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HALL OF FAME HONOREES

DONALD P. JULIANO



Donald P. Juliano graduated from McKee High School in 1946, before joining the Navy and serving aboard the USS Yosemite as an electronics technician.

He pursued undergraduate studies at Wagner College and graduate programs at Hunter College. Mr. Juliano started teaching in 1951 in New Jersey and later obtained his teaching license in New York City. He taught or supervised pre-kindergarten classes through post-graduate courses for the next 40 years. Assignments included PS 5 and PS 612 at Mount Loretto, guidance counselor and assistant principal at Dreyfus JHS, and principal at PS 31 and PS 36. Mr. Juliano retired in 1991.

He was awarded the "Presidential Award for Outstanding Contributions in Science Education" in 1991 by Long Island University. Mr. Juliano also taught in after-school and evening centers.

Furthermore, professional roles included serving as an adjunct professor at the College of Staten Island, treasurer of the Retired School Supervisors Association of NYC and President of the local Staten Island chapter. Today he works as co-secretary of the Staten Island Unit of the Retiree Chapter of CSA.

Mr. Juliano's career spanned 62 years. He and his wife, Moira, live in Oakwood.

EBONY WASHINGTON



Ebony Washington graduated from McKee High School in 1995. She grew up on Staten Island and lived in the Stapleton Houses. Ms. Washington obtained a bachelor's of science degree

in legal assistant studies from New York City College of Technology.

Ms. Washington is a 15-year veteran of the NYC Police Department. She began her career as a police officer on patrol in the 122nd precinct on Staten Island, also serving in the 68th, 69th and 70th precincts in Brooklyn as well as Police Service Area 1, which patrols housing developments in Brooklyn, and in the Communication Section. Ms. Washington was promoted to sergeant in October 2005, lieutenant in June 2008 and to captain in October 2011. She has also served as executive officer of the 68th, 69th and 70th precincts.

In March 2015, Captain Washington was named commander of the 122nd precinct, becoming the first female commanding officer on Staten Island in 20 years. Mid-Island Councilman Steven Matteo, stated that "her becoming C.O. of the 122 is a testament to her ability as a leader and police officer."



PRESIDENT'S REPORT



Fall is here again. It's been a very hectic summer for us, sadly, we lost some of our alumni, two were in my shop class.

The McKee Alumni Association is gearing up for our annual Christmas Luncheon on December 16th, always a fun time. I hope to see you there.

This year we inducted two members to the Hall of Fame, Donald P. Juliano a graduate from the year 1946 and Captain Ebony Washington, commander of the 122nd precinct here on Staten Island and a 1995 grad. Both inductees attended the ceremony at McKee High School on October 22nd and we hope they will both attend our Holiday Luncheon.

If anyone would like to nominate a candidate for the Hall of Fame for 2016, please follow our criteria. Send in a bio with all the candidate's info and remember, community service is very important. If you want more info, contact either me or Millie Del Bove at McKeeassoc@msn.com or call 718 442 1065 .

Enjoy the rest of 2015 and have a happy and healthy holiday season.



Ken McIntyre
President

LIFETIME MEMBER

Patrick Rizzo
Class of 1966

We now have 95 lifetime members.

POPP'S PERSPECTIVE



A great big hello to all my boys and girls,

Well, I must say that I never imagined that I would be living in Georgia!

That being said, I could not be happier because I am completely surrounded by my wonderful nieces and their beautiful families and my handsome nephew and his lovely family! As I am certain I have told you all before, my brother Cary and his wife live across the street from us.

Our home here is close to all the stores so it is easy for us to get around. We are blessed with lovely neighbors.

As you can see from the pictures, we have a very precious new addition to our family and he has brought with him lots of joy and happiness.

Our lovely town of Cumming has a local theatre and some great performances. I guess it makes me happy to go there because it is an old school house.

If anyone finds himself venturing down this way, please feel free to call and come by and say hello, I would love to see y'all!

I send you all my very best wishes and my love!

Lilian M. Popp

SAVE THE DATE

Holiday Luncheon
At the
Staaten
Forest Ave.
Staten Island NY

Wednesday December 16, 2015
12 p.m. – 4 p.m.

FRAUD IN OUR TIME: PREYING ON THE NEEDY



Sometimes they will come to our door, sometimes they will stop us right on the street and sometimes they will call us on the phone: Hello says the cheery voice, I need your help. You see I am the beneficiary of 2 billion dollar estate from the death of my father in Kanju Province. He was a very wealthy man, but I am here illegally with my four children and I cannot bring the money into the United States because I am not a United States citizen. So I need your help to get this money from my country to the United States. I would be willing to give you one half of my inheritance or 1 billion dollars, if you can help me bring my money to the US. Wow says the greedy compassionate victim, one billion dollars you say? You would give me one billion dollars just to help you get your 2 billion dollars? Yes, 1 billion dollars is yours if you help me.

