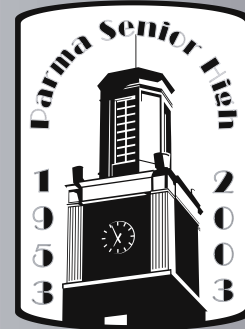


# The Tradition

Parma Senior High Alumni Newsletter



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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Alumni,

Finally!!!! Some nice weather; but this is Cleveland, so, we know the weather will be changing in the next 10 minutes. Your Alumni Association has been hard at work with lots of projects this past winter and spring. So, I will again try to list for you all that we have going on:

1. We will again add names to the Bailey Bell Tower plaque this coming June 12<sup>th</sup>--four alumni will be honored at a reception in their honor. They are: George "Red" Rees, Gerald Siegmyer, Don Smerk and Tony DeMarco. The reception is at 7pm in the PSH Auditorium lobby and all are welcome.
2. We will again be at Senior Check-Out handing out a short newsletter on what we do for alums.
3. Our 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Scholarship Golf Outing will be on Wednesday, June 27<sup>th</sup> at Ridgewood Golf Course. We are again looking for a shotgun start at 9am. Golfers and Hole Sponsors are still welcome. This year we are awarding six \$1000 scholarships to graduating seniors and have already awarded one \$350 teacher grant. Contact Lou Bentzen at 330-225-5091 for more information.
4. Our Annual meeting has been moved to the Conference Rooms at Parmatown. It is on Monday, July 9, 2007, at 6pm AND everyone is welcome.
5. Classes ending in 2's and 3's are planning and giving final touches to their upcoming reunions. 1937 is celebrating their 70<sup>th</sup> reunion this year!!!!!! Congrats to all of you from that class!!!!!!
6. Mark Friday, October 19<sup>th</sup> on your calendars as that is Homecoming and we will again have the tent outside the Day Drive entrance to Byers' Field. Refreshments and mums will be available to all that join us there.

Please remember to update your personal data with us, as this is the only way we can keep in touch. AND, if you are looking for an easy donation, how about one dollar for every year since you graduated????? We are a 501C3, so, everything is deductible and it would help us in our operating as it is getting more costly for us. You can make checks out to PSH Alumni Association, 6285 West 54<sup>th</sup> Street, Parma, 44129. We will send a receipt if you need.

Thanks again for all your support and GO REDMEN!!!

Nancy Fedak, president, 1966

## FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

by Anthony DeMarco '62

We now have an Archival Room on the first floor of PSH. It took some time for the school system to give us a room, but they did and we are grateful. The room has been painted and a new rug installed. We have display boards to be hung and shelving to be installed. We have a donated copy machine (Parma Area Chamber of Commerce) and a desk from the late asst. principal Chester Gibson. One of the most important additions was a storage room on the third floor in front of the auditorium. That storage room now allows us to put all the memorabilia on 6 large storage systems. I have been receiving photos, books, certificates and all forms of cherished memorabilia dating back to 1924. I am so glad that we are now on the way to show current students and all alumni the Parma High School past. I am now in charge of a show place that will use multimedia and genuine artifacts to showcase events and individuals. I hope you will join me by sending me your treasures (or copies) from your days at Ridge Road, Schaaf, or Parma Senior High. I promise you we will take very good care of the treasures you send us.

We would like to thank the classes of '98,'99,'00,'01,'02,'03,'04,'05,'06 for contributing to the Alumni Associations purchase of a new digital sign in front of Parma Senior High. The sign should be installed by June 18<sup>th</sup>.

### The Alumni Courtyard

The Alumni Association is moving the garden we maintain to the area between the math rooms and the principal's office. The location is much larger and has a gazebo, benches and a path already in. The Class of 1961 has donated a bench in their name and we are accepting donations of plants and dwarf trees and shrubs. If you are thinning out your perennials and live in the area, we will pick them up from you. We plan on putting up sculptures and plaques honoring all the teachers who have taught at all three Parma High Schools (Ridge Rd., Schaaf, Parma Sr.). We will also honor the principals of those three schools. We have also proposed a monument for Schaaf High and Ridge Rd School from bricks from those two buildings.

Students, faculty, and all alumni will be invited to visit the courtyard when we have finished it. We hope this will be a nice place for students to study and for all alumni to visit. If you would like to volunteer to help with the garden contact Nancy Fedak at PSH Alumni 6285 W54th St Parma 44129.

### More Photos to come

Look for more photos in the future in the Tradition. We will try to include old photographs from the Archives and current photographs of events and the building. We hope you will send in copies of some of your favorite photos from your days at Parma High.

