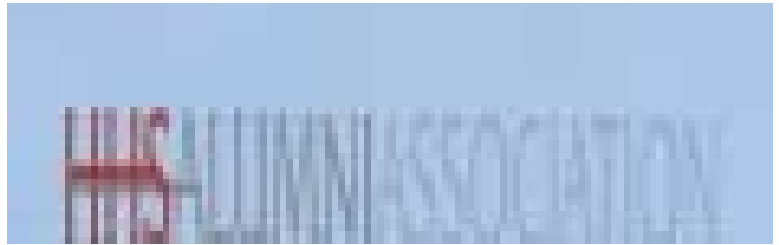


# NEWS

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## HHSAA Adds 130 More Members

June 2, 2013 was a glorious day for Huron High School's senior class - their graduation day. For many of you now, that day is but a blip on the radar screen of your own past. For these students, however, it was the culminating event of thirteen long years from childhood to adulthood, and they were going to bask in that feeling of exhilaration as long as they could.

Their afternoon began with a baccalaureate ceremony at St. Peter's Church. Though not a mandatory event, nearly 100% of the students and their families attended. The featured speaker was former principal, John Ruf. His love for his former charges was exemplified in the light hearted give and take between himself and the class members. His many comical jabs at the students always lead into a major point about life in general

and their futures in particular.

The major part of the ceremony was a litany of thanksgiving to all those who had made the day possible, from parents and relatives, to teachers and school administrators, coaches and friends. All had helped mold them into adults and helped them to discover themselves and the futures that awaited them.

The entire assembly then repaired to the high school gymnasium where they were to receive their diplomas - their proof of survival. In a very dignified ceremony, speakers shared their parting words of wisdom with the grads and exhorted them to remain true to their Huron roots. Your Association was represented on stage by secretary Molly Harkelroad

Ryan, '92, who expressed the congratulations of fellow grads everywhere and urged the soon-to-be-alumni to remain in contact with their alma mater and one another.

Class valedictorian, Jacob Ramey, shared probably the most sage advice. He quoted anthropologist Joseph Campbell who wrote, *"We must be willing to let go of the life we planned so as to have the life that is waiting for us."* This year's graduating class seems truly prepared to adapt to whatever their futures may thrust at them. We welcome them to our numbers and look forward to their greatness.



Question: What do baby elephants and the recently formed Huron Educational Foundation have in common? Tender but thick skin? Short awkward steps? A two-year gestation period? A snoot full of something? Answer: All of the above.

Actually, not quite. The board members, representing every school related organization in the Huron community,

are stone sober when it comes to planning for ways to financially benefit Huron students for generations to come.

For the past two years, board members of the Huron Educational Foundation, working through several committees, have finally birthed a huge baby. Hopefully, this foundation will guarantee Huron students of all ages access to valuable benefits. The Foundation itself was created in order that various organizations, businesses, and individuals associated with the Huron City Schools would have a place to aggregate their funds, grow them together, and then disburse those earnings to benefit Huron's kids. It has something to do with the power of compounding and careful analysis and

investing in markets to take advantage of a growing world economy. And just as we want our kids to have their future places in this emerging world economy, so also we as an organization want to participate in it to help make dreams a reality.

Different committees have been meeting and planning for months to make sure everything is in place to launch this new enterprise. The pieces are nearly all in place, and we want you all to know where we are headed and how you may help us arrive there successfully.

Read inside for more details and see how you can help.

# Huron Graduate Honored

On Monday, May 6, the Huron City Schools were proud to see one of their own inducted into this year's class of the Erie County Chamber of Commerce Gallery of Achievers. The induction ceremony was held at the Plum Brook Country Club and featured eight inductees this year. Gene Leon Tromblee, a member of the Huron High class of 1952, was inducted before his family members, former classmates, the Superintendent of Schools John Fernbaugh, High School Principal Scott Matheny, and seven senior members of the science program, all representing Huron.

Thirteen years ago, the Gallery of Achievers was established to honor those graduates of any Erie County school who during their lives succeeded at the highest levels in whatever field they had entered and combined this success with a strong character and great concern for their fellow man. Gene certainly exemplified all of those qualities.

Gene came to Huron his junior year from a little town up on the Mesabi Range and excelled in his studies, especially the natural sciences. As he neared graduation, his guidance counselor urged him to apply to college. However, as the family was not financially well off, Gene could see no college in his future. The counselor then urged him to take a series of college entrance tests at Case Institute of Technology where he scored so high that he was given all sorts of scholarships. After graduating with honors with a degree in chemical engineering, Gene took a position with Monsanto and in short order began moving up their corporate ladder, initially stationed at the Texas City plant. He earned his masters degree in 1970 from Texas A&M and continued to climb.

In the 1980's, while plant manager at the Texas City plant, Gene and his business associates began buying properties that Monsanto no longer deemed necessary and put them to different uses. Eventually he became vice-president of operations of Sterling Chemicals from where he retired in 1991. But retirement brought him no rest. He dove into civic activities

and seemed bent upon giving to others as others had given to him to help him become successful. He began by helping to construct a chemical engineering building at Texas A&M, then followed that up with several endowed scholarships there. He did not forget Case either, by then Case-Western University, donating toward building projects there and endowing more scholarships. Upon being recognized for establishing the Gene Tromblee Scholarship at Case, Gene explained his motivation thus:

"I knew early on that science was the field I wanted to pursue. My high school counselor urged me to apply to Case even though he knew that it was out of my reach financially. I applied, and then, a dream came true! I received tuition scholarships for all four years. My excellent education in chemical engineering put me on a great career path in the petrochemical industry. That enabled me to set up the scholarship funds for those who had the same financial need as I did. Later, I was able to fund the renovation of the materials lab. Giving back what was given to me is a great way to help perpetuate the dream of a great education."

In his later years, Gene also remembered Huron High School by beginning an endowed scholarship in honor of long-time Huron science teacher, Ralph Thomas Shontz. He only asked at the time that the contribution be made anonymously. That was his nature – always helping from afar. Annually two scholarships are given from this fund to students who intend to pursue a career in the sciences. Gene was aided in his giving by his wife Donna who figured so prominently in the decisions as to which causes they would help fund. Both deeply religious, they embraced many church causes as well, always anonymously, and were satisfied merely with knowing that others had benefitted.

Gene passed away in October of 2010 and Donna three months later. Gene's obituary was filled with the many accolades he had received during his lifetime, but nothing seemed to summarize his



Donna and Gene Tromblee

life better than the quotation taken from Ralph Waldo Emerson:

To laugh often and much;  
To win the respect of intelligent  
people  
and the affection of children,  
To leave the world a better  
place . . .,  
To know even one life has  
breathed easier  
because you have lived,  
This is to have succeeded.

Gene and Donna had three children: two sons and a daughter. The daughter Jody and her husband, David Young, flew in from St. Louis to accept the honor on Gene's behalf. Jody's speech was well received. Also in attendance were Gene's two sisters, Pat Duck of Sandusky and Connie Vianco of Lafayette IN. The Huron students in attendance heard first hand of the achievements of all eight members inducted this year, including those of a certain Thomas Alva Edison. As they look forward to their own careers, perhaps they will remember from that ceremony the life stories of the many paths to success and in their own ways follow in some very large footsteps. We look forward to those days.

Question: Why did it take thirteen years to recognize Mr. Edison? Answer: Because he never graduated from an Erie County High School. Or any high school.





**David, Jody, and Connie pose with the picture award of Donna and Gene, their golden wedding anniversary picture with a plaque.**



**Gene's sister Connie Vianco, daughter Jody Young, sister Pat Duck, (seated) and David Young, Jody's husband and chauffeur for the day.**



**Classmates in attendance and posing with David and Jody were Aggie Majoy, Harriet Anthony, Don Ritzenthaler, and Jack Farschman. They all added to the festive affair by sharing stories over luncheon.**

**Science students who attended along with Huron High School principal Scott Matheny: (seated) Lauren Mueller, Laura Hahn, Will Sams, Zach Jones, Nicholas Stelzer; (standing) Jacob Ramey, Jacob Justice, and principal Scott Matheny. As the eight inductees' life stories were shared, these students had an opportunity to see what dreams, hard work, and sometimes even a little luck can bring. Perhaps, decades hence, one of them will share this spotlight?**



## Winter Gatherings

All winter long, some classes regularly continue to meet, to share a meal, laughter, stories, and save the menfolk from having to cook. Local restaurants are the usual venue, though some groups chose to gather at individual's homes. We are happy to include here as many pictures of such informal gatherings as come to our attention. If your group meets for these types of occasions, let us know or send in a snapshot or two and we'll help spread the word for you.



**Barb Jones, Porter Wallace, Alice and Val Costantino, Judy and Lonnie Ishmael, Gary Dunn all break pizza together.**

**The Class of '59 likes Sunday evening pizza and usually hangs out in the back room of the Pizza House on Main Street.**



**Bob Jones, Claudia Wallace, Karen Colon, Dee and Tom Hartley, unknown hiding, and Ann Dunn.**



**This '65 bunch has been meeting about once a month at the Bar North Bistro at Thunderbird Hills North Golf Course, usually on a lazy Saturday afternoon, to enjoy a light luncheon and camaraderie.**

**In March this group was able to return: (Standing) Don Houdeshell, Bill Seder, John Perrin, Norm Bostater, Marcia Gockstetter Lapp, and Chuck Cherry. Seated are Ann Williamson Meier, Judy Houdeshell, Rosemary Perrin, Betty Jo Gioffre, and Darcy Hetrick Schee.**



## Reunion Season 2013

Reunion season officially begins in a few weeks. We publish here the list of those classes meeting this year as we had information given us at press time. Hopefully, turnout will be good again this year and folks will have an enjoyable experience. Remember, what happens in Huron stays in Huron!

