



# THE ALUMNI JOURNAL

The Associated Alumni of the  
Central High School of Philadelphia

2006  
HALL OF FAME  
INDUCTION

Thursday,  
October 19, 2006  
at the  
National  
Constitution  
Center

525 Arch Street  
Independence Mall

See inside for details.

Congratulations to the  
Central Lancers  
Baseball Team  
and  
Coach Bob Barthelmeh (228)

2006 State PIAA  
Class AAAA Semi-finalists!

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## President's Message

David R. Kahn, 220

Welcome to the first summer issue of your *Alumni Journal*. I am honored to write to you for the first time as the President of your Associated Alumni.

Our focus in these pages is the upcoming Alumni Hall of Fame Induction Gala: Oct. 19 at the National Constitution Center. You'll also find other information of interest, including our Fourth Annual Wine & Cheese Tasting and Auction, and updates on Central's wonderful women's basketball and men's baseball teams. Our schedule of events and activities for the school year may be found on the Alumni website.

The Associated Alumni's mission, as recently restated by the Board of Managers, is to encourage and support the School's high standards of scholarship, integrity, and democratic values; to facilitate and maintain pride in CHS; as well as to encourage an impact on community growth while broadening the social and professional relationships among its Alumni.

In the coming year, we will continue to implement programs that foster this mission. We are committed to our ongoing Capital and Endowment Campaign, led by Dick Prinz (212) and Bernie Spain (198), to rebuild the school auditorium as a top-quality performing arts center.

Moreover, we will:

*continue our work to make Alumni information more accessible, including new refinements to our web site, e-mail notification of events of interest, and adding to the Alumni Journal's content and increasing the frequency of publication;*

*continue to maintain our active presence in the school and be available to students, faculty, administration, and parents, as a resource and partner in the Central community;*

*continue to support all academic departments as well as the School's curriculum, and extracurricular art, music, drama, athletic, scientific, and literary programs;*

*continue to reach out to our graduates to take an active role in the School's development, to support our activities for the benefit of the School community, and enjoy that very special bond formed by 4 years of Central;*

*renew our efforts to hold regional group meetings and activities as we are doing in New York, and have done in Washington. We hope to build regional bases in Florida and Southern California in the future.*

All of these ambitious projects require financial support from you, the Alumni. Shortly you will receive your Alumni dues and contribution form in the mail. Please take the time to fill it out and return it to us with updated information. The Alumni Officers and Board of Managers thank you in advance for your generosity.

Look for further changes in format and style in the Fall edition of the *Alumni Journal*, including articles by recent graduates, outstanding students, and committed faculty.

I look forward to a productive and rewarding year as we continue turning the 21st century from a time of promise into a time of achievement. We are 18,000 strong! We are a part of Central, and Central will always be a part of us!

Thank you,

David

## Central's 5-time Champs need your support

Central's Girls Basketball Lady Lancers have won 80 consecutive Public League games and 5 consecutive Public League championships. Last season, the team was the first Public League Girls Basketball team to win a PIAA State playoff game. As a result of this success, the team has been invited to participate in the Sweet South Classic in Madison, Georgia, this December to compete against some of the nation's premier teams.

To keep improving the program, the team needs to continue to challenge itself and play the highest level of competition. This prestigious tournament will provide our team with that opportunity.

Playing in this tournament will require transportation to Madison as well as resources to feed and house the team. These young ladies have sold candy and run car washes to raise funds, but we still need donations.

Please support your Central High School Lady Lancers and help the team get to Madison, where they will be tested against the nation's best.

Please make your tax deductible donations payable to: the Central High School Athletic Association (CHSAA), and mail to:

Frank Greco (228)  
Athletic Director/Head Coach Girl's Basketball  
Central High School  
1700 West Olney Avenue  
Philadelphia, PA 19141

You are cordially invited to the  
Fourth Annual  
Associated Alumni of Central High School  
Wine and Cheese Tasting

Featuring  
Wine expert and consultant Marni Old  
DiBruno Brothers cheese expert Emilio Mignucci (244)  
and a Live and Silent Auction  
of Wines and other fine items  
for the benefit of the CHS athletic programs

Sunday, November 5, 2006  
6:00 P.M. to 8:30 P.M.  
at the

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RSVP David Kahn (220) at 215-572-5745  
or: dkahn15@comcast.net

Attendance limited so please reserve early.

