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transition (noun)

tran-si-tion, tran(t)-'si-shən

: a change or shift from one state, subject, place, etc. to another;
a peaceful/orderly transition of power ¹

¹ www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/transition

We have done it all our lives: transition that is. Whether it was from elementary to high school to college, or from single life to married life to family life, in our work life and in our personal relationship, transition, like change, is a constant. A few years ago, the alumni association board realized we had a problem. What if the chair decided to suddenly resign or "retire" but no one would be able to fill the vacancy? After all, becoming chair of the organization should not be a "life sentence." The solution to the problem was to create the position of vice chair, whose primary purpose would be to take over the reins in the event the chair decided to resign or retire. Such a scenario played out at the October 2022 board meeting, when Nancy Fromer Wilson announced she would be stepping down from being the chair of the alumni association. Nancy will still be a member of the board and continue her work on the Artist and Lecture Series and on planning reunions in Seneca Falls.



Having served as vice chair over the past few years, I now look forward to transitioning to the position of chair. I have been a member of the board for over 30 years and have always been humbled and honored to be a part of this illustrious group. During the pandemic years, we transitioned and flourished as an organization and, with the help of technology, have expanded our outreach to our Ike family beyond newsletters and annual reunions. So, I urge you to take the opportunity to connect with

your fellow alumni by socializing on the "Friday Night at the Deerhead" Zoom meeting or by competing against your fellow alumni on the Sunday night "Quiz Bowl" or by visiting the Artist and Lecture series to find out what other alumni have been up to all these years. Times, dates, and links can be found on the ECAA website, in the monthly emails, and on our Facebook page.

Of course, all these activities, including this newsletter, are not possible without your participation and financial support. We are making plans for the 2023 reunion (see page 8) and continue to



raise funds for the Legacy Scholarship (see page 2). A request for annual dues is included in this mailing, and any additional donations at this time will help us continue

our scholarships and all of our ongoing activities.

Finally, I would like to thank my predecessor, Nancy, for her dedication and devotion to enhancing the vibrancy of the association. We are truly a better organization because of all your hard work. Thank you! I am looking forward to working with the members of the board and with the members of the alumni association to continue the journey that was started many years ago along the shores of Cayuga Lake.

Go Global! Go Ike!

Michael DiPietro '83



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Scholarship Award for Seneca Falls Student

A single \$2,500 Eisenhower Scholarship was awarded to Joseph Jang of Seneca Falls, New York, at the homecoming picnic. Joe is currently a student at the University of Rochester, majoring in philosophy, and hopes to attend law school and to work in an area of law where he can help those less fortunate than himself. Joe's essay (found on the Eisenhower website: eisenhowercollege.org) stated that the trend in education is currently focusing on STEM or STEAM, but he points out that many employers today are looking for candidates with "soft skills":

reasoning, problem solving, and the ability to communicate. These skills are fostered in a liberal arts education. In the conclusion of his essay, he states that these two educational philosophies could and should complement, not compete.

Essays for the 2023 Eisenhower Scholarship are due by June 1. Details for submission are available on our website.

Joan Ritter Barnard '79
Scholarship Committee Chair



Joan Barnard presents award to Joseph Jang.

Legacy Scholarship Closes in on Goal

We're almost there! To date, we've received pledges and gifts totaling \$134,750, just shy of our initial goal of \$150,000. Won't you please help make up the difference? Pledges can be paid over a period of up to five years and take many forms. Keep this in mind if you have to take a Required

Minimum Distribution (RMD) from your retirement account or consider suggesting people make a gift to the fund in lieu of flowers in an obituary. To make a pledge or a gift right now, check the box on the enclosed dues card or go to the link on our website: eisenhowercollege.org/legacy-campaign.

A huge thank you to all who have gotten us this far! Please consider an additional gift or increasing your pledge to get us over the finish line!

