



The 13th Corner

Engaging alumni in preserving the Brighton legacy of educational excellence

May 2018

2018 hall of famers exemplify excellence in professional areas and community service

The 2018 members of the **Brighton Schools Alumni Association (BSAA)/Brighton High School (BHS) Alumni Hall of Fame** continue to prove the value of a Brighton education, bringing multifaceted talents to medicine, broadcast communications, international public service and philanthropy.

The new hall of famers will be introduced to the BHS student body at the annual awards program on the morning of **Friday, June 1**, and honored at the BSAA's annual Recognition Gala that evening at Oak Hill Country Club.

To purchase tickets to attend the Gala, go to:
https://www.brightonalumni-rochester.org/uploads/9/5/4/3/95430902/2018_bsaa_hof_gala_ticket_form-web.pdf.

About the 2018 honorees

• The late **Steven A. Marx** '65 graduated from Cornell University in 1969 with a BS in organizational behavior, but many would say he "majored" in the student-owned radio station, WVBR, according to his nominator, classmate **Robert S. "Steve" Miller**. Radio became where he pursued his career. His initial roles were in radio programming in New Haven and Pittsburgh, where he worked at the world's first radio station, KDKA.

Observing how poorly most radio advertising salespeople practiced their



neurship, but most of his colleagues and clients saw something else, first and foremost: mentorship. Steve's relentless focus was not on growing his business, but on growing people. He helped people understand their talents and how they could use

craft, Steve said, "Give me a list!" and switched his career focus to sales, initially at WEZN Bridgeport. Within six months, he was the top revenue producer. He was later named vice president and general manager of the company's newly acquired WAAF/WFTQ Worcester.

As a result of his innovation and leadership, the stations reversed their downward trends, multiplied their revenues nearly 10-fold and moved from red ink to cash cow.

Seven years later, Steve re-oriented his career focus again, this time toward consulting on sales performance improvement. He conceived and established the Center for Sales Strategy in 1983 and led its growth as CEO for 25 years, from a one-man shop to a roster of 30 full-time staff. In 2008, he stepped back from day-to-day operations to the role of chair emeritus.

Many looked at Steve's success in business and saw a story of entrepre-

neurship, but most of his colleagues and clients saw something else, first and foremost: mentorship. Steve's relentless focus was not on growing his business, but on growing people. He helped people understand their talents and how they could use them more effectively. He had a positive impact on the lives and careers of thousands at a profound level. Upon learning of his terminal illness, the Center for Sales Strategy developed a website, **SteveMarxTribute.com**, where some of those he helped could express their appreciation.

Steve wrote "one of the most unusual books ever about selling," according to his nominator. "*Close Like the Pros—Replace Worn-Out Tactics with the Powerful Strategy of Interactive Selling* (2007) is considered the authoritative work on partnering in business-to-business sales, receiving 5-star readers' reviews on Amazon and consistent sales from year to year."

Steve was always active in community and religious affairs. While in Massachusetts, he was a director of the \$1.6 billion Bank Worcester Corporation, was involved in airline service development as a member of the city

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manager's Special Airport Task Force, served on the boards of the Chamber of Commerce and Temple Sinai, and was a board member of the Worcester Jewish Federation.

After relocating to Tampa, Steve served as a trustee of Congregation Schaarai Zedek, as well as its vice president of fundraising, chair of its Torah Circle committee and its Eternal Light Endowment committee, and member of the board and secretary/treasurer of its Brotherhood. He received the President's Cup in 2013, and the Brotherhood named its annual speaker series in his honor in 2016.

Steve also was active with the Tampa Jewish Federation, which established the annual Steve Marx Innovation Award in 2015 in his honor.

Steve served on the board of the Hillels of the Florida Suncoast for many years. He was a trustee of the Tampa-Orlando-Pinellas (TOP) Jewish Foundation and chair of its Marketing committee, and a member of the Tampa Bay Leadership Group for the American Israel Public Affairs Committee (AIPAC).

