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# The Ellsworth High School Alumni Association

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## President's Message



Dear Fellow Alumni,

For several years, COVID has prevented in-person board and annual meetings and fundraisers. We do, however, have good news to share: the Endowment Fund remains solvent with a market value of \$927,796.28 as of September 30; close to \$30,000.00 will be available for scholarships; and a cornhole tournament fundraiser is scheduled for November (see insert).

Presently, of 10,017 living graduates, only 230 are dues-paying. The Association sorely needs more alumni to pay annual dues of \$10.00/year. Your gift adds to the Endowment and funds operation expenses such as insurance, internet, investment fees and student activities. To pay your dues and make a gift to the EHSAA, go to [www.ellsworthalumni.org](http://www.ellsworthalumni.org) or scan the QR codes on the back page of this newsletter.

In closing, I personally express great thanks to Malen Hsu '69 and Bob Maddocks '60. Malen is "retiring" after many years of editing and preparing the annual newsletter and other indispensable administrative work. We hope to find a replacement for her. Bob maintains the database, updating contributions, dues and sadly, deaths. Malen and Bob are clearly two of our most valuable alumni.

*Michael E. Povich* '61, President

## Scholarships Awarded \$25,000 total awards

	Student	Class	Attending	Concentration
<b>Named Scholarships (\$2,000)</b>				
George Ray	Lauren Judson	2023	UM Augusta	Biology/Pre-Med
Povich/Rotary	Emily Gagnon	2023	Undecided	Psychology
Tracy Family	Briana Kane	2023	UM Augusta	Veterinary Technology
Paul & Patricia Firlotte	Logan Williams	2023	Emmanuel College	Radiology/Nursing
Leah S. Allen	Caroline Mazgaj	2023	Bates College	Psychology
<b>\$1,000 Scholarships</b>				
	Addison Nelson	2023	Undecided	Biology/Biochemistry
	Elizabeth Frost	2023	UM Farmington	Early Childhood Education
	Ellie Anderson	2023	UM Orono	Psychology/Political Science
	Kaya Gray	2023	Undecided	Physical Therapy
	Rachel Endre	2023	EMCC	Criminal Justice
	Savannah Hasham	2023	Wheaton College	Business/Communications
	Taylor Mason	2023	Husson University	Business Management
	Jordan Berry	2023	Undecided	Communications
	Naomi Burmeister	2022	University of Otago	English/Anthropology
	Alicia Havey	2022	UM Orono	Chemical Engineering
	Madeline Henry	2022	Emerson College	Theater Production
	Elise Dow	2021	Husson University	Pharmacy
	Lillian Philbrook	2021	UM Augusta	Mental Health
	Marissa Havey	2020	UM Presque Isle	Exercise Science
	Courtney Wasson	2016	Husson University	Physical Therapy



*Congratulations to all!*

## Investment Committee

In early 2012, I received an email from President Povich recruiting me to join the Ellsworth High School Alumni Association, citing the need to revitalize the organization with younger alumni. How does one say, “No,” to Michael?

Hesitant at first, I am now very grateful that Michael thought of me to assume a leadership role within the EHSAA. Over the last decade I have served the organization as Investment Committee Chair working with an extraordinarily committed and capable group of fellow alumni: Thelma Beal; Paul Firlotte; Bob Maddocks; Ernie Tracy; and joining the committee this year, Phyllis Harmon.

In the past year, the Committee updated its Investment Policy guidelines. While our guidelines have been refined, our Committee goal is unchanged. We want to provide an increasing amount of monies available for scholarships regardless of changing market conditions. We have met that goal every year this past decade and expect to provide \$30,000 for scholarship funding in the upcoming year.

Please consider a donation to the Alumni Association or naming the organization as a beneficiary of your IRA or insurance policy. We do good work that rewards bright and talented young people. Our endowment account is currently over \$950,000. With your help, we can continue this good work for future generations.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jerry Troger '96 - Chair  
EHSAA Investment Committee

## Visual/Performing Arts

\* In November the Band represented the State of Maine at the 100th Anniversary of the dedication of the Lincoln Memorial in Washington DC.



\* The Show Choir returned to competition for the first time since the Covid epidemic. The small but mighty group dazzled its audiences with a Celtic Medley.

\* Mad Jesters Theatre presented its fall play, “A Gentleman’s Guide to Love and Murder” which was very well-received. The spring one-act play, a parody of Marie Antoinette, won Regional and State competitions and went on to the New England performances.

\* The Empty Bowls Fundraiser in January raised \$980 to benefit the Ellsworth Food Pantry. This community-based event uses art to promote awareness of world hunger.

\* Brooklyn Carter, Maeve Rogers and Jemilee Williams attended the Student Based Learning Program at the Haystack Mountain School of Crafts.

## (Visual/Performing Arts)

\* Upcoming Events

November 9 National Art Honor Society Inductions  
December 19 Holiday Arts Festival  
January 9 Empty Bowls Supper

## Sports

FALL: EHS hosted many home events, one of the most memorable being the football team’s win, on Senior Night, over Lake Region 28-26. The boys’ varsity soccer team lost in the semifinals, and the girls’ varsity soccer team lost in the quarterfinals. The varsity volleyball team had a good season but did not qualify for the playoffs. Will Robbins qualified for the MPA Golf State Championship. Both cross country teams qualified for the state championship meet. The JV soccer teams won the inaugural “Denny Harmon” Soccer Classic.



Golf

WINTER was the “Season of the Girls.”

In celebration of the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Title IX, the cheering team won the Class B North Competition. A week later



Cheering



Basketball

the team won its first ever Class B State Championship. The girls basketball team won the Class B North Championship and went on to win its first ever Girls Basketball State Championship. The girls

swim team finished as Class B State Runners-Up, the best finish ever by our girls swim team. Finishing the regular season undefeated, the boys basketball team lost in the Class B North Championship game. The wrestling team, boys swim team, and boys and girls indoor track teams had great seasons with many individual accomplishments. Connor Wight broke the school record for the 55-meter dash.



