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**Letters to the Editor**

One of the last Parma High Students transferred to V F High from PSHS. (Mom graduated From PSHS) thank you letter for Daughters Scholarship.

( We changed our Scholarship Program to include Students transferred to Forge or Normandy)

Tricia Newcomer Mother, of Marisa Newcomer Class of 2024wrote:

Dear PSHS Alumni Assoc.

Thank you for your generous Scholarships awarded to my Daughter Marisa Newcomer.

Your support was much needed and appreciated. Cont on page 4

# TRADITION

## NEWSLETTER



THE END OF PARMA SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL THE QUEEN IS GONE

**FROM THE PRESIDENTS DESK: BRUCE SABAN**

Another school year is ending and another Senior class is getting ready to commence. The 2023/24 school year was certainly unique in its challenges, but in many ways, even more rewarding. The Graduating classes this year at Valley Forge High School and Normandy High School will consist of hundreds of students who just last year walked the halls of Parma Senior High. Halls that no longer exist. However, the vacancy emerging on West 54th Street will be filled by something more important. Friendships! This school year started with apprehension, anxiety and uncertainty. Those emotions and feelings that should define the end of a school year. The communities of Valley Forge and Normandy were immediately welcoming and attempted to create a new home. Those feelings of 'normalcy, I will attest, that our hallways have seen the reemergence of hugs, smiles and laughter, And that certainly feels normal. While it is difficult and still pains all of us to drive down West 54th Street, we can all take solace and comfort in knowing that our graduating classes of 2024 have made us very proud. Cont pg 4

From the EDITORS DESK/ V P' ANTHONY DeMARCO "1962

It is very hard to drive down W 54th Street past the site of the former Parma Senior High School. The rubble remains and will take some time to remove. I can still remember going to the open house in 1953 as a 10 year old with my Mom, Dad and little sister. The five million dollars that the taxpayers of the Parma School district had voted for was on full display. I was so impressed that I would someday walk those halls as a student.

I remember so clearly those three years I spent there and all the friends I made. Many of those friends are still very close friends. Returning to PSHS four years later as an Art teacher and spending 31 years teaching what I loved was more than I could ask for. I married my high school sweetheart. We had 3 children who also Graduated from PSHS.

It is so difficult driving past the ruins of that once magnificent building. Many of those close friends I went to school with, have stopped driving down 54th street. In this issue I have tried to include as many photographs of the places grads remember the most. Some will say it is just a building, but it was much more **The Queen of High Schools.**

## 12th ANNUAL GOLDEN REUNION

Our Annual Golden Reunion has a **Return** venue. Come join us in the **OLD** halls of Schaaf Jr. High, now known as Constellation School. Any Class member from the 1940's thru 1974 is invited along with spouses and friends. Meet once again with your former classmates and classmates from other years. This event will be held in the cafeteria, so if you want to, make it a real throw back in time, bring a brown bag lunch!

Coffee, breakfast snacks, water, soft drinks, munchies and cupcakes will be provided. **Pre-registration is suggested and encouraged**

**DATE: SATURDAY, AUGUST 24, 2024**

**TIME: 9:00 AM till 1:00 PM**

**COST: \$10.00 per person**

**Deadline for registration is August 10, 2024**

Ads and sponsorships available:

**SPONSORSHIP \$100**

**DONATIONS: \$25 RED\_\_\_\_\_ \$50 GRAY\_\_\_\_\_**

**ADS: Business card \$30\_\_ Quarter pg \$50\_\_**

Ads must have photo ready art included. Send art work to Tony DeMarco -demarco31@sbcglobal.net or 21408 Creekside, 44149

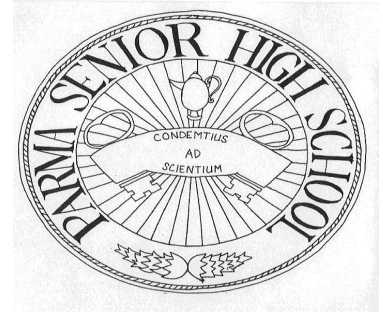
Please complete the form below and include your check payable to: PSH GOLDEN REUNION. Send to Patty Fritz-'61 @ 12887 Olympus Way, Strongsville, OH 44149.

**Please make separate checks for attendance /ads/donations/ sponsorships**

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ MAIDEN \_\_\_\_\_  
 GRAD YEAR \_\_\_\_\_ Guest \_\_\_\_\_  
 EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_ ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount enclosed \_\_\_\_\_

Committee members Darlene Wendel DeMarco '63 Board Member, Tony DeMarco '62 PSH Alumni Coordinator, Patty Fritz '61 Treasurer, Judy Flamik '67 and Rita DeMarco Madden '67 Program



If you would like your class monthly meetings listed let us know.  
 Contact Bruce Saban 216-398-1770 or Tony DeMarco , 440-572-2375 and leave a message.

