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LETTERS TO EDITOR

Paula Gunderman Hill
 '62

I thought you might like to have my medals won in marching band and the concert band. I won first place a few times in the solo contest when I played my French horn. The rest were won when we played against other bands. Parma always placed first, thanks to band leader Barbara Rankin. I have them in a little display case which would go well with one of the maroon and grey band uniforms if you are doing one of your Archival display show cases. After you have displayed the medals could send

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Tradition



President's Corner by Michael Jaszczak '80

I hope that all of you have been enjoying the holiday season. It is always a busy time at my house, even with both of my children on their own. Things are busy at school as well. The school system just passed a renewal levy. that was vital to maintain educational programming, Parma High came close to becoming the sole 10-12 high school for the system. That plan is currently on hold. There will be more to come on this topic. On top of all of that, students are facing new tests and changes (once again) in graduation requirements.

As of your reading of this newsletter, PSH has a new principal. Mr. Leo Spagnola has been serving as the interim principal since the beginning of the school year. He has been named the ninth principal of PSH! Dr. Coffman has accepted a new job in the board administration as the Director of Research. I wish both well in their new jobs.

The Alumni Association has awarded five new Distinguished Service Awards. This is our hall of fame for those who are not alumni of PSH. These individuals have provided incredible service to our school and our students. William Bassett, Pat Cordisco (both who served as principal), Barbara (Rankin) Csomay, Emily Wilson and James Sentz have received this award and a plaque in their honor will be placed in the lobby of the Little Theatre. Cont on pg 3

From The Editor's Desk by Anthony DeMarco '62

"NO PLACE LIKE HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS"

The holiday season is upon us and the sounds of the season are everywhere you go. That music, like all music, brings back memories of holidays past.

I am sure most Alumni remember what school was like in the days leading up to Christmas break or as they call it now winter break. That time always meant Christmas Concerts, school dances, decorating the school halls and the rooms, and shopping for gifts for that special someone. Oh least I forget, for some buying a fruit cake from the band.

We would spend time with friends sled riding at State Road hill and the golf course. Ice-skating at Ridgewood Lake, Renwood recreation and Greenbriar ice

rink. There was touch football games in the snow, street hockey, and building giant snowmen. After all that fun in the cold, there was hot chocolate and parties with some friends down someone's basement or recreation room. Psychologist say you always remember the good times and never the bad and that is a good thing.

As we celebrate this coming Holiday Season with family and friends creating new memories, take a moment to send a card, call, text, email, tweet or any other new communication method, to an old friend you have been out of touch with for some time. It might just make their holidays a little special. Cont.pg 3

IN MEMORIAM

Our Sympathy goes out to all family and friends who have lost a loved one. Every effort is made to verify notifications of a deceased Alumni member. We ask that you provide some form of verification from a newspaper or other source. Send : Webmaster at pshalum@psalumni.org or the PSH Alumni office 6285 W. 54th St. Parma 44129.

THE NAMES FROM 6/1/16 to 8/15/16

1940 BETTY MILLER KIRCHER
1951 JOHN JANOS
1951 JOHN ZSIGA
1954 DONALD SABO
1954 ROBERT SINKO
1956 RONALD NERKOWSKI
1956 ROSS SCHULL
1956 JOANN ROBEJSEK LEIGHTON
1956 NEAL HICKOK
1956 GAIL COLE CARTER
1956 ROSE ZITA CHROMEK
1959 ROBERT SINKO
1960 THOMAS AHERN
1961 RICHARD CIGANKO
1961 SHARON CZECH FRYGIER
1961 ROGER NEWCOMB
1961 JOSEPH TOTH
1964 ART GARIC
1965 GARY BAKO
1966 GEORGE HWODEKY
1966 PATRICIA ANZALONE KUHN
1966 NANCY NEHRER GLOVKA
1967 LAURA MCKENZIE TISDALL
1968 SANDRA HLATKY SCHLUETER
1968 NICHOLAS MAMAI
1968 VICTOR RUBINO
1969 ROBERT JAWORSKI
1971 BRUCE CHURCHEY
1971 CHRISTOPHER ARING
1971 JAMES JANKOWSKI
1971 ERIC BRUNO
1973 JANIS LITRICO ORSAGAS
1973 CARL ROBERTS
1973 GARY KASSOR
1974 ARTHUR WOOL
1974 MICHAEL SQUIRE
1975 MICHAEL POUTZ (DEMPSEY)
1978 MARY CLAIRE HOLLO CONWAY
1984 JACQUELINE IMPICCINI
1991 SCOTT TIPPPIE
1992 ROBERT MOSES
1993 MARK DAVIS
2016 BRYAN SKINNER