## REUNION NEWS

**1932-75<sup>TH</sup>** Reunion-Contact Martha Neff French

**1937-70<sup>th</sup>** Reunion-Friday, July 20, 2007 at Pipers III at 11:30 AM-Contact Ruth Johnson at 440-526-3835. This is the 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of the 7<sup>th</sup> month!!!

**1938-**Parma Schaaf meets every 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month at Katherine's Restaurant on Pearl Road near Bagley. Lunch is at noon-Contact Lily Kalat Steinbrenner at 440-888-6912.

**1942-65<sup>th</sup>** Reunion-Contact Rita Kemmer D'Alessandro

**1945-62<sup>nd</sup>** Reunion-Contact Dorothy Miller Rumes at 330-225-7346; Dick Peterka at 440-238-3403; Mel Burkey at 440-885-4995. They also meet the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month at noon at Dimitri's Restaurant at Midtown Shopping Center on Snow Road.

**1947-60<sup>th</sup>** Reunion-Contact Betsy Williams 1-440-243-9080 12 noon September 7, 2007 at the Diamond Catering on Pearl Rd. in Brunswick Ohio just past Rt. 303 on right.

**1949-**Annual picnic on Friday, July 27, 2007 at Stearns Farm. Contact Elaine Quint at 440-843-3872. Also the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month-lunch at 11: 30 AM at Alfonso's Restaurant at 130th and Sprague. Contact Elaine Quint.

**1951-**Parma Schaaf meets the 1st Friday of the month at 11:30 AM at Marcal's Restaurant in Middleburg Hts.

**1952-55<sup>th</sup>** Reunion-September 15, and 16-Sept 15<sup>th</sup> 2007 dinner-St Mary's Crystal Chalet 3600 Biddulph Ave. and State Rd., September 16 -Contact Mary Ann Gedion Schmidt at 330-963-0662 or Onebird552@cs.com.

**1955-**Breakfast Club meets at 9:00AM at Katherine's Restaurant 7533 Pearl Rd, Middleburg Hts.,-January 24, April 25, July 25 and October 24, 2007.

**1957-50<sup>th</sup>** Reunion-August 17, 2007-Cocktail party at Doubletree Hotel-Rockside & I-77; August 18-tour of High School at 10:00 AM in cafeteria-Dinner at Doubletree. Contact Nick Arena at 440-582-8727 or nickarena@aol.com.

**1959-50<sup>th</sup>** Reunion in the planning stage. Contact Bruno Tommasini at fairfax.com/psh.

**1960 & 1961-**dinner every month-Contact Judy Love Girard at 440-888-4911.

**1962-45<sup>th</sup>** Reunion-September 14, 2007 - Friday night Lakewood football game at Byers Field. Meet at white tent inside field. Free loge tickets to the first 50 who pay for their reunion tickets. Meet after the game at The Fox and Hound on Day Dr. next to the R.T.A. bus depot. Saturday, September 15 - breakfast and tour of PSH at 9 AM - noon, then 6 PM dinner and dance at the Independence Holiday Inn. Cost \$45 per person - \$90 per couple. Contact Tony DeMarco at 440-572-2375 or demarco31@sbcglobal.net.

**1967-40<sup>th</sup>** Reunion-October 26, 2007. Attending the Valley Forge football game at Byers Field. Mixer at Jigsaw Saloon Party Room at State & Tuxedo afterwards. Saturday, October 27, tour of High School at 10:00 AM. Contact Bruce Trammel at 440-888-6800.

**1969-40<sup>th</sup>** Reunion in planning stage-Contact Sue Reiman Barbour at 216-267-7271 or cliff69249@aol.com.

**1970-**looking for chairperson. Contact Nancy Fedak at Basketmom1@aol.com.

**1972-35<sup>th</sup>** Reunion on August 10, 2007-; August 11-dinner at Strongsville Holiday Inn Select. Contact Michelle Stein Gottschall at 440-352-1860 or mjgotschall@ameritech.net; Greg Sawchak at 440-356-6155 or gsawchak2@cs.com.

**1977-30<sup>th</sup>** Reunion-Dinner on June 23, 2007 at Independence Holiday Inn at Rockside & I-77. Contact Marie at Parma77reunion@yahoo.com or Don Smerk at 216-749-1060.

**1982-25<sup>th</sup>** Reunion-Contact Tomas Weinrich at 440-842-7659.

**1987-20<sup>th</sup>** Reunion planned for late July or early August. Contact Kim Nickle Borzyn at kborzyn@wowway.com or 440-582-1258.

