

Sarah (Sally) Conley Kostera - Class of 1963

1963 – Graduated from Haverling Central School

1963 – 1967 Student at the Boston Conservatory of Music as a dance major.

In 1966, I began apprenticing with the Boston Ballet Theater Company while continuing my academics at the Conservatory.

I continued dancing and performing with the Company and in the summers of 1968 and 1969 did summer stock – dancing at the “Music Circus” in Cohasset, MA. In 1968, we did “West Side Story” (I was a “Jet” girlfriend.) In 1969, we did “Flower Drum Song” (I was a nightclub stripper - my parents and grandparents were VERY HAPPY to learn that we wore body stockings, thus fully clothed!!!)

I had a serious spinal surgery in 1970 thus ending my performing career. But I have gone on to raise a family and own and direct and be choreographer for Hammondsport Dance Arts from 1984 -2004.

From 2018 – 2020, I taught for Raphael Grigorian in Elmira, a lovely experience.

I feel blessed for all of these experiences, but now my body says “Nope, no more. We are old!!