

THE
Flint Central High School
Alumni Association
WELCOMES YOU TO
THE SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL
Distinguished Alumni Awards Banquet

*“Old”
Flint High
School
1875*



In Memory of



Auldin Nelson
Class of '41
2006 Distinguished Alumnus

*Flint Central
2008*



Thursday, May 15, 2008
Flint Golf Club

**The Faculty, Administration
& Staff
appreciate**

**The Flint Central
High School
Alumni Association**

“You are the best!”

The FCHS Faculty & Staff salute the
2008 Distinguished Faculty Honorees

**Jim Beaubien,
Dean Ludwig
and**

Grace Fields
(Honored Postumously)

Welcome..... Joe Eufinger, '63

Annual Meeting CHS Alumni Assoc. Julie Taylor, President, '64

Program

Posting of the Colors..... Naval Junior Reserve Officers Training Corps.
Advisor Master Chief Bruff

Music..... CHS Madrigals

Invocation Rev. James McLaurin, '58

Dinner

Presenters of Honorees Joe Eufinger, '63 / Bob Holec, '65

DISTINGUISHED FACULTY

- ❖ Jim BeaubienPrincipal 1998-2002
- ❖ Dean LudwigPrincipal 1984-1985
- ❖ Grace Field (Postumously)..... Teacher

DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI

- ❖ Lynn Chandnois..... Class of 1944
- ❖ Henry Hatter Class of 1954
- ❖ Lawrence Gustin..... Class of 1955
- ❖ Judge Robert Weiss Class of 1956
- ❖ Catrise Austin, D.D.S. Class of 1988

Scholarship Awards..... Lynn Jenkins
Acting Principal, Flint Central Academy

Alma MaterHon. Paul Gadola, '47

PROFILES IN EXCELLENCE

2008 Distinguished Faculty



JIM BEAUBIEN

Distinguished Educator

Principal Flint Central High School 1998- 2002

The Beaubien family has always been deeply involved at Flint Central High School. Jim's father, Paul, graduated from Central in 1933. Jim's four sons played sports and graduated from Central - Jim in 1982, Jon in 1983, Tom in 1985 and Tim in 1990. However, our Honoree. "Big Jim", Jim Beaubien, graduated from Flint's St. Michael's High School in 1958 and then attended Flint Junior College. He transferred to Eastern Michigan University where he earned his Bachelor's Degree in 1963. He began his teaching career at Whittier Junior High School. Jim was interested in the Flint Community School's program to utilize the buildings after school hours with classes and activities for the community. He served as Community School Director at Hazleton Elementary School from 1963 - 1966. He moved to the new Eisenhower Elementary School and finally transferred to Central as the Community School Director. To his delight, the students he taught at Whittier were now seniors at Central!

Jim spent 27 years in the very rewarding position of Community School Director. He administered the after-school program that offered interesting classes for the public in Central's classrooms from 5 p.m. to 10 p.m. every day of the week. Activities and classes included almost every area that people wanted to explore. There were sports activities in the gym and pool; art classes ranging from oil-painting to stained-glass making; wood working and auto repair classes using Central's technical work-shops and cooking classes that met in the Home Ec. rooms. The Public could take a class in French or Spanish; an evening student could complete all the classes necessary for a High School Diploma at Flint Central Community School. Jim was right in the middle of all these activities like an "Evening Principal". He was Community School Director until 1990 when he became Community Agent for the Whittier Zone.

In 1991, after years of being an "Indian", Jim transferred to Flint Northern as Assistant Principal. Fortunately, Jim was able to return to Central the next year as Deputy Principal. He was named Central's Principal in 1998 and remained as Principal until 2002, when he retired. Currently, Jim and his family spend Spring and Summer in Flint and Traverse City and the Winter in San Diego.



DEAN LUDWIG

FCHS Distinguished Educator

Principal Flint Central High School 1984-1995

Dean Ludwig was FCCHS Principal from 1984 to 1995. He graduated from Marion Harding High School in Ohio, where he was "All State" in football and a letter winner in all four sports. He was also a member of the National Honor Society and was elected to the Athlete's Hall of Fame.

