

# NEWS

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# HHSAA

## New School Board Members



In a rarity for Huron, three incumbent school board members chose not to run for re-election this fall, and thus three new members will begin service in January. See who is in and who has left on page 2.

## Huron Alumna Top of Her Game

This issue we go all the way to El Paso to report on a '98 alumna who is gradually unraveling the mysteries behind a type of leukemia that takes so many of our people far too early. Read about Anna Hummel Eiring's work on page 3.



## Hall of Fame 2020-2021



The Athletic Hall of Fame ceremony for 2020, canceled due to the pandemic, was celebrated this fall. Many individuals and another team were inducted, thus swelling the number of Huron athletes who have reached this select plateau. Read all about them and their accomplishments beginning on page 23.

## Fall Athletes Have Outstanding Season

Last year saw huge disappointments for our athletes, as games and matches were either canceled or postponed, rescheduled and then dropped, or played before empty seats. No bands, no homecoming hoopla, no banquets, little chance to land coveted athletic scholarships, nothing normal. But all survived and lived to shine this fall. They captured conference titles, won at regional competition, a few even making it to state finals. You can see how each team and individuals fared beginning on page 25.



# New School Board Members

## Elizabeth Laffey



Dr. Elizabeth Laffay was one of three children born to an Indiana family, and thereafter moved to Constantine, Michigan where she attended grade school and graduated from high school. She next went to Michigan State University for her BS in Nutritional Sciences, then also graduated from Michigan State University Osteopathic Medical School, after which she did her residency and obtained her certification at the trauma and ER center in Detroit. Not finished yet, she completed her Functional Medicine training at the Cleveland Clinic. Today

Beth is a practicing ER and Functional Medicine physician who co-owns her own practice, Elite Wellness Group, LLC, in Sandusky.



Beth is married to a Cleveland native and surgeon, Paul Laffay, whom she met at MSU. The family lives in Beechwood and includes daughters Samantha, 14, a freshman at Huron High, and Casey, 12, in 7th grade at McCormick. In her spare time, Beth likes to read and write, watch sports, and hike, camp, paddleboard, raft play with family.

As her motivation for seeking a seat on the school board, Beth says that she is hoping to contribute to bringing the community together by tending to the backbone of it: the schools. She adds, ‘We have had a rich tradition of pride and academic excellence. I am glad to be part of maintaining and updating that history.’ All goals very worthwhile – much luck to Beth and the entire board.

## Stacey Hartley

Stacey Hartley was born and reared with three siblings in Columbus where she graduated from Bexley High in 1988. She attended college at Miami University where she majored in English Literature and minored in French, then went Capitol university to obtain her teaching license in secondary Education.



In Columbus, Stacey met and married Huron grad Jim Hartley, '84. After marriage in 2006, they lived in Columbus a while, then moved to Chaska in 2009 where they began raising their two children” Brynne, now 13, and an eighth grader, and John, 8, a third grader.

Stacey works today for BGSU Firelands College, originally as a major fund raiser, now as a coordinator of advisory boards and a program of support for low-income students who are parents of dependent children. As a fundraiser, she raised the money for building renovations and the addition of the Allied Health and Sciences building. Husband Jim is in public finance and currently serves as the Treasurer for the City of Cleveland. In 2017 the family transitioned to the Wexford West neighborhood to accommodate more visitors from family and friends. Stacey uses any spare time to enjoy reading and volunteering.

Stacey ran for a position on the school board to accomplish stronger collaborations with the city and township on facilities and services to better serve the students, staff, family and community; to provide comprehensive Title IX education for staff and students; to ensure a safe learning environment; to provide more effective communication about district financials and operations; and hire new leadership with a proven track record in these areas as well as a demonstrated commitment to academic excellence.

## Stacy Hanners



Stacy Chubak Hanners, '96, is a home-grown product of Huron and its schools. She graduated from Ohio Wesleyan with her degree in politics, government and journalism before earning her law degree from the University of Dayton. A civil rights, labor, and employment attorney for 18 years, she now works in the legal department for O-I Glass in Perrysburg Stacy is married to Jason Hanners, an



assistant prosecutor in Erie County and a deacon at St. Peters Church in Huron. The couple enjoys their two children, Nate, 16, and Lucy, 12, at their home on the south side of town.

As a newly elected board member, Stacy hopes to help the district improve transparency and communication with the community and create a safe, welcoming and high performing learning environment for every student in the community.



## Huron Grad Leader in Leukemia Research

Anna (Hummel) Eiring PhD, '98, earlier this year received two grants to continue her work in creating a cure for those patients afflicted with AML, or Acute Myeloid Leukemia, a type of blood cancer. AML is a fast growing cancer that starts in the marrow inside bones, the place where blood cells are manufactured by the body. If all goes right, white and red blood cells are made there, which then enter the blood stream and circulate throughout the body doing what they are supposed to do. When something goes wrong in the process of making a certain type of white blood cell, they can become cancerous and spread to various organs in the body. While treatments exist, survival rates are poor, and drug resistance is exactly what Anna is studying.

Anna, now married and mother of two children, is devoting her professional life to learning how and why these blood cells develop improperly and evade treatment, which can end so many lives here in the USA. It has been over 23 years since Anna left Huron so that she can stand at this plateau and try to answer these questions.



*Anna in her current position as Assistant Professor at Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center in El Paso, Texas*



*Anna as a postdoctoral researcher at the University of Utah Huntsman Cancer Institute in Salt Lake City, Utah*

In 1994, Anna first became interested in oncology when her Uncle George Smith Junior died of lymphoma, another type of blood cancer, prompting her to study biology during college. In 2002, Anna graduated Cum Laude from The Ohio State University (OSU) with her degree in Biological Sciences and also with honors in Liberal Arts. It was during her undergraduate studies where she developed a love for biomedical research. In 2005, she began her PhD studies in the Integrated Biomedical Sciences Graduate Program at OSU, when she started studying myeloid leukemia. Following her graduate studies, she became a postdoctoral researcher at the University of Utah Huntsman Cancer Institute located in Salt Lake City, UT. Then, after starting her family there, she left Salt Lake City, UT in 2018 for El Paso, TX to continue research and teaching at the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center at El Paso. There, she began zeroing in on AML to learn more about the mechanisms of disease progression and drug resistance, in order to identify novel targets for combination therapies.

She continues researching and publishing her findings, having authored nearly 50 papers in her field and giving numerous talks across the globe. Anna has over 3,600 citations of her work, and has published in many top tier journals in the hematology, immunology, and transplantation fields of study. Today, Anna is now an assistant professor for the Center of Emphasis in Cancer in the Department of Molecular and Translational Medicine at Texas Tech. In collaboration with Dr. Sudip Bajpeyi from the University of Texas at El Paso (UTEP), she was first awarded a \$25,000 seed grant for their work in AML. Then, she received a \$143,000 grant from the Elsa U Pardee Foundation to continue her research on new drug targets in AML. This is on top of another \$700,000 award from the National Cancer Institute for her work in a different type of leukemia, known as Chronic Myeloid Leukemia, or CML. Anna is also interested in discovering why Hispanic AML patients in the El Paso region have high incidence rates and lower survival rates than AML patients diagnosed in other parts of Texas.

Anna met her husband (Chad Eiring MBA) in the OSU Marching Band in 1998, who she then married in 2003. They decided to wait until after her PhD to start having kids. Anna said she handles the stress of her job through physical activity and music. She and her family go camping and hiking throughout Texas, New Mexico, Utah, and Colorado on a regular basis (especially during the pandemic). While around the campfire, Chad plays his guitar and Anna likes to sing along. She said the most important contributor to her success has been the support of her family, and a little good ol' fashioned persistence. "Never give up on your dreams, even when others tell you it's impossible."



*Anna hiking with her family near Rockhound State Park in New Mexico*



## Reunion Season 2020 - 2021

The summer of '21 was indeed a catch-up season for class reunions. With Covid seemingly under control and with travel and other restrictions relaxed, folks felt better about renewing friendships at reunions held in various venues around town. So much catching up, though. The 2020 postponed gatherings were attempted, as were the usual monthly luncheons and dinners of several classes. Then the 2021 reunion schedule kicked in to bring more together. Finally, there were milestone birthdays to celebrate, like turning 60 or 70 this year. Or even 80!!! But none will admit it. So the following pages will attempt to catalogue those who ventured out to celebrate their lives, relationships, and connections with their alma mater.

### Class of '48

Every first Friday of the month finds these stalwart members of the Class of '48 with a standing appointment for lunch at Berardi's. Two drive over themselves, with one stopping to chauffeur another, while a couple daughters make sure their mom and dad don't miss lunch. Seen here, nearing their 73rd anniversary of graduation, are chauffeur Mary Ringlein, Milly Morey, Pat Basilone, Joe Catri and his chauffeur Karen, with Bob Fritz standing on the end. Sitting is Fran Ringlein.



