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22nd ANNUAL

March 27, 2014

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Salute Honorees

1993

*Pam Jezukawicz
Connie Sullivan
George Wheeler*

1996

*Francis Galvani
Joseph Perini III
William Summers*

1999

*Steve Ryder
Ann Stacie
Dr. Eugene Thayer*

2002

*Ann Lamb
Chris Petrini
Elaine Robert*

2005

*Patrick Dunne
Bob Jachowicz
Joan Rastani*

2008

*Roni Cronin
Lowell Mazie
Pat Walker*

2011

*Michael Grilli
Joey Sementelli*

1994

*Dr. Jean Avery
Kennedy Clark
Jack O'Rourke*

1997

*Si Babineau
Barry Bograd
Sherwin Greenblatt*

2000

*Rob Healey
John Poles
Phil Read*

2003

*Joan Kelley
Betty Mattarazzo
Sally Smith*

2006

*Jim Carney
Margo Deane
Pam Hulme*

2009

*Rev. Dr. J Anthony Lloyd
Lou Merloni
Joseph Shields*

2012

*Mark and Karen Curtis
Dave Gudejko*

1995

*Ron Burton
Tom Click
Tony Colonna*

1998

*Robert Champion
Barbara Gray
Charles Long*

2001

*Mark Goldman
John Hart
Kathy Herrman*

2004

*Robert Brown
Jim Carey
Pat Zucchi*

2007

*Joe Casperowitz
Mike Phipps
Jim O'Connor*

2010

*Richard Chesmore
Arthur DelPrete
George Hulme*

2013

*Sharon Gilbert
Tony Tolson*

The Salute to Framingham

22nd Annual

Welcome to the Salute to Framingham, one of Framingham's most anticipated annual events! Every year, we celebrate up to three individuals for their outstanding commitment and service to the youth of Framingham. This year's honorees join a select group of people who have made a real difference in the lives of our children.

Over the past 22 years, the Salute program has been expanded to also show appreciation to teachers, school support personnel and volunteers who make each day "special" in the Framingham Public Schools. We also recognize graduating FHS students who have shown leadership in a variety of ways.

Since 2004, The Jim O'Connor Service Award has been awarded to individuals, organizations or families who have worked as a team to serve the youth of Framingham. Recipients exhibit the same passion, vision, commitment and leadership that Jim O'Connor, the Salute's founder, exemplified throughout his career as Framingham High School's Athletic Director.

Tonight, we will continue the multi-media presentations including pre-recorded remarks from our honorees, a slide show of programs and activities that have benefited from the Salute's fund-raising and highlights of each recognized student's accomplishments. The much-anticipated "You Are Special" awards will continue in their popular form, and we will have a few live surprises!

The Salute to Framingham is the largest single fund-raiser for Framingham High School. All proceeds from tonight will be used to support activities, the arts and athletics which benefit FHS students.

Many thanks to all of you for being here tonight and to our community hosts and sponsors for making this evening a tremendous success.



Reflections from Past Honorees

To celebrate the Salute to Framingham, the committee asked honorees from previous years to share their thoughts about being honored.

"I was in the fifth class of honorees. Not only was I humbled by my selection, but the frosting on the cake was that my two sons, Jeff and Mark (both Framingham North graduates), were able to introduce me to the audience. After their introduction, I was so taken emotionally that it was all I could do to muster up enough composure to give my speech. That special night was shared with family and a great many life-long friends." Barry Bograd (1997)

"I was honored to receive the award on behalf of the soccer club. All these years later, I still receive communications from former players." Thank you, John Poles (2000).

"Since I was honored by Salute to Framingham in 2001, it has been my pleasure to continue working with the Framingham Youth Hockey Beginners' Program. I never cease to be impressed by all the time and care put into this program by all the volunteers I have come to know over the years. This program could not survive without these volunteers. They give countless hours of time to make Framingham Youth Hockey an organization esteemed throughout the state. I know it is the same situation in all the other youth organizations in Framingham, and it is all done for our boys and girls and a few from surrounding towns. I want to take this opportunity to thank you for the honor you have bestowed on me, and also to thank all the many other volunteers from our great town." John C. Hart (2001)

As a past honoree, I remember that I had the honor of representing all the members of Framingham United Soccer Club and the great work that they were doing. Along with coaching, I continue to volunteer at the Potter Road School working with 4th and 5th graders in their literature program. Also, this June culminates in my last 2 ½ years of mentoring a high school student through the Mazie Program. Volunteering my time with the youth of Framingham has always been an enjoyable endeavor. I urge all of you to share your time and talent with the young people of our Town." Joe Casperowitz (2007)

"Being honored as a 2008 Salute to Framingham Award recipient came as a complete and wonderful surprise. The Mazie Mentoring Program, which pairs volunteer adult mentors with Framingham High School students recommended by school staff as at-risk of not realizing their full potential, had been in operation since 1998, accepting 30 sophomores per year into the program. Salute to Framingham's recognition of our efforts was a significant contributor to our ability to raise additional funds to increase the program's impact at the school. Starting in 2009, we increased our intake by 33% to 40/year. Since inception, over 450 Framingham youth have entered our program. 95% have graduated from high school. 44 alumni are now in college, receiving their annual \$500 scholarship installments. 79 alumni have graduated from a 2 yr. community college or 4 year university. We reached a significant milestone last year when a mentee, who became the first in her family to attend college, graduated with a Bachelors Degree and returned to the foundation to become a mentor in our program. Everyone at the John Andrew Mazie Memorial Foundation will always be grateful for Salute to Framingham's recognition of our work with Framingham youth." Lowell Mazie (2008)