Dean continued to play sports at the University of Michigan, where he was on the football team and the wrestling team. A broken neck put an end to his playing football but he continued his sports career by training other students in football, hockey and wrestling. He was an assistant coach in Freshman and Varsity Football. After graduation Dean was Athletic Director at the Marion, Ohio YMCA. He coached the first Women's Synchronized Swim Team and the first city-wide Wrestling Team.

Dean continued his education earning his Masters degree and doing advanced graduate work at Eastern Michigan University. He started his teaching career at Flint Central High School. He taught Social Studies and piloted the first Psychology Course for the Flint School District. Dean continued to coach wrestling, baseball, track and football and in 1967 he became FCCHS's Assistant

Dean Ludwig continued.

Principal for Students, mainly dealing with student discipline. He wrote the first "Code for Student Conduct" in Flint and the first Rules for Bus Riders.

In 1974 Dean was named Principal of Whittier Junior High School. Under his direction, Whittier was named the State of Michigan's Most Outstanding Middle School. In 1984 Dean took on the leadership of Flint Central. His accomplishments as principal were many and varied. Here are just a few:

- Was named "Educator of the Year" 1985.
- Established "Shared Decisions Making" with the teaching staff and the community.
- Received the International Thespian Society Administrative Award 1991
- Organized the "Richard Leach Sports Excellence Award"
- Organized the "All Valley Academic Team Award" for the Saginaw Valley League.
- Administered the "Teacher of the Year Award" for the Saginaw Valley League
- Was on the Executive Board for "Flint Sports Foundation" 1991 - 1995
- Spearheaded the introduction of Middle School Sports.
- Was Lead Principal for all the Flint Secondary Schools 1992 - 1995
- Appeared in the platinum edition of Who's Who in American Education 1992
- Was President of the Saginaw Valley League 1993-1994

Now, Dean Ludwig can add one more honor to this list - as recipient of the Flint Central High School Alumni Association Distinguished Educator Award.



GRACE FIELD

**Teacher of English Literature
(Honored Posthumously)**

The teacher was no-where to be seen when the students entered the 3rd floor classroom. They took their seats and looked around. The beginning bell rang and the closet door opened. Out jumped a figure in tennis shoes and a sweatshirt with the word SHAKESPEARE emblazoned across the front, brandishing a wooden sword, thrusting it into the air at some unseen enemy and shouting "Shakespeare lives". That was Grace Field, teacher of English Literature. Her students would never learn much about her personal life or accomplishments, but they would learn about "Iambic Pentameter" and they would begin to solve the mystery of the poetry and prose of the great English writers - Keats, Shelly, Wordsworth and of course, Shakespeare.

Here are some little known facts about Grace Field. She was born and raised in the small town of Union in Michigan, near the Indiana border. She received her BA from Kalamazoo College and her MA from the University of Chicago. It isn't known exactly what year she started teaching at Central High School, but she is pictured in the 1929 year book as an English teacher. She taught until the late 1970's. Her teaching career spanned approximately 50 years!

Grace loved young people. She even led a "Boy Scout Troop". She liked to play the drums and was constantly in the Library doing research or reading. She was a "real Anglophile", loving everything English, especially English literature and of course her special love, Shakespeare. While at Central, she sponsored both the "English Club" and "The Shakespeare Club". After Grace retired, she moved back to Union to live, once again, in the house in which she was raised.

In Grace's English Class, there was always a famous quotation written on the chalkboard. Students would copy these bits of poetry or lines from long-dead writers into their notebooks and then these quotations would be discussed and analyzed. Grace's former students often say that these bits of wisdom come back to them in their day-to-day lives; just another gift from Grace Field whom we honor, posthumously, tonight.

PROFILES IN EXCELLENCE

2008 Distinguished Alumni



LYNN CHANDNOIS - Class of 1944

If you lived in Flint in the 1950's, probably your football "hero" was Lynn Chandnois. A look at his career and his stats illustrate that for several years he was regarded as one of the Nation's top half-backs.

After his parents passed away, Lynn moved from Michigan's Upper Peninsula to Flint, to live with an aunt. At Flint Central he earned All-State Honors in both basketball and football. After graduating in 1944, he joined the Naval Air Corp. and served for two years.