Reunion News for Monthly and Quarterly Meetings

1943 Monthly lunches that are planned. Contact Rosemary Kuenzer Williams @ 440-842-4237 or Parmalefty@aol.com

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

1946 Meets for lunch 3 times/year 3RD week Feb, June, Oct. Contact: Dick Simmerer-440-835-0059 Gerald Abund440-237-9672 ggpa1928@gmail.com

1948 Monthly for dinner 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 Contact Elaine Quint 440-843-3872.

1951 Parma Schaaf meets for lunch 1st Friday of every month at Katherine's Restaurant Contact Joan Kalat 440-843-9122

1952 contact Jean Walter

At 440-582-3641 June 17th

1955 Katherine's Restaurant Pearl Rd. 9 AM, Contact Bob Funk 440- 472-6662

1956 The Parma Senior High Class of '56 holding its Quarterly Brunch the third Saturday in March, June, Sept and Dec . 11:30 AM party room at Fugi Grill 1930 Snow Rd. (at Broadview) contact www.psh.com or call Carol 216-676-4046 or Judy 440-237-0020

1958 Lunch quarterly contact John Tomko 440-799-2737 or C Gerhardstein at carolg712@sbcglobal.net

1959 The class of 1959 women meet third Wednesday each month. Contact Carol Rahe 440-234-4894 or Anita Koeth 440-526-1141 for information. Men meet 1st Wednesday every month

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

1963 3rd Thursday of the month at a site TBD. at 12 noon contact John Ziska at johnz442@att.net 440-781-0456

If you would like your class monthly meetings listed let us know .

Contact Mike Jaszczak 440-885-3700 or Tony DeMarco , 440-572-2375 and leave a message.

PSH Golden Reunion #5

For all classes Previous to 1967 **DATE AUGUST 27TH 2017 at The PSH Cafeteria from 10am to 2:30 pm. Look for the registration form on the Alumni web site psalumni.org and in the spring issue or Contact Tony DeMarco at demarco31@sbcglobal.net**

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Reunion News for 2016 Classes ending 6s and 1s

It is the 25th reunion for class of 1992 and the 50th reunion for the Class of 1967

Please contact the person listed for further information or www.pshalumni.org

1947 70th Ed Wentar

1952 65th 6/17/16 Mary Ann Schmidt 330-963-0662

1957 60th Nick Arena nickfarene@aol.com

1962 55th Contact Anthony DeMarco at demarco31@sbcglobal.net 440-572-2375

1967 50th No Information at this time contact Domonic Scabillia or Sharon Jones at sjones131@sbcglobal.net

1972 45th Contact Greg Sawchak gsawchak@yahoo.com or Michele Strin Gottschall mjgottschall@ameritech.net

1977 40th Contact Marie Adams Grzybowksi mgrizy@cox.net

1982 35th Contact Patricia Marshall Kachmark 3878 Marcella N. Royalton Oh 44133

1987 30th Kim Nickle Borzyn kborzyn@gmail.com

1992 25th Contact

1996 20th Contact Laura Pontau at 440-8871408

2002 15th Contact Logan Persons Lpersons@gmail.com

2007 10th No information as of this time.

Please contact the Alumni assoc. if you are part of a reunion committee with no information about your reunion

psalumni@psalumni.org attn. Mike Jaszczak

Cont from pg 1 Letters to the Editor

me a photo? I would so appreciate it.

Thank you for the donation. I am completing a band display showcase featuring PSH bands and Barbara Rankin, Don Crosley and Jim Sentz. I will include your donation and I will send you're a photo.

Jerry (57) and Marianne Kuhel Bon-tempo (58)

Please use this donation for trophy repair. Thank you for all your hard work

On behalf of the Alumni Association thank you for your donation and kind words.

PSH Alumni Assoc. Thank you for selecting me for the career Prep Scholarship. I plan to use the money for a laptop that will last me for the 4 years I will be in school. I plan on attending the College of Wooster. Thank you for giving me the opportunity to do that. Robin P
You are very welcome Robin. We recognize your hard work the last 4 years at PSH and wish you success at the College of Wooster.

Please send your letters to the Editor Attn. A DeMarco by email or US postage to the addresses provided

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TEACHERS AMINISTRATORS

THEODORE BOHMER
ROBERT REITZ Math
BARBARA RANKIN CSOMAY Band
HARRY HOLZINGER Woodshop
JEAN DURBOROW Counselor
EDDIE MONTGOMERY Printing
TIM ATKINS Teacher
LOUISE CONWAY Home Econ

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Special Reunions this year
Class of 1992 25th class Reunion.
Class of 1967 50th class Reunion
Check the PSH Alumni Association web site for updates on dates, times, and locations.

