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ANNUAL ALUMNI DINNER MEETING

MONDAY, JUNE 2 • 5:30 P.M.

*Marriott Courtyard Philadelphia Downtown
21 North Juniper Street*

GUEST SPEAKER

R. SETH WILLIAMS (244)
DISTRICT ATTORNEY OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA

See page 6 for ticket information.

R. Seth Williams, District Attorney for the City of Philadelphia, will be the keynote speaker at the annual Alumni Dinner Meeting on June 2 at the Marriott Courtyard Philadelphia Downtown.

Mr. Williams, the first African-American District Attorney in Philadelphia and Pennsylvania, began his second term in office in January 2014. After graduating from Central in 1985, he attended Penn State University, where he served as President of the Black Caucus and later as President of the Undergraduate Student Government. In 1992, he graduated with distinction as a Public Interest Law Scholar from Georgetown University Law School. After Georgetown he joined the Philadelphia District Attorney's office.



Seth served as an Assistant District Attorney for 10 years, his service including his appointment as Assistant Chief of the Municipal Court; his creation and leadership of the Repeat Offenders Unit, an effort to reduce the high percentage of crimes committed by repeat offenders; and extensive trial experience. In 2005, he was appointed Inspector General of the City of Philadelphia with responsibility for investigating allegations of corruption, fraud, and similar wrongdoing among municipal workers and companies doing business with the City. He left the position in 2008 to join the Stradley, Ronon, Stevens and Young law firm as counsel.

Since taking office as D.A. in 2010, Williams has been involved in several major changes in criminal justice procedure in Philadelphia, including reorganization of the District Attorney's Office and Criminal Justice Center into zone prosecution, allowing more involvement of prosecutors with communities where crimes are committed. Under his leadership, the Office has obtained several historic verdicts—murder convictions of

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NOTICE OF ELECTIONS

The Committee on Nominations and Elections, **Hon. Denis Cohen (228)**, chairman, presents the following nominations for positions on the Alumni Board of Managers. The election will be held at the annual meeting on June 2 at 5:30 P.M. at the Marriott Courtyard Philadelphia Downtown, 21 North Juniper Street, Philadelphia.

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MEET YOUR BOARD MEMBERS

The Alumni Board of Managers is the governing body of the Associated Alumni of Central High School. In this issue, we profile:

KARIMA I. (ABDUL-SHARIF) BOUCHENAF, 249

Karima is a proud member of the 249, Central's fourth co-ed class. Her list of accomplishments and activities while at Central is long. They include Barnwell Honors, a varsity letter for participation on the Debate and Mock Trial teams, presidency of the African-American Student Union, Literary Editor of the 249 Yearbook, and contributor to *The Mirror* and *Centralizer*. One of her most memorable achievements: she was named in her junior year as one of ten McDonald's Black History Makers of Tomorrow. (Karima is still working on that.)



After Central, it was on to the University of Virginia, where she earned a Bachelor's degree in English (with a minor in African-American Studies), then to Georgetown University, which awarded her a Master's degree in English Language and Literature. Her primary focus since college has been a career in higher education. She has served in administrative roles and as an adjunct faculty member at various local institutions, including Villanova University, Montgomery County Community College and Delaware Valley College. She has also been involved in non-profit leadership and development through work for organizations such as the Underground Railroad Museum at the Belmont Mansion Historic Site and the Cobbs Creek Community Environmental Education Center.


Nearer and dearer to her heart, however, is her work as an adjunct instructor in the English Department at Community College of Philadelphia. CCP is where Karima first learned not only how to teach, but to inspire confidence, intellectual curiosity, and academic and personal success in non-traditional students. They, typically, have not enjoyed or fully capitalized on their prior academic experiences. It is this classroom that serves as the ideal intersection of Karima's passion for education and her commitment to community service.

Karima is a member of The Links, Incorporated; Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated; the Association of Black Women in Higher Education and several other local boards of directors. She has volunteered her time and talent to various projects and initiatives aimed at improving and aiding the local and global communities. Her commitment has led to many opportunities to serve. Feeding hungry Philadelphians at Chosen 300 Ministries, teaching English to students in the Dominican Republic and helping to build homes for indigent families in Guatemala are among her most memorable service experiences. She hopes to broaden her array of service experiences at home and abroad.

Karima is a Life Member of the AACHS; she views having been asked to join the Board of Managers as a great honor. Serving on the Board has been a means to remain connected to her beloved alma mater, whether interviewing candidates for the coveted Disharoon Award or assisting with the upcoming Alumni Hall of Fame celebration. It is also a way to ensure that the amazing "Lancers Legacy" never fades, even within her own family: Karima's great uncle, **James Jackson**, is a proud member of the 183rd class. Her sister, **Khadijah Abdul-Sharif**, is a member of the 254, and her youngest brother, **Muhammad Abdul-Sharif**, graduated with the 260. Even when her term on the Board expires, Karima plans to further her commitment to serving the school that holds such an important place in her heart.

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EDITORS' MESSAGE

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Steve Chappell, 209
Editors, The Alumni Journal



"Nobody communicates at my company!" "The right hand doesn't know what the left hand's doing!" At some point in most of our careers, we've said something more or less like that. If you hold stock in such a company, you'd better fix the communications problems fast, or sell your stock.

Your intrepid editors are always concerned about communication. Communication is not an issue among members of the Board of Managers. We meet; we talk; we question. Our fear is that we are not yet successfully communicating with the rest of our alumni. How are we to know if we're delivering our information unless we hear from you? And, judging from the paucity of Class Notes we receive, we're not doing a very good job.

On the other hand, if we miss a typo, we get emails from all over. A mistake we never, ever want to make is to report someone as deceased when, in fact, he or she is very much alive. If we did, we would hear about it in a flash. These are examples of the way we *don't* want to judge the success of our little *Journal*. We suppose we ought to thank you for not mentioning that the *Winter Journal* was not distributed until the first day of spring. It's your fault though, because we were holding out, hoping for more Class Notes.

