

# The Tradition

Parma Senior High Alumni Newsletter



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## President's Message

Nancy Fedak-Class of '66

I am writing this to you six days before Christmas, knowing that you won't get this until 2008. However, this is the time of year to reflect and be thankful for all that we do have and share. I am most thankful for a great alumni board of people that are not afraid to volunteer and work on committees so that we can offer and do all that we do... Through the year, we sponsor Homecoming. Not only do we secure the tickets to get into the game, but we also sponsor a gathering tent outside the stadium for alums to gather, renew acquaintances, purchase alumni merchandise, and grab a snack or two before going into the game. A separate committee judges the floats and awards the trophy to the winning class AND awards the trophies and plaques to the Queen, King and their courts. We also attend the dance where the King is crowned and court recognized.



Carol Liszy Bartel '54 presents the 2007 float trophy to the sophomore class. Other members of the judges committee were Jim Bartel '51, Dr. Richard Pinkerton '51, Jack Kempf '54, Donna Rees Smallwood '55, Jan Smith '66, Joyce Robenson Bentsen '62.

Our scholarship committee not only does the screening for the awarding of our four \$1200 scholarships, but also awards a \$350 teacher grant. They also do the inviting of the recipients and their parents to the PTA dinner in May.

We also maintain a courtyard at the High School. This means pulling weeds, hauling mulch and planting and watering flowers and perennials. Across the hall from the courtyard is the ARCHIVE ROOM, which will open on Tuesdays and Fridays from 10 am to 2 pm. You can call us at 440-885-3700 for directions. To go along with the Archive, we do reunion tours of the building when requested. Besides the tour, we also offer coffee in the cafeteria and your class memorabilia.

To be able to fund these scholarships, our Golf Scholarship committee plans a golf outing at Ridgewood Golf Course not only for networking, but to raise the monies for them. This year, we are moving the outing up to Wednesday, June 11th.

This year our Hall of Fame committee inducted five more alums into it. They start work a whole year ahead to pull off this event as not only is there an induction assembly for juniors and seniors of Parma Senior, but also a private tour of the building, and a dinner in their honor in the evening. All former Hall of Famers are invited to attend.

Our Annual meeting that is held in early July is rapidly becoming a well-attended event as information about reunions is given out. Our

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## From the Editors Desk

Anthony DeMarco-Class of '62

### A change in the Fall Tradition in 2009

In 1995 we had decided that it was time for the Parma Sr. High Alumni Association to produce a newsletter that would be sent to every PSH Alumni. The name would be the *Tradition*. I selected that name because I wanted to have a name that reflected the importance of the history of the three schools that made up Parma High School – Parma Ridge Road High School, Parma Schaaf High School, and Parma Senior High School. Those Schools represented 85 years and 39,000 graduates who believed in the traditions that are part of their history.

We had a current database, at the time, of about 25,000 names and addresses. It was our hope that we could send the fall edition to every alumnus and that a large number of you would also subscribe to the 3 additional issues we planned for the first year. We knew that this would be an expensive undertaking, but we felt that the time had come to let everyone know that the PSH Alumni Association was very much alive and we were here to let you know what was happening now at PSH, what was our past history, and what we were planning for the future. The first edition came out in September of 1995 and over a thousand of you subscribed to the 3 issues that would follow in 1996.

For the last 13 years we have brought you a great deal of information about the history of Parma High, the PSH Alumni Association, fellow alumni, and the current PSH students and events. We want to continue that tradition and we will, but in a slightly different form. You are our most valued constituency because you are subscribers. For that reason we are letting you know of our plans now.

First: Let me make it very clear that your subscriptions will be honored no matter how long they are for. You will receive a hard copy of the *Tradition* through the US mail.

Second: The fall 2008 edition of the *Tradition* will be the last issue to be sent, as a hard copy, to every PSH Alumnus that we have a current address for on our database. Starting in 2009, we will post the fall *Tradition* on our web page so everyone can read and download to their computer or print their own hard copy on their home printer.

Third: We will continue to offer subscriptions of all the issues for each year (fall, winter, spring and any special editions) to anyone who subscribes for the *Tradition* in a hard copy form. Those subscriptions will be sent by US mail to every subscriber. The price of the subscriptions will remain the same – 1 year \$6, 2 years \$11, 3 years \$15.

