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Huron Alumni Association Gains 121

Under threatening skies on May 24, Huron celebrated the rite of passage which saw 121 seniors first attend their Baccalaureate services, then proceed to Huron Memorial Stadium and stride across a stage, receive their diplomas from the school board, and begin to march off into their futures. About four out of five of the class members will continue on to college, with the remainder entering the work force or the military. Celebrate with them in the following pages.



Huron Educational Foundation's Fall Gala Announced

The much anticipated gala to be presented by the Huron Educational Foundation has been announced. Save the date of November 15 and begin your holiday season celebrations early. Join in the fun at South Shore Marine on Parkway Drive in Huron. What the perfect spot for our theme "Ride the Waves!" This fund raiser will help grow the Foundation's endowment and benefit students in perpetuity. For details, see page 12.

Anthony M. Munafo - 1933 - 2019

Anthony Munafo, Tony to most, and Uncle Tony to a revered few, passed away on May 30 at Stein Hospice in Sandusky. Tony came to Huron in the summer of '66 and before retiring amassed a record of 153 wins, against only 64 losses, and 7 ties. He built a reputation as a no-nonsense coach who demanded that players give their best on and off the field. He taught business courses in addition to the usual HPE duties required of coaches back then. A faith-filled man, Tony put love of God, family, and country above all else. And while at times he could seem gruff around the edges, he was a kind hearted individual who would not only give people the shirt off his back but would sew it for them as well. Read a tribute to this man who touched the lives of so many Huronites over the decades on page 24.



Baccalaureate 2019

The 2019 Baccalaureate service occurred on late afternoon of May 24 in St. Peter's Church in Huron. The class had prepared a moving, reflective, and sometimes somber celebration to present at the last formal gathering of the graduates before their graduation exercises. The duo of Emma Golling and Virginia Spitzley presented *A Lesson*, a reciting of those lessons learned throughout the teen years that will stand them in better stead throughout life than most of those absorbed from their text books. Olivia Arthur and Hannah Brennan expressed the many thanks owed to all the parents who helped guide them to this point in their lives. Of course, what would this celebration be like without the Memories of the Class of 2019, a parade of objects to the foot of the altar that tried to capture the most significant memories of all the events that the various teams, clubs, and classes had experienced throughout their high school careers. Two final readings looked forward, as first Allyson Scaife laid down some broad principles that classmates could follow for success in life. Then followed three ladies stressing the importance of Latitude, Attitude, and Gratitude as the three pillars supporting all on a successful life journey. How one handles all the new-found freedoms to come, handles circumstances over which one has no control, and how thankful one needs to be for whatever opportunities and successes they achieve will mark the contributions that one makes to not just one's self but all of mankind in the future.

With all these litanies of advice given, the best was saved until last, as the class's Senior English teacher, Mrs. Stephanie Hotz, stepped to the podium and presented her final literary lesson - on the Quest. Most great literature is based around characters on some sort of quest in life, and using heroic virtues, usually accomplishing the task, and in the process gaining so much more self knowledge. She outlined for the students how their lives can and should follow a similar quest, not just one big one, but a new one every day in order to lead more meaningful lives. Her advice was met with much nodding in agreement by the graduates, and their parents and grandparents as well.

With all of the thanksgiving and songs finished, the class repaired to Huron Memorial Stadium for its final gathering, graduation.



Mrs. Hotz delivers final words of advice to the graduates.



Virginia Spitzley and Emma Golling recall many of life's most important lessons.



Cheerleaders prepare to present their memories.



The ceremony is dedicated to deceased classmate, Keegan Rarden, who is remembered in the Parade of Memories.



Senior Chorale joins Bell Choir for final Remembrance hymn.



Ronnie Eytchison and Maxwell Hardy preside over the procession of memorable goodies to the altar.

Graduation 2019

Principal Tim Lamb presided over the Senior Graduation exercises as the luckiest man alive - the rains came early and late, but spared the outdoor graduation ceremonies. A parade of 121 young men and women marched in record time to the podium to receive their diplomas, then congratulations from board members and school administrators. And what an outstanding class it was!

Attending were 25 grads who had accumulated GPA's in excess of 4.0 by taking more challenging courses and many college level studies while in high school. At the Scholarship Evening earlier in the week, 64 students amassed a total in excess of \$180,000 given out in local scholarships. Throw in all the college scholarships and those offered by the military and the total rises to over two million dollars. Their hard work paid off indeed! In addition, the class had also amassed thousands of hours of dedicated community service time during their tenure at Huron High. Such a streak of altruism bodes well for whatever communities are lucky enough to receive them when they finally settle down to begin their own families.

Student speakers thanked their classmates, the teachers from Kindergarten through senior year, their parents and family support members, and above all the community for providing, year after year, high quality educational experiences for them. For without that financial support and what it means in funding excellent teachers, first rate facilities, and extracurricular opportunities, where would today's Huron grads be?

Senior class president, Scott Demos, spoke first, followed by Salutatorian, Marc Dieter, and then Valedictorian, Ronnie Eytchison. Principal Lamb then followed with his final admonition - continue your altruistic behavior in your quest for making meaningful relationships and contributions to mankind. Acquired things will all pass, but deeds done for others will alone remain.

Dennis Antonelli, Assistant Principal, then read the roll call, and students gleefully marched forward for those diplomas. After the final member received the sheepskin, the class was officially alumni of Huron High. Alumni Association president, David Majoy, then thanked them for their hard work and dedication, urged them to remain in contact with their alma mater through the Alumni Association, and above all remain faithful to their roots, the Huron tradition that made them what they have become so far. With that speech finished, the grads stood, switched the tassels on their caps, and then flung them high. Family and friends were invited to the field for the hugs and kisses. Such was the close-knitted nature of this class that they simply did not want to disperse. Only darkness an hour later sent them home to continue the celebrating.



President Steve Demos



Salutatorian Marc Dieter

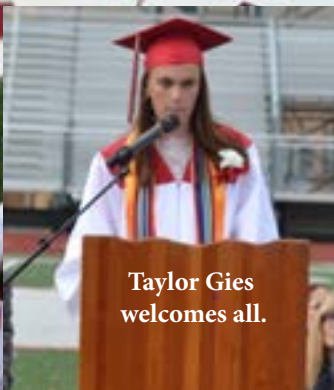


Valedictorian Ronnie Eytchison

“We’re Outta here!”



Principal Lamb



Taylor Gies
welcomes all.



HHSAA
President
David Majoy

Three or More Generations of Huron Grads



The Hinde Family continues its Huron legacy. First was Raymond Hinde, '32, who passed away at age 96 in 2010. Following were his girls, Jan Fortune, '60, and Judy Halter, '58. Their children then followed: Andrew Fortune, '90, and Jody Mast, '85. Finally, this year we have Baylor Fortune and Meredith Mast to carry on the family tradition.



The Lagando Family legacy at Huron High began when Ethel Wargo graduated in 1937. She passed away in 2006 at age 86. Her son Edward "Duke" Lagando followed in 1959, then Patrick in 1988, and now to carry on the tradition in 2019, Olivia Lagando becomes an alumna.



The Hastings Family has a long, proud Huron tradition. The first was Ida Hennes Hastings, class of 1947, who is represented here by her husband Bob. Then followed daughters Cindy, '68, and Donna, '70, and sons Robert Jr., '72, and Tom, '78. This year we have Carl and Julia.



Another year, another Majoy. This year it was "Tino" Augustino's turn. Tino is the son of Rob Majoy and the grandson of Sally Shunk Majoy, 62.



The Springer family has been long represented at Huron High. The youngest graduate, Katherine, is the daughter of John Springer, '87, and Amy Baron Springer, '90. Amy's father, Steve Baron, and her mother, Charlene Kaman Baron, both graduated in 1968. Other graduate Springers in the picture are Jim, '89, on the right, Will, '16, on the left, and David, '01, third from the left.

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Huron class of 54, 76, 81, 87, 14, 15, 17, 19!



The Vonthron family has a more than fifty year connection with Huron High. Carl graduated with the Class of '67. His daughter Emma followed in '96, and now Gracie follows. In between was Oshae in '14



Quite a collection of Breay's here to celebrate this year's graduate, Noah Breay. Peggy Bean Breay graduated in 1954 and is helping round up classmates for this fall's 65th anniversary of their graduation. She began this parade of Breays over the decades. L-R: Becky Breay Skiles graduated in '81, her nephew Ben in '14. Next is Peggy standing with son Michael who graduated in '87. Center is held by Noah, next to big sister Olivia who graduated in '15. On the right are mother, Terri Breay Jones, '76, and her son Philip Jones, '17.



Resource Officer Keith Lobsinger presents his daughter Kamryn with her well earned sheepskin.

Board Member Jody Halter Mast, '85, wells up when presenting her youngest, Meredith, with her diploma.



Board Member Donna Hastings Green. '70, does the honors for her niece Julia Hastings.



High school English and social studies teacher, John Harkelroad, '90, presents his niece, Gretchen Reinbolt, with her diploma.

Eighth grade math teacher, Scott Demos, is consoled by son Stephen Demos.



Class Reunion Season - Winter of '19

Class of '59

The Class of '59 met at CVI for a potluck, hosted by Barb and Bob Jones and serving as a kick-off for their big year - 60 years since they graduated. Attendance was great, as seen in the accompanying pictures. We look forward to their big weekend.



Casual shots from the planning session at CVI. Wait until you see the turnout for the real thing!!!

Class of '61

This group of stalwarts toughs it out during Huron's winters and continues to meet monthly. They truly enjoy international taste, as they meet for Chinese and Mexican, as well as American and Italian, and have even been known to eat in a freight house. Come summer and their numbers swell a bit.



The regulars at these gatherings are Bill Fisk, the Gerbers and Hardestys, Judy Keller, Ron Krock, the Myers, Josephine Palmer, Kaye Reeves, and Sharon Warren.

Class of '62

This is the Thursday Night group, circulating between the Pizza Box, Marconi's, The Angry Bull, and points in between. They have begun a nice practice of having one of the classmates play guest-speaker-of-the-month on whatever topic is near and dear. Some call it continuing education, others a chance to improve upon whatever failing grade they earned in Bob Adler's speech class. It's all in good fun, and we are waiting for it to turn into a roast of some kind.



Class of '63



The Class of '63 generally fills up the house at its monthly meetings, but sometimes the weather wins. Here they meet early spring in Berlin Heights at Gilhuly's Pub and Grille, owned by two Huron High grads, Dan and Mary Gilhuly Wright, '85. The back room holds several dozen, the bar is well stocked, and the food is great. More of our groups are gravitating there, especially in the warmer months when the huge covered patio makes for a pleasant evening of catching up. Braving the elements were Don and Marsha Ramsey, Geno Harkelroad and Leslie Wilson, Jack Sender, Ed Boose, and Dick Lippus.

Class of '60

Every so often, John and Karen Craig Doyle, leave California and head east for home. The message goes out and those available upon their arrival day meet and greet at Bar North for noon luncheon and pleasant hours of catching up. The class drill sergeant still remains Marge Billman who contacts all and shepherds the flock. In early May, Karen and John returned, hoping to catch some pleasant Ohio spring weather. Surprise! Sharing a nice meal this year were Phyllis Wright, George Ritzenthaler, Bob Bowers, Marge Billman, Bob and Char Zeno, John and Karen Doyle, Carole Pfefferle, and Chuck Wright.



Class of '65



When the snow birds return each spring, this bunch does some serious partying. This year they met in late May at Bar North for lunch and several hours of catching up. Between showers they consented to run outside for a quick shot before departing. Making it this time were Bryan Molnar, Bob Miller, Marcia Gockstetter-Lapp, Eileen Jenkins, Darlene Janka, and Betty Gioffre. In the rear were Leonard Janka, Ann Meier, Mary Ann and Norm Bostater, Frank Sowecke, George Beatty, John Perrin, and Linda Miller.