So here's where we get to ask for your help: let us know what special things are happening with you or your classmates; let us know your opinions of what should be included in the *Journal* and what should not. And, as always, please pass this and other issues along to those reclusive alumni who fear apocalypse if they give us their email address.

Oh, if you find a typo—keep it to yourself. ●

FAMOUS LADIES

The following ladies were famous at Central over the years 1952 to 1963. Send us an email if you know why.

Wilma Bobrove
Judy Dvorkin
Deedy Edelson
Caryl Farkis
Lana Fingerhut
Joy Haber

Mae Henderson
Madeleine Kovler
Wilma Medoff
Carol Rosen
Linda Tenenbaum
Sheryl Weiner ●

FROM THE CHS PRESIDENT

Timothy J. McKenna
President, Central High School



It has been a challenging year. The draconian budget cuts that our school has endured have put an incredible burden on the members of our faculty, our parents and the Alumni Association. I am proud of how our school community has rallied together in light of the financial crisis to support the students. The budget does not look much better for the 2014–2015 school year. However, one piece of good news is that we will have for our students a full-time librarian in the Barnwell Library. The Library will be up and running on the first day of school this fall. We are relieved that we will not have to suffer through the closure of this state of the art facility.

Over the first weekend in April our music and art departments teamed up to put on the musical *Aida* by Elton John and Tim Rice. The students and faculty involved in the show did an amazing job. Over 600 students played a part in the show's success. The school musical is becoming an annual tradition.

Please make sure to follow the calendar of events on centralhigh.net. We would like to see you at our school events so that you may see firsthand how our students are thriving in the arts and athletics.

Finally, a request. We need all of the members of your great organization to press local politicians to properly fund public education so that Central High School can continue its great tradition of excellence. Your voice is an important one. Thank you for your continued support of the Central High School mission. ●

R. SETH WILLIAMS

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Dr. Kermit Gosnell and former Philadelphia Police Officer Frank Tepper, and the child endangerment conviction of Monsignor William Lynn.

Honors accorded Seth include the USA Eisenhower Fellowship Award and selection for the Aspen Institute—Rodel Fellowship Program for Public Leadership. Seth continues to serve his community as an educator and volunteer. He is an adjunct professor at Villanova University, a Reserve Major in the U.S. Army Judge Advocate General Corps, and is a member of the Board of Directors of the Association of Prosecuting Attorneys. He is proud to serve on the boards of several community organizations including Fight Crime: Invest in Kids, Catholic Social Services of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, the Overbrook Park Civic Association and Town Watch, St. Cyprian Catholic Church, the St. Martin de Porres Foundation, and the West Philadelphia Y.M.C.A.

Seth grew up in West Philadelphia; he lives there today with daughters Alyssia, Taylor and Hope. ●

COLUMN C

by Bruce Yasgur, 216

Erratum: We lost one of our mathematician/author **Elliott Rosenberg's (222)** 't's. If you had trouble finding Elliott's *Math Spoken Here* on *createspace.com*, try again with both 't's.



MEMORIES ARE MADE OF ...

Junior year at Central: English with Dr. Gerald Hamm, memorable for his sartorial elegance, sarcasm and biting wit. His best quips are still unfit for publication. Behind Gerry's meticulously crafted persona, he really did give a damn. Early in the year, I was out for weeks with mononucleosis. No one from school called or dropped a line, not even my football coaches, Len Kolenda and Art McNally (Yes, NFL fans, *that* Art McNally!). I got one call after about a week. It was Dr. Hamm, who berated me in his sinister stage voice: "So, Yasgur, how long do you intend to carry on this act?" I should have countered: "As long as possible, and ditto your act?" I didn't. No matter; Gerry made the call—just the thing to cheer me up and leave a lasting memory.

Senior year as a Psych major at Temple: An art history elective for fun and, could be, to help me impress artsy women, maybe even meet some among my 200-plus mostly female classmates. The professor, Herman S. Gundersheimer, was engaging and informative. Not much opportunity for interaction in such a large lecture, and he never called the roll after the first class. But he posed an occasional question and I was one of those who ventured an answer. I enjoyed the reading and the classes, especially as I had little if any ego invested in it. At the end of the semester, I thanked him for an entertaining learning experience. His reply: "I enjoyed

having you as a student, Mr. Yasgur." Caught me by surprise and impressed the heck out of me. How did he even know my name, let alone remember it? Did I meet any women?

A few weeks ago, a Temple Law professor, Eddie Ohlbaum, died way before his time. I never took a class with him, but we'd see each other around the law school when I was a student there, and occasionally at a law-related or other community event. Whenever we met, I'd say "Hi, Eddie!" and he'd respond, "Hi, Bruce!" Sometimes he'd greet me first, always by name, always with a smile. I was gratified that he remembered. I'll miss Eddie.

Full circle: When I taught at Central, Temple and elsewhere, I made it my business to learn all my students' names within the first two to three weeks. (Alas, I often blanked on them by the next year.) It surprised and seemed to impress them; many told me that I was one of the few teachers who bothered. I learned another truth, though, when one piped up: "Yeah, but it makes it harder to get away with stuff." That too, I guess.

WHAT WE HEAR, ETC.

Inveterate Adventure Geezer, **Don Mankin (213)**, spotted of late in Bangkok en route to Indonesia, recently had his article "Driving the Wild Atlantic Way on the West Coast of Ireland" published in the *Huff Post*. Yo, **244**, how many of you have helped **D.A. Seth Williams** throw a 30th reunion? How far?

Jennifer Knapp (255) writes that she has the 7-year itch and is about to change jobs again: "Goodbye pharma, hello ...?" This could be your chance to snatch Jenn off the job market with an offer she can't refuse.

