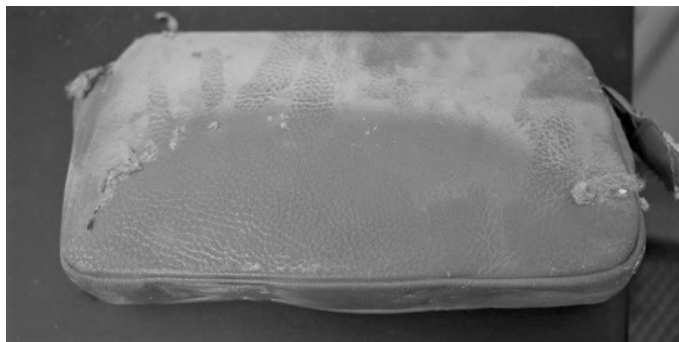




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Leaving A Piece of You Behind *The Tale of a Long-Lost Clutch Purse and its Recent Discovery*



All of us at times realize that as we travel through life, we leave a little piece of us wherever we go. Some intentional, some not.

At the end of May this year the following notice was sent out from Hoover High School on Facebook:

"We need your help locating a member of the Hoover High School Class of 1960. Her name when she attended Hoover H.S. was Patti Rumfola. We would appreciate any help you can provide us regarding contact information of Patti or a family member. We want to return a purse she lost at school in 1957, a purse that was discovered by the middle school custodian today while repairing a locker. While the purse only held 26 cents, we thought it would be fun to connect with her today. We would like to return the purse and different photos that likely hold special memories for her. If you wish to send a private message, we would welcome your help. By the way, we have already contacted the Alumni Association. Thanks!"

The initial posting was shared over

100 times, plus local news stations picked up the story as well. It was eventually discovered that Patti Rumfola Michele (her married name) had unfortunately passed away in

2013 at the age of 71.

So what was her journey like in this world? We know that she passed away in the town she ended up calling home, DuBois, PA, and according to her obituary she married, had five children, became a teacher in Maryland and retired "after many years of service." She also was a costume designer and seamstress for a theater in DuBois and founded a Theatre Arts Guild and Young Women's Club.

Her next-of-kin have been located, and the purse and its contents have been forwarded to them. An amazing story that someone who touched many lives during her lifetime was able to touch even a few more after her departure.

The North Canton Alumni Association Announces Scholarship Recipients

The North Canton Alumni Association is proud to announce

its scholarship recipients for 2019.

The **William A. DeGregorio Memorial Scholarship** recipients were Lesley Kiesling and Sarah Pollard.

The **Frank Berrodin Citizenship Scholarship** recipients were Kaitlyn Stock and Brooke Stout.

The **Fred & Barbra Stevens Memorial Scholarship** recipient was Matthew Warburton.

The **G. Kenneth Oberlin Eagle Scout Scholarship** recipient was Bryce Stallman.

(see photos of [ALL](#) recipients on page 2)

The North Canton Alumni Association has been awarding graduating seniors with scholarships since 1995 with over 100 scholarships awarded to date. Please join us in congratulating these worthy recipients!

See additional information on our scholarships at: <http://www.northcantonalumni.org/honors-awards/scholarships/>

If you would like to contribute to our scholarship fund and assist even more Hoover graduates reach their goals for the future, please send your tax-free donations to:

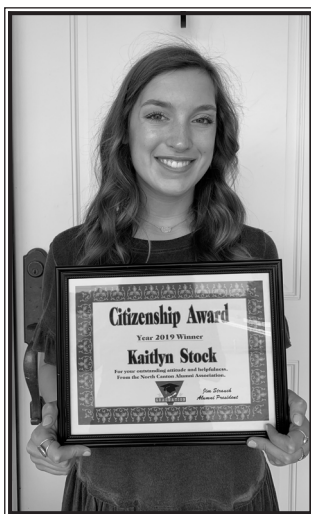
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**Lesley Kiesling**

William A. DeGregorio Memorial Scholarship

**Sarah Pollard**

William A. DeGregorio Memorial Scholarship

**Kaitlyn Stock**

Frank Berrodin Citizenship Scholarship

**Brooke Stout**

Frank Berrodin Citizenship Scholarship

Exactly HOW DOES Your Scholarship Donation Help?

So exactly how does your donation assist an up-and-coming high school graduate who's looking to take their next step in our world? What are the steps taken by them to receive such an award and are they ever successful in reaching their goal(s)?