**1992-**No 15<sup>th</sup> Reunion. Planning for 20<sup>th</sup> Reunion. Contact Tony Moraco at tjmoraco@hotmail.com.

**1997-10<sup>th</sup>** Reunion. In the planning stage. Contact Katie Tupa Kwiatkowski at katiek78@cox.net or 440-743-0453.

## Current School News

**Pat Sema**y was named the Wrestling Coach of the year for the Pioneer Conference. He led PSH to a great year even though they did not win the League Championship. Three members of the team made it to the State level in the tournaments.

The **Parma Rugby** (yes, I said Rugby) Blackhearts have a record of 9 and 3. The team coach is **Thomas Jones**. The Parma Blackhearts will be playing Copley High School on May 6, 2007 at Greenbriar Middle School. The Varsity game starts at 2:00 PM with the JV game to follow. This year the Parma boys are fielding the best two teams since their inception in 2001. The team is made up of students from all three high schools. The Varsity team has victories over St. Ignatius, Mentor, Hudson, Cincinnati North Bend, and several good Canadian teams. Tom

says "we expect to make the finals and play St Edwards in the City Championship on May 19<sup>th</sup>". To learn more about the Parma boys and girls rugby teams, go to WWW.parmarugby.com.

**Douglas Brenner '98** will be competing in the Olympic trials for the triathlon in Florida this month. We wish him luck in his endeavor.

## Still looking for the contents of the time capsule

We are still looking for anyone who was involved or observed the contents that were placed in the 1952 time capsule for the PSH cornerstone. I have talked to the family of Jim Pojman. Jim was a Parma city Schools Board member at the laying of the cornerstone. His daughter, Mary Jane Rose said he now lives

in Arizona. He said he was not aware of the contents. If you know what was in the time capsule, please give us a call or an email.

## 2007 Winners of the \$1000.00 Alumni Association Scholarships

**Sarah Biondo**  
**Brittany Stojauljevic**  
**Katie Marie Moss**  
**Gina Stem**  
**Ashley Marie Loeffler**  
**Jaelyn Marie Kachmarik**

Congratulations to these fine students and to their parents from all the Alumni of Parma High School!

## IN MEMORIAM

32	Koeblitz	Pearl	Roub	02/16/07	57	Kuhn	Frederick	01/16/07
35	Reynolds	Helen	Langan	03/05/07	57	Lukacevic	Robert	04/19/07
37	Wulf	Edward		2005	57	Magdos	James	04/19/07
47	O'Patka	Pauline	Lachner	2003	57	Mitchell	Gerald	01/16/07
	(Former Class of 1947 Reunion Chair)				57	Mora	Bruce	01/16/07
48	Morgan	Russell		02/12/07	57	Ostrowski	Richard	01/16/07
49	Nemeth	George		02/05/07	57	Paletta	Josephine Williams	01/16/07
50	Mc Gill	Alice	Gross	02/18/07	57	Pender	Gerldine Tesar	04/19/07
50	Pigut	Norman		02/18/07	57	Preisling	Robert	04/19/07
51	Boldt	Thomas		02/23/07	57	Pressler	Barbara	01/16/07
51	Faflik	Raymond		02/23/07	57	Riha	Marilyn Bonsutto	01/16/07
51	Guzik	Louis		02/23/07	57	Scott	Sherman	04/19/07
51	Kestner	Janet	Hrabak	02/23/07	57	Taverna	Richard	01/16/07
51	Little	Barbara		02/23/07	57	Weiler	David E	01/16/07
51	Parsh	Kenneth		02/23/07	57	Westbrook	William	01/16/07
51	Steinkamp	Dorothy		02/22/07	62	Bruene	Gerald	03/08/07
51	Streib	Eleanor	Postier	02/22/07	62	Digioia	Peter	01/27/07
51	Sulovsky	Ellen	Belt	02/22/07	62	Duganier	John	03/28/07
51	Szalkowski	Dolores		02/22/07	62	Noll	Thomas	02/12/07
51	Thompson	William		02/22/07	65	Bezik	Sharen Althoff	01/07/07
51	Vance	Paul		02/22/07	66	Ruzga	Robert	02/12/07
51	Vura	James		02/22/07	70	Ingold	Janis Colston	05/4/07
52	Johnson	Gerald "Jerry"		2007	72	Risko	Robert	03/01/07
54	Fleischmann	Ruth	Konop	01/07/07	72	Schneider	Heidi	03/01/07
57	Bonus	Claire	Roberts	01/16/07	72	Tarnai	Frank	03/01/07
57	Geer	Ellen	Braden	01/16/07	77	Balogh	James	02/10/07
57	Hertelendy	James		01/16/07	77	Porelli	Theresa	02/18/07
57	Jardonek	Terry		04/19/07	77	Roblin	Lawrence	02/10/07
57	Jatzek	Henry		01/16/07	93	Savarda	Rebecca	03/05/07
57	Kott	John		01/16/07	97	Porcelli	Nick	03/05/07
57	Kozak	June	Koma	01/16/07	98	Stem	Tricia	01/22/07

## Recipes from the PSH cooking class

This recipe was sent in as a response to a request sent by Sherly Haag Dilks '67. She asked for the recipe for Raisin Bubble Buns that she made in cooking class at PSH. Linda Krakora Mokos '66 sent it to us. We thank you for your recipe and the time you spent finding this old recipe.