**PSH Alumni Association**

Here is how to contact us  
pshalumni@gmail.com

Web- pshalumni.org

**Tradition Staff**

Editor: Anthony DeMarco '62  
 Darlene Wendel DeMarco '63  
 Assistant Editor  
 Facebook Coordinator  
 Char Eastin Rossi '71  
 Technical Support Damon DeMarco '89  
 Leave a phone message for Anthony at 440-572-2375 or Bruce Saban at 216-398-1770

**Alumni Assoc. Board**

President Bruce Saban '87  
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 Honorary Members  
 Carol Lisy Bartel '54 Emeritus  
 Nancy Fedak '66 Emeritus  
 Mike Jaszczak '80 Emeritus  
 Marcia Voss Sendrey '59 Emeritus  
 Barb Tomc Filipow '61 Emeritus  
**Founders 1941**  
**Lee Bally '29 Decd.**  
**George Red Rees '34 Decd.**

## Reunion Coordinators for 2024

**1954**-William Tucheck-billtuchek@aol.com

**1959**-Needs a coordinator -Contact

Judy Genco at judyse7@cox.net or

**1963**Darlene Wendel DeMarco-

shoelady@yahoo.com-

**1964**Marty Wolf at -mwolf46@aol.com Reunion 9/13/24 and 9/14/24. 9/13/24 at the Club Impuls at 7PM in the Holiday Inn on Rockside Rd. Sunday Sept. 14th at Stancatos 1 to 6 PM for Dinner/Reception

**1969**-Billie Calwallader bjmcadwallader@yahoo.com **The Class of 1969 is having their Reunion on August 10, 2024 at Yorktown Lanes Party Center.**

**1974-1975** Brenna Babb Roth- Sue Walick captn222@sbcglobal.net 440-332-9956 or Sue Walick 440-570-3451 for more info

**1979**-Catherine Smith Kornacker- razelberry@frontier.com- **Friday, Sept 6, 2024 bar crawl on State Rd./Sat. Sept 7 at the Grindstone Tap House in Berea at 7 PM**

**1984**-Dawn Reed-dawnyreed@aol.co

**1989**-Mark Fortuna-773-531-8780 No info

**1994**-Kelly Coates No info at this Time

**1999**-Denise Fikar Constanzo- denroot@aol.com No Info at this time

**2004**-Kelly Kish -golf.ballet.love@gmail.com

**2009**-Nicole DiVincenzo Rose- 216-956-1932

**2014**-Zachary J Toth- ztoth10@yahoo.com

Judy Genco Alumni Secretary person responsible for any changes or additions - Judy Sevcik Genco'72 judyse7@cox.net or 440-886-2420  
Names, addresses, phone numbers, may no longer be correct. Every effort is made to verify our information but sometimes errors are made by both the sender and on our end.

## Deceased Teacher

Red denotes new

Staff/ Administrators

On going list

CHARLES "CHUCK" BRAUN-Drivers Ed,  
KARL ANDERSON -Ind Arts  
SALLY BERTOLO-Guidance Counselor  
THOMAS GORMAN-Music  
KEITH SIDLEY- Special needs  
RALPH MACKULIN-Parma Bus Supervisor  
TOM DUNFORD- English PSH  
DAN MIHUTA-Art Teacher System Elementary Art Supervisor  
JOSEPH CHARNIGO-Art PSH System Art Director Asst. Principal PSH 12/11/20 age 92  
SUE MINDEK-Math teacher  
JIM FRITZSCHE- Coach / Industrial arts  
MARY LOU MAKAR- Admin  
WILLIAM McDIARMID Math  
CHARLES MORFORD Speech/Debate Teacher  
JOHN BRESSON Teacher  
ELENOR VERDILE- English  
RANDY GATES- Industrial Arts and Administration  
FRANK GERMANE- English and German PSH first wrestling coach  
JACQUELYN ADELE MAYER- PSH & VFSH Drama Theater/English 10/27/22  
(WIFE OF JIM MAYER PSHS)  
JIM MAYER-English & Drama Theater 06/26/2023  
CAROLYN HANSER CAHILL-Counselor  
RONALD R COUREY SR. PE PSH TEACHER AND '56 GRAD PSH LONG TIME CONTRIBUTOR TO PSHS ALUMNI Aug 2023  
RUTH WEBER Teacher French PSH August 2023

