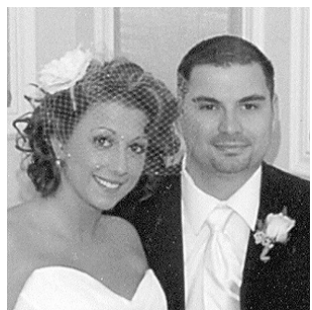
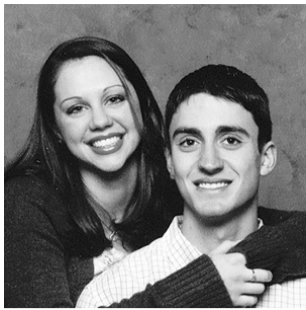


ANNOUNCEMENTS



Pucine-Vitale

Sheri Vitale and Richard A. Pucine were united in marriage on April 28, 2009. The 3 pm ceremony took place at Treasure Island in Las Vegas. Maid of honor was Mandy Durse, best man was Justin Valenta and groomsmen was Robert Ficarro. Sheri is the daughter of Anthony C. Vitale and Cindy A. Trascritti of Utica. The groom is the son of Rita and the late Richard J. Pucine. Sheri is a graduate of T.R. Proctor H.S. and completed the Cosmetology Program at BOCES. She is a licensed cosmetologist at Grippe's Hairstyling. Richard is a graduate of Notre Dame H.S., has an A.A.S. in Criminal Justice from M.V.C.C. and a B.A. in Public Justice from SUNY Oswego. He is currently working on his M.B.A. at SUNY I.T. and is employed as the Director of Academic Systems at M.V.C.C. The couple resides in Utica.



Bell-Masi

A June 5, 2010 wedding at the Church of the Holy Family in Vernon is planned, for Heather Ann Masi and Aaron Clayton Bell. The future bride is the daughter of Vito & Terry Masi of Vernon Center, NY. She is the granddaughter of Carlo & Elizabeth Masi of New Hartford and the late Albert & Audrey Solomito. The groom is the son of Clayton Bell of Sprakers and Deborah Vosburgh of Palatine Bridge. He is the grandson of Nita Bell of Sprakers and the late Richard Bell and Earl & Virginia Vosburgh of Canajoharie. Heather is a graduate of Verona-Verona Sherrill HS. She is certified in radiological technology from Faxton St. Luke's School of Radiography and is a radiological technologist at St. Elizabeth's Hospital. Aaron is a graduate of Fort Plain HS and is currently a diesel mechanic at Penske Truck Leasing in Whitesboro.



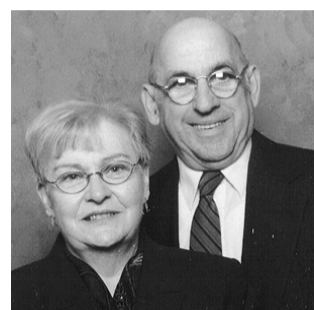
Howard-60th

Donald and Irene (Baldwin) Howard were married Sept. 4, 1949 at the Seventh Day Baptist Church in Leonardsville, NY. They have six children: David & Maryellen Howard, Daniel Howard, Deborah & David Pentecost, Dion & Kimberly Howard, Donna & Peter Pesta and Denys Axtell. They have 12 grandchildren: Christine, Thomas, John, Becky, Matt, Jessica, Kayleigh, Sienna, Megan, Morghen, Austin, and the late Michael.



Kurdziolek-50th

Ronald and Bernadine Kurdziolek will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary with a renewal of their vows on October 24, 2009 at St. Rose of Lima Parish in N. Syracuse following with a reception at Barbagallo's Restaurant. Ronald and the former Bernadine Nestorek were married at Holy Trinity Church in Utica on October 24, 1959. They have three children: Michael and his wife Jacqueline of North Syracuse, Susan and her husband Mark Lohm of West Monroe and Mark and his wife Kathleen of Streator, IL. They have seven grandchildren and one newborn great-grandson. Ronald retired in 1994 from UPS where he worked as a delivery driver. Bernadine retired in 1985 from Plaza Nursing Home (Now Rosewood Heights) where she was a registered nurse.



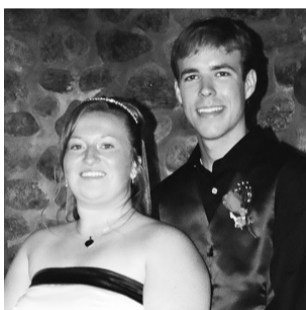
Langone-50th

The family and friends of Eugene and Mary Fanning Langone gathered together on August 1, 2009 to celebrate their fiftieth wedding anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Langone were married August 1, 1959 at Saint Bernard's Catholic Church in Waterville. Pastor Jodi Haier renewed the couples wedding vows and a reception followed at the Roselawn Restaurant. The couple have four children: Eugene Jr. and his wife Amy of Watertown, Susan of Whitesboro, Anthony of West Virginia and Timothy of Utica. The couple's six grandchildren, David, Nicole, John, Hannah, Michael and Jessica were all able to attend the celebration. Mr. Langone is a retired distribution manager and worked for Tehan's in New Hartford. Mrs. Langone worked as a medical technologist and is retired from Slocum-Dickson Medical Group of New Hartford.