Standing 6'2 and weighing 195 pounds, Lynn started as a forward on the Michigan State College Basketball team and won his varsity letter. As a Physical Education Major, Chandnois switched to football and became the right half-back under Coach "Biggie" Munn. Lynn was the fastest man on the team. He could run the 100 yards, in uniform, in 10 seconds. He often ran the "quick reverse", plus he returned kickoffs and punts. His "Spartan Highlights" include: Career all-purpose yardage 3205, ranks 8th; Career touchdowns 31, ranks 3rd; Career points 186, ranks 6th; Career pass interceptions, 20, ranks 1st; Career pass interception yardage, 384, ranks 1st; Governors Award as Michigan State College "Most Valuable Player" in 1948; All American 1949; State of Michigan's Outstanding Amateur Athlete in 1950.

Following his senior season, Lynn starred in the East-West Shrine Game. Playing for the East he gained 44 yards in 6 carries, caught 5 passes for 116 yards, and scored two touchdowns. East won 28-6. He was already signed to play for the Cleveland Browns of the All-American Football Conference, but the AAFC merged with the NFL and Lynn was drafted by Pittsburgh.

In 1952, Lynn performed so brilliantly for the Steelers that in addition to being named "All-Pro", he became the second Steeler to be voted "NFL Player of the Year" by the Washington Touchdown Club. Throughout his seven year NFL career, he was the "Steeler-Back" most likely to make the "big play", catch the crucial pass, or spark the offense with a fine runback.

In 1957, Chandnois retired from football and switched his off season insurance business to a brokerage firm, owned by himself and "Pirate Pitcher", Bob Friend. Later, he sold out to Friend, and entered the steel business. As manager of Jessop Steel's Detroit Manufacturing Plant, Chandnois had a rewarding career, serving as the steel company's Vice President.

Lynn has received many honors. He has been inducted into numerous Halls of Fame, but his home-town citizens gave him a special title "The Greatest Football Player Flint Ever Produced".

HENRY HATTER - Class of 1954



This Senior Staff Engineer at Buick-Motor Division of General Motors has always had the ability to work with men and women of all disciplines. He has been a spokesman and advocate for the social, civic, political and moral causes that he believes in.

After earning an Associate Degree in Journalism and Science, a Bachelors Degree in Chemistry and Math and a Master's Degree in Math and Physics, Henry became the Engineer Project Manager at Buick, responsible for the plant-wide waste water environmental program. Prior to this assignment he had worked in Industrial research, the Chemistry Lab Metallurgy, and Auto Emissions Testing in Milford. As Project Manager, he had to deal with the pressures GM faced in complying with the Clean Water Act and the Toxic Chemical Act, and in controlling discharges of pollutants into the Flint River. During his 38 years at Buick he wrote and published three technical articles: An Industrial Water Balance, the 2000 NPDES Industrial Permit and the SPCC

Plan: a Case Study.

In the late 1980s, Hatter was tapped by the government relations staff at Buick to represent Corporate interests before the Flint Chamber of Commerce on issues of the environment, NAFTA, GATT and the CAFE Standards. After a buyout in 1998, Henry accepted a position with Michigan State University Extension as a liaison between Education and Industry. This took him to Ireland to share in a case-study on the impact of the Euro on the Irish Economy. Hatter currently serves on the National Trade Association Board representing the Great Lakes Region, certifying waste-water operators and engineers nationwide. He serves in the same capacity for the State of Michigan.

Hatter has a long public record, having served on the Clio School Board for 20 years. He was President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer of that board and currently serves as a mentor for new board members. His articles on school issues have appeared in Michigan newspapers. He also served on the Michigan Travel Commission for two Governors; Milliken and Blanchard. He currently serves on the State/County Jury Commission.

Always interested in politics, Henry went from being a precinct delegate to serving as the Republican Party's Seventh Congressional District Chairman. He served in the Electoral College, casting his vote for President Gerald Ford. This year he will be a 2008 Alternate Delegate at the National Republican Convention.

Among the many awards Henry Hatter has received, he regards 4 as extra special: the 1981 "Most Distinguished Alumni" from Saginaw Valley State University, The Jack Hamady/Salvation Army Award, the 2001 Michigan Primary Care Award and the Flint Central High School's Distinguished Alumnus Award.



