

FALL 2021

Memories are all we really own.
– Elias Lieberman, Class of 1900



THE NEWSLETTER

DEWITT CLINTON ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

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DWC Football Champs – Nov. 27, 2021



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The DeWitt Clinton High School Annual Alumni Dinner 124th Reception – May 26, 2022

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of DeWitt Clinton High School

You are part of its history. Be part of the celebration

With Special Tributes to the Classes of 1970, 1971 and 1972
Whose 50th Anniversary Celebrations Were Affected by the Covid - 19 Pandemic

Of Course, Every Class Is Invited

6:30-10:30 P.M.,
Thursday, May 26, 2022

Marina Del Rey
One Marina Drive, Bronx, NY

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 - ◆ Download the 64-page booklet *DWCHS Notable Alumni*, 2022 edition coming in January.

President's Letter



Dear Fellow Governors,

As you read these words, DeWitt Clinton High School Class of 2022 seniors will have submitted their college applications. I know this firsthand because my daughter is a member of this coming year's graduating class.

Among the many wonderful events happening during the 2021-2022 school year, I call attention first to the one that already happened, on November 27th. The varsity football team, under Coach John Applebee and his staff, won the PSAL cup championship. WOW! Check out the story and photos on page 14.

Twelve retired faculty members will be inducted into the DWC Faculty Hall of Honors during December, but we regret that there will be no in-person ceremony. Check the update on page 4 of this Newsletter.

Here is a really big coming event. This school year marks the 125th anniversary of our alma mater. On behalf of the board, I invite you to join us in saving the date for the All-Classes Annual Alumni Dinner which will take place on Thursday, May 26, 2022 at Marina del Rey, Bronx, NY. And do not forget Homecoming Day at the school the next day May 27th. Details can be found on pages 8 and 9 of this Newsletter.

We have many other events sprinkling our school year, including the summer months. As always, their purpose is to allow us to gather and honor the longstanding legacy and traditions of our alma mater. If you are not able to participate in person at the events through the year, we would ask you to consider making a donation via a journal ad, a dinner ticket for a graduating senior to attend in your place, and/or to make a donation. All of your contributions support the Class of 2022 and all of the other students who currently attend DeWitt Clinton High School.

At every event every year, there are seats once filled by colleagues and alumni, family and friends who are no longer with us. Such is the story for Mr. Bert Blanco. Please read our tribute to him on page 13 of this Newsletter.

With Love from the Bronx,

Sydney Valerio '99

DWC Alumni Board President

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ALERT: From the Marina Del Rey Restaurant, site of the DWC Alumni Dinner on May 26, 2022, "We are now asking our guests to provide us with proof of vaccination if they are planning to attend an event at our venue. Per New York City's new guidelines, proof of vaccination will be mandatory as of September 13th." As May 26th nears, make sure the Dinner is still scheduled and that you meet the latest entrance requirements by visiting

<https://www.dewittclintonalumni.com/> or <https://www.mdrnyc.com/covid-19-guidelines-for-wedding-receptions-events-in-nys>

ALERT: Anyone who enters DeWitt Clinton High School must wear a mask at all times and prove that they have been fully vaccinated (either by showing a COVID-19 Vaccination Record card or the Excelsior App on their phone). As the May 27, 2022 Homecoming Day approaches, visit <https://www.dewittclintonalumni.com/> for the latest information and requirements.



Principal's Letter Fall 2021



Work-Based-Learning Updates:

- **After School Programs**

Our after school work-based-learning programs have begun. It's been great to see our 9th- and 10th-grade students begin learning technical skills such as animation, photography, python coding, Alvin Ailey Dance routines and beat boxing. Our SAT Program will soon begin again, with many students anxious to attend. These programs, in conjunction with their everyday career classes are intended to prepare students for professional certification exams. The goal is that students have options for career and college. At the very least, they can work and support themselves as productive members of society.

- **First Responder and EMT Program Starting with an Alumni-Run Company**

We have worked very hard to re-establish a health program that leads to professional certification. When I arrived, there was an EMT program but unfortunately not many students within that small learning community took this coursework. Even worse, not every student who took this coursework concluded with an EMT certification. So over the past 5 years we have focused on redefining this Health Professions Pathway to include Project Lead the Way (PLTW) Biomedical Science courses. These courses, taken daily over four years, will ensure that students have the background physiology knowledge needed to be successful in any EMT course.

So this year we have established a relationship with Modern Health -- a company with Clinton alumni connections -- that will support us in providing students with Certified First Responder training and certification.

In the spring, Code One -- another company with alumni connections -- will support us in providing students with Emergency Medical Technician training and certification.

In addition, our students have been given the opportunity to work as interns at The New Jewish Home, where we have approximately twenty-five 10th grade students beginning their journey towards gaining Certified Nursing Assistant certifications. The director of this program is also a trusted alumnus, whom we thank for his desire to support future Clintonites into the medical field.

Through these partnerships we are certain that we will be able to produce career-ready graduates.