By the way, **Money, Squeak** and the rest of you who thought I forgot, if you're out there, drop me a line at byasgur216@gmail.com. Later. 🍷

(ONE OF) THE CENTRAL METEOROLOGISTS

by Glenn "Hurricane" Schwartz, 227

There are not a lot of meteorologists in the country; I was the last of three Central grads who "made it" in meteorology. **Dr. Joel Myers (208)**, owner of AccuWeather, one of the largest private weather companies in the world, was the first. Then there was **Elliot Abrams (223)**, Vice President of AccuWeather, well known in the Philadelphia area as the witty morning meteorologist on KYW radio for the past 40-plus years.

I was number three, graduating in 1968 with the 227th class. Many of my classmates became doctors or lawyers, but no other meteorologists. My yearbook did say



"meteorologist" for a future career, and Central helped me to prepare for that career.

The first thing I needed was a B.S. in Meteorology, and I went to Penn State, the school with the best reputation in the industry. Meteorology is a very difficult curriculum—it's about way more than looking at clouds and weather maps. It is all about physics and, as calculus is the "language" of physics, there were many courses in both.

I had taken physics and calculus at Central. Those Central courses helped me to get a good start in my freshman year, and put me way ahead of students who were experiencing these subjects for the first time. Had I not gotten that great start at Central, I'm not sure that I would have gotten through the first year at Penn State. A number of my fellow students did not make it; they either changed majors or switched colleges after that tough first year.

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ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Jeffrey Muldawer, 225
President, AACHS



Recently the Board of Managers held a meeting to which all members of the Alumni Association with known email addresses were invited. The Board was pleased to see several new faces at Ogontz and Olney, some of whom have already volunteered to become involved in the Association.

A major highlight since the last edition of the *Journal* occurred on May 2 when members of the 221 began celebrating their 50th reunion at the school. The CHS

Faculty Lounge was renamed the Silverman Faculty Lounge to honor their classmate, **Dr. Richard Silverman**, a member of the CHS Hall of Fame. Rick had made a substantial contribution to AACHS, with the proceeds earmarked to improve technology in the building. Gifts such as Rick's have helped to enable the faculty and administrative staff to overcome the budget shortfalls that currently plague the School District of Philadelphia.

We are rapidly approaching the end of the 273 era at CHS. We look forward to welcoming these new alums to our organization after their Commencement on June 18 at the Kimmel Center. These young women and men have accomplished much during their stay at Central; their future is very bright. We hope they will remember what Central has given them and that they will not forget to give back to future classes.

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ROBERT A. DEL FEMINE, 235

Robert (known since his CHS days as “Del”) is a vice president of the Board, and is chairman of the Program Committee and the newly-created Marketing Committee. He is a co-chairman of the Membership/Class Representative Committee.

Del was born in South Philadelphia and attended Stephen Girard Elementary School, participating in sports and playing the trumpet. He was selected for the accelerated program at the Masterman School, completing 7th and 8th grades in one year, and entered Central with the 235th class. He played JV and varsity football at CHS, served on numerous committees and was a book treasurer.

Del moved on to Penn State, only the second person in his immediate neighborhood (the other was his brother) to attend college. At State College, he was a member of the ice hockey team, played intramural sports, worked for PSU in a work-study capacity, was a DJ at clubs and on radio, and took part in the IFC Dance Marathon. He earned a B.S. degree in Health Planning and Administration and went on to pursue a life-long passion for health care.

After seven years at Hahnemann University Hospital in Philadelphia, where he last served as Business Manager for the Internal Medicine Residency Program, he began his long career with Johnson & Johnson. In 27 years with the company, he moved from the position of Sales Representative in Philadelphia to District Manager in Connecticut to Region Business Director in Chicago. Finally returning to the East, he has held senior positions in the areas of marketing and managed healthcare across the J&J pharmaceutical business. With J&J, Del has won numerous sales awards as well as 13 J&J Standards of Leadership awards.

Del and his wife, Jennifer, live on Washington Square in Philadelphia. Both are very active in city events; Jennifer is on the board of the Lions Club.

Outside of work, he is very active in sports, especially ice hockey, where he captained a team to eight consecutive championships. Photography has always been an interest, as is his love for preparing and eating good food. His biggest passion, however, has been music, especially as a club disc jockey. He DJs roughly 40 events a year in Philly, around the United States, and in Mexico and Europe. He writes a monthly music column, “Foundations”, for *5 Magazine*, the leading house music print and on-line magazine in the country.

Del strives to share his passion and experience in health-care, business, mentoring, music and sports with the past, present and future CHS family. He notes “We have such an incredibly unique school! The quality of the



people—students and teachers—is just phenomenal; it is what has, does, and will continue to make CHS special. Together, we need to leverage the collective experience, relationships and legacy of achievement to help Central talent excel.”

DR. A. RICHARD POLIS, 204

A. Richard (Dick) Polis has served on the AACHS Board of Managers for more than 10 years.

Dick was born in Philadelphia and lived in the Olney and Logan sections of the city. He was fortunate to meet the love of his life, his high school sweetheart, and his senior prom date when she was sweet thirteen and living in Oak Lane. They have now been married for more than 50 years and have two sons and four grandchildren.

He was educated at Central, graduating with the B.A. degree, of which he is most proud, then went on to earn a B.S. in Education with a major in Mathematics from West Chester State University, an M.A. in Mathematics Education from the University of Pennsylvania, and an Ed.D. in Mathematics Education from Temple University. A jack of many trades, while in high school and college he sang with a few bands, did some solo work, worked in summer camps, drove a cab, worked in a carnival, tended bar, and short-order cooked.