LAWRENCE R. GUSTIN - Class of 1955

Larry Gustin started his Journalism career when he was still in Flint Central High School, as Boy's Sports Editor for the Arrowhead (sharing that post, with Ed Ferkany). He continued to write after his graduation in 1955. He was sports editor, editorial page editor and 50th Anniversary Edition editor of the Michigan State News, the campus daily paper at Michigan State University. He majored in History and Journalism, and received his Bachelor's Degree in 1959. Michigan State News honored Gustin in 2007 when he was named to the State News Hall of Fame.

Larry also received a Distinguished Service Citation from the Automotive Hall of Fame in 1999 for contributions to auto history and education. He has authored three award-winning books: Billie Durant-Creator of General Motors, The Buick: A Complete History, and David Buick's Marvelous Motor Car. He also created The Flint Journal Picture History of Flint in three editions. He earned the "best in show" award in the International Automotive Media Competition in 2003 at its centennial celebration. He helped create the Buick Gallery and Research Center at the Flint's Sloan Museum.

Larry worked in the UPI Capitol Bureau (Lansing) in 1959, covering Governor G. Mennen Williams. Next, as a reporter for The Flint Journal for 23 years, he covered the Apollo II (first-men-to-the-moon launch); the first Ali-Frazier "fight of the century", and President Carter's inauguration. As Assistant Metro-editor, he led a team that won a top investigative award from the Detroit Press Club. He has interviewed such celebrities as Bob Hope, Louis Armstrong, Maurice Chevalier, Christopher Reeves and Sugar Ray Robinson. While at The Flint Journal, he launched an editorial campaign to save from destruction, the old Durant Carriage Company headquarters on Water Street, where General Motors founder Billy Durant had his office. The building was not only spared, but was eventually named a National Historical Landmark.

In 1984 Larry joined Buick Public Relations, and started the award-winning magazine Inside Buick. He opened a public relations office for Buick in California and later, as assistant PR director, he worked with Buick people and programs in Shanghai, Beijing, Paris, Mexico City, Rome, London and Rio de Janeiro. When Buick Public relations moved to Detroit, Larry and his family moved to Lake Orion. Larry retired from Buick PR in 2005.



HONORABLE ROBERT E. WEISS - Class of 1956

In 2006, the Michigan Supreme Court appointed Robert E. Weiss, then a Genesee County Probate Judge in the Family Division, to the position of Chief Probate Court Judge - Family Division. This appointment tops a long list of accomplishments for Judge Weiss.

Robert Weiss is a product of the Flint schools, having graduated from FCHS in 1956. After Flint Junior College and Michigan State University, Weiss attended Detroit College of Law and the University of Detroit Law School.

He started his legal career as an assistant prosecuting attorney conducting criminal trials and instituting investigations. He then went into private law practice with Arthur Weiss, John Damm and Zolton Ferency, where he was involved, primarily, in civil and criminal litigation.

Judge Weiss has always been interested in politics. Since 1960, he has served on local, state and National election committees. He was chairman of the National District Attorneys' Democratic Caucus in 1988. He also served as the Special Litigation Counsel in the Watergate Civil Proceeding in Washington D.C. on behalf of the Democratic National Committee; he acted as liaison between the Democratic National Committee and other investigating bodies in ascertaining facts and issues in the Watergate matter. Judge Weiss also served as Deputy Director on the Price Commission pertaining to the Health Industry. As head of the "Cost of Living Council" he supervised 50 employees, rendering decisions and formulating policy.

Michigan Governor Blanchard appointed Judge Weiss chairman of his Crime Commission, which was responsible for recommending criminal justice initiatives and new laws to the Governor and the State Legislature. The commission's accomplishments include a DNA Testing Program, an automated fingerprint system, doubling prison space and the largest criminal legislative package ever enacted into Michigan law.

Judge Weiss was twice elected in State-wide elections, to serve on the Michigan State University Board of Trustees. He was Chairman of this board in 1996.

From 1979 to 1993 Robert Weiss served as Genesee County Prosecuting Attorney. As the County's chief law enforcement official, he supervised 30 attorneys and under his guidance, a Victim-Witness Program was started, a Child Protection Division with safe houses for child-abuse victims was created, The DARE Program was begun, and a community-wide Substance Abuse Task Force for prevention, enforcement and rehabilitation was started. For these reasons the choice by Michigan Supreme Court was an easy one because Judge Weiss was clearly his best person for the job of Chief Probate Court Judge - Family Division. He also is our choice, and also an easy one, as we honor Judge Weiss as a FCHS Distinguished Alumnus.



