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Tourtellotte Memorial High School Alumni Association Newsletter

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Happy New Year!

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It's About Time!

Canty Inducted into the Connecticut Coaches' Hall of Fame



Above: Jim Canty Jr., Anna Canty, and members of the TMHSAA at the Connecticut Coaches' Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony and Dinner held in Southington, Connecticut. One former Canty player travelled from as far away as Florida to attend the event. TMHSAA members included, Betty (Willet) Leclair '47, Roseanne (Mangan) Monoco '48, Jim Sali '51, Jim Naum '50, Dave Babbitt '57, Dave Johnson '57, Nick Angelo '51, Gerry Mulligan '54, Bernie Mulligan '58, George Dargati '50, Tasi Vriga '52, Ted Vriga '54, Joe Lindley '74, and Glen Senecal '75.

NEXT MEETING 6:00 P.M. 2/2/11- TMS LIBRARY

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TMHSAA and Thompson Historical Society to Preserve History Digitally

BY: Staff Writer

Thompson Historical Society members Joe Iamartino, Mark Snay, and Burt Rhodes, and TMHSAA members Lis Burton, Eileen Deary, and Joe Lindley met on December 28, 2010, to further discuss the implementation of a software program that would enable both organizations to digitally archive their photographic collections. "This new system will eventually allow members from both groups to access the pictures we have collected over the years," reports THS President, Joe Iamartino.

Currently, both organization have thousands of pictures that are stored on discs and servers making access to them by members at large difficult. Eventually the program, called Past Perfect, will make all archives available to all members in good standing.

Past Perfect, according to the company's website "...was founded in 1996 with the mission to create affordable software products for museums. Past Perfect Software, Inc. is now the leading provider of collection management software to over 7500 organizations around the world. We provide everything you need to catalog and share your collection and manage contacts, members, donors and more."



Left: A collage of the many photos collected by the TMHSAA over the past two years. Past Perfect will eventually allow members access to all photos. Photos compliments of TMHSAA.

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Old Yearbooks Available – Copies Donated to TMHSAA

Extra copies of TMHS yearbooks were recently found in storage at Tourtellotte Memorial High School. The TMHS 2011 yearbook committee, in order to help offset this year's costs, is making these books available to anyone interested in purchasing a copy.

The following years are available, but quantities of some years are very limited. If you are interested in purchasing a yearbook please contact Paula Coderre at:

pcoderre@thompsonpublicschools.org or contact us at TMHSAA@Charter.net. Years available and their price are as follows:

1998 - \$5.00	1999 - \$5.00
2000 - \$5.00	2001 - \$5.00
2002 - \$5.00	2003 - \$10.00
2004 - \$10.00	2005 - \$10.00
2006 - \$10.00	2007 - \$15.00
2008 - \$15.00	2009 - \$20.00

Also, the spring supplements are available for the following years, and are free to anyone who purchased a yearbook for that particular year: 1994, 1995, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, and 2008.

The 2011 TMHS yearbook committee also donated a copy of each of the yearbooks listed above to TMHSAA. If anyone would like to view these or other yearbooks please contact the TMHSAA at TMHSAA@Charter.net. There is a complete set located in the TMHS library.



Above: Joe Lindley '74 showing archived TMHS records to a guest from Taipei, Taiwan. The TMHSAA recently opened the Tourtellotte Memorial Room and TMHSAA office to guests visiting Tourtellotte Memorial High School during a recent World War II presentation held in the Ryscavage Auditorium. The presentation sponsored by the Thompson Historical Society, featured WWII aviators from Thompson. Photo compliments of TMHSAA.

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

Initial membership due at time of application, yearly renewals due January 1st of each year

Regular Membership..... \$15.00
Senior Citizens (65 and older)..... \$5.00
Graduating Class..... Free

hilltopper Staff

Editor: Joe Lindley '74'

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If you would like to contribute short stories to the hilltopper please contact us at TMHSAA at TMHSAA@Charter.net or Joe Lindley at joelindley119@hotmail.com

ALUMNI BANQUET SCHEDULED FOR JUNE 18th, 2011

Back by popular Demand! Mark your calendars! The TMHSAA banquet date is set for June 18th, 2011. This is the same weekend as the TMHS graduation for those travelling from out of town.

