

# Exeter High School Alumni Association Newsletter

*The mission of the Exeter High School Alumni Association is to enrich the education and experience of future generations of Exeter High School graduates by uniting, informing, and involving alumni, friends, students, and faculty of Exeter High School and its predecessors, Tuck High School and Robinson Female Seminary, in charitable service and support to the school and in preserving the schools' history, traditions, and spirit.*

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The Exeter High School Alumni Association was formed on January 21, 2011 as a New Hampshire non-profit corporation which is governed by a Board of Trustees.

## Contact Information and Websites:

<http://ehs.sau16.org>

[www.brickrus.com/order/ehsa](http://www.brickrus.com/order/ehsa)

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## What's Happening!

- \* Alaska—Cruise/Tour/2013
- \* 2013 Cash Calendar
- \* Building a Brick Yard
- \* Around SAU16/Ch 13
- \* Annual Giving Program
- \* 2013 Golf Tournament
- \* Past Reunions



Exeter High School 1912-2006



Exeter High School 2006—Present

## *A Childhood Reminiscence of Exeter*

by Mary E. (Kellogg) Bourgault, EHS class of 1961

If you were a child in Exeter in the 1950's, then you surely will remember, as I do, Exeter's "Pied Piper" Captain Emory Eldridge. Captain Eldridge came to Exeter in 1947 upon retirement from the U.S. Navy's submarine service during WWII. He lived alone in a small house that was located on lower Portsmouth Avenue, and every Halloween he opened his house to all the town kids and gave out coins, cider, and doughnuts.

He was an elegant and imposing figure, with white hair and a white mustache, and he stood ramrod straight in the military manner. His favorite activity was to take invigorating walks all over town, summer and winter. (He was no doubt happy to be out in the fresh air after a career spent in the confines of a submarine.) He usually wore a long dark coat, seldom any hat, and walked very purposefully, swinging a black cane with a gold insignia on top. In his pocket he always carried chestnuts, presumably to ward off hostile dogs, and he would let kids listen to the dried nut rattling around inside the shell when he knocked the chestnut gently against their head! He loved children, and always had a smile and a cheery hello for them when he passed by, and many of us, including myself, took to accompanying him on his walks—thus the "pied piper" allusion. He supported many of the activities organized for Exeter's youth, such as the Little League.

Captain Eldridge died in Exeter on February 20, 1964, at the age of 75. When I think back on my childhood, and on the gentler times of Exeter gone by, I fondly recall this kindly gentleman.

If you have any information to add to this story, please contact the EHS Alumni Association website. \* Credit for factual information goes to Nancy Merrill's History of Exeter.

Personal memories are credited to: Sandy ( Swiezynski) Parks, Pam (Rowe) McDonough and Lin (Linaberry) Roy



## ALASKA

July 17 - 27, 2013

### 10 day cruise/tour from Vancouver to Fairbanks

Exeter High School Alumni Association invites all alumni, their friends and family, and all interested in visiting the beautiful state of Alaska to join them for this wonderful 7 day cruise/3 night land tour.

Cruise from Vancouver to Ketchikan, Juneau, Skagway, Glacier Bay and College Fjord. Disembark in Whittier and board the McKinley Express rail to Talkeetna; continue by

motorcoach to Mt. McKinley Princess Wilderness Lodge for an overnight. Enjoy a scenic motorcoach ride to Denali National Park. Upon arrival, take a Natural History Tour into the park. Overnight at the Denali Princess Wilderness Lodge. This morning, travel by scenic motorcoach to Fairbanks and soak up some local color and history on a Sternwheeler Riverboat cruise.

For more information contact:

Priscilla McBride of New Act Travel

Email: EHSAAalaska@aol.com  
Cell: 423.284.3290

Interested in a different destination or date. Priscilla can help make alternate arrangements for you.

## Reunions

1997/15 yrs	August 24, 2012 Sheraton Harborside Hotel Portsmouth, NH Katie Lamontagne
1992/20 yrs	August 31, 2012 The Event Center, Portsmouth, NH Jen Horton 603.817.2956
1987/25 yrs	October 6, 2012 Sheraton, Portsmouth, NH Cathy Standing 603.265.0445
1967/45 yrs	September 21, 2012 The Inn of Hampton & Conference Center Sandy Parks 603.775.8647
1962/50 yrs	September 21, 2012 Green Gate, Exeter, NH

**Are you a graduate of the Seacoast School of Technology?**

**SST is looking for YOU!**

**Please contact Laurie at 603-775-8462 or Brenda at 603-775-8461**

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*“Exeter High School is not a four year commitment . It is a lifetime.”  
Coach Bill Ball*

## TD Bank—Affinity Program



Are you a **TD Bank** customer? If so, you could support the Exeter High School Alumni Association without even opening your wallet! Here's how the Affinity Program works: · A **TD Bank** customer designates Exeter High School Alumni Association as the non-profit of their choice (by visiting or calling a branch-there aren't even forms

to fill out) · **TD Bank** donates the bank's money to the Exeter High School Alumni Association based on a percentage of members' balances that have chosen us as their non-profit! This is an incredibly easy way to help support the Exeter High School Alumni Association year round, and all it takes is a phone call. Please, if you are already a

customer – or are thinking of becoming a **TD Bank** customer – designate the Exeter High School Alumni Association today or heck with your local branch to learn more about the Affinity Program and how it can help the Exeter High School Alumni Association!