Having completed the bachelor, master and doctoral degrees in Mathematics Education, Dick became certified to teach math and physical sciences in Pennsylvania. He began his career as a teacher of mathematics and a department chairman. After a year as a National Science Foundation Fellow, he was offered a position teaching mathematics at a community college and soon moved to a position as Assistant Professor of Mathematics Education at Beaver College (now Arcadia University). At Beaver, he was given an opportunity to develop both the undergraduate and graduate programs in this discipline. After more than a dozen years of college teaching, program development, and promotion to Full Professor, he was appointed as Graduate Dean.

Summer didn't mean time off; work in summer camps blended well with teaching. Dick was a counselor, head counselor and a camp director.

Dick loved teaching and working in college, never having had a day that he regretted. Upon retirement from the University after 32 years, he was named Graduate Dean Emeritus and Professor of Mathematics Education Emeritus. In retirement, he has been following a number of hobbies and interests. While no longer sailing or doing underwater photography, he still skies, bikes, works out regularly, and plays poker and bridge. His wife and he spend time cooking and baking together, and enjoy travel, time with grandchildren, and spending summer days at the New Jersey shore.

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FROM THE ARCHIVES

by David R. Kahn, 220
AACHS Archivist/Historian



In place of my usual article on the archives and Central's history, I invited a student to write about his recent experience in a special program in Washington, D.C.

Robert Gallante is a senior and member of the 273rd graduating class. He will be attending Temple University in the fall. After a selection process drawing from several Advanced Placement U.S. Government and Politics students at Central, Robert was chosen to participate in the American Bar Association and Close Up Washington, D.C.'s National Civics and Law Academy. Robert joined 19 other high school students from across the United States in the program, which was held from March 9 to 13. He was the only student from Philadelphia or Pennsylvania in the program. In the following, Robert relates his experiences:

On the way by car from the train station to the hotel, I spoke with another program invitee, a student from Baltimore. We talked about the roles of teens in politics — how assertiveness can have an impact and create a sense of political efficacy and, at the same time, negate the negative stereotypes (indifferent, mindless hoodlums) associated with teens. Barrier-breaking skills in relation to political efficacy would be developed during our time in D.C.

I roomed with students from Chicago; Frisco, Texas; and Santa Ana, California. This diversity of origin was reflected in all 20 students in the program; we hailed from all four corners of the United States, and places in between.

Our first workshop, on opening night, consisted of setting our personal agendas for the week by identifying what knowledge each of us wished to obtain by participating in the Academy, then discussing current United States domestic issues. This was followed by a domestic issue debate between self-proclaimed liberal Kevin Days, the Associate Director of the Partnership for the Assessment of Readiness for College or Career (PARCC), and self-proclaimed conservative Chris Ullman, Managing Director and Director of Global Communications at The Carlyle Group, and former Director of Communications at the U.S. Office of Management and Budget. We ended day one with a workshop on political efficacy and how one can go about obtaining it.

Our first full day in D.C. started with a Q&A session at the Corcoran Gallery of Art with three White House Fellows — participants in the prestigious White House Fellowship who work closely with top-ranking officials in the Executive Branch. The Fellows discussed their educational and governmental experiences, and commented as well on how they got to where they presently are, what they have learned during their fellowships, and what they hope to accomplish in the future.

We then visited the Lincoln Memorial and the Korean War and Vietnam War Memorials. From there, we toured The George Washington University Law School, where we spoke

with current students who work in the School's immigration clinic providing legal representation to aliens in the D.C. area. It is one of the school's seven clinics devoted to different aspects of the law. In the clinics, students gain first-hand experience preparing for real cases and representing real clients.

Next we headed to the Supreme Court, where we had a Q&A session with Gary Kemp, the Court's Deputy Clerk, during which he discussed the administrative duties of the Office of the Clerk as well as the common protocols of the justices. We then embarked on a clerk-led tour of the building including the current Supreme Court chamber and "the highest court in the land" — otherwise known as the basketball court located directly above the Supreme Court chamber. Back at the hotel, we closed the day with a workshop on the different ways the United States Constitution can be interpreted and the influences these differing methods of interpretation can have on legislation.

The next day started with a self-guided tour of the ground floor of the White House. We were all pleasantly surprised when a White House dog walker escorted Bo and Sunny Obama right by us as we filed into the east wing. Next was a visit to the Embassy of France where our tour was led by an American-born, French-speaking staff member from the embassy's Press and Communication Office. During the tour, we discussed the embassy's history, purpose and geography along with the nuances of the embassy's bilingual public relations and social networking. Following the tour, we had a Q&A session with Arnaud Guillois, the embassy's French-born press counselor. The chief themes of the discussion were the close relationship of France and the United States, international relations and foreign policy in general, and the duties of the embassy and of the French ambassador to the United States. Next step was a browsing of the exhibits in the Smithsonian National Museum of American History.

*Taking a break from politics, we ended the day at the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, enjoying the comedic play *Shear Madness*. The Kennedy Center itself was spectacular, with large halls and an expansive view of a nighttime Washington provided by its rooftop terrace.*

On our final full day, we spent the morning at the Newseum where we had a Q&A session with Gene Policinski, its chief operating officer. We talked about journalism and his many experiences in the field as well as how the field has changed over time. We then browsed through the exhibits throughout the very tall complex, my personal highlights being the large chunk of the Berlin Wall and a hall containing front pages from daily newspapers around the world — the pages on the walls are replaced daily.

After the Newseum, we toured the U.S. Capitol, starting in the Visitor Center and ending in National Statuary Hall — the old hall of the House. Before our closing dinner, we spoke with lawyers from the D.C. branch of the Hunton & Williams law firm. We ended our final night in D.C. with nighttime visits to the Thomas Jefferson and Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorials.