Steve Van Arsdale '81
Legacy Scholarship Campaign Chair

2022 Legacy Awards

For actively contributing to our EC Legacy



Elaine K. Mellen '76
Ellen McCahon Plossl '76 and Phil Plossl '77
Carl Sassano '72



Want to zoom in for easier reading or look closer at photos in our newsletters? All issues are available online at www.eisenhowercollege.org. Click on Members Only and Alumni Association Archive.

Watch for our Pop-Up "Store"!

After our success with previous pop-ups, we are planning another one this spring. Even if you don't make it to the reunion, you can still wear EC apparel with pride! Order your fave EC items online and get them delivered to your home. Pop-up sales are only open for two weeks, so don't hesitate! Check our emails and FB page for the announcement.

Eisenhower College: The First 50th Reunion

Into the Valley of Cayuga Lake arrived the 300. Or, to be more precise, 304. Each of us with her or his own story, and each with unique reasons for joining the charter class of Eisenhower College. Four years passed quickly as our numbers declined to 88. Graduation! Then another 50 years came and went. Another landmark: the first 50-year reunion celebrated at the academic tribute to our 34th president, Dwight David Eisenhower.

We had all studied the theories of Heraclitus the Obscure, so we knew we would not be stepping into the same river we had waded out of 50 years earlier. Yet, how strange to see our beloved alma mater transformed into the Northeast College of Health Sciences! Truly, change is the only constant.

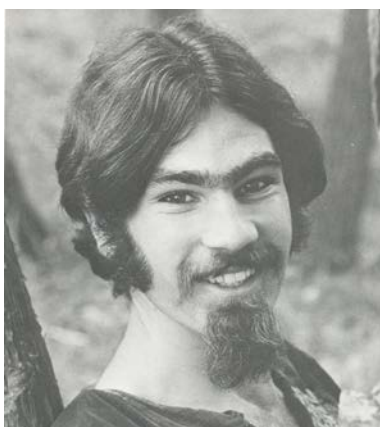
Yes, the same sun rose and fell in the sky each day, but it had weathered our faces and left us asking questions of one another. "Is that you,

Rick? Ah, yes, of course. Now I recognize you!" And so, we came. Most of us retired. Former purveyors of insurance, fine clothing, exports, and imports. Military and foreign service veterans, educators, and medical professionals. Even a farmer and talented carpenter.

How different a 50th reunion is from a fifth or 15th or even a 25th. No need to impress classmates (although some of those photos of grandchildren were pretty impressive). Instead, whether picnicking, cruising the canal, drinking, or dining, the conversations were casual, friendly, and from the heart.

If there was one recurring theme, it was gratitude. Not all of us used World Studies in our professional lives, yet we all seemed to recognize that we had received a world-class education. Over and over, we heard praise for those who had created the innovative curriculum and inspired our young minds. Al Ossman and Frank Annunziata

in history, George Walsh in philosophy, Sandra Saari in literature, Stu Van Orden in art, and Renee Schoen-Rene in writing. They and others changed our lives, in many cases transforming us from mere adolescents into young men and women. "Two courses with Warren Hickman were most memorable to me," shared one alum, while others fondly recalled Professors Troisi (thank you for being present at the 50th, Mr. Troisi!), Chu, Singh, Root, and Barnett. There is no way we can repay the educators of Eisenhower College, yet it was heartwarming to see that many of our



classmates "paid it forward" by educating or in other ways serving the needs of the next generation.

Gratitude was expressed as well to those responsible for creating and running the many extracurricular activities that were often central to our social life and growth. How heartwarming to see classmates joining Coach Fred Bleiler and his wife at lunch so they could relive memories of games and playing fields, as well as tell their beloved coach how much he meant to them. Other conversations recalled memories of concerts (Blue Öyster Cult came up more than once), plays, intramural activities (Raging Bulls vs. Fat City!), DJing for WIKE, work-study wrestling pots in the kitchen, serving on committees such as the library or student judiciary, publications, and, of course, the Red Barn, Ernie's, and the Deerhead.