Fourth: The reason we are doing this is because of the cost. The cost of the 2007 fall edition, which went out to over 25,500 alumni members, came to over \$7,000. The cost of our bulk-mailing rate, the cost of paper, and the cost of printing, has increased almost every year.

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## Reunion News

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

- 1937**--Next reunion is the 3rd Friday of the 7th month. Contact Ruth Johnson @ 440-526-3835.
- 1938**--Parma Schaaf meets every 2nd Tuesday of the month @ Katherine's Restaurant on Pearl near Bagley. Lunch is @ noon. Contact Lily Kalat Steinbrenner@440-888-6912.
- 1943**--In the planning stage. Contact Rosemary Kuenzer Williams @440-842-4239 or Parmalefty@aol.com.
- 1945**--the 3rd Wednesday of the month@ Piper's III @ noon. Contact Dorothy Miller Rumes @ 330-225-7346; Dick Peterka @ 440-238-3408; Mel Burkey @ 440-885-4995.
- 1948**--60th Reunion. Contact David Kane @ 4469 W. 135th St. Cleveland, OH 44135
- 1949**--the 2nd Thursday of the month- 11:30am @ Alfonso's Restaurant @ 130th

& Sprague. Contact Elaine Quint @ 440-843-3872.

- 1951**--Parma Schaaf meets the 1st Friday of the month @ 11:30am @ Marcal's Restaurant in Middleburg Hts.
- 1953**--55th Reunion--contact Joe & Marilyn Marquette Coleman @ 216-524-2111 or colejoe@sbcglobal.net or Ken Jordan @ 440-885-5467 or Kj\_com@ATT.net. Oct. 3rd--6pm cocktails @ Quality Inn in Richfield; Oct. 4--7pm dinner @ Quality Inn in Richfield; Oct. 5--10am brunch @ Quality Inn in Richfield
- 1955**--Breakfast Club meets at 9am @ Katherine's Restaurant, 7533 Pearl Rd, Middleburg Hts--January 30, April 30, July 30, October 29.
- 1958**--50th Reunion--contact Ed Sarian @ 440-886-6706 or eis128z@sbcglobal.net. Oct 3rd--Mixer @ All Saints' Episcopal--6pm; Oct 4th--9:30am--tour of high school--meet in the cafeteria; 6pm--dinner @Carrie Cerino's.
- 1959**--50th reunion will be held @ Sawmill Creek Resort on September 4-6, 2009. Contact Bruno Tommasini @ 440-842-

6073 Or www.fairfaxmedia.com/psh/

- 1960& 1961**--dinner every month. Contact Judy Love Girard @ 440-888-4911.
- 1963**--45th reunion Contact Darlene Wendel DeMarco @440-572-2375 or shoelady45@yahoo.com. In the planning stages for next fall.
- 1968**--Contact Barb Snowden Smallwood @ 1-330-483-6113.
- 1973**--Date to be announced--Contact Barbara Bendler Gannon @ 440-826-0929 or 440-655-2894 Or bagseyann@aol.com OR Jen Libassi Preising @ 440-238-9797 or 440-829-1048.
- 1978**--30th reunion--In the planning stage. Contact Gail Gielink Demeczuk at psh78reunion@hotmail.com
- 1983**--Contact Thomas Newbould @440-572-3715.
- 1988**--Contact Tammy Crowley@440-846-8346.
- 1993**---Looking for a chairperson. Contact Nancy Fedak @ 440-888-6278--ASAP.
- 1998**--10th reunion--Contact Robyn Dorocak @ 216-749-6296

## Special Thanks for a Donation.

We would like to thank Dr. Francis Graves for his generous gift in the name of the late Norman Shibley '39 who was just inducted into the Parma Sr. High School Hall of Fame. Dr. Graves of Shaker Heights has made it possible to continue to provide for future Hall of Fame functions and displays.

## Donations of Yearbooks

We would like to thank the following groups and individuals for the donation of class yearbooks for resale. The total profits from such sales will be used for scholarships.