**NEW ADDITIONS 2024**  
RICHARD DEL VECCHIO Principal & Teacher  
ELMER BIHARY Math PSH  
JOAN BENNY English PSH  
JOH STAVOLE-Teacher and Basketball Coach  
LYNDALL JAMES-Latin

Cont previous column

RICHARD REUSCH  
Guidance Counselor  
ROBERT REWALT-Art Dept Chair  
RUSSELL HICKS- Math Dept Chair  
MARY GRIVICH  
MALONEY Librarian/ Media  
PATRICIA HANNUM  
Reading Specialist  
DAN TADDEO-English, Schaaf & PSH  
RUTH MUELLER-Teacher  
SALLY BUESCH- Counselor  
RAY SPOSET Administrator  
DEANNA BONTEMPO  
English/Special Ed  
ALLEN CLANCY- I Arts  
VIVIAN BONZA-English  
JAMES HERRLE-Business  
ALAN LAYTON- Earth Science 1/15/22  
JOHN BRESSON  
CHAR GERAK-Phy-Ed  
VIRGINIA SWIFT  
VERN KRAUSHAAR

**English**

JEAN COOKE -Spanish  
CAROL BARTEL- Secretary Front Office & '53 Grad  
DAVE CHEVERINE  
Teacher & Adminis.

We keep an ongoing record of deceased teacher as we receive verified records of their passing. Please help us with this information. We know this is not all of them but we can only print what is verified.

From the Presidents Desk Cont pg1

Their years defined by academic achievements, athletic and artistic accomplishments and personal growth. They have made new friends and fostered new relationships. In short, they still embody the spirit of Parma Senior High Excellence.

Letters to the Editor continued from pg 1

Marisa has worked so hard to prepare for her next adventure. I am so proud of her and her accomplishments. These scholarships with the ones awarded by Ohio University will help keep the cost down while she pursues her college education to become a teacher. Thank you again. Tricia Newcomer

Marisa participated in the following : Volleyball, Softball. Spanish Club and History Club

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Congratulations to Bryson Ziol. He was a scholar Athlete and participating in football, wrestling, track and baseball. He was the Captain of the Wrestling Team. He has not selected the University he will be attending. Bryson will be going into Teaching and coaching.

Thank you to the following Scholarship Donors for their generosity and loyalty to their Almamater. The recipients are very thankful for these scholarships

The Louse Harr Scholarship \$1000 to Marisa Newcomer

The PSH Golden Reunion Scholarship \$1000 To Bryson Ziol

Linda Kovach Diedrich \$1000 Scholarship to Marisa Newcomer

Jerry Rampelt Scholarship \$1000 to Bryson Ziol

## MONTHLY AND QUARTERLY CLASS LUNCHEON/MEETINGS

1948 Monthly for LUNCH at J Bella 1:30 3rd Thursday of the month. Contact: Dave Kane at 216-941-7572.

1949 The 2nd Thursday of the month 11:30AM at Michaels at State Rd. and Royalwood -Need Contact

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 440-582-3641

1955 Katherines Restaurant Pearl Rd. Lunch the last Wed of the month at 11:30 AM Contact: Bob Funk 440-476-6662

1956 Quarterly Brunch the 3rd Thursday of the month March, 11th, June, Sept, and Dec 11:30a.m. Simon's Rest and Deli Contact: Carol or Judy 440-237-0020 Sept 19th 11:30 Simon's West 7700 Chippewa RD Brecksville and Rt 82.

1959 Women meet the 3rd Thursday of the month at Dagneses Contact: Gerry Pofok. Men meet 1st Wednesday every month.

1960 & 1961 Dinner every month at various Parma Restaurants. Contact: Judy Love Girard monthly and quarterly meeting. No Information PSH Former wrestlers and coaches meet at Katherine's Restaurant at 10 AM on Oct 28, Jan 28, April 29 and July 29 \* **NEW**

1962/1963 Bi yearly lunch at a local restaurant. Look in the Fall edition of the Tradition for Updates and Location. Darlene Wendel DeMarco If you would like your class or organizations monthly meetings listed let us know. Contact Judy Genco at [judyse7@cox.net](mailto:judyse7@cox.net) or Tony DeMarco 440-572-2375 or at 21408 Creekside Dr. Strongsville, OH 44149 or [demarco31@sbcglobal.net](mailto:demarco31@sbcglobal.net)

Every effort is made to keep these dates and times updated with current information.. If your class is haveig lunches let us know.