We set out to find out and we're happy to report that we caught up with a recent Hoover grad who has experienced an amazing journey since leaving the hallowed halls of Hoover High School in 2014, Ms. Christina Howald. Here's her story....

I wish I remembered the specifics of the application process, however what I do remember is using the list that the guidance counselors put out to apply to any scholarship that was available. The Alumni Association would have stuck out to me on the list because Hoover has been a constant in my family - my grandpa, mom, and

aunts all are Hoover alumni, too.

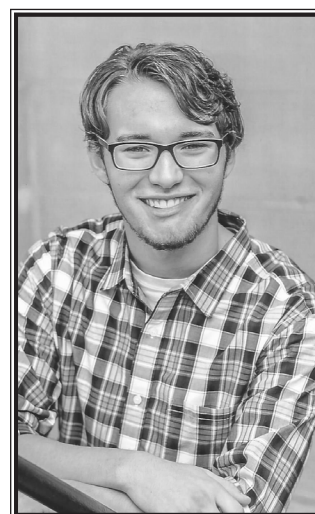
During my freshman year, I put the scholarship towards tuition costs and books. Books are just as expensive as everyone warns you, especially it seems during your first year.

I graduated last May from Ohio State with a B.A. in Spanish and a minor in Latin American Studies.

This part of the college selection process is one that I can't stress enough - *every student should make applying for scholarships as much of a priority as applying to colleges.* We have wonderful community support in North Canton, so we are lucky

**Matthew Warburton**

Fred & Barbra Stevens Memorial Scholarship

**Bryce Stallman**

G. Kenneth Oberlin Eagle Scout Scholarship

since there are tons of scholarships available specifically for Hoover graduates. Having a scholarship significantly lessens the financial burden of college. Because I had scholarships, I was able to spend time volunteering at the USO and for Honor Flight, save up to study abroad in Spain, and devote time to studying. There is a lot to learn outside of the classroom, and having a scholarship can free up your schedule so that you can take advantage of those opportunities.

I went to college undecided on my major, but I was able to take a



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year to decide which career path was best for me because I was not overly burdened with figuring out finances. This helped me to find the NROTC program at Ohio State, which trains students to be Naval Officers upon graduation. I received my commission into the Navy one year ago and I am now stationed on a destroyer that is home-ported in Rota, Spain. So

far I’ve gotten to see a lot of unique places in world while underway, and I especially enjoy living in Spain where I can practice my Spanish every day. I would like to thank the Alumni Association for supporting Hoover graduates every year. I am very grateful for the experiences I had in college and the opportunities I’ve had because of them. I couldn’t have imagined the career I picked now when in high school, but *having a scholarship helped me to find my way.* Though living on the beach in Spain is

preferable to the snowy winters in Ohio, I often find myself missing home. That’s because of the amazing community we have in North Canton!

**Best Regards,
Christina Howald
Hoover High Class of 2014**

**See Us At The
Main Street Festival
August 17th-18th, 2019!**

Upcoming Class Reunions!!!

Class of 1959 - 60th Year Reunion

Saturday Night Pizza Party

Date: Saturday, August 17th, 2019
Time: 6:00 p.m.
Venue: La Pizzeria
3656 Dressler Road N.W.
Canton, OH 44718

Sunday Morning Breakfast

Date: Sunday, August 18th, 2019
Time: (see contact information below)
Venue: Perkins Pancake House
4896 Everhard Road
Canton, OH 44718
Contact: Aggie Kelp-Chain
for reservations at
330-265-4963

Class of 1964 - 55th Year Reunion

Friday Night Meet and Greet

Date: Friday, September 13th, 2019
Venue: Walther’s Twin Tavern
440 Applegrove Road, N.W.
North Canton, OH 44720

Saturday Night Reunion

Date: Saturday, September 14th, 2019
Venue: Arrowhead Banquet Center
1500 Rogwin Circle, N.W.
North Canton, OH 44720
Details: Reuniting for appetizers and a cash bar.
Contact: Gayle Seiferling Theiss
937-408-2116 or
gayletheiss@hotmail.com

Class of 1969 - 50th Year Reunion

Friday Night Social

Date: Friday, July 19th, 2019
Time: 7:30 p.m. - Midnight
Venue: Arrowhead Banquet Center
1500 Rogwin Circle, N.W.
North Canton, OH 44720

Saturday Night Reunion

Date: Saturday, July 20th, 2019
Time: 5:30 p.m. until “late”
Venue: Tozzi’s On 12th
4210 - 12th Street N.W.
Canton, OH 44708
Details: hooverclassof69@gmail.com,
or see our Facebook Page at North
Canton Hoover Class of 69.