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"I remember being overwhelmed to receive this honor in 2010 and still find myself wondering how my simple contributions to the summer track events at Bowditch field could possibly measure up to the unselfish commitments of all the past Salutes. I am so grateful to the Salute to Framingham Committee for all of the hard work and dedication that goes into planning an event of this magnitude. As a graduate of Framingham (South) High School, the father of a Framingham High graduate and now grandfather of a Framingham High Freshman, I have seen firsthand how budgetary constraints have challenged athletics and the arts. The Salute is a wonderful way to help finance all of the incredible programs and events that are offered to our students as well to gather a community together in the spirit of pride and honor for the Town of Framingham. Best wishes on the Twentieth Anniversary of the Salute to Framingham." Rich Chesmore (2010)

"When the Salute to Framingham celebration was started by Jim O'Connor and a dedicated group of residents and faculty, our community was struggling with the merger of our two high schools. It was a difficult time for students, parents and teachers but rivalries gave way to cooperation and teamwork and Framingham High School took its place among the best high schools in the state. At each dinner, in addition to the honorees, teachers and students are recognized for their outstanding academic work and community service. The Salute to Framingham Dinner is the premiere community event of the year. It brings the whole town together and demonstrates the diversity and excellence of Framingham High School. From a personal standpoint, I will always remember being honored two years ago. It was a wonderful night for my extended family and many friends to get together at the dinner and enjoy the good food and wonderful program. Thank you again for selecting me to join this inspiring group of community leaders. I do want to congratulate the Committee for continuing this great tradition as it reaches its 20th year. Your work, and your event, contribute greatly to community solidarity and high school excellence. Best wishes for another successful event." Arthur DelPrete (2010)

"As a lifelong resident of Framingham, a product of the Framingham Public Schools and local insurance broker it has been great to be involved with The Salute Dinner. It is always heartwarming to hear all about the good work people are doing to support the town, our school system and our children. I hope the tradition lives on for many years." George Hulme (2010)

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Dennis Giombetti

Dennis Giombetti is currently the Chairman of Board of Selectman for Framingham. A Framingham native, Dennis has been a long time supporter of programs and initiatives tailored to Framingham Youth. Dennis helped establish a partnership with the Boys and Girls Club, helped drive funding for important youth programs through Parks and Recreation, was on the Bowditch Field Grand Opening Committee, served on the FHS Resiliency for Life board, the Drug and Alcohol Abuse Task Force, and on various community educational boards. Most recently, Dennis spearheaded the drive to create a Children's Grove at Cushing Memorial Park (which will become a reality in the next year).

Over the years, Dennis has served on State Boards as well as in the Office for Children and Dept. of Social Services, working tirelessly to improve youth development. In addition, Dennis has also been actively involved with several MetroWest Regional organizations including the Finance Committee and Community Block Grant Committee, was the Former Chairman of the MetroWest Regional Transportation Authority Advisory Board, the Former Chairman of the 495 MetroWest Partnership, the Former Chairman of the Cable Advisory Committee and was a Community Block Grant Committee member.



Christine Tibor

Christine Tibor is the Director at Framingham Adult ESL Plus. Christine, a Framingham native and Framingham South graduate, and a former Charlotte Dunning teacher, was the driving force in growing a single adult education class in 1984 to the current Framingham Adult ESL Plus program. Framingham Adult ESL Plus serves over 700 students in 36 classes, including AM and PM ESL, GED and Citizenship preparation classes, with a waiting list of over 400 students. Christine believes that Adult ESL is the critical link to help immigrant parents help their children: families benefit when parents become proficient in English, enabling them to participate in their children's education and social lives. The family benefits when children are not required to act as interpreters for their parents, thereby preserving the family structure and parental roles.

Christine exhibits courageous, inclusive leadership. Christine's compassion and foresight have made Framingham Adult ESL one of the most respected adult education programs in the state. As a leader, she guides her program with a keen intellect and a sharp eye for upcoming change. As an administrator, she cares deeply for her staff, doing all that she can to help in any way possible. As an educator, she is always available: despite having over 700 students, and a staff of teachers and counselors, her door is always open to each and every student who needs to talk. Her ability to steer this program and its students towards success draw on her professional experience, and on lessons learned from her father, Edward Convery, who was also a brilliant leader and compassionate educator here in Framingham.

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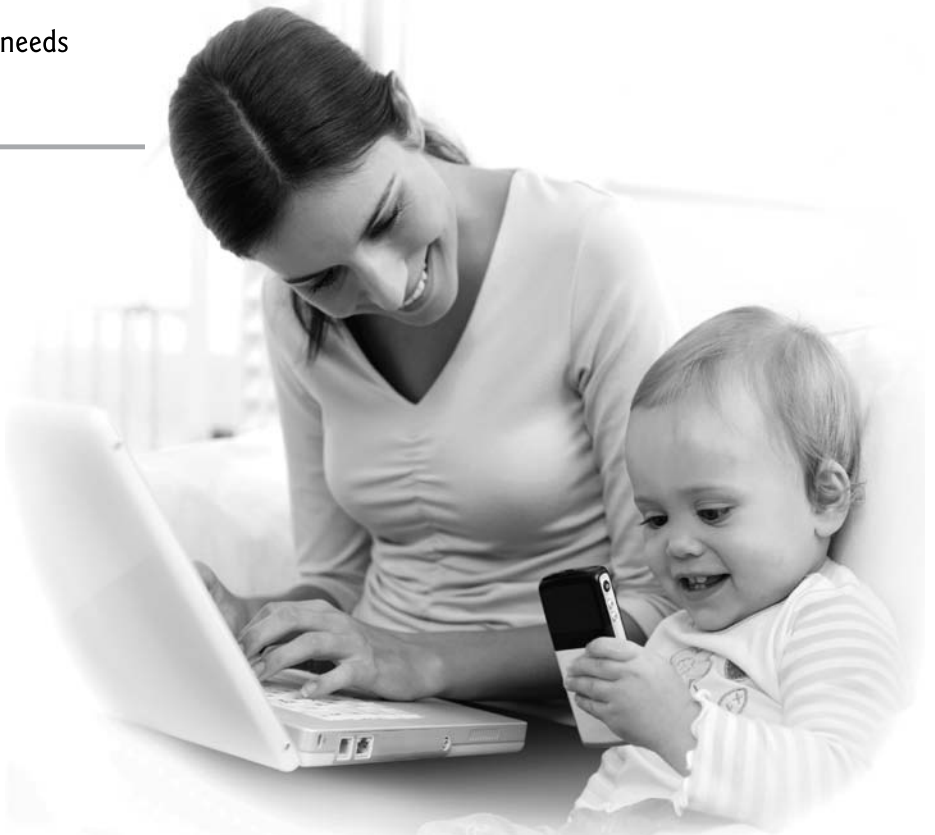
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Dennis Giombetti

