

The Tradition

Parma Senior High Alumni Newsletter



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The President's Message

Nancy Fedak president, 1966

Dear Alumni,

Hard to believe the school year has ended. As I reflect on everything your alumni association has done this year, it was exciting and jammed packed.

We started the year with a new principal--Dr. Chad Coffman. He came from Avon and was very supportive of the alumni association from the beginning.

Homecoming was well attended even though it rained. Three alumni were inducted into the Hall of Fame this past November. They joined the 50+ alumni that are already members. As I looked over the pictures--it is a rather impressive group of people. We moved our Teacher Grant awarding to the Fall so that the recipient could use the monies for the entire year. Jenifer Skladaney of State Road used the monies to do a science project.

This year, \$11,000 in scholarships were awarded by and through the Alumni Association. Three of the recipients received their monies at the PTA Scholarship dinner and five received their monies at the Senior Recognition Assembly which was held in the evening this year.

What a thrill it was to have not only Neil Hamaday '63 award 3 \$2000 scholarships, but also the Class of 1961 award 2 \$1000 scholarships. What a great way to "pay it forward" and to be an example of what we all can do for Parma Senior. This is beginning to be a great 50th Reunion tradition with the class of '60 doing it the year before and the class of '62 promising also to award a scholarship as well.

Dr. Coffman, principal, was gracious enough to allow us to not only put an announcement into the Commencement program, but we also got to speak at the 2012 commencement. Gil Fritzsche '65 spoke on behalf of the entire Alumni Association, welcoming the graduates. His speech was very eloquent and can be found on the website.

One of the most exciting things to happen this end of the year is that the History Club, headed by Rob Cyr, buried a Time Capsule in the Alumni Courtyard. It is WELL MARKED and will be opened in 2037...It will be interesting to see what is going on by then. The students were very excited about doing this.

Have a great summer!

The next events we have coming up

- **Our Golf Outing** on June 27th at Ridgewood GC. Hope to see lots of you there as it is a great time for networking and renewing acquaintances. This is our major event for scholarships.
- **The ANNUAL MEETING** is Monday August 6th, @ 6:30pm @ Parmatown Conference Center--All are welcome. If you are interested in running for the Board, you must send in a letter of intent no later than July 6, 2012. pshalum@pshalumni.org.
- **On September 10th, 2012, we will induct 4 alumni into "Bailey Bells"**. This is an award for those that have given at least 10 years to us and truly show "loyalty, eternally". This will be held in the auditorium lobby @6:30pm--all welcome... Inductees are: Lou Bentzen, Marilyn Marquette Coleman. And Jim and Carol Lisy Bartel.

From the Editor's Desk

by Anthony DeMarco Vice President '62

The Golden Redman Reunion proposal.

Since I started with the Alumni Association back in the 60's, there has been a question about what we (the Alumni Association) do about reunions after the 50th reunion. We left that decision up to the classes to decide. Lee Bailey and I felt that we could leave individual reunions after the 50th up to each class, but we could also have a yearly reunion for all classes that had celebrated their 50th reunion. In recent years, I have contacted some alumni associations who have yearly reunions for all classes that have celebrated their 50th. These reunions have various names, but the one that sticks with me is the St. Ignatius "Golden Cats reunions". I have talked to some reunion chairs like the class of 43' and the class of 52', and they along with others are interested. Most classes still have their 55th and 60th reunions and we would encourage these reunions.

Our "Golden Redmen Reunions" would be held each year and would be open to all classmates that have already celebrated their 50th reunion. They would be held at PSH on a Saturday night or a Sunday after noon in June (after school is out) in the bus loop in the back of the school and in the Alumni Courtyard. If it rained, it would be held in the cafeteria. A donation from each person would be collected to cover refreshments and food.

If you have any suggestions please include them.

Reunion News

Class Reunion Information

The classes featured below will be having their class reunions upcoming. If you have not been contacted or know of friends who have not received information, please have them contact the reunion chairperson or email us at pshalum@pshalumni.org

* Monthly and quarterly breakfast or lunch meetings.

1938 Parma Schaaf meets every 2nd Tuesday of the month at Katherine's Restaurant on Pearl near Bagley. Lunch is at noon. Contact Lily Kalat Steinbrenner @ 440-888-6912 for further information.

1939 Contact Janice Henninger Sheets at 440-884-8620 or jhsheets1@aol.com for meeting information.

1942 Last Wednesday of month Contact Rita Kemmer D'Alssandro.

1943 There are no further reunions planned, however, there are monthly lunches that are planned. Contact Rosemary Kuenzer Williams @ 440-842-4237 or Parmalefty@aol.com

1945 Contact Mel Burkey 1-440-885-4995 or mburkey@hotmail.com

1948 No new reunion planning is underway. The reunion committee, however, does meet monthly for dinner at various local restaurants. We would welcome any of our classmates at these dinners. For time and place, contact: Carole Basile King at 440-572-1708 or Dave Kane at 216-941-7572.

1949 The 2nd Thursday of the month- 11:30AM at Alfonso's Restaurant at W 130th & Sprague.

Contact Elaine Quint 440-843-3872.