We are also seeking volunteers to help with this year's event. If you are interested or have any questions contact us at TMHSAA@Charter.net



Left: A picture from the 2009 TMHSAA banquet. Photo compliments of Justine Gendreau. CD's of the 2009 event are still available.

DUES ARE DUE

We are a self-funded organization and work hard at keeping our dues as low as possible, but we still need your help. If you haven't sent in your dues there is a membership renewal form located on page nine.

HELP KEEP OUR STORIES ALIVE FOREVER!

All over the country there has been a great deal of discussion about the rapid loss of our Greatest Generation (those who worked, served and sacrificed during WWII). The loss of recent TMHS alum who served during the War brings this ever-increasing tragedy close to home. While there is no way for us to change the inevitable result we all face, we *can* preserve the stories of those who came before us.

The Internet is an information tool that is unparalleled in human history. By downloading the Hilltopper on our server we are able to preserve the stories of our school, students, and TMHS family forever. If you have a story you want to share, please send it to TMHSAA@Charter.net.

Digital Archive Project (cont.)

The TMHSAA has agreed in principle to appoint the Historical Society as the curator of all TMHSAA digital records. This allows for one centralized and sustainable location for all archived photos and records. The TMHSAA also plans on eventually loading pictures of the Tourtellotte Collection making them available to all alumni members. The project is expected to take many months to complete.

If anyone has photos or records that should become part of our archives, please send them to TMHSAA, PO Box 437, North Grosvenordale, CT 06255. We will scan them and return them to you.



Above: A collage of pictures currently stored in the TMHSAA digital archives. If you wish a copy of any of the pictures above contact us at TMHSAA@Charter.net. Photos compliments of TMHSAA.

JOIN THE TEAM! WE ARE LOOKING FOR

- Webmaster
- Art and history researchers
- Part time Memorial Room curators
- History and art enthusiasts
- Newsletter writers and editors



TMHS Project Graduation 2011

FROM: Paula (Witkowski) Coderre

Project Graduation has been a tradition at Tourtellotte Memorial High School since 1990. The program provides organized, adult-supervised, alcohol and drug-free post graduation activities and a mystery trip. The post graduation event often lasts through the night and into the next day immediately following graduation.

The Project Graduation trip is paid for with money raised from fundraising events and private donations. Preparation has already begun: The first Saturday of each month, the Project Graduation 2011 Committee hosts a can & bottle drive from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon at the Thompson Town Hall. (The January 2011 drive will be on January 8, 2011) Across the parking lot, committee members also have a bake sale at the same time.

Successful fundraisers thus far have included a pasta dinner in September and a G7 Chicken Pot Pie fundraiser in October. November brought us a new idea, the "Antique Appraisal Day" was a successful and unique event. The "Cash Calendar" with daily drawings of \$25 to \$100 from Christmas Eve thru all of January and a Holiday Gift Card Fundraiser filled December.

Another Pasta Dinner will be forthcoming in January 2011 and a Butts Roast Beef dinner is "in the works" for March 2011. Members of the Project Graduation Committee also run the concession stand at all TMHS boys and girls basketball home games as well as at the Thompson Recreation basketball games on Saturday mornings.

The TMHS Project Graduation 2011 Committee is always looking for parents of TMHS seniors to join the committee. Email PG.2011@hotmail.com, or call committee chairs Denise at 860-928-5166 or Annette at 860-942-4954. Parents are also invited to meetings on the first Tuesday of each month at 6:30pm, in the Thompson Public Library. See the Tourtellotte High School website at <http://www.thompson.ctschool.net/TMHS/index.html> for calendar.



Left: Tourtellotte Memorial High School Class of 2011 parents and students help out at the monthly Can & Bottle Drive to benefit Project Graduation 2011. Parents (l-r) are Paul Standrowicz, Darlene Danielson, Ed Danielson, Annette Mauke, Beth Bruyere, Mike Santerre, Allen Patterson, Rick Bruyere, Paul Faucher and Diane Patterson. Above: CAN BY CAN Paul Standrowicz, Paul Faucher and Darlene Danielson separate the cans and bottles that are dropped off at the town hall. Each bottle is organized by glass, bottle or water and then by product (Coke, Pepsi, etc). Photos compliments of 2011 Project Graduation.

