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Dr. Edward Tarlov ('56) and his book • Dr. Edward Tarlov (LSY: 8eme in 1948) shared this with us: "I was at the Lycée from 12eme to 8eme, during and right after World War II and have many wonderful memories of the experience. M. de Fontnouvelle was the head of the school and M. Durand, M. Habert, Mme Durieux and others were my fearsome teachers. Grading was on a scale of 20. One mistake on Dictée earned a 15, two errors 10 and three- ZERO. High standards which helped set the scale for subsequent years.

We lived across the street and could see over into the schoolyard from our windows. In Central Park where we went as a group on outings, military exercises were ongoing. M. Habert and M. Durand had red ribbons in their lapels - the Legion D'Honneur for brave deeds in the War. I joined the French Boy Scouts where we went on lower Fifth Avenue to learn the system of using signal flags. The girls in the class were all beautiful and I fell in love many times.

After becoming bilingual and learning enough about Charlemagne and Vercingetorix and the Rivers of France to last a lifetime, I went to Trinity School across the Park and after that to Phillips Academy in Andover Mass for 4 years, then on to Harvard College, graduating in 1960.

I was President of the Harvard Lampoon, one of the best jobs ever created. I then went on to the University of Chicago for Med School, the Johns Hopkins Hospital for training in Surgery, the National Institutes of Health in Bethesda where I was a Lieutenant Commander, and after that to the National Hospital for Neurological Disease in London. Then, to research in Neuroanatomy at the Anatomical Institute in Oslo, a period visiting Neurosurgical centers in France and the Residency at the Massachusetts General Hospital where I was on the Neurosurgical Staff for some years before joining the Lahey Clinic Department of Neurosurgery in 1977. I was President of the Neurosurgical Society of America and other Neurosurgical organizations, authored many papers and wrote a book on the back as well as editing several Neurosurgical books. I retired from Neurosurgery in 2012.



Diane (Kolin) Moss ('56)



Colette (Yamaoka) Sonderegger ('56)

Since then, with my wife Suzanne, a Professor of Neuroscience, we have traveled twice around the world, sailed a small boat across the Atlantic to the Azores and Ireland, manage beekeeping at our home by the sea in in Nahant (Mass.), still do some teaching and mentoring med students, involve myself in Book Clubs and amateur theatricals and generally enjoy myself seeing and being in touch with my old friends, including one of my best friends **Yves Feder ('55)** who was a year ahead of me at the Lycée and has had a great career in radio and music.

My years at the Lycée were a very important part of my education and life and cultural experience."

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• Diane (Kolin) Moss is "President and Chief Executive Officer of the Helena Rubinstein Foundation. [She has been there since] since 1968 and became President and CEO in 1993. At the Foundation she has emphasized the advancement of women and the arts in education. Prior to joining the Foundation, she worked for a publication in Paris and was with the New York advertising firm, Ogilvy & Mather. Moss participated in the President's Task Force on International Youth Exchanges at the White House and was inducted into the YWCA's Academy of Women Achievers. She was a member of the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors of the Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater for 18 years and formerly served as a Board member of Louise Wise Services and on the Executive committee of the Board of Directors of the Children's Blood Foundation at New York Hospital. Moss presently serves on the Executive Committee of the Board of Caramoor Center for Music and the Arts in Katonah, New York, and also as a Board Member of Art in Public Places in Key Biscayne. Moss served as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Whitney Museum of American Art, where she was also a member of the Education Committee. Until recently Moss also served on the Board of the Museum of Contemporary Art (MOCA) in North Miami. Diane Moss is married to Robert Moss and has been a Key Biscayne resident since 1995." (http://www.miamiartmuseum.org/pdf/2-2-09Mormile.pdf)

----- From December 2011 AALFNY Newsletter -----

In Memoriam:

- Joseph Arseguel (†April, 2011)
- Serge F. Angiel (†August 27, 2008)
- (See In memoriam section of this newsletter for further details, or click here)