Special thank you to the Parma Area Historical Society for their gift of 27 yearbooks. The Parma Area Historical Society is located at 6975 Ridge Road in Parma. They are an important part of the Parma area community. For more information on the Society, please contact Ruth Fay or Annajean Slater at 1-440-845-9770.

Thank you to Lois (Katzbach)'46 and Robert '44 Brugge for their donation of 12

yearbooks to the PSH Alumni Association. Your generous donation will help us raise funds for future scholarship to deserving Parma High Students.

## Thank You!

Thank you to all of you who have joined the fund raising drive to donate \$1 for each year since you graduated. The funds will be used for Alumni Scholarships as well as Alumni projects.

Tina Coppola Martini 1960  
John Bazilius 1953  
Janet Chaffin Saucer 1962  
Louise Kosty Kroehle 1954  
Pat Parulis Ludwig 1963  
Michelle Zelasko Maitino 1985

## Remember

If you do not want us to include your name on the database except for reunions. Your name will appear as "does not want information shown", You must request in writing that we do so.



## Annual Meeting

The annual meeting will take place July 7, 2008 at a location TBA.

If you are interested in becoming a member of the board of directors, you must submit a letter of intent by June 7, 2008 to the PSH Alumni Association at 6285 W 54th St. Parma 44129.

## Tradition Donations

Tina Coppola Martini	1960
Bob LaRosa	1960
Virginia Anderson Sharver	1943
Raymond Barta	1961
Karen Stankiewicz Barta	1963
Class of 1959	
Richard A Pipoly	
Ronald Mog	1957
Arleen Zeleny	1959
John Bazilius, Jr	1953
Janet Chaffin Saucer	1962
Jerry & Claudia Reynolds	1962
Kathy Crews McQuarrie	1961
Louise Kosty Kroehle	1954
Linda Roblin Wells	
Rosemary Gulick	
Dr Francis Graves	
Pat Parulis Ludwig	1963
Michelle Zelasko Maitino	1985
Joseph Bostoy	
Ronald Makhol	1960

## In Memoriam

38 Howard Dearborn  
 38 Jane Sturtevant Strable  
 41 Harvey Clucas  
 41 Allen Coad  
 41 Wilma Kaiser Fox  
 41 Ann Kobasuk  
 41 June Millard Konrad  
 41 Mildred Zona Jarzab  
 43 Beverly Schmidt O Malley  
 43 Richard Manning  
 43 Audrey Boey Clardy-tube  
 43 Richard Mackay  
 43 Jacqueline King Berry  
 43 Edith Berg Geib  
 44 Raymond G Wisz  
 44 Frank Lalik  
 44 Robert Schwark  
 45 Bill Buchholz  
 45 Don McNulty  
 45 Rose Salamon  
 45 Richard Schlenkerman  
 45 Donald Sinzinger  
 45 Richard Zander  
 45 Bud Sharkey  
 48 Baxter Venable  
 51 Anthony Vercos  
 53 Martha Evancho Cajka  
 53 Scott Pulling  
 53 David Erickson  
 53 Lloyd Gregory  
 53 Geraldine Moenich Koch  
 54 Marilyn Bell Bickford  
 56 Robert A Shaw  
 57 Alan Barnes  
 58 William Hinkle  
 58 Dorothy Shutt Ehlers  
 58 Kenneth Beran  
 58 Barbara Boyle  
 58 Karen Brush Geideman  
 58 Carl Budziak  
 58 Wayne Davis  
 58 Roger Foster  
 58 Leslie Gress  
 58 Sharon Horak Murphy  
 58 Joan Hrdlicka  
 58 Kenneth Kaufmann  
 58 Alan Klose  
 58 David Krieger  
 58 Carole Lempner  
 58 Andrew Liptak  
 58 Norman Logie  
 58 Judith Maneri  
 58 Janet Mantell Chatlos  
 58 Helen Matejka Paletta  
 58 Eugene Matusek  
 58 Maureen Mc Gory Sherba  
 58 James Morey  
 58 Kathleen Obrien