### Class of '59



When he died at the age of 80, Jack Benny was celebrating the 41st anniversary of his 39th birthday. These '59ers are Benny-wannabe 39ers, all of whom turn 80 this year. They celebrated with a birthday bash at Old Homestead Park, on a beautiful early September evening. An off-key violin could be heard in the distance to the strains of "Happy Birthday."





# Summertime, a far, far time ago . . .

A long time ago, in a village far, far away, when our land was yet at war and our single-building schoolhouse posed cathedral-like in the center of our town, summers fell upon Huron. Came first of June, windows flew open, with drapes aflutter against the screens, and radios blared daytime baseball games. Far into 9th evenings, baseball bats cracked all over town from backyard diamonds and empty lots. Little kids and big ones, too, ruled the streets riding bikes and slowing traffic, while watchful moms peered over wet sheets on side-yard clothes lines, spitting out clothes pins to holler at miscreants deaf to . . . . Show-off lads impressed the gals by leaping into the river from atop the blockhouse, as others nurse stubbed toes from dancing along the rocks at the shorefront park.

Miss Ellie Waite, Class of '43, passed away this past July at age 96, but not before she left us with her reminiscences of life in Huron back when most reading this were but a glint in the old man's eye, and even before. She was one of four siblings, all of whom preceded her in death. After graduating as part of the first class to graduate from the "new" school on Ohio Street, she moved to the Cleveland area. Later Ellie lived in Strongsville with her sister Mary, working for various firms in Cleveland, but her heart never left Huron. Faithfully, she led her class's summer reunion gatherings until age and lack of numbers ended those shires at the Yacht Club, leaving Ellie to cherish her past alone. Now there are but two to celebrate those days - Barbara Stein Boeckling in Cincinnati and Bonnie Shrigley Kellenberger in Washington Court House. They, too, share many of these same recollections. We share some of Ellie's here:

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## SIGHTS & SOUNDS - Growing Up in Huron

Those hot summer days when you played and played and each hour stretched into a half-day, and a day seemed like three, and a week seemed like a month, where tomorrow seemed years away.

Art: Kim Mingus Luczkowski



Always jumping into a wet bathing suit for probably the third time that day to swim with more friends in the lake.

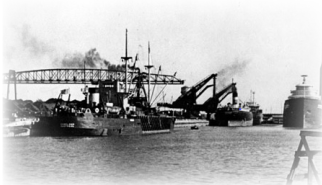
Racing up and down the breakwater and a bloody toe to show for it.

When the cries of "Here comes the iceman!" broke the warm day and all the kids raced to follow the truck hoping for a piece of that cold, clear ice.



Helping to churn the ice cream and licking the paddle when it was done. Also licking the dish when it was done and waiting for mom or dad to yell! Drug store ice cream cones that seemed to tower.

Drinking a bottle of Hires Root Beer with friends and seeing who could burp the loudest.

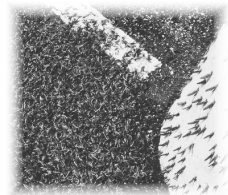


Walking on the pier to watch the coal and ore boats come in.

Who can forget the chug-chug of the old tugs and the boat whistles signaling each other. The click-click-click of the coal cars being hoisted up, the terrible bang, then the sound of millions of pieces of coal sliding down into the hold. And now the thrill of seeing the museum William G. Mather, anchored off the end of Cleveland's East 9th Street Pier.



Train whistles in the night as long freight trains clickety-clacked through and the excitement when the new Twentieth Century Limited flew by.



Canadian Soldiers so thick that the men came and shoveled the writhing bodies from under the street lights into the truck. Trying to go into the house with twenty or thirty clinging to your clothes. And the funny thing was the Canadians claiming they came from the American side.

Being given 25¢ to run down and buy fresh perch from Hap Zimmerman and watch him fillet them. Or being down at the fishhouse about 10:00 AM when the commercial fishermen returned and sorted their fresh catch into wire baskets.



The smell of freshly tarred fishnets spread on the vacant lots to dry.

The anticipation of starting school and planning what outfit you'd wear the first day, hoping your parents could afford it.

Then the deadly silence when Labor Day was over, all the summer people were gone, and a new school year was upon us.

In the fall eating those fresh apples and raking and burning leaves. The bonfires to toss in a few buckeyes to hear them explode or great for roasting marshmallows.

Listening to the fabulous radio programs with the whole family gathered around the radio: Little Orphan Annie, Jack Armstrong, Ms Perkins, The Shadow, Lights Out, Gangbusters, Jack Benny, Fred Allen, Fibber McGee and Molly (his famous closet) Lux Theater.

Dickaut's Drug Store with ice cream delights and all those comic books and magazines.



The Ritz Theater where 10¢ let you take a seat, usually way down front, especially when crowded. . . and heaven help you if you needed a bathroom because you had to cross Main Street to use the one by the side of the old Town Hall.



We can't forget the Volunteer Fire Department. We dreaded the sound of the siren which signaled disaster - a fire, or, in summer, the horror of a drowning.

That awful December 7, 1941 - "Extra, Extra! Read all about it - Japanese Bomb Pearl Harbor!" The shock rippling through town. President Roosevelt's radio message declaring a state of war. The boys going off to war. And the memorial in front of the new school which now lists the boys who didn't come back.

But I'd like to leave you feeling happy, and what better way than to cite a real happening that could only occur in a small town like ours. During the war, an old busybody on a 5-party phone line listened in one day to hear "Roll" buying horse meat. She spread the horrible news that Roll Hart, the meat man, was buying and selling horse meat as hamburger in his meat market. Alack, alas -- it turned out it was Roll Starr buying horse meat for his foxes. The dastardly error was finally rectified and Roll Hart's reputation restored.

## New Memories

If you have ever eaten at a window seat at the old Twine House when a freighter backed out of its slip and turned out to the lake, you probably found an excuse to move to the back of the room for fear the behemoth's screw would slam right through the window. Huron sort of relived that experience this fall when Jeff Bazo's barge, loaded with space ship materials that needed to be off-loaded to the NASA facility for testing, was tugged out and over to the next slip.



Ten containers lined each side of the barge, with a solid roof spread between them, obviously to conceal the contents from prying Chinese satellite eyes. The tarped rocket was thus sandwiched safely between the solid walls and barn doors installed at each end.

When off-loaded, the craft was craned down onto a special truck, then paraded slowly across Cleveland Road and the railroad tracks, down River Road with all its curves, then across Mason Road and into NASA through a rear gate to the testing vacuum chamber. If you were there, you will tell your grandkids for sure.



# Retired Faculty and Staff Meet

On a dreary August afternoon, with rain clouds on the horizon and a late afternoon storm having moved in as late as 3:30 PM, a group of hearty retirees snubbed their noses at the weather gods and met to catch up, after missing all last year's gatherings. They enjoyed the potluck dinner, engaged in spirited conversation, and left looking forward to being able to meet again in January, the snows be damned!



*Right:* Four different departments represented here: Jack and Vicki Busam, Barb Schenberger, Bill Scott, Ed Boose, and Doug Fries.

*Left:* Department Chair, Tom Heckelman, called the Math Department meeting to order at 6:30 PM. Attending were Ed Boose and Bill Scott. Absent excused was Mary McDuffie. Using only Ed's slide rule and Tom's abacus, they determined that the average age for this group is 81.1415 years, computed to 4K decimals.



*Right:* Another half dozen departments represented here: Jeff and Judy Horchler, Sally Davie Kelley, Joanne Morgan, Kathy Kirby, Nancy Freitas, and Señora Dahnke.

## Former HHS Home Ec Teacher Passes



Jean Chandler Wright passed away on October 29 at the age of 91. Jean had come from Cleveland, where she was raised, to Huron fresh out of Heidelberg College and began her teaching career as the future Martha Stewart of Huron High's home economics department. Her career spanned two high school buildings. After Huron, Jean continued teaching home ec at Margaretta for a time. After Jean gave up her teaching career, she worked for Stan Burdick Publications, H+R block in Sandusky, and for Cedar Point well into her eighties.



Gary Nissen, age 75, passed away on October 7 at Firelands Community Hospital from complications from Covid. A Perkins High School grad, Gary took his education degree from BGSU, then taught for Huron City Schools for 35 years before retiring. He spent his summers as a Cedar Point EMT and lifeguard for over 25 of those years. Gary is fondly remembered around town as an avid biker, pedaling safely anywhere, whether on short trips within the city or on long haul adventures, usually with a group of like-minded friends who enjoyed the outdoors.



## Class of '60

Deprived of an opportunity to celebrate their 60th anniversary last year, they met this year and resolved to return to for their 80th birthdays next year.