The American Bar Association and Close Up Washington, D.C.'s National Civics and Law Academy was truly a life-changing experience. I lack words that can better, more

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CLASS NOTES

177—**Benjamin Ostrofsky, Ph.D.**, and Professor Emeritus at the University of Houston Cullen College of Engineering, a CHS Alumni Hall of Fame inductee (2006), has recently published his autobiography, *Memoirs of an Engineer*. The book is available at [amazon.com: http://tinyurl.com/Ben-Ostrofsky](http://amazon.com:tinyurl.com/Ben-Ostrofsky).

Ben believes engineers, students considering engineering, and Central alumni would enjoy reading this short book. In the book's early chapters, he shares stories about his time at Central. The back cover summary is intriguing:

It's one year after the attack on Pearl Harbor and in the middle of WW II. Ben convinces his mother to sign papers so he can enlist in the Army Air Corps at the tender age of 17, and so begins a lifetime of intriguing experiences and almost unbelievable stories.

181—The **181's** 70th consecutive reunion was the subject of a feature article in the May 2 edition of *The Philadelphia Inquirer*. The article notes that 59 members of the January 1944 class are living, 24 in the Philadelphia area. The remembrances of **Jules Silk**, **Sidney Klein**, and **Harry Adelman** are quoted in the article.

189—**Marvin J. Rothenberg** was awarded a Master of Business Administration degree at Temple University's 2014 commencement, held May 15. He recently completed the final MBA requirement after completing all courses fifty-nine years ago, three years after receiving his Bachelor's degree from Temple in 1952. Marv, who lives in Fort Lee, NJ, was reappointed last year by the Mayor and Council to a second term as a member of the Borough's Board of Ethics. He is retired from both his marketing consultancy practice started in 1980 and from an adjunct marketing professorship at Rutgers University. His research has been published in *The Journal of Advertising Research* as well as industry publications. Marv left Philadelphia in 1957 to join NBC and later was marketing director for Westinghouse Broadcasting Company. He also served as an advisor to the Bureau of The Census and received a citation from the Executive Office of The President of the United States for his service on an Office of Emergency Preparedness advisory committee. He was elected to Alpha Delta Sigma, the national honorary advertising fraternity, is a past president of the New York Chapter of the American Marketing Association and a director of the national AMA.

192—*Portal Poems: Perspectives on Aging* by **Sheppard B. Kominars, Ph.D.** is available through amazon.com and goodsheppardbooks.com. The book contains 236 new poems by Dr. Kominars to help provide an understanding of aging. A free sampler is available at portalpoems.com.

195—**Stuart Wesbury, Jr., Ph.D.** reports from Willow Street, Pennsylvania, that he and Central alum **John Doane (184)** are having fun as members of the Willow Valley All American Ukulele Band. The band plays concerts for residents of the Willow Valley Communities' nursing care areas, and, several times a year, participates in concerts for all Willow Valley residents.

John's Central ties are strong. His father, Professor William Doane, was a Central faculty member, teaching French and Latin.

198—**Bernie Gross** reports that the 5th Annual Florida Class reunion was held on February 19 at Benvenuto Restaurant in Boynton Beach, Florida. In attendance, accompanied by their wives, were class members **Gary Cohen**, **Jerry Cooke**, **Mel Dion**, **Jules Kay**, **Jack Rounick**, **Howard Rosenfeld**, **Myron Rosenfeld**, **Gerry Schatz**, **Mitch Corson** and **Gerry Feldman**. "A good time was had by all" and they agreed to do it again in 2015.

202—**Richard Salkowitz** reports that the **202** held its 60th reunion over the weekend of May 8 to 10. Attendees participated in the school's Holocaust Day event on May 9.

209—**Phillip Radoff** has self-published a small book comprising seven fictional short stories titled *Butterflies... and Other Stories*. Some stories are funny; some upbeat; others somber. The principal male characters, which change from story to story, span a generation, from early fatherhood to early grandfatherhood. An inexpensive e-book edition is available from Amazon, Barnes & Noble, iBooks, Copia, and various other on-line book sellers. Just go to your favorite site and type in Phil's name or the book title. A paperback edition is available directly from Phil. Contact him at plradoff@verizon.net.

227—**Robert C. Master, MD, FACC** retired this past year as an interventional cardiologist from the Palo Alto Foundation Medical Group. He has been honored by having his former cardiology division named after him. He is continuing to teach at Stanford University Medical School, and to volunteer at a local clinic for indigent patients.

255—**Pedro A. Gomes** reports he is a vice president/financial advisor with Morgan Stanley Smith Barney in their Philadelphia office at 1650 Market Street, 42nd floor. You can reach him at 215-854-6009. ●

OTHER ALMA MATTERS

Melissa "Marston" Black (258) is now **Melissa "Marston" Black-Simmons** having married Christopher Simmons, a longtime friend of her maid of honor and CHS classmate **Victoria Kahn**. **Valerie Shaffer (257)** was one of her bridesmaids. Melissa remains good friends with many of her classmates and other CHS grads, many of whom were wedding guests. Melissa and the CHS grads from classes ranging from 255 to 260 who were in attendance are pictured below. ●



REUNION UPDATE

177—Class rep **Milt Dienes** reports that the 177 will hold its 72nd reunion on October 6.

The reunion luncheon for classmates and their wives and guests will be held from 12:00 P.M. to 3:00 P.M. at the Hilton Philadelphia City Avenue, 4200 City Avenue, Philadelphia. For more details, Milt requests that classmates contact him at mdienes@aol.com.

184—The 69th reunion will be celebrated Sunday, June 8 over lunch from 12:00 P.M. to 3:00 P.M. at the Meadowlands Country Club, 711 Boehms Church Road, Blue Bell, Pennsylvania. The cost is \$35. Widows of classmates are invited (\$25). Please contact organizer **Ed Itzenon** at editzenon@gmail.com to confirm attendance.