Year	Date	Venue	Contact(s)
1948	First Friday of every month, breakfast at Berardi's 8 AM sharp		
1953	Sept. 19-21	Homecoming Weekend - details coming from Dee Hartley	HRBDDee@buckeye-express.com
1959	Second Sunday evening of each month, Pizza House Huron 5:30 PM		
1963	August 16	TGI Fridays 5:30 PM	Leslie Gockstetter Wilson l esliewilson4321@oh.rr.com
	Members of other classes ahead of or behind '63 are most welcome at Fridays!!!		
	August 17	Thunderbird North Sawmill Creek 6:30 PM cocktails Picture 7:15 PM Dinner 7:30 PM	Sherry Mischler shermischler@yahoo.com
	August 18	Huron Yacht Club 11 AM breakfast	Perry Ritter Klahn hhsreunion1963@yahoo.com
1965	Monthly gatherings at various venues		
	July 20	Old Homestead Beach	Dan Houdeshell for details HuronTigers1965@groups.facebook.com
1978	July 12	Brass Pelican (old Twine House) Visiting, eats, music at 5 PM picture at 6:30 PM	Joan Saunders joansaun322@gmail.com
	July 13	Golf outing TBird N 9:30 AM Parade 10:30 meet at State Farm and watch as a class Dinner Bar North Bistro 5 PM	Craig Saunders cmsaunders1@gmail.com
1983	July 12	CVI dinner 6:30 PM	Paul Ward
	July 13	Families @ Nickel Plate 2 PM	111 Pittsburgh Ave. Huron
1988	July 13	Brass Pelican 6 PM Cash bar, \$20 charge per person	Josh Haplea jhaplea@huron-city.k12.oh.us
1998	Aug. 3	noon for families @ Nickel Plate Mulligan's Pub 6:30 PM	Eric McGraw ericmcgraw4@gmail.com

# Huron Educational Foundation Solidified

The newly formed Foundation has as its main goal the growing of contributed funds to benefit Huron students. The main focus of the benefits would be in the form of post-high school scholarships. However, a grant process will also be established to benefit students from K-12 with various educational programs, equipment, speakers, and teacher training.

The future is now in a sense. Contributions are beginning to come in to the Foundation and are being invested by our newly hired management team with Merrill Lynch of Sandusky. Huron grad Keith Sweigert, '02, and business partner Dustin Nuss have been working in concert with the investment committee to develop an appropriate investment policy to guide the process. Essentially the policy permits a wide range of investment tools that will maximize earnings potential while providing security for the Foundation during those times when the various markets head south for a while, such as was seen in the 2008-9 period. The goals permit a certain amount of aggressiveness but within a rather conservative framework of reporting procedures and communications to guarantee the best possible outcomes in perpetuity. That is the key – creating an investment process today that will benefit students far out into the future.

An additional feature of the Foundation that differentiates it from other similar community foundations is the fact that pass-through accounts are permitted. How does this work? For example, a group of local citizens has been working with the Huron schools to improve some of the music department's equipment, specifically the pianos in the district. Each building has one, but some still have Huffy's fingerprints on them and are to the point where they need replacing. As the group works to collect funds for this cause, donors contribute to the "Piano Fund" and receive an immediate tax deduction since the Foundation has been recognized by the IRS as a 501 c(3) organization for charitable purposes. The longer it takes to collect the funds and arrange for the purchase of the pia-



nos, the more the funds grow within the Foundation. But eventually they will be withdrawn from a separate short term account to purchase the pianos. Everyone wins: the donors for tax purposes, the students with the improved pianos and keyboards, and the school system which does not have to expend some of its general fund dollars for pianos. In the future, we can envision many such groups forming around specific causes to benefit Huron's school and its students.

Others may wish to use the Foundation for scholarship purposes. For example, the foundation has recently been working with another graduate and his family to establish a pass-through type of scholarship program. While the details are still being worked out as this is being written, it would permit the individual to contribute to this donor advised scholarship annually and receive immediate tax benefits. But instead of the donated funds being deposited into the long term investment account, they will be invested in short term instruments so that the funds may be awarded on an annual basis at the scholarship awards ceremony held every May. An additional benefit is that the donor works for a corporation which matches employee contributions to a 501 c(3) and also receives tax benefits. So for a very generous annual contribution, the donor and his parent corporation receive immediate benefits and two students will receive some very nice financial aid for their college tuition. In reality, it is the Federal Government, through its tax policies, which is partially subsidizing this scholarship program.

The bottom line is that the Huron Educational Foundation is now alive and well and taking its first baby steps. You will notice the nice foundation logo at the top of this article. Looks kind of like Jack's beanstalk, doesn't it. We see this organization growing skyward in decades to come and carrying many students up-

ward with it. No ogre-giant awaits anyone, though.

A committee is also in the process of developing literature that will explain the foundation's workings to those seeking to become part of this program to benefit students, both in the short and long term. If you wish to become part of the program, please do not hesitate to contact us with your ideas, no matter what the program you envision, so that we may direct your inquiries to the proper personnel to make your dream come true.

Many of you have been making contributions to the various Alumni Association Scholarship programs in the past. Some have designated that the funds be expended in the year in which they were contributed, others that they become part of a permanent endowment. We will continue to honor your requests, but now the funds earmarked for the endowment will be moved into the Foundation for safekeeping and future growth. We are confident that our monthly statements will not look like the anemic \$1.68 per month that one of our instruments presently brings! Grass grows faster.

Plans are also being made to conduct the first of what we hope will become annual fund raising appeals to help grow this baby faster. The beauty of the program is that no one single individual has to do any heavy lifting. Your Alumni Association has thousands of former students living in every state and on every continent, except Antarctica. The combined efforts of that many people working together will surely help grow the fund. You will know when we have that program put together. Watch your mailbox!

The Africans have an old saying that anyone can eat an elephant, as long as he takes enough small bites. While we don't want to eat this new born baby, this Foundation works in somewhat the same way: as long as enough people make enough small contributions, the elephant can become the behemoth that will live for many generations. That doesn't mean that the foundation would not accept LARGE donations – just that we don't want anyone to feel overly imposed upon. Think about how you can help and do contact us.

**MICHELLE MARIE SAUNDERS & RYAN LEIGH FOSS  
MEMORIAL GOLF SCRAMBLE  
Saturday, July 20th, 2013  
Thunderbird South Golf Course  
7:30 a.m. or 2:00 p.m. – 2 Shot Gun Starts  
\$55 per person/\$220 per team  
Includes Chicken BBQ Dinner, Drinks & Prizes!**

**Registration Forms: Mail to Paul Berlin 902 Falcon Circle, Huron or pberlin@bex.net. Need check(s) for a total of \$220 payable to: Saunders/Foss Scholarship Fund to reserve a spot for your team.**

**Sponsors/Donations: Money raised for the Scholarship Fund comes from Hole Sponsors at this Golf Scramble. You can Sponsor a Hole for \$100 as an Individual, a Family or a Business. Just complete the Sponsor Form attached. Your name will appear on a Tee Box Sign and on the T-Shirts. Sponsors get 1 free T-Shirt if they come to the event. Donations are tax-deductible. Let us know if you need a receipt.**

**Two \$3000 Scholarships are awarded every year to Huron High School Graduating Seniors in Memory of Michelle & Ryan.  
This year's recipients are Keily Balduff & Kira Yonek.  
24 scholarships awarded since 2002 for a total of \$72,000!  
Thank you for your continued support!!**

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**REGISTRATION FORM**

**Complete this form and return it to Paul Berlin:  
902 Falcon Circle, Huron, OH 44839 or pberlin@bex.net  
Return this form and money ASAP, no later than July 10, 2013**

**Team Captain Name:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Contact Phone Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**CHOOSE START TIME HERE: \_\_\_ 7:30 AM \_\_\_ 2 PM**

**List other team members (if undecided, put undecided)**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**\_\_\_ Check(s) enclosed for \$220 to reserve a spot in Scramble, payable to: Saunders/Foss Scholarship Fund**

**SPONSOR FORM & DONATIONS Return by July 5, 2013**

**Sponsor Name:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Email Address:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Size for T-Shirt:** \_\_\_ S \_\_\_ M \_\_\_ L \_\_\_ XL \_\_\_ XXL

**\_\_\_ Enclosed is a check for \$100 for a Hole Sponsorship**      **\_\_\_ Enclosed is a check for a donation to the Scholarships**  
**Questions? Call Paul at 419-515-0132 or Craig at 419-602-7068. To order more T-Shirts contact Megan Klug 419-515-4373.**

## Do You Remember?

From time to time at these informal reunions, pictures surface from back in the day. Do you remember this scene, taken of the north side of the high school building in its early years? Notice that Rieffer Street was still a pot holed mud slide. There was a real sidewalk out to Cleveland Road, but no memorial trees had yet been planted - very pre-Vietnam obviously. The Kaman farm house still stood and the high school building itself had not yet been landscaped. There IS a flagpole, however. Notice also the beautiful forest that stood immediately east of the school, a forest that began to be cut down in the mid to late 60's for development.

We are told that in those early days very few students actually drove to school as even an old jalopy was out of reach for most students. Thus, many of the cars seen here probably belonged to teachers. The city kids walked to school, and most of the farm kids hopped into the back of pickup trucks that some students borrowed from dads or actually owned and drove. This picture was taken before there was a walkover bridge leading from the present stadium area over to the Oklahoma allotment. Instead, a street led from Adams Avenue to the back of the school property, and some students drove in from the rear of the school and parked on the barren field where the stadium is located today. How primitive!