58 David Papson  
 58 David Rekittke  
 58 Donald Repko  
 58 James Rozek  
 58 Thomas Scacco  
 58 Robert Schmidt  
 58 Ron Semich  
 58 Joseph Shuleva  
 58 Ronald Sokol  
 58 Robert Spence  
 58 Nancy Spencer  
 58 Rosanne Stiegemeyer  
 58 Thomas Svec  
 58 Terry Thomas  
 58 Dale Thompson  
 58 Joan Todd Conley  
 58 Norman Toms  
 58 Glenrose Trapp  
 58 Ronald Urban  
 58 James Vandyke  
 58 Gretchen Vanlinge Cody  
 58 August Vergilii  
 58 Robert Wallenhorst  
 58 John Witkowski  
 58 Gloria Wolter  
 58 Robert Zaremba  
 60 Karen Zamberlan Shick  
 60 Gail Pinchot Wadsworth  
 63 Alfred Hoehn  
 65 Mary Anzalone Meyer  
 65 Leonard Manelski  
 65 Dale Sommerfield  
 66 Jerry Preisler  
 66 Linda Ezinski Zezena  
 67 David Szlembarski  
 67 Frank Budi  
 67 Milton Frick  
 67 Mark Hovanek  
 67 Philipp Jung  
 67 Jerry Tischler  
 67 Martha Wolfe Muth  
 69 Sandra Cortell Hicks  
 70 Robert Ramstad  
 72 Jo Ann Knuth  
 73 John Popelmayer  
 77 Max Schindler  
 78 Rosemary Lucas Di Costanzo  
 78 Annette Hayzaik Martin  
 79 Tracy Delozier  
 79 Gregory Vento  
 80 Barbara Goodreau Clements

## Also In Memoriam

1955 Max Schindler August 2007  
 Parma System physical ed. teacher and foot-  
 ball coach at VF and Normandy  
 Ray Noss December 2007  
 Retired elementary teacher  
 and principal in the Parma System.

## Robert Brugge 1944

Robert Brugge passed away January 2, 2008. Bob had been ill for the past few years and was in a nursing home. Bob was a 1944 graduate of Parma Schaaf High School. He was one of the greatest athletes to ever come out of Parma High. He was an all Big 10 running back for Ohio State and he was the most successful Parma High football coach with 4 consecutive Lake Erie League championships and 2 undefeated seasons. He taught in the Parma System for 30 years in health and physical education and retired in 1981. He was one of the founders, past president and long time board member of the Parma School Employees Credit Union. He will be missed.

## School News Parma Football

Parma Sr. High had a great season this past fall. The Redmen went 7 and 3 and missed the state district playoffs by only a few points. The 5-9 185- pound star running back, Tim Miker, was named to an all state team and had one of the best seasons any running back has ever had at PSH with over 1500 yards rushing. Miker had 1224 yards rushing, 15 touchdowns on 196 carries, and 700 yards as a receiver/kickoff/punt returner as a Jr. The highlight of the year were back to back victories against N Royalton at homecoming – undefeated at the time and ranked in the state rankings – and the victory over arch rival Valley Forge by 1 point in the last game of the year.

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*Next Spring issue Feature Articles*  
*Sports Hall of Fame Charter Inductees*  
*Updates on Alumni Projects:*  
*The Court Yard*  
*Cafeteria recipes*

# PARMA HIGH SCHOOL HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES FOR 2007

The Parma Sr. High Alumni Association had its' bi-annual induction on November 9th 2007 of 5 new members to the Parma High School Alumni Association Hall of Fame. The new members included Robert Bolton '57, Robert Brugge '44, Karen Spillner Dendorpher '57, Norman W Shibley '39, and Dave Smallwood '68. These Alumni were nominated by fellow classmates and selected by a committee co-chaired by Marilyn Marquette Coleman '53 and Gil Fritzsche '65. The all day event included a morning induction assembly where the inductees were introduced to the Senior and Jr. classes of PSH. Each inductee gave a brief speech on how PSH helped them to become what they are today and the importance of giving back to your community and society in general. The inductees were presented the large hanging plaque, which will become part of the permanent display of the 47 Hall of Fame inductees. This was followed by a breakfast and a tour of the building.

The evening presentation dinner was held at the Red Rees room at PSH. One hundred guests, past inductees gathered to honor the 5 new inductees. Each inductee was presented a small plaque and given time to speak to those gathered. We want to thank Sharon Arko Jones '67, Barb Tomc Filipow '61, Nancy Fedak '66 and Tony DeMarco '62 for all their help. Here are the new inductees.