Project Graduation Update

Can and Bottle Drive for the Class of 2011 – Help to Keep Graduation Celebrations Safe



CAN & BOTTLE DRIVE: A can & bottle drive will be held 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 on February 5 and March 5, 2011, at the Thompson Town Hall, Riverside Drive, North Grosvenordale, CT. Proceeds to benefit the TMHS Class of 2011 Project Graduation. For info email PG.2011@hotmail.com.



Louis Molinaro TMHS Class of 1935

Left: Louis Molinaro TMHS Class of 1935. Louis was a long-time contributor and volunteer in the Town of Thompson. He was an active member of the American Legion (Post 67), St. Joseph's Church, and the Thompson Lions.

We were saddened to hear of the passing of fellow alum Louis Molinaro, TMHS Class of 1935, on December 22, 2010.

Louis was among the youngest Tourtellotte Memorial graduates, having graduated at age sixteen. After leaving TMHS he was accepted and awarded a scholarship at Worcester Polytechnic Institute, Worcester, Massachusetts, but Louis, like many of his generation and fellow TMHS graduates, placed his own educational future on hold in order to work and help support his family.

During World War II, Louis joined the United States Army and participated in the D-Day Invasion of Normandy, France in June 1944, and the Battle of the Bulge, Belgium in December 1944 (See photos on page 9).

Louis returned to Connecticut and started a long career in the U.S. Postal Service, eventually rising to the rank of Postmaster in North Grosvenordale, Connecticut, a position he held for more than 25 years.

Louis was also an active member of the American Legion, eventually becoming Post Commander of Post 67 located in Grosvenordale, Connecticut.

Louis is predeceased by his wife, Rachel (Joly) Molinaro, and sons Buster, James and Michael. He is survived by his daughter Kathy Bell and her husband John Bell of North Grosvenordale, six grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren and long-time companion Gloria McColloch.

TMHSAA Elections to Be Held During March 2011 Monthly Meeting

The TMHS Alumni Association will be holding elections during our March 2, 2011 meeting.

All nominations can be sent to TMHSAA@Charter.net. Here is the current election and nomination procedure per our 2008 By-Laws.

ARTICLE IV: ALUMNI COUNCIL

Section 1

The Association's Alumni Council (hereinafter referred to as "Council") shall serve as the governing body of the Association, and shall be composed of representatives elected by the Association, and shall be composed of active members of the Association.

Section 2

The Alumni Council shall have five members and a school liaison.

Section 3

Nominations for membership on the Council shall be requested by the Elections Committee through appropriate publications and other media. All alumni, whether active members or not, may submit nominations to the Elections Committee.

Section 4

The Elections Committee shall present all qualified nominees to the active members of the Association via Email or a USPS mailed ballot in March. The Elections Committee shall abide by the Rules for Nominations and Elections in the current edition of Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised, unless otherwise stated.

Section 5

Newly elected Council members shall officially take office on April 1 of the year they are elected. The term of office is two years.

Section 6

Any member of the Council who does not attend three consecutive meetings shall forfeit membership on the council, and the seat shall be declared officially vacant by a vote of the Council at the first meeting following the third meeting which said member failed to attend; provided that the Council shall also have the power to reinstate any member by a two-third vote of the Council, whose seat has been vacated because of lack of attendance due to hardship, geographic location, or other proper reason.

Section 7

Terms of office are staggered so that the terms of two-thirds of the Council do not expire in one year.

TMHS Girls' Soccer Team Make a Run to the State Championships



Left: The 2010 (2011) TMHS girls' soccer team with long-time head coach, athletic director, and TMHSAA executive committee member Deb Spinelli. Spinelli is one of the top winning coaches in Tourtellotte history. Below-left: Haley Anderson '11 (No. 7) and Liz McKinley '12 (No. 20) during their recent run to a state title. The Tiger's fell short of their overall goal of another state championship, but felt good about their overall success. More soccer photos and other student photos can be found at Geoff Bolte's '01 Atlantic Expressions at <http://www.gcbphotos.com>.