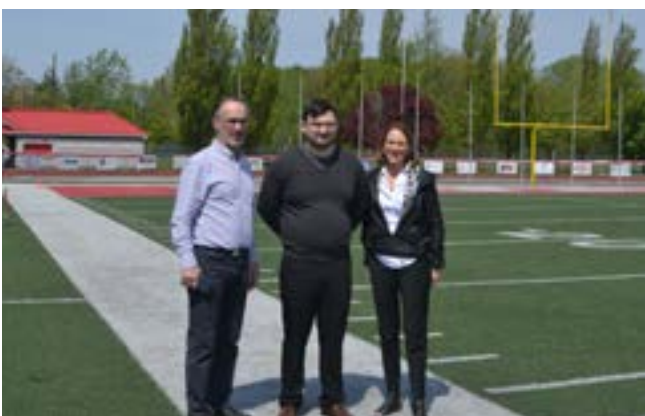
Memory Lane

In mid-May, a 1975 graduate, her husband and son, all were given a tour of the high school facilities during working hours. Mr. David Mushin, his wife Debra Hinton, and their son Andrew were eager to see Huron's modern day facilities and compare them with their own back in London, as in the UK. On first glance down the hallway, Debra remarked that not much had changed since she had graduated - same lockers, same drab walls, darkened hallways. But then the first classroom door opened, and they entered a world they had not dreamed of. Absolutely astounded they were to see what small town Huron has compared even with some of the top London schools. When told that the local ICI Paint company had funded the renovations to the entire science wing, David just smiled and remarked that ICI was one of the companies he had worked for in the UK. Small world, right?



Inspecting the labs

Especially noteworthy to the visitors were the deportment and behavior of the students. There was no noise nor disruptions in the classrooms, no mass mayhem during class breaks, a civilized cafeteria setting at lunch time, and students showing the visitors the utmost respect and courtesy. "Just normal, everyday behavior we expect from our students," they were told. And truly it was, as the students had not been tipped off that visitors were coming in and threatened with the wrath of Tim Lamb if they misbehaved. Just normal, everyday behavior the Brits saw and were most impressed.



Admiring the pitch

We welcome visitors to contact us for guided tours of our facilities and classes in action if you have not been back to Huron for a while. You will be amazed at the changes since last you roamed the halls. We love showing our students in action, learning in an environment that you will not recognize from your days of being drilled in grammar, or tortured by math, or being beaten with a two by four for stepping out of line in shop class. During the summer, when classes are holding their big five year reunions, you may plan on a guided tour of the facilities also. It's not the same as when students are in session and you see the educational process and not just the facilities. But we are happy to let you see if you can find your favorite haunts, or just be amazed at what you missed by choosing the wrong parents and being born too soon. Just contact us to make arrangements.

Alumni and Foundation Scholarship Recipients



President Dave Majoy presented the Alumni Association scholarships to Madelon Kilbury and Olivia Lagando.



The Huron Educational Foundation scholarships went to Aaron Wirtz, Olivia Lagando, Hannah Brunow, and Taylor Gies.



Granddaughters of Lynn and Jesse Hagy presented the Hagy Family Memorial Scholarship to Kaitlyn Vandergoot.



Sue Shontz DuBray presented Kaitlyn Vandergoot and Madelon Kilbury with the Thomas Shontz Memorial Science Scholarships.



The Dolores Heydinger Elementary Education Scholarship went to Emma Golling.

Allison Gresh and Desiree Fisher were the recipients of the Sue and Greg Thaxton Scholarships.



REUNION PLANS FOR 2019

Class of 54	September 14	Huron Eagles Club	4 PM cocktails 5 PM dinner	Peggy Breay 419-656-6496 Joyce Eldred 440-871-2999 joyell1236@aol.com
Class of '59	July 13th	Huron Township Conservation Club	Social 2 PM Dinner 6 PM Chicken dinner \$20	Dee Hartley HRBDec@buckeye-express.com Checks to Dee Hartley, 419 Stowe St. Huron Judy Ishmael jahishmael@gmail.com
	July 14		Brunch at Culinary Vegetable Institute 11:00 AM potluck	
			Send contact info to Barb Jones at Barbj@chefs-garden.com	
Class of 64	October 4	Buster Brown House, 4-8 PM	casual gathering, finger food, BYOB	Lani McKnight lanimck@sbcglobal.net
	5	Dinner at 6 PM, catered, but casual	Questions? Contact Lani.	Becky Pallas BeckyPallas@gmail.com SEND PHOTOS!!!
Class of 69	Sept 6	Gathering at Pavilion at the Boat Basin 6 PM		
	Sept 7	Golf 9:00 AM cf. Tony Legando for tee time - legandot@gmail.com		
		Bowling 9:00 AM Huron Lanes, Main Street		
		Tour of high school afternoon 1 PM		
		Dinner at HYC - Happy Hour 6 PM, Dinner at 7 PM		
Class of '74	August 16	Fri. night informal gathering being planned		
	August 17	Golf planned for Sat. morning		details email Suds
		Pier Pub gathering Saturday night 6 PM		Mike Sudsina mgsudsina@sudsina.com
		38 Main Street, blue building		
Class of '79	July 12	In the works		
	July 13			
Class of 89	July 13	Harbor House 6:30 PM		Jim Peters (419) 217- 5265
		(Ye Olde Twine House) \$35/person		Jim Springer 419-366-3000
		6:30 - 10:30 PM		Checks payable to HHS 1989 Reunion

Hall of Fame

50 Years ago, in the fall of 1969, the Huron Tigers football team went undefeated, a perfect 10-0 season. A bunch of senior, junior and sophomore kids, under the direction of Coach Tony Munafo, achieved something very few football teams ever accomplish. It was so much fun, in fact, that the Tiger team in the fall of 1970 did it again!! Never before in Huron football history had "Back-To-Back" teams finished undefeated, and it has never happened since the fall of 1969 and 1970. It's time to hold a reunion and make sure the players, coaches, band, drill team, boosters, parents and fans have a chance to gather and remember the "Back-To-Back Undefeated 20-0" Huron Tigers from the fall of 1969 and 1970.

For their endeavors, members of those teams, as well as the cheerleaders and drill teams will also be honored by being inducted into the Huron High School Athletic Hall of Fame! Please plan on attending the induction ceremony on Thursday evening, September 19 and then an even bigger celebration the afternoon of Friday, September 20, from 4 - 6:30 PM, in the high school cafeteria. Nothing fancy is being planned ... just a fun time to get together as many people as possible to remember, laugh, tell each other how good everyone was, and generally remember the good old days. The 2019 Huron Tigers have a home game that night against Toledo Waite, and tickets to the game will be on sale during the reunion in the cafeteria. At 6:30 PM, all in attendance will parade over to the home bleachers, have special seating, be introduced at half time, and watch the Tigers win. Please spread the word. Everyone is invited.... players, band and drill team, coaches, cheerleaders, boosters, parents and fans.

To help with planning the logistics, please send an email to tell us you are coming to Tim Sowecke at sowecke@hotmail.com or to the real organizer of the family, wife Julie, at juliesowecke@yahoo.com. Hope to see ALL on both Thursday the 19th and Friday, September 20th!

by *Tim Sowecke, '70*

Huron High's Oldest, Spunkiest Grad

The years come and go, but not Marian. For one hundred and four years, Marian Weigand Ryder has lived life to the fullest in the Huron-Milan areas. A member of the Class of 1933, she is Huron High's oldest living alumna and darned proud of it!

On April 30, she was feted at a birthday party at her present home at Norwalk Memorial Home. Until last November she had lived in her own home in Milan, alone, and doing just fine. Then on one fateful day, as she was vacuuming her living room floor and the sweeper refused to pick up a piece of paper, as she leaned forward to capture it, she felt her femur crack and break. After surgery in the Toledo Hospital, she returned to the area to recuperate. Now she regales all the nurses and help at Norwalk Memorial Home with her tales, her quick wit, and good humor.

At her birthday party, she was pleased to greet some of her grandchildren who could make it in from afar, a couple great-grand, a great-great-grand, and even a two year old triple great-grand! What a treat to see - five generations in one room, all celebrating a life well lived and an indomitable spirit!



Five generations pose here with Marian: Her daughter behind her, makes two, number five in the arms of her father number four, and number three, the little one's grandma standing behind her. The others are also threes and fours, with one hundred and two years separating the oldest from the youngest.

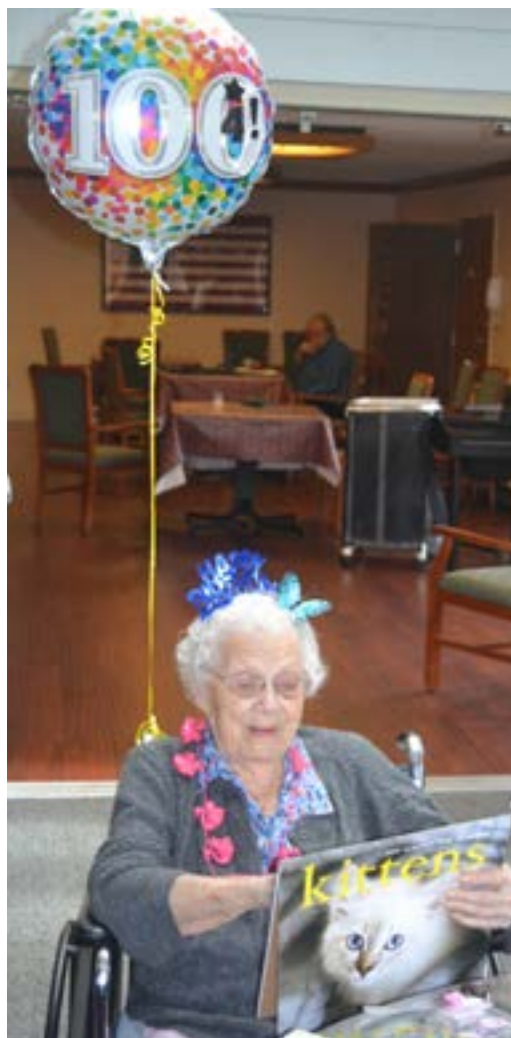


Kid Kards Marian will hang on her walls and treasure for months to come.

to the "city," how she loved her pet cats, and other such trivia. The kids did a marvelous job of writing their cards and weaving scenes of her life into their drawings - one even showing her out on the boat with dad, with a cat captaining the craft! Such joy the kids brought across the generations to a lady who has always kept in contact with her Huron roots.

The only gift she wanted was a calendar. When asked what the heck she wanted that for, she replied, "So I can count down to my 105th!!! Now there's the spirit we should all have. No doubt she will be celebrating again next April 30. But whoever brings the cake next time, don't make the frosting so thick. She is trying to keep her weight down.

Marian examines her Kitten Countdown Kalendar, a sixteen-month calendar ending on April 30, 2020, her 105th!



Huron Educational Foundation Inaugural Gala

As has been reported in past Newsletters, the Huron Educational Foundation has been established to help build an endowment to benefit Huron's students in perpetuity. After a brief hiatus, a new board of directors was introduced in our December issue, and already steady progress is being enjoyed.

First, was the need for a way of getting our message out. To that end, a Face Book page has been set up and also a website. Just sign in to Facebook and use their Search bar. To find us on line, go to www.huronef.com. Either source will bring you up to date on our latest doings.

Second, this spring we made our first scholarship awards. Four students each were awarded \$1,000 scholarships at the annual Senior Recognition Night. Hopefully through the continued generosity of all our contributors and through continuing fund-raising activities, we will be able to expand this effort in the coming years. Plans are also being made to extend this giving in the form of teacher grants for special projects that go above and beyond what School Board finances can provide to benefit Huron's students.

Finally, a huge gala fundraising celebration is being planned for this November 15 to introduce the community to our cause, celebrate our successes, and raise funds to help grow our endowment and thus increase the amount of aid we can give teachers and our grads.