## Robert Bolton Class of 1957 Parma Senior High

Bob Bolton is married to his seventh grade sweetheart Jada Rae and resides in Parma Hts. He and Jada have 2 sons ...Scott-a fireman in Brookpark, OH and Buddy - a teacher at



*Bob Boulton accepts his HOF award*

Valley Forge.

It is interesting to observe how often times a person's high school experiences shape his/her future both personally and professionally. Mr. Bolton exhibited the love for athletic competition, as well as the integrity and the leadership characteristics that proved to be so much in evidence throughout his career.

Bob was an outstanding athlete at PSH in the mid 1950s. He played baseball (3 years –captain-all league-Most Valuable Player his senior year). He played basketball (Sportsmanship Award). He played varsity football for 2 years (captain his Sr. year and honored with the Sportsmanship Trophy). He was given the senior citation of Most Athletic. Outside the realm of athletics, he participated in the Canteen Committee, which planned school dance, and the Boys Leaders Club, of which he was President.

Bob attended Bowling Green State University where he earned a BS degree in 1962 and a MS degree in 1964 in the fields of PhysEd and Earth Science. He played 3 years of varsity baseball and was elected Co-captain his senior year. He served in the Army from 1962-1964. Bob began his professional career in athletics as BGSU Varsity Assistant Baseball coach and Head Freshman baseball coach.

Mr. Bolton's distinguished career as a teacher and administrator for the Parma School District spanned 31 years from 1965 to 1996. Since 1996 Bob has continued to serve the school district and the community in a wide variety of capacities. In addition to coaching, he served as: Assistant Principal of Shiloh Jr. High School

Supervisor of Health and Physical Education and Athletics for 18 years  
Chairman of the Ohio Schools Council  
Cooperative Purchasing

Active Trustee on the Board of the Friends of Byers Field Foundation

Part of the movement to install the artificial surface for Byers Field  
Recreation Department for 30 years with the city of Parma

Director of hardball city of Parma  
Pride award winner from the Parma Area Chamber of Commerce 1996

President of the Muny Athletic Association of Parma

Presently: Supervisor of Athletics/Director of Interscholastic Operations

For many years Mr. Bolton has been the face and the heart of Parma Athletics. To state it succinctly, "If you have ever participated in sports at any leveling in the schools or community, you owe Mr. Boulton a debt of gratitude for the opportunity."

## Robert Brugge Class of 1944 Parma Schaaf High School

Robert married his high school sweetheart Lois Katzbach '46. They have 3 children, 11 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren.



*Robert Brugge's son accepts Bob's HOF Award*

Bob was a very good student while attending high school. Bob lettered in 4 sports while in high school and was selected as the most athletic his senior year. He is one of Parma's most famous high school athletes. Bob was active in a number of school activities and received a full scholarship to the Ohio State University.

He started at Ohio State in 1944 on the varsity Football team as a freshman and they had an undefeated team that year. World War II caused an interruption in his college career. He served 2 years of active duty in the Navy. He returned to OSU and graduated in 1949. During his years at Ohio State, he earned All Big 10 and All American honors as a running back. In 1949 he was drafted by the Cleveland Browns professional football team. Unfortunately for Bob, he suffered a career ending injury in his first year. Bob then returned to his Alma Mater PHS, and began his teaching career. Bob taught health and physical education for 30 years.

Bob began coaching football as an assistant and then head coach for Parma High for 16 years. As the head coach, he was instrumental in the building of Byers Field. He was the driving force in getting Parma High into the Lake Erie League. He guided Parma to 4 consecutive LEL championships from 1958 to 1961. He had a number of players receive scholarships to colleges all over the country and he had 2 all state players and a number of honorable mention players. He also had 2 undefeated seasons and a 25 game winning streak.

After his coaching career, he started a class that worked with special needs students before there was a special needs program in the Parma Schools. He worked with these students to find jobs, keep bank accounts, and ways of helping

students become self-sufficient after high school. He was the first one to teach the course and to make house calls to help the parents with these students. Most of the students at that time would not graduate, so this class was very important for them. Bob retired from teaching in 1981.