CATRISE AUSTIN, D.D.S. - Class of 1988

Catrise Austin graduated from Flint Central High School in 1988. This award-winning Dental Surgeon has become well-known not only in the New York/Tri-State region, but also her Dental Practice, VIP SMILES is currently establishing an office in Los Angeles, California.

Catrise discovered her interest in dentistry after being “transformed” by her dental experience in high school. She was often the victim of jokes about her “front teeth” in grade school and middle school. However, Catrise got braces, and by the time she graduated she was voted “The Girl with the Prettiest Smile”. After receiving her Bachelors Degree in Psychology from the University of Michigan, Catrise went on to earn her Doctorate in Dental Surgery from the University of Maryland.

Catrise’s practice specializes in treating VIPs in the entertainment business. As a designer of “great smiles” she has treated the music legend Isaac Hayes, play-write Sara Jones and Grammy award winning rappers Missy Elliot and Common. Moreover the “Discovery Health Channel”, “The Queen Latifah Show” and “The Ricki Lake Show” have called on her services. Dr. Austin has been a guest expert on radio programs across the nation, speaking about dental health issues.

Catrise regularly donates her services, free of charge, to several non-profit groups. She has worked with the FIST program that provides dental care to current and former professional boxers. These prize-fighters need help restoring their teeth and their appearance. Her Smiles for Success works with the Dress for Success program to help women who are entering the workforce, many for the first time, who need to improve their self-image. Give Back a Smile works with the American Academy for Cosmetic Dentistry to provide dental services to women affected by domestic violence.

Dr. Austin has been honored by many groups. In 1999 she was one of The Network Journal’s 25 “Influential Black Women in Business”. In 2004, she received the National Association of Women Business Owner’s “Fast Track Award”. In 2006 she was honored as a “Medical History Maker” by the History Makers organization and was included in the Consumers Research Council of America’s Guide to America’s Top Dentists. Catrise’s honors do not stop here. For 3 years she was voted as one of The Network Journals’s “Best Black Doctors”. Catrise is also recipient of the “Young, Black and Gifted Award”, the “Hip Hop for Life Award”, and tonight is honored as one of Central High School’s Distinguished Alumni”.

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The Flint Central High School Alumni Association has received many generous donations since its inception, and wishes to extend sincere appreciation for this support.

The Flint Central High School Alumni Association also wishes to acknowledge and to offer sincere thanks to the Members of Flint Central Academy Theater for their fine performance at tonight’s Banquet.

Special “thanks” to the Piper-McCredie Agency for furnishing the tickets for this event.

Flint Central Alumni Scholarship Recipients 2008

Jessica Anthony	Chance Garner
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The Alumni Association salutes the following sponsors for support and contributions towards this year's scholarships:

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PAST ALUMNI HONOREES

2007

Richard "Dick" Leach - '50
Ed Ferkany - '55
Linda Lewis Moxam - '66
Craig L. Coney - '69
Honorable William H. Crawford II - '75

2006

William (Bill) Durham - '55
Judge Peter Anastor - '59
Ernest W. Hamady - '40
Auldin H. Nelson - '41
Philip W. Shaltz - '66
Maureen Mallory Hearn - '65

2005

Woodrow Skaff - '36
Kathleen Topolka Jorissen, Ph.D. - '64
Michael Giacalone, Jr., M.D. - '64
William R. Crawford - '65
Dayne Walling - '92

2004

John B. Delos, Ph.D. - '61
Carl Lutterbie - '38
Sylvia M. Sophiea (Gantos) - '40
Terry J. Hassold, Ph.D. - '64
Glen R. Jeffes - '53
Brian Willingham - '83

2003

Bernice Trimble Steadman - '43
James W. Rutherford - '43
Paul E. Gadola - '47
Loring D. Bunyan - '48
Keith H. Averill, MD - '48
Kenneth Averill, MD - '48
Bob Leach - '50
David Tarver - '71

2002

William J. Pierce - '40
James D. Stinchcombe - '40
Paul R. Schroeder, M.D. - '45
Thomas C. Yeotis - '47
Herb Washington - '68

2001

Mary Beth Kur - '81
Sherman L. Mitchell - '48
Norman E. Walter, M.D. - '64
Nancy Carpenter Hammond, Ph.D. - '64
Clifford W. Taylor, Justice - '60

