



# THE CHSAAP

## CENTRALITE

### Newsletter

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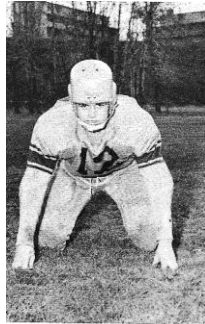
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#### .....CONGRATS TO 1945 CENTRAL GRADUATING CLASS!!

How many people get to attend their 72nd high school reunion? Central graduates of the Class of January 1945 were featured in a Sept. 15th article in the Providence Journal by Jacqueline Tempera. Fifteen of the '45 grads held their reunion at Twin Oaks in Cranston. Some of the grads featured in the article included Esther Rainone of Johnston, Frank Amalfetano of Warwick, M. Grace Ferri of West Warwick and Rick Williams, who drove all the way from his home in Cape Cod for the event! The attendees' ages ranged from 90 to 93. Congrats and all the best to this hearty group of Central grads from 72 years ago!!

#### .....THE PASSING OF EDMUND J. LEMOI

The membership was saddened to hear of the passing 4th. Edmund was a 1958 Central grad who went on industrial arts teacher at Cranston High School West. and Associates and later became the Director of the Edmond became the very popular principal of reputation as a motivational educator and, as a most supportive of the Cranston West Falcons athletic "happy students do better in school". Condolences friends and former students.



of charter member Edmund J. Lemoi back on October to a great career in education. He started as an He went on to become Vice President of A.L. Nellum Cranston Area Career & Technical Center. Cranston West from 1995 to 2006. He had a former wrestler and football player at Central, was programs. Edmond would say that his core belief was from the CHSAAP membership go to all of his family,

#### .....CHSAAP YARD SALE AT CENTRAL

The Second Annual CHSAAP Yard Sale takes place on Saturday Nov. 4th at Central High! If you have items to donate to the Sale, or if you can help with setting up the Sale, please contact Cathy Crepeau at [cathycrep1241@gmail.com](mailto:cathycrep1241@gmail.com) or Nikki Jimenez at [msnikkijimenez@gmail.com](mailto:msnikkijimenez@gmail.com). All proceeds benefit the CHSAAP grant fund. See you at the Yard Sale! You may find a few items of interest to purchase for yourself or for your household!

#### .....OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS SOUGHT FOR CHSAAP IN 2018

As mentioned in our last Centralite Newsletter, the Alumni Association will be having rotating elections and replacements for our main officer positions and directors over the next few years. For 2018 we will be seeking new candidates for the positions of **President** and **Secretary** by January 2018; with elections scheduled for April. Consider becoming a more active member of the CHSAAP and serving in one of our officer positions in the future! If you are able to commit to attending the meetings and taking an active part in the association consider submitting your name as a Director. Contact the Nominating Committee Chair, Steve Bianchi at [sbianchi2@verizon.net](mailto:sbianchi2@verizon.net)

More details in the next newsletter.

#### .....CHSAAP SPORTS HALL OF FAME IN PLANNING STAGES!

CHSAAP member Lyle Perra is heading up a committee to help form a CHSAAP Athletic Hall of Fame to honor great Central athletes over the decades. Induction is still a way off but so far, seven potential inductees are being considered. If you remember Central athletes or teams of the past that you feel would be deserving of such an honor, e-mail Lyle at [jmlep@cox.net](mailto:jmlep@cox.net), Paul O'Brian at



**.....CENTRAL KNIGHTS WITH BIG WINS IN FOOTBALL AND SOCCER**

After the Central Knights football team started the season with three losses, they have made an amazing comeback, winning three of four to move to third place in RIIL Div. 1-B! They have moved past four teams and only trail La Salle and powerful Cranston East. Coach Pete Rios's Knights recently defeated Rogers, 20-14 (with Ismael Fofana running back an interception 98 yards for a touchdown!), Barrington, 14-9 and, after a tough loss to Cumberland, 20-14 they came back to top Tolman, 15-12. Are the Knights playoff bound?

The Knights boys' soccer team recently rebounded from a 3-1 loss to Shea to come off the pitch with a 7-0 shellacking of Chariho in a Div. 1 match! The Central girl's soccer team also had a big win over Providence Country Day, 3-1, followed by a 1-1 tie with Tolman.

**....1960'S CENTRAL COACH TOM CAITO STILL ON THE GRID IRON!**

Congrats to former Central football coach Tom Caito for being recognized in a recent Providence Journal column by John Gillooly. Coach Caito led Central to several divisional titles in the 1960s. Later, he coached at Holliston and Chelmsford high schools in Massachusetts and at Merrimack College. One of the great stars he coached at Central was running back Bobby Thompson, who went on to play in college for the Oklahoma Sooners and then in the NFL with the Detroit Lions.

Coach Caito is now an assistant coach for the West Warwick Wizards in the RIIL, where the head coach just happens to be his nephew, Dave Caito!

CHSAAP members from the Central classes of the 60s remember Tom Caito with great fondness. All the best to you, coach! The CHSAAP directors and officers wish you all a great holiday season and good news for the New Year in the Centralite Newsletter come January!

**....NOTICE OF MEETING DATE CHANGE!**

Beginning in November the monthly meetings will be held on the SECOND Tuesday of the month, not the third. The November meeting will be at 4:30 at the school on November 14 and the December meeting will be at 4:30 at the school on December 12, 2017