Steve was especially proud of his work in marketing and raising scholarship funds for the Academy Prep Center of Tampa, a school for at-risk inner-city kids of middle-school age. For more than a dozen years, he served on the board of directors of the Cornell Media Guild, the nonprofit that holds the license for WVBR-FM in Ithaca, the place where it all began for him. The guild bestowed its first-ever Lifetime Achievement Award on Steve in recognition of his service over a five-decade span.

The Board of the Hillels of the Florida Suncoast have named an award in Steve's honor — each year, the Steve Marx Israel Advocacy Award will be presented to a deserving college student. Steve's company, CSS, created the Steve Marx Make a Difference Day in 2017 in his memory — every year, all employees have a paid day off to

volunteer in their community, and the company raises money to donate to a charity chosen by an employee vote.

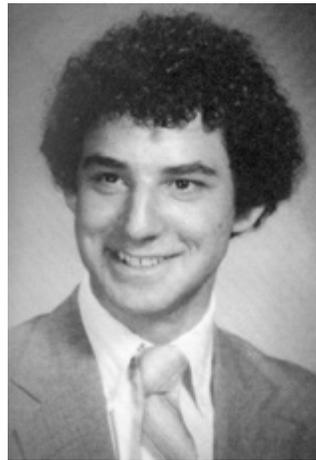
"He gave back much, much more than he received," said his nominator. "Humility was a big part of Steve's makeup."

• **Douglas Bruce Rutzen**, '83, nominated by **Eva Lefor Rutzen**, '83, is president and CEO of the International Center for Not-for-Profit Law (ICNL); a world-renowned defender of human rights and civil society; and an advisor to presidents, prime ministers, foreign ministers, and more than 100 countries on the legal framework for nonprofit civil society organizations. All of his work has focused on public service.

For the past four years, the *Nonprofit Times* has named Doug as one of the most influential nonprofit leaders in the United States. For 15 years, Doug was the lawyer in the first case against Libya for the bombing of the Pan Am flight over Lockerbie, Scotland. He served as legal advisor to the Czechoslovak Parliament and helped countries throughout Central Europe with their transition to democracy. He was also co-counsel in a landmark Supreme Court case involving antitrust issues that protected the rights of consumers to obtain maintenance and repair services from independent repair shops, instead of having to go back to the manufacturer or dealer for service.

In 2013, Doug presented remarks at a meeting that President Obama held for world leaders attending the UN General Assembly. President Obama personally moderated the panel, and the event made the front page of *USA Today*. President Obama and UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon opened, by video, a conference convened by Doug's organization (ICNL), and spoke about the global importance of ICNL's work.

Under Doug's leadership, ICNL received a \$1 million MacArthur Award for Creative and Effective Institutions, the organizational analogue to MacArthur's "genius award" for individuals. He was co-author of a major report on international civil society law, which was endorsed by the Dalai Lama, Archbishop Tutu, Vaclav Havel and other international leaders. In recognition of the bipartisan nature of the respect for Doug and his organization, he was invited to a UN General Assembly event with President Bush in 2006. He serves on the Community of Democracies Working Group on Enabling and



Protecting Civil Society, which includes representatives of the governments of Botswana, Canada, Chile, Czech Republic, Mongolia, Spain, Sweden, Tanzania and the United States.

The U.S. State Department appointed Doug as co-chair of its Global Philanthropy Working Group, whose members include the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, Ford Foundation, Rockefeller Brothers Fund, and other major U.S. foundations. He was recently elected to the board of directors of InterAction, the premier umbrella organization for international nonprofits in the U.S.

Doug teaches "Global Revolutions, Social Change and NGOs" at Georgetown Law Center and serves on the advisory board of the United Nations Democracy Fund and the Cornell University Council. In 2014, Cornell University recognized Doug's accomplishments by inviting him to

give a university-wide lecture as part of its "Foreign Policy Distinguished Speaker Series." In January 2015, he presented a similar lecture at Stanford University. He previously taught at the University of Pennsylvania Law School and Charles University Law Faculty in Prague.

