

Aggie News

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From The Editor:

Greetings classmates,

Thanks to all who have contributed in our quest to find more classmates. We have managed to add many more names to the Aggie database. Those who have internet access can visit our web site at:

<http://www.charliesweb.com/alumni/alumni.html>

to see who we have found and have registered with the alumni. We update the site daily so you can get up to the minute information on who we have found and who is still missing.



It was great to see so many of our friends and classmates at the September reunion. Next time I am going to have to come up with some way to greet more of you personally. It was wonderful however to look across that room and see so many in attendance.

It's time for everyone to send in their alumni membership forms for 2001. The existence of your alumni association, the newsletter and our web site on the Internet are all dependent on membership dues to keep them going.

Charlie Main Class of '56

From The President:

I wanted to thank all who came to the reunion last September. It was a wonderful day & I enjoyed seeing everyone once again. I had hoped that all of those who came in '97 would be there as well, maybe next time. We will be making plans for 2003. It would be helpful if we could have some input on your thoughts about this last one. Did you like the location? Time of year? Day? Menu? Tour? Would you be interested in a weekend deal? Would you like to help plan the next one? This is what we have to know to make it a success, so please take a minute and let us know. Lillian Seaborne & Ed Smith did a fine job. I'm very grateful for all their efforts. It's not easy for me living in Florida, to find a place, set up a menu, etc. but we would like others to pitch in and give a hand also. I love being a part of the planing and hearing from so many of you. So now lets have some team effort to make 2003 even better. We have plans to continue to hold one at least every 3 years after that. We keep finding more people and it's so good to renew old acquaintances.

I Would like to extend a welcome to all of the alumni of the '60s, '70s, '80s, & '90s that have contacted us. We hope you'll join in and help out as well. We need the effort of everyone to find our classmates.

I'd again like to send good wishes to my friend Marge (Maynard) Miller. Hang in there, and don't give up. You can beat this thing. For anyone who would like to send Marge get well wishes, her address is 18014 Akins Dr. Sprinhhill, FL 34610.

Wishing everyone a prosperous & healthy 2001,

Alice Henning (Coleman/Young) Class of 1956, Pres. Essex Aggie Alumni Assn.

Reunion 2000 Report:

Our year 2000 class reunion celebration was held on Saturday, September 16, 2000. We were fortunate to have some really nice weather.

The morning session consisted of a tour of the Aggie campus conducted by Director Gustave Olson. We assembled at Smith Hall where Director Olson gave us a talk about the school, past present and future. He explained how "it was necessary to give up cows, sows and plows" and turn to programs which would put students in an employable position upon graduation. On the campus tour we noticed that most of the original structures were still in place but have been put to very different uses.

The afternoon session was held at the Grill 93 Continental Function Room in Andover, Massachusetts. During the cocktail hour we were able to view some great exhibits of photos, memorabilia and year books that were set up by Director Olson's staff members Glen Dagley and Ted Navakowski.

A fine dinner was provided by Grill 93 and was enjoyed by all.

After dinner, door prizes were given out for various categories as the conversations & get-togethers among old friends and classmates continued.

There were 87 in attendance and all appeared to have a good time. Class years ranged 1937 to 1960. We were especially pleased to have in attendance Barbara (Clark) Townsend '37 and Athalie (Adams) Waye '39. Home states included Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Maine, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Tennessee, Florida and California.

The one sad note of the day was the fact that John McCarthy, class of '56 who had purchased a ticket and intended to join us had passed away prior to the event.

News from the classes:

The Aggie staff:

Both Educational Manager James F. Gallant And Ms. Constance Maude have expressed best wishes to all. Ms. Maude wanted us to know that she would be thinking of us on the day of our recent class reunion. Mr. Gallant said that he had a genuine fondness for all of the Aggie Alumni.

They would enjoy hearing from us and seeing any who wish to pay them a visit.

Ms. Constance Maude, Girdler House, 70 Lothrop Street, Beverly, MA 01915
Phone: 978-922-0346

Mr. James Gallant, Hunt Nursing & Retirement Home, 90 Lindale Street, Danvers, MA 01923
Phone: 978-777-3740

Class of 1950:

Edward Pettipost and Barbara (Dauphinette) Pettipost of Groveland, Mass. recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary.

Class of 1956:

Marjorie (Maynard) Miller & her husband Richard recently celebrated their 45th wedding anniversary. Marge is currently battling brain cancer. If anyone would like to send her their good wishes her address is:
18014 Akins Drive, Sprinhhill, FL 34610.

The good ole days!