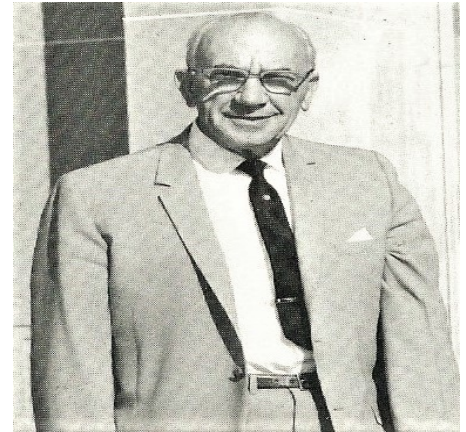
Cont. pg 1 President

While many of you have stories about each of our honorees, I have fond memories of being in Emily Wilson's last English 11 Honors class. I still have the bookmark that she gave to each of us in class. In Emily Wilson's last English 11 Honors class. I still have the bookmark that she gave to each of us in class. I also remember Jim Sentz observing the Arts Seminar class in my senior year. Moving forward some 20+ years, I had the chance to co-teach that class with him! It was a special class to take, and an even a more incredible experience to teach.

As we move into the future, sometime in January the alumni association will launch its new "store" for the purchase of PSHA items. We are also underway to design an updated website. We should have something up and running in the spring. It is my hope that the new website will make it easier to find information, keep you up to date with what is going on at PSH, make it easier to communicate to the board and officers of the association and allow for e-commerce. It is always busy.....

Retraction Every effort is made to verify any reported notice of a deceased classmate, but sometimes an error is made. **Michael J Marko class of 1971 was erroneously reported as deceased He is alive and well. Michael is the Police Chief of New London Ohio** The error occurred when another Michael Marko of Parma passed away a year ago and was sent to us. We apologize for any inconvenience or problems this error may have caused the family and friends of Michael J Marko. We ask that any reported death of classmates be accompanied by an obituary or reported by a verified family member.

PSH ALUMNI DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARDS FOR NON - PSH GRADUATES WALL OF FAME This award is given to non-PSH graduates who have provided significant service to PSH and to the Alumni Association. Nominations are made by PSH Alumni and are selected by a committee of the Alumni Assoc



William S Bassett Teacher-Principal-Coach from 1931 to 1966. The longest serving principal of Parma High. He established from a small rural High School to a state and nationally known progressive educational institution. At one point PSH was the largest High School in the state with 3500+ in 3 grades. Coined the "Queen of High Schools"



Patrick Cordisco 1938 to 1974 Business Teacher, Coach and Principal of PSH from 1966 to 1974. Coach of football, basketball (won the first LEL Championship of any sport in 1956), counselor, Dean of Boys, and Jr High Principal.

REGISTRATION ANNUAL FLORIDA LUNCH REUNION

THE REUNION WILL TAKE PLACE IN MATLACHA FLORIDA ON THURSDAY FEBRUARY 2nd AT 11:30 AT THE SANDY HOOK RESTAURANT. IF YOU HAVE NOT ATTENDED IN THE PAST AND ARE CONSIDERING ATTENDING, PLEASE SAVE THE DATE AND EMAIL BRUNO TOMMASINI AT PARMACOOKIE1@AOL.COM AND WE WILL ADD YOU TO THE EMAIL LIST. IF YOU WANT TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE RESTAURANT GOOGLE WWW.SANDYHOOKRESTAURANT.COM. WE WILL SELECT A SPECIAL MENU WHICH WILL INCLUDE THE PRICE, EXCLUDING DRINKS. AS ALWAYS ALUMNI AND FRIENDS.

2017 PSH ALUMNI HALL OF FAME APPLICATION

Nominations are being accepted for the 2017 Alumni Hall of Fame.

The deadline is April 30, 2017. Anyone may nominate someone for the Hall of Fame; however, self-nomination is not permitted. Nominations close at 5:00 PM April 30, 2017. No applications for the 2017 Hall of Fame will be accepted after this date. Nominees must have graduated from Parma Sr. High School, Parma Schaaf High or Parma Ridge Rd High. Applications are available at the PSH Alumni website—www.pshalumni.org. Announcements of the selected inductees will be made in the Summer of 2017.

Send applications to 2017 Hall of Fame PSH Attn. Barb Filipow or Gil Fritzsche at PSH. Tentative Induction Ceremony and Banquet are Friday, November 4, 2017.



FEATURE ARTICLE- by Richard L Pinkerton Ph.D.
Parma Schaaf High '51

Hello Anthony

I recently toured the Military Air Preservation Society Museum – MAPS at the Akron–Canton Airport. I discovered this tribute to a Parma Schaaf High School graduate, Robert A Milligan class of 1940. I noticed the Parma Varsity “P” in the corner of the showcase and then read the information. Army Air Force Captain Robert’s uniform, his WWII Distinguished Flying Cross, and Air Medal, and so much more. Robert was a member of the 451st Squadron of the Army Air Corps.