192—The 65th reunion is planned as an evening dinner with classmates and their companions on Saturday, May 31 and a Sunday, June 1 brunch for class members. Companions will have their own gathering. The events will take place at the Philmont Country Club, 301 Tomlinson Road, Huntingdon Valley, Pennsylvania.

Dinner on Saturday evening, costing \$85, will include a cocktail hour with hot hors d'oeuvres, and a cash bar. The principal speaker will be class member **Rabbi Sam Karff**, rabbi emeritus of Congregation Beth Israel in Houston, Texas, and adjunct professor of Society and Health in the School of Public Health at the University of Texas Health Science Center at the Texas Medical Center in Houston. Sam will speak about his career, including recent work on spirituality and healing in medicine.

Sam will be introduced by Dr. Larry Kaiser, internationally renowned academic executive, thoracic surgeon, researcher and author. Larry is CEO of Temple University Health System and Dean of Temple University School of Medicine. Prior to joining Temple, he was president of the University of Texas Health Science Center where he collaborated with Sam.

The cost of Sunday's Philmont brunch is \$35. On Sunday, Dr. Mark Greenberg, Provost of Drexel University, will speak about the Scholars Program for underprivileged Philadelphia youth with emphasis on the progress of Central students under the program.

Both affairs will include a photographer and memorabilia—ball caps sporting the "192."

For classmates seeking accommodations nearby, arrangements have been made with the Crowne Plaza Philadelphia-Bucks County Hotel at \$115 per night. The hotel, at 4700 East Street Road in Trevoise, Pennsylvania, is only a nine-minute drive from Philmont.

Please send the following information to **Sam Hoffman**, 13669 Date Palm Court, Apt. B, Delray Beach, Florida 33484: name, email address, street address, phone, number of Saturday attendees @ \$85, companion name, number of Sunday attendees @ \$30. Make your check payable to The 192nd Class of Central High.

206—Following the 206's 50th reunion, interested class members have been having "mini" reunions every

year—a luncheon at a Center City restaurant. The 58th reunion will be held Saturday, September 20 at a venue to be announced. For more information, please contact class president **Robert J. Stern** at rstern@stradley.com.

212—The 55th reunion of the 212 will be celebrated on Saturday, October 25 at the Hyatt Regency Philadelphia at Penn's Landing, 201 South Columbus Boulevard, Philadelphia.

A reception will be held from 7:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M., followed by dinner and dancing from 8:00 to 11:00 P.M. Class members may contact **Fred Goldstein** (jarvis212@msn.com) or **Donald Soslow** (dsoslow@verizon.net) for pricing and other information.

222—The 50th reunion of the 222 will be held on the weekend of September 12 to 14. Planned events include a tour of CHS on the afternoon of Friday, September 12, a cocktail party on Friday evening, a dinner party on Saturday, September 13, and a Sunday morning brunch on the 14th.

223—A 50th year reunion is scheduled for April 24, 2015.

233—The 233 will hold its 40th reunion on Saturday, November 29 in the Hamilton Room at the Sheraton Society Hill Hotel, One Dock Street, Philadelphia. A reception and cocktail hour begins at 6:00 P.M., with dinner and dancing to follow at 7:00 P.M. Tickets are \$92. As usual, an informal Alums Only Friday Night Hangout will be held the night before the formal event at a bar to be named later. For more information, please email **Irv Levy** at ilev1296@gmail.com or call 610-220-8722.

244—**Seth Williams** would appreciate help in throwing a 30th reunion. Email the DA at seth.williams@phila.gov.

248—The 25th reunion of the 248 will take place on November 28 from 7:00 P.M. to 11:00 P.M. at the IATSE Ballroom, 2401 South Swanson Street, Philadelphia. Spinning for the reunion will be the 248's own DJ **Johnny Looch**. Tickets are \$50 via paypal.com.

253—The 253's 20th reunion will be held at 8:00 P.M. on Saturday, June 21 at Field House, 1150 Filbert Street, Philadelphia. Tickets are \$55 and cover a three-hour "Top Shelf" open bar and light hors d'oeuvres. For tickets, go to <http://tinyurl.com/253-20th>.

258—The 15th year reunion will be held on November 29 from 7:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M. at the Stella Rossa Ristorante, 929 Walnut Street, Philadelphia. Costs and other details will follow.

263—Save the date for the 10th year reunion: November 29. Details will be announced at a later date.

268—A 5th year reunion will be held on Saturday, August 30 at McFadden's Restaurant and Saloon, 1 Citizens Bank Way, Philadelphia. Festivities will start at 7:45 P.M. Happy Hour will run from 8:30 P.M. to 10:30 P.M. with unlimited domestic drafts and wine. The cost is \$35 (pay at the door). Free parking will be available in Lot P at Pattison Avenue and Darien Street. 🍷

TAKE YOUR SEATS, PLEASE!

The restoration of the fire-damaged school auditorium is complete, and many alumni have availed themselves of the opportunity to dedicate the new, upholstered seats. Opportunities remain to dedicate a seat "In Honor of" or "In Memory of" family or individuals you wish to honor. Classes can organize and purchase entire rows. A brass plate will memorialize each dedication. Seats are available for a \$300 tax-deductible donation per seat. Please use the form on this page, or donate at www.centralhighalumni.com. ●

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A CENTRAL METEOROLOGIST

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Once I got through the calculus and physics courses, everything got easier. Well, most everything. I broke my collarbone in my junior year at PSU, and ended up having to take my midterms orally. The one on Differential Equations was the most terrifying one—just me and the professor. I had to tell him what to write on the blackboard—over and over. The courses in weather forecasting were so easy by comparison.