2000

Donald W. Riegle, Jr. - '56
Dale E. Foltz - '51
David W. Blight, Ph.D. - '67
Jame G. Blight, Ph.D. - '64
Marie R. Prahl - '30

1999

Philip Elliott - '44
Marc D. Wilcox - '28
Rex O. Graff - '36
David D. Hunter - '58
Donna (Dodds) Hamm - '59
Gordon Sinclair - '53
John Nakamura - '38

1998

Alice Dewey - '20
Walter E. Scott - '24
Hazel Saigon - '24
Max E. Dodds, M.D. - '36
Richard A. Primrose - '38
Glen D. Phillips, Ph.D. - '48
Charles A. (Williams) Greene - '57

1997

Donald E. Johnson - '21
Katherine (Roat) Stevens - '25
William F. Minardo - '28
Daniel E. Riley - '33
Richard G. Dinning - '40
George T. Guerre - '42
Thomas C. Gale - '61

1996

Daniel B. Sullivan, M.D. - '42
Edward McLogan - '38
Audrey P. (Adams) Smith - '40
Edward P. Harris - '42
Benjamin F. Bryer, M.D. - '30
Darwin Davis - '50
M. Bushnell Trembley - '30

1995

William Crapo Durant - 1879
Lindsey W. Williams - '38
Doris M. Richards, Ph.D. - '41
Spiridon N. Suciu, Ph.D. - '40
Jonsie Nail Sturgis - '40

PAST ALUMNI HONOREES (Continued)

1994

William R. Mills - '13
 Henry G. Logeman - '38
 Jean Bullard Burnett, Ph.D. - '41
 Donald E. Coleman - '48
 William H. Piper - '51

1993

Charles F. Wolcott - '23
 Clarence L. Johnson - '28
 Richard A. Pohrt - '31

1993 Continued

Doris Logeman Rich - '38
 William F. Price - '48

1992

Lloyd Brazil - '26
 Maurice Cossman - '32
 Paul Brady - '45
 Romain Johnston - '47

PAST FACULTY HONOREES

2007

Margaret (West) Fox
 Master Chief Robert Bruff

2006

Mike Vance
 Hamedey (Bob) Alick

2005

Bob Holec
 Hector Garcia, Ed.D.

2004

Margarita Sue Calvo
 James Chapman
 Sulho A. Nurmi

2003

Tim Bograkos
 Dale E. Kildee

2002

Dick Ramsdell
 Mildred Hodges

2001

Jacqueline O. Kramer
 Stan Gooch

2000

Joe Eufinger
 Edward German

1999

Ray Bearden
 Ralph Misner

1998

Helmut ("Fritz") Petrich
 Lillian F. Weller

1997

Grace Pinel
 Florence Bishop

1996

Idella Waters
 Napoleon (Nap) LaVoie

1995

Stanley Othello Broome

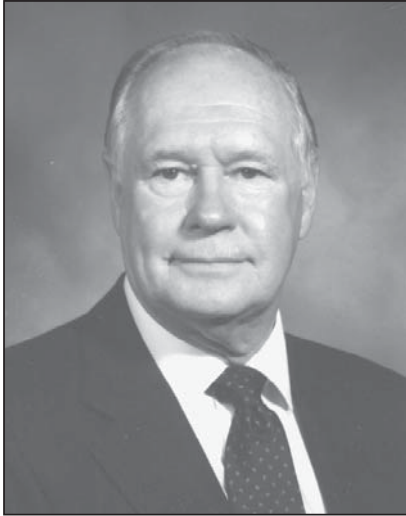
1994

Maude Stewart Beagle

Purpose . . .

The Flint Central High School Alumni Association, a "501 C-3" non-profit organization, was formed to recognize alumni who have distinguished themselves professionally and who have served their community well. The association also recognizes FCHS faculty members who have had outstanding careers and have been motivational sources for their students. It provides one-time academic scholarships to senior students who have demonstrated scholastic proficiency, and have been involved in positive extra-curricular activities.

In Memory Of Auldin H. Nelson, Class of '41



All who knew Auldin, loved, admired and respected him. He was honored as a Central High School Distinguished Alumnus in 2006. He was one of the founders of the CHS Alum. Association and served as President for several years.