Front Row: Judy Coe Riddle, Sherry Ballie Otto, Dottie Allinson Presutto, Marge Windnagle Billman, Vicki Mendenhall Henderson, and Karen Craig Doyle

Back Row: Carol Phillips Pfefferle, Nann Weisenberger, Chuck Wright, Mick Comstock, Roy Gadd, Denny Wyckoff, Bob Zeno, Jim McKelvey, George Ritzenthaler, Duane Church, and John Doyle

## Class of '61

The Class of '61 is another that tries to meet monthly and occasionally draws a classmate just passing through who stops for fellowship and catching up. It's a great time, and we urge more classes to adopt the practice.

At this month's class meeting the attendees were Jane and Dave Puderbaugh, one at each end, then Charlie and Angela Myers, Rosemary Gerber with husband Mike sitting down at the head of the table, Josephine Palmer, Nonie and Jim Peterson, Bob and Anjean Crowell, Nelson Hardesty, Sharon Warren, and Ron Krock.





## Class of '62



Len and Kay Dixon, Jim and Laura Falter, Kathy and Lee Falter, Becky and Doug Ricci, Bill Boos, and Bob Barnes

Dave and Sally Majoy, Marylou Pankow, Linda Haley, Eileen Stewart-Lyons, and Ed Boose

## Class of '63

The Goodtime II returned to service late this summer and the class took advantage to meet on a sunset ride on the bay. Cedar Point and the Marblehead Lighthouse bought out the cameras. A great way to catch up while enjoying the ride.



Marcia and Don Ramsey with Bill Koehler

Peggy Klahn and Leslie Wilson

Bill Koehler, Dave and Mary K Schlessman

## Class of '65

A couple times a year this class gathers to renew old friendships and bring everyone up to date on their latest doings. The size of the gatherings vary depending upon weather and where the snow birds are.



An obligatory stop at the Pied for dessert makes them all kids again.

Standing: John Perrin, Dale Anglin, Bill Seder, Roger Franklin, Dan Houdeshell, Norm Bostater, Martha Taylor and Dottie Bauman

Front: Mari Kidwell Bostater, Sondra Seder, Marcia Gockstetter Lapp, Judy Houdeshell, Eileen Knupke Jenkins, and Dottie Lapata



## Class of '68 Gathers

This is another of the age-defier-denier classes which has put off growing older, this one by just a year. They really should have celebrated their turning 70 last year, but Mr Covid did them a favor by forcing them to forestall the date a while longer. They met of an evening over a potluck at the pavilion next to the Boat Basin and for a few hours celebrated that all have survived the pandemic thus far, have been blessed with many grandkids, and can still get about, especially to occasions when they can re-connect with former classmates - almost wrote "old classmates," but that would rain down curses galore. And well deserved, as anyone can see that this is still a pretty good looking bunch!



Rick Gundlach, Mike Wilkinson, Mick Geretz, Pamela Ebert, Dave Koehler, Denise Knight, Rollie Washburn, Marcy Reutepohler, Pete Freay, Boe Beherns, Cindy Defazio, Chris Thorenson, Kathy Butler, John Caporini, Helen Deprimo, Dave McKinnon, Kerry Rabins

## Class of '73

Members of the Class of '73 celebrated outdoors at the Harbor House, overlooking the river on a beautiful summer evening. Attending were:

*Front:* Steve Wilkinson, Brad Burrier, and Tim Wilkes

*Second:* Friendly HH Rescue Server, Chris Stone, Jim Defazio, Ginger Richardson, Rich Delamatre, Scott Delamatre, Tim Finton, Tom Ewart, Linda McCoy Grove, and Jerry Grove.

*Third:* Gary Bickley, Dave Braeunig, Patti Kaman Braeunig, Colleen Beach Zuck, Mary Reno Ewart, and Julie Link Sanchez

*Back:* Dave Hardy, Jay Halley, Tom Hetrick, John Jones, Ginni Beale Elliot, Dan Elliot.



Photo Courtesy of John Jones



## Class of '83



A few close friends from the Class of '83 gathered this summer for a few hours of catching up: John Grendow, Jill Harris Zumack, Scott Latt, Robin Rau, John and Jennifer Goscinski McKinnon, Vickie Danillo, A.J. Dufresne, Sandy Sonntag Morckel, Luke Dufresne, Karen Wennes, Paul Ward, and Dee Cherry Latt.

On Oak Island, NC, these Class of '83 gals gathered: Mary Ann (Colatruccio) Fricker, Karen (Hahn) Grendow, Kathy (Brownell) Conley, Jill (Harris) Zumack, Margie (Zimmer) Simonetta, and Sandy (Sonntag) Morckel.



## Class of '76

Jan Auble Battiste hosted her class's gathering on a summer's eve at her place out in the country. (See the barn.)

Seated are: Tina Johnson Sevenbergen, Scott Samstag, Cathy McCormick Dixon, Brenda Boyes Lochinski, Val Link Thaxton, Dottie Bomar Kane, Celia Franklin Finton, and Jan Auble Battiste

Middle: John Van Gilder, Connie Ritter, Sue Coleman Frankart, Sarah Dingus Pelz, Marti Majoy Dauch, Brenda Roughton Falter, Vicki Bright Timple, Carle Bohrer Schweser, and Terri Breay Blake

Back Row: Lisa DeChant Dahmen, Ted Dees, Chuck Seigel, and Mike Parry





## Youngest Class Ever - Class of 2016

On a lovely June evening, members of the Class of 2016 gathered out in God's Country, led on by chief whipper-in, Lisa Gies. Lisa had worked for months contacting folks, and the result was a good turnout, considering that many of these "kids" are still in grad school or working hard to pay off student loans. A nice start. Keep it up for the next seventy or eighty years now!

Some of the attendees. Do they look in shape or what! Must have skipped the *Freshman 15*.



Photos courtesy Lisa Gies

## Reunions 2022

As of this printing we have only the following indications of reunions being planned for 2022. Naturally there is hesitancy at this time because of lingering fears over Mr. Covid. As spring nears and the situation may change, let us know of any plans, and we can help get the word out and provide the contact information that we have. What many classes did this summer could be the template for future reunions - celebrate outdoors. A prime facility has been the picnic shelters near the Boat Basin, but book early. Others have chosen sites near the beach, decks behind the bars along the river, or even in the backyard of a classmate willing to open up facilities for a crowd. Other classmates pitch in with them to make it work, and attendees have had a ball! Most gatherings have not required masking, and distancing has definitely not been observed. But if any individual deems it necessary to mask up for their own particular health situation, please respect their choice and welcome them. But above all, stay safe.

Class of '62	Aug. 5-7	Sawmill Pub Fri., Sawmill dinner Sat. and Sun. TBD	Linda Haley at bouvielady@aol.com
Class of '70	Sept. 10	Picnic pavilion at Basin 5-9 PM BYOB	Donna Green at dontalynn@gmail.com
Class of '71	Sept 2 Sept 3	Picnic at Basin Pavilion BYOB Mesenburg's Hall dinner	Joni DuFresne at joni_dufresne@msn.com website at <a href="https://1971hhs.weebly.com">https://1971hhs.weebly.com</a>
Class of '72	TBD	Planning in the works	Join Steve Myers at zars@earthlink.net
Class of '77	July 8 July 9	location and time TBD Mesenburg's Party Place Cocktails w/ dinner 6 PM	Deb Gadd Schacher djoz325@yahoo.com 419-357-2469
Class of '87	In the works	TBD - invites to follow	Julie Dreffer Spitzley at Julie@Drinkstorm.com Huron High School-class of 1987 Facebook



## Family Affairs

Large families seem to be a thing of the past these days, but in the not-so-distant past they were common. Somehow it does not make sense. Family homes today each have three or more bathrooms. Square footage has increased by almost fifty percent in the past decade. Three and four cars dot the driveways. The number of pets per child has definitely increased with the lower number of children - 2.3 cats per kid, dogs at 1.8, chickens in the free-range side yard at an all-time high of 4.7, and only god knows how many goldfish.

But all that aside and the reasons for the decrease still being debated, we always laud those families who bucked the trend and kept all those mouths fed around the table. Occasionally the children all find themselves returning to their roots for a weekend reunion and start popping up all around town, to the surprise of many. We present two such tribes who appeared this past summer.

The Reese family swarmed about the Huron High halls for almost three decades, for all of the 70's and 80's and almost up to 2000, as one, David, returned to teach for a while.

Posing here are:

Front row: Dan Reese, David Reese, Dick Reese

Back row: Sarah Reese Souter, Mary Reese Folger, Megan Reese Wile, Kay Reese McDonough, Nan Reese Csarny, Maura Reese Giardiana, and Susan Reese.

The occasion was a bridal shower for another member of the next generation .