Our colleague and friend

Christine Tibor

Community leader and friend

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Christopher J. Petrini (2002 Salute Recipient)
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Congratulations to all of the Honorees

Sincere thanks to the honorees and to all of the adults in our community who work with our young people.

You may not realize it while it's happening, but your efforts and status as positive role models for the youth of Framingham have a profound effect.

Never forget that the impact you have on just one person affects the world for generations to come.

Thank you for all you have done and for the future good your efforts will create.

Cheryl Tully Stoll



Vote April 1st

Congratulations, Jake Cotton!
and all the Salute to Framingham honorees.

We wish much success to all the FHS teams, with special recognition to those 2014 grads, who have been with us since the early days in Framingham Youth Lacrosse.

You made the game more fun than you can imagine!
Good luck in the future.



All our best,
Mom, Dad and Jared

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Nomination Information

What once started as a vision over twenty years ago has grown into one of Framingham's most cherished annual events. Each year the Salute to Framingham Dinner Committee will honor up to three individuals who have done much for Framingham's youth.

We encourage everyone from Framingham to consider nominating an individual, from any sector of the community, who has made a difference in the lives of the youth of our town.

The basic criteria for this nomination are that the individual has given selflessly to the youth of Framingham. All nominations received will be kept on file and reviewed in January of each year.

To be considered as a recipient for the 2015 Salute to Framingham, written and online nominations must be submitted by December 5, 2014. The committee will be meeting the following week to select the recipients.

Letters of nomination may be mailed to...

Salute to Framingham, Box 2367,

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Class of 2014 Student Recognitions



Madeleine Barowsky



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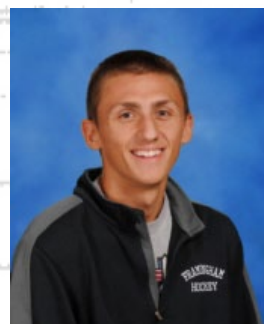
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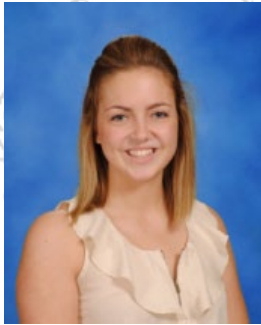
Class of 2014 Student Recognitions



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Reema Patel



Hadley McClure



Nicole Phalen



Maddy Murphy



Sam Roll



Andrew Netto



Katie Russo



Uche Nna



Carolyn TenEyck

Program

6:00 PM – 7:00 PM

Cocktail Reception & Strolling Supper

The dinner buffet will be open at 6:00 with desserts and coffee being served at each table during the event. Feel free to go to the buffet at any time.

7:00 PM

Presentations Begin

National Anthem

Ringmasters for the Evening: Barry Bograd & David O'Leary

Welcome by Superintendent of Framingham Public Schools

Dr. Stacy Scott

7:15 PM

Class of 2014 Student Recognition

Michael J. Welch, FHS Principal

and

Mark R. Albright, FHS Sr. Class Vice Principal

Madeleine Barowsky

Samantha Blaine

Kathryn Cassidy

Mia Charifson

Jacob Cotton

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Erica Magier

Hadley McClure

Madeline Murphy

Andrew Netto

Uchechi Nna

Reema Patel

Nicole Phalen

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Program

7:30 PM

2014 Salute to Framingham Award Presentations

Salute to Framingham, Co-Chairs Mark R. Albright and Gary Doherty

Dennis Giombetti

Christine Tibor

8:00 PM

You Are Special

Faculty and Staff Recognitions

Dr. Stacy Scott

*Carol Berlin-Dunning
Rosangela Caixa-Potter
Charlotte Carr-Brophy
Lori Chauvin-Hemenway
Karen Dauer-Cameron
Sheron Doucette-Walsh
Early Childhood Educators:
(Diane Czajak,
Dorothy Hamilton
Bonnie Newman
Patricia Towle-McCarthy)*

*Judy Friedland-Barbieri
Pam Goldman-Woodrow
Wendy Hagarty-Dunning
Sara Hamerla-Brophy
Diane MacMillan-Potter
Mary O'Brien-Harte-Walsh
Jodi O'Rourke-Walsh*

*Carmen G. Padilla-FPS Bilingual
Janet Scott-Woodrow
David Shalachman-Hemenway
Pat Slater-Stapleton
Team Rainbow:
(Megan Quinlan
Joe Santiago
Mae Waugh-Fuller)
Elyse Torbert-FHS
Colby Young-FHS*

8:40 PM

Raffle Drawings

Closing Comments

Michael J. Welch, FHS Principal

You Are Special

"You Are Special" Write-Ups submitted by School Principals



Carol Berlin - Charlotte Dunning Elementary

Carol Berlin is the teacher we all wish we were and hope our children will have! The dedication that she has brought, and continues to bring, to her years of teaching in Framingham has been a motivating force for her many students, the families she comes in contact with, and her colleagues. Carol is well-known for her expertise in math and science, but she brings a deeper understanding of all subjects to her students! Carol has taught for more than ten years in the co-taught classes at Dunning. Her students include both English language learners and standard students. Carol understands the issues in learning language and culture and has championed the needs of English language learners at Dunning and beyond. She spearheaded obtaining EXPLO summer camp scholarships for English language learners at Dunning.