The TMHS girls' soccer team made an all-too-familiar trip this past season – a run to another state title. TMHS, with 22 state championship games and 14 state titles, leads Northeast Connecticut in both title runs and State Championships. TMHS girls' soccer, under the tutelage of long-time head coach Deb Spinelli, has made it to the state tournament 15 times, coming away with two state titles.

The following was written by Haley Anderson, one of this year's players. Enjoy! (PS: Thanks Haley!)

TMHS 2010 Girls' Soccer

BY: Haley Anderson TMHS Class of 2011

In the summer sun of August 2010, twenty girls stepped onto the Tourtellotte Soccer field. For the eight returning seniors, this was the last year, and the last chance to make their mark on Tiger turf. It was their turn to be the leaders. New young faces also stepped onto the field. The underclassmen demonstrated hard work and dedication to earn their place in the pack. Under the direction of [Coach] Deb Spinelli, the girls became



stronger and smarter on the field.

After losing the graduated all stars from the year before, Spinelli explained, "a team may beat us in skill, but they will never outrun us."

After completing boot camp, or preseason, the Tigers were ready for battle with a new army all their own.

The Tigers shocked the critics and even themselves. There was no high scorer or stand out, it was just eleven soldiers fighting for victory, and that's what they did. The tigers played like a team and shared the field.

There was no starting lineup and superiority never affected playing time. Freshman as well as seniors tore up the scoreboard however; the Tigers did not always come out on top. The main factor in the Tiger's success was whether or not the girls came to fight, and fight with everything they had. Mid-season they won some and lost some, and unfortunately did not make it into the ECC tournament. That was when Spinelli stepped in. She explained to her soldiers that the team had a decision to make; to take some time off during the week of ECCs and enjoy the rest of the season, or dig deep and prepare for war. The Tigers chose war. They worked themselves to the ground every day, running hard and mentally preparing for the tough schedule ahead. The Tigers played game to game, yet always had the battle plans in the back of their mind. It became routine, before every game the Tigers met in the "situation room" for war plans. Deb Spinelli walked in with her rolls of white paper, dressed in camouflage from head-to-toe, and spread the sheets on the desk with the Tigers circled around her. The Tigers of 2010 made it farther this season than they have in years. They competed against schools with numbers three times the size of Tourtellotte. The Tigers may have not walked away from war as champions, but with memories to last a life-time and a title as third place team in the state of Connecticut, the Tigers definitely can call this season a victory.

Stuart Nelson Class of 1937



Left: Floyd Cole '38 and long-time friend Stuart Nelson '37 while attending the 2009 TMHS Centennial Celebration. Photo compliments of TMHSAA.

We received the following information from Stuart Nelson's daughter Terrie. Her Dad passed away on December 26, 2010 in Bethesda, MD surrounded by his family. He was 90 years old.

Stuart was born on March 12, 1920 in North Grosvenordale, Connecticut. He graduated from grammar school in North Grosvenordale and then TMHS in 1937. The 1937 TMHS graduation brochure lists him graduating from the Scientific Course with "Honor Rank" and a "P.G. Diploma" (see page 8).

While at TMHS, Stuart was the Vice President of the Student Council and class treasurer and was an outstanding basketball player.

After graduating from TMHS, Stuart worked at the Cluett Peabody Company in North Grosvenordale, Connecticut. In the late 1930's he was instrumental in forming the Lutheran basketball team, but due to the limited amount of basketball talent in the Lutheran community, Terrie reports her dad recruited Dave Cassells and Louis Molinaro as "temporary Lutherans."

In 1940, Stuart moved to Washington D.C. and worked for the U.S. Civil Service. Like many his age, Stuart, at the start of WWII, joined the military and served as a B-17 pilot in the United States Army Air Corps. After his training here in the United States he was eventually stationed in Italy. The air bases in Italy and the airmen who served there played a key role in defeating the Nazis by bombing key strategic German sites to include large refineries in Romania.