1951 Parma Schaaf meets the 1st Friday of every month (if a holiday-then the 2nd Friday Contact Joan Kalat 440-843-9122

1955 Katherine's Restaurant Pearl rd. 9 AM, July 25, October 31, Contact Bob Funk 440- 472-6662

1956 The Parma Senior High Class of '56 is once again holding its Quarterly Breakfast from 9:00 to 11:30 AM in the party room at Home Town Buffet, 1930 Snow Rd. (at Broadview) 216.661.8830. No reservations necessary-- Mark your calendars all year for the same time and place, the third Saturday of every third month. In 2012: September 15th and December 15th. See you there! For all PSH Class of '56 upcoming events, news and photos, please visit www.psh56.com

1959 The class of 1959 women meets the third Wednesday of each month. Contact

Carol Rahe 440-234-4894 or Anita Koeth 440-526-1141 for more information.

1960 & 1961 Dinner every month Contact Judy Love Girard @ 440-888-4911

This Year's Class Reunions

1952 60th Reunion contact Mary Ann Gedion Schmidt at onebird552@roadrunner.com or 1-330-963-0662 the reunion will be August 25th. Pick up Lolly the Trolley at Midtown Plaza at Snow and Broadview Rd. Travel to the Goodtime 3 ship for a Luncheon cruise, then a tour of Cleveland on Lolly the Trolley. Then back to Midtown Plaza for a dinner buffet. For cost and further information contact Mary Ann Schmidt.

1957 55th Reunion has been scheduled for August 10 and August 11, 2012 at the Al Koran Party Center in Broadview Heights please contact Nick Arena at 440-655-7839 or nickfarena@aol.com

1962 50th Reunion Contact Tony DeMarco at (440) 864-3120 reunion@parmaclassof62.com or tony@parmaclassof62.com or pshalum@pshalumni.org We will be having the reunion on September 7th and 8th, 2012 at the Holiday Inn in Strongsville on Rt. 82 and I-71. Go to parmaclassof62.com to register on line.

Book your hotel rooms now at the Holiday Inn Express Strongsville. Call 877-408-4913 - The group code is P62. You will get the discounted price. FACEBOOK LINK: PSH Class of 1962.

1972 40th Reunion - AUGUST 25, 2012 Contact person is Greg Sawchak or Michele Stein Gottschall at gsawchk@yahoo.com you can check out the Facebook page: Parma Senior High Class of 1972

1977 35th Reunion Contact person is Marie Bonadio Stutzman at mstutz@wowway.com Email your updated information to parma77reunion@yahoo.com

1982 The Parma Senior High School Class of 1982 will hold its 30-Year Reunion on June 16th, 2012 at Country Lakes Party Center in Broadview Heights, OH <http://www.countrylakesohio.com> Please visit our Facebook Group at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/psh82/> More details about tickets and registration for the reunion will be posted soon at <https://sites.google.com/site/pshclass1982/> Please contact the reunion committee at parmahigh82@yahoo.com with any questions. Committee: John Hubbell,

Elizabeth Masters.

1987 Class of 1987 25th reunion. Weekend of Homecoming 2012 date to be determined. Homecoming game and after. Place and time for Saturday to be determined. Contact person is Kim Nickle Borzyn at kborzyn@gmail.com

1997 15th Class Reunion TBA. No information at this time. Contact person is Kathleen Tupa Kwiatkowski at katiek78@cox.net

2002 10th Class Reunion TBA. In the planning stage. Contact person is Ashley Tyna at atyna@kent.edu or Logan Persons at lpersons@gmail.com

Class Reunions without committee chairs

The PSH Alumni Association is looking for a new chairperson or co-chairs for the following classes: 1967, 1970, 1992, 1993.

If you are interested in the position, you must be a grad from that class and should have worked on a reunion committee before or had some work in organizing a wedding or other event planning. Contact Nancy Fedak at basketmom1@aol.com

Other Changes or additions

1996 The 15th Reunion has been cancelled. Instead, there will be a fundraiser. Check facebook under Laura Pontau or e-mail: Lfayep@hotmail.com for upcoming information

1971 The Class of 1971 will be celebrating their 60th birthdays together. When: September 7, 2013 6-midnight Where: Massimo de Milano's 1400 W. 25th Street, Cleveland, 44113 Cost: To follow later Keep updated on Facebook -"Parma High Class of 1971 group"<http://www.facebook.com/groups/psh71/events/> or <https://sites.google.com/site/parmahigh71/>

Attention All Parma Senior High Veterans: SAVE THE DATE

August 1, 2012--Beginning at noon at Parmatown Conference Center

The Class of 1959 is sponsoring a speaker from the Veterans's Service Commission of Ohio to speak on your benefits.

RSVP to 440-885-3700 to reserve a spot

FREE ADMISSION

Letters to the Editor

Dear Tony and Nancy

Hello! I've received The Tradition for several years now and enjoy reading all the Alumni News. I have returned to Parma in 2009 to take care of my mom. Mom and I are enclosing donations for the Archival and Trophy Projects. I am interested in working on the Archival project. I enclosed several photos of the Parma Redmen Tee Pee (used at the football games) which I painted in the summer of 1969. Look forward to hearing from you.