Just \$3,000 to get One Billion???

So, says the thief, all I need to get our money is your check for \$3,000 which I will send to the Department of International Regulatory Finance in my country as the fee to complete the money transfer. Once the fee is received the Secretary General for the Ministry of Finance will wire the 2 billion to your account and all you have to do is write me a check for 1 billion and you keep the rest, how's that?

Well that is just great, says the greedy victim, here is my check for \$3,000 now how long will it take to get my one billion?

Waiting Forever For Your One Billion Dollars

Wonder what goes through a person's mind as they wait for word that 1 billion dollars that has been deposited into their account.

They probably make all kinds of travel plans, shop for a new living room set, talk to

their spouse about buying that luxury car they have been eyeing and even start thinking about buying that new home. And what about the grand kids? Oh yes, the grand kids will be well taken care of. Oh my god, so much to do and so little time, now where is that money?

Week 1, You check your account three times a day, no money. The \$3,000 check you gave was cashed so where is the 2 billion dollars? **Week 2**, you check your account once a day, no money. **Week 3**, you check your account every other day and still no money. By week 4, it's time to admit that you have been duped out of \$3,000 because you believed you would get 1 billion dollars by simply paying \$3,000.

The painful fact is, that many, many people are victimized by these scams because they believe that they can get something for nothing in spite of the fact that we have been told from a very young age that in this world one never gets something for nothing. If the deal is too good to be true, it probably is. But if a situation does arise which is much too good to pass up, see a professional before you write a check!!

Duane C. Felton, Esq.
McKee Class of 1968

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DONATIONS
Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Bertolini
John Armstrong
Charles Naverino
Mr. & Mrs. L. Guerriero

THANK YOU
Thank you to all the members who donated to the McKee High School Prom Class of 2015

**FINANCIAL REPORT
JULY 1, 2015-October 15, 2015**

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| Balance from June 30, 2015 | \$4,655.87 | |
| INCOME | | |
| Renewals | 300.00 | 300.00 |
| Adjustment | | 100.00 |
| TOTAL | | \$5,055.87 |
| EXPENSES | | |
| Deposit to CD Account | | 600.00 |
| Accountants Fee | | 300.00 |
| Postage/Supplies | | 350.00 |
| Donation Oasis Christian Church | | 100.00 |
| Total | | \$1,350.00 |
| Credits | | \$5,055.87 |
| Debits | | 1,350.00 |
| Checkbook balance 10/15/2015 | | \$3,705.87 |
| Check Book Balance 10/15/2015 | | \$3,705.87 |
| Certificate of Deposit | | 13,702.90 |
| TOTAL | | \$17,408.77 |
| Donation to School (2002-2015) | | \$46,341.07 |

**Respectfully submitted,
Mildred Del Bove
Treasurer**

OBITUARIES

JUNE

Trent Givens, 75
Betty Ann Hart-Guastavino, 85
James Martin, 85
George Schmitt, 89
Marie Rusciani-Lukas, 84
Palma Cassano-Caracappa, 90
Shirley Gumbs, 84

JULY

Charles Kaufmann, 73
Rudolph Pillarella, 88
Marie Notarbartelo-Milatta, 103
Walter Perkowski, 83
Michelina Cantale-Morreale, 93
Rudolph Menicucci, 80
Albert Gomez Sr., 74
Anthony DeMaio, 88
Anne Lamattina, 88, Class of 1945
Robert Squeri, 54

August Mastroianni, 85

Christopher Straub, 59

AUGUST

Louis Scaramuzzi, 85
Dennis Marvel, 61
Joyce Jensen-Fleming, 76
Helen Brogna-McEvoy, 85
Neil Connelly, 75, Class of 1957
Montague Taylor, 80

SEPTEMBER

Anthony Pigott, 76
Pasquale Forte, 92
Clarence Graves, 79
Francis Gibson, 78, Class of 1955
Richard Martino, 82
William Vadola, 86
William Brown, 93
Edward Harris, 84
Salvatore Cucuzza, 72, Class of 1960
Adele Walker, 54
Michael Luzzo, 90
Joseph Baez, 85



BEFORE IT WAS McKee.....



In 1867, on the site of the current McKee High School, stood the home of Eckstein Norton. Norton was born in Kentucky in 1831 and through the years he worked as a store clerk for \$1.50 a week until he opened his own store. In 1852, he joined his brother, W. F. Norton, in mercantile ventures and later they entered the banking business under the name of the Norton Brothers.

Early in 1864, he moved to New York and established the banking firm of Norton, Slaughter and Company. It was in 1868, when Mr. Norton entered the first of his many railroad affiliations. These railroads, when consolidated, formed the Chesapeake, Ohio and southwestern Railroad. In 1886, Mr. Norton was elected president of the Louisville and Nashville Railroad which controlled more than four thousand miles of road traveling through many states.