Another Huron clan, the Ineson family, has multiplied throughout Ohio and the Midwest. When they all come home for a family reunion, grandma better have lots of beds, cots, sleeping bags, floor/beach space, or whatever for this crew. Did you ever see so many cookie-cutter smiles in one place!

Hiding somewhere in this gaggle of kids and moms and dads are Mike, '81 and his wife, Lisa Mayer, 84; Michelle, '83; Janet, '84; Steve, '88; and Jennifer, '92; then the next-gen Huron grads of Emily, '13 and Jack, '15.



## The Arts About Town

The Corona virus tried but failed to totally extinguish the arts in our area. Theaters all closed, school plays and musicals were not permitted at the height of the pandemic, even half-time entertainment at local games was curtailed. Not to be outdone, even a windstorm intervened to blow the roof off, and knock a wall down, in the historic State Theater in Sandusky. No more concerts, no more graduation ceremonies, just about no more anything for a while in the area.

Recently, though, a feeling of normalcy has returned. As a group, most of us survived. We did what we needed to do to conquer this thing, and now, lo and behold, stage activities began to reappear. The full marching band returned to the football field for pre-game and half-time performances, the Caryl Crane Youth Theater at Firelands College resumed performances, The Firelands Symphony Orchestra is planning a full schedule for the '21-'22 season, and the McCormick auditorium is seeing performances, the first big one being the marching band's delightful evening of stirring music. A high school musical is also being planned for the spring, and hopefully the State Theater will reopen late next spring as well. We are still limping along, but it is encouraging to see signs of the arts reappearing in the area.

The area was treated to a performance by the Caryl Crane Youth Theater of its adaptation of a novel most of you hated to read in Junior American Literature classes - *The Great Gatsby*. The CCYT, since the mid 1980's, has given youth from K through 12 the opportunity to discover the arts, their own place in the world of the arts, and develop an appreciation of all the arts. In *The Great Gatsby*, of the 21 players, eight were Huron students - three holding the top roles of Gatsby himself, his love object Daisy, and the narrator, Nick. A fourth played a jazz singer who masterfully set the mood and tone behind each scene. Another was a production assistant behind the scenes. We applaud each student who participated at any level and know we will see more of them this spring and for several more years. Hopefully more students will take advantage of this great opportunity provided in our area.



Seated: Penelope Pifer, Caylin McCormick, Kelsey Swain, Bryce Nevison, and Elijah Routh  
Standing: Lucas Rager (grade six) on the left, Claire Daugherty, standing next to Bryce, and Hunter Hoffman, lad on right end.



## Sounds of the Stadium Concert

The high school marching band staged, literally, a band concert at McCormick Junior High, much to the delight of those in attendance. Billed as Sounds of the Stadium, it began and ended with pieces familiar to anyone who attended any football games this season. The band members entered through all doors to the percussion beats of its master cadence sequence used at all the games, and fired all up with the HHS Fight Song. Once seated, the crowd enjoyed six selection in its Disney Show collection, followed by a like number in its Rock Show. The senior members of the band had chosen the last set for its Senior Show. The entire performance moved right along, and had the audience bopping and humming out the door in less than an hour. The only notable tune missing was *Hang on Snoopy*, which is reserved in games only for when the Tigers are up by two in Q4.

The band continues to follow the proud tradition from the time of directors James “Huffy” Huffman and Henry “Hank” Lehrer, through Ralph and Marv, and Ed and others to the present charges of Chris Scherley. Whether they toot just on weekends or perform with the orchestra, the music students through the years have received excellent training, with many going on to professional careers and others just enjoying playing with their local groups long after high school. Some over the years have enjoyed performing for their colleges, such as Andrew Scherley who performs with The Ohio State marching band. Then there are those former instructors who still have plenty of air left and perform professionally or for personal pleasure. Jeff “The Bos-man” Skaggs still enjoys gigs with Wally and the Beavs, while Hank Lehrer still pulls out his bass clarinet with various groups.

Huron’s tradition of training and developing musical talent continues unabated and serves a very important function - helping our students develop their God-given talents in the performing arts. The next huge opportunity to see these students perform will be at the annual Christmas concert, which this year falls a few days after publication of this issue and will be reported on in the spring issue, along with a report on this year’s spring musical, *Mama Mia!* Stay tuned and enjoy.



Can’t very well march without someone setting the tempo. This group of drummers led the rest of the band into and around the auditorium before assuming positions upon the stage.



Our Tigerettes are going strong after all these years, waving flags and pompoms, dancing, and putting on quite a show, all in the tradition begun by MAH, Mrs. Harpster.



## He's BAAACK!



*Hank as Director of Instrumental Music back in the day.*

The Huron Public Library has begun a nice tradition of inviting in musicians on Sunday afternoons for mini-concerts. As word has spread, the number of attendees has grown. Folks enjoy the wide range of types of music and especially like that they can choose exactly what kind of music and instruments they want to hear without being bound to a whole season of concerts, some of which they may not have an interest.

A mid-November afternoon found the crowd treated to music written primarily for stringed quartets but played upon clarinets. The quartet of musicians from all over Northern Ohio featured Brian Burke, Victoria Nagy, Sheryle Cawrse, and Henry "Hank" Lehrer. Yep, you read that right - the HANK was back, toting his bass clarinet and playing alongside Sheryle Cawrse, the wife of Huron grad, Dick Cawrse, '72, of the Paper Moon Winery over Vermilion way. The group calls itself LEW, the Lake Erie



*Hank and his bass clarinet at a Veterans Day performance at McCormick Middle School.*

Winds Clarinet Quartet, and as a group has slightly over 150 years of experience, with Hank chipping in 71 of those years.

He says he hopes to play for as long as he can maintain a high level of musicianship. He began with his first clarinet way back in 1950 while in 7th grade in the Sandusky Schools, having graduated from at least six years of kazoo and tin flutes. e

So what else occupies Hank's time? Mostly music these days. He lives in Perrysburg OH, but on Monday evenings he dares venture into Michigan where he holds down the principle bass clarinet chair with the Ann Arbor Concert Band. Then on Tuesdays he runs over to Indiana where he plays principle alto sax with the Fort Wayne Area Community Band, which is the resident ensemble at the Purdue-Fort Wayne music department. In addition to playing at present with LEW, he also has played with the Patriots Symphonic Band in Elyria OH. So he keeps himself quite busy musically with top notch ensembles. LEW will return to the Huron Library again. Stay tuned.



*Hank playing with LEW at the library.*

## They're BAAACK!

There you have it, folks, what Huron looks like every day from the first of October until the end of November, the Blaster's Fall Brawl, aka, a walleye tournament. The ramp parking lot usually filled up before sunup, with late comers having to backtrack, hauling their boats and gear to nearby towns and slips to launch and join the Brawl. Hotspots seemed to be closer to Huron than other embarking points. Fish cooperated, with most boats limiting out. Champion fish size nudged up daily, usually to the 10 to 12 pound range, with lengths approaching 30+ inches. Locals tolerated the "invasion" as it meant increased business to local establishments, mostly for restaurants and bars, hotels, gas stations, and The Donut Shop. Weather factors - except for very high winds - did not seem to deter any of the fisherpersons in their quest for part of the thousands of dollars in prizes.





## Musical Blasts from the Past

Huron High has had a long and storied history of producing top shelf music students and helping them cultivate their birth talents to reach for personal and professional heights. This year is no exception. It has not been easy the past few years to maintain the number of students usually enrolled in our music program, with Firelands College BGSU being practically at our door step and more juniors and seniors attending early enrollment college classes out there. However, there has been no diminution of talent among the underclassmen enrolling to carry on the tradition, whether in vocal or instrumental music programs. It's just that God hasn't made enough of them!



Many reading this fondly remember the productions as far back as the likes of a Jim Hoffman and Norm Noe, up through names such as Gardner and Skaggs or Rinker. It's always good to look back through the long line of men and women upon whose shoulders today's staff and students stand to motivate the present to match the past. With that in mind, we take a look to see how we fared from the past.



The first is Marie Delight Lewis Immonen who passed away at age 83 on October 16 up in Blue Hill, Maine where she was retired but not inactive. Dee left Huron High as her class's valedictorian and in love with music, a passion cultivated with her clarinet under Huron music director, James Huffman. As a teen coming of age in the 50's, she was typical for her time - fun loving but serious when need be, the kind that sometimes marched to her own drum, or, as some of her classmates said, a hippie before the word was invented. After all, the wars were over, America was changing, and something there was in the air challenging youth in different directions. But deep down, it was the discipline demanded of music that kept tugging her back to center and would eventually guide her down a path less taken.