The following obituary appeared in the Flint Journal.

“From the fieldhouse of Flint Central High School to Burton’s Senior Center to the Flint Public Library, from the Sloan Museum and Flint Institute of Arts to Kearsley Manor, architect Auldin H. Nelson left his mark on countless area sites, according to The Burton News’ Web site, www.mlive.com/burton.

The senior partner in the Flint architectural firm of Nelson, McKinley, Reed and Associates died Tuesday at his Burton home. He was 84.

Daughter Lori Savage, 1976 Bentley graduate, recalls how her high school library reminded her of the family’s living room, “It had the same open-beam style,” said Savage. “The kids would tease that the school looks like my house.”

Nelson had been a member of the Burton Rotary Club since it was founded in 1979, said Bob Habermehl, another charter member, and had never missed a weekly meeting in 28 years.

Fellow Burton Rotarian Dennis O’Keefe last saw Nelson at the Club’s Nov. 1 meeting. Nelson also designed two Rotary pavilions at Davison Road Side Park, the Burton Veterans Memorial, Burton City Hall’s 2003 addition, and the Unitarian Universalist Church of Flint, where Nelson was a longtime member.

“Auldin designed most of Genesee County,” said O’Keefe. “He has been successful his entire life, a real man’s man.”

Born in Ohio in 1923, Nelson moved to Flint as a child, said his wife, Jean. As a youth he was involved in the Mason’s DeMolay and in Scouting.

At age 15 he attended the 1937 Boy Scout Jamboree in Washington, D.C., and earned his Eagle Scout rank a year later. The Tall Pine Council named Nelson its oldest Eagle Scout.

After his 1941 graduation from Flint Central High School, where Nelson was a star quarterback, he started classes at Flint Junior College and worked making machine guns at A.C. Spark Plug. He transferred to the University of Michigan, where he again played football. He had to put college on hold while training to become an Army officer.

He led troops to disable hostile fire and captured 40 enemy prisoners in Ladenback, Germany, which earned Nelson a promotion to first lieutenant. He was part of the cleanup of Auschwitz at World War II’s end, and was decorated with the Purple Heart. But he rarely spoke of war, said Savage.

Nelson returned to Ann Arbor in 1945 and met his future wife, Jean, three years later when she caught a glimpse of him landing a boat in Portage Lake.

Nelson graduated with a bachelor’s degree in architecture in 1949, married Jean that June and earned his certification that year.

An artist and avid fan of Frank Lloyd Wright, Nelson’s designs were always hand drawn, said Savage, who frequently watched her father in his office or at his downstairs drafting table. “He never would touch a computer; everything was by hand, and they’re fantastic.”

By the mid-1950s, Nelson had become a junior partner with Flint’s Nurmi, Nelson, McKinley and Associates, where he learned of the coming Beechwood development, where he and Jean built a home.

Savage was adopted as a baby in 1958; the couple adopted a son, Paul a year later.

The Nelsons were frequently seen at Bentley High School, where their children were involved in music and drama. They traveled across the country to see Paul, now an actor on tour in China.

Nelson and Jean recently celebrated their 58th wedding anniversary.

In addition to his involvement in Burton Rotary and his church, Nelson was part of the University of Michigan Club and served as president of the American Institute of Architects and the Michigan Society of Architects, president of Flint Retirement Homes Inc., on a development committee of the Community Foundation of Flint, on the board of the YMCA and was a past president of the Flint Central High School Alumni Association.

Cremation and a Spring 2008 memorial service are planned, according to Nelson’s wishes.”

“It was once said that the gifts you give cannot be measured, and you rarely get to hear about the difference that they make.”

Congratulations to the student of Flint Central High School (FCHS) who is recipient of the scholarship provided by profits from this publication and to all students who enter FCHS as freshmen and graduate as a part of the legacy of this great institution.