- **Scholarship After One Marking Period**

I'm happy to report that, with the return to in-person instruction, we are back in stride academically. After one marking period, the collective passing rate is 85.92%. We need to maintain this and match it with our regents' passing rates. Stay tuned.

Sincerely,

Pierre Orbe Principal

Sine Labore Nihil — Nothing Is Achieved Without Hard Work

Honoring faculty members with twenty years or more of service to DeWitt Clinton High School, and thankful to every faculty member who created and advanced the Clinton spirit since 1897.

DEWITT CLINTON HIGH SCHOOL FACULTY HALL OF HONOR

We mingled dreams with drab realities,
Our teen-age shacks with palaces of time
Rejecting easy doubt and doubtful ease
When guides, beloved teachers, bade us climb
Envisioned heights from which at their command
With joyous eyes we glimpsed the promised land.

-- Excerpt from Salute to DeWitt Clinton (1897 to the Present), a poem by Elias Lieberman, who had been a student on opening day in 1897 and a member of the first graduating class of 1900. Lieberman became a New York City Public Schools teacher, the first principal of Thomas Jefferson High School in Brooklyn, and a world-renowned poet, whose most celebrated work is "I am American," written in 1916 and set to music in 2001. The poem quoted above, written in 1968, reflects on the importance of the Clinton faculty in Lieberman's education and life. His first faculty was the Opening Day Faculty on September 12, 1897.

The Faculty Hall of Honor, inaugurated on October 25, 2018. Pierre Orbe, Principal, DeWitt Clinton High School; John Barbarette '64, President, DeWitt Clinton Alumni Association; Jose "Pepe" Figueroa '68, Major Contributor



Above is a representation of the Wall. The Wall is up for anyone to visit, but the raised acrylic panels of text cast shadows of the text and do not photograph well.

The DeWitt Clinton High School Faculty Hall of Honor Third Induction – 2021 (Update)

With regret, the induction ceremony scheduled for December 8, 2021, will not be held in person, due largely to travel concerns and preparation delays. By the end of December, plates honoring each inductee will be placed in the Faculty Hall of Honor and a Certificate of Appreciation will be mailed to each inductee.

Faculty Inductees 2021

Marsha Beck
French Language Teacher
1985-2011

Terrence Geil
Mathematics Teacher, Dean of Students
1984-2006

Merrily Rosner
English and Humanities Teacher
1986-2011

Sam Blank
Speech, ESL, Mass Media Teacher
1969-1996

Maryanne C. Mola
Guidance Counselor, Asst. Principal, PPS
1985-2013

Terry L. Sebastian
Health Education Teacher, Coach
1985-94, 1997-2013

Margaret Cronin
Social Studies Teacher
1984-2008

Laura Pacher North
English Teacher
1983-2004

Paula Simon
Art Teacher, Alumni Office Coord.
1986-2008

Carolyn Echevarria
Mathematics Teacher
1984-2006

George Pereny
English Teacher, Dean, Club Adviser
1984-2013

Rita Sukenick
Special Education Teacher
1978-2006

By "Faculty" is meant principals, administrators, supervisors, teachers, counselors and librarians. Inductees must have held one or more of the above positions at DeWitt Clinton High School for a total of 20 years of full-time employment and be retired from the New York City Public School System at the time of induction. Medical leaves, maternity leaves and sabbaticals are considered time served. Only service rendered to DeWitt Clinton High School and begun no later than 1986 qualifies for induction in 2021.

The Faculty Hall of Honor was proposed by the DeWitt Clinton Alumni Association, which funded its creation and governs its rules and regulations in accordance with the principal's authority as chief administrator of DeWitt Clinton High School.

Why We Honor Our Faculty

Some faculty members stand out because their efforts produce championship teams, award-winning school publications, improved academic standards, and opportunities for students to develop leadership skills in various organizations. But we also know that great faculty members serve in quiet ways, as mentors to students and benefactors to those in need.

In 1947, DeWitt Clinton High School published a special issue of its student magazine, the *Magpie*, to commemorate the fiftieth anniversary of the school's opening. Renowned obstetrician Dr. Harry Aranow, class of 1900, contributed an article on two of the original faculty members, Ellen E. Garrigues and Dr. John T. Buchanan. Both had been greatly admired for their very public deeds, but one of their quiet deeds may have gone unknown had it not been for Dr. Aranow's article (given below as originally written).

As we prepare to celebrate the 125th anniversary of DeWitt Clinton High School, let us recall the goodness and kindness of two faculty members who were there on Day One.

GJP

A Tribute to Miss Ellen E. Garrigues and Dr. John T. Buchanan

By Harry Aranow, Class of 1900

Clinton High School will always be remembered by me as the institution which offered me an opportunity for education at a critical period in my life. I had been in this country less than two years, had graduated from public school and could see no way to continue my education when Clinton opened its doors.

At Clinton I met the teachers who had the greatest influence in shaping character and preparing me for my life's career. Some of these teachers were kind enough to single me out and include me in their circle of friends. The two who stand out in my mind as my life-long friends are Miss Ellen E. Garrigues and Dr. John T. Buchanan and I would like to tell of an incident which would give the readers an insight into the noble character of these two personalities, the first principal of Clinton and the most beloved teacher in the early years of Clinton.