Close your eyes. . . . and go back
Before the Internet or the MAC,
Before semi automatics and crack
Before chronic and indo
Before SEGA or Super Nintendo
Way back.....
I'm talkin' bout hide and go seek at dusk.
Sittin' on the porch, Hot bread and butter.
The Good Humor man, Red light, Green light.
Chocolate milk, Lunch tickets, Penny candy in a brown paper bag.
Playin' Pinball in the corner store. Hopscotch, butterscotch, doubledutch Jacks, kickball, dodgeball, y'all! Mother May I?
Red Rover and Roly Poly
Hula Hoops and Sunflower Seeds,
Jolly Ranchers, Banana Splits
Wax Lips and Mustaches
Running through the sprinkler
The smell of the sun and lickin' salty lips....
Watchin' Saturday Morning cartoons, Fat Albert,
Road Runner, He-Man, The Three Stooges, and Bugs,
Or back further, listening to Superman on the radio Catchin' lightening bugs in a jar, Playin sling shot.
When around the corner seemed far away, and going downtown seemed like going somewhere. bedtime, climbing trees.
An ice cream cone on a warm summer night...chocolate or vanilla or strawberry or maybe butter pecan.
Eating Kool-aid powder with sugar...a lemon coke from the fountain at the corner drug store.
A million mosquito bites and sticky fingers,
Cops and Robbers, Cowboys and Indians,
Sittin on the curb, Jumpin down the steps,
Jumpin on the bed, Pillow fights,
Runnin till you were out of breath.
Laughing so hard that your stomach hurt.
Being tired from playin'.... Remember that?
When there were two types of sneakers for girls and boys (Keds & PF Flyers)
and the only time you wore them at school, was for "gym."
When it took five minutes for the TV to warm up, if you even had one.
When nearly everyone's mom was at home when the kids got there.
When nobody owned a purebred dog.
When a quarter was a decent allowance, and another quarter a miracle.
When milk went up one cent and everybody talked about it for weeks?
When you'd reach into a muddy gutter for a penny.
When girls neither dated nor kissed until late high school, if even then.
When your Mom wore nylons that came in two pieces.
When all of your male teachers wore neckties and female teachers had their hair done, everyday.
When you got your windshield cleaned, oil checked, and gas pumped, without asking, for free, every time...
and, you didn't pay for air, and you got trading stamps to boot!
When laundry detergent had free glasses, dishes or towels hidden inside the box.
When any parent could discipline any kid, or feed him or use him to carry groceries,
and nobody, not even the kid, thought a thing of it.
When it was considered a great privilege to be taken out to dinner at a real restaurant with your parents.
When they threatened to keep kids back a grade if they failed...and did!
When being sent to the principal's office was nothing compared to the fate that awaited a misbehaving student at home.
Basically, we were in fear for our lives but it wasn't because of drive by shootings, drugs, gangs, etc. Our parents and
grandparents were a much bigger threat and some of us are still afraid of them!!!
Didn't that feel good.. just to go back and say, "Yeah, I remember that!"
There's nothing like the good old days! They were good then, and they're good now when we think about them.
Share some of these thoughts with a friend who can relate, then share it with someone who was born too late

(Article submitted by Robert Lamontagne, class of '54)

Essex Aggie Alumni Association Membership Registration Form

2001

Membership dues for 2001 will be \$20.00

Please fill out the form below

We need your support



Member Name and Address: (Please Print)

Class Year:	
First Name:	
Maiden Name:	
Last Name:	
Address:	
City, State, Zip:	
Telephone:	
E-Mail Address:	

Volunteer with Essex Aggie Alumni

Any organization, in order to be successful must have volunteers to make things happen.

If you would be interested in serving as a volunteer now or in the future please fill out this form and send it in.

If you would like to serve as an Alumni Association Officer, help find more of your lost classmates, organize a reunion or help with the newsletter, this is where it all begins.

Volunteer Form

Place a check beside any position you would be interested in.

<input type="checkbox"/>	President
<input type="checkbox"/>	Vice President
<input type="checkbox"/>	Secretary
<input type="checkbox"/>	Treasurer
<input type="checkbox"/>	Reunion Director
<input type="checkbox"/>	Decade Research Coordinator for: decade (1950, 1960, 1970, 1980, 1990, 2000)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Class Research Coordinator for the year:
<input type="checkbox"/>	Decade Reunion Coordinator for: decade (1950, 1960, 1970, 1980, 1990, 2000)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Class Reunion Coordinator for the year:
<input type="checkbox"/>	Newsletter Reporter
<input type="checkbox"/>	Comments:
<input type="checkbox"/>	
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Please register my membership for 2001

I am enclosing my check for \$20.00 for 2000 Membership: \$ _____

In addition, I would like to donate: \$ _____

Total amount enclosed for membership & donations: \$ _____

Check should be made out to: Essex Aggie Alumni

Mail this form to: Alice Henning, 3075 Woodsmill Drive, Melbourne, FL 32934