

# Class of 2018 Top 5 Students Announced!



COURTNEY DELELLO Ranked Third



BERNARDINA CORDES
Ranked Fourth



SAMARA GREENE Ranked Fifth

In the April newsletter, we featured Valedictorian **Maya Cliffe** and Salutatorian **Jonathan Castle**. This month we are pleased to highlight the accomplishments and contributions of three students who, along with Maya and Jonathan, make up the top five students of the Class of 2018.

Courtney Delello, daughter of James Delello and Shelley Holden is ranked third in this year's graduating class. Throughout high school, Courtney has challenged herself academically by taking many online and dual enrollment college level courses through TC3 as well as SUNY Broome. Courtney has also completed Advanced Placement coursework in Literature, Calculus and History. As a result of Courtney's hard work, she has accumulated enough college credits to earn an Associate's Degree through TC3. In addition to being a member of the National Honor Society, Courtney has also been active in Student Council, Yes!Leads, Spanish Club, dance, theater and bowling. In the B-G community, Courtney has been a member of the Jericho Garden Club and a volunteer for Relay for Life. In the fall, Courtney plans to attend Binghamton University where she will major in a mathematics related field.

Ranking number four in this year's graduating class is **Bernardina Cordes**, daughter of Dr. Richard Cordes

and the late Dr. Sook Cordes. Bernardina has earned a spot on the Principal's Honor Roll each quarter throughout high school and has been an active member of the National Honor Society. Bernardina has challenged herself with a rigorous course load including dual enrollment classes as well as Advanced Placement History and Calculus. In 11th grade, Bernardina received the National Academy of Future Physicians Award of Excellence as well as the George H. Ball Community Achievement Award. Bernardina has taken part in many extracurricular activities throughout high school including varsity track, soccer and Student Council. She has been very dedicated to band and orchestra, participating not only in jazz and marching bands, but also All-County festivals and NYSSMA competition. Bernardina plans to live in Finland for a year pursuing her passion of playing soccer before attending the University of Vermont in the fall of 2019 where she plans to major in Biochemistry.

#### From the Superintendent

Spring is in the air and summer vacation is just around the corner! I cannot believe how fast this year went. Our very successful spring sports season has wrapped up and the students are preparing for end of the year assessments, drivers education, summer school and graduation. For the last newsletter of the school year I wanted to catch you up on some very exciting things happening at B-G!

On behalf of the Board of Education, the staff, students and entire school community, I would like to say thank you for your support with the 2018-19 school budget. Our district will continue to provide our students with a top-notch education because of your efforts and support in and out of school. I am very proud of our 2018-19 budget in that we are able to maintain our current staff and course offerings, and have added an FFA program and welding for our students.

Our Capital Project will get underway on June 25. All three buildings will be under construction and the buildings and grounds will be closed for the summer. Work will start with roofing, playgrounds at the elementary buildings and hardscape work.

The After School Childcare Program has had a very successful first year. The B-G district will be offering the program again for the 2018-19 school year for students in grades PK-6. We ended the year with 27 students attending. We do have to raise prices for next year just a bit in order for the program to be solvent. Forms for signing up will be going home before the end of the school year.

Greenlawn Elementary is finishing their first year of recycling. Thank you very much to Judy Hinman and Lori Shaffer for taking our food scraps home to your pigs. We have taken great strides to a *greener* elementary school.

The students at Guilford have learned about composting and the district will be adding a compost pile outside of the Guilford School Building, near the parking lot.

We are proud to have six students graduating from B-G with associates degrees from Tompkins Cortland Community College! Congratulations to Miranda Anderson, Maya Cliffe, Courtney Delello, Samara Greene, Mara Hartwell and Mathew Warner.

Congratulations to our graduating seniors. This time of year is always bittersweet. It is hard to say good-bye to our students as they embark on this new chapter of their lives, but exciting to watch them grow and move on. The entire B-G community wish you all the very best!

Please have a great summer and enjoy the nice weather. If you have any questions regarding the district, please don't hesitate to reach out to me. My email is tryan@bgcsd.org. I am also on Twitter @Timothy88346075.

-Mr. Timothy Ryan, Superintendent

#### Thank You!

Our Prom and Post-Prom activities are successful due in part to the contributions and assistance from this community. The Bainbridge-Guilford Class of 2019 would especially like to thank:

The Afton River Club, the Bainbridge Chamber of Commerce, The Bainbridge-Guilford Teachers Association, The Bainbridge-Guilford Board of Education, Bobby K Inc., Coca-Cola, Laureen Scott-Treacy, Frank Treacy, Rhett Genung and Rock-Star Dee-Jays, Jodie Ives, Jerry's Inn, Mirabito Inc., Pine Ridge Grocery, Michelle Gifford Family Dentistry, Tri-Town Insurance, SFCU, Barnard's Hometown Hardware, Scoville-Meno, Coughlin and Gerhart LLP, John's Garage, Blitz Family Dental, I.B.E.W. Local No. 325, Ms. Patricia Stafford, Mr. Haddad at Progressive Auto, Kyle Fuller and the B-G Transportation Department, the B-G custodial staff, and Wegman's Supermarkets.

I also have to acknowledge our Prom and Post-Prom chaperones and set-up crew, who help to make both events run perfectly and without whom, these events could not happen: Teresa Burnett, Cindy Cifone, Jeanmarie Innes, Cheryl Mason, John Grigoli, Lori Miller, Colleen Davis, Paul Jenkins, Kevin Hores, Jen Sienko, Emily Gregory, Kevin Wehrli, Amy LaFever, Nick Mayo, Jason Northrup, Janice and James Rideout, Tim Ryan, Scott Graham, and Bill Zakrajsek.

—Lindsay McCandless, Junior Class Advisor

#### Top 5 Students (continued from page 1)

Samara Greene, daughter of Kenneth and Joelle Greene, ranks fifth in B-G's graduating Class of 2018. Samara has challenged herself academically throughout high school with a combination of Advanced Placement, dual enrollment and online coursework. Samara's hard work has earned her Principal's Honor Roll status throughout high school. In addition to graduating from B-G in June with an Advanced Regents Diploma, Samara will also have earned an Associate's Degree through TC3. Samara has taken part in many activities while in high school. She has been actively involved in orchestra, band, drama club, envirothon, and has been a member of the National Honor Society. Samara is also a talented artist, often having her artwork displayed at local art shows. She was the deserving recipient of the painting award during her junior year at B-G. Samara has enjoyed her experiences with the Karen Beasley Sea Turtle Rehabilitation Hospital and will further her desire to pursue Marine Biology at New Haven University starting this fall.

