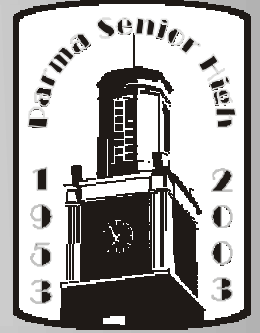


The Tradition

Parma Senior High Alumni Newsletter



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Message from the Superintendent of the Parma City Schools

By Dr. Sarah Zatik

I would like to congratulate Parma Senior High School on its 50th Anniversary. The Parma City Schools and I are proud of the accomplishments of Parma Sr. High and its many Alumni. We wish you success on the events planned.

From the President's Desk

By Tony DeMarco 1962

In October of 1953 the "Queen of High Schools" opened at 6285 W54 St. and Longwood Avenue. Parma Sr. High School replaced Parma Schaaf Sr. High School, which replaced the High School at Ridge Road. Each school has had a proud history and loyal graduates. It is now time to celebrate Parma Sr. High Schools 50th Anniversary - join us.

Alumni Events

1. All decades teams will be introduced at all home games starting with the 50's & 60's team on August 22nd at Byers Field.
2. A free ticket to the Homecoming game October 10th included in this edition of the Tradition.
3. **A home coming reception after the game for all alumni at the PSHS cafeteria-9 PM to midnight.** Bring your Alumni card.
4. A free homecoming mum to the first 500 alumni when you present your new lifetime PSH Alumni membership card included in this edition of the Tradition on page 4.
5. Hall of Fame inductions on November 7th with a dinner at the PSHS cafeteria that evening. Tickets will be purchased in advance if you would like to attend the dinner.
6. Dedication of the Alumni Hall of Fame granite plaque in the Auditorium lobby.
7. Dedication of a new bronze plaque for all those PSH ALUMNI who lost their lives in battle during World War II. It will go next to the plaque for PSH ALUMNI who lost their lives in battle during the Korean and Viet Nam Wars.
8. Repair of the clock tower with new lighting and a sound system that will chime the alma mater at noon each day.
9. Installation of new trophy cases in the gym wing and refurbishing of some of the old trophies.
10. A commemorative 2004 Yearbook on sale to all Alumni for \$45 + \$5 shipping and handling. The 2004 class yearbook will contain a 100-page insert of alumni memorabilia and letters from alumni about their favorite staff and times at Parma Senior High, Schaaf Senior High and Ridge Road Parma Sr. High. For more information about event and times look on line at the PSH ALUMNI ASSOCIATION web page or call the office.

The 2003 Parma Sr. High School Alumni Scholarships

The PSHS Alumni Association was proud to award 5 \$1000 scholarships to 5 Parma High School Seniors this year. With the help of donations and fund raisers, this was the largest number of scholarships awarded in a single year.

The George "Red" Rees Scholarship awarded to: CASSANDRA MASLANKO. She will attend Baldwin Wallace College

The PSH Alumni Memorial Scholarship awarded to: ROBERT HADDAD. Major in Business and Math.

The Board of Trustees Scholarship awarded to: CHRISTINA GUY. She will attend Ashland University

The Lee Bailey Scholarship awarded to: PATRICK DOBROWOLSKI. He will attend The Toledo University

The Ann "Mike" White Scholarship awarded to: CALLISTA REGAS. She will attend Miami University of Ohio

Parma High Alumni In Iraq or Afghanistan

This is a list of PSH Alumni men and women serving: **Mike Velk, Chris Cotleur, Diana Viniky, Phil Oriti, Michael Gruse, Jim Curtain, Diane Hurt, and Brian Borkowski.** We wish them all a safe return home to their family and friends.

PSHS Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting of the Parma Senior High School Alumni Association was held Monday, July 7, 2003 at 5:00 PM at Schaaf Community Center on W 54th Street in Parma. All class reunion chairpersons were invited to the meeting for an update of the IRS requirements for non-profit organizations and some of the changes in procedures for reunion committees. Over 35 alumni showed up with classes from 1933 to 1986 represented. The one and one half

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*Our Major Fundraiser

Alumni Scholarship Golf Outing

The PSH Alumni Association 7th Annual Golf Outing was held Wednesday June 25, 2003 at 9:00 AM at Ridgewood Golf Course in Parma. We were able to get 70 golfers and 19 hole sponsors along with a number of door prize donations. The cost of the outing was only \$85.00 per person, which included golf, a cart, breakfast provided by Eat-n-Park on Snow Rd., lunch provided by Mr., Hero on Pearl Rd in Middleburg Hts. (owned by Bob Funk 55'), dinner and