Miss Ellen E. Garrigues who throughout her life has given to charity nearly all her savings was always eager to help directly instead of through her church or charity organizations. When she discovered that I was doing outdoor obstetrics in the homes of the very poor of New York during my fourth year as a medical student she asked me, as a personal favor, to let her know whenever I came across a worthy family in need of immediate help. I did that for a period of over a year and one case stands out in my memory.

On a cold, drizzling, sleety night I was sent by my clinic to deliver a woman in West Harlem. The sidewalks were covered with sleet making walking hazardous. I found the patient in a desolate cold-water flat, in active labor. There was no coal or food in the house and two little children were huddled in bed with their mother to keep warm. I delivered the woman, made her as comfortable as I could and assured her that I would obtain help for her in the morning. It was about eleven o'clock at night and I did not think I could get anybody to come out in such a dreadful night.

As soon as I reached the Clinic I telephoned to Miss Garrigues and told her about this urgent case, hoping that she would be able to do something for them the next day. Great was my surprise the next morning when I visited my patient, to find the house warm, both mother and children fed and made comfortable and a supply of food in the house.

Miss Garrigues on receiving my call, dressed, got Dr. Buchanan out of bed and the two of them purchased and carried a bag of coal, a bundle of wood and a supply of food (bread, milk, eggs, butter, etc., etc.) through the slippery streets to the patient's house. They started a fire in the cold stove, fed the patient and her children, made them comfortable and promised to come back in the morning.

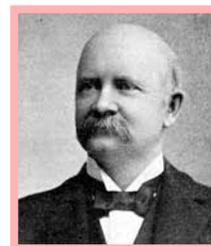
Miss Ellen E. Garrigues and Dr. Buchanan, names I will always remember with love and veneration.



Harry Aranow,
Class of 1900

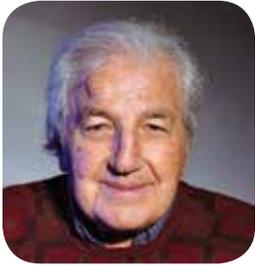


Ellen E. Garrigues,
English Teacher



John T. Buchanan,
Principal

Adolph "Dolph" Schayes '45 and Nathaniel "Nate" Archibald '66
named to the NBA's 75th Anniversary Team in October 2021.



Dolph Schayes

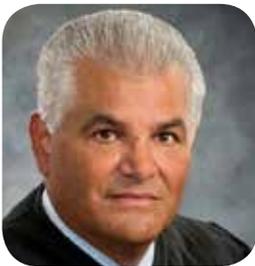
Stats: 18.5 PPG, 12.1 RPG, 3.1 APG in 15 seasons with Syracuse Nationals/Philadelphia 76ers (1949-50 to 1963-64). Accomplishments: 12-time All-Star, 12-time All-NBA, 1950-51 rebounding champ, 1955 NBA champion. Schayes passed away on December 10, 2015.

https://www.espn.com/nba/story/_/id/32432119/nba-75-greatest-players-all-complete-list

Nate Archibald

Stats: 18.8 PPG, 2.3 RPG, 7.4 APG in 13 seasons: Cincinnati Royals/KC-Omaha/Kansas City Kings (1970-71 to 1975-76), NY Nets (1976-77), Boston Celtics (1978-79 to 1982-83) and Milwaukee Bucks (1983-84).

Accomplishments: Six-time All-Star, five-time All-NBA, 1972-73 scoring and assists champ, 1981 All-Star MVP, 1981 NBA champion.



Juan R. Sanchez '74 presently serves as Chief United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania. Appointed chief judge on August 1, 2018, he is the first Latino to hold that position. He has served on the District Court since his confirmation by the U.S. Senate in June 2004 by a vote of 98-0. From 1998 to 2004, he had served as elected judge of the Chester (PA) County Court of Common Pleas. Sanchez was born in Vega Baja, Puerto Rico. After graduating cum laude from CCNY in 1978, he attended the University of Pennsylvania Law School, from which he received his Juris Doctor (JD) in 1981.



Thomas Quinones '77 was elected to a seat on the New York State Supreme Court Ninth District on Election Day, November 2, 2021. The Ninth District covers the counties of Westchester, Rockland, Orange, Dutchess and Putnam. In January 2016, he was appointed City Judge of Yonkers, New York. This made him the first Latino judge in Yonkers history. In November 2016, he ran for a full term and won. Prior to his appointment as a judge, he had served twenty years (1996-2016) as a New York City Child Support Magistrate. Quinones will be the 64th DWC alumnus to be a justice of the New York State Supreme Court. At Clinton, he was senior class president.