This gala is being staged at South Shore Marine, doing business in Huron for over 30 years and locally owned and operated by Tom Mack, Huron Class of '84. Tom has been most supportive of Huron schools, most recently by sponsoring the STEAM classes' boat races on Lake Parker at the McBride Arboretum. (Students for these competitions design and build their own crafts entirely of cardboard and duct tape, then race them along a designed course, all the while hoping they don't sink.) You can't miss South Shore as you drive along the Rt 2 bypass west of town and see their beautiful facility, the show windows stuffed with watercraft all year long. Bet you didn't know that their main display room was designed to serve as a banquet facility during their slower boating season. Come celebrate with us, enjoy the ambiance, and dream of Riding the Waves while surrounded by some of these beautiful crafts!

Final details for this gala are still being worked out and will be posted as we approach the date. The affair will be catered, with heavy appetizers at food stations, and plenty of fun activities for all. As further details develop, they will be posted on the Foundation's website at Huronef.com.

So save the date, get your group together, and plan on supporting this, the first of many such fund raisers and fun ways to raise money for the Huron Educational Foundation's endowment. The more it grows, the more we can disburse in perpetuity – as in forever, even after we're gone!

For the gala to take place here at South Shore Marine, some of the craft that you see here will be moved to create a space for the party. Imagine yourself with your friends surrounded by this display as you are feted and entertained for the benefit of the Huron Educational Foundation. No, we will not be trying to sell you a boat, nor even raffle off one of them. It's just a neat and different spot in town for a party. Come on out and enjoy, all for the benefit of kids!



Seniors Aaron Wirtz, Olivia Lagando, Hannah Brunow, and Taylor Geis received the first scholarships presented by the Huron Educational Foundation. They appear with the honor cords and sashes presented them for academic excellence in various subject areas.



Commemorations

With Memorial Day now still clear in our rear view mirrors, we turn to the question of how to properly commemorate the lives of non-military persons whom we have revered. Rows of neatly placed identical stones and fluttering flags are most appropriate for our fallen heroes, and marching bands and speeches on that special day once a year serve our collective psyche well. But beyond a tombstone set in a private cemetery somewhere, how exactly does one commemorate the life of a loved one after he or she has passed? Be it a family member, a classmate, teacher, pastor, neighbor, there always seems to be the need for something to bridge the gap of the immediate loss felt and the coming years where the fear arises of forgetting that special person. So often we rely on something immediately tangible to stir the memory again, to make alive, if even for a brief moment, the face, the voice, the stories that we miss. So we seek out ways of memorializing whoever it was who gave us those pleasures.

In the past, for Huronites finding themselves in this situation, we have relied on finding something in nature to memorialize a loved one. For example, Huron Memorial Stadium was built on an almost completely empty former corn field, and look at it today. The stadium sits in the midst of an arboreal masterpiece created by individuals, families, and classes over the years who have donated trees and commemorative dedication stones to have their special person remembered. The process continued with more trees planted along Jim Campbell Boulevard almost out to Cleveland Road and even a memorial garden area planted before the gymnasium. Benches were also donated and are much appreciated by not only students but tired walkers and joggers in all seasons. Unfortunately, however, all available space for such memorials has been filled in.

In place of natural memorials now, a welcoming wall has been built at the entrance to the Memorial Stadium. On the back side, facing the stadium, is room for many commemorative plaques to be mounted. A \$150 contribution gets you a plaque inscribed with your loved one's name and a short message. For details on this way of memorializing someone, contact either Cindy Defazio at belzio5@bex.net, or Donna Green at green308@ag.ohio-state.edu. They will give the information on the number of lines and characters allowed.

If it really is something natural that you desire to use as a memorial, the James McBride Arboretum situated behind Firelands College BGSU off Rye Beach Road in Huron Township is always in need of more trees. You could add your tree to list of the many dozens already donated. The policy, however, is not to make the arboretum look like a cemetery with stone memorial blocks, so to that end, on the arboretum website, a listing is kept of each tree, the donor(s) and donee, and then its GPS coordinates given so each tree can be readily located. Visit the Arboretum website at JHMcBrideArboretum.com and click on the Dedication Trees tab for complete information. You will find a list of trees currently in need and current prices.

Recently the arboretum completed planting a maple grove of fifty trees in the 20 - 25 foot height range. The idea there is to eventually tap the trees and provide an educational facility so that children can learn how maple syrup is made. Some of the trees are already dedicated to individuals. If anyone wishes to memorialize a loved one by dedicating one of these sugar maples to that person's memory, contact us for information.

However, there is now an even greater way to memorialize a loved one or an entire family, and that is by creating a named scholarship with the Huron Educational Foundation. Your contributions to this scholarship are invested with the rest of the Foundation's endowment. You may choose to fund the scholarship entirely on your own, have family members join you in funding over a period of time, and even leaving the funding open ended so that other friends, neighbors, even students, as in the case of a former teacher, may participate. Once the scholarship reaches its minimum required amount, then forever - assuming no total meltdown of our financial institutions - at least a \$1,000 scholarship could be awarded to a Huron graduate every May during the Senior Recognition Evening.

Furthermore, you can attach stipulations to your scholarship so that your wishes will always be faithfully carried out. For example, perhaps your loved one was a corporation's very first female chemical engineer, and you want to memorialize her pioneering spirit. You could begin a scholarship to be awarded to a female graduate who wishes to follow in your loved one's footsteps. You could go so far as to stipulate the degree program the recipient had to be entered into or even the university to be attended. Contact us if you would like more information about establishing a named memorial scholarship.

As you can see, there are so many ways to remember a loved one beyond a mere tombstone set in a lonely cemetery somewhere that family and friends rarely visit. Think about making that memory a living memorial of some sort that will outlive you and all your loved ones. Then contact the appropriate person and make that wish permanent.

Mental Wellness Day



Tim Dorsey addresses the student body.

How to make productive use of that always miserable half-day of school on the last Friday before Spring Break? The perennial question for educators this year was answered by the students themselves as they planned a Mental Health Day for the entire high school student body. “What!?!?!?” some of you scream. “Let the inmates run the jail house?” Not really.

Some of you are old enough to remember the first of the new year in 1975 when students were forced to return to school on January 2 instead of being given an extra day off to recuperate from whatever it was that they had already had two weeks to build up to. Principal Rockie Larizza met a delegation of students in December who announced that they would return that day if it were a productive day. Rockie allowed them to plan out just such a day, and it went off without a hitch. Students planned out a full day of “courses” that had meaning for them, classes that addressed issues that as young adults leaving school they would need to know about – kind of like Survival 101. Classes like on-campus assault, what to expect the first week in college, for the girls – how to pound a nail or saw a board or change a tire or car battery. How to arrange bail, choose the correct attorney for springing you, how to obtain a marriage license and the proper procedure to make everything legal. Really useful stuff, and a grand day it was. And not a single complaint from a parent.

This time students were more focused on the subject of how to maintain good mental health in these trying days. A first period, all-school assembly set the student body off on the right foot, when keynote speaker Tim Dorsey, owner of a fitness establishment, addressed the students. His theme centered on how to convince oneself that anything is possible if a person believes it and works through all obstacles. Part of mental wellness involves how to remain positive in the face of obstacles, apparent failures, or just plain screw-ups in life. Three breakout sessions after the assembly had the students attend a series of follow up presentations which in many ways could well make a difference in students’ mental health, both while in school and even later in life.

Some of the sessions from which students were allowed to select involved the following:

Depression, anxiety, social media and remaining mentally healthy; eating disorders and causes; obsessive compulsive disorders; stress management; and addressing attention deficit and hyperactivity disorder. All sessions were monitored by professional health experts in their fields and provided for questions and answers. Many also participated in sessions on yoga as a method of stress management. Therapy dogs were brought in by Stein Hospice to demonstrate how animals can assist in working toward good mental health. Even presentations of art therapy and meditation were made as a source of relaxing and maintaining mental stability.

Students responded enthusiastically to the information given them, with most agreeing that they had picked up on many ways to avoid negative thinking in their lives, on methods for coping with the anxieties common to teens, and ways of reducing stress in their lives, both now and going forward. At the end of the sessions, students were encouraged to fill out evaluation forms which may be used in planning for future such programs.

Students left school that Friday after lunch better armed to make it through the next major hurdle in their lives: how to cope with the anxieties caused by ten nights of Spring Break.



K-9 therapy dogs from Paws Up of Stein Hospice were used as part of a break-out session.



Mary Reese Folger, '76, explains various meditation techniques to a willing audience.

A Father Struggles to Understand

Why is there so much time spent today in our schools upon maintaining good mental health? If you have to ask the question, then you have been oblivious to what has happened in society these days that is directly affecting our schools and the quality of life of students as they look toward their own futures. How many students have recently been mercilessly gunned down in those very schools which should be places of safety, or even shot while walking to or from school? How do students know how to choose and then prepare for a profession which may not have even been invented yet? How do they expect to manage any student debt that they may accumulate on their way to fulfilling their life-long dreams? Nationally the combined amount is a staggering \$1.4 Trillion dollars! How do they wrestle with all that main stream media and social media dumps upon them every day and still maintain sanity?

These times are not the same as when at least 90% of Huron's combined grads in the past sat in their classes, many daydreaming of post-graduation life. Most had a fairly good idea of what profession or jobs they wanted to enter. If further training were necessary, the cost would certainly be manageable. TV had only a dozen channels, giving about fifteen minutes of news three times a day, mixed with hundreds of soaps, horse operas, and comedies. And certainly VERY few students knew anyone who had been shot or otherwise injured in school or on the way to school.

So it is with no little trepidation that we print the following real life example, penned by one of Huron's own grads. Read it, muse upon it, and if you have children or grandkids, make darned sure that you spend a little more time chatting them up and sharing with them what they are experiencing these days. Just listening can give hope, save a life.

The following was written by Mitch Mesenburg, '80, in the midst of this past winter, after receiving a text from his son that no parent should ever have to receive:

"I hope that all of you remember me fondly, I hope all of you will live a long and happy life. As I fade from your memories, please know this was nobody's fault. The stress life has given me, finally broke my will to live." XM Mesenburg

After reading the note, we immediately called 911 and gave them his address. I stayed on the phone with the dispatcher for what seemed an eternity but in reality, was only about 12 minutes. The whole time Shannon kept texting and trying to call him to keep him on the phone. We were put on hold for a few more minutes and when the dispatcher came back, she said the on-duty officer would call us as soon as he knew anything. We waited an hour before calling back; once again we were told the on-duty officer would call. We nervously waited, anticipating all the different scenarios. We called again at 10:15 PM, and at 1:30 AM. Again, we were told to wait for the call. At 4:30 am we tried again, that is when the officer told us, "Your son shot himself and is deceased."

At 5:30 AM, two Airmen from MacDill Air Force Base came to our front door to officially deliver the news. Senior Airman XinHua Mesenburg died of an apparent self-inflicted gunshot wound.

Why? I'm sure people think, there had to be signs! On the contrary. After his deployment in Qatar, he visited us for three weeks, in which time his spirits were great. He spoke about making a career out of the military, said he loved the Air Force, couldn't wait to be deployed again, and had just received a promotion. He was going to try and get into the intelligence department. He wanted to purchase a duplex here in Florida. He even spoke with a mortgage broker here to see what he would have to do to accomplish this goal. Really doesn't sound to me like he was thinking of doing himself in.

XinHua was adopted and came to the U.S. at the age of eight, after his biological father left him in a park in China at the age of 5. When he arrived, he didn't speak any English. There were times we sat in the driveway of our Scheid Road home, and I would point to a tree, and he would write the Chinese characters for it in chalk on the driveway. At one point the driveway was full of Chinese characters describing all the beauty that surrounded us. When he hugged you, he would not let go until you did first. He had an infectious laugh and fun disposition. Loved to play games.

Once he mastered the English language, he began reading books at a staggering pace. It was not unusual for him to devour 5 -10 books a week, I'm not talking the Reader's Digest versions - these were 500 -1,000-page novels primarily of the sci-fi nature. That being said, with all that reading, he never gained a good grasp of sarcasm, often reading a paragraph out loud to me and try to gather the underlying meaning. Even after the explanation, he would try to use the reference in his daily conversation and completely miss the point. When he wasn't reading, he was playing tennis. He was very good at it.