Doug is a graduate of Yale Law School, with undergraduate studies at Cornell and Oxford. While at Cornell and Yale Law School, he worked as a consultant to Helen Keller International, developing social enterprises for blind people in the Caribbean. He wrote a manual about how to produce low-cost eyeglasses for people who had cataract operations that revolutionized the production of glasses in developing countries, for which he received the John F. Kennedy Public Service Award.

Doug's honor as a **BSAA/BHS Alumni Hall of Fame** member can be considered a team effort, since his wife is also a BHS graduate.

When Doug received the Presidential Award at Cornell, he was asked to identify his most significant intellectual influences, and mentioned **Jean Green**, his English teacher at BHS, who was then recognized by Cornell.

• **Jaime Wemett Saunders**, BHS'94, nominated by John Saunders, has dedicated her education and career to helping others. From starting a food rescue program when she was 21 to working on poverty and hunger issues to helping communities receive core services, to leading an agency turnaround, she seeks out the ways to make the most positive impact on the community and make life better for all.

Jaime attributes much of her passion for community service to how she was nurtured at BHS. Whenever she showed an interest, the school supported it, from starting the BHS recycling program as a pilot effort with student volunteers to hosting a 1992 president election assembly to starting a Women's Studies club and the Brighton Awareness social justice club. She says the teachers and leaders at BHS fueled her passion to help others, which is where she has

dedicated her career and life's work.

Currently, Saunders is the seventh president and CEO of United Way of Greater Rochester in the organization's 100-year history. United Way's collective giving provides over \$20 million annually to support a network of 75 preventive, evidence-informed programs serving more than 200,000 local people and develops community-impact strategies through an interconnected network of human service providers, corporate supporters, local donors, volunteers and community leaders.

Before joining United Way, Jaime was president and CEO of the Willow Domestic Violence Center, which serves more than 7,000 survivors and their families each year through a continuum of services. Under her tenure, Willow Center expanded programs and services, completed an \$8 Million Capital Campaign and opened a new 33,000-square-foot state-of-the-art facility to better serve the community.

Jaime was also responsible, at least in part, for Alternatives for Battered Women being renamed/redirected to Willow Domestic Violence Center, which now serves whole families.

Before joining the Willow Center, Jaime was an associate director for the Center for Governmental Research (CGR), a nonprofit research and consulting firm, and worked with human service agencies, local governments, foundations and school districts throughout New York state to develop strategies to address complex community challenges.

Jaime also has served as chief operating officer and vice president of operations for Foodlink, the Rochester-based regional food bank serving 550 agencies in a 10-country service area.

Jaime serves on the New York State Office for the Prevention of



Domestic Violence Advisory Board; executive committees of the Rochester/Monroe Anti-Poverty Initiative, ROC the Future, Rochester/Monroe Domestic Violence Consortium; and the New York State Domestic Violence Fatality Review Team.

Jaime earned an MA in public administration from the Maxwell School of Public Citizenship at Syracuse University and a BA in business administration and sociology, with a minor in women's studies, from Whittier College in California. She has been featured as a *Democrat & Chronicle* Woman to Watch, *Rochester Business Journal* Forty Under 40 and Syracuse University Rochester Alumni of the Year, and has received the Carl S. Hallaeur Award from the Rochester Police Department's Rosewood Club.

• **Samir A. Shah, MD, FACP, FASGE, AGAF '84** is a clinical professor of medicine at the Alpert Medical School of Brown University in Providence, RI; chief of gastroenterology at Miriam Hospital; and a partner with Gastroenterology Associates, Inc., a private practice GI group affiliated with Brown University and Lifespan.

Born in Ahmedabad, India, Samir emigrated to Rochester with his family at the age of three. Once his family moved to Brighton for the school district's reputation, he attended Brighton schools from third grade through high school, graduating first in his class in 1984.

According to his nominator and sister, **Sejal A. Shah** ('90), Samir

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participated in BHS activities such as Model United Nations, swimming and writing for the *Trapezoid* newspaper.