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Reunion News

We have a number of classes who do not have a chairperson of record. The previous reunion chair has an invalid address in our database, or the chair has died, or the chair is not interested in chairing the committee. Whatever the reason we are in need of a new chairperson. If you were on the previous class reunion committee and would like to assume the chair or if you are from the class and would just like to chair a totally new committee for your class, please contact us in writing stating your intent. Send them to the PSH Alumni Reunion Committee, Attn: Anthony DeMarco, 6285 W 54th St, Parma, OH 44129. Class reunions are usually held in June, July, August, September, October, and November.

- 1944** 60th Reunion Contact Thomas Eaton 440-871-4672 or Robert Wirth 440-843-7304 no information to date.
1949 55th Reunion Contact Elaine Quint 440-843-3872 or Ethel Horvath in the planning stages.

1954 50th Reunion September of 2004 Contact Dr. William Tucheck at 330-725-5662 or billtucheck@aol.com September 17, 18, 19, at the Radisson Hotel in Middleburg Hts. on Engle Rd.

1959 No Information This class does not have its reunion money in trust with the Alumni Association.

1964 40th Reunion Contact Chuck Germana 440-842-8420 No information to date.

1969 We do not have a reunion chairperson for this reunion, or an updated address for the previous chairman George Mihal.

1974 We do not have a reunion chairperson for this reunion, or an updated address for the previous chairperson Brenna Babb Roth.

1979 We do not have a reunion chairperson for this reunion, or an updated address for the previous chairperson Pamela Basta Wiseman.

1984 20th Reunion Contact Albert Bessey 196 Central St. Holliston Ma 01746 1-578-429-6328 Sara Brinkman Toma 440-446-1858 No information to date.

1989 15th Reunion Contact Mark Fortuna

5217 W 16th St. Parma, Oh 44134 No information to date.

1994 10th reunion Contact President of the Class We do not have a current address and do not have a class officer in charge. No information to date.

The following reunions have yet to take place at the time of printing.

1943 60th Reunion Sept. 27th at the Radisson Hotel on Engle Rd Contact Rosemary Kunzer Williams 440-842-4237

1948 55th Reunion Oct. 3, 4, & 5 at the Clarion Hotel on Bagley Rd. Contact Dave Kane 216-941-7572

1953 50th Reunion Oct. 10, 11, & 12 at the Embassy Suites at I-77 and Rockside Contact Elaine Rebar Cook 440-333-0031

1958 45th Reunion Oct. 4th at the Radisson Hotel on Engle Rd. Contact Ed Sarian 440-886-6706 edirenesarian@aol.com

1978 25th November Contact Gail Demczak at 330-225-1934

In Memoriam

1950 Jerry Nowinski Nov 11, 2004 Sent by his sister Joan Sinko '56
 1953 Donna Roger Martz May 2, Sent in by her sister MJ Blum Skrant '45
 1955 Kathy Young Collins 2003 Kathy was a member of the Alumni Board 2001/2 and worked on many projects. She will be missed
 1967 Danial Povtak June 16, 2003 Sent by his wife Mary Ann
 1955 Judith Miller Kirby May 29, 2003 Judith was a nationally known artist and designer sent by Kay Print Janney '55
 1947 Lawrence Gideon 2003
 1955 Kenneth Dobro 2003
 1955 Adelaide Dover Allerton
 1945 Roger Schumacher
 1948 James Placak
 1950 Rosemary Hajek
 1952 Jack Ashworth
 1953 Rose Mary Antal Smith
 1953 Richard Banks
 1953 Marge Bendjock Jeromos
 1953 Charles Coup
 1953 Ronald Darmour
 1953 Peter Enea
 1953 John Ezinski
 1953 Paul Faulhaber
 1953 David Fuchs
 1953 June Gannon Mortach

1954 Dolores Bender
 1954 Joan Crawford Bradford
 1954 Donna Nester Kom
 1958 Douglas Adams
 1958 Bert Beck
 1958 Beverly Bittel
 1958 Janet Patton
 1958 Dennis Wilson
 1960 Dianne Scheffler DeMuth
 1961 James Dillon
 1962 Sandra Felice Rolle
 1962 Bonnie Mooney Brinker
 1962 Raymond Samosky
 1962 James Schildnecht
 1963 James Trunket
 1964 Elmer Bessick
 1965 Sharon Mikolajski Pirosko
 1966 Dan Calabrese
 1966 Dan Strasshofer
 1968 Mark Hurr
 1968 Bruce McGloin
 1972 Gary Hajtinger
 1974 Jane Niziolek Germana
 1981 James Pacza
 1984 Peter Sokolowski
 1953 Gildo Zaccardelli
 1953 Carol Young Magdos
 1953 Marie Trusz
 1953 Marion Toms Flanagan
 1953 Carl Szakacs