Ola Grabski French '70

Thank you for your donations and you are on the Archival committee for the fall. The tent was a project from the Art crafts classes which I taught with Bill Harper at that time.

Tony

Dear Tony

I just wanted to thank you very much for the three copies of the newsletter you sent me on behalf of my deceased grandmother and PSH graduate Ruth Knepper (Haug) class of '39. I received the copies appropriately on Friday, 4/13/12, as I was on a plane to Cleveland to lay her ashes this past weekend. Thank you again for the copies. It means a lot to the family.

Sincerely, Lisa Martinez

Glad we could help
Tony

In Memoriam

This is the information from April to date. We try to make sure that all our information is accurate. We rely on family, classmates and friends for our information. Please try to include newspaper obituaries when possible.

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| 56 | Ban | David | |
| 64 | Valore | Sally | Shenk |
| 39 | Abend | Richard | |
| 61 | Binder | Susan | Kline-Ruminski |
| 59 | Kay | Darryl | |
| 62 | Hlibka | Gregory | |
| 43 | Malek | Doris | Meyers |
| 67 | Turske | Walter | |
| 80 | Abraham | Kathryn | |
| 56 | Dick | Betty | |

Richard Abend We lost a strong supporter of the Parma Alumni Association this past April. Richard Abend Parma Schaaf High School Class of 1939, was a loyal supporter. He was a regular player as well as a hole sponsor from the beginning of our scholarship golf outing. Loyalty Eternally

Alumni Good News

Trophy Project

Tom Michkolakis '65'

We have now repaired enough trophies to fill one complete trophy case. Thanks to the generosity of a number of anonymous donors, we were able to get a number of important trophies repaired. Thanks to Milart Trophy for their great work. We are far from completing this project, but with your continued support, we will make steady progress.

Archival Project

Tony DeMarco

We have had real progress with the identification and placement of many pieces of memorabilia. With the archival committee of Beth O'Keefe Bouw'66, Anna Georgalis Thanos'66, Peggy Barolone Maritz'66, we have made real progress. We have a new volunteer next fall Ola Grabski French'70. The heat of the summer has halted any progress in the 3rd floor windowless storage room. We will start next fall. Keep those donations for photograph storage/air tight storage boxes coming and keep sending those unique pieces of Redmen memorabilia. Thank you for your support.

Donations

Ola Grabski French '70

Archival Project Monetary donation

Maria Grabski

Trophy Project Monetary donation

Bob Larosa'60

Trophy Project Monetary donation

Thank you for your generous donations to help with PSH Alumni projects.

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School News

PSH Music Department

Congratulations to the Parma Senior High Concert Band! On March 9 they participated in the OMEA Large Group Adjudicated Event held at Strongsville High School. They received a Superior rating from all four judges in Class C! (Three judges evaluate the 3 prepared pieces and the fourth judge evaluates the sight reading portion of the contest.)

Congratulations to Kevin Rominger, the concertmaster here at PSH and Northern Ohio Youth Orchestra. He was the featured soloist at the Northern Ohio Youth Orchestra concert on Sunday at the Oberlin Conservatory of Music. "I am very proud of Kevin and his accomplishments!" noted instructor Cheryl Phillips.

Congratulations to Cheryl Phillips and all of her students.

Cheryl is retiring this year. She will truly be missed for her tireless efforts to make the PSH music department the best it could be.

PSH Sports

The PSH Redmen baseball team won its North East Ohio Conference Erie Division championship this year. Another good year for Parma teams.

PSH Alumni association Scholarships

These are the winners of the PSH Alumni Scholarships for this year. The scholarships were awarded at the PTA Scholarship Dinner or at the Senior Recognition Assembly. We awarded, with the help of generous supporters, \$11,000 in scholarships to 8 PSH Seniors this year.

PSH Class of 1961 50th Reunion Scholarships 2 \$1000 awarded by Patty Fritz '61

Kayla Richnavsky attending Slippery Rock University Major in Physical Therapy and Ryan Lagzdine attending the University of Cincinnati Major in Accounting

PSH Neil Hamady '63 Scholarships \$2000 each awarded by Anthony DeMarco
Kevin Rominger The Ohio State University Major in Civil Engineering and Renjell Amarorio The Ohio State University Major in Pre Medicine and Sarah Nicklas attending The Ohio State University Major in Psychology.

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

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New Caps \$15 Golf Shirt \$30 (L, XL)

T-Shirt \$25 (M, L, XL, XXL) Sweatshirt \$30 (M, L, XL, XXL)

Hoodies (pullover) \$35 (M,L, XL, XXL).

Zip Hoodies \$40 sizes S-XXXL

Football Lapel pin \$5.00 Travel Mug \$11

Order on line through Paypal at

www.pshalumni.org and go to the Gift Shop link on the menu.

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.

All profits go to the Scholarship Fund.



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.

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