### RAISIN BUBBLE BUNS

Pette Raisin Rouleaux (basic dough)  
 2C sifted flour  
 1/3 C shortening  
 1/4 C sugar  
 2/3 C seedless raisins  
 3 t. baking powder  
 1 egg  
 1 t. salt  
 1/2 C milk

Sift flour, sugar, baking powder and salt together in a mixing bowl. Cut in shortening until particles are the size of small peas; add raisins and mix lightly. Beat egg and milk and

combine with dry mixture, stirring until well blended. Turn out on a lightly floured board and turn dough over several times to flour surface lightly.

### MAKING THE BUNS

1/4 C melted butter or margarine  
 1 t. cinnamon  
 1/2 C. sugar  
 1/2 t. nutmeg

Divide basic dough into 4 equal parts. On a slightly floured board, shape into a slender roll 15 in. long. Pinch off dough in 1/2 in. (or slightly smaller) pieces. Dip each piece lightly in melted butter. Then roll in a mixture of sugar, cinnamon and nutmeg.

Pile 4 small balls in each in each greased muffin cup. Bake in a hot oven (400 degrees F.) about 15 minutes or until crusty and brown. Makes about 2 - dozen.

"Hope they are as good as you remember."  
 Linda Krakora Mokos '66, IL.

## Coming in The Fall Edition

Ken Lavelle a local Historian has written an article about the "Parma Train Station" of the CL&W/B&O RR. The two- part article will feature some old photos and some interesting facts about a little known part of Parma's history.

## Parma City High Schools Alumni Associations are working together.

The three Parma High School Alumni Associations (VF, PSH, Normandy) are now working together on projects that will benefit their respective schools, the district, and the community. Planned for next year are joint projects like; Relay for Life (a fundraiser for cancer awareness) and fundraisers and donations for student educational projects at each of the three schools.

## Letters to the Editor

My brother, Robert T. "Bob" Nolan '52, was part of the ceremony that took place when they placed the time capsule. He was president of his class that's probably why his name was put into the capsule. Unfortunately Bob passed away June 1, 2002 in Fort Lauderdale, FL. Hope this information helps a little.

Regards,  
Florence Nolan Simmerer '46

Dear Mr. DeMarco

I enjoy reading "The Tradition" and especially the Spring 2006 edition. The article about the first football teams was very interesting. Keep up the good work!  
Gary Goss

Dear Mr. DeMarco

Five children in our family graduated from Parma High School. My brother, Bert Koeblitz, graduated from the very first Parma High School class, 1928. My brother, Roy Koeblitz, graduated from the class of 1941. Recently my sister, Pearl Koeblitz Roub, passed away at age 92. She graduated from the class of 1932, along with her husband, Bernard Roub. I am the only Koeblitz left and there is no one to report my death when it happens. That doesn't worry me; we are already planning my 90<sup>th</sup> birthday!  
Sincerely yours  
Lucille Koeblitz, '35

Tony DeMarco

A 2005 Tradition included information of my finding Mary Jane Englehart (class of '38), sister of Frank Nemeth. Thanks for your help. Soon after, I visited Mary Jane where I met her sister, Elsie Killian (class of '36) and brother George Nemeth (class of '53) and his wife, Inga.

I gave Mary Jane a government form to fill out and mail to the U.S. Marines office in St. Louis to get Frank's WWII Medals. Almost a year and a half later, the U.S. Navy sent her the medals. When I visited her to see the medals on November 1, 2006, Inga was there (George had died on September 21, 2006) as was Norma Nemeth (formerly Thomas, class of '41 and widow of Joe Nemeth, class of '40.) Joe was in the Battle of the Bulge in Europe. He was awarded the Purple Heart and the French Cruix de Guerre. He died on June 2, 2004. We enjoyed viewing Frank's med-

als along with a lively discussion of those golden days at Parma High.