Of course, in the spring of 1968, none of us could know what kind of educational

experiences we would encounter at an unknown college. So why did we take a chance and select Eisenhower? My story was simple. I had applied to one other college and ended up on a wait list that was never used. May 1968 found me desperate, but I was excited once I learned about the "pioneering spirit" of a new school that would accept me.

One student, who spent his earliest years in South America, was attracted to the international focus of the curriculum. I heard this theme repeated by another classmate with a French background, as

well as one who had spent time studying in Europe and wanted to learn all she could from "World Studies." Among our original 304 classmates, there were some who had flunked out of other schools and needed to get back in college or risk the possibility of being shipped off to Vietnam. Yet, even among these would-be scholars, there was the allure of starting

fresh with a brand-new school offering an innovative, world-focused curriculum.

Perhaps, in a real sense, we were all taking a risk. In 1968, with our backs to Cayuga Lake, we gazed on fields of mud dotted with a handful of newly completed buildings. We hoped our futures would be bright, our dreams fulfilled. Fifty plus four years later, we paused to memorialize the faculty and 15 members of the charter class who have transitioned to the great beyond. For the rest of us whose futures lay ahead, we can anticipate the next time we gather. In the meantime, we extend our gratitude to the many people who organized and executed the first 50th reunion of Eisenhower College, as well as to those working to keep the EC legacy alive. Thank you one and all!

Joe Ball '72
Charter Class Member

Time It Was...

A time to honor the Charter Class of 1972—the pioneers, the ground-breakers, the OGs of Eisenhower College. From their first view of a partially built campus in 1968 to a perfect September weekend 50 years later, our charter class came to Seneca Falls to remember when “they were the seniors all four years.”

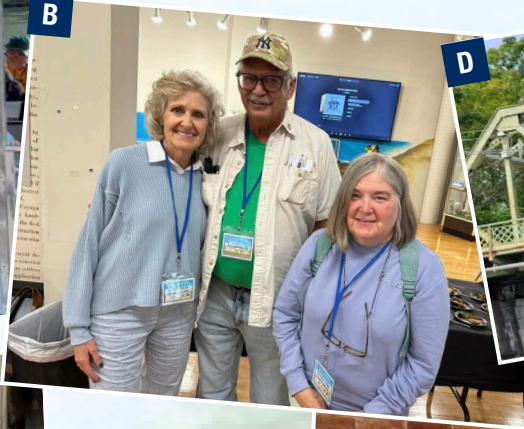


Photo A: Saturday afternoon cruise on the canal; **Photo B:** Beverly Child Boatright '72, Joe LoPinto '72, and Kathy Colby Groenhout '72 at the welcome reception; **Photo C:** Zecca Fernandez and Kathy McEniff Fernandez '72; **Photo D:** The EC banner showed up on the bridge over the canal; **Photo E:** (seated) Phil Plossl '77, Ellen McCahon '76, Barb Siergiej Adelsberger '76, Linda Christensen '76, Holly Harpell Heiser '76, Mike Sherwood '76, Charlie Swain '76, and Donna Jobe '76; **Photo F:** Barb Allen '83, Jim Troisi, Cathy Troisi, Karen Munze '84, and Dave Bailey '83; **Photo G:** Sue Wright Passmore '82, Michael DiPietro '83, Betty Koziol, Judy DeLucia, Sue Sauvageau, Janice DeLucia '83, Ellen McCahon Plossl '76, Adele Biancarelli '74, Suzy Gant Bjerke '73, Cynthia Kloppel '81, Jon Kloppel '79, and J.D. Shepley '77 at the Buttonwood Grove Winery on Sunday; **Photo H:** Donna Siergiej '81 and Linda Siergiej '76; **Photo I:** Charter Class members playing—and winning—the Live Quiz Bowl at the Gould; **Photo J:** The General's Band – Alec Scott '75, Steve Nagle '75, Beth Scott, and Carol Mikoda '75; **Photo K:** Fred Rapp '77, Ellen McCahon Plossl '76, Linda Christensen '76, Maud Charpin '82, Sue Vredenburg Ochse '78, Donna Jobe '76, Deb Sharpe '76, Charlie Swain '76, and Elaine Briceland '76 standing on the yellow brick road in the tunnel with Linda showing a photo of her original painting.