Bob's community service included helping to start the Parma School Employees Credit Union, which helped so many teachers, fireman; police and hospital employees get education, car, and home loans. He served as President and was on the board of directors for many years.

### **Karen Spillner Dendorfer Class of 1957 Parma Senior High School**

Karen is married to John Dendorfer (PSH '56) and they have 4 children and



*Karen Spillner Dendorfer accepts her HOF Award*

9 grandchildren. While a student at PSH, Mrs. Dendorfer was active and participated in Y-Teens. As her children came of school age, Karen became actively involved with the Parent Teacher Association. She first joined the PTA at Arlington Elementary School in 1965. Quick to identify a leader when they see one, the various PTA's with which she was affiliated soon placed her in an officer position within the group. Mrs. Dendorfer served as President for the following: Parma Park PTA: Crile Elementary School (twice), Pleasant Valley Junior High PTA, Valley Forge PTA, Parma council of PTA's.

Her personality and sound leadership ability came to the attention of district and state PTA officers and she rose through the ranks of statewide PTA positions. Mrs. Dendorfer served in the following capacities: Ohio PTA Board of Manager, District 12 Director and Ohio PTA Treasurer. For her devotion to the education of children she received both Ohio PTA Life Achievement Award and National PTA Life Achievement Award.

In 1987 Mrs. Dendorfer was elected to the first of several terms on the Parma City Schools Board of Education. As a board member, Mrs. Dendorfer was directly involved in many decisions that shaped our

school district and supported many projects to enhance the learning opportunities of students in our district in regard to policies, procedures, curriculum, and facilities. Most recently, Mrs., Dendorfer presided over \$44 million worth of building renovations since 2002. Her kind, gentle demeanor belies the fierce determination with which she advocates for students in the local, state, and national arenas. She has been: Actively involved with the Ohio School Board Association, Federal Relations Network (1992-present), Northeast Region Executive Committee (2002-present) and Legislative Platform Committee (2004-present). She was the recipient of: OSBA Award of Achievement 2005 and 2007, OSBA Master Boardmanship Award (2005), Active Member of the Back the Schools committee, which is dedicated to providing resources to support local school levies.

Mrs. Dendorfer has lobbied at the state and national levels for projects and programs beneficial to students in her home district and students across the country. She was featured in the Ohio School Board Journal seeking support from Congressman, Dennis Kucinich for the "Pledge of American School Children".

Married to John Dendorfer (PSHS Class of '56). She is the mother of 4 children, Kevin, Brian, Donna, and Susan (all products of Parma City Schools) and 9 grandchildren.

### **David Smallwood Class of 1988 Parma Senior High**

While in school Mr. Smallwood was a member of the wrestling, basketball and baseball



*Dave Smallwood accepts his Hall of Fame Award*

teams. He was a member of the Hi-Y club and he served as a hall monitor. Dave is married to Barb Snowden (Class of 1968) and they have 3 children and 6 grandchildren. Dave is employed by the Cutler Hammer Division of Eaton Corp, where he was recognized as the national Salesman of the Year in 2006. Dave is a true community activist. He was elected to the Parma School Board for 2 terms and served 2 years as President. He was a member of the

Back the Schools Committee and worked on many of the levy campaigns. He served on the Byers field foundation and is the current Vice President. Other community activities include serving as site coordinator for the Relay for Life Charity and he was co-chair in 2007 and in 2006 when a record of \$200,000 was raised. His other activities include working on the Rib and Rock fundraiser for the Parma Chamber of Commerce, volunteering for the Indian Guides and Indian Princesses. He also umpires high school baseball and softball games as well as officiating high school volleyball games. There is no question Dave Smallwood is a person who cares about his community and because of the efforts you live in a better place.