Friday night at the Dairy Queen - anyone recognize his vintage classic car here? Anyone still OWN that car and want to share a present day picture?



# Generations of Huron Grads

As another school year ends, we like to show the sense of community and continuity in Huron Schools by publishing pictures of three or more generations of Huron grads within the same family. Three seems to be the norm, with an occasional four, but this year we experience that rare five-generation family.

Back in 1894, in the eighth class to graduate from the old Williams Street Huron High School, John L Halladay led across the stage the largest class up until that time, seven girls and six boys. John would marry and father a daughter, Eleanor, who graduated in 1920. In turn, Eleanor married Roland Hart, and then in 1958 their son Rol Hart also graduated. Rol married Ann Bostater, and their son R. Todd graduated in 1981. Now the cycle comes full circle with Todd's daughter Courtney graduating this year, the fifth generation of the same family.

But wait, there's more. This is a double header almost! On the Bostater side, we also have several generations. Newton Bostater graduated from Huron in 1924, and his wife Helen Ernst in 1924. Their daughter Ann Bostater married Rol Hart, together producing Todd, and finally Courtney. So Courtney Hart comes from a very rich Huron tradition of five generations on her father's side and four on her mother's. We suspect there may be more families like this to emerge in years to come. That bespeaks deep local roots, something to be extra proud of as we graduate our 123rd class.



John Halladay, 1894



Eleanor Halladay Hart  
Scott 1944



Ann Bostater Hart, '56, Rol Hart, '55, Todd Hart, '81, and  
Courtney Hart, '13.



Newton Bostater and Helen  
Ernst Bostater, Class of  
1924

Quite a gaggle of Hahn's here:

Annie, '10, Christine, and Laura, '13, in front, and Gordon, '75, Mary, and Lucas, '07, in the rear. Grandmother Christine was married to Ted Hahn, '40, and taught in the Huron system for years, as many of you will remember. Ted's father, Conrad, was also a Huron grad, in the class of 1907, one of two boys in a class of fourteen students.



Joe Esposito, '57, grins as he poses with granddaughter, Lauren Dewey, daughter Julie Dewey, '85, and wife Marta whose familiar face in the cafeteria daily greeted students wending their way through the food lines. We don't know where Marta graduated or whether she did!



The Savage family of graduates - Tyler, '13, Garry Jr., '84, and Garry Savage Sr., '62.



The proud Enderle family poses with the most recent grad, Devon Dickirson: Sue, '84, and Lou, '62.



Another Majoy grandson, Mason this time, poses with his father, Mark, '72, and grandparents, Tike, '51, and Agnes Doyle Majoy, '52.



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The Bob Jones, Jr. family celebrated the graduation of son Zachary. Shown here are: Lee Jones, '79, Becca Jones, '17, Zachary Jones, '13, Kate Jones, '10, Terri Jones, '81, Barbara Taylor Jones, '59, Bob Jones, Sr., '59, and Bob Jones, Jr., '83.



The Bencivengos have three generations now of Huron graduates: Victoria Tata Bencivengo, '44, Cassandra, '13, and Mary Ann, '79. Mary Tata, mother of Victoria, was from Huron also, though not a graduate, so Cassie is 4th generation Huron.



The proud Bartzen family poses with the fourth generation to graduate from Huron High, Hannah Smith. Greg Bartzen, '72, (his wife Sharon Coleman Bartzen also graduated in '72) Joe Bartzen, Mrs. John (LaVerne) Bartzen, widow of John Bartzen, '40, Joe Bartzen, '98, Hannah Smith, '13, Stephanie Bartzen Smith, '91, and Emma, '25, and Robbie Smith, '18.

Zachary Claus is surrounded by his parents, Mark, '84, and Amy Harkelroad Claus, '85, and grandmother, Sharon Legando Harkelroad, '60. Sharon is holding a picture of her father, Angelo "Pickles" Legando, who was also a Huron graduate in the Class of 1936.





# Mock Crash - Lessons for All

A pall of silence descends upon a crowd of teens filing into Huron Memorial Stadium. This is an assembly like no others, and students take it very seriously. One of their fellow students has been “killed” in a mock crash staged upon the track in front of the stands.

As they find their seats, many students try to avert their eyes from a limp, lifeless body sprawled upon the hood of a demolished car, blood still staining the paint job freshly shined for their prom. Troopers have already draped it with a sheet and now begin to fit it into a body bag. EMT members work with the Jaws of Life to pry apart the passenger side to extricate a second victim, pinned, unconscious and profusely bleeding. The voice of the deceased plays over the stadium intercom, recounting what happened, as if witnessing the event from above before departing life for good. Some students sob quietly, others stare at their feet, no one speaks. Finally the victim is pulled from the wreck, strapped to a board and loaded into a truck. Lights flash as it slowly works its way around the track, the patient immobilized to avoid further damage. On the band practice field a helicopter alights, and the body board is transferred to the chopper for life fighting to a medical center. With luck only one will have “died” that day.

Then a mother steps from beneath the stands, takes a microphone, and slowly recounts for the students a mother’s pain and anguish at having lost her son - in real life - to a real unnecessary accident. She pleads with them to avoid driving behaviors that have terrible consequences for all. Students return to their classes, much chastened for the rest of the day. Luckily, the attitude carries through prom weekend, and another parent’s worst nightmare is avoided for yet another year.

This Mock Crash program is extremely effective in reaching students with messages about drinking and texting and driving. In schools and communities where this event is put on, authorities agree that it has had a profound effect upon student thinking. Occasionally, though, some heed not the advice, and we have to read about it on the front page. It does, however, take coordinated effort to stage something like this, but any price is worth it.

If the community in which you live does not already have such a program, and you are the parent of a teen, you really need to urge your school board to consider adopting the idea. Huron High School authorities stand ready and willing to share with you any information about how their program operates. A call to either the Huron Police or Fire Departments is also a good place to start. It can take about a year to begin the process, get all school and civil authorities on board, arrange for all the materials, and place the program on the school calendar and schedule. Now would be a good time to begin. Before it’s too late. Before another mother or father has to stand before a student body to share the pain of a life taken too soon.



The driver has been declared dead at the scene and sheeted.



A second victim is strapped to a backboard before transporting.

**The “deceased” is placed in a body bag for transport to the morgue.**



**A grief stricken mother, accompanied by her remaining son, pleads with the student body to make good decisions over prom weekend.**



**The severely injured passenger is driven to the make shift helipad for life fighting to save his life.**

**The Life Flight helicopter rises from the band practice field to speed its precious cargo to a nearby hospital equipped to treat his severe injuries.**



## TLC Adopted by Huron Board

TLC – tender loving care, The Learning Channel, Teen Leadership Corps – take your pick. All three describe aspects of the same thing. The Teen Leadership Corps program has finally been adopted for Huron High School beginning next fall. Principal Scott Matheny was approached by the TLC personnel, bought into its goals, and advanced the cause to the Board of Education which approved adoption. However, students are so enthusiastic about this movement that over forty signed up for the class without its even being listed in the student course descriptor booklet given out at registration time. So what is all the commotion about?

A goodly number of you would remember the Peer Class program begun by teacher Mary Ann Creamer. This TLC program is similar to, but an improvement upon, that course. After Mary Ann left teaching at Huron, she gathered a board, began a 501 c(3) and together they created a curriculum to fill what they all considered a gap in students' education these days. Their goal? To teach leadership skills. Why the need?

Many people were beginning to realize that with the changes in society and in education ever since the 90's, and especially since the No Child Left Behind Act, the emphasis in schools became one of memorizing "stuff" to pass a test. Then, as budget problems arose, all sorts of clubs and extra-curriculars were cut which in the past helped students assume leadership and develop skills. About the only places left where students could obtain leadership skills were on athletic teams, but those programs were limited in scope and in the number of students reached. They emphasized mostly competition rather than teaching cooperative skills, being drilled by coaches rather than working out their own solutions.

The TLC program was designed to offer during the regular school day learning experiences in which students were taught from the ground up how to tackle problems in a systematic way. They engage others to help set goals, work out details in advance, choreograph activities of many people over long periods of time, and finally accomplish those goals that benefit the community-at-large. They are encour-

aged to find community problems to solve on their own. The alternative is usually to have adults identify a problem, lay out a plan of attack, enlist students to do the grunt work where possible, and then everyone takes credit. But that never teaches the younger generation how to surface problems, design solutions, and motivate others to assist them. A student centered approach is truly risky business, because sometimes students get it wrong and projects can blow up in one's face, making everyone look bad. But a program such as TLC starts at the bottom with actual classroom instruction, using a tried and tested curriculum and guiding students in each phase of active problem solving toward final accomplishment of goals. Risk is still present but greatly minimized as students work through their projects but always under watchful adult eyes.

What sorts of results can be expected? The TLC program has been adopted by most schools in the Huron-Erie County area and has now expanded across the northern part of Ohio. Corporate sponsors have stepped forward, the likes of Cedar Point, Firelands Regional Medical Center, NOMS Health Care, Pepperidge Farm, Inc, Epic Technologies and Underground Utilities, and then the Cleveland Indians and Cavaliers. Students have begun mentoring programs at both elementary and secondary levels, programs to assist senior citizens, programs to assist Goodwill, various Boys and Girls clubs, and blood drives. They have learned how to engage in fund raising efforts, with over \$200,000 raised for local community causes and \$120,000 for Children's Cancer Research. And they don't do it the old fashioned way by bake sales and door-to-door candy sales. Some have even brought hope, inspiration, love and laughter to hundreds of kids in the Dominican Republic. They learn that much work is demanded during after school hours, on weekends and even during the summer in order to be successful – in short, that leadership is a full time job. The skills they learn and the dedication they develop in the process will benefit communities decades out into the future as these students graduate, settle into their own adult lives, and then assume leadership roles in those communities.