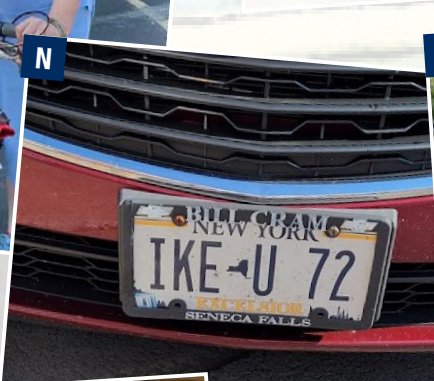
...And What A Time It Was!

In the largest turnout yet for a reunion, we gathered to celebrate the charter class and to join them in shared stories of a time and place that we all experienced many moons ago. As we looked at photos of younger faces, the years slipped away, and what remained was a true appreciation for time spent together—then and now.



save the date!

Homecoming 2023
September 29–October 1
Seneca Falls



Thanks to everyone who made this issue better by contributing their photos of Homecoming.

Photo L: Pam Romeo Havens '78 got around on her scooter, following ankle surgery; **Photo M:** The charter class in 1968 wishing happy birthday to President Eisenhower; **Photo N:** License plate of Fran Emerson '72; **Photo O:** Reading the names at the memoriam ceremony on the Monet Bridge; **Photo P:** Conrad Janke '78 and Merle Gehman '77; **Photo Q:** Joanna Erickson Pagano '72 and Steve Butler '72; **Photo R:** Gathering at People's Park for awards and to listen to The General's Band; **Photo S:** Kathy Colby Groenhout '72 and Cindy Reynolds Babcock '72; **Photo T:** 1972 charter class members Pat Mulvehill Potavin, Pam Mulvehill, Michel Caurant, Ken Potavin, Joanna Erickson Pagano, and David Catherman; **Photo U:** Margaret McMillion '73, Suzy Gant Bjerke '73, and Peter Yangpichit

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David Catherman '72 recently retired, following more than 40 years of development (fundraising) assignments, primarily within higher education. "Man, those years sure went fast, and a 50th reunion in Sept? Whew! Productively occupying my time is volunteerism with the New Orleans Chapter of NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness), where I chair the development committee. I always look forward to the so-well-done communications from ECAA!"

David Dixon '72 writes: "Like my friend **Bud Ayres '72**, I ain't dead yet, but at the same time, I'm not enjoying the jet-set lifestyle of a **Joe LoPinto '72**. I'm happy to say that the whole family (wife, two daughters, their spouses, and one grandson) has completely avoided all the virus variants these last two years. I am still often in touch with my life-long Eisenhower friends: **John Zaaier '74**, **Jay '73** and **Suzanne '75 Woodruff**, and **Brad '73** and **Joan '72 Purdy**."

Rick O'Connor '72 tells us he is still "a little active in metal speculation" and is retired from architectural building news. He stays active growing tomatoes, corn, cukes, melons, and herbs, as well as playing some pickleball, riding his mountain bike, and swimming daily in the lake or pool. Rick had knee surgery, and hip surgery is next.

Sara Curtis '73 has retired from the corporate world and chosen to put her lifelong love of horses to work. "I volunteer at Rising Starr Horse Rescue in Wilton, Connecticut, one of the most highly regarded in the U.S. See how you can help at www.risingstarrhorserescue.org."

John Austin '74 spent an evening in Baltimore with **Janet Day-Strehlow '77** during her visit from Germany last year. Janet told him that "F Suite" is still holding reunions, which she attends.