### **Norman Shibley class of 1939 Parma Schaaf High School**

In his years at Parma Schaaf High School, Mr. Shibley was a member of the National Honor Society, participated in drama, band



*Norman Shibley's nephew accepts Norman's HOF Award*

(president), student council (president), music council (vice-president), basketball, and junior class president. It seems that early on Mr. Shibley exhibited the charisma and leadership traits that would be hallmarks of his career. The yearbook back then placed a quote selected by each student next to his or her picture. Mr. Shibley's quote, "I am not arguing with you, I am telling you." prophetically characterized the confidence with which he practiced law in his career as an attorney. Each of us leaves our mark on Parma High School, but Mr. Shibley's mark will endure as long as this high school exists. When he was sophomore at Parma Schaaf High School, he wrote and scored the lyrics for the Parma High School Alma Mater. If you look carefully, you will see his name credited on the sign bearing the words to our Alma Mater posted in the gymnasium. Majoring in music at Ohio State University, Mr. Shibley paid his tuition by playing clarinet and piano at dances and nightclubs. He had a weekly jazz radio show and toured with the Ohio State University Symphonic Orchestra. Mr. Shibley was an imposing figure of a man. Standing 6'5" and weighing more than

300 pounds, his physical presence was well matched in the dimension of his personal and professional achievements. With his sharp legal mind and jovial sense of humor he dominated a courtroom, a boardroom, or a social gathering. He served as an Army Field Artillery Officer in the Pacific Theater during World War II and after the war he graduated cum laude from the Ohio State College of Law in 1948. Over the course of his career in law, he served as President of the Ohio and Greater Cleveland Bar Associations. He was one of the founders and original officers of the Parma Bar Association in 1963. Mr. Shibley served as President of the Parma City Schools Board of Education in the 1950's and 60's when the district was growing by leaps and bounds. In that capacity he introduced Russian to the foreign language curriculum. Under his direction, Parma was one of the first school districts in the nation to develop the concept of district-wide closed circuit television throughout our schools. He proposed the annual trip to Washington, DC to bring history to life for eighth grad students. Mr. Shibley was President of Parma Community Hospital, President of Ohio Association of Trial Lawyers, President of Ohio State Law School Alumni and Chairman of the American College of Trial Lawyers. He was the first law director of Parma Hts, and author of the charter for that city. He was also active in the American Legion and Chairman of the Lawyers Gourmet Club. Mr. Shibley was a voracious reader. He read all of the legal periodicals and lectured to the Bar Association each year on new developments in civil practice. He was highly respected as a mentor to many young lawyers and urged them to strive for the highest standards of ethics and excellence. Mr. Shibley approached retirement with the same vision and energy that characterized his career. He had 3 goals for his retirement. He wanted to write a book, sail around the world in a steamer, and play the piano in a small Italian restaurant in Sarasota, FL. Stricken with heart problems just weeks after retiring, he did complete a small volume of vignettes, which he circulated among his friends. Mr. Shibley passed away December 6, 1992. He was married to Jeanne for 29 years. They raised 3 children, Jeff (Tampa, FL), Linda Hovan (Strongsville), and Sharon Hiller (Lorain). They have 6 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren. Personally and professionally, Mr. Shibley lived the words contained in the last line of the Alma Mater he wrote: "Parma High Our Promise is Loyalty Eternally".



### Editor's Desk from page 1

It became obvious to us that it has become too expensive to continue to send a hard copy to every alumnus in the fall of each year. Your Alumni Board of Directors feel that with the ever increasing homes that have and utilize home computers, most alumni have the ability to go to our web-site ([www.pshalumni.org](http://www.pshalumni.org)) and get the fall edition of the *Tradition*. We will still continue to offer all 3 issues of the *Tradition* online with a subscription to the online directory at the same \$10 per year subscription price.

We will continue to stand by our commitment to keep all PSH Alumni informed about their Association. I, as *Tradition* editor, will promise comprehensive Alumni news, reunion news, historical articles about the city of Parma and Parma High School from our archival collection, and current news about Parma Senior High School. If you have any questions or comments, please drop me a line at PSH Alumni Association (attn. Editor) at 6285 W 54th St. Parma, Oh 44129 or email me [pshalum@pshalumni.org](mailto:pshalum@pshalumni.org) attention *Tradition* Editor.

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database and website are monitored and serviced weekly to keep you informed of upcoming events. And last, but not least are our on-line directory and *TRADITION* newsletters. All of these are labors of love that would not happen if those involved did not care to do them... This is only a partial list of what we do throughout the year, but I thank each board member for all they do so this organization runs smoothly.