Robert went to Pampas Texas air base where he got a Pilots Proficiency Certificate to fly B-26 bombers in the European theater. He flew 37 combat missions. Stationed in England he flew sorties (bombing missions) in Belgium, Holland, France and after the war he was stationed in Germany. After the war he went to Ashland College and became a pharmaceutical rep. He continued in the Air Force reserve until he retired as a LT Colonel. He died in 2007. If you ever fly out of the Akron–Canton Airport, please make an effort to see the MAPS display of Robert A Milligan memorabilia. Call 1-330-896-6332 for Info. My thanks to Richard Pinkerton and Julie Adams (Robert’s daughter) for their information on Robert’s war record. Anthony DeMarco’62

Donations 2015 and 2016

If you want to make a donation to the PSH Alumni Assoc. please indicate, if you have a preference, what you would like that donation to go towards (scholarships, courtyard, archival room, Tradition etc.). Include your name (maiden), address, class year, and a phone number or email address you can be reached at. Donations over \$25 are tax deductible.

Remember our \$1 for each year you have been a graduate of Parma Sr. High or Parma Schaaf High

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1953 Richard Trackler \$\$\$\$

1963 Neil Hamadey \$\$\$\$

1970 Class Scholarships \$\$\$\$

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1954 Gerald Lee \$\$

1958 Marianne Kuhel Bontempo \$\$

1962 Pauls Gunderman Hill \$\$\$

1951 Richard Piekerton \$\$

PSHS Alumni Athletic Hall of**Fame Class of 2016-17 Ryan****Madison**

The Athletic department in conjunction with the Alumni Association will be inducting a new class of the Athletic Hall of Fame this coming January 20th 2017 The inductees are;

1930's

Edwyn Malusky '30

1940's

Mike Mural Jr. '49

1950's

Bill Gambino '58

1960's

Chuck SanFillippo '64

Tom Demo '64

1970's

Randy Volk '73

Tim Malley '77

Tim Hahn '78

Ken Dabrowski '79

1980's

Carl Filut '84

Ed Fortney '87

1990's

Jennifer Kulaga '91

Annie Mielke '92

Robert "Rocky" Ellis '93

Nick Loya '94

Nathan Broz '98

Dominick Gruttadauria '98

2000's

Doug Meyers '03

Tim Miker '08

2010's

Justin Roth '10

Athletic Hall of Fame

The evening will begin with a reception and dinner in the PSH cafeteria starting at 5:30pm for current HOF members, our 2017 induction class members and their guests. Around 7:15pm, the inductees will be recognized before our boys basketball game in the gym. After the pre-game recognition ceremony, we will hold the Hall of Fame Induction ceremony and acceptance speeches in the PSH Auditorium at 8pm. All are invited to attend the ceremony and speeches in the auditorium for free. If you would like to attend the pre-game recognition in the gym, you will need to pay the \$7 adult admission charge for the game. contact Athletic Director Ryan Madison at madisonry@parmacityschools.org or 440-885-8606



Barbara Rankin Csomay Music Teacher Orchestra and Band Director 1958-1968. Frist women band director of a large high school in the state. (Script Parma), winner of many state band competitions. Performed at NFL.



Jim Sentz Music Teacher Band director-Dept Chair 1979 -2016, Performed with the band in the movie Christmas Story. Innovative band formations with large bands of the '80's. Students in state competition



Emily Wilson English Teacher—Department Chair 1949– 1984. Spectrum advisor for 1953–60s. She was recognized by teachers and students for her dedication to the English department and former students for their preparation for college.

The Parma Redmen fall sports season recently concluded. The highlights of the fall season were: Redmen Cheerleaders won the GLC Cheerleading Competition Championship

-Golf Coach Bill Jeckel was selected as Great Lakes Conference Golf Coach of the Year

-Football player Collin Leyden was selected as Great Lakes Conference Defensive Player of the Year and honorable mention All-District

-PSH had 51 Fall athletes that were selected for the Great Lakes Conference All-Academic teams for their sports. Senior Andrea Scali signed a NLOI to accept a scholarship to Kent State University for softball

-Senior Megan Utlak signed a NLOI to accept a scholarship to Michigan Tech University for Volleyball. Senior McKenzie Papp signed a NLOI to accept a scholarship to Cuyahoga Community College for Volleyball

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In this season of giving, please remember that any monetary donation to the PSH Alumni Assoc. is tax deductible. You can direct that donation to any Alumni program or school activity or dept. We are also looking for scholarship donations or Sponsors for a scholarship's in your name for a deserving PSH grad. For more information contact the editor or Michael Jaszczak.

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Did You Know ? Robert Paul Babbitt graduated from Parma Schaaf High in 1942 and from West Point in 1949. He moved to California in 1955 where he became an Aero space engineer. He invented the Sudden Expansion Burner for destroying hazardous waste.