Congratulations to our top five students and their parents! We wish the best of luck to all of our graduating seniors as they begin a new chapter in their lives!

# Safety Efforts Earn Bainbridge-Guilford Central School District Safety Excellence Award



L-R: Emily Hall, Board of Education President, Howard Thompson, Director of Facilities II and Timothy Ryan, Superintendent of Schools.

Bainbridge-Guilford Central School District is one of 152 school districts and Board of Cooperative Education Services in the state to receive the 2018 "Titanium with Honors School Safety Excellence Award," the highest level of recognition offered by the Utica National Insurance Group.

The honor, presented annually, recognizes school districts' safety efforts as they work to help keep students, staff and visitors safe. Bainbridge-Guilford Central School District received its award at Utica National's 38th annual school safety seminar in Binghamton, NY. For over 40 years, Utica National has kept

kids and school staff safe and currently insures more than 300 school districts in upstate New York alone.

Bainbridge-Guilford Central School District officials accepted a certificate to commemorate the district's safety efforts and a \$500 award for use in furthering those efforts. This is the 15th time B-G has received this award.

Utica National's School Safety Excellence Award Program has three levels—titanium, platinum and gold—in which schools can earn a meritorious distinction by meeting specific criteria to enhance overall safety. Through the program, schools with their own transportation, schools with contract transportation, and BOCES are evaluated. Categories covered include bullying prevention programs, playground safety and other areas, and are measured using specific quantifiable surveys. "Safety and health concerns continue to be a priority in our school districts," explained Brian Saville, Resident Senior Vice-President in Utica National's Educational Institutions Unit. "Districts that go 'above and beyond' to provide a safe, healthy and focused culture for learning are to be applauded, and we're pleased to count Bainbridge-Guilford Central School District among them."

The school district would like to specifically thank Director of Facilities II, Howard Thompson, and the members of the Health & Safety Committee for their ongoing efforts to make Bainbridge-Guilford a safe place for faculty, students and staff.

### Jr.-Sr. HS End-of-year Pates to Remember

Monday, June 4 Athletic Awards Night, HS Auditorium, 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday, June 6 Senior Recognition Concert, HS Auditorium, 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, June 7 BOCES Harrold Campus Gym: Graduation, 10:00 a.m.

Awards, 6:00 p.m.

Friday, June 8 Jr. High Awards, HS Auditorium, 8:30 a.m.

Seniors: Caps and gowns are passed out. (If you have not ordered yet see Mr. Grigoli.)

Sunday, June 10 Baccalaureate service, First Baptist Church, 7:00 p.m. (Wear your cap and gown.)

Monday, June 11 BOCES Norwich Campus: Graduation, 10:00 a.m.

Awards, 6:30 p.m.

Senior Luncheon at the Silo and Moving Up Day

Friday, June 22 Graduation Rehearsal, 5:00 p.m.

Sr. High Awards Night, HS Auditorium, 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, June 23 GRADUATES BE HERE BY 6:15 p.m.

Graduation, HS Front Lawn, 7:00 p.m.

If you have any questions, please call the Jr.-Sr. HS Main Office at 967-6323.

#### Jr.-Sr. HS Principal's Message

This school year has been very successful both athletically and academically. We crowned our first team state champion when our Girls' Volleyball team won the Class D Championship in November. Our Girls' Volleyball, Girls' Basketball and Boys' Volleyball teams all won MAC League Titles and Section IV titles. Additionally Ed Fuller and Ben Bivar were first in Section IV in their respective sports of Bowling and Wrestling and competed at the state level with Ed's Section IV team placing 5th and Ben placed 6th. Many of our other teams and individuals had especially fine seasons and performances while individual athletes received achievement recognitions and awards.

Academically, we have 18 seniors finishing with over 24 college credits and five students graduating in May with an Associate's Degree from Tompkins Cortland Community College before graduating from B-G in June. Quintin Benkovitz and Daniel Spencer graduated in January with Quintin joining the Navy and Daniel attending college. Additionally we have many seniors who earned scholarships to the various colleges they will be attending. Some of the colleges include: Nazareth, RPI, Clarkson, Binghamton University and James Madison University just to mention a few.

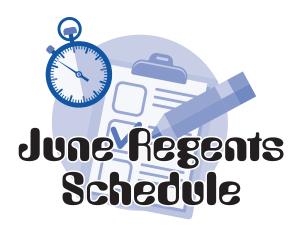
We want to thank our families and community for their continued support. Your attendance at year ending ceremonies, concerts and parades is phenomenal! Also, we greatly appreciate the monetary support given to our students in the form of awards and scholarships amounting to thousands of dollars. Thank you!

Though all our buildings will begin major capital project work this summer we are fortunate to still be having graduation on the front lawn on Saturday, June 23, at 7:00 p.m. At the high school, work on our roofs, drainage, parking and the walkways will begin on Monday, June 25. With this work, access to the high school will be extremely limited. We ask that you call and/or send correspondence rather than attempt to visit the building. Fall sports practices and competitions will be impacted by the building project and we are working on plans to address these obstacles and will communicate changes that need to be made to our practice and competition locations and schedules.

As our students move into summer, we remind them to read a book, work a summer job, volunteer service to others, prepare and train for sports, which start in mid-August, practice their instrument and have fun!

As school comes to a close, please return all information requests sent to you and look for more correspondence throughout summer. Student schedules will be sent home near the end of August. Finally, we wish all our students and families a safe and enjoyable summer!

— William Zakrajsek



#### **TUESDAY, JUNE 5**

8:00 a.m. - Global History and Geography

#### **TUESDAY, JUNE 12**

8:00 a.m. – English; 8th Spanish Proficiency 12:00 p.m. – Algebra I

#### **WEDNESDAY, JUNE 13**

8:00 a.m. – U.S. History & Government 12:00 p.m. – Living Environment

#### **THURSDAY, JUNE 14**

8:00 a.m. – Earth Science 12:00 p.m. – Algebra II

#### **MONDAY, JUNE 18**

8:00 a.m. – RCT Math

12:00 p.m. – RCT in U.S. History & Government

#### **TUESDAY, JUNE 19**

8:00 a.m. – Geometry 12:00 p.m. – Physics

#### **WEDNESDAY, JUNE 20**

8:00 a.m. – Chemistry; RCT in Global 12:00 p.m. – RCT in Writing

#### **THURSDAY, JUNE 21**

8:00 a.m. – RCT in Reading 12:00 p.m. – RCT in Science

\*\*There may be some Local Finals given during regent's week, students will be notified by their teachers.