Carol's ability to analyze data and accurately assess her students' needs, combined with her skillful differentiation, and her evident care and high expectations for all of her students, leads to amazing results! Her students are inspired to reach their full potential. Carol's standards of excellence carry through in all she does. She has served on countless committees, revamped and written curriculum in many subjects and grade levels, piloted materials, and taught professional development Math courses and summer programs in Science. Carol has been a tireless advocate for students, families and staff, while at the same time, being a dedicated professional who continues to impact her students, her school and her district daily. Carol is so deserving of this recognition! Carol Berlin - You Are Special!

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"You Are Special" Write-Ups submitted by School Principals



Rosangela Caixa - Potter Road Elementary

Rosangela Caixa was born and raised in Rio De Janeiro, Brazil. She worked for the American School of Rio for 23 years. Rosangela attended Federal University of Rio de Janeiro and received her Bachelor's degree in Pedagogy. Rosangela also has a Master's degree in Education from Framingham State College. Rosangela teaches in our bilingual program and has done so since joining the Potter Road Community in 2005. She is a second grade Sheltered English teacher at Potter. Rosangela is a kind, gentle person who always gets the best from each of her students. She works hard to support her students in the acquisition of English language skills and is a wonderful role model for all. Her positive, upbeat personality helps to motivate her students to do their best work each day. She is a great advocate for her students and their families and is constantly providing them with support and information on how best to help their children to succeed in school and in life. Rosangela is an outstanding educator and a consummate professional. She is also married and the mother of two children, Lucas and Hannah, who are both FHS graduates. Rosangela Caixa - You Are Special!



You Are Special

"You Are Special" Write-Ups submitted by School Principals



Charlotte Carr - Brophy Elementary

Charlotte Carr always wanted to be a teacher! Her career began as a 6th grade Special Education teacher at Walsh. Her innovative work was recognized by the Framingham School Committee and she was selected to present the middle school inclusion model to the Council for Exceptional Children in Dallas, Texas. Charlotte left Framingham to raise her three children, Kieran, Meaghan and Colin. With the support of her husband, Kevin, Charlotte founded "The Giving Tree" pre-kindergarten program, which earned an outstanding reputation in the town of Upton. Ready for new challenges, Charlotte returned to her native Framingham as a Kindergarten teacher. Charlotte is presently a much loved second grade teacher at Brophy. She is widely recognized as a creative and committed teacher who generously gives her time to her students and the school. Charlotte serves on many committees including PBIS, Parent Outreach and Summer Literacy, as well as coordinating projects such as the fundraiser for victims of Japan's earthquake.

While the effort and time that Charlotte puts into her teaching are commendable, it is her rapport and relationships with her students that are truly special. Charlotte's present and past students recall the Family Gingerbread House project, the stuffed animals' sleepover, Baxter the Traveling Bear, the daily home/school reflections, the Acts of Kindness and the Fifth Grade "alumni" ice cream graduation party as some of their most cherished second grade memories. Charlotte is honored to teach at Brophy School with its caring staff. She is especially grateful to be a member of the amazing second grade team! Finally, Charlotte is proud to credit her Dad who was a teacher in Framingham as her inspiration, and continues her Dad's passion for teaching through the annual "Joseph Patrick Lavin Scholarship" which she presents each year to an aspiring teacher graduating from Framingham High School. Charlotte Carr - You Are Special!

You Are Special

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Lori Chauvin - Hemenway Elementary

Lori Chauvin has been a valued member of the Hemenway staff serving as our cafeteria monitor over the past six years. Lori's favorite part of her job is interacting with, and supporting Hemenway students during their lunch time. Lori knows her students well and often reminds cafeteria staff about particular student preferences, such as, "Remember, Jonathan likes his cheeseburger without cheese." Lori has a quick smile and a kind word for all.

Lori and her husband Sylvio, along with their two sons, Brian, 20, and Peter, 24, have lived in Framingham for 20 years. In addition to serving as our cafeteria monitor, Lori has been a crossing guard in Framingham at the Walsh and Dunning schools for the past 14 years. During the evening Lori is a CPR/first aid instructor working for ABC CPR services. Currently Lori is expanding her educational opportunities by taking a course in becoming a medical assistant at Keefe Technical School in Framingham. We thank Lori for her years of service to the children of Framingham! Lori Chauvin - You Are Special!



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Karen Dauer - Cameron Middle School

Karen Dauer is a Physical Education teacher at Cameron Middle School. Karen started her career at Fuller Middle School in 1998 and has been teaching at Cameron Middle School since 2002. Karen is passionate about the importance of physical education for our students and works hard to plan lessons and units that engage each student who enters her gym. She wants to provide every student the opportunity to succeed and has great success encouraging reluctant students to participate. Karen is an excellent teacher but she is so much more than that.

On any given weekend, Karen can be found on the sidelines of a soccer game, at the Elks cheering on our students at the free throw contest, or outside at the regional cross country meet. During the school week, Karen often attends school concerts or the school play, always one of the first to walk up to the students to offer her congratulations for a job well done. This past fall Karen worked with a few of her colleagues to plan and organize the first annual Gauntlet event, a fund-raising event for Stapleton and Cameron. Karen invited several of her students to help with the event, fostering leadership skills in these students. Karen organizes and runs the 3-on-3 basketball tournament each year - an event that involves the whole staff and student body and helps foster our positive school culture. Karen is a cheerleader and support system for her colleagues. She can be counted on to support building initiatives, mentor new teachers, help a colleague with a class, and address student issues in a proactive manner. Cameron Middle School is extremely fortunate to have Karen Dauer, a teacher who inspires others with her passion, leadership, and dedication. Karen Dauer - You Are Special!