Class of 1974 - 45th Year Reunion

Friday Night Mixer for ALL Alumni

Date: Friday, August 16th, 2019
Time: 6 p.m.-11 p.m.
Venue: Walther’s Twin Tavern
440 Applegrove Road, N.W.
North Canton, OH 44720

Saturday Night Reunion

Date: Saturday, August 17th, 2019
Time: 6 p.m. - Midnight
Venue: North Canton Eagles
6979 Sunset Strip Avenue
North Canton, OH 44720
Details and Contact Info: Contact
Dave Shilling at DShilling001@neo.
rr.com or Sherry Geib Sampson at
ssampson1974@gmail.com for more
information.

Class of 1979 - 40th Year Reunion

Saturday Night Reunion

Date: Saturday, August 31st, 2019
Time: 6 p.m.
Venue: Arrowhead Banquet Center
1500 Rogwin Circle, N.W.
North Canton, OH 44720
Contact: Contact Shelly (Sinclair)
Higgins at
shelly@tappanholdings.net

Class of 1989 - 30th Year Reunion

Saturday Night Reunion

Date: Saturday, August 3rd, 2019
Time: TBA
Venue: Arrowhead Banquet Center
1500 Rogwin Circle, N.W.
North Canton, OH 44720
Details: See our Facebook Page at
Hoover High School Class of 1989.

Class of 1994 - 25th Class Reunion

Saturday Night Reunion

Date: Saturday, August 3rd, 2019
Time: 6 p.m. - 1 a.m.
Venue: The Barrel Room
7901 Cleveland Ave. NW.
North Canton, OH 44720

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Recent Deaths

Class of 1928 - Helen Nelius Williaman

Class of 1945 - Theodore Leed

Class of 1956 - Dick Hammond

Class of 1959 - Robert Green

Class of 1961 - Jeanne Marang Dunn

Class of 1964 - Dennis Anderson

Class of 1966 - Becca Zingler Rice

Class of 1974 - Randy Burnham

Class of 1976 - Holly Smith

Paula Durbin Fraga

Class of 1982 - Lora Brooks-Major

Jeffrey Scott Sutton

Class of 1985 - Tina Cox

Class of 1987 - Suzanne Lesh Gallegly

Class of 1993 - Tim Sturznickel

Class of 1941 - Ruth Robinson Dunlap

Richard Waltenbaugh

Class of 1951 - Richard Glutting

Class of 1958 - Barbara (nee Adams) McKey Thompson

Class of 1960 - Joan Honnold Blubaugh

Class of 1963 - Lawrence Swope

Class of 1965 - Susan Tillitski Krantz

Class of 1973 - Sally Harris

Class of 1975 - Stacy McMaster Green

Class of 1980 - Richard Hartzel

Class of 1984 - Ross Quicci

Class of 1986 - Kevin Morris

Class of 1992 - Dean Schaaf

Class of 1994 - Michael Tanner Dinger

Do YOU have a newsworthy article or piece of interest that you would like to share with your fellow classmates in our newsletter? If so, please drop us a line at: North Canton Alumni Association, P.O. Box 2534, North Canton, OH 44720 **OR** contact us at www.northcantonalumni.org **OR** contact us by email: northcantonalumni@gmail.com.



North Canton Alumni Association

Hall of Distinction – Class of 2019!

Cornelius Aultman – Community Leader

Steve Gregory – Community Leader

Dr. Bill Mason – 1958 Graduate

Eddie McClintock – 1985 Graduate

Rick McQueen – 1977 Graduate

Banquet and Induction to be held on
Wednesday, September 25, 2019, at 6:00 pm at Hoover High School.

Send the reservation form below to

NC Alumni Association

PO Box 2534

North Canton, Ohio 44720

HALL OF DISTINCTION BANQUET RESERVATION FORM

Name _____ Phone _____

of Reservations _____ Turkey Dinner _____ Vegetarian Selection
(Pasta Primavera)

Total @\$25.00 each _____

For reservations or questions, please call Joyce Greek at 330-705-8769