To answer the 2011 **CHALLENGE**, send your contribution to: **BSAA Scholarship Fund**, 2035 Monroe Avenue, Rochester, NY 14618. Please indicate that you are contributing to the 2011 **CHALLENGE**.

• BSAA Scholarship Fund • 2010-2011 Honor Roll of Donors

June 1, 2010–May 1, 2011 (subsequent contributions will be recognized in the 2011 gala dinner program)

Magna cum laude Barons

(gifts of \$5,000 and more)

Bruce Bedford BHS '58

Robert P. Lane BHS '58

Cum laude Barons

(gifts of \$1,000–\$4,999)

Thomas S. Richards BHS '61*

Dean's List Barons

(gifts of \$500–\$999)

BHS Class of '73

Laura L. Carstensen BHS '71*

Honor Society of Barons

(gifts of \$100–\$249)

Thomas T. Hanford BHS '58

Henry R. Appelbaum BHS '58*

Joan Rosenthal Nusbaum BHS '55

William U. Pulsifer BHS '45 & **Barbara Rice Pulsifer** BHS '48

Ruth E. Thaler-Carter BHS '71

** 2010 BSAA/BHS Alumni Hall of Fame members*

Alumni Courtyard blossoms and beckons

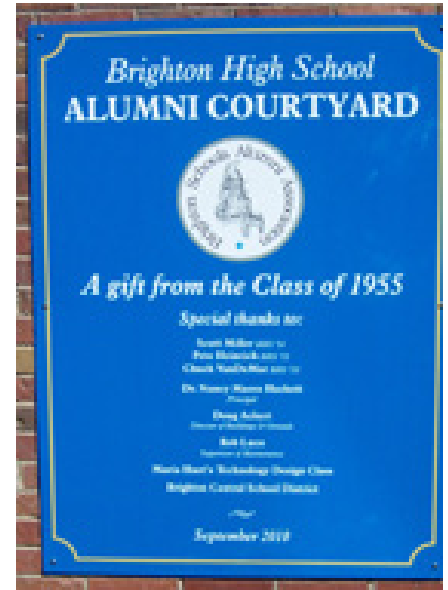
Thanks to a generous reunion gift from the **BHS class of 1955**, purchases of benches and pavers by dozens of alumni, and the hard work of BSAA members and BHS staff, there is now a beautiful **Alumni Courtyard** in a previously neglected area formed by additions to the high school over the years.

Now that the courtyard has been created and spring has sprung, BHS students are using the space to study, socialize, and hold art shows and performances.

There is still space to add pavers to the "Baron's Walk." Pavers may be personalized to recognize a graduating student, students of all ages, families, educators, staff, friends or reunion classes. No commercial sponsors will be accepted. Pavers are \$100 each.

Three live cypress trees are available for sponsorship as living memorials as well.

For details about ordering pavers or sponsoring a tree, just go to our website: <http://brightonalumni.org/projects.htm>.



*Highlights of 2010 BSAA/BHS Alumni Hall of Fame events
Symposium brings students and Hall of Famers together*



*BSAA founder **Bob Lambrich** chats with a graduating senior (left).*

*2010 BSAA/BHS Alumni Hall of Fame member **Hank Appelbaum** catches up with former BHS teacher and past BCSD member **Gretchen Shafer** (right).*



*2010 BSAA/BHS Alumni Hall of Fame member **Irene Taylor Brodsky** (above, in blue-and-white top) enjoys interacting with students at 2010 Symposium.*

***Tom Scalea, MD** (right), 2010 BSAA/BHS Alumni Hall of Fame member, tells Symposium audience (below) about about how his BHS experiences influenced his life.*



2010 honorees introduced to students



BSAA/BHS Alumni Hall of Fame chair Alan Ziegler with 2010 "hall of famer" Irene Taylor Brodsky at awards ceremony.



BSAA's "cookie crew"—Kay Clark, Mary Louise Riter, Kay Salerno and Pat Corbett—prepare to hand out home-baked cookies to students, faculty and staff after 2010 awards ceremony.