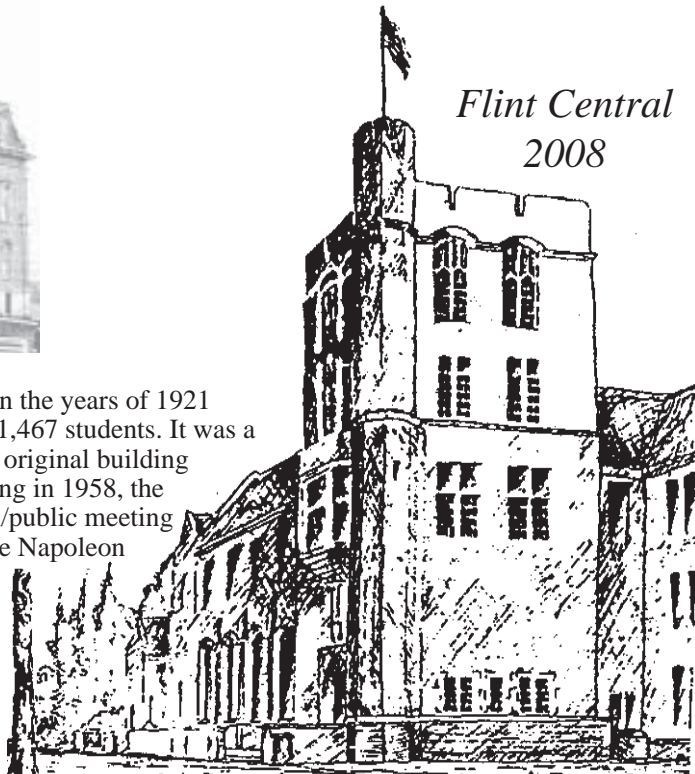
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1875*



“Old” Flint High School was the first high school built in Flint; it officially opened in September of 1875. The building was condemned in 1915, but continued to serve as Flint High School until 1922, then as South Junior High until 1930.

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A new Flint High School was built between the years of 1921 - 1923; it opened September 4, 1923 with 1,467 students. It was a 1.5 million dollar project. Additions to the original building include the Industrial Arts & Music Building in 1958, the enlarged cafeteria, the faculty dining room/public meeting room, and the WFBE area in 1961; plus the Napoleon Joseph Lavoie Field House in 1975. Also an updating and remodeling of the original auditorium was completed in 1963. In 1928, Flint High School adopted “Central” as its name when Flint Northern High School opened.

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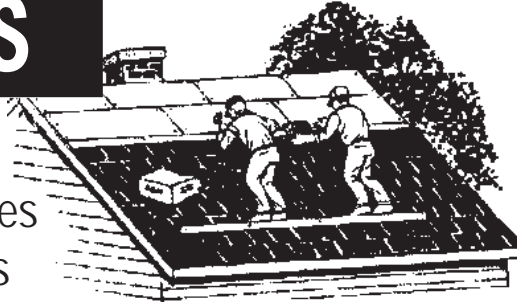
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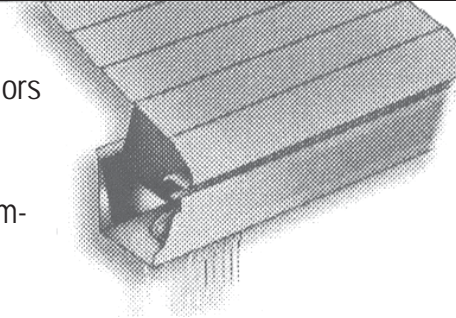
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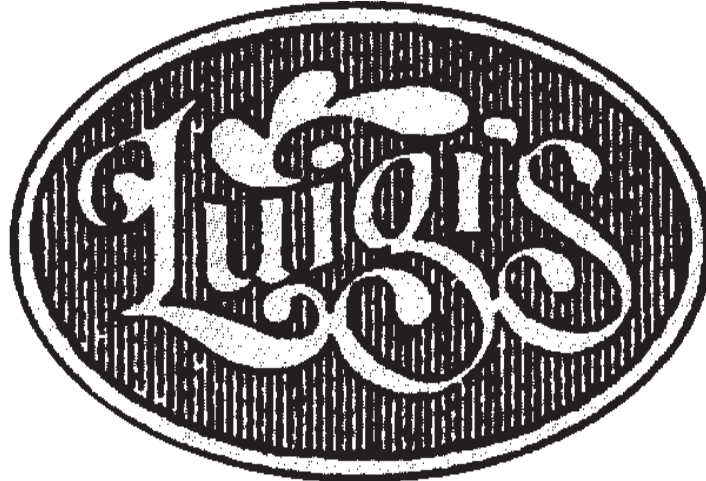


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To praise her noble name,
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