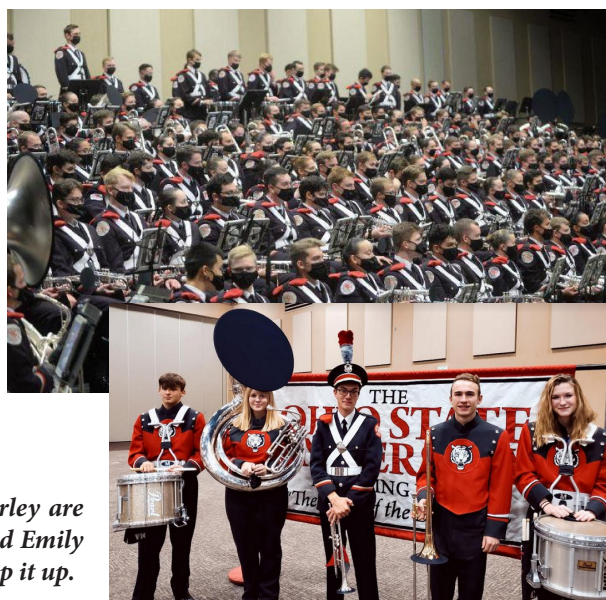
Dee romps with a child in glee. Dee graduated from the University of Michigan in 1960 with her degree in music, but she wasn't satisfied. She knew she wanted to teach, but her next degree was in musical therapy from the New England Conservatory of Music in Boston. Armed with that, she then taught learning disabled students in Rhode Island for thirty years before retiring. We will never know how many children found passion and meaning in their lives from her mixture of music with empathy and understanding to reach the soul.

Dee's passion for music, however, was always restless, as she sought to improve her own skills. She studied oboe under Robert Bloom, noted for being first oboe under Arturo Toscanini. While she never played under Arturo (he had died in 1957) she played off and on with symphony orchestras throughout New England over the years, including with the Boston Symphony.

She was always encouraged in her artistic ways by her husband Gerald, himself an artist and professor at the Rhode Island School of Art and Design in Providence RI. Well matched they were. May their legacies live on.

## OSU Marching Band

On its way to That State Up There, the OSU marching band stopped to present a concert at Kalahari Resort. Over 1,000 people turned out and were treated to a variety of pieces from patriotic tunes and hymns to half time songs and popular tunes. Huron's representative in the band was Andrew Scherley, 2021. This marked the 50th time the band performed in our area, a movement begun long ago by Ben Lindsley, an OSU grad himself and five year member of the band. The annual event is organized and hosted by the Ohio State Alumni Club of Erie County which raises funds for scholarships for students intending to study at OSU. Four Huron band members were invited to play along with the OSU group. Two



*Surrounding OSU band member Andrew Scherley are Mason Gray, Emily Warren, Dawson Berry, and Emily Currence. You all do Huron proud, group! Keep it up.*

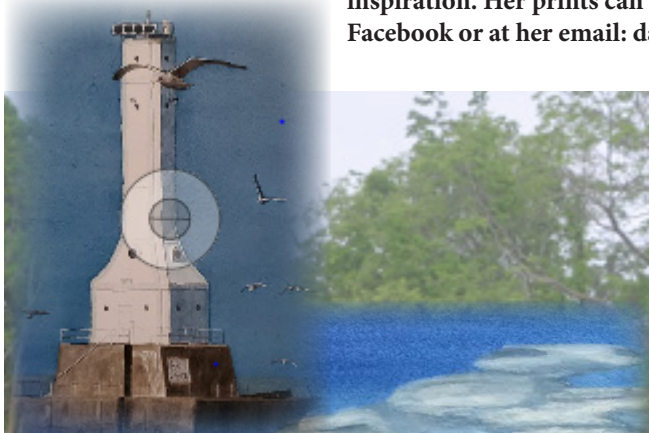


## Daydreamer's Art Work



Kim Mingus Luczkowski, '76, now residing in Lagrange OH, recently displayed her watercolors at the Huron Library all during November. Featured were her nature works and area beach front scenes, though her repertoire is much wider. Judge her for yourself here, or visit her on Facebook at Daydream Studio.

Kim has studied at YogaFit and in the Firelands Fitness Certification Program at Lorain County Community College. When not painting, she serves as yoga/pilates instructor at Splash Zone. She and her husband Don enjoy the company of their daughter, son, and their families and engaging with the outdoors where Kim finds much of her inspiration. Her prints can be purchased by contacting her on Facebook or at her email: [daydream1@roadrunner.com](mailto:daydream1@roadrunner.com).







**Foss-Saunders  
Scholarship  
Benefit Scramble**

Thanks to the generosity of our many alumni and friends, the Foss-Saunders annual golf scramble has netted tens of thousands of dollars for an endowment, the earnings of which fund scholarships for deserving seniors.

This year's recipients were Layne Gimperling and Kennedy Crow who received \$3,000 awards. A Volleyball Award of \$500 was presented to Abi Miller.



Craig Saunders signals the cart race to the start of each hole of this year's scramble.



It takes a heap of volunteers to properly coordinate such an affair, here a full handful just to register the day's duffers.



The fashion show begins: Mary Langhals, Sue Kovacs, Marcie Everett, and Barb Slattery.



Tracy Berlin, Joan Saunders, Peggy Everett, and Karen Claar



Lynn Solly, Kim Samstag, Celia Finton, and Stephanie Fratoe





**Phil Langhals,  
Rick Langhals,  
Tony Steyns, and  
Greg Thaxton**



**Mike and Martha  
Sudsina, Marty Smith  
and Sue Shamhart**



**Eric Muehlhauser,  
Paul Berlin, Joe  
Nageotte, and Bob  
Schuh**



**Joe Ramey, Jon  
Hicks, Zack Grieves,  
Brian Bollenbacher**



**Matt Schoewler,  
Brandon Poorman,  
Alex Ruf,  
and Zack Dusza**



**Dustin Bauer,  
Matt Grieves,  
Brad Gerber,  
John Drum**



**Tom Bollenbacher, Frank Gioffre and brothers-in-law Tim Slattery and Craig Saunders complete one foursome, while Jim Bogden, Jim Bollenbacher, Mike Powell and Tom Green wait on the slowpokes.**



**Craig Reutopohler, Dan Saggie, Nolan Greenawalt, Brian Clayman**

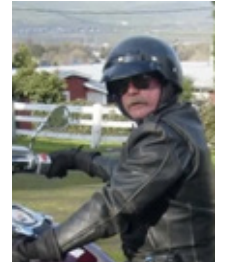


## Those We Have Lost



Helen Arlene McElroy, 96, age 96, passed away on March 19 at Stein Hospice Care Facility of Sandusky. Arlene retired from the Roger L. Dickman Insurance Agency and prior to this she had worked for the former Koch Agency Inc. and the former Philco Corporation.

Michael Welfle, 71, age 71, of McMinnville OR, passed away on April 30 at his home. A Marine veteran who served four years in Viet Nam, Mike returned to The Dalles OR where he worked for the aluminum plant until it closed and then drove truck for an enjoyable 35 years. In his semi-retirement he worked for R&B Rubber in McMinnville OR. When not working, Mike loved riding his motorcycle on long, lonely country roads to clear his mind.



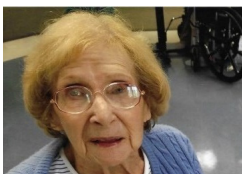
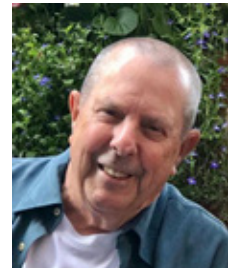
Frank Sonntag, 80, age 59 passed away at his home in Mount Pleasant SC on June 27. An accomplished musician, Frank earned his Masters degree in Arts Administration from the Conservatory of Music at the University of Cincinnati. He then held many leadership positions in the arts and social services from Kentucky, St. Louis and Minneapolis, and to New York and Brooklyn. In his final stint, he partnered with his sister, Sandy, at the nonprofit consulting firm, Solutions for the Greater Good, based in Charleston SC.

Rev Dr. James Boos, 55, passed away on July 4 at St. Elizabeth Hospital in Youngstown OH. James did His Masters of Divinity and Doctors of Ministry at the Pittsburgh Theological Seminary. He retired after 29 years of ministry at Saxonburg (PA) Presbyterian Church.



Matt Walker, 85, passed away on June 14 at home of complications from COVID. A graduate of EHOVE, Matt became an EMT, police officer, and fireman, then spent his adult life helping others in various area departments.

Thomas Frank Sowecke, 60, age 79, of Huron, passed away on July 9 at home. As a youngster, Tom worked at Corky's and the Piperette. After service in the US Navy for four years as a radar operator, Tom began work for Thermo Disc and Allied Signal in leadership positions, and ended his career with Honeywell in Phoenix AZ. In 2018 he moved back to his beloved hometown, family and friends.