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Sheron Doucette - Walsh Middle School

Sheron Doucette has blessed the Walsh Middle School community with her energy and creativity to make theatre arts an integral part of middle school education since 2004. She began as a .5 drama teacher and by 2006, was hired full time, allowing for a solid Drama curriculum for students in grades seven and eight. It is ironic that we are honoring Sheron for being "special" when she is the queen of making everyone else feel special. The casts and crews of 100 plus middle school students can't all be the lead, or stage manager, but Sheron makes each child feel like an integral part of the production, and she is somehow able to give everyone a special moment in the spotlight. Every spring she puts together a production for the Massachusetts Educational Theatre Guild Festival. These shows always win awards and have been hosted at Walsh thanks to her giving nature and tireless efforts.

*Sheron makes the impossible, possible. She successfully produced *Our Town* on the high school stage a week after a fire at Walsh Middle School destroyed the auditorium. In addition, she helped organize the Middle School Theatre Exchange for several years. This brought all three middle schools to the high school for a Friday afternoon of Theatre workshops. It was the beginning of closing the transition gap between Middle and High School. Her Drama classes are all about boosting children's confidence, showing everyone they fit into the sometimes harsh middle school environment, and this mission has successfully been implemented into our social competency curriculum at Walsh. Sheron's creative lesson planning and insight into the minds of our adolescents has been a tremendous asset to our school.*

She is a talented teacher and values collaboration. She works with the guidance department designing and teaching our social competency curriculum throughout the year. She is also the related arts team leader. She works with current and retired staff on amazing productions, school assemblies, and dances. Sheron works tirelessly to keep our valued traditions at the school such as the annual Veterans Day assembly and 8th grade dance. She volunteers at the annual Walsh Carnival and 5k by doing face-painting for all of our eager elementary and middle school students.

It is with tremendous gratitude and pride that we all honor Sheron for her efforts and dedication to the Walsh community. Sheron Doucette - You Are Special!

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Early Childhood Educators - McCarthy Elementary Diane Czajak, Dorothy Hamilton, Bonnie Newman, Patricia Towle

McCarthy School is pleased to honor four early childhood educators who collectively have dedicated more 100 years of service to the Framingham Public School System and more than 80 years to McCarthy School alone. Bonnie Newman, kindergarten teacher, Dorothy Hamilton, and Diane Czajak, first grade teachers, and Patricia Towle, second grade teacher, have garnered so much McCarthy history over the years that when they retire in June a void will certainly be felt in our school

Not only have they been here long enough to see many children pass through their classroom doors, but now those children have become parents, and are sending their children to McCarthy to be educated by their very own early childhood teachers. They have created a legacy in our school, the likes of which is highly unusual for one group of teachers. During their collective tenure, they have worked under five McCarthy School principals.

They have been creative in their approach to education and have arranged hands-on educational experiences such as trips to Japan, the rainforest of Kenya, photography exhibits, wax museums, and tidal pool presentations. And of course, we were always treated to a creative poem or song that many of their students performed.

They are a dedicated group of educators and are among the first to arrive in the morning and the last to leave in the afternoon. At McCarthy we are indebted to their commitment. Diane, Dorothy, Bonnie and Patricia - You Are Special!

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Judy Friedland - Barbieri Elementary

Judy Friedland is an incredible resource for staff and students at Barbieri School. She began her career as a bilingual classroom teacher in 1980 and has been a member of the SAGE program staff for the last 18 years.

Judy is an outstanding SAGE teacher. She is an expert in meeting the needs of children who are divergent thinkers and who need academic challenge beyond what is commonly offered in a typical classroom. Bilingual in English and Spanish, Judy insures that all students at Barbieri have an opportunity to participate in SAGE regardless of their English proficiency. Judy was instrumental in helping the SAGE program adapt their assessments to identify students for whom English is not their first language.

Judy runs the Math League and Word Masters programs. These programs are open to all students and provide an opportunity for children to further develop their vocabulary and mathematical skills.

Judy works with classroom teachers to help them differentiate their instruction to meet the needs of more advanced learners.

Most recently, Judy has provided professional development for staff in the area of higher order thinking skills to raise the rigor and expectations for all students. She and another colleague have provided important information to help us meet our school improvement literacy goal.

Finally, Judy has served for the past two years as an FTA building rep and on the town-wide Strategic Planning Committee. Judy is a consummate team player. She is always willing to do whatever it takes to improve the learning environment for students and staff at Barbieri School. Judy Friedland - You Are Special!

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Pam Goldman - Woodrow Wilson

Pam Goldman is retiring after 38 years in teaching. Pam began her teaching career in Waltham Public Schools and joined Framingham Public Schools in 1987. Pam began working at Woodrow Wilson elementary school in 1987 as a Title 1 teacher. For the past 21 years, Pam has been a fixture at Woodrow Wilson as a 2nd grade teacher. Pam has a considerate, respectful rapport with children. She makes sure that each child's contribution to class is valued. She is conscientious, diligent and dedicated to both her students and the greater school community. In addition to her work in the classroom, Pam has spent countless hours learning new content, writing curriculum and mentoring teachers entering into the profession. Thank you, Pam, for your outstanding work and congratulations on your upcoming retirement. Pam Goldman - You Are Special!