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• Dr. Edward Tarlov "was born in Brooklyn, New York in 1938, the son of a Professor of Neurosurgery and an accomplished artist and sculptress. At Harvard he was Lampoon President and Ivy orator, and at the University of Chicago he won the Gellhorn Prize in Neurophysiology and the American academy of Neurology Research Prize. He trained on the Halsted Surgical Service at the Johns Hopkins Hospital......He had his Neurosurgical training at the Massachusetts General Hospital.....In 1977 after five years on the attending staff at the MGH he joined Dr Charles Fager at the Lahey Clinic. Dr Tarlov's work since that time has focused on general clinical neurosurgery and posterior fossa microsurgery...... He has had a 35-year experience with about 2000 operations for tic douloureux. He has also had a great interest in spinal surgery. He is the author of 60 articles and a book and editor of two books on subjects related to the spine.....In 1969 he married Suzanne Roffler.....Together they have raised Dr.Nicholas Tarlov, a Neurologist who is doing a fellowship in Interventional Stroke



Above: Waldemar Kasriels ('56 and Prof. de Gym) Below: Anthony Phillips ('56)

Neurology at the Boston Medical Center, and Katherine, who is a premedical student at Harvard."

----- From November 2010 AALFNY Newsletter -----

• Avis de Décès: John Kaiser passed away on October 31, 2009. (See In memoriam section of this newsletter for further details, or <u>click here</u>)

• "WESTPORT-March 10, 2010: As a child, **Waldemar Kasriels** wasn't allowed to play outside like the typical young boy. His parents didn't want him to engage in 'rough and tumble activities' for fear he might get hurt or even lose his life. But his life choices have been just the reverse.

The owner of Normandie Beach Club on Furnace Point Lane devotes his life to giving others the opportunity to enjoy the outdoor world. He believes in opening up this world to everyone — but especially for children.

Kasriels, now 73, was born in France in 1937. His father was stationed in New York City as a representative of the French government responsible for promoting French products in the United States. The family moved back and forth between the two countries with some frequency, and the boy grew up bilingual.

A GLORIOUS VIEW: By the age of 20, Kasriels supported himself by picking up odd jobs in New York City. In time, he assumed the responsibility of running the sports activities of the **Lycée Francais** there.... During winter breaks, Kasriels led ski trips and gave skiing lessons. In the summer, he rented facilities in New England to run as summer camps for children. Some of those were less than satisfactory, for example the one that featured a dining room with a collapsed roof.....

Eventually, Kasriels began to search the real-estate advertisements for a camp on the market. He left Vermont and headed for the Adirondacks with little knowledge of the area.

'I crossed Lake Champlain in September and found this place in Westport.'

The property's main house had once been the home of Chicago department store magnate Marshall Field...... 'In 1970,' Kasriels said, 'I opened a camp here for children aged 6 to 16. Many of my early campers came from the Lycée Francais.....'

SUMMER RESORT: By the mid-'90s, Camp Normandie had fallen prey to the conditions affecting all childrens camps. Economic problems, the changing interests of children and the costs of maintenance ate away at their very existence. So it was time for a change. Kasriels turned Camp Normandie into a summer resort featuring a sandy beach with an array of waterfront activities, tennis and basketball courts, a swimming pool, informal lakeside dining at the Coco Café by the waterfront and a more formal dinner environment up the hill. The camp cabins were extensively renovated and converted to

individual and family rental lodges......His wife, Molly, takes care of camp registrations and the finances....

'When I walk around this property at this time of year, I realize how much I have done to make it as

beautiful as it is,' Kasriels said. 'Yet the beauty of this land was here long before me and will be here long after I am gone.' " (<u>http://pressrepublican.com/0100 news/x794090585/Beach-Club-represents-lifes-work-for-Westport-Man</u>)

----- From December 2006 AALFNY Newsletter -----

David Bolotine is the Head of the Frank Melville Jr. Memorial Library at Stony Brook University.

----- From November 2004 AALFNY Newsletter -----

Tony Phillips wrote: "I'm Professor of Mathematics at Stony Brook University, where I've been since 1968 (among my SBU colleagues are Clifford Huffman and David Bolotine; Eleanor Zimmerman '49 is now Emerita). I have two children: a son Gaston (born in Paris) and a daughter Cecilia, both out of college but still in school. More professional news at http://www.math.sunysb.edu/~tony" To access photos of class of '56 posted by Tony, click here.