## THE 2006 ALUMNI HALL OF FAME INDUCTION

The AACHS is pleased to announce the induction of nine distinguished graduates into the Central High School Alumni Hall of Fame on October 19, 2006 at the National Constitution Center. These nine individuals have demonstrated outstanding national or international professional achievements with significant contributions in the fields of architecture, business, law, medicine, and science and have demonstrated a commitment to community service.

Benjamin Ostrofsky, Ph.D.	177th Class
Bernard M. Wagner, M.D.	182nd Class
Richard J. Fox	184th Class
Robert A. Fox	188th Class
A. Eugene Kohn, FAIA RIBA JIA	190th Class
Howard Gittis, Esq.	197th Class
Barry B. Goldberg, M.D.	204th Class
Stephen J. Harmelin, Esq.	206th Class
Richard S. Sokolov, Esq.	226th Class

Our Master of Ceremonies for this year's event will be alumnus Vince Hill (234), business and finance editor for KYW Newsradio 1060. The Association has acknowledged the achievements of Central High School's most distinguished alums through inductions into the Hall of Fame since 1973.

*Please join us at the Hall of Fame  
dinner and ceremony on:*

**October 19, 2006**

**The National Constitution Center**  
525 Arch Street  
Independence Mall  
Philadelphia

5:30 Dinner  
6:45 Pre-ceremony reception  
7:30 Ceremony

**Tickets:** \$125.00 per person for dinner, reception, and ceremony. \$20.00 per person for the pre-ceremony reception and ceremony. Tickets **must** be purchased in advance, there will be no ticket sales at the event.  
**Use the coupon on the back page.**

Program book tribute ads with dinner packages are available. Class tables are available for the dinner. For information, call the AACHS at 215-927-9550 or via e-mail: chsalumniph1@aol.com.

**Congratulations to all of the honorees.**

*We look forward to sharing  
this momentous occasion with you.*

### Hall of Fame Committee

Hyman Lovitz (187), Chair  
Alan D. Budman (229)  
Leonard B. Finkelstein (185)  
Arnold L. New (225)  
Sonya L.C. Springer (250)  
Horace A. Stern (172)  
Charles S. Steinberg (221)

**Benjamin Ostrofsky, Ph.D. 177<sup>th</sup> Class**

Dr. Benjamin Ostrofsky, an engineer and Fellow of the Society of Logistic Engineers, has the distinction of being the only person in the organization's history to receive its top three awards. In addition to his Professorship in Industrial Engineering at the University of Houston, Dr. Ostrofsky has served as a consultant to many governmental bodies and commercial enterprises, including The Johnson Space Center/NASA, The United States Department of Energy, and Coca Cola. He is a member of numerous professional associations and academic honor societies, and the recipient of several awards and honors, including having his name engraved on the *National Aviation and Space Exploration Wall of Honor* at the Smithsonian Institution.

**Bernard M. Wagner, M.D. 182<sup>nd</sup> Class**

Dr. Bernard Wagner is a world-renowned scientist and leading pioneer in the field of Toxicologic Pathology. Dr. Wagner's over 50 years in medicine have included consulting with the Department of Defense, Department of State, and Armed Forces Institute. Dr. Wagner has the exceptional distinction as the first American scientist under the Kennedy-Khrushchev agreements sent to Moscow to exchange manned space data in 1962. Additionally he has served as the Director of Pathology at several hospitals throughout the country. His professional associations include the Royal College of Pathologists (London) and the National Academy of Sciences. He has served as the President of International Academy of Pathology, receiving that organization's Distinguished Service Award.

**Richard J. Fox 184<sup>th</sup> Class**

Richard J. Fox, Founder and Chairman of The Fox Companies, has been at the helm of major real estate development in Pennsylvania and New Jersey since 1952, with both The Wachovia Center and Comcast television studios among his crowning achievements. Mr. Fox also serves as Chairman of Planalytics, Inc., a strategic marketing and sales management company. His lengthy record of service to the community includes 36 years as a Trustee of Temple University, including 16 years as Chairman, Chair of the Jewish Policy Center, board member of The Federation of Jewish Agencies of Philadelphia, and former President of the Pennsylvania Home Builders Association.