### BUS SCHEDULE FOR REGENTS WEEK JUNE 12-21

#### From June 12-21, the buses will run as follows:

- Regular bus run in the morning
- 11:30 a.m. pick up students at Guilford bus garage
- 12:00 Noon pick up students at High School to be taken back to Guilford bus garage
- Regular bus run at end of school day

#### Akshar, Yes! Honor Hundreds of Local Student Leaders



Courtney Delello



**B-G YES! LEADers** 



6 YES! LEADS at Greenlawn Elementary

YES!LEADers are middle and high school students who visit classrooms and use hands-on activities to teach local elementary school students about the dangers of substance abuse, the importance of self-esteem and the value in making healthy choices as they grow up.

"I'm constantly humbled by the inspiration our YES! LEADers provide to their peers and others," said Senator Akshar. "From the start, I've said that education is the best prevention, and the next generation's commitment to teaching others about the dangers of drug and alcohol abuse is invaluable to our community."

Also announced were the winners of the Jill Kavanagh Memorial YES! LEADS Scholarships. Cara Dufresne, a Union-Endicott Central High School senior, received a \$2,000 scholarship. **Courtney Delello**, a Bainbridge-Guilford Central High School senior, received a \$1,000 scholarship. Destinie Smith, a Norwich Central High School senior, received a \$500 scholarship. These three students were chosen based upon their contributions to their school's YES! LEADS program and commitment to a substance-free lifestyle.

YES! Safe Choices is a partnership between Senator Akshar and Lourdes Hospital. This year's LEADers, representing 14 school districts, will have presented to over 4,600 elementary students by the end of the school year.

For more information about YES! Safe Choices and YES! LEADS, please visit www.YesSafeChoices.org.

### **Students Earn Associate Degree from TC3**

THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS WILL EARN AN ASSOCIATE DEGREE FROM TC3 ON MAY 24

Miranda Anderson Maya Cliffe Courtney Delello Samara Greene Mara Hartwell Matthew Warner

### ADDITIONALLY THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS HAVE EARNED OVER 24 COLLEGE CREDITS DURING THEIR HIGH SCHOOL CAREER

Amaya Carlin – 35 credits
Jon Castle – 44 credits
Kenndra Ceresna – 36 credits
Xavier Cherniak – 27 credits
Bernardina Cordes – 37 credits
Patrick DeMichele – 47 credits

Kaia Fuller – 29 credits
Cole Nutter – 32 credits
Molly O'Hara – 39 credits
Megan Palmatier – 25 credits
Collin Puerile – 34 credits
Tristan Watford – 30 credits

Congratulations!

### Third Quarter

#### 12TH GRADE PRINCIPAL'S HONOR ROLL

Miranda Anderson Jillian Cannistra Jonathan Castle Kenndra Ceresna Maya Cliffe **Bernardina Cordes Courtney Delello** Patrick DeMichele IV Samara Greene Mara Hartwell **Adam Ives** Jenna Nordberg Molly O'Hara **Jonathan Pratt Travis Terzo Matthew Warner Tristan Watford Triston Wilson** 

#### 12TH GRADE HIGH HONOR ROLL

Amaya Carlin Xavier Cherniak Jillian Davis Cody Ferrara Edward Fuller Kaia Fuller Abel Keve Camden McKown Megan Palmatier Collin Puerile Brenton Rideout

#### 12TH GRADE HONOR ROLL

Anthony Davis
Katerina DeMatteo
Drewcylla DuMond
Destiny Jones
Carleigh Lester
Kelsea Shampang
Morgan Swartwout
Austin Williams

#### 11TH GRADE PRINCIPAL'S HONOR ROLL

Zamira Caldwell
Dadeon Canfield
Tannar Cliffe
Aubrey Fox
Erica Frost
Matraca Harmon
Jacob Hotchkin
Alexis Matthews
Kaylee Miller
Jared Pruskowski
Abigail Selfridge
Alan Terzo
Alexander Tranvaaq

#### 11TH GRADE HIGH HONOR ROLL

Damien Borowski
Kristen Chambers
Ryan Cooper
Helaina Curtin
Gwenyth Germond
Leah Gregory
Gina Haddad
Olivia Hawkins
Haley Morse
Morgan Neidig
Ashley Oliver
Thomas Palmatier
Kyleigh Pedersen
Brendan Roefs
Kori Thornton

### 11TH GRADE HONOR ROLL

Mason Brown
Alexis Carr
Skylar Collins
Marissa Cuozzo
McKeyli Deker
Makenzie Drown
Kyle Farnham
Joshua Gaias
Alexis Haynes
Kiara Mercado
Andrew Miller
Alexis Nichols

Nathan Oliver Montana Pikul Katelyn Porter Devon Scherhaufer Evan Seymour Rhianna Shew Damian Stafford Gabriel Watson

#### 10TH GRADE PRINCIPAL'S HONOR ROLL

Samantha Ceresna Colby Hotaling Alli Miller Hannah Sprow Ivy Sullivan

#### 10TH GRADE HIGH HONOR ROLL

Jake Buchman
Brienna Collingwood
Cameron Craver
Cierra French
Courtney Gilbert
Autumn Giles
Shelby Haynes
Nathaniel Henry
Mariah Olcott
Samantha Sherman
Lauren Womelsdorf

## Jr.-Sr. Students

Bainbridge-Guilford Jr.-Sr. High School is proud to announce our students of the month. Students of the Month will receive a \$5 gift card from Rosa's Pizzeria.

To be eligible for this honor, students must be passing all subjects, demonstrate consistent kindness to others, be actively involved in school or community activities, show pride in the school and community and be an upstanding student in all aspects. We would like to congratulate these students for their hard work and effort to be both good students and good citizens!