My career since has consisted of a lot of variety and moving, followed by more than 18 years at NBC10 in Philadelphia—most of these as Chief Meteorologist. Doing this in my hometown has been a dream come true, and I probably couldn't have done it without the terrific preparation I received at Central. ●

AACHS HALL OF FAME INDUCTION

Save the date: October 29, 2015, at the Philadelphia Marriott Downtown, 1201 Market Street, Philadelphia. ●

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The void left by the 273 will be filled by the newly accepted members of the 277, who attended orientation on May 15. Your contributions, financial and otherwise, will help to provide these students with the quality education associated with our alma mater.

In order for us to keep you informed of all that is happening with CHS and AACHS, please be sure to notify us of your current email address. Send additions and changes to chsalumnlphl@aol.com.

Please note that invitations for the Annual Meeting/ Dinner have been sent out by email. The event will take place on Monday, June 2 at 5:30 P.M. at the Marriott Courtyard Philadelphia Downtown across from City Hall. Our guest speaker is the dynamic **R. Seth Williams (244)**, District Attorney of Philadelphia. This will be a great opportunity to support Dear Old High, renew old acquaintances and make new contacts. I look forward to meeting many of you on this occasion. ●

IN MEMORIAM

Editor's note: The *Journal* simply reports the death of alumni without further comment on their passing or their achievements in life. Some alumni have achieved great fame and recognition, others less so. Many have been memorialized in a highly public manner, others more privately. We choose to note and honor the passing of all by the common tie that binds here—they were graduates of Central High School. We need only their name and class number to tell us so.

170—Leonard S. Greene
 181—Darrell Roth Gordon
 186—Bernard Ingster, EdD
 192—Frederick C. Feil, Jr.
 194—Howard. P. Kauffman
 204—Irwin A. Bobrin

208—Robert Elkman
 208—Alan L. Sharkis
 212—Herbert A. Drill
 235—Benjamin Rothstein
 237—Alan Braxton, Sr.

CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL ALUM EXCELS NEAR NATION'S CAPITAL

Editor's Note: A "thank you" to author Sudha Kamath, Communications Officer at George Mason University, for sharing this article with The Journal. More information can be found at www.gmu.edu.



For Philadelphia native **Janaa N. Pickard**, it's a numbers game on and off the court at George Mason University near Washington, D.C., as she excels academically and athletically.

Pickard attended historic Central High School, the country's second-oldest continuously open public high school, as a member of the 268th graduating class.

As a star on Central's girls' basketball team, Pickard says she was recruited by universities and colleges across the country. She chose Mason because of its competition on the court and its challenges in the classroom. She also appreciates its proximity to the nation's capital. "I was recruited to Mason by the coaches to come and play on a full scholarship. I chose to come to Mason because I loved the academic offerings, the location of the school, as well as the potential to contribute to building the women's basketball program."

Pickard joined Mason's women's basketball team as a forward when she was a freshman in 2009. This season, she scored a career-high 25 points in one game, 21 rebounds in another.

Pickard's game plan is all about teamwork—personal and collegiate. "The camaraderie means a great deal to me," she emphasizes. "We all spend so much time together throughout the entire year that we get to truly know and love each other. We build lifelong relationships and get to see each other grow and develop as people and as basketball players. It is truly a tremendous experience."

She also appreciates what her fellow students bring to the classroom. "Diversity in a collegiate atmosphere prepares you for the real world and allows you to encounter and learn from people that you are unlikely to meet in your normal circles."

Pickard is giving back. She participates in breast cancer awareness through her sorority, Delta Sigma Theta. She also volunteers for the annual Aimee Willard Fun Run/Walk against violence. Pickard, a former Girl Scout Brownie, also volunteers for the Girl Scouts of America. "I feel that it is extremely important to work with and mentor younger kids in order to have a positive impact and to, hopefully, help shape their lives. Kids are the future. And I always want to be part of shaping the future."

Pickard hopes to become a certified public accountant. She earned a bachelor's degree in marketing last year, but decided to go the extra mile, or few, and work on a second bachelor's degree in accounting. "I find it interesting to study what makes people purchase, and how to create the perfect product for a specific market. The field of accounting intrigues me, as I like to learn how people and companies utilize money and make financial decisions, and how they can do so in a better way. It is also interesting to study individual transactions and their effects. Helping with these decisions is fun and so is dealing with money.

But before mastering that numbers game, Pickard has more points to score in another arena. She is considering playing basketball overseas. "I love what the Washington, D.C. area has to offer, but I also feel that I am young and should venture out to try life in new places," says Pickard. The sky's the limit. ●

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uniquely convey how this program has impacted me. I have been granted a new confidence in my ability to pursue and obtain a career in government, politics, law, public policy, community organizing, international relations, or journalism.

The program itself was extremely well structured with its hands-on workshops, respectful staff, and its offering of the ability to engage in open forums of discussion with high-ranking officials. In addition to its providing enlightenment regarding law and politics, the program enabled me to learn much about the lives of people throughout the nation by becoming aware of the diverse lives of the other students. For me, this reinforced the fact that no matter where we come from in this very large nation, we are all human and we are all Americans. Remembering all that I learned, I am excited for the future. ●

MEET YOUR BOARD MEMBERS

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A co-author (with his college roommate and sailing companion) of five books, and author or co-author of numerous articles in journals and newsletters, Dick has also presented some 75 papers and conducted workshops. He has been a consultant to states, publishing companies and universities.

Awards for his service and academic work have been numerous, and include distinguished alumni recognition by the University of Pennsylvania and West Chester State University.

Dick proudly believes that as a teacher, colleague and friend he has helped a number of people in a way that allowed them to achieve significant growth in both their lives and careers. He is also very proud to have graduated from Central almost 60 years ago, and of being a member of the Board of Managers, seeing this affiliation as one that allows him to give back a little to a school that did so very much for him. "Coming to Ogontz and Olney on a regular basis has given me the opportunity to see how much the school has really changed over the years since I attended. Even though the bricks and mortar seem very much the same, the student body looks very different, and I see that change as a positive. At the same time, it makes me sad to see how shorthanded the school faculty and staff are, and how underfunded the budget is.