Eleanor "Ellie" Waite, 43, age 96, of Strongsville OH, passed away on July 18. After graduating with the first class to have graduated from the Ohio Street School, Mary moved to Cleveland where she put her office practice skills to work as an executive secretary for several firms for nearly a half century. After retiring, she and her sister moved to Strongsville where Ellie looked after her sister, who was in poor health, for many years. Ellie was the glue that held her class together for decades, celebrating their annual reunions at the Huron Yacht Club.

Victoria Tata Bencivengo, 44, age 84, passed away on July 26.

Daniel Mihalek, 80, age 59, of Wakeman, OH, passed away on July 26 at home. Dan graduated from Huron and EHOVE and was a master carpenter and mechanic. He flew commercially for Griffing Flying Service out of Sandusky, then was a mechanic for Thorsport and finally for Franklin Sanitation.



Marie Dellinger Kehr, 58, age 81, passed away at her home in Sandusky on July 27. As a nurse, Marie spent her entire career nursing at the Ohio Veterans Home in Sandusky.



Patricia (Rogers) Lewis, age 83, passed away on July 31, after suffering a sudden stroke a few days earlier. Patty served as administrative assistant in the Huron High office from 1971-77 under principals Rockie Larizza and Lynn Studer. In her retirement years, Patty enjoyed living in Southport, North Carolina and Fort Mill, South Carolina.

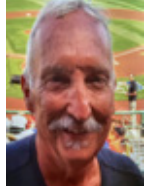


Nancy Chapman, '53, age 87, passed away on August 7 at The Welsh Home in Rocky River OH. Nancy had worked as a bookkeeper in the administrative office at the Lake Erie Ore Docks in Huron and later retired from SC Johnson

Betty Payne, '62, age 77, of Conway SC, passed away at her home on February 21, 2021.

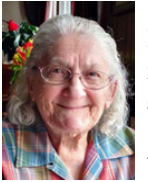


David Meola, '54, age 85, of Huron, passed away on May 31 at home.



Larry Thaxton, '68, age 70, passed away on September 4. He began his railroading career working during the summer but interrupted his work to join the US Army in 1970 where he served in Vietnam and was wounded. After being discharged, he began in earnest a 42-year career with Norfolk Southern Railroad.

Bruce Pisano, '68, age 71, formerly of Huron, passed away Thursday, Sept. 9, 2021, at Firelands Regional Medical Center, Sandusky, after a lengthy illness. A veteran of the Vietnam War, Bruce returned home to work on the Norfolk and Southern Railroad for a number of years before beginning his career as a car salesman. He began with Matthews Ford in Sandusky, then moved on to other dealers before retiring in 2005 after 25 years.

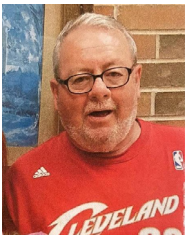


Paula Jeannine Purvis Willgrube, '47, age 92, of Huron, passed away on September 28. Paula spent her entire married life as a devoted farmer's wife, raising her six children, tending to her household tasks, and especially caring for youngsters as a babysitter.

Val Constantino, '59, age 80, passed away on October 6 at Stein Hospice of Sandusky. Val had retired from GM after 30 years, then continued his love of travel and skiing. He also enjoyed volunteer work, especially serving meals at community breakfasts.



Lana Lee Baron Wharton, '47, age 91, passed away on October 11 at her home in Longwood, Florida. Lana dedicated her life to raising a blended family of six children, then engaging in charity work, notably knitting over one thousand caps for new-borns.



James "Meatball" Bork, '68, age 70, passed away on October 28 at Stein Hospice of Sandusky. Jim worked as a signal maintainer for the railroad for 30 years, retiring in 2010. He was known for his sense of humor, love of children, fanaticism for all things Cleveland sports, and playing his air guitar whenever the name Jimi Hendrix was invoked.

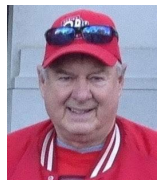
Susan Swanbeck Jones, '65, age 74, of Kalamazoo MI, passed away on October 30.

Arthur Wilson, '75, age 74, passed away on October 31 at his home in Greensboro NC. Art graduated from the University of Kentucky with his BA in psychology. For the last 20 years, Art was employed by Ecolab in Greensboro, North Carolina, as a territory specialist.



Anna Majoy Hardy, age 91, of Huron, passed away on November 3. Anna attended Huron Schools in her younger years, then began working at Barr Rubber and then Universal Clay Products, both of Sandusky, until her retirement.

David (Dave) Boos, '59, age 80, of Huron, passed away suddenly on November 9. After graduation, Dave earned his apprenticeship as a plumber, then served as a journeyman under his father, Fred, for whom he then worked as a licensed plumber at Boos Plumbing and Heating for many years. He eventually retired from Guenther Plumbing and Heating. Dave had served as a volunteer fireman from 1962 until 2003. He also enjoyed a lifelong passion for hunting and conservation.



Judy Belle Adams Holland, '57, age 82, of Huron, passed away on November 15. Judy worked at the Huron Health Care Center where she enjoyed caring for the residents.

Robert Miller Jr., '65, age 74, of Huron passed away on December 1 at Stein Hospice. Bob had taught over 33 years at Terra Tech where he was affectionately referred to as Professor Dude because of his wit and humor.





## What's New?

This summer saw a transformation of the high school cafeteria. This room right off the main entrance to the building and immediately adjacent to the gymnasium, really needed an upgrade. Everything about it smacked of the 60's and 70's. It was in need of a paint job, better lighting, a modern look and feel, and maybe even an improved menu - though that is often subject to government supplied surplus materials. You remember that - you downed veggie burger sliders before they were actually invented, enjoyed slabs of surplus Wisconsin cheeses, some even green, and probably drank and survived the white stuff labeled "pasteurized," which you interpreted as milk from free range cows. All that is history now.

The room now sports wheeled six-tops, creating a roomier, more intimate feel with those with whom one is dining. Tall tops adorn two sides of the room, probably to train folks for future experiences at local refreshment establishments. Also missing is that prison refectory feel exuded by rows of tables forty feet long, where one had to text a friend across the table but down quite a ways. The walls, too, now mirror the actual school colors, brightly done by volunteer members of the art club - mostly the teachers. Extra lighting really makes the room inviting from the first glance. As the area also serves as the study hall, eye strain on the more studious is naturally reduced, while sleepers can still bring their American Airlines (made in China) eye masks if they like; drab winter days will fly by unnoticed until dismissal time. In addition, the room is also intended to be an all-purpose room for community groups to meet. We're not talking the old Boosters' bingo evenings but rather church and parent groups, discussion groups, book clubs, community card parties and the like. The building should be used and enjoyed by the community taxpayers seems to be the new philosophy.

As for the food selections, that too has changed over the past couple years. Students can choose from a lavishly supplied salad bar, assorted nutritious, sugar and caffeine-free drinks, and more varied entrees each day. No cash actually changes hands now, as every transaction is recorded, on magnetic food cards, to a student's account. No one gets beat up for lunch money that way. In fair weather, students are encouraged to dine outdoors in the quad. Some even walk off their lunch with strolls over to the football field or track area, trying to keep in shape for prom time. In short, the atmosphere has taken on a more collegiate air, with students given freedoms that most of you never experienced, and they enjoy them until they prove they can't handle them.

Hopefully next spring can see a return of the Senior Citizens' Dinner when even more folks will get to admire what's new. See you there.



# Athletic Hall of Fame

At the 28th annual induction ceremony into the Athletic Hall of Fame, the Class of 2020 took center stage. Five individuals and one team were admitted into the august company. Two members had been selected to represent the 2021 class, but could not attend. Their induction will be held next year.

The event was staged at the recently renovated Mesenburg's Party Place where a nice sized crowd was feted to a delicious buffet prior to the actual inductions. Master of Ceremonies for the evening was Paul Ward, '83, who was also president of the Board of Education. Before presenting each inductee with a recognition plaque and pin, he briefly described the accomplishments of each inductee. The proud honorees then followed in order with an acceptance speech, regaling the crowd with the inside story on their accomplishments. One thing especially, though, stood out from every single speech - the role that *community* played in the success of each one. While Huron is not exactly Mayberry, the point was constantly reiterated that if not for the close knit sense of community support each had received from grade school on up, none of what they did would have been accomplished. None really focused that much on their own accomplishments, but rather each singled out the many Aunt Bees or Andy Griffins or Floyd the Barber types who helped encourage them up the ladder. A few Barney Fife's and Gomer Pyles were mentioned along the way and brought gales of laughter.