Pat Carey-Chambers '74 updated her contact information with this news: "We have made a big move from our 100-year-old home in Washington, New Jersey, to Mays Landing, New Jersey. We are getting settled one day at a time! It is a new one-level home in a 55-and-over community. It is a new chapter in our adventure!"

Kenneth Elwell '74 reports that he is working around the house and yard, skiing, and hiking. "Took up pottery a few years ago after a long hiatus. Thanks, **Sue Sauvageau**, for teaching me the basics. I'm happy to say I remain close friends with **Linda Levesque Smart '74** and husband **Doug Smart '74** after all these years."

Thomas Grady '74 writes that he has lived in Southern California for 32 years and has several Redhawk Auto Service businesses in the Temecula area. His wife, Donna, passed away last year after 45 years of marriage. Thomas spends time playing golf, going to the gym, and traveling.

Dean Little '74: "As I did last year, I send greetings to my fellow Ikesters and especially to my fellow

student volunteers for multiple programs and companionship therapy at Willard State Mental Hospital, Outreach to veterans and Canadian patients and residents moved to Seneca Falls, the March of Dimes Drive 1970-74 and after, supporters of the China Beach Orphanage in Da Nang, Vietnam, and many of the programs at EC. I continue to write prose and poetry. Currently, I'm enrolled in the veterans writing class in Shurtle, which I am enjoying. I have received and documented thousands of stories for my patients over 40 years. It is a relief to be able to share my stories and my experiences as a medic in Vietnam. Lastly, Audry and I became grandparents in mid-April."

Bob "Murf" Murphy '74 sends greetings with "Happy landmark anniversaries to the classes of 1982, 1977, and especially the charter class of 1972. I really enjoyed getting to know so many of you. As for me, I'm retired and living the dream in Baltimore, Maryland (aka Charm City), which has been my home for nearly 40 years. I take great pride in my daughter and her family. I especially love watching my grandkids play lacrosse (they've each already scored far more goals than I ever did) and even tossing a ball around with them. Hope to be able to reconnect with old friends through the alumni association."

Now that **Douglas Pratt '74** is retired, he reports that he is focused on his "side hustle": recording audio books. "The nine books I've written are long out of print, and I've found that recording them is a lot more fun than writing them! I am currently working on Young Abe, a collection of papers on Lincoln's youth in southern Indiana. This will be my 65th title over 10 years of recording and producing. Recently, I've completed biographies of astronauts Gus Grissom and Ron Evans, Western legend Kit Carson, and mining pioneer Eben Smith. Some time ago, I recorded "Eisenhower's Sputnik Moment" by YaneK Mieczkowski, whose mother taught at EC. Earlier this year, I narrated City on a Hill, which mentions a speech that Ronald Reagan made at an EC fundraiser. Amazing where the college and its people appear! All of my books are available on Audible.com. If you search Audible for my name, you'll see the whole list. If any of them look interesting, drop me an email at dad@pratt-hobbies.com, and I'll send you a promo code for a free review copy. You don't have to be an Audible subscriber to get the freebie, but you do have to use their app to listen to it."

Terry Richmond Tanner '74 says, "I'm finding retirement incredibly busy with golf, kayaking, boating, quilting, reading, and loving our four wonderful grandchildren. I miss my career as a software engineer and programmer but love the world travels that it allowed me to have. I always enjoy the EC newsletter!"

Susan Carlson '75 is enjoying retirement too, with travel, home projects, great books, workouts, and

healthy cooking. She adds, "I'm also reconnecting with family and friends. Love America, love Eisenhower College, and all its gifts to me."

Tom Shaw Myers '75 continues to expand his interests through art and writing groups in health therapy, as well as in 55-and-over adult sessions. He still goes to the architecturally famous Thomas Crane Public Library in Quincy, Massachusetts, to do research and is now meeting new acquaintances through a veteran's ride-share program. Although he misses an old friend who has passed away, he now enjoys some new friends and doing their family genealogies.