The program stresses deeply that leadership involves more than just learning how to motivate people to work together – that it involves personal integrity and character and realizing that everyone has within him or herself the ability to enhance the lives of others and effect changes within society if they approach it the right way. Students take the pledge, and any type of alcohol or substance abuse means automatic expulsion from the program; any sort of serious run-in with the law means serious consequences. These students take this all seriously, accept the responsibility that such commitment lays upon them, and then start producing great things. Their own lives change forever, their schools and communities benefit immediately, and over the long term changes will occur that we can't even imagine as graduates of the program become the real shakers and movers within their corporations, churches, schools and communities.

The Teen Leadership Corps is to be congratulated for their past successes, and the Huron City Schools as well for adopting the program and assigning a teacher, Mrs. Jordan Fahr, to be the team leader at Huron High. She will have many parents who went through past Peer Classes as well as recent student graduates to support her in this important work. Jordan says, "I am very excited about working with these students and watching them grow in to young leaders." We will happily report upon their successes in these spaces in the future.





Both featured speakers for the afternoon clambered up onto the bar, the only stage in the house, to address the crowd. Mary Ann Creamer reiterated the goals of the group and recounted their recent successes.

Football coach Tony Legando, '69, also addressed the crowd and spoke of how the TLC program builds leadership in students.



A few faces that you may recognize from the past: Allen Tittle, Rene Medina, Judy and Don Pflieger, Connie Bunn and Mary McDuffie.



Always volunteering to assist are Patty Bollenbacher, Joan Saunders and Jude Seeholzer. Must have been members of the VERY first TLC class - in the last century!

Pictured are many of the TLC Board members who attended a working outing at Cedar Point recently. Huron grads in the picture are Allen Tittle, '03, Christy Bollenbacher, '04, Brian West, '05, Alyssa Franklin, '12, Kaitlyn Krueger, '16, and Huron teacher Rene Medina. Absent was Abby Wiseman, '14, who is a vital member of the youth council and will be a member of the first Huron TLC class.



# Larry “Mr. Z” Zimmer



On March 28, Larry Zimmer passed away at his home in Old Homestead where he had lived since the late 60's. He had been doctoring for several months for

various conditions which finally claimed him unexpectedly. All of you who took American Literature from 1965 through the late 80's or World Literature as seniors will remember Larry and his classes. How could you forget? Larry was passionate about his teaching and eccentric, to say the least, in some of his tastes in classroom décor.

He was born in Tiffin, Ohio in 1939, graduated from Tiffin Calvert High School and from Bowling Green State University, and then began teaching in Norwalk in 1963, where he had been hired along with Doug and Pat Fries. The trio was then lured to Huron by R.L. McCormick where Larry began teaching junior English classes, served as Junior Class advisor, and started the Great Books Forum. His newer approaches to teaching English, his popularity with his students, and his sometimes different dress code naturally irritated Mary Windau, but the two respected one another deeply, and each grew professionally from the other. In later years, they were often seen dining out together, and Larry frequently chauffeured for Mary when her driver's license was finally lifted as she neared ninety.

As a teacher of American Literature, at whatever level, he was passionate as he made the stories and poetry come alive for his students. Some of you may have even rebelled as he led you deeper into the heart of the pieces and wondered why a novel couldn't just be a story. Why all this symbolism stuff? That just encouraged him more to open students' eyes to the realms of possibilities of different worlds in literature. Whether analyzing a Poe poem, a Hawthorne short story, or a Twain novel, you students always felt that before delivering the lesson, Larry

had consulted the author himself for insights into meaning. It seemed he really was on a first name basis with the likes of an Emily Dickinson, a Sylvia Plath, or even an Arthur Miller. And if you had paid attention, you would have caught their addresses as well.

On a wider stage, in his World Literature classes he was able to transport students through time warps back thousands of years and bring alive Greek and Roman cultures, togas included, peel back the mists of oriental sages to explicate a Confucian nugget or two, and even recreate a Salem court room. His numerous term paper assignments, explications, skits and plays, seminars and symposiums were all designed to push students to excel, become more critical in their thinking, creative in communicating their knowledge, and self confident as they faced futures where ready answers could not be memorized, where life's problems had to be solved on the spot.

Then there was the matter of that room. Custodians reported that in twenty years they had never changed fluorescent lights there. He had invented the man cave two generations early. Larry had brought in his own colored lamps, then lined the walls of the room with tin foil to reflect the reds and greens and create an atmosphere for students who many times found themselves seated on the floor – except in mid-winter when their little tushes would have frozen solid to the tiles. He had imported a sound system, straight from Japan it seems, to torture the drums of other teachers up and down the hallway but delight the students who read or took tests to strains of, not Beethoven and Mozart, but a Lynyrd Skynyrd, or Styx, or Carly Simon. The 80's were dominated by the sounds of a Springsteen, or a Jackson, or Bon Jovi.

As a language arts teacher, Larry could also be very creative in the invention of new languages. New vocabulary words emanated from his lips directly into the language. “Cheers” was the most memorable and recognizable, an equivalent to “Chiao!” an interjection that he used upon approaching or departing a person. “Bunga” could be a noun, verb, or adjec-

tive depending upon its position within a sentence. No one knows the derivation of his famous “Hoshimoto,” but we suspect it to have been derived from the name of a Japanese admiral, but as a verb never ever used in the past tense. So what did it mean? You may submit your guesses, educated or otherwise, and we will publish them in a future issue. Suffice it to say that in his own way Mr. Z cut quite a figure and left a lasting impression on many of you.

In memory of Larry, your Alumni Association has begun a scholarship fund that will be managed by the Huron Educational Foundation. We have stipulated that the earnings be used for scholarship aid to a student who intends to major in teaching English and literature at the secondary level. If you, either alone or in concert with fellow classmates, wish to make a contribution to this endowment in Larry's honor, please use the form inside the back cover. Make your check out to the Huron Alumni Association with a note on the check to the Larry Zimmer Fund, and your contribution will be tax deductible if you itemize. We are a 501 c(3). Larry had quietly let it slip to a few of us over the years that he had helped put many of his nieces and nephews through college. This endowment fund will help insure that “Mr. Z's” practice continues indefinitely into the future.



Mr. Z and his Great Books Forum officers back in 1984:

Front: Elmer Hider and Tamie Millis  
Rear: Shaun Bickley and Viktor Krebs



## Dave Brown Writes Again



He's done it again. If you thought that Dave Brown's *History of Huron Football, Volume I* was a hefty accomplishment, you ain't see nuttin' yet! You know there are hundreds of hours of work in this second volume before you even pick it up. The first volume went 250 pages of game summaries and every imaginable factoid about Huron's first forty years of football history. The second volume covers eight fewer years but weighs in at over 400 pages! Try balancing that on your lap with your beer and pretzels!

Dave has done a masterful job of ferreting out just about every detail of Huron Tiger Football history in this second compendium. Its glossy pages are filled with summaries of every game played from 1980 through the 2012 season, of interesting stories about players, coaches, and all those associated with Huron's program since 1980. He has tabulated every snap and the resulting runs, passes, fumbles, punts, interceptions - everything except penalties - and produced pages of statistics about every conceivable record possible. If you put on a Huron uniform and played even a single down, you are in this tome.

The book also abounds with quality pictures covering every player, the coaches and their assistants, the supporting programs such as the cheerleaders, drill team members, the bands - everyone connected with Tiger Ball except maybe the ticket takers. The Herald Printing Company of New Washington OH has once again produced the highest quality product at reasonable cost and on time.

So how do you obtain a copy of this book?

If you pre-ordered at the special price, you are already enjoying your copy. If you are reading this in the Alumni Newsletter, you have already missed the first three book signings that Dave had scheduled for early June. (Sorry about these lagging publication dates.) But you may still obtain signed copies other ways.

If you order by mail, Dave will ship you a signed copy and personalized note. Just write or email him and make arrangements for what you want your copy to say. These books will make excellent Christmas gifts for your spouse or parents or children or siblings, or friends - whoever had a connection with the Huron football program. To have the book signed and personalized would make the gift extra special.

Dave can be reached by mail at 8969 Southridge Court, Sagamore Hills, Ohio 44067. You can also find him on line at [coach1349@yahoo.com](mailto:coach1349@yahoo.com).

The cover price of the second volume of this set is just \$30. If you wish to purchase the first volume alone, the price has been reduced to only \$20, with shipping costs added for each. But if you purchase both volumes as a complete set, you may have them shipped out for only \$45 plus shipping.

You can save on the shipping and handling costs several ways. First, the books will be on sale at three convenient locations in town: Ace Hardware and Cornell's Market on the east side, and the Huron Market on the west side.

In addition, Dave will be staging book signings later this summer when the 2013 season kicks off. He will be at all the home games, a scrimmage, and present at all activities during Homecoming Week - the tailgate party and skull session before the game and then at Mulligan's Pub after the game.

Don't wait too long, though. This was a limited edition printing of only 500 copies. When they're gone, that's it! A very strong presale has already reduced the number available. Please turn to inside the back cover of this issue for an order form and contact information to secure your copies. Then let the arguments begin. And if you lose the argument because of the information provided by Dave in this volume, be careful not to toss the book at anyone. It could cause some serious damage. Wait until you try to pick it up!