Also, former coach, Dino Caporini, '66, delivered a touching tribute to Bob Bowers, Huron's long-time shop teacher and popular coach who had passed away last December. Dino delivered a fitting remembrance of Bob's career, reminding us all of not only what a character he was but of his character as well, though a few times children in the audience had to be temporarily otherwise preoccupied.

We look forward to next year's ceremony, and will publish the names of those selected when available next June. Hopefully more classmates and team mates of the inductees will attend and enjoy reliving the good times.



Tom Legando served 22 years as a coach for the football team. As a licensed Physical Therapist, Tom also developed for all the athletes a strength and conditioning program for 27 years as well as its cross-fit training activities.



Craig Lindsley earned All-State honors as a linebacker but also scored 18 TD's as a fullback. In track, Craig threw discus and ran relays all four years. He lettered in basketball, but later concentrated on football. He went on to letter for three years at Baldwin-Wallace College.



Evan DeLuca was born to run. He excelled in the relays, helping the 2005 4x400 team take a second place finish at State. His efforts gained him All-Ohio recognition. In football, Evan was a hard-hitting defensive back, earning All-Ohio first team defensive back honors as a senior.



Susie Isphording starred in volleyball four years at Huron, earning All-SBC four years running. She earned All-Ohio honors three years, first as an honorable mention, then First Team her junior and senior years. She played three years for Bgsu and captained her team for a year.



Charlie Miglietti was represented at the ceremony by his sister Dr. Cynthia Miglietti, accounting professor at BGSU Firelands College. Back in the 70's, when tennis was considered a minor sport, Charlie became the first star from Huron to participate at the state level in tennis. Charlie has spent over 40 years in the financial services industry all over the country. He does not play tennis now.



## The 2005 Tiger 4x400 Relay Team

The Tigers' 2005 4x400 relay team was a stellar collaboration of athletes who won every meet they entered until placing second in the regional tournament in the school-record time of 3: 22:77 seconds. The quartet bettered that mark the following week at the state meet, also finishing second with the current school-record time of 3:19.57.

The team was composed of Lucas Bauer, Tom Connell, Craig Nickoli, Bob Isphording, and Evan DeLuca as substitute.

A team of five is being honored this year because late in the season Craig Nickoli was injured and junior Evan DeLuca filled in to help set the school record in the regional tournament. Craig then returned the following week to help set another school record at the state meet.

### THEN



Lucas A. Bauer



Thomas L. Connell



Robert J. Isphording



Craig R. Nickoli



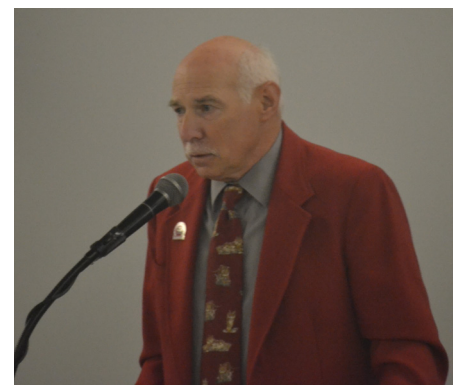
Evan DeLuca

### NOW



After sharing memories of Bob Bowers, Coach Dino Caporini presents Kim Bowers with a plaque created in memory of Bob.

Coach Bill Scott extols the virtues of the 2005 season's track team and its state participating 4X400 relay team.



# Miles of Smiles

How can everyone win in the same football game - every player on both teams, the cheerleaders, band members, water boys, coaches?

It's easy - stage a Victory Day Game designed to make everyone a winner, filled with the joy of making others feel happy. The Huron and St. Mary's teams have come together for the past ten years to make this happen, not necessarily during the regularly scheduled Friday evening games but in a special Sunday afternoon "game" played on the varsity field. Actually, it's more like a series of exercises, specially crafted, to give the physically and mentally challenged students the opportunity to experience what it feels like to participate in an on-field sport, be cheered for scoring or catching a pass, or running through an obstacle course, hitting "opponents" and breaking away for a long TD run.

The game carries all the trappings of a regular game - a band playing the national anthem, Mr. MacMicrophone himself calling the game, the dash through the sign created by the cheerleaders to start the game, passing and running events, and, of course, a high scoring game with everyone earning a TD! The only added feature is an awards ceremony at the end for the participants.

How to measure the success of such a game? In the miles of smiles stretching across every face of those involved in making the game a reality and, of course, the smiles of the participants themselves. Ever since this program began with then-coach Tony Legando working with the St Marys coach, all who buy into the concept have learned that the joy from giving to those not as fortunate as others is plenty enough reward in itself.



The band leads the singing of the National Anthem.



A breakout by one of the participants cheered wildly



Beat ya, big guy!



Can't catch me!



Just too fast for ya!!!!





High-Fives abound after a good score



I can do this. I can make it! I WILL make it!



"Take the picture, mom! I can't do Heisman forever."



"Fumble my eye! It's called football so I'm gonna kick it!"



Whoa! Did he have possession as he crossed the goal line? REPLAY!



This one counts!



"Sir, is this gold or silver?"

Awards time for the kids.

Did everyone have fun? Just look closely at every photo and see if all the smiles don't add up to a mile!



# Tigers Roar in Fall Sports

Your Tigers made us all proud in this fall's sports season, 2021. The brutally scorching summer days of practice paid off handsome dividends when the real action started. Golf began the parade of matches first in early August, followed by soccer games, most of which were played this season on the Huron Stadium Mucci Field which had been lined to accommodate soccer as well as football. The girls began their tennis season mid-August, followed by football and volleyball for keeps toward the end of August. Despite the general youth of the teams due to last year's graduations, the teams comported themselves very well, on th fields, courses, and courts. Grads everywhere followed the teams' successes, with several teams going deep into the playoffs. See the results below, and join us in congratulating all our athletes.

## Football

Coach Sam Hohler    Record 6-5    ???    SBC Bay - Second    Sec. Tourney 1-1

All-SBC 1st Team Off. (Unanimous Choice)  
All-SBC 1st Team Def.  
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All-SBC Honorable Mention Off.

Kaden Staley  
Evan Lacivita  
Dylan Hohler  
Abram Fortune  
Dylan Hohler  
Andrew Delaney  
Elijah Perkins  
Quinn Spitzley  
Luke Steuk  
Elijah Perkins  
Nathan Zeigler



## Volleyball

Coach                      Don Wood                      Record 18-7

All-SBC & District 1st Teams and All-Ohio 2nd Team  
All-SBC 2nd Team  
All-SBC 2nd Team  
All-SBC 2nd Team  
All-SBC Honorable Mention

Izzi Cozzie  
McKenzie Heil  
Rae Roldan  
Emma Solberg  
Jess Holsapple



Coach Don Wood gives instructions during a time out in a match. During the season, his team reached the 600 victory mark over the span of Don's coaching career. The team also reached the 800 victory mark for the entire girls' program since its inception back in the '70's. Congratulations to Coach Wood and all our young women over the generations.

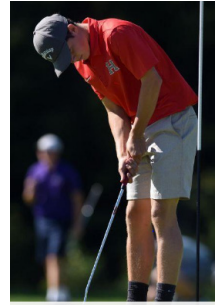




## Golf

Boys Coach Justin King Record 8 - 2 PL 3PL  
All-SBC Conference First Team Adam Murray  
All-SBC Conference Second Team Brendan Kleist  
All-SBC Honorable Mention Danny Demos

Girls Coach Jeff Hippely Record 0 - 14 PL 8



All SBC Honorable Mention Madelyn Porterfield

## Tennis

Girls Coach Taylor Gosser  
All-SBC Honorable Mention Doubles Melody Hill and Jaiden Borzon



Melody Hill  
Jaiden Borzon

## Soccer

Girls Coach Sarah Baker Record 5-11-1

### All District Team Division 3

All-SBC & All-District First Teams	Ava Winnestaffer
All-SBC 1st Team All District 2nd Team	Julie Willgrube
All-SBC 2nd Team	Maggie Golling
All-SBC Honorable Mention	Emily Franks
All-SBC Honorable Mention	Ella Lamb



Boys Coach Matt Asher Record 11-3-1

All-SBC & All-District 1st Teams	Conner Schaeffer
Second Team All-Ohio	
All-SBC & All-District 1st Teams	Sam Findley
All-SBC 1st Team All-District 2nd Team	Joey Lenczy
All-SBC 2nd Team All-District 2nd Team	Andy Wostmann
All-SBC 2nd Team All-District Hon. Men.	Noah Manner
All-SBC 2nd Team All-District Hon. Men.	Chris Heidl
All-SBC 2nd Team	Jarad Lenczy
All-SBC Honorable Mention	Abe Fortune



Rob Heidl - Boys Soccer Assistant Coach of the Year

# Cross Country

Coach of boys and girls teams: Roger Blevins

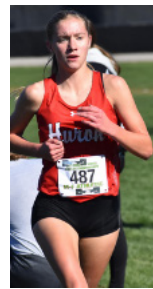
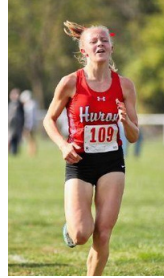
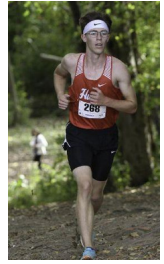
**Boys** Boys won third SBC championship in a row, and qualified for the Regional meet.