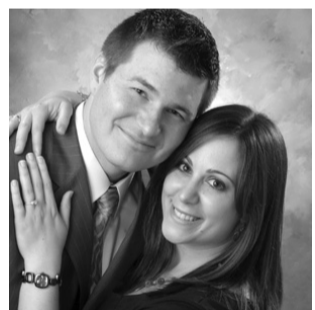
DeTraglia-Damiano

Allison A. Damiano & Gustave J. DeTraglia III were married on October 18, 2008 at St. Paul's Catholic Church in Whitesboro. Father Abraham Esper officiated. The bride is the daughter of Daniel A. and Diane R. Damiano of Whitesboro. The groom is the son of Gustave J. Jr. and Mary J. DeTraglia of New Hartford. Allison is a graduate of Whitesboro HS, and earned a Bachelor's degree in Government and Politics from Utica College. She is an Account Manager with Paige Marketing Communications Group. Gustave graduated from New Hartford Sr. HS and earned a Bachelor's degree in Political Science from Hobart College. He received a Juris Doctorate degree from Quinnipiac University School of Law and practices law in Utica. The maid of honor was Amanda Damiano. The best man was Matt McDermott. Bridesmaids were Michele DeTraglia, Maryellen Chainey, Maimun Khan and Lisa Coughlin. Groomsmen were JaeMi Pennington, Michael Ruiz, Matthew Chuff and Jeffrey Kolb. Following a reception at the Radisson Hotel, the couple honeymooned in Italy. They reside in New Hartford.



Hall-Clemens

Tricia Clemens & Adam Hall married on September 12, 2009. The ceremony took place at Camp Aldersgate on Brantingham Lake. The bride is the daughter of Wayne & Barbara Clemens of Ilion and Wayne Windecker & Ann Clemens of Richfield Springs. The groom is the son of James & Deanna Hall of Cassville. Maid of honor was Jessica Ford and best man was Matthew Vincent. Bridesmaid was Katie Schuessler and groomsmen was Michael Petty. Ring bearer was Timothy Lavier, Jr. and flower girl was Stephanie Clemens. Tricia is a graduate of Ilion Jr/Sr HS and Utica College where she received her B.S. in Criminal Justice with an interest in animal cruelty & environmental protection. Adam is a graduate of Mount Markham HS and Cornell University where he earned his B.S. in Animal Science with interest in animal training & behavior.



Powers-Iacovissi

An October 8, 2010 wedding is planned for Courtney L. Iacovissi and Patrick A. Powers. The future bride is the daughter of Rick & Debra Iacovissi of Rome. The future groom is the son of Stephen & Juanita Powers of Scotia. Courtney is a graduate of Rome Free Academy and has a Bachelors and Masters in Education from SUNY Geneseo. She is currently attending Ellis Hospital School of Nursing in Schenectady to become a registered nurse. Patrick is a graduate of Scotia-Glenville HS and has a Doctorate of Pharmacy from Albany College of Pharmacy. He is a pharmacist in the capital district.



'The Magician's Elephant' an elegant, imaginative story

Los Angeles Times

REVIEW

Newbery Medal winner Kate DiCamillo has made a specialty of chronicling animal protagonists who overcome unfortunate circumstances to become better versions of themselves.

Whether she's writing about a big-eared mouse who defies familial expectations in "The Tale of Despereaux" or a haughty rabbit who learns humility and the true meaning of love in "The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane," her stories are masterful middle-reader gems that inspire, educate and entrance.

With her latest book, "The Magician's Elephant," DiCamillo again delivers an elegant and imaginative story, this time centered on a pachyderm mistakenly conjured by a magician in a trick gone wildly wrong.

The magician, "of advanced years and failing reputation," intends to produce a bouquet of lilies to impress a local noblewoman. Instead, he gets an elephant, which crashes through an opera house ceiling before a live audience and falls into the woman's lap.

Such a delightfully absurd premise

is made even more mysterious and charming by the era in which it takes place. In DiCamillo-speak, it's "the end of the century before last," when class divisions are severe, the social order well-defined and little boys such as 10-year-old orphan Peter Augustus Duchene are encouraged to obey their masters, no matter how misguided the intentions of those masters might be.

Bringing the characters together for a happy ending requires its own special magic, which is enhanced by DiCamillo's finely rendered Old World writing – and the gorgeously muted pencil illustrations of Los Angeles artist Yoko Tanaka.

ADVICE

Being gracious to ungrateful girlfriend tough for parents

Dear Abby: My husband and I have always had a warm and close relationship with our college-age children. We often host their friends in our home, making certain they're comfortable, well-fed and welcome.

My son brought his girlfriend home for long weekends several times this year. Not once has she said thank you for meals, gifts or entertainment. When I asked her if the standing rib roast I had served was OK – it's my specialty – she said it wasn't cooked the way she likes it. She shows absolutely no interest in us, our home or the community in which our children grew up. She does offer to clear the table, but that's the extent of it. Upon leaving, she will say, "thanks." With the exception of one brief e-mail, we have never received a written note from her.