Samir earned his BA in biochemistry *magna cum laude* at Brown University and then his MD at Harvard Medical School. He completed his residency in internal medicine at the Harvard-affiliated Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center and then spent two years studying murine models of inflammatory bowel disease (IBD) on a Howard Hughes Postdoctoral Fellowship.

Samir has authored or co-authored more than 100 articles/book chapters/abstracts and given more than 100 invited presentations, primarily focused on IBD. He is the recipient of numer-

ous honors, including Brown University's Teaching Recognition Award, Dean's Teaching Excellence Certificate, and Excellence in Teaching Award for Clinical Faculty; Beckwith Family Award for Outstanding Teaching; American College of Gastroenterology (ACG) Freshman Governor's Award and William D. Carey Award; and 2009 Humanitarian of the Year of the New England Chapter of the Crohn's and Colitis Foundation of America (CCFA).

Samir is passionate about teach-



ing; has taught hundreds of medical students, residents and GI fellows; and takes pride in mentoring future caregivers, researchers and leaders in medicine.

"As a fellow professor, I know how much my brother has given back to the larger community through his teaching and mentoring of medical students, residents and GI Fellows," said . "He is involved in the Sharon public school system, volunteers as a soccer coach, and donates yearly to several charitable organizations."

Rhode Island Monthly has consistently included Samir in its yearly compilation of top doctors in the state. He served as the New England CCFA Chapter Medical Advisory committee chair from 2004–2007, vice chair of the Board of Governors of the ACG, 2005–2008, and chair, 2008–2010. He was president of the Rhode Island GI Society from 2002–2004 and ACG Governor for Rhode Island from 2002–2006. He served as co-chair of the CCFA Professional Education Committee and as a member of the National Scientific Advisory Committee (NSAC) of the CCFA from 2015–2018; is one of the ACG representatives to the Digestive Diseases National Coalition (DDNC); and will serve as president of the DDNC from 12/2018 to 12/2020. He was on the ACG Board of Trustees from 2013–2017, currently serves as secretary and is expected to become president in 2022.

Samir has participated in multi-center clinical trials of cutting-edge therapies for IBD, was co-principal

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BSAA/BHS Alumni Hall of Fame members

2006: **Jacksel M. Broughton** '42,** **Frederick Trost** '53,
David Kearns '48,** **William F. Scandling** '40,* **Pauline Yu** '66

2007: **Brad Berk, MD** '71, **Arthur Lonne Lane** '57, **John Shoemaker** '60

2008: **Daan Braveman** '65, **Karen Noble Hanson** '61, **Robert A. Weisbuch** '64

2009: **Christine Gleason, MD** '71, **Jim Gollin** '76, **Sandy Gradinger** '54,** **Alan Shestack** '56

2010: **Hank Appelbaum** '58, **Irene Taylor Brodsky** '88,
Laura L. Carstensen '71, **Tom Richards** '61, **Tom Scalea, MD** '69

2011: **Richard Appelbaum** '60, **Jim Crawford** '54,
Hank Greenwald '53, **J. Allan Hovey, Jr.** '60*

2012: **James Allison, MD** '60, **Jeffrey Levy** '59, **John Milliman** '56, **Jerry Stahl** '57

2013: **Caroline (Caren) Breese Hall** '56,* **Nancy Gong** '74,
Stuart L. Hart '70, **Bruce Laumeister** '52

2014: **Robert Goldman** '77, **Roger Friedlander** '72, **Cass Balch Morgan** '63,
William W. Pinch '58,** **Susan Salitan Robfogel** '60

2015: **Burt August** '33,** **Gary Berger, MD** '60, **Tina Monshipour Foster** '93,
Pete Heinrich '55,* **Joe Klein** '68

2016: **Stephanie Weinstein Dodson** '79, **Michael Gollin** '74,**
Karen Eckberg Gottovi '58, **Amy Shuffelton** '88