2007-08 Parma Senior High Alumni Board

- Nancy Fedak-President
- Tony DeMarco--Vice President
- Gene Filipow-Treasurer
- Carol Lisy Bartel-Recording Secretary
- Darlene Wendel DeMarco-Corresponding Secretary
- Lou Bentzen-Board
- Marilyn Marquette Coleman-Board
- Dianna Pavisich Kall-Board
- Thomas Speck-Board
- Ed Sarian-Board
- Chris Panek Sobolewski-Board
- Gil Fritzsche-Board
- Bob Vasil-Board

Instead of bombarding you with raffle tickets and other fundraisers, we are asking that you donate \$1.00 for every year you have been a graduate of Parma High to your Alumni Association.

You can designate where you would like the



Parma High's Alumni Band

donation to go. It is 100% deductible. Thank you, from your Alumni Board!!

## Letters to the Editor

Dear Nancy

Thank you for the invitation to return to Parma Sr. High to relive some of the wonderful times we enjoyed. I expect to be at Byers Field on the 14th of September. (Byers Field for the honoring of the 1958 undefeated LEL championship team.)

Dick Gallerher Assistant Coach

### Thank you

To Nancy and the editor

I received the 1956 yearbook yesterday. Jeanne told me about the yearbook in May and I am ever so grateful that the Parma Alumni Association has been able to make it available to me. So thank you again for your efforts and dedication.

Joe Marino Hollywood Ca.

What a great idea to ask for a \$1 for each year that we have been a graduate of PSH.

Louise Kosty Kroehle 1954

### Thank you

My uncle, Frank Lalik was a war time graduate. Frank would have been a graduate of Schaff High School 1944. He passed away on June 8, 2006. He got his diploma while serving in the Army.

Thanks

Alice Czaplicki Ray

### Thank you for the information

Dear Tony

What do the numbers in front of the names that are in the In Memoriam mean? I graduated in 1945. I was Joyce Russ then, now I am Joyce Zane.

Thank you for helping.

Joyce Russ Zane '45

### Joyce

*The numbers stand for the year that the deceased graduated from school.*

**12th Annual**

# SCHOLARSHIP GOLF OUTING



**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 11, 2008**

**RIDGEWOOD GOLF COURSE**

**4-PERSON SCRAMBLE**

**9AM SHOT GUN START**



Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes, I will attend

\_\_\_\_\_ Number in group \_\_\_\_\_ x \$80= \_\_\_\_\_

Name 1. \_\_\_\_\_

Name 2. \_\_\_\_\_

Name 3. \_\_\_\_\_

Name 4. \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ No, I cannot attend, but will donate: \_\_\_\_\_ (prizes, money to defray expenses)

\_\_\_\_\_ I would like dinner only # \_\_\_\_\_ x \$25 \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ For myself

\_\_\_\_\_ For my guest(s) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ I will sponsor a hole @ \$100/hole --includes hole signage, program listing, and recognition in fall **Tradition**.

\_\_\_\_\_ I will sponsor lunch @ \$500--includes signage, program listing, and recognition in fall **Tradition**.

\_\_\_\_\_ I will be a corporate sponsor @ \$1000--includes hole signage, program listing, round of 4 golfers (free) and recognition in fall **Tradition**.

Company Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_

3 Lines of print if different from above--please attach form

Contact person \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Totals enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please enclose check for the full amount made out to **PSH Alumni Assoc. Golf Outing**.

Send to:  
PSH Alumni Assoc  
6285 W.54<sup>th</sup> street  
Parma, OH 44129

## 2008 PSH Directory and Newsletter Order Forms

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

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Grad Name \_\_\_\_\_

On-lineDirectory\_\_ \$10 (must have e-mail address for directory)

Newsletter 1 year\_\_\$6 2 years\_\_\$11

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

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*Here are some items for any occasion.*

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



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.

## 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

1928-0	1941-2	1951-7	1974-1	1989-11	2002-10
1929-3	1942-8	1952-12	1976-2	1991-19	2003-4
1930-2	1943-5	1953-7	1977-1	1992-1	2004-ANN.-59
1932-2	1944-6	1956-1	1978-14	1993-1	@\$30/each
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1937-1	1947-9	1964-0	1983-12	1998-4	2006-15
1938-10	1948-15	1968-1	1984-2	1999-2	
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State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

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