We love our son, and he may love her. But we're not eager to clean, shop for, cook and host this young lady again. If our son wants to bring her home for another holiday, what do you suggest we say or do? – *Disgusted in Seattle*

Dear Disgusted: While your feelings are understandable, and you may be tempted to tell your son what you have told me, bite your tongue. If you say anything negative about his girlfriend, it will make him defensive and his instinct will be to defend her.

It would not, however, be "attacking" her to gently share with him that you and his father were "disappointed" that you never received a thank-you note from his houseguest, and wonder if she was raised without having been taught the social graces. If he's serious about her, he might clue her in. But if he doesn't, and he wants to bring her home for the holidays, I have the ideal gift for her – a book on etiquette.

Dear Abby: Last week my oldest daughter shocked me by informing me that her father had molested her and her sister many times when they were little. When I told her that I had known nothing about it, she screamed and called me a liar.

Abby, I was in great distress when my children were young. I didn't know what was going on. I divorced him when the two youngest were 5. He was an alcoholic and bipolar, in and out of jail and mental hospitals frequently. I would be in prison today had I known, because I would have killed him.

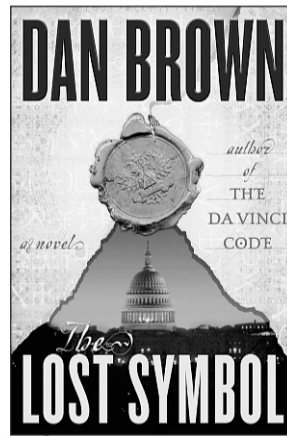
Now, 46 years later, I am asking your advice. Is there anything I can do to this child molester? He ruined both of our daughters' lives. My oldest has been drug and alcohol addicted for years. She is only now dealing with her addictions. He lives in a group home for bipolar people and often goes on rampages.

Please direct me to a resource for help. I have been in Al-Anon for 41 years and a born-again Christian for 37 years, which has helped me cope with the 19 years of hell my children and I have lived through. – *Houston Reader*

Dear Reader: Talk to your daughters and ask them to report to the police what happened to them. It would be a step in taking back control of their lives, and because their father may have done this more recently with other little girls, the police should know his history. While it may be too late to prosecute your ex-husband for what he did to his daughters, if he has continued molesting, it may not be too late to get him for something he has done more recently.

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Write Dear Abby at www.Dear-Abby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069.

WALL STREET JOURNAL BEST-SELLERS



BROWN

"The Lost Symbol" by Dan Brown (Doubleday)

FICTION

1. "The Lost Symbol" by Dan Brown (Doubleday)
2. "An Echo in the Bone" by Diana Gabaldon (Delacorte Press)
3. "The Last Song" by Nicholas Sparks (Grand Central Publishing)
4. "The Help" by Kathryn Stockett (Putnam/Amy Einhorn)
5. "Where the Wild Things Are" by Maurice Sendak (HarperTrophy)
6. "Her Fearful Symmetry" by Audrey Niffenegger (Scribner)
7. "Rough Country" by John Sandford (Putnam Adult)
8. "Catching Fire" by Suzanne Collins (Scholastic Press)
9. "Breaking Dawn" by Stephenie Meyer (Little, Brown for Young Readers)
10. "South of Broad" by Pat Conroy (Nan A. Talese)
11. "Diary of a Wimpy Kid: The Last Straw" by Jeff Kinney (Amulet Books)
12. "The Perfect Christmas" by Debbie Macomber (Mira)
13. "The Hunger Games" by Suzanne Collins (Scholastic Press)
14. "Hothouse Orchid" by Stuart Woods (Putnam Adult)
15. "Alex Cross's Trial" by James Patterson, Richard DiLallo (Little, Brown)

NONFICTION

1. "Have a Little Faith: A True Story" by Mitch Albom

2. "Arguing with Idiots: How to Stop Small Minds and Big Government" by Glenn Beck and Kevin Balfe (Threshold Editions)
3. "True Compass: A Memoir" by Edward M. Kennedy (Twelve)
4. "The Time of My Life" by Patrick Swayze, Lisa Niemi (Atria)
5. "Living With Confidence In A Chaotic World" by David Jeremiah (Thomas Nelson)
6. "High On Arrival" by Mackenzie Phillips (Simon Spotlight Entertainment)
7. "Where Men Win Glory: The Odyssey of Pat Tillman" by Jon Krakauer (Doubleday)
8. "The Greatest Show on Earth: The Evidence for Evolution" by Richard Dawkins (Free Press)
9. "The Murder of King Tut" by James Patterson, Martin Dugard (Little, Brown)
10. "Outliers: The Story of Success" by Malcolm Gladwell (Little, Brown and Company)
11. "Official Book Club Selection: A Memoir According to Kathy Griffin" by Kathy Griffin (Ballantine Books)
12. "Half the Sky: Turning Oppression into Opportunity for Women Worldwide" by Nicholas D. Kristof, Sheryl WuDunn (Knopf)
13. "Culture of Corruption: Obama and His Team