27th ANNUAL PARMA SENIOR HIGH ALUMNI  
ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP & OPERATING  
FUNDRAISER GOLF OUTING FRIDAY, SEPT 6, 2024

LOCATION: RIDGEWOOD GOLF COURSE

TIME: 9:00 AM SHOTGUN START Check In At 8:15

FORMAT: 4 PERSON 18 HOLE SCRAMBLE

Prizes Mens. Womens Longest Drive – Pin Shot–

DONATION: \$100.00 INCLUDES GOLF, BREAKFAST, LIGHT LUNCH

DINNER (\$ 30.00 PER PERSON DINNER ONLY)

ATTENDING # 1 \_\_\_\_\_ GOLF DINNER

ATTENDING # 2 \_\_\_\_\_ GOLF DINNER

ATTENDING # 3 \_\_\_\_\_ GOLF DINNER

ATTENDING # 4 \_\_\_\_\_ GOLF DINNER

SPONSOR A HOLE \$100.00 FULLY DEDUCTIBLE INCLUDES HOLE

SIGNAGE, PROGRAM LISTING & RECOGNITION IN THE FALL

EDITION OF THE TRADITION TOTAL ENCLOSED \_\_\_\_\_

Please enclose a check for the full amount to; PSH ALUMNI ASSOC.  
GOLF OUTING

Send to: PSHAA C/O BRIAN VEVERKA

3200 FOREST OVERLOOK

SEVEN HILLS, OH 44131

Reservation must be made by FRIDAY, AUGUST 23, 2024

\* NO REFUNDS AFTER AUGUST 30, 2024 Contact Brian Veverka  
440-829-2690 or PSH Alumni.Golf@gmail.com Web:  
www.facebook.comPSH.Alumni.Golf

PSH ALUMNI  
DONORS 2020–2024

Class of 62 \* Class of 63 \*  
Richard Trackler for 13 years  
Deceased this year. Our sym-  
pathies Thank you for \$1000  
Scholarship given each year  
Golden Reunion for 11 years  
David Diedrich Linda Kovach  
Diedrich '72 for 4 years

Jerry Rampelt '64 4 years \*

DONATIONS

Richard Pinkerton '51 2023/4  
Wayne Ecke '62 10 years  
Jim Redovian '61  
Class of 1967  
Class of 1968  
Ron Courey \$3000 Alumni  
Events and Athletic Hall of  
Fame Deceased\*  
Thomas Stager '66  
Anthony DeMarco '62 and  
Darlene Wendel DeMarco  
'63 50 years of Donating  
Bev Bartos Burns '67  
Fred Cerny '84 5 year Do-  
nor  
Kathleen Dellaria Owen  
'62  
Ronald and Lin Drees  
Andrew Thersa Nixon '96

Loree Soggs '64  
Pat Bammerlin Volk and  
Husband  
David Evans '63  
Judy Deszo Martins '56

DONATION OF \$1 DOL-  
LAR OR MORE FOR EACH  
YEAR YOU HAVE BEEN A  
GRAD OF PSHS

DAVE EVANS 1963 GRAD \$  
\$ 2.00 FOE EACH YEAR

## 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. We ask that you provide some form of verification from a newspaper or other source. Send : Webmaster at [pshalumni@gmail.com](mailto:pshalumni@gmail.com) or Anthony DeMarco at PO Box 30100

### 2024 DECEASED LIST Spring EDITION June 2024

1942 Billy Noss  
1949 Elaine Voss Quint  
1953 Marilyn Marquette Coleman  
1954 Carol Lisy Bartel  
1955 Robert Chikik  
1956 Joyce Stehle  
Rossborough  
1956 Jeanne Fitzwater Weber  
1956 Donna Colby Brown  
1956 Robert Hindulak  
1956 Joseph Kiraly  
1958 Chester Wozney  
1960 Beverly Variano Sebestian  
1960 Robert Koch  
1961 Bob Schneider  
1961 Linda Woznuk Kerry  
1961 Arlene Bukvic Jones  
1962 Lawrence J Haffner  
1962 Vince Strazzo  
1963 Renata Heinemeyer  
1963 Steve Golas  
1963 Maris Irbe  
1963 Barry Krisfalusy (Kriss)  
1963 Marilyn Nash Szucs  
1966 William Neimeyer  
1968 Thomas Tiegiser  
1969 Margaret Mary Louderback Albaugh'  
1969 Lance Grether  
1970 Thomas Moran  
1970 Debra Perry Klutarich  
1972 Richard Twist  
1973 Mary Brandt  
1973 MaryLou Banaszak Yanachik  
1974 Diane Kita Zlatoper  
1974 Carol Werner Brodie  
1974 Judy Lesczynski Storck  
1974 Mary Eaton  
1976 Timothy Gorbett  
1977 Ralph Nickols  
1979 Kevin Austin  
1981 Yvonne Neira Zuchowski  
1983 Ronald White, Jr  
1984 Charles Molnar  
1988 Vicki Studer Tomaselli  
2005 Carol Naure Dieball

Or [demarco31@sbcglobal.net](mailto:demarco31@sbcglobal.net)

We are only able to provide the names of deceased Alumni sent to the Tradition by Family and Friends . We thank you for all your help in this endeavor and please, if possible, enclose some form of verification.  
May your grief be helped by all



Picture of the 2023 August Golden Reunion held at The old Schaaf Junior/Senior High now a Constellation School. Look for the location and registration form in this edition for this years Golden Reunion at Schaff Jr. High School On August 24 at 9 AM.

