

The Tradition

Parma Senior High Alumni Newsletter



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Alumni,
Happy 2007! I am hoping that this year will be a year of involvement for more of you.

- We are doing a better job of advertising your reunions with having them on cable and in the local newspaper beside in the newsletter and on the web site.
- On May 14, 2007, the Bailey Bell Tower will have more names added to it of Alums that exemplify "Loyalty Eternally". Public Invited.
- We will again be giving out \$6700 in scholarships and teacher grants.
- Our Annual Golf Scholarship Outing is Wednesday, June 27, 2007 at Ridgewood Golf Course. All are welcome to sponsor a hole, donate door prizes, lunch, or get a foursome together to golf and network with fellow alums. **Howie Murphy, class of 1967 was inadvertently omitted for recognition from the 2006 golf committee. Sorry Howie-Thanks for all the great work.
- Our Annual meeting is Monday, July 9, 2007. All are welcome and the place is yet to be determined.
- We are hoping to start a NEW TRADITION with an Alumni Band performing at the first home football game—September 1, 2007 against John Marshall. Darryl Tinay, the alum heading this up can be reached at 440-842-4738.
- We are honoring the first Football LEL Champs—1958 at the September 14, 2007 football game against Lakewood. Bruno Tomassini is in charge of this and can be contacted at fairfaxmedia.com/psb. All team members and cheerleaders are invited.
- Homecoming will be October 5, 2007. We will again offer free tickets in the "Fall Tradition" and have a welcome tent outside the stadium with refreshments.
- November, 2007 will see new members of the Hall of Fame be inducted.
- The first LEL Champion Boys Basketball team will be honored at the Stow Basketball game on December 4, 2007.

That is all we have planned so far. PLEASE remember to keep us informed of change of names and addresses so we can keep our records updated.

Nancy Fedak, 1966



FROM THE EDITORS DESK

by Anthony DeMarco '62

Belated Season's Greetings

I hope you had a wonderful holiday season and you were able to spend time with family and friends. This year as we have done for many years, Dar and I sent and received season's greetings from PSH classmates from the classes of 1962 and 1963. In addition, we had our annual open house where friends, family and a number of old classmates dropped by. We were also able to call others, who no longer live in the area. As is the usual case, those gatherings and phone calls bring up old times, how their families are, and what's new.

Those contacts always bring back fond memories of good times. I know the season is always busy and there is never enough time for everything you have to do. Why not take some time to send an email or letter to an old classmate or former teacher to let them know how you are and what's new with them. I am sure they will be pleasantly surprised and you will feel better for taking the time. Remember, as Harry the angel from the film "It's a Wonderful Life" said, "No man is a failure who has friends".

"How would you like to have a tax saving and be charitable at the same time?"

If you are 70 ½ years of age, you know that you must now begin taking some money from your IRAs. What if you could remove the money as required by law and give that taxable portion to a charity of your choice rather than pay the government the tax you would have to pay anyway on that withdrawal.

On August 17, 2006 the Pension Protection Act of 2006 allowing individuals to donate money in an IRA to a charity, including PSH Alumni Association. The new law provides an exclusion from gross income for IRA distribution. Up to \$100,000 per year from traditional IRAs to "qualified charitable distributions" may be made during 2007. If you are interested in a donation to the PSH Alumni Association, please call us at 440-885-3700 or mail us at PSH Alumni Assoc. 6285 W54th St. Parma, Ohio 44129 for further information. Donations for specific purposes like the Tradition, scholarships, school programs like the band or art program or for school sports can be requested. As with any financial decision, contact your financial advisor or your lawyer.

REUNION NEWS

- 1932-75TH** Reunion-Contact Martha Neff French
- 1937-70th** Reunion-Friday, July 20, 2007 at Pipers III at 11:30 AM-Contact Ruth Johnson at 440-526-3835. This is the 3rd Friday of the 7th month!!!
- 1938-**Parma Schaaf meets every 2nd 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.
- 1942-65th** Reunion-Contact Rita Kemmer D'Alessandro
- 1945-62nd** 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 3rd Wednesday of the month at noon at Dimitri's Restaurant at Midtown Shopping Center on Snow Road.
- 1947-60th** Reunion-Contact Pauline Lachner O'Patka.
- 1949-**Annual picnic on Friday, July 27, 2007 at Stearns Farm. Contact Elaine Quint at 440-843-3872. Also the 2nd 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.