After the war, Stuart returned to Washington D.C. where he was able to take advantage of the G.I. Bill by completing his education. He earned his B.A. in Government in 1948 and a M.A. in Government and International Affairs in 1949 from George Washington University. While at GWU, he was awarded the Weddell Peace Prize in 1947 for an essay on how to achieve world peace.

After graduating from GWU, Stuart worked at the U.S. State Department and traveled extensively throughout Europe and Asia. After a career in government service Stuart worked for the Gulf Oil Corp., now the Chevron Corp. in international affairs.

According to Terrie, Stuart was very interested in history, both in Washington and Connecticut's Quiet Corner, basketball, and his family. Over the years, he maintained contact with other TMHS alumni to include close friends Wally Brodeur and Dave Cassells. He greatly enjoyed attending the TMHS 100th anniversary banquet and was pleased to have been the second-oldest attendee.

He is survived by his wife of 61 years, Lynn of Bethesda, MD and his daughters Terrie (and her husband Paul Johnson) of Bethesda, Cynthia of Colorado Springs, and Jackie of Spotsylvania, VA.

Two anecdotal stories Terrie reports is that even with her family living in the Washington D.C. area Stu made certain his daughters could say *Lake Chargoggagoggmanchauggagoggchaubungamaugg* before the age of 6!

Last, Terrie provided:

I just thought of another funny anecdote (and my dad had several from his days at TMHS). My parents and I were in the Quiet Corner in the fall of 2006. We drove up to TMHS to have a look and I took some photos. While taking a photo of the façade, dad asked me if I was going to climb up to the roof and look at the back of the urn to the left of the portico (if you're facing the building, to the right if you're exiting that door). In his high school days, he climbed up there, from the nearby window, and carved his initials on the back of that urn! Of course I did not climb up to check it out. I have no idea if those initials are still there, whether they've been painted over, or if time has worn them down or what. It does show the invincibility of youth!



Above: A restored B-17. This plane is similar to the plane flown by Stuart Nelson during WWII. The B-17 Flying Fortress was one of the main long-range bombers of the Allies during the war. Photo compliments of www.airportjournals.com

A FEW WORDS ABOUT STUART FROM WALLY BRODEUR '38

We asked Wally if he had any memories of Stu Nelson. Enjoy!

Hi Joe,

Stu Nelson and I shared the same birth date but early on in his academic life he skipped a grade. (He was always a brilliant student with a sharp memory and learning came easy for him). We both were in the same confirmation class at the Swedish Lutheran Church and there again, his ease of memorizing was evident. We were in the Boy Scouts together and we had our meetings at the High School with William Frank as the Scoutmaster. I recall that after every meeting we were allowed to use the gym to play for a half hour or so. Stu and Henry Surprenant were the outstanding players of the rag tag group and we never organized as a team...except one time...In those days, the Lutheran Church had a

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Will the Real John E. Tourtellotte Please Stand Up!

BY: Staff Writer

Ted Raszka '55 and his sister Catherine (Raszka) Stone '59 recently provided us information concerning John E. Tourtellotte.

General John E. Tourtellotte was featured in the May/June 2010 issue of the Hilltopper, reporting him as an important Union Army Civil War figure. Previous Hilltoppers have also mentioned John E. Tourtellotte, a famous western U.S. architect, sometimes confusing the two. Well thanks to Ted and Catherine's work, getting the story straight between the two will be a bit easier. They were in fact not the same person, but all indications seem to point that the two were related.

This from Ted and Catherine:

The Original Architects

Regarding the building of the Idaho State Capital Building

They were a partnership made in architectural heaven: John E. (Everett) Tourtellotte, not to be confused with General John E. (Eaton) Tourtellotte, the brilliant designer and savvy promoter, and

Chares F. Hummel, the classically trained architect and civil engineer. Each provided what the other needed; in fact, you could say that Hummel brought structural strength to Tourtellotte's visionary ideas.