#### MARCH



Sr. High

10th Grade: **Zachary Ladd** 11th Grade: **Kristen Chambers** 12th Grade: **Samara Greene** 



Jr. High

7th Grade: Konnor Schmidt 8th Grade: Matika Bartle-Hughes

ood students and good citizens! 12th Grade: Samara Greene 9th Grade: Justin Dibble

### Honor Roll

#### 10TH GRADE HONOR ROLL

Justin Butts
Isabelle Decker
Victoria Henry
Zachary Ladd
Macie Leizear
Parker Luca
Jadyn Olcott
Aliya Pickens
Shelby Smith
Hannah Spencer

#### 9TH GRADE PRINCIPAL'S HONOR ROLL

Alexis Brown
Makenna Clark
Lisa Gao
Garrett Ives
Sasha Lamoree
Abigail Minturn
Taylor Parsons
Ryan Porter
Katrien Roefs
Erica Selfridge

#### 9TH GRADE HIGH HONOR ROLL

Bree Barber Cody Buchman Sara Cannistra JonMarick Crawford
Abbey Delello
Parker Finch
Tamera Miller
Eric Nowak
Josephine Porter
Trent Thornton
Daniel Warner
Nicholas Williams

#### 9TH GRADE HONOR ROLL

Thomas Auer
Kyla Boecke
Dustin Collier
Damien Farberman
Hannah Goldswer
Matthew Kanzer
Joseph Lindsey
Brandon Loucks
Caleb Presley
Michaela Roach
John Scheuerman
Owen Walley

#### 8TH GRADE PRINCIPAL'S HONOR ROLL

Nolan Burns Kira Davidson Seamus Nolan Abigail Wombacker

#### 8TH GRADE HIGH HONOR ROLL

Savannah Carlin Reese Elwood Ethan Gregory Anthonylouis Grigoli Valerie Haddad Lance Jones Autumn Madugno Hailey Zehr

#### 8TH GRADE HONOR ROLL

Matika Bartle Hughes Rebekkalynn Christ Owen Drown Alexis McFee Evan Thorpe Summer Wasiura

#### 7TH GRADE PRINCIPAL'S HONOR ROLL

Hayley Baker
Celeste Baldwin
Lainelle Brazee
Lucas Carlin
Kaitlyn Curtis
Lillyann Finch
Cassandra Koster
Jordyn Parsons
Marek Rajner

#### 7TH GRADE HIGH HONOR ROLL

Tara Fitzgerald
Catherine Fuller
Ketcher Graham
Nolan Hawkins
Katheryna Ireland
Anthony Ladd
Karim Meghani
Garrett O'Hara
Eden Oefelein
Johnathan Reynolds
Konnor Schmidt
Trent Sullivan
Mackenzie Terebo
Connor Vredenburgh

#### 7TH GRADE HONOR ROLL

Page Barton
Ethan Beames
Joseph Cannistra
Kamryn French
Rileigh Hacker
Taylor Kamirski
Autumn Loucks
Dylan Marshall
Braden Murray
Maxwell Oliver
Donna Palmatier
Mallory Pikul
Thomas Spindler
Ilias Wilson

# of the Month





Sr. High

10th Grade: Cameron Craver 11th Grade: Damian Stafford 12th Grade: Cole Nutter



Jr. High

9th Grade: Abigail Minturn 8th Grade: Alexis McFee 7th Grade: Ilias Wilson

#### **Honors Scholars**

Wednesday evening, May 30, saw 180 Bainbridge-Guilford students honored at the Twenty-Seventh Academic Awards Ceremony. Criteria for this distinction were that the student be in grades 7 through 12; make the honor roll three out of three honor rolls with an overall average of 85+.

A reception followed the awards ceremony, served to students and their parents by teachers and staff. Students were recognized by their class advisors: Mrs. Amy LaFever (7th Grade), Mr. Waymire (8th Grade), Ms. Pam Filor (9th grade), Mr. Northrup (10th grade), Ms. Lindsay McCandless (11th grade), and Mr. John Grigoli (12th grade).

Mr. Zakrajsek did an outstanding job with M.C. duties, and the Board of Education, was represented by Mrs. Emily Hall. Students achieving this kind of academic success well deserve the recognition they were given. Sincere congratulations to the following:

#### **7TH GRADE**

**Hayley Baker Celeste Baldwin Page Barton Ethan Beames** Lainelle Brazee Joseph Cannistra **Lucas Carlin** Kaitlyn Curtis **Lillyann Finch** Tara Fitzgerald Kamryn French **Catherine Fuller** Ketcher Graham Rileigh Hacker **Nolan Hawkins** Katheryna Ireland **Taylor Kazmirski** Cassandra Koster **Anthony Ladd Autumn Loucks Dylan Marshall** Karim Meghani **Braden Murray Eden Oefelein** Garrett O'Hara **Donna Palmatier Jordyn Parsons** Mallory Pikul Marek Rainer Johnathan Reynolds **Konnor Schmidt Thomas Spindler** Trent Sullivan Mackenzie Terebo **Connor Vredenburgh** Ilias Wilson

#### **8TH GRADE**

Matika Bartle Hughes
Nolan Burns
Savannah Carlin
Kira Davidson
Owen Drown
Reese Elwood
Ethan Gregory
Anthonylouis Grigoli

Valerie Haddad Lance Jones Autumn Madugno Alexis McFee Seamus Nolan Summer Wasiura Abigail Wombacker Hailey Zehr

#### 9TH GRADE

**Thomas Auer Bree Barber Alexis Brown Cody Buchman** Sara Cannistra Makenna Clark JonMarick Crawford **Abbey Delello Damien Farberman Parker Finch** Lisa Gao Hannah Goldswer **Garrett Ives** Matthew Kanzer Sasha Lamoree **Brandon Loucks** Tamera Miller **Abigail Minturn Eric Nowak Taylor Parsons Josephine Porter Ryan Porter Caleb Presley** Michaela Roach **Katrien Roefs** John Scheuerman Erica Selfridge **Trent Thornton Owen Walley Daniel Warner Nicholas Williams** 

#### **10TH GRADE**

Jake Buchman Justin Butts Samantha Ceresna Cameron Craver Isabelle Decker

Cierra French Courtney Gilbert **Shelby Haynes Nathaniel Henry** Colby Hotaling **Zachary Ladd** Parker Luca Alli Miller **Mariah Olcott** Aliya Pickens Samantha Sherman **Shelby Smith Hannah Spencer Hannah Sprow Ivy Sullivan Lauren Womelsdorf** 

#### 11TH GRADE

**Aubrey Bronson Mason Brown** Zamira Caldwell **Dadeon Canfield Alexis Carr Kristen Chambers Tannar Cliffe Skylar Collins** Ryan Cooper Marissa Cuozzo **Helaina Curtin** McKeyli Decker Makenzie Drown **Kyle Farnham Aubrey Fox Erica Frost** Joshua Gaias **Gwenyth Germond** Leah Gregory Gina Haddad Matraca Harmon **Olivia Hawkins Alexis Haynes** Jacob Hotchkin **Alexis Matthews Andrew Miller Kaylee Miller Haley Morse** Morgan Neidig **Alexis Nichols** 