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Wendy Hagarty - Charlotte Dunning Elementary

Wendy Hagarty began her career as an educator of music twenty-nine years ago. Wendy joined the Charlotte A. Dunning School Community in 1989. Wendy has distinguished herself as a caring, energetic, dedicated, talented, inclusive, involved, and enthusiastic educator. Love for her craft is unmatched! She is a champion advocate for the arts. Wendy consistently puts that extra effort in everything she does. Wendy holds positive, supportive relationships with all children at Charlotte Dunning. Wendy plays a critical role in providing engaging, effective, and exciting inclusion lessons for Charlotte Dunning's diverse student population.

Very often Wendy incorporates and integrates other disciplines with musicology, such as math, science, and social studies, in her lessons. She plans and executes lessons, utilizing a variety of teaching strategies to actively engage all ages, and grade levels in our building, which includes standard education classes, English Language Learners, and our three autistic classes. Wendy's expertise with technology has added another wondrous dimension in her teaching, to the great benefit of her students. Wendy strives to meet the total needs of each student, even on her own time.

Wendy Hagarty is a driving force in "making music come alive" throughout the parameters of our school. Colleagues and our parent community recognize and cherish her accomplished competencies. She is a dynamic educator and a true asset to our school. Wendy Hagarty - You Are Special!



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Sara Hamerla - Brophy Elementary

Dr. Sara Hamerla is a dedicated, compassionate, and driven educator and professional. She has a unique ability to look at difficult situations and not be discouraged, rather she takes on the challenge full throttle. Sara was the assistant to the Director of the Bilingual Department and then transitioned to working more closely with students as an ESL teacher at Fuller Middle School. While there, she also served as Department Head. Following her Middle School experience Sara 'graduated' to Brophy Elementary School where she was excited to focus her teaching on a younger population. Now Sara is the K-5 ELD coach and her amazing skill and insight for working with English Language Learners is being shared with the Elementary Schools in Framingham. In addition to her work with students in the district, Sara has also availed herself as a resource for colleagues and fellow educators. Sara has created and taught college level courses, as well as been a recurring speaker at the Massachusetts Association of Teachers of Speakers of Other Languages (MATSO) conference. Currently you can find Sara traveling from school to school by day and teaching the RETELL course at the King Building by night. Conquering Framingham wasn't enough for this driven professional, so she will be speaking at the International Reading Association in New Orleans this spring.

Sara's character is unquestionable. She has a strong understanding of students' cultural and social-emotional backgrounds. She is sensitive to what teachers may struggle with as they try to understand and best support their students. She is inspiring in the way she goes above and beyond to integrate families into the school community. It is not uncommon for Sara to drive to students' home and pick up entire families in her minivan so they can participate in school and town events, even if the one time baseball game develops into a weekly routine! While doing all of these things, Sara remains focused on her family. Sara is a loving wife and mother who happily admits to trying some of her latest teaching ideas out on her family at the dinner table. Sara and her husband, Perry, are also foster parents, sharing their love and support with children in need. It is safe to say that Sara is an amazing woman and that the students, families, and professionals of Framingham are lucky to have her. Sara Hamerla - You Are Special!

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Diane MacMillan - Potter Road Elementary

Diane graduated from Southeastern Mass University with a BA in Psychology and Elementary Education. Diane also received her Master's Degree in Education from Cambridge College. Diane is a special educator for the K-5 students in the Resource Room. She has been at Potter Road for the last 20 years helping numerous students to reach their potential. She is a wonderful, caring person who gives 110% every day to every child. She helps children to believe in themselves and I've seen many students flourish under her tutelage. She is highly professional and works with parents to help them understand their child's disability and how best to work with them at home. She loves to collaborate with other Potter Road staff to help support all of our students. She is truly a special person who has made a difference in countless students' lives. Diane has served on many committees over the years and has been a mentor to many new teachers. She has been married to her sweetheart, Malcolm, for 32 years and is the mother to two sons Alex and Michael, both graduates of Framingham High School. She also has one grandson, Mason, who is 2 years old. Diane MacMillan - You Are Special!



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Mary O'Brien-Harte - Walsh Middle School

Mary O'Brien-Harte is a social worker at Walsh Middle School and has dedicated her heart and soul to the staff, students and families of Framingham for the past twenty-nine years. Mary began her career in the Framingham Public schools in 1986 at Hemenway Elementary School. She also worked at Potter Road and Stapleton Elementary schools. Mary is an essential part of the supportive community at Walsh Middle School. One of her many roles at Walsh is as the guidance department team leader. She has been a team leader for three years and has been instrumental in their development as true team and positive outlook in their very difficult, multi-faceted jobs. She is well-known for leading her team through meditations at the start of meetings and treating them to fresh muffins from her favorite bakery in Newton.

Mary has been instrumental in many programs throughout the Walsh community. She has served as the Student Council and ROPES Peer Leader advisor for many years. Mary founded the Gay Straight Alliance Club at Walsh and coordinates special events throughout the year such as "No Name Calling Week" and "Pride Day." Mary has embraced the Social Competency program at Walsh and coordinates, designs and teaches social competency lessons that focus on topics such as empathy and acceptance for all three grade levels. Mary has been an essential member of the PBIS team and she organizes and coordinates both the Annual Thanksgiving Food Drive and the Holiday Collection for over forty Walsh families. Lastly, Mary also leads the Walsh Social Club with various other staff members. She is constantly reminding us all that although our jobs are critical, it just as important to have fun. She does this well!

Mary's devotion to the families of Framingham does not go unnoticed. She works tirelessly to advocate for the families who may need extra support and assistance throughout the school year. She will often take time out of her own schedule to visit families at home, drive families to school meetings, and coordinate services for families in need.

Mary's dedication to the entire Walsh Community make her one of the first people we all turn to in times of need. Mary's knowledge, compassion, and sense of humor help us make it through the tough times and get us through some of the difficult days. We thank Mary for her dedication to our students, staff and families. Walsh would not be the same without her. Mary O'Brien-Harte - You Are Special!