Today you might be inclined to use the phrase "right brain/left brain" to describe these two. Together, they created some of Idaho's remarkable buildings, including Boise's Carnegie Library and St. John's Cathedral, as well as the University of Idaho's Administrative Building. And they designed Idaho's iconic and stately Capital...

The article goes on to read,

Tourtellotte moved to Boise in 1890. By 1903 he had formed J.E. Tourtellotte & Company. Hummel came to Boise in 1895 and joined the firm in 1903. Eventually, the world would come to know them as the architectural firm of Tourtellotte and Hummel....

It goes on,

Other facts: Gen. John Eaton Tourtellotte b.. 1833 Wilsonville d.. 1891. John Everett Tourtellotte b.. 1869 E. Thompson d.. May 8, 1939 Portland, Or. Father Charles L., Mother Hanna J. Leach. Wife Della Wallace Tourtellotte. Buried Boise Idaho...

If anyone would like a copy of the full article provided by the Raskas, please contact us at TMHSAA@Charter.net

DEATH SUMMONS NOTED ARCHITECT

John Tourtellotte Taken Following Illness

John E. Tourtellotte, 70, widely known in the northwest as an architect, died Monday night in St. Vincent's hospital following an illness of five weeks.



Mr. Tourtellotte was a member of the architectural firm of Tourtellotte & Phillips which prepared the plans for the Linn county courthouse at Albany, the Gresham high school and schools at Ontario and Clackamas as well as the St. Joseph's hospital in La Grande.

He was born in East Thompson, Conn., February 22, 1869. When 20 years old he went to Boise, where he engaged in the contracting business. His first work as an architect was preparing plans for Boise high school. Later he drew the plans for the Idaho capitol and the penitentiary at Boise, the normal school at Albion, the college building at Gooding, the State Technical college at Pocatello, the administration building at Willamette university, Salem, and the St. John's Catholic church at Boise.

One of his outstanding achievements was the Pilot Butte inn at Bend, which was selected by the American Institute of Architects in 1930 as one of the 20 finest buildings in the state. He designed numerous public buildings through Oregon, 35 educational buildings and 15 hotels in this state and Idaho.

Mr. Tourtellotte is survived by his widow, Della Wallace Tourtellotte, whom he married in Boise in 1893. Two sons, Neal Tourtellotte of Seattle and Ralph Tourtellotte of New London, Conn., also survive.

He was a member of the American Institute of Architects, the Masonic lodge, Kiwanis club and the Methodist church.

Funeral arrangements are in charge of J. P. Finley & Son.

Above: The Wednesday, May 10, 1939 obituary of John E. Tourtellotte from the Oregonian newspaper provided by Ted Raszka '55 and Catherine (Raszka) Stone '59. Left: The death certificate of John E. Tourtellotte from Multnomah County Oregon dated May 11, 1939. It notes he was born February 22, 1869 in East Thompson, CT. "The Original Architects" can be found at: <http://idahoptv.org/productions/specials/capitoloflight/architects.cfmused> Note: This reference was added after the publication of this issue.

Oregon State Board of Health Certificate of Death

1. PLACE OF DEATH
 County Multnomah State Oregon State Registered No. 1326
 Township or Village Local Registered No. 1533
 City Portland No. St. Vincent's Hospital St. Ward

2. FULL NAME John E. Tourtellotte
 (a) Residence: No. St. Andrews Hotel 1410 S. W. Broadway St. (Usual place of abode)

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

3. SEX Male 4. COLOR OR RACE White 5. Single, Married, Widowed or Divorced (write the word) Married

6. If married, widowed, or divorced HUSBAND of Della Tourtellotte (or) WIFE of

7. DATE OF BIRTH (month, day and year) Feb 22 1869
 7. AGE 70 Years Months 2 Days 10 If less than 1 day... hrs. or... min.