I've been up all night and I'm tired of staring at the floor in hopes of an answer. I guess this is my attempt at some closure and to let everyone know, sometimes this happens with no warning. Like I mentioned above, XinHua seemed to have the world by the tail and was ready for more. I wish I could give step by step instructions on how to avoid this. Unfortunately that's impossible.

Being an eternal optimist, I can only hope that something good comes out of this.

Campbell-Klein Field Re-Dedicated

On a cold, spring training type day, the 20th of May, the Jim Campbell baseball field at Woodlands School was re-dedicated to also honor long-time teacher-administrator-athletic director-coach-teacher-friend, Richard Klein. Dick and Jim Campbell, classmates from 1940, had been life-long friends. At Ohio State, Jim played freshman football for Paul Brown, but left for the US Naval Air Corps. After the war, he returned, played baseball for three years, graduated with a degree in commerce, then decided to enter into baseball administra-



The 2019 team poses with Dick and June



Dick and June listen as Mac Lehrer mc's the ceremony.

tion, eventually becoming president and CEO of the Detroit Tigers. Dick, however, majored in education, left college to fight in WWII, including a D-Day jump, a Market Garden jump to liberate Holland, then off to the Battle of the Bulge where he was eventually wounded. He returned to finish college and began teaching and coaching at Huron in 1949, remaining with the Huron Schools for over seven decades!

Jim worked his way up in the Tiger organization, while Dick began a baseball team for Huron High and coached the boys for many years. Jim retired from the Detroit Tigers and began a scholarship endowment for Huron graduates in honor of his mother, Vanessa Hart Campbell. Dick taught and made sure there were graduates to receive those scholarships from Jim's largess. Jim passed away in 1995, while Dick continues to enjoy life, without lawn chores now, living, as he does, at Parkvue in Perkins Township. He still drives himself and June to shop, dine out at restaurants, attend church, and of course, help keep the doctors in business.



National Anthem still brings them to their feet.



Coach presents Dick with autographed ball and jersey.

In a beautiful ceremony, presided over by Mac Lehrer, the teams from Perkins and Huron lined the foul lines before a large crowd and learned of Dick's storied past at Huron. Seventy years had passed since Dick had begun baseball at Huron High School, so it was with great pleasure that the present team greeted Dick and June.

With the ceremony over, Dick and June drove back to Parkvue, hoping not to be too late for dinner there.



Dick always happiest when with players.



All smiles before the renamed sign

Academic Successes

Huron High's crop of young scholars today is doing well, no matter what metric is used. This winter, numbers were released to show how well they do in nationally normed tests. All nervous parents and students know the ACT and SAT tests, which can be one in a series of determinants as to whether a student is accepted at a college of his or her choice.

Lesser known, however, are the AP tests, the Advanced Placement exams given at course end and prepared by the College Board. This non-profit was created over a century ago to help students make sure they were prepared for the transition into college by creating strong curricula that incorporated the latest in knowledge in each field and the best pedagogy in delivering that information - all while students were still in high school. These courses were offered so that students could challenge themselves while still at home and free of high tuition costs. They could study a curriculum that was set at the college level, and if they scored too low, they would have a fairly good indication that maybe they needed more preparation. If, however, they scored high enough on the final exam, they would be given college credit for their work. This seemed like a suitable reward for students to accept the challenge and prove themselves early to be well prepared for college rigors.

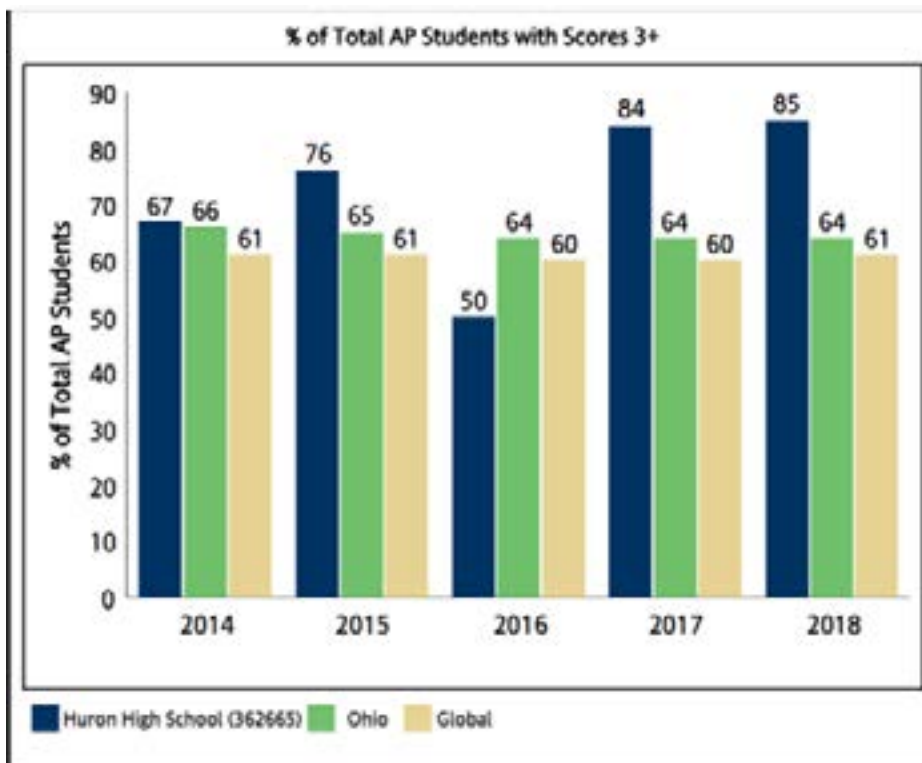
Fast forward now to the present and see how well Huron's students have done. In the latest year reported, Huron showed two things: how its students are ready to accept the challenge, and how well they do when taking these AP courses.

The College Board released its 9th annual district Honor Roll of schools for tests taken in the spring of 2018, and right there near the top stood Huron! Of the 611 public school districts in Ohio, and nearly 700 high schools, Huron placed number 21 on the list. What's more, of all school districts in the nation and in Canada, Huron placed 373rd. So what do these numbers mean?

As to how well Huron's students accept a challenge to do more rigorous work, since 2014 there has been a steady increase in the number of students taking AP courses. Tigers have always been known for sticking their noses right into the toughest of challenges and slogging through the tough work required. To achieve this award, a school must have shown at least an 11% increase in the number of students taking AP. Huron did better than that. In addition, students are rated upon how many score at least a 3 out of 5 on the final exams. Here we see a gradually increasing proficiency in the Tigers' work - from the 50-60% rate, now up to 85%. These numbers indicate that our combination of curriculum, administrators, and teaching staff are contributing to preparing students extremely well for further college work. We don't have the exact numbers, but from indirect reporting, an overwhelming number of those successful college students are continuing past their bachelor degrees into masters and doctoral programs and earning these advanced degrees, then enjoying the rewards of highly successful careers - that is, if they can find jobs in their chosen fields. That's always the great unknown.

Over the years, Huron grads have shown this remarkable tendency to excel in the academic areas. To be sure, they have always performed well in athletic competition, with the usual up seasons and then some "rebuilding" years. The high school gym is lined with banners celebrating state championships in many of the sports. But coaches push the students academically as well, so that team average GPA's in most sports range in the 3.8 to 4.1 range. It seems that most students thus engaged in extracurriculars learn to manage time and balance their studies and other activities to the benefit of both. Huron enjoys a very high percentage of students engaged in extra-curricular activities beyond the regular school day, 80 %, in fact.

Of course, all of this is made possible by the terrific support that the community as a whole gives to the school system. Folks demand high quality for the money they are paying in property taxes, and the administrators, teachers, and students rise to the challenge. This past May 7, the community passed a renewal levy to help continue on this path of excellence, one stretching back generations in the city's history. So while it is the present students who are making us proud with their tremendous strides to the top, alumni of any decade can also claim part of the credit for setting the bar so high. Everyone take a bow, and may the attitude and hard work continue to make Huron one of the best districts in the state.



Retired Faculty Dines in on Cold Evening

Nothing like a frosty evening to get the old bones moving inside to dine at Marconi's and catch up since last fall. These former faculty are a tight knit group and enjoy reminiscing about the great days they spent working with Huron's young adults. For the most part they enjoy good health, though with a few more metal parts to keep them squeaking along. They travel widely, still trying to break the Klein record for most countries visited. Grandkids, and now some great-grands, take up quite a bit of their time as they enjoy playing doting grandmas and grandpops. *Ad multos annos*, group!



The girls: Judy Pflieger, Jackie Warren, Sally Green, Mary McDuffie, and Connie Bunn.



Doug Fries, Bob Bowers, '60 and wife Kim Chubak Bowers, '77. Doug squints because of his then-recent eye surgery.



Dick and June Klein wait to order.

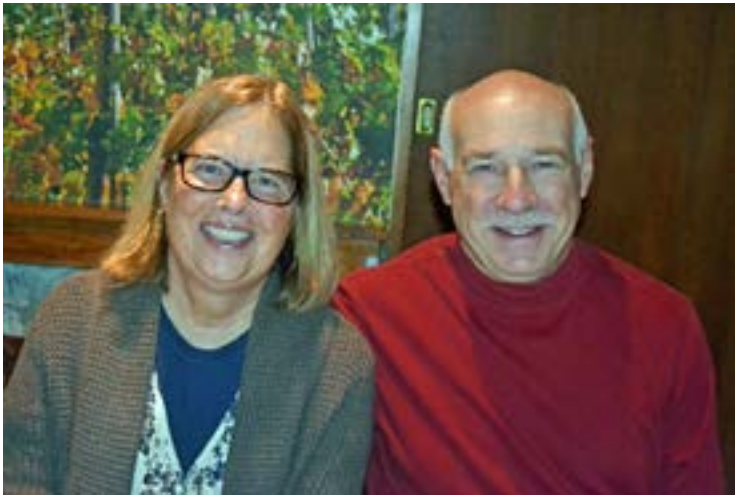
The frequent flier king and queen, Paul and Alea Dahnke



Tom Heckelman and daughter Lisa, both of Norwalk

Ed Boose stopped by to greet all before leaving for a meeting.





Carol Markin Scott, '73, and husband Bill Scott, '72



Joan and Bill Needham



Sue Shontz DuBray and husband Bob



Connie and Scott Bunn



The people who really run a building while principals pretend: Head Cook, Carolyn McGraw, Head Custodian, Barb Schenberger, and head Office Manager, Nancy Freitas, with Tom Kirby, '69.



Can you guess who on this page has the most grand babies and great-grand babies?



It has become customary to end the musical part of the Spring Arts Festival by having the orchestra play *The Battle Hymn of the Republic*, accompanied by the choir.

HHS Retirees - 2019

Frank Gioffre and Kevin Naugle both retired at the end of this school year. Frank had taught the OWE program for Huron for many years before moving over to the same type of program at EHOVE. In 2016, he was recognized by the Ohio Association of Career Technical Education Board as the Gold Star Recipient for his work. This fall Frank will be the head women's basketball coach for Terra State in their first year in a newly formed Ohio Junior College league. He will



also be the assistant men's basketball coach there.

Kevin Naugle came to Huron 28 years ago after working factory jobs right out of college. He taught in the Social Studies department, insisting that students either rise to the bar he had set or he would throw them over it - literally!

His progressive world view challenged students to think things through and be able to argue based upon factual information and not someone else's talking points. Lunch periods with him were entertaining, as he would pontificate upon some issue after being baited by his confreres, and we would just watch his lunch grow colder with each new arguement. In his retirement, he will have to first finish the honey-do list, and then maybe take up traveling. His bike is lonely!





This year's rendition was especially poignant and had the crowd on its feet by the end.s



Senior Citizens Dinner

This annual event has an excellent turnout and brings back many familiar faces from days past. They enjoy a turkey dinner served up by the kitchen staff and student leaders, then proceed to McCormick School to watch the spring musical. Now that's a cheap date!