Friends, family and classmates attend 2010 Recognition Dinner



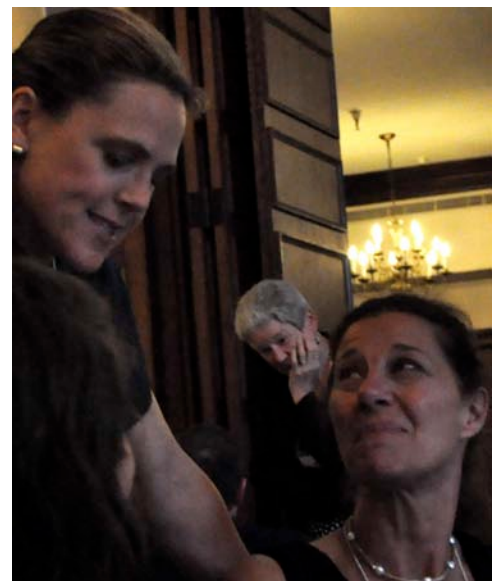
Childhood friends and BHS '71 classmates Dale Browning and Laura Carstensen reconnect at 2010 BSAA/BHS Alumni Hall of Fame dinner.

Christy Pullano '10, student representative to the BSAA, and Pat Corbett '47 enjoy connecting with classmates at the dinner.



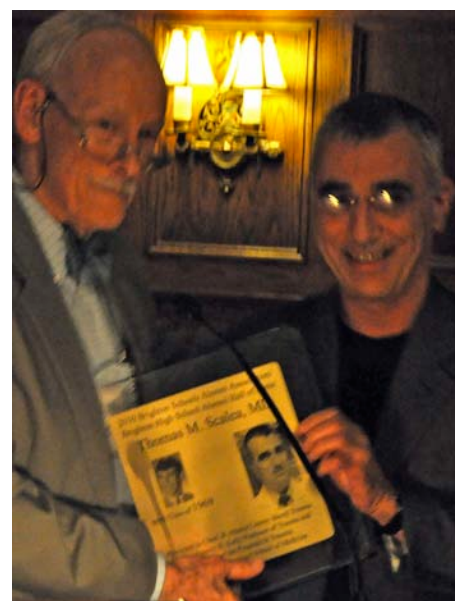
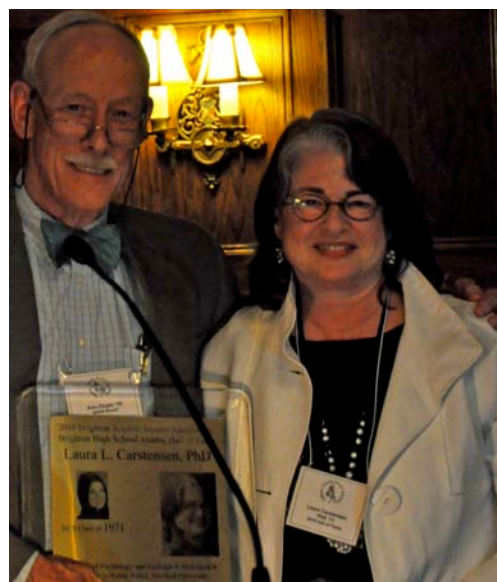
Dick Lee '33—oldest known BHS graduate—chats with a fellow alum.

2010 BSAA/BHS Alumni Hall of Fame member Irene Taylor Brodsky checks in with BHS principal Nancy Hackett.



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2010 BSAA/BHS Alumni Hall of Fame members
share inspiration and recollections



2010 honorees *Hank Appelbaum, Irene Taylor Brodsky, Laura L. Carstensen, Tom Richards*—now mayor of Rochester—and *Tom Scalea, MD* received plaques commemorating their membership in the BSAA/BHS Alumni Hall of Fame from committee chair *Alan Ziegler* (left in all photos) before presenting remarks and short videos about the impact of their BHS educations on their lives and careers.

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