All-SBC, 9th at Regional, and Placed at State Elijah Routh

**Girls** Placed 3rd in SBC, qualified for the Regionals and beat all other SBC teams

All-SBC, All-District, 2nd at Regionals, & 12th at State Kennedy Schlessman  
and All-Ohio Honors

All-SBC First Team, All-District Jayden Towns  
All-SBC First Team, All-District Sam Lesnak  
All-SBC 2nd Team Lucy Watson



Elijah Routh



Kennedy Schlessman



Amy and Kennedy

Back in 2002, the Huron girls' school record in cross country was set by Amy Renner, '03, with a time of 18:48

In 2021, at the Regionals, Kennedy and another girl both ran a photo finish time of 19:22.1, with the winner decided by going to the camera and to the hundredths of a second.

Kennedy then set a new school record at state when she shaved seconds of her previous week and ran a school record time of 18:44.7.

At the Cross Country banquet, Amy returned to present Kennedy with her award for the new school record.



Jayden leads in the homestretch.

## Race 3 - Div 2 Girls - 5K

10/30/2021 - 12:00 pm

### Individual Results

Place	Name	Grade	Team	Time	Points	Place	Name	Grade	Team	Time	Points
1	Emma Wise	11	Lexington	19:21.1	1 T	40	Lily Cleaves	12	Lima Shawnee	21:47.5	29
2	Kennedy Schlessman	11	Huron	19:21.1	2 I	41	Natalie Hunter	9	Lexington	21:54.1	30 T

## Regional Photo Finish Results



# Huron Educational Foundation News

The HEF was established in 2011 with two avowed purposes: to raise and grow funds for the benefit of student scholarships, and to provide teacher grants to fund items not usually or customarily provided by district funds but which would benefit students. To that end we have solicited through this *Newsletter* funds to accomplish these goals. A year ago this month, all the funds in your Alumni Association's endowment account were transferred to the Erie County Community Foundation (ECCF) which manages collectively millions of dollars from dozens of individuals and organizations like ours through three investment firms and has an excellent rating of financial growth. The HEF will be guaranteed 4% of the earnings on our investment averaged over three years. If earnings dip below that amount for a year or so, the HEF would still be guaranteed 4% of that previously averaged amount. If the earnings exceed that 4% figure, the excess dollars remain in the endowment fund, together with those earned by dozens of other organizations, and then together they help fund grants written by other area non-profits for various eligible projects. It is thus easy to see that any contributions made through the HEF assist not only Huron's students but also contribute to the general good of the entire area. It's a win-win for all, but especially to the donors themselves, because all donations become eligible for a tax deduction to those who itemize on their annual 1040.

We encourage individuals, families, friends, and even whole classes to consider establishing a named endowed scholarship through the HEF. Why so? First, because it is an excellent way to honor the memory of those who have done good for any cause. Individuals and families would have an easy time to determine who to name for the scholarship. Class members would probably have to flip a coin if they wanted to honor an exceptional classmate, or they could simply make their endowment in the name of the class itself.

The best reason, however, for establishing a named scholarship is that once certain plateaus are reached, the endowment's benefits last in perpetuity - as it exists forever or until the entire US economy collapses! So, for example, if a class were to go together and gradually build its scholarship fund to the \$25,000 level, and if our economy continued to perform well, it is easy to see how, growing and earning at the 4% rate, that amount would generate an annual scholarship of \$1,000 until long after any of the classmates' grandkids were applying for a scholarship. Additional contributions would only increase the distributable amount proportionately.

There are several ways to help fund a named scholarship. Cash, of course, is the simplest. Donations of stock or bonds also help. Folks may have long ago purchased and then forgotten about shares owned in some company. Now, however, they are at a point in life where they really don't need the stock or its earnings and can dispose of it. If the value has appreciated significantly, there may be a savings in capital gains in addition to the amount allowed to be deducted for charitable purpose on one's 1040. Many folks also make a legacy donation, that is, they name a scholarship fund in their will, especially if their children are very financially independent and really not dependent upon a large legacy. Sometimes folks donate real property for the cause, things like automobiles or actual land or homes. The foundation then liquidates the property and builds its endowment.

So we encourage all to consider assisting us in building our endowment and building a legacy far into the future. Our town, our school system, our kids and their offspring will be here for many generations to come and have need of assistance. Make your presence here today felt long into the future by becoming involved in our grand campaign.

## General Scholarship Endowment Contributions June - December 2021

Barbara Stein Boeckling '43	Centerville	OH
Paul Bachman '54	Inverness	FL
David Puderbaugh '61	Brookville	OH
Alea Dahnke Former Faculty	Huron	OH
<b>Thomas Shontz Science Scholarship</b>		
Ronald and Joann Krock '63	Huron	OH
<b>Dolores Heydinger Elementary Education Scholarship</b>		
Tim and Julie Sowecke '70, '71	Huron	OH
Gayle Wallick Allen '59	Phoenix	AZ
<b>Tanny Vonthron Scholarship</b>		
Tim and Julie Sowecke '70 '71	Huron	
<b>Hagy Family Scholarship</b>		
Gayle Wallick Allen '59	Phoenix	AZ

## Members New or Renewed Since June, 2021

Barbara Stein Boeckling '43	Centerville	OH
Bonnie Shrigley Kellenberger '43	Wshingtn CH	OH
Paul Bachman '54	Inverness	FL
Kay Dahlhofer Wilson '63	Chester	MD
Tim Sowecke '70	Huron	OH
Julie Hetrick Sowecke '71	Huron	OH
Gregory Roth '72	Mechanicsville	VA
Barbara Wellfle '72	Stow	OH
Scott/Lynda Bird Bade '82/'84	New Albany	OH
Barbara Butkus Former Faculty	Riviera Beach	FL
Alea Dahnke Former Faculty	Huron	OH
Doug Fries Former Faculty	Sandusky	OH

# Membership Sign Up<sup>1221</sup>

## HHS Alumni Association Membership Form

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

HHS Graduate \_\_\_ \$10 per year    You and Spouse Graduate \_\_\_ \$15 Social 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 the Science Scholarship Fund (A Perpetual Endowment Fund through the HEF)

Includes Tom Shontz \$ \_\_\_\_\_ and Jim Seiple \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Contribution to the 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)

Dee Heydinger Memorial Elementary Ed. Scholarship Fund \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (A Perpetual Endowment Fund through the HEF)

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

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## Banking Rules

We thank those who generously send us a membership and also a contribution to our scholarships. Save yourself a check by adding the totals and including all in one check. We maintain separate accounts here for each of the two funds. Banking regulations, however, dictate who the payee has to be on checks. So, for example, if you wish to support only one or more of the scholarship funds, you would have to make a check payable to the Huron Alumni Association. Checks for memberships only should also be made to the HHSAA. If a single check is made for both membership and scholarship funds, it is best to make it out to to the HHSAA, and then on our end we can make the proper transfers between accounts. Thanks for your understanding of this.



## Membership

We are always grateful for the support given by our alumni in the form of a membership in the Alumni Association. But like everything else, inflation these days hits us hard in the pocktbook as well. Our chief expenses these days are for printing and postage, both of which increase almost every quarter.

We use the cheapest rag paper available for our *Newsletter* and suffer in that the colored inks used in the pictures kind of bleed and make images a tad blurry. But we intend to remain within budget, even though the cost of the Canadian newsprint has climbed due to Covid and import restrictions. .

Even our group mailing rates constantly increase whenever first class rates go up. The worst increase, however, has been in the fee charged for the *Change Service Requested* that you see printed on the last page. This service helps us remain in contact with alumni who for any reason cannot be reached at the address printed on the copy. The post office mails back to Huron a notice of changes. Many times they will send the new address, but most of the time the addressee has left no forwarding address. Hence, we pay a .69 cent fee and receive nothing in return, except at least we can discontinue service at that address while we hunt for the person. That present .69 fee is almost double what it was just a few short years ago!

Hopefully folks will see the need for emailing us any change in contact information. Even something as small as a move next door within the same apartment building will result in no service without the new apartment number. Help us stay in touch!



The latest on the Hollywood Billboard charts popping up all around the county, "Beefo" Bickley poses with his '64 Chevelle. Vacationland, still trying to collect the final payment, forgave his debt in lieu of using his mugshot to promote the Credit Union.

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