Rocked at the Dock! Not all boats float.



Guess who - these little tikes started school 60 years ago.

Ms. Gull Passes Away

On March 2-11, Ms. Gull M. Tell, age 59, passed away as a result of a front-end crash after being on life support for many weeks. Thus entered she into the eternity of short memories of Huronites everywhere.

Born in the spring of 1960, PI-WEBE was her father with step-fathers Ellsworth Piper, Carl Wechter and Joe Bencivengo. A life-long resident of Huron, living on the banks of the Huron River at the west end of the river bridge, she maintained throughout her life a certain humble, close-to-the-ground look. With her 25 rooms, she stretched along a river bank, watching life flow beneath her, listening to the rumble of truck and car tires crossing her bridge, and wishing she had as many visitors as did her neighbor across the street, one colorful Mr. Piper.



She was a sage observer of all things Huron, and while still a gangly, pre-pubescent tween, she narrowly survived extermination at the hands of Urban Renewal. While other survivors chose modernity, she embraced the archaic but charming, the homey with a touch of the quaint and memorable thrown in. She never met a guest who didn't like her, never received a rave review, but found many regular friends who looked forward to visiting her place whenever they passed through and spotted her welcoming sign from afar.

Her favorite time of year was summer, as many folk used to stop for a day or two. Fall also saw many visitors, with fishermen sitting around swapping lies. Her lips were always sealed. Despite her advancing years, winters, surprisingly, were never too tough on her. No Florida for her! With nowhere to escape, she'd hunker down, wait for ice-out time, and long for spring, when it was time for her annual bath. Occasionally she would spring for something new, slightly more modern. She made news in the late-60's when she discarded her halo light, black and white, Sylvania TV's, and guests lit up their color screens with Bonanza and Walt Disney's Never-Never Land. While others closed up, built up, or did a tear down, she steadfastly clung to her mom and pop, motor lodge ways, a la the 50's.

Her 25 rooms were of one size fits all, fit more for the monk or maybe a nunnery but comfortable, if not colorful. Bring no babies, children, or dogs – not enough room. Without a fridge, bar, Keurigs or internet, guests roughed it and dreamed of yesteryear, while lying on clean sheets and lulled asleep by a droning, one-speed fan. Few complained, what with a \$59 cost, and she always left the light on for you!

Ms Gull was preceded in death by her father and step-fathers, Carl Wechter, Ellsworth Piper, and Joseph



Call for Trip Pics



The Class of '48 assembles for the ritual class picture on the lawn before our nation's Capitol. Today such a picture would be taken with all assembled on the front steps.

Chaperones "Mac" McCormick and Tom Hartley shepherded the group that year.

Your Alumni Association, in conjunction with the Huron Historical Society and Huron High School, is issuing a call for class trip pictures such as this. An attempt is being made to archive these photos and place them on line for all to enjoy. Trips such as to DC and others to New York City or even to Chicago, back when the Science Club was making its annual run to the Windy City, are very much part of our history and need to be preserved.

As you sort through your materials while contemplating downsizing, or moving, or cleaning out the attic, please consider donating such photos to the Historical Society. Will your children value them enough to want to preserve them? And if there are several children in the family, what do you do then - cut the photo into pieces and give each one a slice? Solve your dilemma by allowing everyone to see what grandma and grandpa looked like with their long skirts and saddle shoes, buzz tops and skinny little bean pole legs. Then sit back and enjoy as they relate what really went on during those trips. Sometimes what happens in DC doesn't stay in DC - now that the statute of limitations has run out.

If you live in the area, it would be easy just to drop the photos off at the high school office. From afar, you may have access to a scanner and could email us a digital copy. Otherwise, stick a stiff piece of cardboard in a VERY large envelop and mail them flat to us. We will work on our end to have them scanned, cleaned up using Photoshop, if need be, and finally posted on our website. There all may enjoy taking a look back as part of their continuing education.



The Class of '59 meets this year for its 60th reunion. Every single one in the class will have a tale to tell about their junior year Washington D.C. class trip. Too bad that Coach Hagy and principal Roger Moore are no longer with us and able to set them all straight!

Tony Munafò Passes



Teacher, Coach, Neighbor, loyal Friend, Husband, Father - Tony Munafò passed from this earth on May 30, on a date that only he could have chosen, the Feast of the Ascension, and made his own ascent to the place where he wanted to be. He had been under hospice care for a few short weeks before asking to be taken in to the Stein Hospice Care facility in Sandusky where he passed peacefully, as he wished.

Anyone who ever knew Tony has already heard his life story - many times probably. Born in New York City during Depression Days, the son of an immigrant sandhog, he was raised in a rough area of Cleveland, a fact which left an indelible mark upon him. He could make do with anything and was always grateful for whatever he received. His tales of boyhood friends and teammates were legion - and legendary - with names that seemed taken right out of Damon Runyon yarns. Friends made then remained with him for life.

Tony played football for Holy Name in Cleveland and then for Heidelberg College in Tiffin OH. Drafted out of college to serve his country during the Korean Conflict, he finished college when he returned, playing more football and making All American as a lineman, then earning degrees in Business and Psychology. In college he began dating his future wife of 60 plus years, Mary Elizabeth Weller, and together they had four children. He began

his teaching career in a Sandusky Junior High where he coached some basketball and even swimming, as well as football. On the first day of school for every freshman class he taught, he told students that he had been a sniper and a trained killer, and thereafter never had a discipline problem.

During the 'Sensational Sixties,' Tony coached football at Sandusky High with Ben Wilson and later Earle Bruce, helping to coach a couple of undefeated teams. He then followed Bruce to Massillon Washington High School, the premier powerhouse of Ohio high school football in those days, and helped produce two state championship teams. Then in the summer of 1966, Huron's first year coach left, and Tony seized the opportunity to become a head coach in his own right. His first year he did fair, with a 4-6 record but thereafter improved every year until the great teams of 1969-1972 set a Huron record with two undefeated, back-to-back seasons and 24 straight wins. All told, he had amassed a record 153 wins against 64 losses and 7 ties. When not coaching football, Tony was also right down on the mat with T.D. Talbot, teaching wrestling moves. Huron had some pretty good teams back then and several state wrestling champions. Spring time saw him along the track with Dale Ambos helping to coach championship track teams.

Tony finally retired in 1987 and turned the reins over to another Tony, Tony Legando, who had played for him back in the day. So the three yards and a cloud of dust gave way to more of the run and shoot, and Huron's glories continued. All told, the two Tony's together coached over a half century for Huron kids.

Retirement didn't last that long for Tony, though. After only one year off, Tony returned to Sandusky to work with another legendary coach, Larry Cook. That season over, he rejoined his former coach and friend, Earle Bruce, in coaching two teams in the Arena Football League, Cleveland and St. Louis. Loosing the taste for that and not enjoying the separation from family that it caused, he finally hung football up for good to devote time to his family and hobbies that he never had taken that much time to enjoy. He enjoyed fall hunting in the Dakotas especially and lived to hunt with his grandson Jack. He loved spending time with his son Marc in the Keys, just fishing off the same dock every day, catching very little but always reminiscing about football. He was also an excellent woodcarver as anyone who has one of his pieces will attest. Traveling and seeing new places was also fun for him, if not always for his driver.

What motivated Tony most in life was his love affair with his wife and family, his faith in God and His plan for the world, and putting his country above all else. As much as he loved football, he revered more any impact, no matter how small, that he could make on the life of any of his students or players. He preached to them and expected from them honesty and integrity of character, a strong work ethic, loyalty to family and friends, a sense of pride in one's self and accomplishments, and devotion to duty. Most of his students could reveal to this day a specific incident where Tony had taken them aside and given them a piece of life-altering advice that made all the difference for the rest of their lives. While he is gone now, he will not be forgotten. Of course, the world will be a little less humorous for a while without his wit and droll sense of kidding and playful banter. For while he may at times have seemed gruff in putting forth his opinions, he was not locked into a single world view but could be persuaded of different views, if based upon merit. He read widely to the end to enlighten himself, preferring mostly historical works, to sort of see the big picture from afar. Now we look from afar at his legacy and dedicate ourselves to following what he left us. To paraphrase him, the Fat Lady may have finally sung, but today he sings with a different choir, right where he wanted to be. May he rest in peace, and may we not forget.

Hall of Achievers

Fill out the following form to nominate your choice for induction into the Hall of Achievers. This award honors those who have made, or are making, a lifetime of contributions to humanity. Use whatever space you need to advance the cause for your choice. The presentations will be made in February, with all nominations due by October 1 to allow time to evaluate them, then contact the winners and give them time to make arrangements to attend the ceremony.



HURON CITY SCHOOLS HALL OF ACHIEVERS AWARD NOMINATION FORM



Name of Nominee: _____

Address of Nominee: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Name and address of closest relative if nominee is deceased:

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

In what year did the nominee graduate from Huron High School? _____

List any post-high school academic pursuits/degrees of nominee: _____

Circle the area(s) in which the nominee served and excelled:

The Arts Business Community Service Education Entertainment Government Service
Law Medicine Military Religious Service Science/Research Philanthropy

Other _____

In what specific profession(s) did the nominee excel and when? _____

This Huron Hall of Achievers award honors those alumni who have truly demonstrated a pattern of a lifetime of significant achievements in the above-listed areas. Therefore, the nominee should have graduated from Huron High School at least 15 years ago. List in chronological order any and all awards, honors, achievements post-high school that the nominee has received and for which you believe the nominee represents outstanding contributions to his/her field of endeavor and humanity: (Use back of form and additional sheets if necessary to make the case for selection.)

Current status/vocation of nominee: _____

Name of Nominator: _____

Address of Nominator: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email of Nominator: _____

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Arts Advocates Honored



Gary and Pam Wentz Ebert

She knew early on that she loved music and art. She knew already in high school that someday she would go to college and be an art teacher. And she knew that somewhere out there was her Galahad whom she would marry, and together they would raise three wonderful children. She did all of the above. Pam Wentz Ebert, '68, left Huron to attend Ashland College, then just a college, today a university, then married and started her family, and taught art at the elementary level in Rocky River and music in Westlake. This was a natural fit, as Pam was an accomplished artist herself throughout high school and singing in every club or choir as well as playing guitar - more the folk type stuff, though, as the heavy metal sound was not her style.

Over the decades, Pam and her husband Gary became passionate about the arts in their home town, Bay Village Ohio. A community of about 16,000 just west of Cleveland and famous for housing Eliot Ness back in the day, and made notorious by a certain Dr. Sam Shepherd in a famous murder case that eventually became a TV series, Bay, as it is affectionately called, is considered an upper middle class enclave of folks who appreciate family, education, nature, and the arts. Pam and Gary have fitted right in ever since moving over in 1976 from Cleveland, where Gary had attended law school. Gary practiced law and became heavily involved in civic matters, and Pam raised the kids and continued developing her passion for all the arts.

With BAYarts practically in their back yard, the couple became even more interested in the arts. BAYarts is a non-profit organization that promotes education in the arts for children especially but up to the adult level as well. Couldn't have been more perfect for Pam! Now, with her help and that of Gary, it has grown into a beautiful venue for all sorts of cultural events as well as a much sought out place for wedding receptions. Located in a park like area, right across Lake Road from Lake Erie inside the Cleveland Metroparks' Huntington Reservation, it has grown from its inception in 1948 into a premier institutions of its kind in the state. It features a grand old home with porch views and rocking chairs to enjoy the lake. The rooms are filled with galleries of artwork, crafts for sale, and gift items. After all, something has to pay the freight! But the area also provides space for various arts festivals all year long, and for summer art and farm market. Spacious rooms allow for classes of children to test and develop their artistic skills in all sorts of media. The driving forces behind all this, Pam and Gary have dedicated a good part of their lives to seeing that BAYarts has thrived and continues to grow. The piece they are most passionate about is the restoration of a little red caboose, a part of history that they have maintained, and with which they honor their grandkids now.