2017: **Alan Lefor, MD** '74, **Peter Lovenheim** '71, **Alan Ziegler** '55

* *Honored posthumously* ** *Deceased since honored*

2018 BSAA/BHS Alumni Hall of Fame Committee

Brendon Fleming '00, **Bob Farrell** '71, **Steve Gaudio** '63 (*chair*), **Robert Lambrix** '57,
Maryjane Kimmell Link '58, **Marcia Loomis** '64, **Lewis Neisner** '57, **Kay Salerno** '56,
Ruth E. Thaler-Carter '71

BSAA's 2018 scholarship recipient embodies the Brighton culture of community service and activism

Thanks to the generosity of BHS alumni, the BSAA is able to present an increased scholarship to talented BHS seniors — starting this year, the award will increase from \$1,500 a year to \$2,500. The scholarship is for books and supplies, with renewal every year, up to four, that the student remains in college.

The first recipient of the increased **BSAA Scholarship** will keep things local when he starts college: Even though a California university flew him out for an onsite interview and he has attained national prominence for his activism, **Dylan Holcomb**, '18, will head to the University of Rochester in the fall, where he plans to study business administration — but with a creative twist. “I may become a lawyer,” he said of his career plans. He is the son of Grant Holcomb and Siobhan LeGros.

Dylan's time at BHS was highlighted by receiving an AP Scholar Award and a gold ESSPA Award for Best News Story. He was a member of the Black Student Union from 2014–2016 and worked for the school's newspaper, *Trapezoid*, from 2014–2015. In 2016, he founded the Mindfulness Club, and served as its president through this year. This year, he organized the March for Our Lives and Brighton Walkout in support of the students who were killed in the school shooting in Florida.

“He was amazing,” said **Alan Hanford** '62 and a member of the **BSAA Scholarship Committee**, of Dylan's presentation at the 2018 events.

Dylan's activities have benefited not only his fellow students but faculty members as well. “With the Mindfulness Club, I have been able to record mindfulness meditations for school-wide use, lead meditation practices at monthly faculty meeting and expand [the program] to Wellness Wednesdays,” he said. “I have also attended the

Inward Bound Mindfulness Education Teen Retreat, working alongside Lama Rod Owens and other prominent and trained mindfulness educators.”



Creating programs and spaces for young people has had the greatest impact on shaping future direction for Dylan. “Launching the Mindfulness Club in response to national ignorance and fearful sentiments enabled me to work with other students struggling with processing similar experiences,” he said. “The warm embrace that Brighton administration and faculty have given me in response to this initiative validated my perception of the community — my contributions were honored, respected and expanded.”

While Brighton Breathes and other district initiatives confirmed Dylan's sense that he had made positive contributions to his school community, he was surprised to find the student walkout the “most formative” of his experiences. “Being able to reaffirm and share my stance against gun violence, particularly in school communities, reminded me that despite the adversity I have experienced as an openly gay (he came out in eighth grade), politically active young person, my efforts to

self-express have been welcomed and encouraged.”

For the walkout, Dylan contacted outside media, consulted with the district administration and organized tasks essential to the event. “Learning and cultivating self-advocacy — perhaps the most important tool a young person can possess — has been a long process,” he said. “Without Brighton, I wouldn't have developed the leadership strategies I now have.”

Outside school, Dylan has been equally active. He was an intern at Thread Boutique in 2015; gallery assistant at the Rochester Contemporary Arts Center in 2016 and 2017; and classroom assistant at Horizons at Harley in 2015 and 2016. He also found time to work as a cashier at Wegmans and a barista at Hart's Local Grocers for 10 to 20 hours a week each during the school year and summers from April 2017 through the present. From 2016–2017, he was an intern at Nickey Kehoe for 20 to 30 hours a week during school breaks and summers.

For Dylan, the high school experience was a “dynamic shift.” “I feel comfortable leaving (BHS) with skills that might not have matured or been readily applied elsewhere without the compassionate, supportive teachers and administrators” who evolved and grew along with him, he said.