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Jodi O'Rourke - Walsh Middle School

Jodi O'Rourke has been a teacher in Framingham since 2004 after teaching in Northborough for six years and has been a department head at Walsh since 2011.

Throughout her career at Walsh, Jodi has gone above and beyond her everyday teaching and department head responsibilities for the betterment of the Walsh community. Jodi has helped facilitate and carry on the Walsh tradition of honoring our local veterans at our annual Veterans' Day assembly. Along with her colleague, Sheron Doucette, Jodi creates a truly emotional and heart-warming salute to our veterans that highlight our many talented students. Various students present and sing patriotic poems and songs, as well as recreating iconic images such as the Iwo Jima Memorial. There usually isn't a dry eye in the house at the conclusion of the assembly with the playing of "Taps" and the students are in awe as the veterans stand at attention. It is a moment that would not be possible without Jodi's continued dedication to make each year unique for our local veterans.

Jodi was instrumental in designing the middle school literacy intervention for our students. She researched and designed many programs, and helped build up our library and classrooms with books of different genres and Lexile levels. She currently teaches two Literacy Lab classes working with our most struggling readers. She brings reading to life and has ignited a passion for reading for many of our students.

Jodi is also one of the founders and coordinators of Walsh's successful mentoring program. The program has paired over forty students with mentors from the Walsh staff. Jodi mentors two students and consistently provides them with emotional and academic support throughout the school year. She has her mentors assist her with the sorting of canned goods for annual Thanksgiving Food Drive. Jodi is the "counter" of the hundreds of canned goods to determine the winning homerooms.

Jodi is also an integral member of the Walsh School Council and the Positive Behavior Intervention Support (PBIS) team. She teaches a social competency class and often shares interesting lessons that she creates for the social competency program. She volunteers at the annual Walsh 5K and assists with two of her colleagues in transforming our small gym into a magical theme for the annual eighth grade dance.

Jodi is an integral member of the Walsh community. She devotes herself fully to her work and her creativity and teamwork are one of a kind. Walsh Middle School is extremely fortunate to have her. Jodi O'Rourke - You Are Special!

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Carmen G. Padilla - FPS Bi-Lingual Education Department

As the Executive Assistant to the Bilingual Education Director for the past 32 + years, Carmen G. Padilla has been a steadfast presence and influence guiding the department and its teachers, students and families through the various years. With each new leadership and administrative change, Carmen embraced the challenge and found innovative ways of adapting, working collaboratively to ensure that all requirements were met, always keeping in mind students and making sure that their families understood the complexity of this new school culture.

Carmen always goes above and beyond what the expectations are. With each new initiative and/or project, she dives right in and positively looks for ways to improve, work it out and successfully implement. Having known Carmen in this role for the past 27 years, I am grateful for all of the years and service that she has given the Framingham Public Schools community. Carmen G. Padilla - You Are Special!

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Janet Scott - Woodrow Wilson Elementary

After serving in the Peace Corps in Brazil from 1977-79, Janet Scott returned to begin her career as a school speech/language pathologist (SLP) in North Reading, MA where she worked for 9 years. She moved on to Cambridge Public Schools Portuguese Bilingual Program for 7 years. She came to Framingham Public Schools in 1997 where she has held a dual position of bilingual Portuguese SLP system-wide (preschool to grade 12) and elementary special education teacher at Woodrow Wilson.

She has proven herself to be a respected team member, working to fairly assess and advocate for the educational needs of bilingual special needs students. Her background and professional experience have led to a unique combination of skills and understanding of the complexities involved in serving the bilingual population. Her dedication to the students of the Woodrow Wilson School is greatly appreciated. Janet is retiring after 16 years serving the Framingham Public Schools. The staff, students and parents of the Woodrow Wilson School wish her a happy and healthy retirement. Janet Scott - You Are Special!

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David Shalachman - Hemenway Elementary

David Shalachman is one of our heroes. He epitomizes strength courage and fortitude every day he comes to work. He has been inspiring the children of Framingham for several years. David has been a kindergarten aide at Hemenway, a pre-school aide at Blocks, and currently he is at Hemenway again as our Cafeteria aide/monitor.

David and his walking sticks are a joyful sight for Hemenway Students. David proctors every child at lunchtime; helping the young ones navigate their milk cartons and helping the older ones navigate their social manners. His interactions with the students are friendly and firm.

With the focus on productive time on learning throughout the school day, Hemenway developed a rigorous lunch-time program to improve students' social skills. Every day David implements and models proper, gracious, social behavior. David is one of our "It Takes a Village..." David is one of our unsung heroes at Hemenway School. David Shalachman - You Are Special!



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Pat Slater - Stapleton Elementary

Pat Slater has spent the past 6 years at Stapleton School as a 2nd grade teacher in an inclusion classroom. Before coming to Stapleton, Pat taught 2nd grade at Barbieri School for 7 years.

Having served as a former Framingham literacy team leader, Pat has spent much of her time and energy at Stapleton sharing her passion for reading with students and families. She initiated the Stapleton Reading Challenge to increase reading at home. She started and coordinates Stapleton's annual Family Reading Night. Pat has also coordinated the development of Stapleton's Guided Reading Library.

Aside from her daily duties at Stapleton, Pat has provided numerous courses and professional development for the Framingham public schools. She is a member of the Data Committee and Principal's Advisory Council. Pat also serves on the Stapleton School Council. Pat is involved as a Model Curriculum Developer for the DESE and a Pilot Teacher for the Engineering is Elementary program at the Museum of Science where she is also a curriculum author. Pat Slater - You Are Special!