For their labors of love, the couple will be honored in September at the annual fund raiser, Moondance. As Pam and Gary have for years organized the Mayor's Charity Ball and other various benefits, in addition to Pam's work on her class's 50th reunion last fall, we have no doubt they will be helping to organize this event as well. We wish them well and join with the community of Bay Village in thanking them for their dedication to the arts and others above all else.

Erie County Gallery of Achievers Recognizes Huronite

On May 16, one of Huron High's own, John Bacon, '68, was inducted into the prestigious Erie County Gallery of Achievers for a lifetime of service to the area. An outstanding student during his high school years, John graduated and left for Duke University where he earned his degree in Economics. Not finished, he went to The Ohio State for a law degree, and then finally came home to help his father run the family business in Sandusky, the Mack Iron Works. Eventually John became the company's president and CEO and has guided the company into the modern, tech-oriented age of fabricating in iron.



Aside from his business, John has been deeply involved in community affairs all of his life. For upwards of 35 years, he has served on the Board of Directors of the Firelands Regional Medical Center. Back in the day, three local hospitals competed to bring medical care to the area. John helped them merge into today's regional entity with greater efficiencies and a sterling reputation for quality care and service. Another economic engine in the area is the Erie County Community Foundation. John was present at its birth and served it well for years. He help guide the YMCA, served on the Rotary Club and Chamber of Commerce, and is a long time board member of the Citizen's National Bank, now Civista.

Truly, John deserved this recognition for all his years of heartfelt dedication to helping improve the lives of all Erie Countians. He appears to have much gas left in the tank, so don't expect him to quietly fade away now. He sees much still to be done.

Scholarship Giving

Over the years since your Alumni Association has been in existence, the generosity of hundreds of our members, as well as fundraising projects undertaken, has allowed your Association to give tens of thousands of dollars in the form of scholarships to our graduating seniors. They are most grateful for your help, whether large or small, so that they can continue their education and pursue their dreams. Today our country is richer because we have helped so many teachers, doctors, scientists, attorneys, first responders, artists, and many others contribute their talents to the betterment of our society.

We thank all who have helped us in this journey. You can help, too, by turning to the inside back cover and selecting from among our various named scholarships or simply by contributing to the general scholarship endowment.

Named or Memorial scholarships can be started at any time. Individuals, families and friends, and even corporations can all begin such a fund within our Foundation. What a wonderful way to honor the memory of a family and its members or to support a particular cause.

We would be happy to work with you in answering any questions you may have about beginning such a fund and making your dream become theirs. As the fund initiator, you determine, if you wish, who receives the scholarships each year, or you can allow the counselors to choose the recipients. You can also stipulate what the scholarship assistance is to be used for, the field of study that you want to support, and even which institutions you want the recipient to attend. These provisions and so many more can be written into your agreement with the foundation to give you more control over what you wish to support.

We urge you to contact us if you are thinking about beginning such a scholarship fund. There is no pressure to do so if you inquire, no salesperson knocking on your door on a Saturday morning with a bag of donuts in hand to make a pitch, no time-lines to meet - except we would like to see the minimum funding

requirement met within about five years. We're flexible. Make the inquiry and begin the process today!

In addition, many of you work for or have retired from firms that will match your contributions to a tax exempt 501 c(3) entity such as ours. If so, by working with the corporation, you can achieve your goal in half the time! If you are thinking about establishing such a named or memorial fund, contact your employer to see if they have such a matching fund provision, and REALLY make a difference for Huron kids.

Along the same lines, we also are willing to work with you and your financial advisors as you consider various planned giving donations as part of your estate planning for long after you are gone. Preplanned funeral arrangements are becoming more common, as are various trust arrangements or elaborate estate disposal plans. You can make the Huron Educational Foundation a part of your planning by contacting us. We can help you set up a program that will guarantee that your executors will have an easy time of carrying out your final wishes.

Finally, there are some other ways of helping to fund the Foundation. You may have long ago purchased stocks or bonds that have lain in the bottom of your sock drawer all these years and have appreciated mightily in value. Now you are looking at a tax obligation on the capital gains enjoyed since your initial purchase. You may want to consider donating such positions to the Foundation as a way of avoiding these taxes due.

We can also accept gifts of other property that you may want to dispose of for whatever reason. This is a little more complicated, but we can work with you to make the transfer as smooth as possible. A common property transfer is that of donating your old clunker to a charity. We can show you how to do that to assist our scholarship fund.

So as you assess your financial situation, and as you can see yourself wanting to leave some sort of permanent legacy that will benefit Huron students forever, contact us. We will respect your confidentiality throughout the process and help you define exactly what your goals are and how to achieve them - for your benefit and that of future Huron students.

Scholarship Donations since December, 2018

General Scholarship Fund

Janice Rae Cook Herman	57
Roger France	69
Chris and Becky Harlan	72
Lynn Smith Lindsey	80
Molly and Kerk Ryan	88/89
Alea Dahnke	Form. Fac.

Dee Heydinger Memorial Scholarship

Roger France	69
Debra Hinton	75
Janet Welsh	85
Lynn Smith Lindsey	80
Alea Dahnke	Form. Fac.

Tom Shontz Scholarship Fund

Ron Krock	61
Lynn Smith Lindsey	80

Hagy Family Memorial Scholarship Fund

Janice Rae Cook Herrman	57
Jack Brugeman	58
Gary Harris	58
Philip Gasiewicz	64
Debra Hinton	75
Liz Swain	76

Language Arts Scholarship Fund

Larry Zimmer

Janice Rae Cook Herrman	57
Dan Marshall	67
Roger France	69

Tanny VonThron

Dan Marshall	67
Greg Yarmoluk	74

Bye Bye Birdie

The vocal music department staged an adaption of the musical *Bye Bye Birdie* the first weekend of April. They had spent weeks learning their lines, practicing their dance moves, and rehearsing their scenes and screams for director Adaleine Jackson, now in her fourth year as vocal music teacher for the high school and middle school. The production gave Huron's voice students an opportunity to showcase their talents and keep alive Huron's reputation as the premiere area high school in matters musical and thespian.

Conrad Birdie, recently drafted into the army, before his departure is set up to sing *One Last Kiss* to an adoring national audience on the old Ed Sullivan Show, with a lucky Sweetwater Ohio gal chosen at random for the peck on the cheek. What could go wrong? Plenty, it seems, the minute three different romances become involved in various twists of plot. But by the end, three couples are happily united, as is customary in these musicals, and Birdie goes bye bye.



At Penn Station, before leaving for Sweet Apple OH, Birdie's adoring fan club pledges eternal allegiance to him and the republic for which he stands.



Choreography for these shows is always masterfully handled. Whether tripping their light fantastic toes on the boards or benches, these kids' moves are tops!



Bye, Birdie! Ohio awaits you, then off to service.



Word travels fast in small, 1950's and 60's towns, especially with party lines, even faster when the subject is a teen-age girl's heart throb. What!!! Birdie is coming to Sweetwater?!?! OMG



Photo courtesy Huron Historical Society

The Huron Opera House, ca. 1915. Few remember that Huron used to have its very own opera house way back when! There locals and traveling troupes alike could wow the village with the very latest productions from the big East or simply showcase home-grown talent. Packed houses enjoyed the productions, and dreamy teens fantasized over leaving town and finding a stage career some day. The dog on stage was just hoping the couple munching the popcorn down front would spill a few morsels. Notice the commercials across the top of the curtain. Someone had to pay the bills. Huron High class staged serious drama, murder mysteries, and comedies back then until the "musical" genre was invented. Whatever they did, all still practiced the 19th century models of proper decorum, propriety, and dress, as shown in this view. Ankles only, ladies!

Winter/Spring 2019 Sports Round Up

Huron High's athletes comported themselves well this school year and did us all proud. We have listed below their accomplishments as teams and also singled out those who were recognized as exceptional within the conference, and at district and state levels.

As you may know, the SBC has been expanded and separated into three divisions of 21 schools, based upon school enrollment and geographic considerations. The Lake Division features the heavy weights, the larger school systems such as Sandusky, Bellevue, and Norwalk. The River Divisions features schools mostly along the Sandusky River westward toward Old Fort. The Bay Division, of which Huron is a member, consists of those schools within a tight radius of Huron, from Port Clinton-Oak Harbor to Vermilion down to Willard. All three are extremely competitive within each division, and in most sports there is also much inter-division play.

BASKETBALL

BOYS Coach: Bobby James Record: W 10 L 10
Drew Wennes 1st Team All-SBC, 2nd Team All-District
Casey Scroggins Honorable Mention

GIRLS Coach: Patrick Philips Record: W 3 L 15 SBC W 1 L 9

BOWLING

BOYS Coach: Craig Pack
Nick Pack 1st Team All--SBC
Gabe Schweinfert 2nd Team All-SBC
Anthony Drivaas Honorable Mention

Boys Team qualified from Sectionals to District Finals

GIRLS

Lindsey Steinmetz Honorable Mention SBC, qualified from Sectionals to District Finals
Morgan Gast Honorable Mention SBC

TRACK

Coaches Mike Lemponen and Kelly VanCauwenbergh

SBC & DIST. Hunter Garbe 100H - 1st; 300H - 1st in SBC and Districts
Bridgette Gerber-Winschel, Virginia Spitley, Isabella Cozzie, and Hunter Garbe - 4X200 relay - 1st in SBC
Jimmy Harkelroad - 110H - 1st; 300H - 1st in SBC and District
Richie Delaney, Luke Wood, Caden Monak , and Jimmy Harkelroad - 4X400 relay - 1st

REGIONALS

Jimmy Harkelroad - 110H - runner-up; 300H champion, and anchor of the boys winning 4X400 relay
Richie Delaney, Luke Wood, Caden Monak , and Jimmy Harkelroad - 4X400 relay - champs

Hunter Garbe - 100H - 3rd; 300H - 3rd
Grace Moser - 1600m - 7th
Kylie Obergerfell - pole vault - 3rd
Bridgette Gerber-Winschel, Virginia Spitzley, Isabella Cozzie, and Hunter Garbe - 4X100, 4X200 - 8th and 6th

STATE

Jimmy Harkelroad - 110H - 7th; 300H - 2nd; and anchor of the boys winning 4X400 relay
Richie Delaney, Luke Wood, Caden Monak, and Jimmy Harkelroad - 4X400 relay - 9th
Kylie Obergerfell - pole vault - 11th
Hunter Garbe - 100H - 17th; 300H - 10th

WRESTLING

Coach: Rob Majoy Dual meets: 5 - 15

Placers in the SBC for the 2018-19 season
JaSharein "JJ" Holliday 6th place; 6th in the District Finals
Jacob Detlor 7th place
Tino Majoy 8th pkace

BASEBALL

Casey Scroggins
Chris Hand
Reid Witter
Zach Murray

Coach: Dan Lindsley Record: W16 L 12 SBC W8 L 4
SBC First Team Infielder
Second Team Pitcher
SBC Second Team Catcher
SBC Second Team Outfielder

SOFTBALL

Sarah Herwat
Madison Beldon
Cora Mamere
Gabby Sasala

Coach: Abbey Cook W 13 L 7
SBC First Team Pitcher
SBC First Team Outfielder
SBC Second Team Infielder
SBC Honorable Mention Catcher

BOYS TENNIS

Nic Ritzler
Tyler Shafer
Joey Lenczyk
Ben Nevison

Coach: Dan Johnson Record: 7 W - 10 L; SBC 6 W - 8 L
SBC Honorable Mention
SBC Honorable Mention
SBC Honorable Mention
Outstanding Performer

NFL Prospect?

Will Huron's football program produce an NFL player? This could be the year. Cody Thompson, '14, an outstanding quarterback for the Tigers during his career, went to the University of Toledo and switched to the receiver corps. There he set all sorts of school records. As a freshman he played in all 13 games but hauled in only four passes. He ramped it up as a sophomore with 37 receptions for a team-leading 875 yards, good for third best in the country in averaging 22.3 yards per catch. In full stride as a junior, he made the MAC first team with 64 receptions and a team-leading 1,269 yards and 11 TD's. Academically, Cody made Academic All-MAC and was nominated for Academic All-American. So the senior year would be his shining year, right? Not to be. In early October he suffered a season-ending leg injury. Nevertheless, he continued with his community service instead, earning awards for that and for the best combination of athletics and academics. Red-shirted, he returned for a fifth year and caught the attention of NFL scouts with his career totals and record receptions and TD's for Toledo.