Swim Team

SPRING: The varsity baseball team played in the Class B North championship for the 5th straight year.



Connor

The softball team lost in the quarterfinal. The outdoor track teams saw many individual successes, with Connor Wight breaking yet another school record in the 100-meter dash and Drew Pierson breaking the school record in the high jump. The boys tennis team lost in the quarterfinals, and the girls tennis team almost pulled off an upset but lost to Waterville in the semifinals.

Go Eagles!!

Josh Frost '98, EHS Athletic Administrator



Sportsmanship  
Award  
Class B North

## Reunions



Ten members of the **Class of 1964** gathered at John Moore's cottage on Bayside for a picnic. **Back row:** Barry Woodard; John Moore; Jean Tapley; Joe Young; Robert McDonald; Mary Jeanne (Lundin) Pierce. **Front row:** Nancy (Wood) Larsen; Bess (DeBeck) Carter; Carol (Grindle) Murphy; Janet (Black) Stanley

**Class of 1967** meets bi-monthly. **Left and down:** Shap and Lois Shapazian; Thelma Beal; Elaine Gilley; Ed Kidder; Maureen Anderson; Letitia Jordan; Linda Ronnquist; Alicia Mellow **Right and down:** Wanda Moran; Joel and Carolyn Ackerman; Walter Walker; Ron and Joanne Hamilton; Malcom Ronnquist; Vic Mellow.



Members of the **Class of 1973** met at Big Cat's in Trenton on July 14th to celebrate their 50th!

**Class of 1983** **Front row:** Mary Katsiaficas; Michelle Piskura; Sarah Hayes; Lisa Gerow; Karla Seavey; Billie Jean Williamson; Andrea Tilden; Kristin Proctor **Back row:** Chris Holmes; Richard Tupper; Laurie Beal; Jody Colbert; Greg Lounder; Alan Jordan



**Class of 1988** (Not in order) Jennifer Wadman Myers, Jennifer Shea-Giffin, Tom Hawes, Jill Brown Murphy, Amy Connors Boyle, Theresa Emerson, Stacey Jordan Foss, Kelly Farrin Paul, Renee Brown Ober, Darryl Leavitt, Rob Gordon, Jamie Higgins, Todd Merrill, Brendan Goodman, Mike Dougan, Jason Cave, Chris Feldcamp, Mike Gump, Jennifer Allen Hill, Danielle Delong Kennedy, Jennifer Ober Patton, Sonja Norwood, Steve Weed, Shawn Jordan, Dawn Madrell Bayles, Laurie Adams Smallidge.

**Class of 2003** (Listed with maiden names)  
**Front:** Jared Tucker **Second row:** Brie Jellison; Katie Hessler; Lindsey Hardison; Tia Dyer; Mercy Hardison; Melinda Hellum **Third row:** Garret Hardison; Ben Small; Jared Benner; Jess Arsenault, Cyndi Wood, Amber Oliver, Courtney Rausch, Sarah Hardison, Andrea Workman, Roseanna Glass, Jamie Parent **Fourth row:** Travis Jordan, Asa Jones, Chris Boles, Nick Sawyer, Ryan Sprague, Donald Smith, Krystal Roberts, Elizabeth Coombs, Shelley Jordan, Chadd Jordan



**We Remember** (date of death or notified between October 1, 2022 and September 30, 2023)

1943 William S. Silsby, Jr.	1956 Diane Carlisle Partridge	1968 Milton I. "Buddy" Hamilton, Jr.
1944 Marion Falls Bennoch	1956 Dwight A. Tate	1968 Linda E. Bragdon Mason
1946 Patricia Curtis Jordan	1959 Henry C. Ashmore	1969 Cheryl Davis Moon
1946 Frances Elizabeth Litchfield Silsby	1959 Judy McKenney Gaspar	1971 Richard Alton Zerrien, Jr.
1947 Richard E. Carlisle, Sr.	1959 Blaine Thomas "Buzzie" Holmes	1973 Wendy Joy Billings Young
1948 Ida Watts Hamilton	1960 Sandra Higgins Chalmers	1974 Daniel Anderson
1948 Milton Irving Hamilton, Sr.	1960 Kathleen "Kathie" Dunbar Cook	1974 Pamela L. Dodge Worden
1949 Lester Richard Sprague	1960 Darwin A. "Bud" Morrison, Jr.	1975 Jamie L. Patten Compton
1950 Betty Griffin Ray	1961 Fred Bull	1978 Joseph Wayne Wadman
1953 Elaine Marie Farren Beal	1961 Janice E. Stewart Emerson	1988 Scott Harold Logan
1953 Herbert Osborne Hodgkins	1961 Nancy J. Tilden King	1993 Daniel Albert Nickerson
1953 Mildred Smith Jordan	1963 Beverly Salisbury Bragg	1999 Jason Aaron Anderson
1954 R. Jane Grindle Cousins	1964 Lee Adelbert Berry	2011 Rebecca Joseffina Coffin Pelletier
1954 Arthur R. "Archie" Edgecomb	1964 Dana Burton Haskell	2012 Jayson Dorr
1954 Loretta Mae Remick Tracy	1965 Lin Trenholm Hendrickson	2012 Morgean Sarah Jones
	1965 John Joseph Whitmore	





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(marriages, births, deaths,  
 reunion information, photographs)

**Mark Your Calendars!**

**November 18, 2023 - Cornhole Tournament**

EHS Gymnasium Rain or Shine

Family-friendly event

See enclosed flyer

**Check webpage and Facebook for events**

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