Thomas Quinones 1977

CIVIL JUSTICE				JUDICIARY (NEW YORK STATE SUPREME COURT)		
Morris Aarons 1925	Edmund R. Dunn 1948	Bertram Katz 1947	George Postel 1931			
Rolando T. Acosta 1975	Erlich A. Eastman 1939	Alvin Klein 1929	Benjamin J. Rabin 1913			
Herbert I. Altman 1954	Martin Evans 1935	Theodore R. Kupferman 1937	Burton B. Roberts 1939			
Charles Apotheker 1964	Abraham Geller 1917	James J. Leff 1938	George D. Salerno 1952			
Harold Baer 1923	Abraham Gellinoff 1919	John C. Leonforte 1927	Anthony Savarese 1913			
Max Bloom 1926	Howard Goldfuss 1941	Howard E. Levitt 1946	Larry Schachner 1978			
Leo Brown 1922	Edward J. Greenfield 1939	Abraham Levy 1922	Gerald Sheindlin 1951			
Kenneth N. Browne 1941	Maurice W. Grey 1932	David Levy 1943	Howard Sherman 1966			
Leonard Cohen 1938	Louis Grossman 1933	Vincent A. Lupiano 1925	Howard R. Silver 1952			
Samuel C. Coleman 1910	Jacob Grumet 1916	Arthur Markewich 1922	Samuel J. Silverman 1925			
Salvatore A. Cotillo 1903	Burton Hecht 1945	Jacob Markowitz 1922	Fernando Tapia 1968			
Joseph A. Cox 1915	Nathaniel T. Helman 1922	Joseph R. Marro 1926	Vincent Trimarco 1924			
Thomas J. Crawford 1908	Nat H. Hentel 1935	William T. Martin 1969	Francis Valente 1922			
William J. Davis 1950	Samuel H. Hofstadter 1910	Armando Montano 1966	Louis Valente 1901			
Isidore Dollinger 1922	Bernard H. Jackson 1944	John A. Mullen 1907	Milton L. Williams 1951			
Edward S. Dore 1901	Howard Jones 1941	Eugene Oliver Jr. 1965				



Robert Burden '81 was involved in many activities during his years at DeWitt Clinton: including Arista vice president, student court, Key Club vice-president, swimming team, *Clintonian*, biology club, leadership senate and audio workshop. He learned to "manage" all kinds of issues. No wonder his college alma mater is the University at Buffalo School of Management. At TD Bank since 2018, he is presently SVP, Head of GIAM Strategy & Solution Management. Perviously, he had been Director, Global Information Security - Head of Enterprise Access Development at Bank of America. Through his long career, he has been called on to create new strategies for the improved management of major corporations. Burden is proof that a good education includes involvement in extracurricular activities.



Ngoc Lu '87 is vice president and chief technology officer for AEA investors LP, which operates as a private equity firm. The firm focuses on leveraged buyout, growth capital, and mezzanine capital investments. Prior to joining AEA in 2000, Ngoc Lu was with Credit Suisse First Boston for seven years. He is a graduate of the University of Rochester. Born in Vietnam, he had to endure the North Vietnam government take over of the county in the mid-1970s. At 13, he fled with his family to New York after his father, an officer in the South Vietnamese military, was sent to a reeducation camp. Ngoc Lu used his time at Clinton well, as Arista vice president, a member of the Academic Olympics, math team and peer tutoring--all to go along with oratory, bowling and swimming.



Derron Wallace '03 is an assistant professor of education and sociology at Brandeis University in Waltham, Massachusetts. His reputation as a scholar was recently enhanced when he received a 2021-2022 Mandel Faculty Research Grant in the Humanities. The \$10,000 grant supports a member of the Brandeis faculty working in the humanities or humanistic social sciences to begin or continue a research project. In 2014, Wallace earned a Ph.D. in sociology of education from the University of Cambridge (UK) where he was a Marshall and Gates Cambridge Scholar. For his dissertation, he was awarded the 2015 Distinguished Dissertation Award from the American Educational Research Association. Wallace is a Phi Beta Kappa graduate of Wheaton College (Massachusetts). In 2008 as a Fulbright scholar, he taught English and conducted research on education reform in Thailand.



Aaliyah Wajid '15 was a member of Coach Cornel Johnson's track team at DeWitt Clinton. Coach Johnson shares with us what Aaliyah's father, Qaasim Wajid, wrote about her latest success:

Aaliyah Wajid was the first individual to cross the finish line today (October 23) at the 2021 Great American Conference [GAC] Women's Cross Country Championships and helped the (East Central University--ECU) Tigers finish third, out of 12 teams.... The Bronx, N.Y., native [his daughter] finished in a time of 17:36.1 and is the fifth best finish at a GAC Championship in its 11-year history.



Jasmine Sinkler '16 has a passion for social justice, education, and mentorship. Her primary career goal is centered on becoming an attorney to combat issues faced by underserved and underrepresented communities of color. In 2020, she graduated with a B.A. in political science and government from Spelman College in Atlanta, Georgia. During the summer 2019, she participated in an 8 week internship in Cape Town, South Africa, aimed at helping youngsters deal with local social issues. At present, she is a legal assistant at the Lewis Law Firm, centered in Jackson, Ohio. As a Clinton student, she was captain of the debate team, book club secretary, string bass section leader and a member of the Arista National Honor Society.