- 1952-55th** Reunion-September 15, 2007 dinner-TBA, September 16 brunch-TBA-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.
- 1957-50th** 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.
- 1959-50th** 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.
- 1962-45th** 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 a local night spot TBA. Saturday, September 15 - breakfast and tour of PSH at 9 AM - 6 PM dinner and dance at the Independence Holiday Inn. Cost \$45 per person - \$85 per couple. Contact Tony DeMarco at 440-572-2375 or demarco31@sbcglobal.net.
- 1967-40th** 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.
- 1969-40th** 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.
- 1972-35th** Reunion on August 10, 2007-TBA; August 11-dinner at Strongsville Holiday Inn Select. Contact Michelle Stein Gottschall at 440-352-1860 or mjpgotschall@ameritech.net; Greg Sawchak at 440-356-6155 or gsawchak2@cs.com.
- 1977-30th** 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.
- 1982-25th** Reunion-Contact Tomas Weinrich at 440-842-7659.
- 1987-20th** Reunion planned for late July or early August. Contact Kim Nickle Borzyn at kborzyn@wowway.com or 440-582-1258.
- 1992-No 15th** Reunion. Planning for 20th Reunion. Contact Tony Moraco at tjmoraco@hotmail.com.
- 1997-10th** Reunion. In the planning stage. Contact Katie Tupa Kwiatkowski at katiek78@cox.net or 440-743-0453.

Current School News

The PSH Homecoming Court The 2006 Queen was Nicole Bretz. The court included Arynne Beeble, Lisa Chicke, Jackie Martin, Cassy Stakolich. The King was Anthony Paletta. The court included Brad Boyda, Dan McWilliams, Zack Milker, Kevin Shadrach. The Queen was crowned at half time of the Homecoming game. The King was crowned at the Homecoming dance which saw over 900 students attend. It was so large it had to be held in the gym. School spirit is alive at PSH.

Plain Dealer Player of the Week

Anthony Palini was named hockey player of the week. The senior center scored 3 goals and an assist in the 6-2 win over Lakewood. He had 3 goals and one assist in the 8-1 win over Midview. Anthony is a three - year letter winner in hockey and a one - year letter winner in golf. He is also an honor student.



Parma High Alumni Band performs at Homecoming 2006

Recipes from the PSH Cafeteria

From the collection of Loretta Timchak - Cafeteria manager and cook for 40 years.

The following recipes were used until the Parma City Schools went to a satellite food service system in the 70's and early 80's. Until that time all lunches

were made from scratch and prepared daily.

Jan. 12, 1949 Corn Chowder

½ cup diced salt pork or ¼ cup of bacon fat - 2 onions, sliced - 2 cups of diced potatoes - 2 cups canned corn - 4 cups boiling water - 2/3 tsp. Salt - 1 qt. milk - pepper to taste.

Cook the salt pork in a large saucepan over low heat until the fat is extracted. - Add onion and cook until the onion is yellow. - Add potatoes and water, and boil until the potatoes are tender. - Add corn and milk and reheat (taste to see if it is well seasoned).

If thickened chowder is desired, make a smooth paste with 1 tbl. flour and a little cold milk or water. Add and let cook for a few minutes more, being careful to stir to prevent scorching. Serves 6/7

Letters to the Editor

Send your brief letters to the editor and we will try to print as many as we can in the newsletter. We would like letters about what you are doing now, comments or questions on previous articles in the newsletter, questions about the history of PSH, or questions about anything that would interest you.

Class of 1966 40th Reunion Alumni Association school tour

Thanks for the great job you did on the tour. A lot of information classmates did not know. N Chabek Class of 1966

I graduated in 1967 and was wondering if anyone in one of the foods classes still had the recipe for something called "raisin bubble buns" they were like muffins made with pieces of dough rolled into circles then piled into muffin tins and bake. They also had a cinnamon sugar coating. (They were rolled in cinnamon sugar before put in muffin tins). They were printed on a sheet that we got with a picture of them with the instructions. I would love to have the recipe again. Mine was lost in a move. Thanks in advance.
Shirley Haag Dilks '67

Shirley

Sorry we were unable to find that recipe in our archival cookbook. We will keep looking!

Dear Tony

As one of the 2 or 3 living members of the class of 1929, I look forward to receiving *The Tradition*. I was saddened to read in the Fall edition of the passing of my classmate, Lee Bailey. The last letter I received many months ago told me he was planning a fishing trip with friends to Canada. I answered wishing him well but I received no answer. When he wrote some years ago he asked to confirm our graduation date, time and place. It was June 7, 1929 at the newly constructed Henry J Schaaf Jr High School Auditorium. On page 4 of the President's message in the Fall edition it states that Lee graduated from Ridge Road High School. I would just like to keep the records straight. Can you verify that fellow classmates, Mildred Uhinck Brandt and her brother Carl Uhinck are still among the living. I, too, will be 95 this fall.