**Robert A. Fox 188<sup>th</sup> Class**

Robert A. Fox, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of R.A.F. Industries Inc., a private investment firm, has had an accomplished career in the world of business. He has served as the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of both the Warner Company and Waste Resources Corporation. He is a leader in community service, serving on the boards of four financial institutions, the Foreign Policy Research Institute, the Wistar Institute, Gesu School, and as a Trustee of the University of Pennsylvania.

**A. Eugene Kohn, FAIA RIBA JIA 190<sup>th</sup> Class**

A. Eugene Kohn, architect, is Founder and Chairman of Kohn Pedersen Fox, a firm of architects and planners voted among the Top Five Most Admired Firms. Mr. Kohn has been the Principal-in-Charge of six projects that have won the National AIA Design Award. Two of his award winning projects include the World Bank Headquarters in Washington, D.C. and the DG Bank Headquarters in Frankfurt, Germany. Mr. Kohn's extensive accomplishments include national and international lectures on contemporary architecture from Kuala Lumpur to London. He is a former Trustee for the University of Pennsylvania and currently a member of the Board of Overseers at the University of Pennsylvania's Graduate School of Fine Arts and Wharton Real Estate Center Advisory Board.

**Howard Gittis, Esq. 197<sup>th</sup> Class**

Howard Gittis is an accomplished attorney with professional achievements in both the fields of law and business. He is the Director, Vice Chairman and Chief Administrative Officer of MacAndrews & Forbes Holdings Inc. and has served as a Director on a number of corporate boards, including Revlon Inc. and Sunbeam Corporation. His achievements during his legal career include serving as Law Secretary to the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania and partner at the law firm of Wolf, Block, Schorr and Solis-Cohen. His dedication to quality education has included service as Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Temple University, as well as service on the Board of Overseers of the University of Pennsylvania Law School. For both his professional and community service, he has received numerous distinguished awards.

**Barry B. Goldberg, M.D. 204<sup>th</sup> Class**

Barry B. Goldberg is one of the world's preeminent authorities in ultrasound research and education. Dr. Goldberg established the ultrasound division at Thomas Jefferson University Hospital and became Director of the Jefferson Ultrasound Research and Education Institute (JUREI) in 1992. JUREI has been recognized by the World Health Organization as its only Collaborating Center for Continuing and General Education in Diagnostic Ultrasound. He has held academic appointments including but not limited to positions at Temple University Health Sciences Center, Drexel University, and Hahnemann Medical College. He has held the position of President in several Ultrasound Societies. Dr. Goldberg has received numerous honorary professorships, memberships, and fellowships from around the globe.

**Stephen J. Harmelin, Esq. 206<sup>th</sup> Class**

Stephen J. Harmelin, an exceptional attorney with over 35 years of experience in corporate law, has been listed numerous times in **The Best Lawyers in America**. Mr. Harmelin currently serves as the Managing Partner of Dilworth Paxon LLP, a distinguished Philadelphia law firm. Mr. Harmelin's career achievements include an appointment by the Governor of Pennsylvania as a Commissioner on the Board of the Pennsylvania Convention Center Authority. In 2005 the Philadelphia Bar Association recognized his distinguished legal career and civic accomplishments with the Replansky Award. Currently, he also serves on the Board of the Barnes Foundation and is General Counsel to the National Constitution Center and has most recently been named as Chairman of the Board of the Glaucoma Foundation at the Wills Eye Hospital.

**Richard S. Sokolov, Esq. 226<sup>th</sup> Class**

Richard Sokolov is President, Chief Operating Officer, and member of the Board of Directors of international real estate development and management company, Simon Property Group, Inc. Prior to joining the Simon Property Group, Mr. Sokolov was a partner at a major Baltimore law firm specializing in real estate transactions and President and Chief Executive Officer of DeBartolo Realty Corporation. He is a past Chairman of the International Council of Shopping Centers and a current member of the Board of Trustees for that organization. He also serves as a Trustee for the University of Wisconsin-Madison, Center for Urban Land Economics Research, and member of the Board of Directors of the Simon Youth Foundation. Mr. Sokolov has also been named an Alumni Fellow by the Penn State College of Liberal Arts.

*For information on Alumni events, visit  
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