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You may also send any communications related to the Tradition Newsletter to :  
PSH ALUMNI ASSOC. TRADITION  
ATTN ANTHONY DEMARCO  
21408 CREEKSIDE DR,  
STRONGSVILLE OHIO 44149

Or  
PARMA SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOC.  
PO BOX 301000  
MIDDLEBURG HTS, OHIO 44130  
Thank you for your patience and co-operation



### The Farewell Tour T Shirt

You can now purchase The Farewell Tour T Shirt for \$20.00 plus shipping .

The Tee shirt, worn by all the Students and Staff members and sold to the public on tours of the building. Size **Large, Med, Small, XL** Circle choice. **Checks payable to PSH Alumni Association: Send to PO Box 301000, Middleburg Hts, OH 44130**  
**Avg Shipping : 1 shirt \$6, 2 shirts \$10**  
**Or call Darlene DeMarco 440-864-3124**





**The Parma City Polish Day Parade took place May 5th.** The PSH Alumni Assoc. took part in this parade to show Parma residents that we still exist and we are still a part of the Parma community. Thanks to the following Alumni Board members who volunteered for the Parade: Marge Menacore Wichert, Bruce Saban, Ryan Madison, Jan Rigo Haselbusch, Debbie Dimas Audie, Darlene Wendel DeMarco, and Tony DeMarco

The pictures below are provided by Judy Genco( photos of her Graduation Last Day at PSH in 1976 and Darlene Wendel Demarco The Sr. decoration Christmas Tree in 1963. Found memories of the good times and PSH memories that will remain forever.

Send us some of your cherished photographs from years gone by. We will select some for the Fall Tradition.



Please let us know what you would like to see in the "TRADITION" or any changes.

PARMR SR. HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION  
P O BOX 301000  
MIDDLEBURG HT'S OH 44130

2024— 2025 PSH Newsletter Order Form

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grad Year\* \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

Hardcopy Newsletter \_\_ \$8-1 year \$15-2 years

Checks (no cash) payable to: PSH Alumni Assoc.

Tradition Send: PSH Alumni, Attn. Tony DeMarco  
21408 Creekside Dr. Strongsville Oh 44149

Please remember that any monetary donation to the PSH Alumni Assoc. is tax deductible. You can direct that donation to any Alumni program. We are also looking for scholarship donations or Sponsors for a scholarship For more information on donations or for Individual Scholarship info, contact by mail,  
Anthony DeMarco 21408 Creekside Dr. Strongsville Oh,44149 or  
demarco31@sbcglobal.net.

**DID YOU KNOW** The Time capsule buried when the original building was being built has never been located. It was placed in one of the 2 wing on either side of the original 1953 entry?

**YEARBOOK SALE !! ALL YEARBOOKS \$20.00 !! + postage**

YEARBOOK ORDER PSH Alumni Assoc. Contact

A DeMarco-21408 Creekside Dr Strongsville, OH 44149

ORDER FORM: Send us a request for the yearbook you want

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grad Class \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

Zip \_\_\_\_ Email or Phone# \_\_\_\_\_ Yearbook year \_\_\_\_ If

we have one the cost will be \$20.00 + postage

Make Check Payable to: PSH Alumni Assoc.

A. DeMarco 21408 Creekside Dr. Strongsville Oh 44149

++ We had to move all of PSHS ALUMNI

Memorabilia , to storage facilities 20 miles away. We are having a difficult time locating all of our available yearbooks.

Here is the new plan. Send us the Yearbook you would like.

We will try to find one in our collection. If none exist, we will send you to another Parma Group who may have the book you want. For the foreseeable future this will be our plan.

IF YOU HAVE ONE TO DONATE, Please drop it of at the address above or if local, we will pick it up. Call 440-572-2375

Money made from the sale of yearbooks will be used for our storage expenses. WE CURRENTLY HAVE THE NEW

“FAREWELL TOUR 1953 TO 2023 PARMA SENIOR HIGH T SHIRTS” See Page 6 for ordering information.