During his career he showed remarkable business qualities and unerring judgment demonstrated by his management of these railroads as he brought them from jeopardy to solid financial footing.

Upon moving to Staten Island and his home on St. Marks Place, formerly Tompkins Avenue and Wall Street, he became involved in its main interests. He was director of the Staten Island Savings Bank and the Staten Island First National Bank. Always true to his love of railroads

Ex Norton was one of the first incorporators and directors of the Staten Island Rapid Transit Railroad. His interest in education was apparent in his helping of the Brighton Heights Seminary for Young Ladies (in his own neighborhood of St. Marks Place opposite Fort Place) and the St. Austen's School for Boys (which was located on the site of the original St. Vincent's Hospital).

He served as president for both organizations.

Isn't it fitting our school was built on Ex Norton's former foundation?

When the Norton mansion was razed the Board of Education purchased the property to build the future vocational high school. The building was completed in February, 1933, but remained empty awaiting the purchase of furniture and equipment. Borough President Palmer secured the \$350,000 that was required. Finally classes began in May, 1935, and the school was dedicated on June 10, 1936, named in honor of Ralph R. McKee who was for fourteen years Staten Island's member of the Board of Education and it was his fervent dream to see the school completed.

(Reprinted from 2004 Fall-Winter newsletter)

Louis Motola
Class of 1949

GOODBYE, ADIOS, DO SVIDANIYA, CIAO, FARVEL, AUF WIEDERSEHEN

This is the last newsletter I will write/edit for the McKee Alumni and Friends Association.

My Dad used to say all things come to an end good and bad-and so my time has ended.

I want to thank Millie Hoffmann Del Bove for all of her help; Joe Del Bove, proofreader extraordinaire; Duane Felton for sharing his legal expertise with us; Al Basile for printing our newsletter in color, gratis; and Leo Gordon, Graphic Arts Teacher, for stepping in when Sandy devastated Al's business.

It's been fun.

Roberta Sparandera Cherkaski
Class of 1957

2015 SPRING LUNCHEON



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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

July

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September

Ann Cannizzaro-Palazzola, John Carew, Marguerite Cohen-Riccardi, Thomas E. Connelly, Gloria Cordes-Elliot, Frances DeStefano-Vita gliano, Walter J. Drake, Dawn Gamba-Nappi, Gustave Grecsek, Jr., Louis J. Guerriero, Bruce Lanahan, Sr., Joseph Lattuga, Michael Luciano, Elena-Frances Mancini-Moschello, Albert Massa, John Miller, Janet Nedwitek-Maskarin, Josephine Palmieri-Perocco, Joseph Pietromonico, Joseph Pisicelli, Frank Quagliotti, Joseph Ruffo, David Simmonds, Roberta Sparandera-Cherkaski, Roberta Valinoti, Anthony Varriano, John Widlund, Bob Winkler

October

Richard A. Brown, Jr., Thomas Calandra, Dolores Covino-Bouwman, Steven DiAlessio, Frank Dalotto, Dominick D'Angelo, John J. DeForge, Lester Driscoll, Michael Fagone, Jacqueline Iso la-Diorio, Joe LaBargo, Robert Meeke, Gasper W. Mogilnicki, Anita Peto sa-Palmier, Patricia Rizzo, Robert Ruggeri, Marge Santo-Delvin, Fred Schwefringhaus, Helen Unrein-LaManna, Walter P. Werra

November

Anita Beyer-Terrana, James Brown, Marie Cafaro-Battipaglia, Michael Cherkaski, James Dankelman, John DeMeo, Alberta D. Doerr-Muir, Edward Elliott, Nicholas Festa, Philip Garlisi, Anita Grecco-Miccicciulla, Glen A. Hall, Maryann Kowalski-Seror, Karen Latagan-Darcy, John Manna, Jean Mastroberti-lavarone, Kenneth McIntyre, Shirley McKay-Copeland, Louis Soriano, Frances Vazzana-Hemmerly

December

Victoria Baker-Rivelli, Howard Berwanger, Shelton Bright, Sr., Anna Carlo-Labbate, Ricky Cherkaski, Victor Confessore, Lorenzo Corsi, Dominic D'Ambrà, Pat DeMeo, Adrienne Diggs-Sanhueza, Lucille Ditoro-O'Keefe, Charles J. Ferguson, Jacqueline E. Hansen-Tobin, Mafalda Inartiglio-LaRocca, Roy N. Johnson, Henry Jorin, Edward Kahan, Carol King, Ralph LoPresti, Annette Majeilo-Rooney, Estelle Mangin-Neube, Edward Midboe, Philip Neilson, Nicholas J. Paikidis, Vincent Palazzola, Ramon R. Quevedo, Nellie Sakshaug-Bolt, Rosemarie Unrein-Andriulli, Carmela Varriano-Mazza, Robert Vigliano

