



**ROCHESTER SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF
Alumni Association
RSDAA Newsletter**

Fall 2010

REUNION 2011 from Peter Simpkins, Class of 1973

Welcome to 135th anniversary and reunion of Rochester School for the Deaf, which will be held the weekend of October 14 -16, 2011. The tradition of reunions is an important part of RSD - both for the school and the Alumni Association. I was chairperson for the 125th reunion almost 10 years ago. It was a success with nearly 400 people attending. I hope we can do the same or maybe more next year. As of now, we have more than 30 committees planning this event. I look forward to welcoming you back in October 2011. Please encourage RSD alumni and their friends and family to attend this reunion. Thank you!

[CLICK HERE to get the RSD
135th Reunion Invitation](#)

Comments from RSDAA President Walter Genter

As President of the RSDAA - which represents all Rochester School for the Deaf alumni, it has been my charge and my pleasure to SERVE alumni by enhancing the relationship between the alumni and the RSD Administration. We are making great progress but, but there is much work to be done, and I want to ask for your continued cooperation and support. The RSDAA Board has been continuing the process of updating the Association's bylaws, and reviewing our membership numbers and structure. I am proud to be associated with a Board. We committed to the ultimate goal of Success for RSDAA. Together, we can influence the future of our Alma Mater, build a legacy that will maintain the name of the RSDAA, and therefore strengthen the reputation of RSD.

REMEMBERING RSD ALUMNI

Admas, John Joseph: Age 64; Passed away Thursday, December 17, 2009. He was a former student.

Burton, Lyle: Passed away on Tuesday, February 2, 2010. He attended Rochester School for the Deaf, and graduated from New York State School for the Deaf in Rome.



Buys, Paul S. Walworth, NY: Passed away Wednesday, February 10, 2010. He is survived by his son, James Paul Buys; grandson, Bailey James (Buys) Henderson; sisters, brothers, in-laws, nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles and friends.



Corcoran, Richard, “Corky”, Sr., 77; Passed away on Thursday, December 3, 2009. He graduated in 1951.



Marchese, Charles; Passed away Sunday, January 3, 2010. Age: 77. He was a former student.



Shores, Sandy Tarby; Passed away on June 16, 2010; Age 63. She graduated in 1961.



Wambach, Matthew Luke; 45 years old; Passed away on March 28, 2010. He graduated in 1981.



VanDreser, Alden; Age 90; Passed away on October 12, 2010. Married to Elizabeth, his RSD high school sweetheart for 58 years. She died in 2002.

EVENTS

RSDAA Holiday Feast - Pasta Dinner; Saturday, December 11, 2010, from 4:00 PM – 9:00 PM; Rochester School for the Deaf “New” Dining Room, 1545 St. Paul Street, Rochester NY 14621. Cost: \$15.00 per person. **RSVP: by December 3rd, 2010.**

[CLICK HERE to get the Dinner flyer and sign-up form](#)