Ashley Oliver
Thomas Palmatier
Kyleigh Pedersen
Montana Pikul
Katelyn Porter
Jared Pruskowski
Brendan Roefs
Devon Scherhaufer
Abigail Selfridge
Evan Seymour
Damian Stafford
Alan Terzo
Kori Thornton
Alexander Tranvaag
Gabriel Watson

#### 12TH GRADE

Miranda Anderson Jillian Cannistra **Amaya Carlin** Jonathan Castle Kenndra Ceresna **Xavier Cherniak** Maya Cliffe Bernardina Cordes **Anthony Davis** Jillian Davis **Courtney Delello** Patrick DeMichele IV Drewcylla DuMond Kaia Fuller Samara Greene Mara Hartwell **Adam Ives Destiny Jones Abel Keve** Carleigh Lester Camden McKown Jenna Nordberg Molly O'Hara **Collin Puerile Brenton Rideout Morgan Swartwout** Travis Terzo **Matthew Warner Tristan Watford Triston Wilson** 

## Congratulations to our new Senior National Honor Society Inductees

Thirty new members were inducted into the Senior National Honor Society on Thursday April 12. They were chosen based on the criteria of showing outstanding scholarship, service, leadership and character. These students are senior Cole Nutter and juniors Damien Borowski, Zamira Caldwell, Dadeon Canfield, Kristen Chambers, Tannar Cliffe, Ryan Cooper, Helaina Curtin, McKeyli Decker, Aubrey Fox, Haley French, Alexis Gombach, Leah Gregory, Gina Haddad, Matraca Harmon, Olivia Hawkins, Jake Hotchkin, Alexis Matthews, Kaylee Miller, Thomas Palmatier, Montana Pikul, Katelyn Porter, Jared Pruskowki, Brendan Roefs, Devon Scherhaufer, Abigail Selfridge, Alan Terzo, Gabriel Watson and Rotary exchange students Ábel Keve and Klara Mercado.

Senior Honor Society advisor Mrs. Karen Mertz spoke about what Honor Society does, what amazing things these students have done and encouraging them to continue to get exceptional citizens. Mr. William Zakrajsek had praise and encouragement for the current and newly inducted members. The current members planned the Induction Ceremony, spoke about the four pillars of Honor Society and escorted the inductees to the stage. These students are seniors Miranda Anderson, Jillian Cannistra, Amaya Carlin, Jonathan Castle, Kenndra Ceresna, Xavier Cherniak, Maya Cliffe, Bernadina Cordes, Courtney Delello, Samara Greene, Mara Hartwell, Molly O'Hara, Megan Palmatier, Collin Puerile, Matthew Warner, Tristan Watford and Tristan Wilson.

Congratulations to the new members and thanks to the *old* members for being positive role models for our B-G students. Best of luck to our graduating seniors!

# UNDER CONSTRUCTION!

**NOTICE** 

All buildings in the Bainbridge-Guilford Central School District will be under construction this summer. For safety purposes, admittance to all buildings is restricted. Thank you for your cooperation while we improve our campus!

#### **Junior Honor Society Inducts New Members**

On May 4, the Virginia Butler Chapter of the National Junior Honor Society (NJHS) inducted 15 new members. The National Junior Honor Society is the nation's premier organization established to recognize outstanding students. At Bainbridge-Guilford students must be in the 8th or 9th grade and have an overall average of 90 or higher in order to be invited to apply for membership.

Membership not only recognizes students for their accomplishments, but also challenges them to develop further through active involvement in school activities and community service. More than just an honor roll, NJHS serves to honor those students who have demonstrated excellence in the areas of Scholarship, Leadership, Service, Character and Citizenship.

#### CONGRATULATIONS TO THIS YEAR'S INDUCTEES

9th grade: Thomas Auer, Abbey Delello, Tamera Miller, Caleb Presley, John Scheuerman, Daniel Warner and Nicholas Williams

8th grade: Savannah Carlin, Reese Elwood, Ethan Gregory, Anthonylouis Grigoli, Valerie Haddad, Autumn Madugno, Seamus Nolan and Abigail Wombacker.

During the 2017-2018 school year, our current members have made our school a better place by faithfully collecting recycling from the classrooms and offices of the Jr.-Sr. High School. They held a bake sale and raised money to support the Delaware County Humane Society. They will help our younger students by facilitating the Guilford Play Day in June and they plan to plant flowers to beautify our school grounds for graduation. On top of the activities they have done together, they have each worked diligently towards completing the required 30 hours of community service and have maintained an average of 90 or higher.

# School Budget and Propositions Approved by Voters!

Thank-you to all who voted on the school budget, propositions and Board member elections. A positive vote allows the district to continue quality programs for our students as well as continue our commitment to financial responsibility in the community!

Thank you!

#### **Greenlawn Principal's Message**



Greenlawn Elementary has been a busy place! We have completed the NYS Assessments, enjoyed the weather with some much needed brain breaks, and enjoyed planting the Greenlawn garden. Thank you very much to Rotary for the donation and construction of this great garden. The Greenlawn students have been busy planting vegetable plants. Thanks to Heller's for donating the plants, helping to plant them, and educating our students. It has been great to see the progress so far, and look forward to many years of planting and growing fun.

As the school year approaches it's end, our students have been able to enjoy some great field trip opportunities. Thank you to B-G and PTO for supporting our field trips, some of these include: 2nd grade, Anderson Center to see *The Cat in the Hat* production; Multi-Age, Ithaca Science Center; 3rd grade, movie theater to see *Wonder and Smyrna Wolf Mountain*; Ms. Mack and Mr. Duesler, Animal Adventure; 4th grade, Farmer's Museum; 5th grade to Camp Shankitunk for their campout; and 6th grade, Howe Caverns and Rumble Ponies. Greenlawn really appreciates all of these great opportunities!

Transportation Day was a success. Multi-Age teachers and students invited many local companies to visit our school for Transportation Day. The elementary students all visited these different forms of transportation and had a great morning. Thanks to all of those community members that took time out of their busy schedules to make that morning such a success.

We look forward to our end-of-the-year celebrations, which includes Honor Society Induction, pool days, Summer Olympics, 6th grade Graduation, and Moving-Up Day.

Jennifer Henderson,
 Greenlawn Elementary Principal







#### **Greenlawn Transportation Day**



The 2/3 Multiage Classes held a Transportation Day at Greenlawn on April 26. Many community members were able to attend with their unique vehicles. The second, third, and multiage classes were excited to learn about the jobs that our visitors do with the amazing machines that they brought with them. We learned about dump trucks, garbage trucks, construction lifts, motorcycles, forklifts, police cars, excavators, loaders, and tractor-trailers. What a fun, successful day!