PSH Alumni Financial Status

The economy has hit the Alumni Association like the rest of America. Since our constitution prohibits our Trust Fund monies to be invested into anything that could lose any of the principal, we rely on CD's and money markets from banks and credit unions for the interest to operate on. We are in sound financial shape, but we may have to tighten our belt a little for next year. We continue to operate in a sound financial manner and continue to protect all monies held in trust.

New Alumni Item For Sale

Parma Alumni Cap Grey with Red Embroidered Lettering "Parma Senior High Alumni" only \$15 which includes shipping. One size fits all.



Annual Meeting (from page 1)

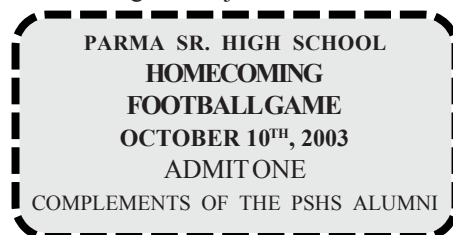
hour meeting explained the new packet of reunion materials sent to each alumni chair that will be having a reunion this coming year. Committee chairs were also informed of the 50th anniversary celebration events planned for the year. Other important information presented:

- Area hotels working with the Alumni Assoc. on reunion package prices.
- Reunion chairpersons were asked to update their class list on the directory and received a free web directory subscription to help with the updates.

Under new business the following were elected to the board of directors of the PSHS Alumni Association.

1. Anthony DeMarco '62 President
2. Lee Bailey 29' Treasurer
3. Dianna Pavisich Kall 78' Vice President
4. Cheryl Korelec Kienast 77' Corresponding Secretary
5. Carol Lisy Bartel 54' Recording Secretary
6. Darlene Wendel DeMarco 63'
7. Christine Panek Sobolewski 62'
8. Nancy Fedak 66'
9. Louis Bentzen 61'
10. Marilyn Marquette Coleman 53'
11. Thomas Speck 62'

The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 PM



Alumni Addresses
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6285 W 54th St
Parma, OH 44129
Attn: Tony DeMarco
Phone No: 440-572-8505

PARMA SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION
PARMA OHIO

LIFE MEMBER
This is to certify that

is a life member of the PSHS Alumni Association
Membership Chairman
Anthony DeMarco, President

Golf Outing (from page 1)

doorprizes. This event is the major fundraiser for our scholarships. Our many thanks to the following sponsors and donators. Please support the businesses and individuals who have contributed and plan on joining us next June 23rd for the outing at Ridgewood Golf course in Parma.

- **Hole Sponsors** – Antonio's Restaurant Parmatown, Fred Laschavio 74' - Bartel Realtors, Jim Bartel 51' - Balley and Bergold 29' - Dean Depiero - Dr. Dowd, Zanoudakis, Mentessi Doctors of Optometry - Dr. Anthony Iacobucci, D.D.S. 60' - Hospitality Restaurants (Blue Point) Kay Ameen 73' - John Michael Photography - Dr. Kurt Stanic Superintendent Parma Schools - Gerald Boldt Mayor City of Parma - Parma Car Care Specialists Inc. State Rd. Fred Cerny 84' - Parma Sr. High Gil Fritzsche 65' Principal - PSE Credit Union Inc. - Tim Dobeck - William Mason 73 - Winar # 1 Sales Bill Winar 62' - Parma Education Association.

- **Donations and Door Prizes** - Bam Advertising N. Richland Hills, Texas Betty Mayo 62' - Corleone's Italian Restaurant Broadview Rd. - Holiday Inn Select Strongsville - Joe Neira 54' - Ironwood Golf Course - Pazzo's Restaurant & Wine Market - Quotes II Ridge Rd. Parma Rich Jones 78' - Suburban Hair Cutting Parma Hts. Jim Francik 58' - Sarah Zatik Assistant Superintendent

- **The winners of the event** - Class Trophy - 1986 Steve Borowske Captain - Mens Team tie Team Damon DeMarco and Team Howard Murphy, - Couples Team Winar/Lanard, - Womens Team - Team Debbi Funk.