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### Erratum in Volume II

The *Sandusky Register* Sports Editor, Mark Hazelwood, was kind enough to review Dave's book. Unfortunately, we gave Mark a new first name, Matt, in the review section. It slipped by two proofing sessions, and we both sincerely apologize for the error.

Mike Heydinger  
Dave Brown



Mac Lehrer stops by at the table to purchase his book and have it personalized by Dave at a June 1 signing at the Huron Market. Other signings followed on successive Saturday's at Ace Hardware and Cornell's Market.



# Ben Delamatre Now a SEAL

Recently Ben Delamatre completed his training and qualified to become a member of the elite Navy Seal team. Quite an accomplishment considering that at the graduation ceremony in San Diego, only 46 men were inducted into this branch of service, from an original 143 who began the training. Today this elite corps has only 3,188 active members serving our nation. That's like .0026% of the entire national population helping to guard the rest of us. You have read of their missions and successes, so we won't repeat them here. But know that in Ben and his classmates, all of us can sleep a little easier each night.

The training that these men undergo is unbelievably rigorous. They dub their first week "Hell Week" for good reason. Of this first training week, only 59 men of the original 143 survived. Then they went through Basic Underwater Demolition (BUD) training where only 48 graduated. They experienced dozens of dives and spent the equivalent of 2.5 days underwater. That training was followed by



Proud dad, Ty Delamatre, '79, and grandfather, Ward Delamatre, pose with the new SEAL graduate, at the graduation ceremony in San Diego.

weeks of SEAL Qualification Training (SQT) where two more dropped out. After each training benchmark, Ben would call his grandmother, Fern Delamatre, '52, and share the good news with her of his accomplishments, and she would urge him to stay the course. We're glad he did.

All told during the training, these men

spent 61 weeks, running over 1,600 miles, swimming another 130 miles, hiking hundreds of miles, diving, firing their small arms and practicing blowing up things with tons of explosives. Put it another way – equivalently they swam the from Cuba to the southern tip of Florida, then ran to New York City, and then spent a couple more days checking out the bottom of the Hudson while there. Not to mention rest stops for blowing up and shooting at things.

We don't know where Ben will be deployed, nor does he. If he told anyone, he'd have to kill them. Only a quarter of those qualified are actually deployed at any given time, engaged in very clandestine activities. But upon their skill and expertise depends many times the freedom of our way of life. Ben's training, both physically and mentally, can be directly traced to his family and to Huron High School and the support he received from the community. We know he will uphold the best traditions of where he came from! Congratulations, Ben!!!

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## Team Building

Every so often, head football coach Tony Legando gets to wishing he were coaching other sports as well. He camouflages these whims under the title of team building and has his players try their hand at various other sports. These cross-sports attempts prove to be good team building exercises but sometimes prove hard on bowling alleys or golf courses. On a cold winter Saturday morning, the boys gathered at the Riverside Lanes and let loose, to the amusement of some and consternation of the proprietor. But all survived and all pins were eventually located. The next test will be on a Monday evening in June when the links at Sawmill Creek Golf Course are tested. A tad late for spring plowing but we'll let you know how they did and if anyone left handicapped.





## Huron Memorial Stadium's Memorial Sign Ready

Many years ago, when the Huron Memorial Stadium was first built and the Beautification Committee was established, a pine tree was erected on this spot in memory of Jim Campbell and his generosity to the Huron City Schools. Living memorials such as this are always popular and are expected to last for generations to come. Unfortunately, the tail end of a hurricane wandering into Northern Ohio rendered this hope false as it snapped the tree in two. So what to do?

The Tree and Beautification Committee met and decided to erect a more

permanent sign on the same spot, a wall built of solid block, anchored between cement pillars, and topped with a heavy concrete capping. We're not sure it is tornado proof and don't want to find out. But as it faces the Ohio Route 2 bypass, it surely is visible and lets all passers-by know whose territory they are in.

To pay for the sign, the Board of Education fronted the money, and an agreement was struck to repay those costs by affixing memorial plaques to the rear, stadium-facing side, of the sign. That process has now begun and the first of the signs now hang on the wall.

Donna Green, head of the committee, writes of this project:

The Huron Memorial Stadium sign is ready to accept dedications from friends and family. We would particularly like to encourage Vanessa Hart Campbell Scholarship winners (and/or their families) to purchase a sign acknowledging the tremendous monetary gift they received from Jim Campbell. The plaques will be engraved on stainless steel, which is both attractive and durable. There is no limit on the number of characters you can use for your message, but recognize that the more words you put on the sign, the smaller the font will have to be. You may use 3 or 4 lines to convey your message.

This is Phase II of the Memorial Stadium dedication plan. Phase I, which included tree dedications, is no longer available because of space issues. The cost of a plaque on the wall is \$150. To place a dedication, please contact either Cindy DeFazio at 419-433-6065 or Donna Green at 419-433-3285. The Memorial Stadium committee would like to place a bulk order in mid-July so that the second round of dedications may be installed prior to football season.

The Memorial Sign will eventually resemble the Vietnam Wall. Please take this opportunity to publicly acknowledge someone who made a difference in your life, or in the lives of others. The Huron community is proud of its heroes!!





## More Graduation Day Scenes



The senior volleyball team members bring down their gifts and trophies



The basketball team shares symbols of their hard work and the trophies that resulted.

The collective ‘junque” from all the teams and organizations in which the seniors had participated over four years.



Senior chorale and choir members sing a hymn one final time together.





Former principal John Ruf addresses the assembly at the baccalaureate ceremony. For three years he had mentored this class, and they showed their appreciation with two standing ovations.

The Huron Township Trustees recently donated a flag to the high school. It is a massive thing, suspended from the ceiling, and when unfurled reaches to about a yard from the floor. It made its inaugural appearance at the graduation ceremony for the singing of the National Anthem and truly wowed the crowd. A motorized apparatus, it works with the click of a button, much like your garage door.



Band director Chris Scherley does directing duties for her first time at a graduation ceremony.



The entire cast of the Spring musical poses at the end of the show. Such a crowd of vagabond Jewish and Egyptian characters! Excellent job students!

# NHS Attacks Arboretum

On Saturday, April 20, a not too rare event occurred in Huron, a 7 AM white-out snow squall that lasted about a half hour. Many sages that morning promptly declared that all bets were off that a student work crew would show up at the James McBride Arboretum behind Firelands College BGSU by 8 AM. The wags, of course, were wrong as usual. They just don't know Huron's students these days.

At exactly 8 AM that cold morning, cars began pulling into the parking lot and students hopped out, dressed for the occasion and prepared to do battle. This was the Huron High School National Honor Society's annual spruce up day at the arboretum. And clean up they did as they earned more community service hours needed toward graduation requirements. Of course, several already had completed their hours but still wanted to help.

After fueling up on a couple boxes of the Donut Shop's finest fare, they armed themselves with shovels, loppers, rakes, pruning shears and saws, and started doing some serious damage to the underbrush along some of the trails at the arboretum. Over the years, birds especially and other critters plant all sorts of invasives along trails and in the meadows, which, if not constantly combated, will sooner or later overwhelm an area and render it either impassable or less beautiful. These students hacked and slashed at and dug out mountains of autumn olive, wild dogwood, and rugosa brambles, to name but a few invaders that met their fate that day. They actually worked up quite a sweat, and as the sun came out, many doffed their jackets and rolled up their sleeves.

The results were spectacular. Visitors to the arboretum will be impressed with views they had not previously enjoyed of the areas in which the students worked all morning. By noon they had heaped up the dead bodies from this combat – enough to fill eight pickup truck loads over the next several days of hauling! The students are always a joy to work



Students in front row: Will Koenig, Devon Dickirson, Megan McNulty, Drew Hanley, Elaina Hemker, Brennan Cockrell, Keily Balduff, Kristen Koschutnik, Carolyn Balde, Dom Maschari, Trae Graham  
Adults in background: Edward Boose, Jan Henning, (hiding), and Ron Mischler

with as they go about their tasks singly or in groups. Chatter they do, but as they are some of Huron's finest, they can cut and talk and chew gum at the same time without missing a stroke. One lad, toward the end of the morning, expressed what many of them felt, saying, "Isn't it amazing how four hours just seem to fly when we are outside like this!" Yes, Virginia, there IS life outdoors, away from the cell phones and video games and thumb exercising electronics that fill so many hours these days.

The Arboretum Board thanks these students and their advisor, Mrs. Jan Bogden Henning, '69, for committing to a project like this over the years. Also to be thanked are two former Huron teachers, now turned Nicks-of-the Woods, Ed Boose, '62, and Ron Mischler. They worked right alongside the students and were also spotters for them, pointing out which were good guys, which were the enemy and needed to be taken out. The results speak for themselves. Arboretum senior photographer emeritus, Richard Hartley, '56, duly recorded the morning's activities.

Readers are invited out any time to view the arboretum grounds. The spring wild flower show begins in April, followed

by the spectacular crab apple blossom display toward the end of April or beginning of May, depending upon the weather. By midsummer the perennial collection is stunning, as are the restored native plant prairie displays.

And don't forget about the free Firelands Symphony Orchestra performance given annually at the arboretum. If you are in the area on the last weekend in August, check the exact date and time and bring the picnic hamper, kids, a chair or two or blanket to spread on the lawn, and then enjoy! It's Erie County's very own Blossom Experience.

But don't stop there. The fall season is all the more glorious, with colors rivaling those of many New England vistas. In late September the SBC cross country races will be held at the arboretum, and thousands will come out to enjoy the scenery as much as watching the kids run.