The BSAA is proud to support this strong, dedicated BHS graduate with our 2018 scholarship.

Supporting the BSAA Scholarship

The **BSAA Scholarship** is a great way to remember BHS classmates, teachers and staff, and a meaningful use for class reunion gifts. The **BSAA Scholarship** has provided significant financial aid to 15 BHS graduates, sometimes to two students in the same year. Since the **BSAA** is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit corporation, all gifts are fully tax-deductible. *Every* gift counts, no matter how large or how small! Send your contribution to: BSAA Scholarship, 2035 Monroe Avenue, Rochester, NY 14618, or use PayPal at scholarship@brighton-alumni-rochester.org.

Alumni news

• Two BHS alumni were among the Rochester Jewish Sports Hall of Fame members inducted in 2017:

√ **Robert Calkins**, a 2017 Sol Goldstein winner for Brighton track.

√ **Bradley Rosenbaum**, for volleyball, who was a varsity player at Brighton High School and a club player at Hamilton College. He has been the Boys Varsity Coach at Brighton High School since 2008, and coached the team to the first boys' state title in school history in 2015.

• **Laura L. Carstensen** '71, a 2010 **BSAA/BHS Alumni Hall of Fame** member, has been featured in several national publications in the past year for her work on aging, most recently in a full-page Q&A feature in the April 2018 issue of the AARP newspaper.

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investigator for Ocean State Crohn's and Colitis Area Registry (OSCCAR) and is collaborating to develop the IBD Center at Brown.

Being involved with the CCFA, DDNC and ACG has given Samir the opportunity to make an impact on improving health care on a national level as it relates to IBD and gastroenterology. Being around talented thought leaders in the field allows him to bring state-of-the-art care to his patients locally.

Samir credits the excellent education he received at BHS, along with support from his parents, teachers and friends, for preparing him for college

• **Winton Duke** '04 is starring in the film "Black Panther": <http://13wham.com/news/local/leading-black-panther-actor-winston-duke-is-graduate-of-brighton-high-school>.

• Proving that it's never too late to learn, **Robert Fitch** '56 graduated from the Rochester Institute of Technology (RIT) at 81 this spring. His college career was interrupted due to family obligations when he was only one course away from receiving his degree.

• A new book, *The Pinch Collection at the Canadian Museum of Nature*, features the mineral collection of 2014 BSAA HoF member **William (Bill) Pinch**: http://www.lithographie.org/bookshop/the_pinch_collection_at.htm.

Pinch was considered one of the most influential mineral collectors of

and beyond. He hopes his twin sons will have the same opportunities in their school experience as he and his sister enjoyed at Brighton.

"Samir is proud to be a Brighton native and has often noted that he was shaped by the excellent schools and the lifelong friends he made there," said Sejal. "Samir is also one of my heroes and role models. He is intellectually curious, kind, and generous — and just an all-around good guy."

If you can't attend

Those who cannot attend the 2018 **BSAA/BHS Alumni Hall of Fame Gala** can still support our scholarship. Just download and use the ticket form.

our time. His first collection set standards for the genre before being sold in 1989 to the Canadian Museum of Nature for a record-setting \$3.5 million.

• **Ruth E. Thaler-Carter** '71 is chairing the first-ever literary conference of Writers and Books, June 16 in Rochester (www.wab.org).

• Owen's House, crisis nursery named for BHS graduate **Owen Thomas** '17 who died in a boating accident in 2017, has opened in Rochester.

• **BSAA** president **Lewis Neisner** '57 and **BSAA/BHS Alumni Hall of Fame** member **Sanford (Sandy) Gradinger** have died.

BHS gets a gold!

BHS received the Gold Award in the 2018 *U.S. News & World Report* Best High Schools Rankings. The Gold Award is given to the top 500 schools in the country. BHS is ranked 45th in New York state and 306th in the country. The survey evaluation more than 20,500 public high schools.



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Upcoming BHS reunions

Don't miss out on these opportunities to reconnect with classmates and friends from your BHS days!