Business Operations Of the Alumni Assoc.
The PSHS Alumni Assoc. currently has a CPA who keeps the books for the Assoc. and files all our paper work with the Internal Revenue Service. We also have an Audit Committee made up of two alumni bankers and one independent banker, who audit the books bi-monthly. We have a lawyer on retainer and volunteer Alumni Lawyers who advise us. All officers are bonded and insured.

Notice: If you do not want your name listed in the on-line directory, you must notify us in writing by Oct. 31 2003. Class lists are for Alumni use only.

Hall of Fame

The Parma Senior High Alumni Association Hall Of Fame Committee has selected 4 Alumni members for induction into the Hall of Fame. The induction will take place on November 7th at an assembly in the PSHS auditorium in the morning and there will be a dinner reception that evening in the PSH cafeteria at 7 P.M. If you would like to attend the dinner call Cheryl Kienast at 216-661-6934 for reservations. The new inductees: Barbara Kitchen Siegfried 1955 Spanish Teacher IN - William Link 1975 Music Teacher MI - Curt Liebert 1944 NASA OH - William Mason 1977 Chief County Prosecutor OH.

History of Parma High Schools Part I

by Ken Lavelle

On November 22, 1853 there was a vote for the construction of a local High School. Only 16 men voted for it and it was defeated. Thus for many years students who attended high school continued their education by traveling to Cleveland with the Parma trustees paying for their education.

Eventually, over time the state board of education and the members of the State legislature created the county school board. As early as 1894, women could run for the school board offices and vote in school elections. Men and women have always worked as teachers in the Parma Schools.

There have been four different 'Parma High School' buildings over time in the Parma School District. The first Parma High School was located at the corner of Bean and Ridge Roads. It consisted of two one-room schoolhouses. Miss Foote taught the 9th and 10th grades. Miss Wolf taught the 11th and 12th grades. Miss Wolf was the principal of the high school. This rural high school was operated by the Cuyahoga County Board of Education from 1910 until 1930 with the cooperation of the six elected Parma Township Rural School District board members.

The deaths of Miss Foote and Miss Wolf on February 16th, 1921 was a shock to all Parma Township residents and a local police force was created as a result of their unsolved murders along Bean Rd. This local murder case remains a mystery. A memorial in their memory was placed near the entrance to the Cleveland Zoo on December 1, 1932 in the old Brooklyn area of Cleveland, Ohio.

2003 PSH Directory and Newsletter Order Forms

Name _____ Graduation Year _____

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Email _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

On-Directory ___\$10 Newsletter 1 year ___\$6 2 years ___\$11

3 years ___\$15 CHECK ONE

Make checks (**no cash**) payable to: *PSH Alumni Association.*

Send to: PSH Alumni, 6285 West 54th St. Parma, OH 44129

PSH FUNDRAISERS

SWEATS, GOLFSHIRTS, LICENSE PLATEFRAME, CAPS, AND MUGS

Here are some items for any occasion.

Order by sending a check or money order to PSH Alumni Assoc. 6285 W. 54th St., Parma, OH 44129. State size of shirt. Allow 4 weeks for delivery.



PSHS Alumni gifts

Caps \$15 Golf Shirt \$25 (L, XL) Mug \$7.50 T-Shirt \$20 (M, L, XL, XXL) Sweatshirt \$30 (M, L, XL, XXL) License Plate Frame \$6.00

Yearbooks for sale

Parma Senior High Alumni Association has acquired yearbooks from various sources and we are selling to support the college scholarship program.

If you have yearbooks you no longer want, perhaps you will consider donating to this project. We are missing from the permanent collection 1932, 1934, 1937, 1938. Yearbooks are sold, as is, most are in "healthy" condition, some might have a few pages loose, or the spines split.

1942	5	1950	5	1963	3	1980	23	1997	1
1943	2	1951	2	1964	3	1983	15	1998	106
1944	7	1952	11	1969	9	1988	2	2000	8
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1946	1	1955	3	spines		1990	1		
1947	1	1956	8	split		1991	89		
1948	6	1957	1	1977	1	1995	12		
1949	2	1961	2	1978	16	1996	7		

Yearbook Order Form

Name _____ Class of _____

Address _____ City _____

State _____ Zip _____

Yearbook Year _____ \$40.00

Postage 5.00

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Parma, OH 44129

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