Bill Alden '76 updates us: "After a scintillating career in journalism, I am retired now, living in Syracuse and taking care of my 95-year-old mother. My newspaper career began at EC under the excellent tutelage of **Dave Catherman '72** and **Margaret McMillion '73**, editors of the Eisenhower College Press. There were actually three newspapers on campus at the time (Last Exit and The Printed Word were the other two) and at some point, we merged them into one: The Paper. The late **Felicia Hoffman '74** was instrumental in this, and I'd also like to give a shout-out to **Kevin Green '74**, **Janine Underwood '75**, **Ronald Howes '74**, **Doug Smart '74**, **Mark Schneider '75**, **Steve Olsen '75**, and **Nick Owens '75**, among many others who helped keep the presses running on campus. I'd be interested in hearing from anyone who can tell me what happened to the paper after I graduated in 1976." You can contact Bill at wmsalden@gmail.com.

Teresa Ichniowski '76 writes "I retired from full-time practice six weeks after being furloughed because of COVID-19. This allowed me to be free to help our third daughter when her second child was born, and our second daughter when her twins (!) were born. We were disappointed that the vaccine has not yet been approved [when Teresa wrote in February 2022] for under fives, as one of our granddaughters is a transplant recipient (liver at age five months!) and is immuno-compromised.

My husband, who continues to work as a journalist from home, and I have enjoyed visiting with our six grandchildren by Zoom and in person. I have kept busy doing online classes to keep my PT license current, as I plan to pick up home care once it is sure that the virus has settled into being endemic. My previous employers (Arthritis and Rheumatism Associates) asked me to continue teaching special exercises for people with osteoporosis, in which I am certified. I did a series of these last fall and will do another series this spring.

Meanwhile, I am a music minister with a community of Roman Catholic Women priests—yes, there are RCWP; feel free to email me at tgichn@gmail.com with questions! I help out with food packing and distribution with a neighborhood Methodist Church (anyone remember a group of us driving

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into SF and singing with the Methodist Church on Sunday mornings with **John Nuessle '74?**, which gives me a chance to practice my Spanish, as there is a large LatinX community in the DC metro area. I minored in Spanish at EC but didn't use that training until I worked in home care in this area from '92 to '01."

Barry Johnston '76 retired as director of quality resources for BARC Developmental Services, an organization supporting people with intellectual disabilities in Bucks County, Pennsylvania. He is currently working part time as a ski instructor for Bear Creek Mountain Resort and Conference Center in Macungie, Pennsylvania, as well as being an American Heart Association Training Center faculty member, teaching CPR and first aid for the Einstein Medical Center Montgomery in East Norriton, PA.

Louise Ryerson Raymond '76 tells us she is the founder and CEO of LRaymond Advisors, LLC and would be happy to hear from former classmates at either louiseraymond378@gmail.com or text at 845-772-0457.

Deborah Hickok '77 writes in: "After living and working in Fairbanks, Alaska, for 22 years, I moved to Mt. Dora, Florida, at the end of October 2021. Since starting my consultant business, I've worked for a state tourism organization and freelanced for a local newspaper, both in Alaska."

"Happy to report that I retired in 2018," writes **Susan Schwartz '77**. "A bit early, but with 40-plus years in the workforce, it was time! I am doing a lot of volunteer work now. I am currently president of the Rotary Club of Buffalo. I chaired a major fundraiser for the club as well this year, working with the newly installed Buffalo Heritage Carousel. We host a carnival that is free for the community at Canal-side, Buffalo's waterfront. I also serve on the board of the strategic planning committee for the Frederick Remington Art Museum in Ogdensburg, New York. My husband, James, and I built our dream home there, on the St. Lawrence River during a pandemic, from our home in Buffalo. We'll split our time now between there and East Aurora (winters!) Love EC, its alumni, and our reunions!"