HONORABLE JOHN M. YOUNGE, 232

Judge John M. Younge, a native Philadelphian, resides in the Wynnefield section of Philadelphia with his wife, Joy May Brown-Younge, and their three children, Jessica, James and Jennifer.

He was elected to a ten-year term on the Court of Common Pleas in 1995, and re-elected in 2005.

Raised in the southwest section of the city, he is a product of the Philadelphia public school system, graduating from Central in 1973. Judge Younge earned a bachelor's degree in Business Administration from Boston University in 1977, and received a Juris Doctor degree from Howard University School of Law in 1981. More recently, in 2011 he was awarded a Master of Judicial Studies degree from the University of Nevada, Reno.

Prior to his election as a judge, his honor was Deputy Director and General Counsel for the Redevelopment Authority of Philadelphia (1985 to 1995). From 1982 to 1985, as an attorney and counselor at law, he maintained a community-based private law practice. Currently, along with performing his judicial duties, he teaches legal education for judges and lawyers, and is an adjunct professor at Delaware County Community College.



Judge Younge's civic and church involvements are many. He is chairman of the Board of Directors of the West Philadelphia Mental Health Consortium, the Board of Directors of New Life Credit Union, and is co-chairman of the Board of Finance of the Deacon's Board of Sharon Baptist Church. He is a member of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, the first international fraternal organization to be founded on the campus of a historically black college (Howard University).

His memberships in the professional context include the Philadelphia Bar Association, the House of Delegates of the Pennsylvania Bar Association, the Clifford Scott Green Chapter of the Judicial Council of the National Bar Association and the Pennsylvania Conference of State Trial Judges. ●

DEDICATION OF THE SILVERMAN FACULTY LOUNGE

In a ceremony on May 2 at Central, in conjunction with the 50th reunion of the 221st class, the Associated Alumni and Central High School dedicated the Faculty Lounge in honor of **Dr. Richard Silverman (221)** and his wife Barbara.

To honor the 50th reunion, Dr. Silverman had proposed a contribution to Central with the hope of benefiting technology areas. President McKenna and faculty members presented a detailed plan for doing so, and Dr. Silverman committed to the very generous contribution.

With 40 percent of the 221 in attendance, and music and song provided by CHS students, a ribbon-cutting ceremony officially opened the Silverman Faculty Lounge. ●



From left: Board Member Chuck Steinberg (221), CHS President Tim McKenna, Dr. Richard Silverman (221)

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If Not Now, When?

by Steve Chappell, 209

USchools Face Deeper Cuts," *The Philadelphia Inquirer*, April 26:

According to the new budget, the district needs \$216 million more just to keep things as they are.

"Shortfall May Force More Cuts at Philadelphia Schools," *The New York Times*, April 26:

A \$216 million budget shortfall could force Philadelphia's public schools to make further staffing cuts next year.

Scary headlines? No doubt. Are they real? No doubt. Must CHS alumni, who invariably identify themselves as "proud graduates of Central High School," demonstrate that Central pride in a substantive manner? No doubt.

As alumni, we have been *beneficiaries* of the Central Tradition. Continuing the Tradition requires us as alumni to take on the mantle of *benefactors*. The Associated Alumni of Central High School is committed to helping to endow the future for generations of CHS students who, as you did, ask simply for the tools to engage the future. You can, and should, involve yourself in that commitment to give back. There are a number of ways you can do so. We take pains to point out that giving back does not translate exclusively to dollars. Show your Central pride—contribute something of yourself to Central!

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Many thanks for supporting the school of which you are a proud graduate. 


HOLOCAUST COMMEMORATIVE EVENT

Sponsored by the 202nd class, the sixth annual Holocaust Commemorative was held in the Spain Conference Center on May 9.

Students had the opportunity to hear firsthand the experiences of a group of speakers who were survivors of the Holocaust including CHS alumni **Charles Rojer, MD (199)**, **Manny Mandel (202)**, **Dan Shelikoff (202)**, and **Ernest Blumenthal (204)**.

Dr. Rojer was able to survive as a Hidden Child in Belgium. Mr. Shelikoff is a survivor from Germany; Mr. Blumenthal left Austria in 1939 with his mother.

Mr. Mandel and his family, originally from Hungary, were rescued through the efforts of two Jewish men who had the audacity to deal with Adolf Eichmann directly. They were initially interred at Bergen-Belsen but eventually went to Palestine, then the United States.


Kurt Herman, another speaker, was one of 50 children rescued by Gilbert and Eleanor Kraus of Philadelphia. The efforts of the Krauses were documented in a recent HBO presentation which featured Mr. Herman. Also on the program were Don Greenbaum and Ernie Gross. Gross was to be put to death at Dachau, but was saved by the arrival of United States troops, including Don Greenbaum. Recently they found each other, and have become close friends. Ernie's niece attended Central. 

CHS CALENDAR

May 29, 7:00 P.M. — Spring Concert, CHS Auditorium

June 2, 5:30 P.M. — AACHS Annual Dinner Meeting, Marriott Courtyard Philadelphia Downtown

June 18, 10:00 A.M. — Graduation Exercises, Kimmel Center

The Alumni Association's Class Representatives Committee strives to maintain contact with every class through its designated representative. In order to ease our administrative burden, we ask each class to designate just one person to serve as the official liaison between the class and the Association. If no one is listed for your class and you are willing to serve, please contact **Pete Forjohn (235)** at (610) 558-1559 or **Rudy Cvetkovic (239)** at rudychs@gmail.com. If you cannot reach your class representative, call the Alumni Association office at (215) 927-9550 or email the Association at chsalumniphl@aol.com. 

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