There was a possibility that Cody might go in the third or later rounds during the NFL draft, but that did not happen. Later, at the combine held in Indianapolis, he impressed many teams with his speed, his quickness, his ability to catch the ball in heavy traffic. In addition, his work ethic and overall leadership qualities on and off the field caught attention. The Kansas City Chiefs and Cody then entered into a free-agent agreement that has seen Cody working out with the Chiefs and impressing the coaches. Whether he will survive the cuts as the team gets down to the 53 players that it can carry into the season remains a question. But not for lack of effort or work ethic would Cody ever fall short. The Chiefs have Pat Mahome as their QB, one of the NFL premier passers. Cody is getting comfortable practicing with the NFL stars and is determined to make the team. If he does not place with the top 53, he could conceivably be placed on the team's "taxi squad," where men-in-waiting practice and hope to get the call up if someone else fails to perform or is injured. As of this writing in late May, his hopes and those of all Huron sports fans are alive and well. Do us proud, Cody!

SWIMMING

BOYS

Coach: Randy Lehrer

Marc Dieter	1st Team SBC, Conf. Champion, MVP, 6th, 10th, 14th in All-District Events
Max Hardy	1st Team SBC, Conf. Champion, 10th All-District
Joey Lenczyk	1st Team SBC, Conf. Champion, 10th All-District, 2nd Team SBC
Weston Brown	1st Team SBC
Jay Lesnett	1st Team SBC, 10th All-District, 2nd Team SBC
Rowan Roshong	1st Team SBC, 10th All-District, 2nd Team SBC
Nick Wasiniak	1st Team SBC
Weston Brown	2nd Team SBC
Zach Daikawa	2nd Team SBC
Colin Kay	2nd Team SBC
Graeme Schwartz	2nd Team SBC

GIRLS

Emma Kerro	1st Team SBC, Conf. Champion, 1st All-District, 5th All-State
Allison Dieter	1st Team SBC, 2nd Team SBC
Emma Golling	1st Team SBC, 2nd Team SBC
Julia Hastings	1st Team SBC, 2nd Team SBC
Riley Roldan	1st Team SBC, 2nd Team SBC
Jordan Wood	11th All-State
Kennedy Camp	2nd Team SBC
Maggie Golling	2nd Team SBC
Samantha Rogers	2nd Team SBC
Kennedy Masterson	2nd Team SBC



STATE-BOUND

Not bad for a school that has no swimming pool, where students drive hundreds of miles a week just to practice their sport! Just look at the number of swim team members listed above who have excelled, and now the beat goes on at the next level, all the way up to the Division 1 college level.

Shown here, Huron Athletic director, Steve Camella, addresses the student body as they send off three of the Huron swim to state competition. Emma Kerro, the SBC diving champion finished the weekend by taking fifth place at state. She signed a letter of intent to attend UNLV, major there in political science and public policy, and dive for their team, a first for any Huron swimmer.

Also competing at state from this years team were underclass participants Jordan Wood and Joey Lenczyk, a freshman. Jordan was back at state for a second year and improved to finish in the 11th spot. On his first try at that level, Joey did well enough to finish 22nd for the boys. It's only three more years now for him to reach the top of the podium steps!



These athletes and all their team mates are to be congratulated for overcoming so many obstacles to score so high, in both the conference, and all the way through the districts, to three making state level.

STEAM Challenge - Race Cardboard Boats

Our STEAM class continues to accept the challenge to race boats against the clock over a course laid out on Parker Lake at the James H. McBride Arboretum each May. This year a team from St. Marys Central Catholic High School in Sandusky joined in this unique fun learning experience. Who knows - soon there may actually be a racing league formed!

It's all great fun, as the students spend several weeks studying the physics behind boat building, design a craft that will float a single person, and then construct the boat out of nothing but cardboard and duct tape, lots of duct tape! This year saw Huron enter six crafts, two of which could not make it away from the dock, but no one drowned. Fire department personnel were on hand to assist, but as cold as the water was, the swimmers appeared to be walking atop it to escape. All other crafts successfully completed the course, a marked improvement over last year.



Winners' Circle with Sponsor, Tom Mack.

The contests were close, as the best time was only three seconds better than second place, a replica of Noah's Ark, piloted by Mrs. Noah herself. However, rules state that no parts of the body may touch the water except the arms and hands, so the best time craft was penalized five seconds and took second place. Unlike the DQ at the Kentucky Derby, in a display of good sportsmanship, no protest was lodged. The goal, after all, was not necessarily to win but to learn while having fun. All scored high on both of those points!

We thank once again Tom Mack of Huron's South Shore Marine for sponsoring this year's races. Tom has been most generous with his time and resources to assist Huron's kids over the years.



All-American hero splashes to "victory" in record time, but notice the toe drag, disqualifying the attempt.



The Ark, all 3.2 cubits in length, cruises to a win piloted by Mrs. Noah, with help from above.



Two valiant efforts, in well designed and bouyant crafts, but requiring more energy to paddle than competitors' crafts.



Those We Have Lost



Bennie "BJ" Terry, '69, age 67, passed away on November 8 after a long fight with cancer. A licensed funeral director, Ben also owned Brinker's Barn, and taught at Oberlin College for 35 years, in addition to teaching plumbing classes for EHOVE and LCJVS for 12 years.



William Campbell Kaiser, '48, age 89, of Sagle ID, passed away on December 20, 2018 in Sandpoint, ID. A U S Army Veteran of the Korean war, Bill had retired as a state park ranger from the State of California.



Marilyn Joyce Malone Klick, '58, age 77 of Naples FL passed away peacefully on March 7th.



Bill Klug, '68, died January 31, at the age of 68, from complications after being hospitalized for a rare blood condition. A BGSU graduate with a teaching degree, Bill taught for many years in the Dallas TX area school systems, and after retiring, worked in various retail operations and as a volunteer. An avid Broadway musical fan, Bill's collection of fan memorabilia is unparalleled.



Michael Gillespie, '05, age 33, of Huron, passed away at home on January 11.



Lucy Iallonardo Stout, '57, age 79, passed away on February 5 at Firelands Community Hospital. Lucy will be forever known for her incredible warmth, smile, and generous spirit, her love of family, and of the friends she cherished. Lucy shared these traits as she worked at the Huron Bakery, Erie County Reporter, St. Peter Church, and May Co./Kaufmans.



Celina Goodsite Bolding, '80, age 56, of Norwalk, passed away on February 11 at Stein Hospice Care Center. Celina received her bachelor's in health care administration and accounting Bowling Green State University, then worked as a cost accountant at the former Providence Hospital and Firelands Regional Medical Center.



Steve Gnidovec, '79, of Sandusky, passed away Feb. 3, 2019, in Stein Hospice Care Center, after a brief illness. A U.S. Navy vet, Steve worked for Imagine Bakery, in Sandusky. Having been born in Joliet IL, Steve was an avid fisherman and fan of the Chicago Cubs and the Chicago Bears.



Chris Steinmetz, '80, age 57, of Huron, died Friday, Feb. 22, in Cleveland Metro Health Hospital, from injuries received Jan. 16, when he was a victim of a hit-and-run accident. Chris served in the U.S. Navy, then worked many jobs, most recently doing construction with his brothers, and in family concession stands at local fairs.



Cynthia A. (Hillis) Bucher, '67, of Huron, passed away unexpectedly Friday, March 1, 2019 at her residence. Cindy and her family owned the former Twine House Restaurant, after the closing of which she then sold office furniture for many years.



Loren Dircks, '68, age 72, of Eagle River, Alaska, passed away at home on March 2. His parents' rock shop in old Huron encouraged him to earn a degree in geology and certification in gemology. A deacon in his church, Loren spent much of his life in matters spiritual and biblical to the end.



Jeff Baur, '08, died on March 4 as a result of being hit by a driver traveling the wrong way. Jeff had served in the U.S. Coast Guard and worked for Jack Casino in Cleveland and for Kalahari Resorts in Sandusky. Jeff was an avid sportsman and coach throughout the area.



Patricia Jean (Andrews) Brownell Bradt, '53, age 83, of Norwalk, passed away on March 8, in Stein Hospice, Sandusky. Pat enjoyed doing volunteer services through the churches, was a volunteer with Fisher Titus Sweater Angels Group, and worked for the Non Food Bank in Huron County.



Beatrice M. David, '48 age 88, of Sandusky passed away March 24, 2019, in Stein Hospice Care Center. Bea was employed at the former Barr Rubber Company for 30 years, and as a nurse's aide at the former Good Samaritan Hospital. Bea loved children and before full retirement spent many years as a nanny/child caregiver for the Pfeil and Schild families.



Ron Grimwood, '73, age 63, of Sandusky, passed away on April 4 in Stein Hospice Care Center after a long illness. Ron had always worked in the entertainment industry.



Mary Christine Hahn, age 92, of Huron, passed away after a brief illness on April 7. Christine moved to Huron after college graduation and in 1948 began teaching English at Huron High. For a number of years she also enjoyed directing plays for the drama class. For over fifty years she managed the Hahn Farms, selling fresh produce daily, and all customers left feeling the warmth of her cheerful smile.



Marsha Majoy Klein, of the Class of '56, of Huron, passed away on April 12 in Providence Care Center. Marcia had worked for 20 years in the catalog departments for JC Penny and Sears.



William Frye, '58, age 79, passed away on April 23, 2019 in Columbus OH. After earning his degrees in education from OSU and counseling from University of Dayton, Bill began a long and successful career as teacher, guidance counselor, and coach. Bill was passionate about education and was a strong advocate for the students.



Robert Dowell, '52, age 87, of Sandusky, passed away on April 26 at the Stein Hospice Care Center in Sandusky. Bob joined the U.S. Army after graduation and served honorably with the 17th Division at the front line, during the Korean War, where he received two Bronze Stars. He had retired from the Ford Motor Company after 35 years.

Joanne Overson, '68, age 69, of Huron, passed away on April 30 in Firelands Regional Medical Center after a brief illness. Joanne had worked for Vulcan Materials, Sandusky, now Thakar Aluminum Corp., for 30 years, retiring in 2010.



Matt Solberg, '85, age 51, of Huron, passed away May 2 in Cleveland's Metro Health Metro Center from injuries sustained in an auto-motorcycle accident. Matt had worked for the family's boating and marine businesses at Huron Lagoons and Holiday Harbor.



Gerald Schofield, Sr., '70, age 66, of Huron, died as a result of an automobile accident on May 6. Jerry was a drywall finisher for over 30 years. He was the owner of Patio Tavern and was considered by many the "Mayor of Mitawanga."



Marshall Morgan, age 76, of Huron, passed away on January 24 in Punta Gorda FL after a brief illness. Marshall was the husband of long time Huron High business department teacher, Joanne Morgan. He was employed by Ford Motor Company for 33 years, then was a consultant for Manchester Plastics for another ten years.



Robert Kurtz, '59, age 78, of Huron, passed away Friday, May 24, 2019 at Firelands Regional Medical Center, Sandusky. Bob retired from Sandusky's Ford plant in 1992. He also owned the Sunoco Gas Station and Bob's Pizza House in Huron and co-owned with his wife Gail the Custom Canvas shop in Huron.



Anthony M. Munafo, age 86, of Huron, passed away at the Stein Hospice Care Center in Sandusky OH on May 30. Tony began his teaching career in Sandusky after serving as a Ranger during the Korean Conflict, then came to Huron as head football coach and teacher in the summer of 1966. He taught and coached several sports for 23 years until his retirement. However, he continued to coach with Earle Bruce in the Arena Football League for several years before finally retiring. A more complete obituary is found earlier in this issue.