Again, many thanks to you; otherwise this would never have happened.  
Sincerely  
Cliff Burk, Class of '37

Dear PSH Alumni Association

I thought you'd like to know I think the new format of the "Tradition" is better than before. Lee Bailey (class of '29) asked me to write a letter to Mr. Gilmore (class of '54.) Mr. Gilmore wrote Lee Bailey asking about the "Parma Train Station". Thought you'd like a copy of the letter for your files. I had done some research into the background of the old Train Station Depot. It is possible other Parma high Grads saw the old CL&W/B&O RR station in the 1940's and 1950's as Mr. Gilmore did. Someone might ask about the old station in the future in a "Letter to the Editor" section of the "Tradition. Also, Lee Bailey has expressed an interest to me that the Parma Alumni might erect a plaque or Ohio Historical Marker in the Parma Hts. Cemetery on Pearl Road where the first Log Schoolhouse was located in 1826. It was there until 1844. I hope the Parma Alumni Association does this.

Ken Lavelle

## Adrienne Pat Larkman writes Article for "Reminisce"

Adrienne Pat Larkman wrote an article for Reminisce Magazine and it appeared in the September, 2006 issue. In the article, Adrienne, a 1952 Parma Schaaf High graduate, talks about a pen pal she made in her shorthand class. The pen pal from Tenafly, NJ was Lorice Simon. They became very close friends writing regularly.

For her graduation present, Adrienne's parents gave her a trip to New Jersey to visit with Lorice and her family. She took the train from Cleveland to Grand Central Station in New York City where Lorice and her family picked her up. She went to Lorice's graduation, visited the Today Show with Dave Garroway and had pizza for the first time. They both married; Lorice had 3 children and Adrienne had 5. They have been friends for over 50 years, and it all started with picking names out of a hat in Tenafly, NJ.

They remain close friends and while they live several states apart, Pat and Lorice still chat with each other often.

## What are they doing now?

### Steve Nash- Class of 1962

Palm Springs-Blockbuster exhibits like Matisse and Picasso are within reach for the Palm Springs Art Museum, according to its next executive director.

Steve Nash has brought such crowd-drawing exhibits to the places where he has worked over the years. As reported in The Desert Sun News in January, 2007, the Art Museum announced that in April, 2007 Nash, director of the Nasher Sculpture Center in Dallas, will take over for the current executive director.

Nash has been the director of the Nasher Sculpture Center since it opened a few years ago. In his career, he has brought three Picasso exhibitions to the museums where he's worked. Nash said his experience is in bringing "high-level exhibitions" to his museums. He sees a focus on modern and contemporary work at the Palm Springs Art Museum. As for Picasso? Nash states there is absolutely no reason why that could not be accomplished.

## Reunion News extras Getting the Band back together.

Dick Brandt '62 is getting the High Cleffs back together. Dick started the band with Gary Lee, and Dick Miszyck '61 in the 9<sup>th</sup> grade science class in 1959. The band added Joe Gammalo, on vocals and guitar, and John Thomas, on organ and accordion, in 1961. Now Dick and other members of the band have decided to play at their 45<sup>th</sup> reunion this coming September 15<sup>th</sup> at the Holiday Inn on Rockside Rd. The band has been practicing at Dick's home in New Jersey for the last year.

## The class of 1937 celebrates its 70<sup>th</sup> Reunion

The class of 1937 will celebrate its 70<sup>th</sup> reunion on July 20<sup>th</sup> at the Pipers III at 11:30. This marks one of the longest running reunions in Parma High history. Ruth Johnson is in charge. We want to congratulate the members of the class of '37 and wish them the very best on their reunion.

## 2007 PSH Directory and Newsletter Order Forms

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Graduation Year \_\_\_\_\_

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3 years \_\_\_ \$15 CHECK ONE (must have email for directory)

Make checks (no cash) payable to: P SH Alumni Association.

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

## PSH FUNDRAISERS

Sweats, Golf shirts, Caps, Tee Shirts, Cat's Meow, Hoodies, 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.



New Caps \$15 Golf Shirt \$25 (L, XL) Mug \$7.50 T-Shirt \$20 (M, L, XL, XXL) Sweatshirt \$30 (M, L, XL, XXL) Cat's Meow \$30 Hoodies \$35 (M, L, XL, XXL)

## Yearbook Donations and Order Form

PSH Yearbooks donated to the Alumni Association will be put up for sale and all proceeds will go toward the PSH Alumni Association Scholarship Fund. Donations may be dropped off or sent to Parma Senior High School, Attention: Alumni Association or call us and we will pick them up, 440-885-3700. Thanks to all those who donated.

### YEARBOOKS FOR SALE

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**Sale Extended to September 30, 2007**

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