8. Trade, profession, or particular kind of work done, as engineer, surveyor, bookkeeper, etc. Architect

9. Industry or business in which work was done as silk mill, sawmill, bank, etc.

10. Date deceased last worked at his occupation (month and year) 5-6
 11. Total time (years) spent in this occupation

12. BIRTHPLACE (city or town) East Thompson Connecticut (State or country)

13. NAME Chas. L. Tourtellotte
 14. BIRTHPLACE (city or town) Connecticut (State or country)
 15. MAIDEN NAME Hannah J. Leach
 16. BIRTHPLACE (city or town) Connecticut (State or country)

17. INFORMANT Della Wallace Tourtellotte (Address) 1410 S. W. Broadway

18. INDICATE CIRCUMSTANCES RE REMOVAL Place Boise, Idaho Date May 11 1939

19. UNDERTAKER J. P. Finley & Son (Address) S. W. 4th and Montgomery Streets Portland, Oregon

20. FILED MAY 11 1939

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

21. DATE OF DEATH (month, day, and year) May 8 1939

22. I HEREBY CERTIFY, that I attended deceased from April 1 1939 to May 8 1939 that I last saw him/life on May 8 1939, death is said to have occurred on the date stated above, at 9:20 P. M. 1939. The principal cause of death and related causes of importance in order of cause were as follows:
 Acute Coma
 Coronary thrombosis

Contributory causes of importance not related to principal cause: Coronary sclerosis

Name of operation: None Date of: _____
 What test confirmed diagnosis? ECG Was there an autopsy? No

23. If death was due to external causes (violence) fill in also the following:
 Accident, suicide, or homicide? _____ Date of injury: _____
 Where did injury occur? _____ (Specify city or town, county and state)
 Specify whether injury occurred in industry, in home, or in public place.

Manner of injury: _____
 Nature of injury: _____

24. Was disease or injury in any way related to occupation of deceased? No. If so, specify: _____
 (Signed) J. P. Finley M. D. (Address) 1168 Adams Bldg

BATTLE OF THE BULGE

16 December 1944 – 25 January 1945



Battle of the Bulge photos found at www.wikipedia.com. The battle proved to be one of the most brutal conflicts of the war. Many historians describe the Battle of the Bulge as Hitler's last offensive stand. Louis Molinaro TMHS '35 was a young soldier who helped Allied forces defeat the Germans in this decisive battle. Above: American infantry advancing through the snow. Above-right: Members of the Yankee Divisions 101st Engineers. One soldier is seen carrying a M-1(?) bazooka. The Y.D.'s 101st Combat Engineers were eventually transferred to the CT National Guard and stationed in Putnam, CT. Right: American soldiers firing at enemy forces.



STUART NELSON (Cont. from page 6)

"Luther League," an organization to appeal to the younger generation. We were few in number, but Stu wanted to emulate the days when there were a dozen or more very good young men organized into a church team that played very competitively in a church league to include the Worcester area. I don't believe that there were more than seven of us willing to participate, but Stu's urging drove us to play a Worcester large church, and of course, we were beaten before we even started. But Stu was the live wire with a bushel

of encouragement and a do or die attitude, but that was our first and only encounter.

I would expect that a search of pictures of TMHS basketball teams of the period might turn up a team member with blond curly hair that looked a lot like Stuart Nelson.

Regards,
Wally Brodeur

Thanks Wally! We'll be checking the archives for the pictures you suggest. If you have any pictures from this period send them to us. We'll scan them and return them to you.

This newsletter and other projects sponsored by the TMHSAA are only possible with the support of our members. Please take the time to join our group or to renew your TMHSAA membership.

TMHSAA Membership Renewal

Due January 1st of Each Year – Seniors (Age 65+): \$5.00, All other Alumni: \$15.00

Name: _____

Maiden Name: _____ Class: Year: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Email Address: _____ Telephone: _____

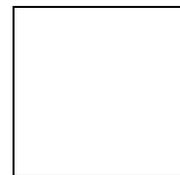
Do you have a favorite story or photograph you would like to share with us? Please mail them along with this application.

PLEASE HELP US MAKE NEXT YEAR A SUCCESS!

Detach and mail to: TMHSAA, PO Box 437, North Grosvenordale, CT 06277

Contact us at: TMHSAA@Charter.net or Call Joe Lindley @ 860-928-5527

Tourtellotte Memorial High School Alumni Office
PO Box 437
North Grosvenordale, CT 06255



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