Robert Poyer, husband of Florence Hart Poyer, '51, passed away on May

Harry R. "Jim" Barton Jr., 93, passed away peacefully on May 29, 2019, in Lima Convalescent Home. A veteran of WWII, Jim had been a teacher, coach, and assistant principal and superintendent.



Members - New and Renewed, 2019

We thank all those who have become dues paying members of your Alumni Association or renewed their membership since December. The sign-up form is located inside the back cover of this issue. We like to have the renewals by December so that we can budget for the coming year. New members are welcomed at any time.

Marjorie Hennes Marshall	37	Elyria	OH	Joanna Klein Oller	64	Huron	OH
Donna Kreck Klepper	38	Huron	OH	Philip Gasiewicz	64	New Wilmington	PA
Ruth Washburn Warner	38	Longview	TX	Anna Wunder Bauman	67	Huron	OH
Eleanor Waite	43	Strongsville	OH	John Zimmernan	67	Huron	OH
Kay Dahlhofer Wilson	43	Chester	MD	Cheryl Kaman Zimmerman	67	Huron	OH
Mary Waite	45	Strongsville	OH	Linda Boos Wilson	68	Hayesville	OH
Patrician Altman Basilone	48	Huron	OH	Chris Metzger	68	Sandusky	OH
Robert Fritz	48	Vermillion	OH	Dan Marshall	68	Brookhaven	GA
Joyce Klein Boyes	49	Huron	OH	Tim Brugeman	68	Findlay	OH
Bill Schell	49	Huron	OH	John Caporini	68	Huron	OH
Dolly Doyle McCarthy	49	Sandusky	OH	Pam Wentz Ebert	68	Bay Village	OH
Betty Webster Ruetenik	49	Montgomery	TX	Timothy Wallick	69	Huron	OH
Dominic and Agnes Majoy	51	Huron	OH	Roger France	69	Buena Vista	CO
Janet Davis Detrich	51	Cincinnati	OH	Jim Lenthe	69	Gambier	OH
Barbara Phillips Reddick	52	Willoughby	OH	Steve Fisher	70	Huron	OH
Shirley Steibly Watrous	52	San Diego	CA	William O'Hara	70	Vermilion	OH
Jean Davis Howard	53	Huron	OH	Debbie Green Paulk	70	Peyson	AZ
William C Handley	53	Cape May CH	NJ	Jeff Jablonski	71	Crystal Falls	MI
Shirley Minier Reynolds	54	Huron	OH	Beth Legando Fisher	71	Huron	OH
Diane Esposito Hoffman	54	Huron	OH	Jody Boyes Caporini	71	Huron	OH
Ann and Rolland Hart	55	Sandusky	OH	Jeri Kendrick Houstoun	71	Austin	TX
Samuel Jeffery	55	San Diego	CA	Ron Junod	72	Duson	LA
Nancy Rhodes Harman	56	Huron	OH	Chris and Becky Harlan	72	Norwalk	OH
Carol Haggerty Schell	56	Huron	OH	Steven Myers	72	Columbus	OH
Janice Rae Cook Herrmann	57	Amherst		Rebecca Hamer Sanders	73	Hilliard	OH
Gary Harris	58	Colorado Springs	CO	Gary Majestic	74	Rome	GA
Nancy Weilnau Claus	58	Bellevue	OH	Greg Yarmoluk	74	Howell	MI
Jack Brugeman	58	Novi	MI	David Shearer	74	Arroyo Grande	CA
Richard Warren	59	Sandusky	OH	Sue Coleman Frankart	76	Huron	OH
Barbara and Robert Jones	59	Huron	OH	Debora Bihun and Gerhard Gross	76	Sandusky	OH
Carol Phillips Pfefferle	60	Huron	OH	Will & Mary Reese Folger	Fac./76	Huron	OH
James McKelvey	60	Lake Orion	MI	Lee Jones	79	Milan	OH
Judith Moore Zoliniak	60	Santa Cruz	CA	Joan McCann Heinrich	80	Lake Park FL	FL
Dr. Willian Towne	60	Rockford	IL	Terri Jones	81	Huron	OH
Dottie Allinson Presutto	60	Vermilion	OH	Dan Billman	82	Houston	PA
Ann Mansen Harris	60	Colorado Springs	CO	Linda Pelehach Printy	82	Perrysburg	OH
Marjorie Windnagle Billman	60	Huron	OH	Bob Jones	83	Huron	OH
Bill and Carol Spievak	60/5	Saginaw	MI	Alyson Meeker Wilson	84	Huron	OH
James Compton	61	Lyndhurst	OH	Janet Basilone Welsh	85	Sandusky	OH
Nelson Hardesty	61	New Albany	OH	Diane Billman Clements	85	Bay Village	OH
Kay Billman Reeves	61	Huron	OH	Kerk and Molly Ryan	88/89	Huron	OH
Mary and Ed Taylor	61/7	Huron	OH	Eric Mentis	12	Huron	OH
				Alea Dahnke	Fac.	Huron	OH
				Judy and Don Pflieger	Fac.	Sandusky	OH
				Doug Fries	Fac.	Huron	OH
				Lynn Studer	Principal	Bluffton	SC

2019 Athletic Hall of Fame Announced

The selection committee for the Huron High School Athletic Hall of Fame met this spring to sift through the numerous nomination forms for consideration for induction into the hall and arrived at its difficult decisions. They thank all who took the time to submit nominations and want all to know that just because your nominee was not selected for the 2019 ceremony does not mean that person cannot be inducted in the future. In fact, nominations are kept on file indefinitely and reviewed each year together with any new ones to determine that year's inductees. So keep them coming, and don't give up hope.

This year the committee is pleased to announce the following inductees:

The 1969 -1970 Football Team

Elsewhere in this issue we have lauded the accomplishments of this team as they went two years in a row undefeated, winning the SBC Championship, and over four seasons recorded a record 24 straight wins in regular season play. The teams will be celebrating at Homecoming with any cheerleaders, trainers, marching band members, water boys - any body at all from those years.

So make it a point to join with them and relive the memories of those remarkable seasons. Friday, September 20 is the date to set aside for the fun.

Ed Taylor, '61

Ed played center on the football team coached by Paul Green, and also played basketball for Jess Hagy. After college, Ed returned to teach at Huron in the English department and began a long career coaching football, basketball, and track.

Wayne Hamrock

Wayne coached baseball, golf, and wrestling for decades at Huron High.

Craig Nickoli, '05

Craig played football for the 2003 and 2004 teams, losing one regular season game during that time. He was part of the '04 team, undefeated in regular season, only the third time the Tigers did that in their history. He seemed to specialize in punt and kickoff returns, anywhere from 77 to 90 yards at a gallop. He also starred in track for the Tigers.

Matthew Grieves, '06

Matt was a three-sport standout - in Football, Basketball, and Baseball. As a lineman in football, he was part of the team that had a 32 - 2 record over three years, a feat never before accomplished by a Tiger team, and in the process made First Team All-Ohio.

Nomination

To nominate someone for induction into the Athletic Hall of Fame, go to the school's website at www.HuronHS.com and download a copy of the required form. Click on *Athletics*, and then on the *More* tab where you will find the form. You may submit a form anytime during the year, but be sure to get it in before the committee meets in late February.

Membership Sign Up⁶¹⁷

HHS Alumni Association Membership Form

(Membership renewals are due in December of each year. New members accepted any time.)

HHS Graduate ___ \$10 per year You and Spouse Graduate ___ \$15 Social/Associate Membership ___ \$15
5-year membership ___ \$45 Life Membership ___ \$250 for Grad and Spouse

Name _____ Address _____
City _____ State ___ Zip _____ Phone _____
Email _____ Graduation Year _____
Maiden name, if female grad _____ Graduation Year _____

Huron Booster's Club Membership

Annual Dues _____ "SuperTiger" \$200 (includes two passes to every high school sporting event)
_____ "Tiger" \$125 (includes two home season tickets to sport of choice)
(Circle one: Football Soccer Volleyball Girls' Basketball Boys' Basketball)
_____ Special "Gray" \$50 _____ Regular "Red" \$25

Scholarship Funds

Contribution to General HHS Alumni Association Scholarship Fund \$ _____ (expended annually) or
to the Endowed Scholarship Fund \$ _____ (invested through HEF and earnings only expended)

Contribution to Tom Shontz Memorial Scholarship Fund \$ _____ or
to Endowed Tom Shontz Memorial Scholarship \$ _____

Contribution to Language Arts Scholarship Fund (A Perpetual Endowment Fund through the HEF)
Includes Larry Zimmer \$ _____ and Mary Alyce Harpster \$ _____ Scholarships.

Tanny Vonthron Memorial Scholarship Fund \$ _____ (A Perpetual Endowment Fund through the HEF)

Dolores Heydinger Memorial Elementary Education Scholarship Fund \$ _____ (A Perpetual Endowment Fund through the HEF)

Contribution to the Jesse and Lynn Hagy Memorial Scholarship Fund \$ _____ (A Perpetual Endowment Fund through the HEF)

Donors to Scholarship Funds: Please be advised that banking regulations now require that the name of the Huron High Alumni Association appear on the *Pay to the order of* line on your check. If you wish to differentiate in your records between your contributions to different scholarships, just use the memo line on the check. Also, you do not need to make out separate checks for each membership/scholarship contribution that you wish to make. One check with the HHSAA name on it and then the memo line to separate your donations will suffice. In our records, we will then split your contribution into the different accounts for proper crediting. On behalf of our scholar-recipients, we thank you for your generosity to our various scholarships.

Endowed Memorials

If you, your family, or your classmates wish to begin a named memorial scholarship in anyone's memory or even of an entire class, contact us for information on how to do so. Once your legacy is established with us, Huron's students forever will benefit from your generosity. Since we are a 501 c(3) charitable organization, your contribution is entirely tax deductible.

Swings Come True

“Thirty and out!” is a common mantra in the business world. That seems to be the cry these days for the PTO at Huron’s Woodlands Elementary School as they embark upon a campaign to replace that school’s thirty year old playground equipment. The present maze of jungle-like equipment has served students well now for over a generation, but it’s time has come. Safety has become an issue as the weather has taken its toll on much of the equipment. Hence the need for this campaign.

If you would like to help insure a safe, modern play space for yet another couple generations of kids, the site to visit for a complete rundown of what contribution opportunities are available is www.huronpto.com. There you will find pictures and information on how you can help. Contributions of any size may be mailed to HURON PTO, 1810 MAPLE AVE, HURON OH 44839. Keep these youngsters swinging and sliding and exercising in every way, and help fight this Age of Obesity.

Bank Regulations Confounding Donors

Recent tightening of banking regulations has resulted in some embarrassing moments for your Association. If you look inside the back cover of this issue, you will find a list of the current scholarship accounts currently open for which donations are being accepted. Many of our members are participating in this plan on a regular basis, and their support is greatly appreciated, especially by our graduating seniors as they leave the annual Scholarship Evening affair at which 100’s of scholarships are awarded.

Most folks electing to support one or more scholarships write in an amount to be credited to one or more of our named memorial accounts or the General Scholarship endowment program and then add that amount to their membership dues on a single check made out to the Huron Alumni Association. Some shorten this to HHSAA. Both of these methods pass the muster.

Others elect to send separate checks for each scholarship to which they wish to contribute. Until recently that was accepted practice at the bank where your Association does business in town. However, regulators now say that each check must bear on the Pay-to line the actual name or abbreviation of the Association. For example, someone wishing to contribute to the Hagy Family Memorial account may continue to do so provided they put HHSAA on the Pay-to line and then on the memo line indicate the Hagy Family.

Why is this so? Bank regulators do not recognize a separate banking account for the Hagy Family Memorial Scholarship or any other named scholarships and will no longer allow your organization to deposit a check made out to that name into our HHSAA account, even though we are the proper custodians of all of the scholarships named.

We thank our donors who have recently had to be contacted to redo their contribution checks to satisfy this tightening up insisted upon now by the banks. Their donations and the extra patience and consideration are most appreciated. Hopefully this is the last of the regulatory changes that will affect us.

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