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DeWitt Clinton High School 124th Reception
 Sponsored by the DeWitt Clinton Alumni Association

6:30-10:30 P.M.,
 Thursday, May 26, 2022

Good Food and Cheer

Music and Dancing

Choice of Main Course

Marina Del Rey
 One Marina Drive, Bronx, NY

Open Bar

Dinner Reservation

Name _____ Year _____

Address _____ Per Person \$125 Annual dues members
 includes \$150 Non members and
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____ valet parking after May 05

Day Phone _____ I would like to sponsor
 E-Mail Address _____ Senior Student(s).

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Visa Master Card American Express Discover
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Signature _____

I cannot attend but enclose a contribution for \$ _____ or charge my credit card.

Make checks payable to the "DeWitt Clinton Alumni Assn, Inc."
 Contributions are tax-deductible to the extent permitted by law.

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Please return by May 05, 2022 to:
DeWitt Clinton Alumni Assn, Inc.,
P.O. Box 566, Elmsford, New York 10523-0566
Phone (914) 961-3003 Fax (914) 961-0291

Homecoming Day at School Friday, May 27, 2022, Time TBA

ALERT: Read the health entrance requirements for the Marina Del Rey Restaurant and Homecoming Day on page 2 of this Newsletter.

Your Ad for the 125th Anniversary Dinner Journal

Please check one box:	<input type="checkbox"/> Red & Black Page (8"x 10.5" Vertical) Full page in color <small>- Back cover outside - 1 available</small>	\$1,000	Included	Last column: prices for Ads to also be displayed on DWC Alumni Web site
	<input type="checkbox"/> Platinum Page (8"x 10.5" Vertical) Full page in color <small>- Inside cover - 2 available</small>	\$750	Included	
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Home Tel. No. _____ Work Tel. No. _____

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Please return by April 24, 2022 to: DWC Reunion Dinner- Journal Ads
PO Box 566, Elmsford, NY 10523-0566
Telephone (914) 961-3003 Fax (914) 961-0291

Alumni Notes

Joseph H. Bernstein '47—Enjoying contacts with my children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren from Washington State to Maine. Have given up world travel and big-game hunting, but still enjoy being upright on two feet!

Davy Levy '47—Thank you D.W.C. for an education that enabled me to become a teacher and eventually a deputy superintendent in School District 7 in the Bronx 1951-1990.

Albert L. Bernstein '48—Semi-retired C.P. A. Korean War veteran, heavy weapons infantry, army finance corps, army audit.

Carl E. Silver '52—I am a retired surgeon--worked in the Bronx 45 years. Now living in Scottsdale, Arizona. I wrote music for Class Night 1952. Still playing the piano.

Michael Brier '55—All is good. Play tennis and watch my grandchildren spend my money.

Alan M. Edelson '55—Still is and will always be the Best High School in America.

Bernard Katz '56—Retired from fifty years as professor of psychology at Nassau Community College, still in clinical practice.

Herbert LeShay '56—High school foreign language teacher, assistant principal, principal, District Office K-12 supervisor.

Thomas Mauro '56—Married 59 years. Have three children and seven grandchildren.

Richard Pomboy '56—Dartmouth 1960, Harvard Business School MBA 1967, U.S. Army intelligence officer, founded and managed hedge funds.

Martin R. Ganzglass '57—I recently published *Goats and Other Stories* -- a collection of short stories, available from Amazon.

Ira Greenberg '57—Retired accountant. Recently started a new career as an elementary school crossing guard. Served seven years in the U.S. Naval Reserve (1963-1970).

Stephen M. Hadermayer '57—Thirty-nine years in editorial art department, *NY Times*; map department manager 1990-2000. Married 50 years September 11, 2021. Three children. Retired since 2000. Never forget the great years at Clinton.

Ron Korn '57—Thirty years with international accounting firm -- KPMG. Retired in 1991 as managing partner of Miami office. Active in various civil and charitable organizations. Since 1991, I have sat on boards of directors of public companies. Since 1994 living happily in Boca Raton, FL, keeping busy with Board of Petmen Express, Inc. (NASDAQ PETS), tennis, golf and bridge.

Robert Schwieger '60—Thanks to all the volunteers for all the fine work they do in support of the DWC alumni.

Larry Tasklik '60—Retired U. S. Army and retired civil service (U. S. Air Force Special Ops).

Martin R. Friedman '61—Received a BBA (accounting) and MBA (taxation) from Baruch College. Law degree from NY Law School, practised in NY and AZ.

Rubin H. Lindau '61—Retired professor of physics, Oregon State University. Author of approximately 100 papers on theoretical particle-nuclear physics. Author of six textbooks on physics and computing. Lives in Tucson and Santa Fe.

Michael Bregman '62—Retired special agent in charge, Washington, D.C., Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco & Firearms, U. S. Treasury Department.

Alan Frishman '62—Retired after 41 years as professor of economics at Hobart and Wm. Smith Colleges.

Robert Benna '63—Still enjoying retirement and golf. Looking forward to travel and visits with kids and grandkids once pandemic ends. Life remains good.