Finally, the show ends in winter, as the starkness of winter landscapes shows off a different kind of beauty to the discerning visitor. Put the arboretum on your bucket list if you have not already visited. And the best part? It's free!



# Huron Chamber Lighthouse Races

Annually on the first Saturday morning in May, traffic used to be tied up all over Huron, with red cones marking running lanes, police and auxiliary guarding crossings and directing traffic, and hundreds of runners trudging from start to water relief to home. Not any more. To be sure, the races are still held, but in a modified form and in a direction where one wonders why it is still called the Lighthouse Race, since the lighthouse is never visible from the course. Oh well, the lighthouse's loss is the McBride Arboretum's gain.

Two years ago discussions were entered into and the course was altered. Instead of the half marathon running east through town, across the river and out to the Angry Bull at the Rt 61 interchange, before heading back through Old Homestead through Nickel Plate Park - ah, wave at the lighthouse! - the racers now run west. They fly down Jim Campbell Boulevard, cross the Rt 6 and 2 by pass and head for Bogart Road. They then head west on a leisurely jaunt through the countryside out as far as Camp road,

then north to Boos Road, before heading back east through the McBride Arboretum. The race date corresponds with the annual peak flowering conditions in the arboretum and makes for a delightful run through paths lined with spring flowers and flowering crab apple trees, one of Ohio's largest collections. Truth be told, there are probably enough paths and trails within the arboretum to hold the entire race there, but then why deprive drivers on Bogart Road of their fun at Dodgem?

For those who prefer not to test their legs at twelve plus miles, there are shorter runs around the stadium track out to Cleveland Road a ways and then back. Moms grease up the axles and push wee ones in strollers, and older sibs tag along as best they can. For the children there is even a much more abbreviated run around the track and out a short ways before heading back, all to give the kids the feeling of competition and the satisfaction of actually finishing such a daunting feat. They surely sleep well that evening.

And why all this craziness? To fund scholarships, of course. It's just one more example of the fun, creative ways that a family oriented community like Huron does to promote its children. Our thanks to former running coach Bill Scott for laying out the courses, assisted by Ed Boose and his trusty GPS gadgetry. Thanks also go out to Firelands College BGSU for their cooperation to make the race a success.

In the fall, on Columbus Day, the SBC finals of the cross country competition will also be held entirely at the arboretum. For those who have never observed such an event, come on out that Saturday and enjoy the fresh air, great fall foliage, and watch the best of our spirited youth competing in all age brackets in a fairly grueling series of races. There is plenty of parking, and if you bring along a camp chair or two, you can pick your favorite spot to observe the runners against stunning backgrounds of color. You'll be glad you did, and the kids appreciate the support also.



These guys are serious. Do not interfere with their training for next year's Boston Marathon.

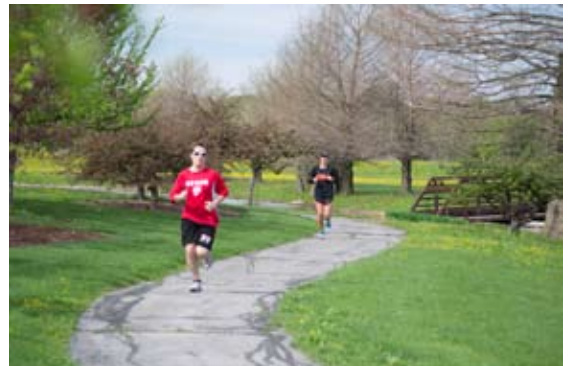


The adult version of the fun run.



Only 27 feet into the race and Gary Hinton is already being lapped by his wife Anne.

A beautiful day in the arboretum neighborhood.



# Hall of Fame 2013 Inductees

The Huron High School Athletic Hall of Fame Selection Committee announced the inductees for the 2013 Hall of Fame Class. Seven individuals and one team will be honored at the 21st annual banquet on September 19. You will want to mark your calendar and be sure to attend, especially if you teamed with any of the newest inductees.



**DAN ANGELO** – Has covered Huron sports for 33 years for the *Sandusky Register* where he was the Executive Sports Editor. He has been a member of the selection committee the entire 21 years. Dan is the assistant director of the National Association of College Stores in Oberlin and lives in Sandusky.



**KRISTEN ERNE** – Class of 2003. Seven letters in cross country and track. She was All-Ohio in cross country and was a member of the state champion 4 X 800 relay team in track. She earned Academic All-Ohio honors four times, and was SBC first team four times. A graduate of the University of Findlay, she is a physical therapist and lives in Oswego, New York.



**MATT MALONEY** – Class of 2002. Matt was an All-Ohio pitcher in baseball who led Huron to two regional appearances. He earned a scholarship to the University of Mississippi and was drafted in the 3rd round (97th overall) by Philadelphia. He has won five major league games pitching for the Phillies, Reds, and Twins and is now a member of Boston Red Sox organization.



**LAURA LINDSLEY MOYER** – Class of 2003. Laura earned six letters in cross country and track. She was All-Ohio in cross country and was a member of the state champion 4 X 800 relay team in track. She earned Academic All-Ohio four times, and was SBC first team four times. She was awarded an OHSAA Scholar-Athlete Scholarship. A Bowling Green graduate, she is a speech therapist and lives in Lorain.



**AMY RENNER PARKER** – Class of 2003. Amy earned eight letters in cross country and track. She was All-Ohio in cross country four years, and finished 6th in 2002 and in the top 20 all four years. She was All-Ohio in six events in track over two years. She was a member of the state champion 4 X 800 relay team in track. She also finished 2nd and 4th in the 1600 meter run her senior and junior years. An Ohio State graduate, she earned a MBA of Human Resource Management and lives in Hilliard.



**MONTE TAPP** – Class of 1981 – Monte earned All-Ohio honors as a split end in football for both the AP and UPI. The first receiver to be featured in the run and shoot offense, he still holds the record for receptions (66-tied), reception yardage (946), and touchdown receptions (13) for a season. He finished 2nd in the SBC pole vault in 1979 with a jump of 12'6". He is a retired fire fighter and lives in Huron.



**SARAH WILBER THOMPSON** – Class of 2003. Sarah earned 12 letters in volleyball, basketball, and track. She was All-Ohio in volleyball, a starter on two state championship teams and played in four state volleyball tournaments. She participated in four state track meets and was a member of the state champion 4 X 800 relay team. She was All-Academic All-Ohio in three sports. A graduate and four-year letter winner in volleyball at Kent State, she is a Child Life Specialist at the Cleveland Clinic and lives in Macedonia OH.



In addition, **ROBERT DENCE**, Class of 2002, a three-sport star in football, basketball, and baseball, was selected, but will not be able to attend due to the impending birth of his second child in Colorado, where they live. Robert will be inducted in the 2014 class.

The selection committee also approved the inclusion of entire teams into the Hall of Fame. The first team selected is the 1983 Girls Basketball Team who won the State Championship in Class AA and had a 72-game regular season winning streak. The team was coached by Dick Wennes and the three captains, Dee Cherry, Jill Harris, and Michele Morgan, all of whom earned full-ride athletic scholarships to college.

We congratulate all inductees but apologize for having to use their high school graduation pictures. The all-grown-up shots will appear in the fall edition of the *Newsletter*.



# Wrestling Boards

Where is the Huron High School Hall of Fame? No, it's not in the AD's file cabinet, not in the library, not in a coach's classroom, not in the gymnasium, nor even in the cafeteria in all the trophy cases. So exactly where is the Hall located?

The closest thing to an actual hall was for a period of about twenty years when the windows in the cafeteria were covered with a composition board to help conserve heat back when gas was in short supply and . . . (That was the avowed reason for the change; the real reason was to prevent another miscreant from being pushed through the glass and severely injured.) Those boards, red in color, were encased behind a sheet of glass and provided the perfect background upon which to mount plaques touting the deeds of our many athletes in all sports. Long after they had graduated, many of their own children were able to stroll that hallway and read of mom or dad's exploits.

That changed several years ago. All of a sudden climbing electric prices, cheaper natural gas, and more improved heat

saving glass conspired to make it practical to remove the red boards, replace them with the better glass and depend more upon natural sunlight to improve the vision in the cafeteria area.

Kerplunk! All the plaques had to be removed and placed . . . . . where? It didn't matter. There was absolutely no place to display them in the high school building. Fret not - we know where they are being stored. We just don't know where to hang them.

Steve Camella, the present Athletic Director, has been frequently spotted roaming the hallways, talking to no one in particular, trying to envision a space for the plaques. A whole section of lockers could easily be removed on the main hallway to make room, but what happens when enrollment begins to climb again as surely it will? In short, it's a quandary that won't go away, short of adding a room to the building somewhere.

But all that fretting did not stop wrestling coach Robb Majoy. He saw all that wall space going to waste in the stadium under the bleachers and decided to uti-

lize it. He secured the funding and today, at least the wrestling program has its own little "private" Hall of Fame. Huge black boards surround the mat room way up high and list about every wrestling record since they began to be kept, back under Coach Chris Ford.

The boards are beautifully done, complete in the data they contain, and able to be updated at any time. The down side is that a person has to find the wrestling room open, locate a light switch, break out the binoculars, and then proceed to read the boards. However, this is but a temporary solution and for just a single sport.

What's the long term solution? No one knows just yet, but at least the conversation has begun, and we will keep you up to date on developments in this space. In the meantime, we publish a few pictures here of the boards themselves and apologize for the quality. They sit so high off the floor with lighting above them. A ten foot ladder, maybe a trained monkey, and bunch of bananas might produce better results.