## Exeter High School Alumni Association 2013 - Cash Calendar

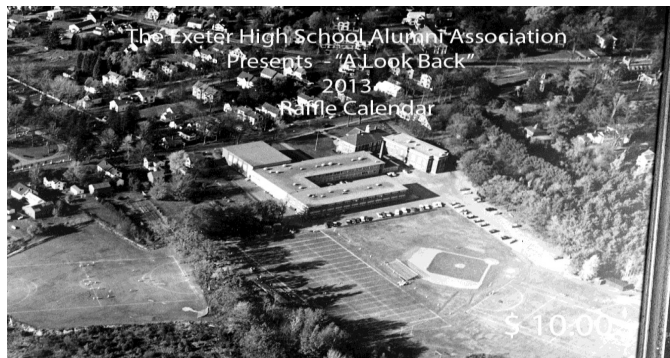
Calendar is \$ 10.00.

Every Friday \$ 50 will be given away. The checks will be mailed and all winners' names will be reentered to win again.

Make checks payable to and mailed to : Exeter High School Alumni Association, c/o Sandy Parks, One Blue Hawk Dr., Exeter, NH 03833

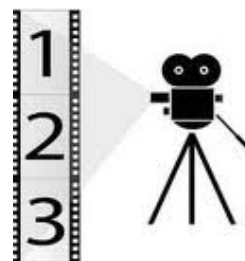
**Available at:** High St Grocery, Scamman's Home Center, Gorman's Garage, Seacoast Mills, McFarland Ford,

Proulx Oil and Propane, Loranger Investments, DTC Lawyers, Kensington Elementary School, Cooperative Middle School, Stratham Memorial School, Swasey Elementary School, Seacoast School of Technology, SAU 16 office, and Exeter High School.



## Around SAU 16 - Interview with Alumni

**EHS TV STUDIO—Channel 13 in the Exeter Community**



Superintendent Morgan has been hosting "Around SAU16". Some of his interviews included pro cyclist Ted King, Attorney Justin Pasay, "UNH Morning After Show" radio hosts, Daniel Umbro, Jeffrey Kisiel, Nathan Goodrich.

Other interviews included Jeremy Adams of Jeremy's Pizzeria, Dan Stockbridge of Stockbridge Funeral Home, and Exeter Town Manager Russ Dean.

## 2013—Golf Tournament at the Exeter Country Club

Our 3rd Annual Golf Tournament will be held in July 2013.

Tournament includes 18 holes, cart, brunch and lunch...

**RAFFLES—SILENT AUCTIONS-**

For more information contact Sandy Parks:  
sparks@sau16.org or  
775.8647

Reconnecting with old friends and making new ones. There is fun for everyone.

All are Welcome!!



The Alumni Office is looking for volunteers that would be interested in writing articles for the newsletter and/ or various jobs in the office.

If interested contact:

Sandy Parks 603.775.8647



Exeter High School Alumni Basketball Game  
December 2011

*The Exeter High School Alumni Association promotes the welfare of Exeter High School, by raising and distributing donations to Exeter High School, strengthening the ties between Exeter High School Alumni and students and by promoting education, school spirit and good citizenship in both the school and community. We seek to serve as a resource for alumni, current students, faculty and administration, to support the educational mission of Exeter High School, through activities such as career forums, continuing education programs, mentoring and enrichment activities.*



Division I State Football Championship Game

November 17, 2012

Exeter 31 — Pinkerton 21

## Pathway Project will Build a Brick Yard

The Exeter High School Alumni Association is looking for your help to build a Brick Yard. The bricks will be ivory with navy blue lettering. Your engraved bricks will be placed behind the high school near the stadium in the Spring of 2013. The Pathway Project is just another way for you to "leave your mark" on the grounds of EHS.

**Coming Soon!!**

Exeter High School Alumni Association  
Annual Giving Program

Dedicate – Honor – Remember  
– They make a beautiful gift  
whatever the reason!

Bricks are \$ 50.00. Order  
your brick today online at  
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Questions: contact Sandy  
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