Mark Gehl '78 moved to a suburb of Nashville, Tennessee, just in time for the summer heat. He invites y'all to give a call if you are ever in town and hopes to get back to Seneca Falls this year for his 45th.

In July 2022, **Pam Romeo Havens '78** and husband, Steve, welcomed their second granddaughter, Hannah Ada, who was born in Ferrara, Italy. "We'd planned to travel there this past fall to meet her in person," Pam writes. "Unfortunately, three and a half weeks after her arrival, I fell in our driveway (on the way to the mailbox!), dislocating my ankle and fracturing it in three places! Surgery and a very loong recovery followed!" Now back to being bipedal (and mostly steady), Pam returned to her part-time gig in

the Walmart deli at the beginning of December. She and Steve anxiously anticipate visiting their grandbabies (maybe Italy, too) sometime this spring.

Linda Tiernan Kepner '78 is still working 25 hours a week at the Peterborough Town Library, cataloging material, which she has done for 39 years! She writes, "I just released my 15th book (the big-name authors are quite safe from me, but it's fun). Terry is comfortably retired, and Quinn is saving up for a second year of cartoon school."

"Thanks for the great newsletter!", writes **Johanna Som de Cerff '78**.

Joan Barnard '79 says: "So great to reconnect with so many former classmates at Homecoming this year. It has been my pleasure to work with Nancy and Fran on the Scholarship Committee. We hope to see this continue to grow in the next few years. All is well with the Barnards - finally getting to enjoy retirement as the world begins to open up again!"

Rebecca McGinnis '80 retired from the University of Maryland in 2020 and celebrated her 37th anniversary with her husband, Scott. Their two girls are 26 and 21. She ponders, "Does this mean we're aging?"

David Hart '81 notifies us, "I am not dead yet either, but probably soon, as I am now 63. Sarah and I are coming up on our 34th wedding anniversary: three kids, all grown, launched and reasonably happy. Retirement could be on the horizon. We are also starting the process of cleaning out 40 years' worth of accumulated crap, which is a process. **Dan Schoonmaker '81** sent me a PDF of the Ike Faces book from 1977: quite a trip down memory lane. I also caught up with **Jane Derman '80** and **Suki Bullens '81** for beers this summer on Cape Cod. Life is Good."

Maud Charpin '82 reports: "My daughter, Fleur Remington, was crowned Miss Spirit of the USA, in August in Troy, New York. Her platform is veteran suicide-awareness fundraising for WNY Heroes and promoting their services to vets and their families. My husband, **Darrin D. Remington**, attended Eisenhower College in 1979, graduating in 1983 from RIT. He was promoted to chief engineer of space and defense for Moog Inc. in East Aurora, New York, in October, where he has been employed since 1989. Both my children live and work in Western New York. My son, Cameron Remington, is employed by Ingram Micro, and my daughter is at the Genesee Co. sheriff's office. I also work for law en-

forcement, for the New York State Police.

Rob Pope '82 joined the ranks of the retired after 28 years at the same middle school in Arlington, Virginia as a special needs educator. He adds, "My youngest daughter, Vanessa, was married to Mr. Eugene Harris on October 22, 2022. They are the proud parents of four of my 11 grandchildren!"

Beth Johnson '83 returned from living and working in the UK during the COVID pandemic. She is enjoying her family and telecommuting from her home in Easton, Maryland. Beth still loves scuba diving and traveling overseas. She is grateful for all the family and friends in her life and writes that she will attend the 40th reunion of her class this year!

Coach Fred Bleiler (Faculty): We received an update from Mrs. Bleiler, saying that Coach suffers from mild dementia. They currently are enjoying their new home in Lockport, near two of their children. Feel free to contact them at bleiler@mail.rit.edu or 7244 Clarkview Drive, Lockport, NY 14094.