# Winter-Spring Sports Results

The results are finally in for the second semester sports teams. The state track finals took place a week after graduation, and one of our senior grads competed there in the pole vault, Mason Majoy. The results are listed below.

## Boys Basketball W 20 L 5 Coach Bobby James

The Huron Tiger Basketball team won the SBC, Sectional, and District Championships and had a strong showing in the regional game at Bowling Green State University. The team represented the community and their school with class, and it was great to see so many fans at the game supporting the Tigers.

Aaron Casey	1st Team All-SBC and All-District
Aaron Driftmyer	2nd Team All-SBC and All-District
Colin McCready	Honorable Mention SBC and District
Cody Thompson	2nd Team All SBC

## Girls Basketball W 8 L 17 Coach: Dino Caporini

Sectional Champs this year, but beaten in district by arch-nemesis Ontario

SBC Honorable Mention honors to Brittany Mayer, Audra Wisheart, and Ashley Myers

## Softball W 12 L 15 (SBC4-9) Coach: Mike Everman

### SBC Honors

Alison Litz	1st Team SBC Outfield (sophomore)
Morgan Asberry	2nd Team SBC Catcher (senior)
Madison Orzech	2nd Team SBC Short Stop (sophomore)
Bailey Gadd	2nd Team SBC Designated Player (freshman)
Emma Elder	Honorable Mention Pitcher (sophomore)
Jenna Witter	Honorable Mention 3B (sophomore)
Amanda Vacca	Honorable Mention 2B (Junior)
Kiersten Hammond	Honorable Mention (sophomore)

### All-District Players Awards:

Alison Litz	1st Team All District Outfield (sophomore)
Morgan Asberry	2nd Team All District Catcher (senior)
Madison Orzech	Honorable Mention All District Infielder (sophomore)
Jenna Witter	Honorable Mention All District Infielder (sophomore)

Team Home Run Record 20 in a season OHSAA Record  
5 home runs in a single game.



## **Huron High School Records Broken:**

**2013 Amanda Vacca Stolen Base record with 26 stolen bases (junior) (2011 Freshman year 17, 2012 sophomore year 21, all broke previous records by Amanda Vacca)  
20 Home runs is a Huron High School record also.**

**Boys Track W 0 L 6 Roberta Collins**

**Girls Track W 0 L 6 Vicki Ritchie**

## **Baseball**

**Overall Record 13-12**

**SBC Record 6-8**

**Ryan Pickett SR. (1st Team SBC/2nd Team All-District First Baseman)**

**Zach Souter JR.(1st Team All-District/2nd Team SBC Catcher)**

**Jack Hufnagle SO. (Honorable Mention All-District and SBC)**

**Jake Justus SR. (Honorable Mention SBC Pitcher)**

**Colin McCready SR. (Honorable Mention SBC Pitcher)**

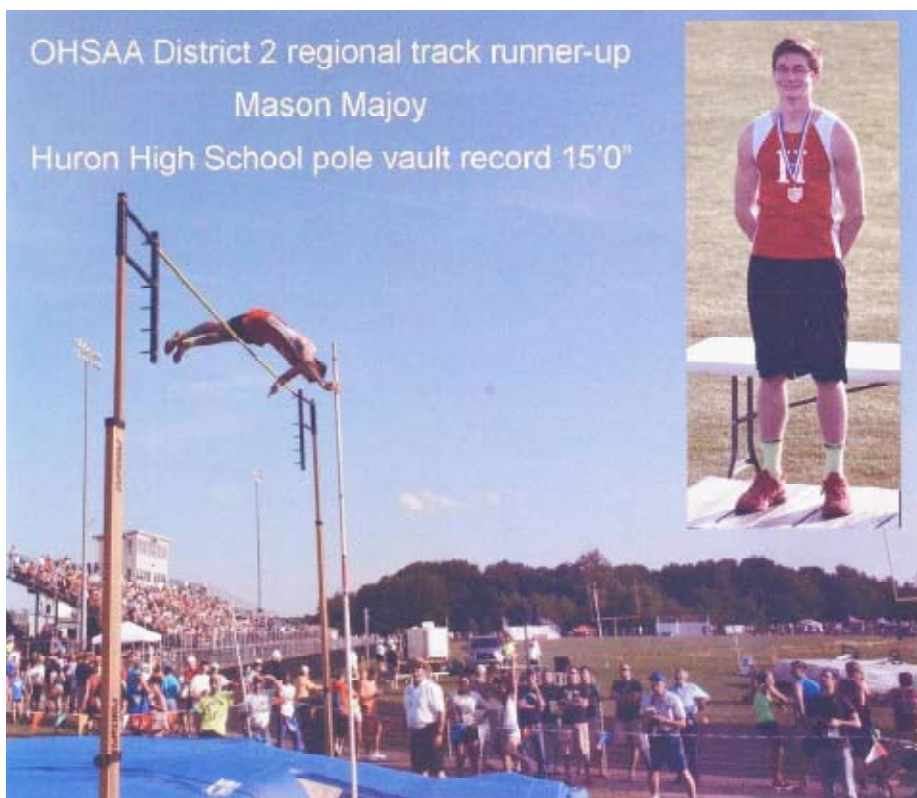
**Danny Schoolcraft SR. (Honorable Mention SBC Outfielder)**

**First Huron Baseball team above .500 winning percentage in 8 seasons. Beat #1 ranked team in the state and undefeated Perkins Pirates 4-1 on May 6. Beat Danbury 13-2 at All-Pro Freight Stadium in Avon on April 2. Ryan Pickett tied a school record with fewest strikeouts in a season with only 3 K's.**

**The outstanding athlete on the boys' track team this season had to be senior Mason Majoy.**

**Mason's specialty was the pole vault, and vault he did, right into the Huron High School track records book. He kept improving all season and eventually topped 15'0," good enough for the record. As one can see from the photo, had the bar been a tad higher on this record breaking jump, no doubt he would have added a few inches to that record.**

**Mason competed at the Jesse Owens Track at Ohio State University on June 8. With ailing back and all, he still managed to finish 8th in a very strong field. Congratulations, Mason.**



## Scholarship Awards and Rewards

Once again, Huron's graduating seniors reaped the grand rewards of their hard work over thirteen years of education. On a balmy spring evening in May, dozens of them and their parents, grandparents, and sibs converged upon the Firelands BGSU Cedar Point Center for the annual distribution of scholarships. The numbers this year were absolutely astounding and spoke highly of the quality and character of this year's senior class.

The keynote speaker this year was Lucas Hahn, the winner of the Vanessa Hart Campbell Scholarship just six short years ago. With just a few years difference in age between Lucas and the graduates, his words of advice on being successful at the college level were well received.

Then followed the awards. To begin, over 53% of the class received scholarships from the colleges that they will be attending. Of those students, 48 earned merit scholarships to help reduce the financial pressures upon their families. Merit scholarships are awarded upon the basis of the promise of future academic success as measured by past high school performance, scores on the national ACT/SAT tests, any special college entrance tests, and sometimes the dreaded personal essay. The total merit scholarships? Over \$1,716,420 dollars.

These scholarships were announced before a second level of giving began, those from local donors. Eighty organizations, individuals, and foundations from Huron and the surrounding areas awarded over one hundred scholarships to the graduates, totaling approximately \$500,000. Most of the donors were from the immediate Huron area, but a few came from countywide organizations that had selected Huron grads as their recipients over those from other high schools in the county. Behind the generosity of all these organizations lay hundreds, if not thousands, of hours of hard work by mostly volunteers, actively raising funds to support hometown kids. Huron does tend to take care of its own!

The list of donors annually lengthens as more organizations, businesses, and Hu-

ron alumni recognize the necessity of supporting the continuing education of students. Everyone is aware of the fact that quality of life issues in the future depend mostly upon the education levels attained by our citizenry. We speak not just of the quality of life of the individuals receiving the awards but that of the communities in which they eventually settle. So in a way, whatever is donated to the graduates eventually returns many times over in the future as these students return to their roots to build their nest and raise their families. We just wish that we could retain all of our grads, but there are not enough hospitals, biotech companies, dot com headquarters, business complexes, and other job opportunities in Huron just yet to induce them to return. But many can and do continue to help from afar as they themselves become more successful.

If you are reading this and think that there is something that you would like to do to help out Huron grads in the future, don't hesitate to contact us with your idea. As you know, your Alumni Association is now part of the Huron Educational Foundation, a new organization founded precisely to help grow funds for future dispersal to Huron graduates and for improvements to local education. We can help you leverage your donations to insure that your commitment to Huron's graduates continues far out into the future. In addition, many of you who are thinking about aiding future grads are employed by companies that will match whatever you may wish to donate. That is powerful! Add to that the power of compounded earnings and you can see how your charitable donation for scholarships of whatever size you may be thinking can be made to grow immensely over the years.

The students who received these scholarships, as well as Huron High School, all join in thanking the donors. Their generosity is appreciated and will be even more so as the college bills begin arriving shortly after graduation!



Your Alumni Association this year received in excess of forty applications for its two scholarships, and the Shontz Scholarship received about two dozen. Who wades through all the pages?

Shown here are three of those reading and evaluating all applications: Wayne Foster, '73, Dave Wilber, '69, and Dr. Cynthia Miglietti, '72. Absent was Judy Pflieger, former high school counselor.

Mrs. Sue Shontz DuBray assumes the responsibility for winnowing through the Shontz applications to find the most deserving.



Lucas Hahn exhorts the graduates to work hard, stay focused on their goals, and stay connected with others of like mind as they work toward success.