#### **Summer Recreation Programs**

The Town of Bainbridge will be offering three different recreation programs this summer. There will be the Swimming Program, Recreational Soccer Program and Playground Program.

The Swimming program will be at the Bainbridge Town Pool and will again be offering swimming lessons for a fee as well as free swim times throughout the week. The Soccer Program is geared to teaching the fundamentals of soccer in a noncompetitive environment. There will be a fee for this program. The Playground Program will be relocated this summer to the St. Peter's Episcopal Church in the Village Park Square due to construction at the Greenlawn School. There will also be a fee for this program.

The Free Breakfast and Lunch Program will be served at the church for the children. We are also hoping to serve the Free Lunch Program at the pavilion next to the Town Pool (see the SUMMER FEEDING article for more information).

Specific times and other information on these programs will be finalized by the end of May and will be made public through the Bainbridge Town Hall as well as the Bainbridge-Guilford School District. We hope that to see you at one or all of these programs.

### GUILFORD SUMMER PROGRAM: ARTS/CRAFTS/PLAYGROUND

Due to the construction at the Guilford Elementary School, the Guilford Summer program will be held at the Klee House in Guilford from July 2-27, from 8:30-10:30 a.m. The Free Breakfast and Lunch Program will be served to the children. Registration forms are available in Town Offices and at the Guilford Convenience Store. Contact Carol Hubbard at 895-6805 for more information.



# 2018-19 Summer Feeding Program Is Free!

For All children 18 and Under Special needs children to age 21

#### Summer Feeding Sites Will Be:

#### **Bainbridge**

St. Peter's Episcopal Church

1 South Main Street in Bainbridge Breakfast: 8:00-9:00 a.m. Lunch: 11:00-12:00 p.m.

The Town Pavilion behind the pool (Lunch Only 11:00-12:00 p.m. at the Pavilion)

### Guilford

#### Old Klee House

Cty. Rt. 35 Guilford (Next to the Stone Church)

Breakfast: 8:00-9:00 a.m. Lunch: 10:30-12:00 p.m.

#### Summer Feeding will run from:

June 25<sup>th</sup> – August 3<sup>rd</sup> (Closed July 4<sup>th</sup>)

#### **Guilford Greetings!**

With the end of every school year, comes hectic schedules and exciting events. As I begin to work on these, I want to take a few moments to acknowledge the amazing people that dedicate their days to enriching the lives of our youngest students in the B-G district. The Guilford faculty and staff is what makes our school the warm and nurturing community it is. These adults bring wonderful educational experiences to our Guilford students every day and I appreciate each and every one of them.

We have many activities, celebrations, and transitions planned before school lets out this June. We are excited for our first music concert under the direction of Mr. Downey and to share the art work from our first First Grade Art Fair during the concert. For the first time ever we will be taking a school wide field trip to Animal Adventure. We are very excited and will post pictures to our photo gallery on the website for your enjoyment. We will continue our traditions of kindergarten and first grade students and families going to Cole Park and inviting all students and families to participate in Play Day here at Guilford. First graders will visit Greenlawn for Transition Day and enjoy a graduation ceremony before leaving Guilford. These are exciting milestones for your students and we hope to see all families and friends attending!

As we close the year with these exciting events we also look ahead to the new students getting ready to join our Guilford community. We have had the privilege of welcoming our new kindergarten and pre-k students and parents during our parent meetings. It was a pleasure to meet each of you and we look forward to working with you and your children as they begin their educational careers here at Guilford in September. We are working hard to reach out to all new students and parents to help make the transition to starting school in the fall a positive one! Please call the Guilford main office at 895-6700 if you need any help with this process.

I wish you all a safe and relaxing summer break!

— Linda Maynard, Guilford Principal

#### **Pre-K Happenings**

During the month of May the Pre-k classrooms have been busy learning about animals, nature and pets. We had many visitors from Ag. in the classroom including a sheep and a calf! In Mr. Conover's class, they hatched 6 baby chicks thanks to



the donation of eggs from the Kemmeren Farm! THANK YOU! In celebration of Mother's Day, both Pre-K classes hosted a variety of activities. Fun was had by all!





### **April was Personal Safety Month!**

All students in kindergarten and first grade learned the important personal safety rules for unsafe touches and may have worked on the following:

- Say, "Please stop!" or "No!" in a big voice.
- Get away to a safe place.
- Tell a grown-up we know, trust, and see a lot about unsafe touching.
- Check first with the adult in charge if plans change or need to go someplace.
- Sour secrets are for Sharing!

The Counselor Support teams up with P.E. to deliver some kindergarten cooperative assembly fun. April was Personal Safety month so students worked together to find safe and unsafe touches and the feelings associated with each.

Kinders also experienced a fun day playing Hungry Hippos and other cooperative games to hone in on their teamwork skills.

Death-Grief Information: Please check our website at Guilford Counselors for summer grief camp information for kids!



Hungry Hippo Team



Leap Frog!



This Hippo is HEAVY!

#### **PAWS for Celebration!**

Here at Guilford, we have been celebrating our student's success with a PAWS for Celebration. Guilford Elementary students have been striving to meet personal, behavioral and academic goals throughout the year. The students receive a PAWS (Positively Awesome Wonderful Students) paw print award for their birthday, being a number club member and for meeting personal goals such as reading 25 books at home! Throughout the year, the teachers and aides submit paws for specific students as they reach their goals and their names are announced in morning announcements. They celebrate by visiting Mrs. Maynard to get a sticker. We celebrate all PAWS students during our PAWS assemblies throughout the year as a school community.

During the PAWS assembly we have very special guests from the GBST (Guilford Building Support Team) to announce the PAWS recipients:

- The Birthday Queen (Keren Seiler) announces everyone's birthday!
- The Number Wizard (Melissa Margadona) announces number club members (students who write their numbers to 100, 500, 1,000, and even 2,500!)
- The Goal Getter (Cathy Vigneri) announces our students who have received a paw award for meeting a personal academic or behavioral goal.









• The Bob Kitten (Adrienne Seliga) helps cheer on our students and celebrates everyone's successes!

In addition to our PAWS awards, we have special Principal PAWS awards that are presented to special students that have had significant success and strive to continue to maintain their academic and behavioral goals. At our most recent PAWS for celebration assembly, we recognized our older siblings for taking good care of their younger siblings in school. The students and staff come together to celebrate everyone successes and it is a great way to build school community!