Helen Riegler DeLeon '29

PS I, too, still have my class ring. I have worn it since Lee's passing.

Helen

Thank you for your letter. Mildred and her

brother Carl Uhinck are still living in Ohio according to our records. Thank you for the correction on the 1929 graduation site and Happy belated 95th birthday.

A teacher I remember

One incident I still remember from high school is from Mr. Zeitler's biology class. Class started with Mr. Zeitler walking from the front of the classroom and placing a glass of colorless liquid on top of the radiator. After several minutes the students sitting near the radiator started to complain about the foul smell. Zeitler then asked the students what caused the smell. They said it was from the glass. He then asked what principle of biology it represented. Some student said it represented the principle of diffusion. Zeitler congratulated him and then removed the glass. The smell was extremely foul and made most of us nauseous. It was a good lesson though since I still remember it over 40 years later. Had he used oil of Wintergreen, I never would have remembered.

Tony Gregory '61

Dear Friends

Many thanks for your friendly communications to me over the years since my graduation from Schaaf High School in 1939. I have never returned there since the end of World War II but I have enjoyed and appreciated the communications you have sent to me that mentioned people and places I still remember. Mentally you can compute my age to be 85 years, and luckily I have maintained reasonable good health so far. You have mentioned that you maintain a fund to help pay for current students who lack funds to enter college on their own. In an effort to help them to afford tuition you raise money for them by selling copies of *SPECTRUM* to former graduates who would like to purchase copies. Here are 2 copies, 1 from 1938 and the other from 1939, in quite good condition, and with many autographs; they are my gifts to your cause, which is certainly a laudable one. I hope that both the purchaser(s) of the books and the recipients of the income will enjoy their acquisitions.

Please extend my greeting to any other members of the Class of 1939; it has been many years since I have seen any of them.

Sincerely, Walter Krumm '39

Thank you Walter for your contribution.

Hi Nancy,

I enjoyed talking with you the other day.

I am enclosing my \$45 check for the 1954 yearbook. You wanted some information about a small group of classmates who meet in January in Las Vegas. We have been meeting in Las Vegas for about 4 years. We meet at the Sahara Casino. It's nice having us altogether in one place—not that we get rowdy!!! I am not sure what the dates are for the 2007 reunion, usually at the end of January. The agenda is pretty loose. We meet at 9:00 AM in the buffet restaurant in the Sahara—get caught up on all the news. Then we scatter hither and yon for the day. At 6:00 PM we gather again and decide which casino to eat supper. We usually stay about 4 days, arriving Tuesday and leaving Saturday. If anyone is interest in joining our rowdy group, contact Gerry Lee, 1843 King James Parkway, Westlake, OH 44145-3421.

In September, 2006, Tony (54 alumnus) and I hooked up our 18-foot trailer to the Tahoe, and took a cross-country trip. We ended up clear across the country in Florida. We discovered two '54 alumni, Elaine Simon Blank and Earl Heiden. We had a great time visiting with them and sharing our special memories.

Looking forward to receiving the year-book

Regards, Charlotte Bayer '54

Thank You For Your Donation

Rose Mocklar

Thank you so much for your donation of 7 yearbooks. The Parma Senior High Alumni Association appreciates this greatly. They will help our scholarship fundraising.

Kim Stari

Thank you for the 27 yearbooks covering the years 1942 to 1965, the various issues of the *Broadcaster*, and the *Hi Spots* that you sent us. The yearbooks will help us with our scholarship fundraising and the school newspapers will go into our archival room.

A big thank you to **Bill Schaerfl**, 1957; **Joe Schaerfl**, 1959; and **Dan Fedak**, 1959 for their donation of the 1954 Plain Dealer article on PSH Queen of High Schools.

Randy Halen 1961

Thank you for your financial donation to the Alumni Association. Your assistance will help us continue *The Tradition*.