For more information, go to <https://www.brightonalumni-rochester.org/upcoming-reunions.html> or the Facebook page for your graduating class.

To add your reunion to the BSAA website, send your class year, reunion date and activities, and contact information to newsletter@brightonalumni-rochester.com.

- **Class of 1968** 50th class reunion: **August 17–18**. Friday night, informal picnic with food trucks and fun, EversPark, East Rochester; Saturday afternoon, BHS tour; Saturday night, dinner dance at Midvale Country Club with Jerry Boone and the Skycoasters (including possible reunion of the original band members).

The reunion planners have arranged for special pricing at two local hotels: Country Inn Suites by Carlson, \$119/night (2835 Monroe Avenue, Rochester, 14618, 585-784-8400); Courtyard by Marriott Rochester East/Penfield, \$109/night (1000 Linden Park, Rochester, 14625; 585-385-1000).

Send check for \$100 per person for Friday and Saturday nights, payable to "BHS Class of 1968," to **Judy (Leavitt) McKeever**, 76 Northumberland Road, Rochester, NY 14618. Deadline: **July 1, 2018**.

For more details about these events, contact **Renee Hamburg McCarthy**, Rmccarthy50@yahoo.com, 585-727-0020.

- **Class of 1963** 55th reunion, **July 13–14**. Social mixer on Friday evening, dinner on Saturday at Artisan Works. Contact **Steve Gaudio** at sgaudio@rochester.rr.com for additional information and to register.

- **Class of 1958** 60th reunion, **August 3–5**. Activities and events will include: Friday night – Richardson's; Saturday morning – BHS tour; Saturday – lunch at Genesee Brewery overlooking the river, dinner at Oak Hill Country Club; Sunday morning – brunch at **Maryjane Link's**. Contact **Maryjane Link**, maryjanelink@gmail.com.

- **Class of 1973**, **September 8**. If you didn't receive an e-mail notice directly, contact **Ed Jeffries** at ejeffjr@aol.com for details.

Student newspaper traces history of BHS

Ever wonder about the history of BHS? Read all about it at <https://trapezoidbhs.wordpress.com/2018/01/20/the-history-of-bhs-unfolds-over-time/>. The *Trapezoid* article traces the beginning of the high school and related events (although where the Barons name came from still remains shrouded in mystery).

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The history of BHS unfolds over time

Turning back the clock to the origins of Brighton

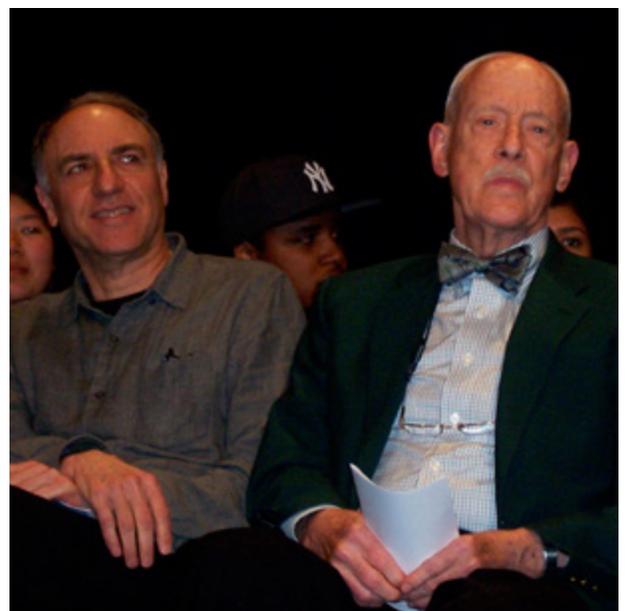
The history of Brighton High School is a story of growth and change. From its humble beginnings as a one-room schoolhouse in 1812, the school has evolved into a modern educational institution. The original building, known as the Old Brighton School, was a simple wooden structure that served the community for over a century. As the population of Brighton grew, the school needed more space and better facilities. In 1850, a new building was constructed, and the school was renamed Brighton High School. Over the years, the school has continued to expand and improve, reflecting the needs of the community and the advancements in education. The current building, designed by the architect John C. Van Dyke, was completed in 1912 and stands as a testament to the school's long history. The school's name, Brighton, is believed to have originated from the town of Brighton, Vermont, where the school's first principal, John C. Van Dyke, was born. The school's history is a testament to the dedication and hard work of the teachers, students, and community members who have made Brighton High School a place of learning and growth.