- Melissa Margadona



#### Kindergarten Fun!

Each of the kindergarten classes have about two dozen chick eggs in our incubators that we expect will hatch soon. In math, we are working on breaking the teen numbers down into tens and ones. We have also been reading, writing and listening to lots of stories and learning many new sight words. Many kindergarteners have worked hard to read to the principal and earn a special certificate!



Evalyn reading to principal



Andi Crawford, Ryder Cummings, Ava Lamoree, and Nathan Gates use the Hide Ten cards to show 14.



Aaron Barkman, Sophia Suda, Zoey Beardslee, Carter Booker, and Lee Scheffer Cox during shared read time.



Ava reading to principal



Aiden Fuller and Gavin Swartwout donated eggs to incubate and hatch in our classrooms.



It's Tessa Greene and Teaghan Allen being our mother hen to our chick eggs.



New chicks!



Kylie Erceg and Charlie Parsons partner reading.



Madisyn Larsen, Colton Hurlburt, Skylerann June use a Rekenrek to model numbers.



Caleb Amutuccio also donated eggs to incubate and hatch.



#### The Easter Bunny Visits Guilford!



Mrs. Pain's Kindergarten Class



Mrs. Christophersen's 1st Grade Class

Here comes Peter Cottontail, hopping down the School Street trail, hippity hoppity, Easter's on its way!

On Friday, March 23, the Easter Bunny came to visit students at Guilford Elementary! Each class was able to visit with the Easter Bunny in the library. Students had the chance to get their picture taken with the Easter Bunny, choose a special treat, and give the Easter Bunny a hug, high five, or handshake. The Easter Bunny had so much fun handing out treats, giving hugs, and meeting all the wonderful students at Guilford Elementary. He looks forward to visiting next year and meeting some new friends!

— Adrienne Seliga



Mrs. Weissflog's Pre-K Class

# After School Care Program—Join Us!

Sign-Up now for the Fall Semester! Information will be coming home with Elementary students. Please contact the Becky Binelli at 967-6356 or at bpalmer@bgcsd.org for more information.

### After School Care Celebration!

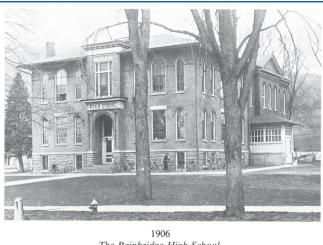
The ASCP will celebrate the last Day for this school year on June 15 with a Pizza Party!

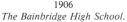


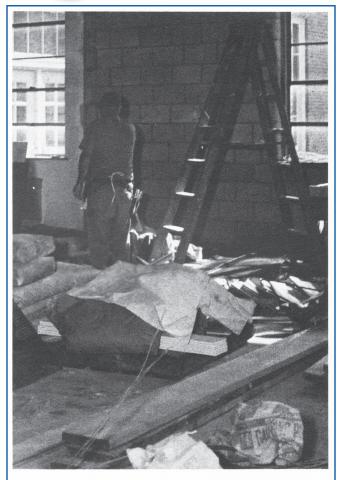
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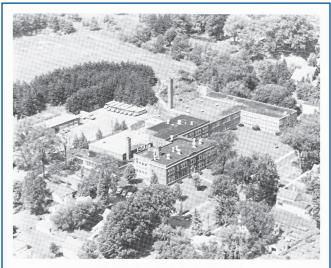
B-G's interior was indeed in a turmoil this past year. Construction was under way to complete a music suite, a new library, and a guidance suite. The greatly needed enlargement to the boys' locker room was completed before the start of school. Although at first the dust from the construction was stifling, things eventually calmed down somewhat and the construction continued with less distraction to the students and faculty. We are all sure that the noise and confusion of the past year were highly justified by the finished product.







It's always darkest before the dawn.



In this aerial shot one can see the Bainbridge-Guilford High School as it appeared in the 1960's. Notice the track is missing.



**COMMUNITIES PROGRESS** WITH THE TIMES

#### Ag. in the Classroom at Guilford



This year we were fortunate to have the Ag. in the Classroom program come to Guilford Elementary School. Senator Akshar selected two Chenango County schools to participate in

this program and we were one of the lucky districts to be chosen. This selection offset a portion of the funding necessary to bring this enrichment program from Cornell Cooperative Extension to us. Three Ag. teachers came out to Guilford for a scheduled 11 times throughout the year and provided fun learning activities such as Halloween Slime, Turkey Facts with a real turkey, Root Vegetables greeting cards made with beet stamps, Seasons and Weather, Peter Rabbit with a real bunny, Seeds and Plants, Composting with real worms, Goats with two cute baby goats, and Butter Making with a real calf. Our last two visits will be in June and the fun will culminate with S'mores around a real camp fire on the last day. We thank the awesome Ag. Teachers that brought their expertise and wonderful programs to us. The children and staff truly enjoyed each Ag. Day we had!





#### 1st Grade Art Fair

On Monday, April 30 the Guilford 1st graders participated in a Spring Art Fair coordinated by Mrs. Paoletti. The students were able to enjoy four different Spring art projects at four stations throughout the cafeteria. One station allowed students to make a paper spring bird with a fan wing, another station had toilet paper binoculars to decorate and use to look for spring birds, the third station was a Spring Pastel Resist drawing and watercolor painting station and the final project was a Spring wall mural picture of the Guilford countryside. Each 1st grader contributed to the mural with a drawing to bring the Spring idea to life. The *Springtime at Guilford Elementary* mural was displayed in the hall for all to see at the Guilford Spring Concert.









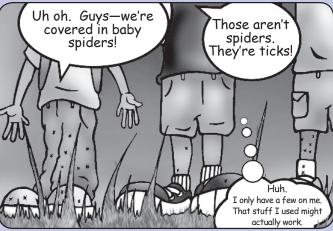
### Don't Let a Tick Make You Sick!



















### got sick from ticks and had to go home Hey, let's go fishing. Got any more of that bug spray?

Illustrations courtesy of: Jerome Mayo

### **Keep ticks away!**

- Wear repellent on your bare skin or wear clothes that have repellent built-in.
- Check for ticks at the end of each day.
- Take a shower too! It will help wash off the ticks you
- Change clothes. Don't put on your old clothes that might have ticks still crawling on them.
- Avoid taking short cuts through thick brush and grass.

### **Hey Grown-Ups!**

- Make sure that the repellent you're using contains 20% or more of the active ingredient (like DEET).
- Help younger kids apply repellent and keep it away from eyes, mouth and hands.