In Memoriam

Deceased 9/1/2006 to 12/28/2006

1929 Lee Bailey	1959 David Freiwald	1961 William Dellapa
1933 Gordon Wlecke	1959 Edwina Gaida	1961 William Kleppel
1937 William Douglas	1959 John Harkin	1961 Kenneth Kollen
1937 Alfred Schmidt	1959 John Horstemeier	1961 Diane Sutak Mohos
1938 George Skubovius	1959 Linda Jardonek Smith	1961 Kenneth Wallace
1939 Adrian Minch	1959 Edmund Klatt	1962 Lee Orne
1943 Jacqueline Curtis Eynon	1959 Thomas Kurzenberger	1963 Leo Krusiensky
1943 Dolores Schulz Burton	1959 Wayne Lancaster	1966 Ross Pagano
1944 Raymond G Wisz	1959 Joseph Laviano	1966 Douglas Seaburn
1954 Margaret Aquila McIntosh	1959 Virginia Law	1966 Sandra Strazzo Benton
1954 Sarah Janitelli	1959 Beverly Meade Zaccardelli	1968 Richard Malloy
1954 Kenneth Dorner	1959 Beverly Mitchell	1972 Mike Redelson
1954 Virginia Hornyak Gervais	1959 Richard Moncol	1977 Sandra Higeys Tysar
1954 Donald Maletz	1959 Kenneth Novak	1977 Robert Tysar
1954 Kenneth Picklo	1959 Curtis Reece	1977 Jeffrey Yanky
1955 Angelee DiGioia McNeeley	1959 Carolee Russell	1981 Harold Freshour
1955 Gordon McMaugh	1959 Donna Schultz Lucht	1987 Robert Bartkiewicz
1956 Russell Gemeiner	1959 James Shubeck	1990 Michael Zaffle
1956 Alice Shepherd Gallatin	1959 Ronald Slepecky	2006 Daniel Schnoor
1957 Judith Cashel Sabolsky	1959 Carla Snow Binder	
1958 James Shepherd	1959 Alice Timoch	
1958 Gerald Tomicky	1959 Sharon Valichnac	
1959 Alicia Szalkowski	1959 Sandra Waag	
1959 Bonnie Beck	1959 Ann Zaccardelli Jones	
1959 Norma Brunn	1959 Lawrence Zipsar	
1959 John Campbell	1961 Eleanor Jeffery	
1959 Jack Corwin	1961 Rosalie Cangemi Haley	
1959 David Demko	1961 Sandra Rothman Augustine	
1959 Deann Ditterbrand	1961 Donna Augustine	
1959 Rochelle Finn	1961 Andrea Bryant Kurzenberger	
1959 Marianne Francis	1961 Steve Daymut	

*Some names were sent to us from Class Reunion booklets for update.

In answer to a number of requests we will try to inform PSH alumni of former PSH teachers who have passed as we receive their names.

John Rowan-History teacher 50's to 70's
Joe Kovach – Principal 70's into the 80's
William Ronan – Elementary teacher Thoreau Park and Principal 50's to 80's

“Mystery of the Lost Time Capsule Solved”

Unfortunately the mystery has been solved. The time capsule of 1952 has been lost forever. The location of the cornerstone was in the front of the building at the main entrance. The sandstone facade was removed when the large media center/vocational business addition was built in 1972. Hard to believe but no one from the construction company found the capsule and no one from the community or board office questioned where the capsule was. The material was supposedly put in a land fill-a shameful waste of beautifully sculpted sandstone.

We are now concentrating on finding anyone who was involved or observed the contents that were placed in the capsule. 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. So we have a new mystery. “What was in the time capsule?” Can you help us?

From the PSH Archives

Parma High Schools first two undefeated Season

In 1940 and 1943, Parma Schaaf High School recorded 7 wins and 1 tie to go undefeated. The coaches at the time were Ken Weber head coach and Pat Cordisco Assistant coach. The 1943 team scored 152 pts and gave up only 31 pts. The ties for both seasons were with Garfield.

Retired teacher and staff Christmas Breakfast

I attended the retired teacher and staff Christmas breakfast at PSH Wed. December 13th. The principal and the school administrators prepare and serve breakfast as a thank you for past service to PSH. Some of the retired teachers in attendance were Betty Davis Taipale (math teacher), Marty Vagy (business), Jerry Dolcini (English), Char Gerak and Denny Boynar (physical education) and Bob Vasil (administrator) and Carol Bartel (secretary).

2007 PSH Directory and Newsletter Order Forms

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Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email _____ Grad Name _____

On-line Directory ___ \$10 (must have e-mail address for directory)

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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

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

1940 1	1950 6	1958 1	1966 1	1996 6
1942 6	1951 5	1959 1	1969 2	1998 106
1944 2	1952 10	1960 1	1978 13	2000 5
1945 4	1953 2	1961 1	1980 20	2001 4
1946 5	1954 1	1962 1	1983 11	2004 3
1947 5	1955 1	1963 2	1989 8	*2004 78
1948 12	1956 2	1964 1	1991 89	Anniversary
1949 4	1957 1	1965 1	1995 8	Edition
				2005 6

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)

Special Sale:

**2004 50th Anniversary Edition, now \$20.00
Sale Extended to April 30, 2007**

Name _____ Class of _____
Address _____ City _____
State _____ Zip _____

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