Robert Corrigan '63—Still alive and kickin' in the Bronx! I will never forget witnessing Clinton's last second victory over Boys' High in the 1963 PSAL basketball championship. The game was held at the old Madison Sq. Garden.

Antonio Fidanza '63—Still miss Joe Prezioso -- the true "Godfather."

Lawrence Best '64—DWC was the greatest school in the universe. I'm a proud graduate. "Failure was never an option."

Ku Chin '64—Hope all of you are doing well. Take care and be safe.

Michael Schwartz '64—Played tennis for University of Alabama. Assistant men's tennis coach at Monmouth University (NJ) for eleven years, four conference championships with four consecutive appearances in the "Round of 64 NCAA Playoffs."

Joseph A. Vecchio, Jr '64—Retired attorney with 49 years of practice in Florida.

Stanley Sprung '65—Taught mathematics at DeWitt Clinton for 34 years - 1969-2005. Retired and taught math at a Yeshiva in New Jersey for ten years.

Michael Lewis '66—DSU, track and field team (1966-1968); U. S. Air Force (1968-1972), including Vietnam (1969-1970); Howard University 1974 B.B.A.; Cornell University (1974-1976) M.B.A.

Roy S. Gordet '68—"What is happiness but the simple harmony between a man and the life he leads." Albert Camus.

Alumni Notes

Robert David Sunshine MD '69—Urologic surgeon, medical legal consultant.

Richie Stein '70—I got my B.A. in music education at Queens College where I met my wife of 44 years. I got my master's at the University of Miami. Taught public school music for ten years before going into real estate where I spent 35 years as an agent, managing broker and owning my own investment company.

David Refkin '75—Working on recycling and climate change projects. Enjoyed the 2019 Faculty Hall of Honors induction of former teachers Sprung, Horowitz & Garvey with fellow '75 grad Jonathan Asher. My dad, Marty Refkin '43, lives in Manhattan.

Cornel Johnson '79—Retired physical education teacher at Clinton (June 2021, completing 38 years). Remaining as girls' track coach.

Marquell C. Cole '16—DWC class president in 2016. Received my B.S. in chemistry. Getting my master's in Public Health. Going to medical school afterwards..

James Gilmore Ret. Fac.—Taught in the English department and was dean of students.

Gerard M. McLoughlin Ret. Fac.—Married 60+ years to Frances, 8 children, 40 grands, one great-grandson.

The Mall and Literary Walk Central Park in Winter

Photo: David Beckerman '69



David Beckerman passed away on January 8, 2021, NYC photographer who lived his life's dream as an artist.

In Memoriam

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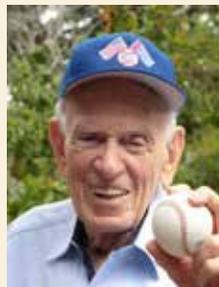
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 David Beckerman '69 (January 8, 2021)
 Craig Douglas '83 (April 23, 2021)
 Noriberto Blanco FAC (2021)
 DeWitt Clinton V (October 12, 2020)

David Finn '38 celebrated his 100th birthday on August 30, 2021. The September 2021 Newsletter wished him Happy Birthday. We hope he saw our greeting. On October 18th, he passed away at home in New Rochelle, NY.

Along with Bill Ruder, also class of 1938, Finn founded a public relations firm in 1948. Soon renamed Ruder-Finn, it became one of the largest public relations firms globally.

Finn was also an historian, author and photographer of sculpture. His archive of 140,000 images were donated to the National Gallery of Art in Washington, D.C.



Arnold Hano '38 was an editor, novelist, biographer and journalist, best known for his non-fiction work, *A Day in the Bleachers*. It was an eyewitness account of Game 1 of the 1954 World Series, centered on its pivotal play, Willie Mays's famous catch and throw.

His service in the U. S. Army during World War II interrupted his plans to become a writer. As part of an artillery battalion of the Seventh Infantry Division, he participated in the Aleutian Islands Campaign and later the landing in the first wave on Kwajalein Atoll (Marshall Islands).

After the war, he distinguished himself as a freelance writer, his work appearing in publications such as *The Saturday Evening Post* and *Sports Illustrated*. In 1964, he received the Sidney Hillman Memorial Award in magazine journalism for "The Burned Out Americans," which describes the bad conditions facing migratory farm workers in California. He also wrote biographies of star athletes, and then came more than a dozen novels.

Arnold Hano died on October 24, 2021, at his home in Laguna Beach, California. He was 99 years old.



Edward J. Greenfield '39 enlisted in the Navy following his graduation from NYU in 1943. As a naval intelligence officer in the Pacific, he was among the first people to enter Hiroshima after the U. S. dropped the atomic bomb on the city on August 6, 1945.

After graduating from Harvard Law School and working in private practice for more than a decade, he was elected a civil court judge in 1963, then elected to the State Supreme Court in Manhattan in 1968 and re-elected in 1982.