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Team Rainbow - Fuller Middle School

"Team Rainbow" consists of three English Language Development teachers who work to support English Language Learners within the general education class at Fuller Middle School.

Each of these teachers is a star in their own right; it is their work together with a shared vision that has successfully raised the bar for the ELL students at Fuller. Mae Waugh, Joe Santiago, and Megan Quinlan have consistently demonstrated exemplary team work, collaboration skills, instructional techniques, and high standards for students. Their work with students and teachers on all teams has been impressive.

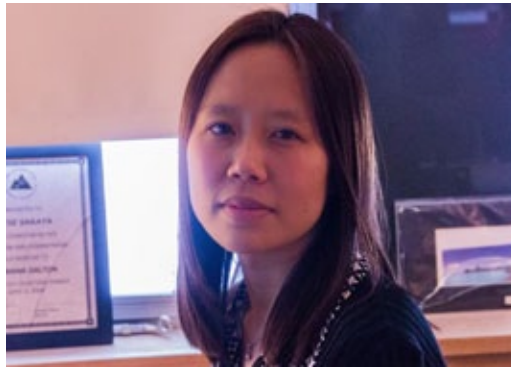
Although this is their first year working together, Mae, Joe, and Meg have formed a strong collaborative team. If you happen to be at Starbucks any morning @ 6:00 am, you might see them planning their lesson together. They are dedicated, hard-working and 110% committed to student success.

We are fortunate to have "Team Rainbow" at Fuller Middle School. For these reasons and many more, Mae, Joe, and Megan (Team Rainbow) - You Are Special!



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Elyse Torbert - Framingham High School

Elyse Torbert has been a teacher and vice-principal at Framingham High School for the past nine years. She was the vice-principal for the Class of 2012 and is now working with the Class of 2016.

Elyse is a great listener, a supportive colleague, and a fantastic educator. She is fair, warm, and caring yet also straight forward, demanding, and full of high expectations. She gets the best out of everyone she interacts with, and does so with a cheerful, good-natured, enthusiasm that leaves everyone willing to do anything to help her.

Mrs. Torbert always deflects praise onto her colleagues and never seeks the spotlight. She is a champion of the toughest kids and loves the kids that everyone else would rather dislike. She wants every kid to succeed and feels personally responsible for each and every student and teacher under her care. She is a problem-solver always looking to provide a better atmosphere for teachers and students. She has made a huge difference in the lives of thousands of Framingham students. Elyse Torbert - You Are Special!

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Colby Young - Framingham High School

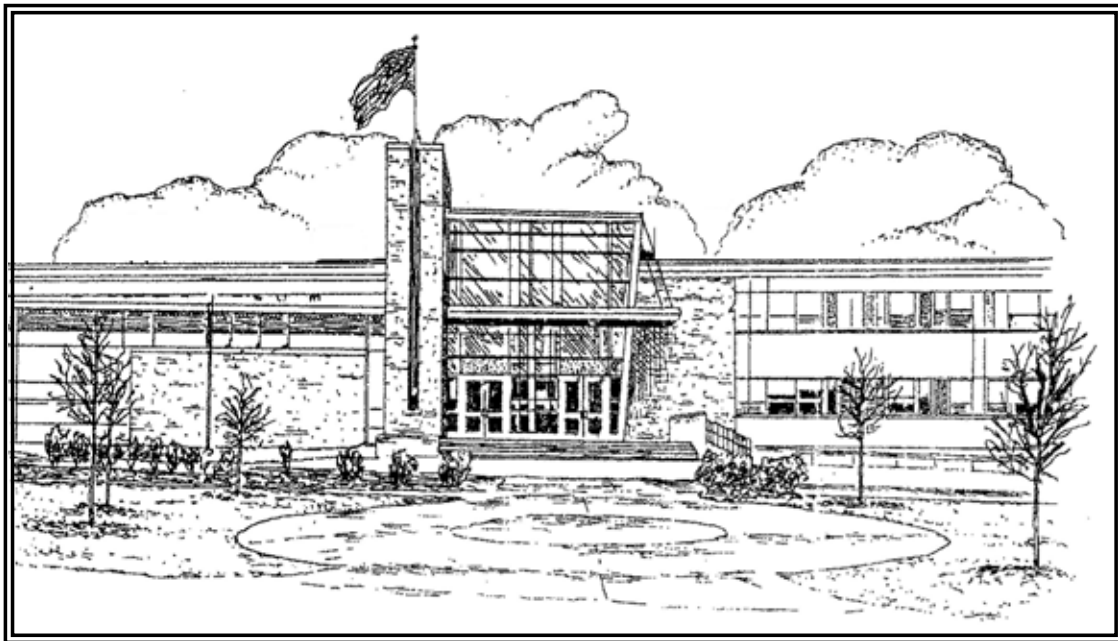
Colby Young has been a History teacher at Framingham High School since 2008. He has also been a special educator, Advanced Placement Government teacher, and Co-Leader of the FHS Peer Leadership Program.

Colby's work with students and colleagues is legendary. He is a true believer in the positive potential of every single student, and works tirelessly to bring out the best in everyone. His work expanding the scope of the Peer Leadership program has enriched the understanding and better developed the empathy of all our 9th grade students. Mr. Young has taught hundreds of students how to appreciate human differences and expand upon the ways we can all become upstanders for others that need our support.

Colby has organized an annual student trip to Washington, D.C, and this year he is giving up his own April vacation to bring a group of students on an international service trip to Costa Rica. Mr. Young has enriched the lives of many students by teaching them how to wonder about the world beyond their own borders, and to take the initiative in making the world a better place both locally and globally. He is an absolute treasure for FHS. Colby Young - You Are Special!

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Jennifer, We salute you and are proud of your contribution to our community. May this recognition encourage you to do even greater works that will benefit the people of this world. Love, Dad, Mom and Kim

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