In Memoriam

We regret to inform you of the passing of these Eisenhower friends:

Rosemary Agonito (faculty) January 30, 2023	Patrick McKee '74 January 25, 2022
Lauren Masiak Azzara '81 March 8, 2022	Theodore J. Moore '73 June 11, 2022
Shirley Sisson Bonaparte '76 April 9, 2022	Edward J. Moran (staff) September 2020
Dennis Ciehomski '76 February 16, 2023	Helena O'Reilly '77 November 16, 2022
Suzanne Cornell '83 January 25, 2023	Anthony T. Perrotte '83 March 21, 2022
Betty Geraghty (staff) December 2, 2022	Dr. Daniel Petrizzi (faculty) December 20, 2022
Andrew Hodge '74 January 20, 2023	Marsha Starch Schubert '74 June 30, 2021
William James Kenneally '73 December 5, 2020	Arden Leon Sunwall '74 May 14, 2019
Charles Kirch '81 November 18, 2021 (corrected date)	Georgette Toësca (faculty) September 23, 2013
Elsa Lieber '77 October 16, 2021	Cathy Troisi (staff and wife of Jim) January 17, 2023
Joseph Samuel Luppino '83 October 14, 2022	Dr. Walter Alan Wolf (faculty) September 9, 2022
Kathleen McKee Macioch '79 September 20, 2022	Robert Peter Zucconi '73 January 5, 2023

Executive Summary of Board Meetings in 2022

In its 40th year since being organized, the board met three times in 2022, the meeting in April being the first face-to-face meeting since September 2019. In October, officers were elected for two-year terms: **Michael DiPietro '83** was elected chair, and **Steve Suddaby '76** and **Sue Passmore '82** were elected to continue as secretary and treasurer.

There was discussion about the need for more directors and noted that the bylaws say we can have up to 15 regular directors. Steve Suddaby volunteered to chair a nominating committee to approach people about their willingness to run for the board. He will also approach current board members whose terms expire next year: **Ken Chambers '74**, **Michael DiPietro '83**, **Fran Emerson '72**, **Deb Leal '76**, **Sue Passmore '82**, and **Nancy Fromer Wilson '78**.

Here are some highlights in other areas from the board meetings:

Homecoming

Most of the board's time each year is spent on Homecoming. Feedback on the 2022 reunion was positive, with only a few complaints pertaining to the Gould. This resulted in them refunding us \$350.

Artist and Lecture Series

Nancy reported that the once-a-month schedule is ideal, and we are now able to get videos of the presentations online faster.

Website and Social Media

Pam Romeo Havens '78 reported that we have about 549 Facebook alumni and friends. Regarding our website, we will soon

outgrow storage space with Elevate with the approximately 5,000 articles about EC that Elaine Mellen '76 has compiled. Pam is looking for ways to expand it.

Scholarship Report and Legacy Scholarship Program

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Michael DiPietro expressed the board's thanks to Nancy for all she's done as chair. Other board members commented that, unlike the rest of the world, ECAA blossomed during COVID due to Nancy's work.

Steve Suddaby '76
Board Secretary

Financial Report – 2022 Annual Meeting

	7/31/2021	7/23/2022	10/27/2022
Checking (Operating) Account	\$7,126.64	\$5,120.43	\$8,386.40
Savings (Legacy) Account	\$0.00	\$3,047.32	\$1,047.46
Scholarship Account	\$8,218.07	\$4,323.57	\$2,248.78

It was recommended and passed by the board that \$2,000 be moved back from the checking account into the savings account.

Susan Wright Passmore '82
Board Treasurer

2023 Homecoming Sneak Peek

This year's reunion will harken back to the old CommARTS days! We are calling all EC artists and makers to showcase your creative spirit, sell your wares, and take part in a live art auction. Look for more details very soon in our monthly emails or contact **Susan Schwartz '77** at susan.schwartz55@gmail.com or 716-866-7645. Susan needs initial information about your art by the end of April.

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