Over the years, Justice Greenfield was involved in many notable cases. He presided over the 1975 trial in which three Black Panthers were convicted of murdering two New York City police officers. He ruled that psychiatric patients could not be subjected to drug experiments. He allowed a photographer to continue selling nude photos of the actress Brooke Shields, although he also scolded her mother for exploiting her. In 1984, he ruled in favor of Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis, who had sued the Christian Dior fashion house for using a Jackie-look-alike model in an advertising campaign,

Edward J. Greenfield, retired from the bench since 1998, died on August 26, 2021 at his home in Manhattan.



Bertram Gelfand '47 knew the full span of the press. In 1987, the *New York Times* reported, "Surrogate Bertram R. Gelfand of the Bronx was removed from the bench...by the State Court of Appeals, which cited his judicial misconduct...and his 'evasive, incredible and false' testimony" during his hearing.

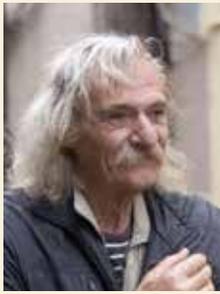
On the other side, Gelfand received many positive tributes before and after his death in September 2021. In a *Times* obituary (9/24/21), the New York Cardiac Center foundation wrote, "He was an individual of superb intellect and provided leadership to our Board for more than 25 years through his acumen, legal skills, and extraordinary awareness."



Alvin Deutsch '49, a graduate of the Yale Law School, specialized in copyright in the fields of music, theater, and publishing. He was a co-founder of Deutsch Klagsbrun & Blasband, which established an expertise in intellectual property. One of his most publicized and successful cases came in 1988 when he represented singer Peggy Lee in her suit against the Walt Disney Company for breach of contract when it released a video-cassette of the 1955 animated classic *Lady and the Tramp*. Lee had claimed additional royalties for the songs she had written for the film. It was said that her victory in the case made her purr like a Siamese cat.

In 2001, Deutsch became a partner in the prestigious law firm McLaughlin & Stern. He was also a adjunct professor of copyright at Cardozo Law School and served on boards including the Johnny Mercer Foundation, the Goodspeed Opera House, and the Johns Hopkins Sheridan Libraries.

Alvin Deutsch passed away at his home in New York City on October 6, 2021.

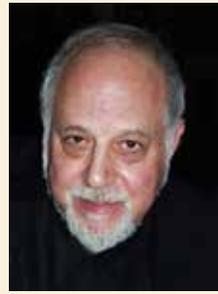


Jack Hirschman '51 was a poet, writer, essayist and political activist who wrote more than 100 volumes of poetry and essays. He received a B.A. from the City College of New York in 1955 and an M.A. (1957) and Ph.D. (1961) from Indiana University.

In the 1950s and 60s, Hirschman taught at Dartmouth College and the University of California, Los Angeles. He was opposed to the U. S. military involvement in Vietnam and was fired from UCLA after encouraging his students to resist the draft.

In 1973, he moved to San Francisco, where he recited his poetry on theater stages, in restaurants and bars, and even on the street. In 2006, he was appointed Poet Laureate of San Francisco by Mayor Gavin Newsom.

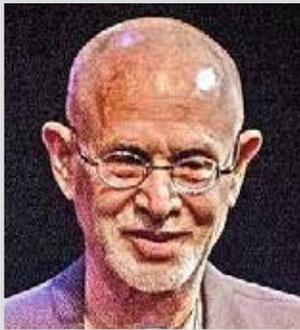
Jack Hirschman died in San Francisco on August 22, 2021.



Robert Altman '61 had the good fortune of being taught photography by Ansel Adams. Shortly therefore, Altman was hired as a photojournalist by *Rolling Stone* magazine. Jann Wenner, the magazine's founder and publisher said of Altman's photography, it "was instrumental in portraying the look and feeling and vitality of the Sixties." Following his early success as chief staff photographer

for *Rolling Stone*, Altman expanded into the realm of fashion photography and fine art. In the 1990s, he transitioned from film media to digital media, becoming active as a digital photographer. In 2007, he published *The Sixties*, a collection of his famous photographs from that decade.

Robert Altman passed away at his home in San Francisco on September 24, 2021.



Charlie Gilbert '61 was born in Manhattan on April 12, 1944. He earned his bachelor's degree from the University of Miami and his master's from The New School of Social Research. Living in New York, Gilbert became a special education teacher. He sought the joke in every moment. In 1992, he moved to

Los Angeles and completed 20 years in Special Ed. In LA, he performed in theatre, student films and stand-up comedy.

Charlie Gilbert suffered a hemorrhagic stroke on Feb. 5, 2021, and died the following morning in San Diego.

Noriberto "Bert" Blanco, Retired Faculty, passed away on October 6,

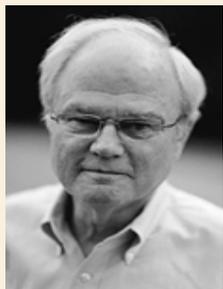
2021, with an outpouring of shock and admiration rarely seen throughout the history of DeWitt Clinton High School. "He inspired me..." "He saved my life..." He cared for every student..." "He made me proud of Clinton. He used to say, 'By the time you graduate, you will forever bleed red and black.'"