National Center for Emerging and Zoonotic Infectious Diseases Division of Vector-Borne Diseases | Bacterial Diseases Branch



# Howard Thompson, CDF, Director of Facilities II, Retiring July 7



Howard Thompson has served in the district for 37.5 years in a number of positions, including that of custodial worker, maintenance, assistant superintendent of buildings and grounds and these last 17 years as Certified Director of Facilities II.

Howie created many district wide programs and participated on many committee's including but not limited to the

District Health and Safety Committee. As leader of this fine committee, they earned 15 consecutive insurance safety awards with the district. He is also a member of the district wide incident command team and facilities committee. He created the district preventative maintenance program, equipment replacement program and an integrated pest management program. Howie has a strong background in safety and is the district asbestos designee, certified as an asbestos handler, asbestos manager planner and asbestos abatement supervisor by the Department of Labor. He also holds a commercial pesticide applicator license through the Department of Conservation.

In this role as facilities director, Howie has been a huge part of the maintenance of all buildings for many years. He has come in during the night many, many times to assist in fires alarms, acrid fumes, and building flooding. He always made himself available when any problem popped up at one of the district buildings and put in so many extra hours just to be sure that all was well. He struggled with bee problems, ant problems, rodent problems, and district break-ins. He crawled under the buildings in tiny crawl spaces filled with spiders, rodents, and sludge water to determine problems.

Respected by many, in his spare time Howie volunteers as a member of the New York State School Facility Association, serving as the State Director. He became a certified Director of Facilities in 2007, completing the certification requirements by the New York State Superintendents of Buildings and Grounds Association and the School Facilities Management Institute.

He serves as President of the American Legion Riders Post #183 in Sidney. He is a proud member of the Adirondack 46ers, hiking all peaks over 4,000 feet in New York State after experiencing congestive heart failure and atrial fibrillation at age 35. He is an active member of the Adirondack Mountain Club adopting a lean-to on the Northville Placid trail.

Please be assured that his decision comes after much careful consideration and heart-felt gratitude for the extraordinary opportunity to be a part of this wonderful community. Howie is looking forward to spending more time with his two grand-children Mackenzie and Brian. Howie enjoys hunting, fishing, trapping and riding on his Harley Davidson motorcycles. He looks forward to the next chapter in life and future adventures.

We wish the very best future to our great friend. Thank you very much Howie Thompson for 37 and a half years of caring to make B-G the best!

#### **Mary Diemer Retiring June 30**



Mary Diemer has been a part of the Bainbridge-Guilford School District for a majority of her life. Growing up in Guilford, she attended B-G and graduated in 1975. Her first educational experience was in 1975 at the DCMO

BOCES in Norwich as a teacher's assistant in a multi-skills classroom. She returned to our district as an aide in 1988 in the Guilford building. She worked there for several years while raising her two young children. Mary then decided to return to school to fulfill her dream of becoming a teacher. After teaching one year at Norwich City School District, she returned to us at B-G full time as a fifth grade teacher at Greenlawn. During her first four years, she moved from 5th to 4th, from 4th to 2/3 Multi-age for two years, then back to 5th, where she stayed until moving to 3rd for 4 years, then back to 5th, where she has been ever since.

Throughout her career she has impacted countless students with her compassion, consistency, and drive to not only teach students, but also enable them to reach their potential as individuals. She has exemplified what it means to be an educator and colleague. She understands that it means providing a shoulder to cry on, giving an extra hug, providing a listening ear, and so much more. She has been the one that many feel they can go to for a wide variety of things; from an eye glass repair kit to a sewing kit, to post-its, index cards, a mid-day snack, and of course coffee!

She has also been a volleyball and softball coach, and has kept score for the JV and Varsity Girls' basketball teams for many years providing the same type of care and compassion for each athlete who has crossed her path. In addition, Mary has served on many committees, and has been an essential part of the B-GTA. She has even mentored new teachers as well as student teachers.

Upon retiring Mary plans to continue mentoring as a field placement supervisor for student teachers through Oneonta State. She also plans to spend time with her five grand-children, friends, and family. Her dedication to students, the Bainbridge-Guilford Central School, and education will be greatly missed. We wish her all the best!

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#### **Alumni Spotlight!**

#### **LOUISE BUTCHER**



Louise Goodwin Butcher was born and raised on a farm on Keach Road in Guilford. She attended Kindergarten at the Guilford School from 1953-1954 and graduated from Bainbridge-Guilford in 1966. She attended and graduated from Edward's

Cosmetology School in Oneonta in 1967. She owned her own beauty shop in Bainbridge from 1968-1975.

In 1976, Rex Thornton bet Louise that she couldn't drive a bus! Louise did one year of subbing for bus drivers. In August 1977, a new bus run was needed. Duties included the BOCES AM and PM, fueling busses, washing busses and driving for parts for the Mechanic. She took that position and drove during Summer School too! After having her son, Brian, Louise stopped driving the BOCES run (after 11 years) but stayed with her regular bus run in Guilford. She is proud and glad that Brian graduated from the same school as his mom!

The most enjoyable time was driving the B-G Marching Band on summer trips in the late 70's and early 80's. Louise drove bus to Toronto, Boston and Mystic Sea Port in Connecticut. The best trip was the 8-day trip when the Band was asked to play on the steps of the Nation's Capital. They started in NYC, went to Philadelphia, PA, Baltimore, MD, and Washington, DC. The highlight of the trip was when Judy Niles ask

Louise if they could go by the White House! Sure—four buses, the equipment truck and about 20 parents behind her, Louise heads down Pennsylvania Ave. totally ignoring the "NO BUSES" sign!

Louise is very active in both the Bainbridge and Guilford communities. She is a member of St. Peter's Episcopal Church in Bainbridge where she has been secretary for the last 10 years and has headed the Women's Group. Twenty-five years ago, Louise reactivate the Guilford *Carry-On* 4-H Club for the kids in her community. She has taught them many life skills and especially Community Service by setting an example since you can see her volunteering at the Guilford Church Suppers, the Guilford Fireman's Suppers and mowing the triangle in Guilford. She is proud to be on the board for the B-G Alumni Association.

Along with her 40 years of driving bus, Louise has taught the Guilford Students, along with Teachers and Aides, for 20 years (every September) bus safety and fire drills. For 12 years, Louise has been going into the Guilford School the week of Ag Literacy. She reads a new book about Agriculture and does activities with the students and then presents the book to the Guilford Library.

The kids on Louise's bus are like her own kids! As a bus driver, you don't realize that you also become: A Teacher, A Nurse, a Counselor, a Referee and most of all a Mentor to so many kids!