Check out the [Trapezoid](https://trapezoidbhs.wordpress.com/2018/01/20/the-history-of-bhs-unfolds-over-time/) article for more details.

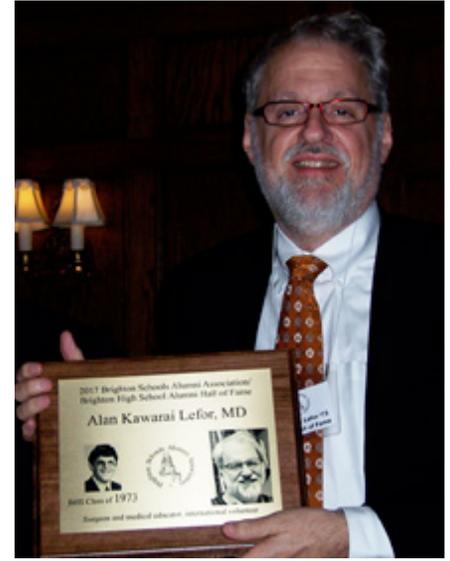
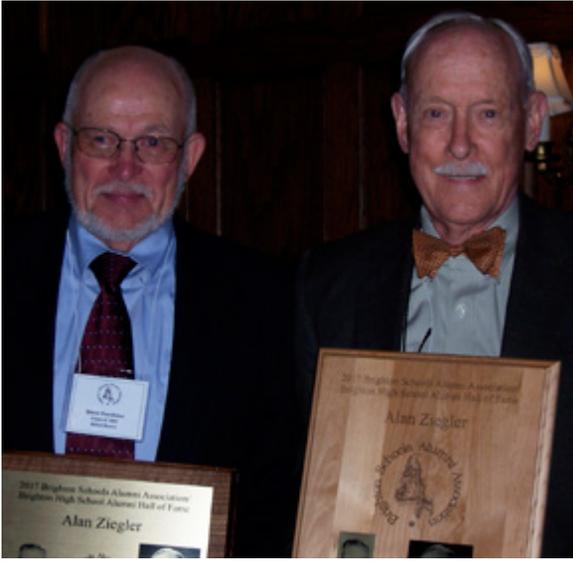
Alumni Hall of Famers meet BHS students



2017 BSAA/BHS Alumni Hall of Fame members (left to right) *Alan Lefor, MD '73, Peter Lovenheim '71 and Alan Ziegler '55* address BHS students.



Scenes from the 2017 BSAA/BHS Alumni Hall of Fame Recognition Gala



BSAA/BHS Alumni Hall of Fame chairperson *Steve Gaudio* '63 (above, left) presents plaques to 2017 honoree *Alan Ziegler* '55 (second from left) and *Alan Lefor, MD* '73 (right), and 2016 honoree *Amy Shuffelton* '88 (center).

Lewis Neisner '57 (far left), then-president of the BSAA, receives an honorary BHS diploma from principal Tom Hall at the gala (and a real one shortly afterward).

BSAA founder *Bob Lambrix* '58 (right) welcomes gala attendees.



BHS teacher *Adam Hiller* congratulates 2017 BSAA Scholarship recipients *Oona Kyung McCormack* (left) and *Amy Ambridge* (right).



BHS'71 classmates of 2017 "hall of famer" *Peter Lovenheim* (below, left) at the gala included *Wendy Roxin Wicks*, *Ruth E. Thaler-Carter* and fellow hall of famer *Brad Berk, MD* (Wicks's husband is in back row); not shown, *Lisa Lovenheim*.