Born and raised in the Bronx, Bert Blanco's heart of gold was shared with the people of the Bronx and especially its youngsters. He came to Clinton in February 1983 to teach social studies during the school's last term as all-boys. His commitment went far beyond classroom instruction. Until his retirement in 2011, Blanco threw himself into every phase of Clinton life. In awe of the school's history and its distinguished alumni, he wanted to continue the tradition but add his own "flavor." It did not take long before he made an impact. In September 1983, he was appointed Coordinator of Student Affairs (COSA), succeeding Martin Garry who had become AP-Social Studies.

Serving as a unifier in the growing diversity of the student body was a high priority for Blanco. For this purpose, he organized a school-wide Rainbow Multicultural Show and an outdoor Unity Dance, both events successful in drawing together students of all ethnic backgrounds. He favored no one and everyone as he emphasized the Clinton way.

Beloved by students, parents, and teachers alike, Blanco was twice named Teacher of the Year. The senior class of three different years dedicated its yearbook to him, the only faculty member to be so honored. And at graduation in 1991, he was awarded an honorary DeWitt Clinton diploma. Vaya con Dios, amigo!



DeWitt Clinton V attended the 100th anniversary celebration of DeWitt Clinton High School held at the Hilton Hotel in Manhattan on May 17, 1997. It was his honor as a direct descendent of Governor DeWitt Clinton to be present and the school's honor to have him present. His career was spent in financial management, with time enough to be an early American history enthusiast. His son

DeWitt visited DWCHS in 1993 and has a son named DeWitt.

DeWitt Clinton V passed away on October 12, 2020, at Gosnell Memorial Hospice in Scarborough, Maine.

Lest We Forget Their Service to Country

Frank Ferro '48 served stateside in the U. S. Army during the Korean War as a combat cameraman, incl. filming atom bomb testing.

Craig Douglas '83 served in the U. S. Air Force ((1986 to 1992), mostly at the Yokota Air Base in Japan, rising to the rank of sergeant.

Note:

Certain items in this *In Memoriam* section are taken in good faith from published obituaries and Internet sites.

WE SHOUTED, "GO GOVERNORS!" THEY DID AND WON THE PSAL CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP.

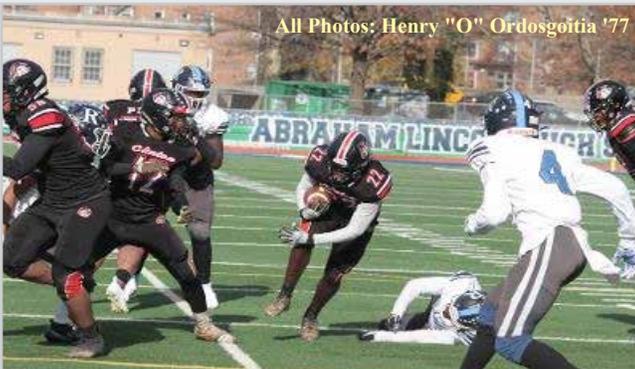
IT'S GOOD TO BE THE CHAMPIONS: CLINTON FOOTBALL FINISHES A GREAT SEASON WITH A THRILLING VICTORY OVER RANDOLPH

November 27, 2021; Abraham Lincoln HS Field, Brooklyn; Clinton vs. Randolph

On the cold, windy Saturday morning of Thanksgiving weekend 2021, DeWitt Clinton's varsity football team set out for Abraham Lincoln High School in Brooklyn. Its assignment was to challenge A. Philip Randolph from Manhattan for the PSAL Club Championship. Both teams had enjoyed undefeated regular seasons. Clinton usually took the lead early in a game and kept it to final victory. Coach John Applebee had warned the Governors that a game would come that tested them to the core, to see just how tough they were. That game came on November 27th.

The one o'clock start brought Clinton a quick 8-0 lead when senior Kenneth Winkfield (22, LB/FB) crossed the goal line. It was in the third quarter that Coach Applebee's warning became the reality. Randolph took the lead, and come the fourth quarter extended it to 10 points. But the Governors reached inside themselves to get back into the game. Senior Jayson Jones West (8, DE/LB/RB) scored a touchdown to get DWC within four points. With 30 seconds to go, junior Zeshun Bethel (1, QB) crossed the goal line to give Clinton what would be the final score Clinton 22--Randolph 18.

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All Photos: Henry "O" Ordosgoitia '77

Senior Ken Winkfield (22, LB/FB) gave DWC the early 8-0 lead.



Clinton defense had its challenges, but senior Jayson Jones-West (8, DE/LB/RB) and senior Joshua Phillip (12, LB/TE) helped to keep the game within reach..



Head Coach John Applebee went over strategy with Junior Zeshun Bethel (1, QB). Good move! Zeshun scored the final points to give DWC the 22-18 victory over Randolph.

Alumnus Luis Jimenez (red hat) braved the cold wind to cheer on his Governors to victory.



The sweet smile* of success lit up the face of Head Coach John Applebee (left) and did the same for DWC Assistant Principal and Athletic Director Steve Deep (right), who is holding the PSAL Champion helmet presented to DWC.

*Okay, the expression is "sweet smell of success," but we had reason to smile.



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