Daniel Steltzer and Carolyn Stierhof were selected to receive the Shontz Scholarships by Sue Shontz DuBray. Named in honor of long time science teacher Tom Shontz, the scholarship helps students pursuing a career in a science related field. Daniel will be majoring in biological and environmental sciences at Ohio University and Carolyn at John Carroll in pre-med.



Zachary Jones and Laura Hahn received the Alumni Association Scholarships. Zach will attend the University of Cincinnati to major in mechanical engineering while Laura goes to BGSU to major in gerontology and long term care.



The Vanessa Hart Campbell Scholarships were awarded this year to Kristen Koschutnik and Erin Black. Both girls are attending Cleveland State University, with Kristen majoring in Nursing and Erin in Marketing.



The Academic Challenge team consisted of (seated) Blake Wysocki, Carolyn Stierhoff, Drew Hanley, Caleb Stidham; (standing) Taylor Prosser, Morgan Odell, Allison Lenyo, Mason Prosser and their coach, science teacher Roger Blevins.

## Academic Challenge Team Nosed Out

The 2012-13 Academic Challenge Team was certainly up for the challenge this year. Under the leadership of high school science teacher, Roger Blevins, the team practiced long and hard and ploughed through the competition right to the finals. In a year marked by close matches, none was closer than the final match in which only three points separated the top three teams. Some of the points were actually awarded upon challenges. At the end, in the very last round, Huron came in third behind Perkins and Berlin-Milan.

Our congratulations go out to all who participated from all the schools, whether they placed high or low throughout the season. The point is that these students represent their student body, much as any athlete in an athletic contest. They train, they practice, and then before huge audiences, they have to stick their necks out and risk failure or embarrassment in making split second decisions, much like a quarterback or point guard. An incorrectly blurted out answer at the buzzer hurts as much as an errant pass or missed field goal. But they gladly participate, welcome the challenge of competition, and in that way prepare for whatever their futures may dish out.

We look forward to next season. Hopefully WE will get the three point field goal in overtime and prevail!

## How Fare the Arts in Huron?

### The Feast of Carols

It seems strange to be reporting in June upon an event that took place last December, but unfortunately the print date for the December *Newsletter* fell a week before the Feast of Carols performance. We would be remiss, however, if we did not share with you scenes from another smashing success under the direction of high school musical director, Jeff Skaggs.

Traditional carols were mixed with a fine selection from around the world. The opening processional set the festive mood for the caroling to follow by the concert choir and the chorale. Troubadors entertained the crowded auditorium at the intermission. And at the end, when choir alumni in the audience were invited up on stage to sing *Lo, A Voice to Heaven Sounding*, the traditional Alumni Anthem, a goodly number responded. And the oldest member on stage this year? None other than Pat Altman Basilone, '48, who had last sung in the McCormick Auditorium some sixty-five years earlier. Welcome back, Pat!

Only one change needed for next year. Could we have *just one* Latin carol?



The 2012-13 Concert Choir warms up before its annual Feast of Carols performance on December 17, 2012.

Poinsettias were courtesy of Colonial Gardens. Thank you, ladies!



You will undoubtedly recognize many of the faces on the alumni side of the choir surrounding Pat Basilone, all decked out in her best Christmas red in the middle.



Benji Battiste, '14, performs one of two solos during the concert.



# Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat Production

Shakespeare has his last major character, Prospero, in *The Tempest* proclaim “We are such stuff as dreams are made on and our little life is rounded sleep.” Could he have been presaging this great Andrew Lloyd Webber production when he penned those words. Dreams - and daydreams - a waste of time or life itself? What place dreams in young people’s lives? Timeless questions to be sure, but in this wonderful musical, the answer is clear. Dream on. Without dreams to direct a young life, what use is life?

Huron’s musical maestro, Jeff Skaggs has always wanted to do this production, and just at the right moment in his career at Huron, the right mixture of talent made the production possible. After months of work, the community was given a masterfully done version on the McCormick stage. How DO they squeeze so much quality from such a small student body in a small lake front town, in such an old facility?

To begin this biblical allegory, Joseph (Benji Battiste) emerges singing from the machine fog to the narrator’s voice encouraging young people to dream. Joseph survives near fratricide by confronting his dreams and rising above even what he had though possible. The last son CAN become first, dreams CAN successfully point the way to future happiness. The cast was worthy of this tale. Though very little dialogue takes place in the musical, the quality of the singing and dancing carried the narrator’s plot summary forward at a very lively pace, displaying a whole range of student talents. We applaud the efforts of all involved, from the lighting and sound people, to the costuming, props, and setting people who worked with the on-stage kids to add this production to one more in a long line of great Huron successes. May we all enjoy many more such talented experiences from these students, no matter where they dream to go in life!



An agitated Pharaoh needs dream counseling.



Joseph’s father and scheming brothers



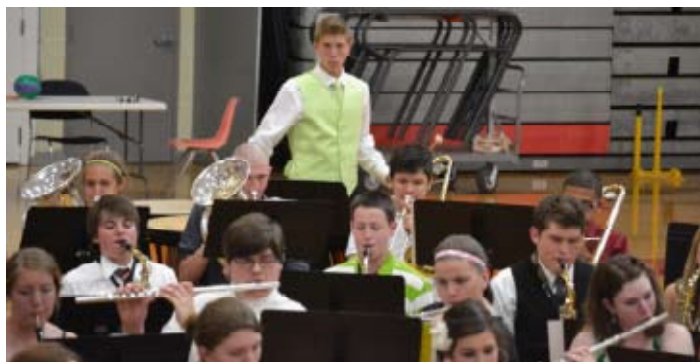
## Spring Music and Art Festival



Veteran choir and chorale director, Jeff Skaggs, leads his singers in accompaniment to the band in the evening's finale, *The Battle Hymn of the Republic*.



The huge concert band performs under the directorship of Chris Scherley.



The back row percussionists who couldn't fit the picture above.



Great job, Mommy!



## Arts Spring Forth in May Festival

The annual Spring Fine Arts Festival was held on May 21 at Huron High School. This gala affair always finds the art students displaying their best works and then later in the evening, the musicians singing and playing their hearts out for an enjoyable concert. Most of all it demonstrates the Huron Schools' commitment to continued funding of the arts programs, and the students respond in prize winning form. Each year we send students off to some of the finest art and architecture programs and music schools to continue to hone their skills. The high school program has been expanded recently to include photography and graphic arts classes taught in a modern computer lab, so that many students can find opportunities in all sorts of media, advertising, and entertainment fields when they leave us. The department is to be applauded for continuing to follow the trends and make sure that our students can match their talents with the real world needs.



Renata Kurtz performs on violin

As usual, every available square inch of hallway and door space on the first floor was plastered over with the students' art works for one afternoon and evening. Ability levels ranged from entry level to very proficient in numerous media, showcasing the students' imaginations, creativity, and actual artistic skills. They tried their hands at oils and watercolors, at sketching, drawing, or just expressing themselves abstractly, a la Jackson Pollock. They tried traditional themes such as idyllic landscapes, the obligatory animals, superheroes, freak shows, dancing ballerinas, and romantic couples. Some were obviously creating portfolios for art school entrance exams, while others seemed to be auditioning for comic book illustrator-of-the-year. Whatever, their imaginations were obviously permitted to wander as they searched during these formative years for their niche. We wish them much continued success.

The evening's musical show began with the concert choir, under the direction of long time music director Jeff Skaggs. Their first offering, Mennicke's arrangement of the spiritual *Down in the River*

*to Pray*, set the tone for the enjoyment of the attentive audience. By the time the folk favorite *Homeward Bound* and the meditative *Ride the Wind* had finished, the packed gymnasium was wowed by these kids' performance. The Chorale then took over and raised the tempo a bit with the Italian Renaissance sound of *O Bella Fusa (O Beautiful Spinning Wheel* - not exactly Latin but close enough!) *It Might as Well Be Spring* from the hit musical *State Fair* was beautifully done and led naturally into *My God Is So High* with Benji Battiste performing solo. For the finale, the concert choir returned to do *Closer to the Flame* and then Leonard Cohen's *Hallelujah*, proving that indeed many different *Hallelujah*'s exist, not just Mr. Handel's.

All in all, the entire performance was very inspirational, beautifully done, and met with approval by all in attendance. Huron has had many larger choirs, but none that worked any harder than this one to achieve perfection.

For the second half of the evening's fare, the band then gave its concert. As ex-

plained, we have no strings sections, so as orchestral as the evening sounded, it was still a band. But what a sound they made! This group was the only school at the district competition that scored perfect "1's" in every single piece they had performed while on their way to a superior rating in April. And they showed the crowd why. The directress, Chris Scherley, is new to the head high school position this year, but not new to working to coax the best out of her students. And they gave us their best. As so many parents remarked on the way out, it's too bad that Huron doesn't have an auditorium instead of a gymnasium in which to showcase the perfection of such musical performances.

*Garden of the Gods* began among imaginary western pueblo ruins with the haunting sounds of Native American instruments and a plaintive flute solo, then in short order finished a sunrise, built to a thunderstorm, and finally settled on a peaceful sunset. That symphonic rendition brought the crowd to its feet. *Exuberance* followed, equally well done, and then a rehydrating break on this summerlike evening. During break, Huron's lone violinist, Renata Kurtz, performed masterfully *Chanson Louis XIII* and *Pavane*, before returning to her clarinet chair for the remainder of the concert. The band went wild on its last two selections, the first from *Les Mis* before kicking it up another notch with the wildly energetic *Vertigo*. For a finale, both choirs and band gave a stirring rendition of *Battle Hymn of the Republic*, with many in the crowd humming along.

So for all of our arts-oriented grads, know that your fine arts programs at Huron continue well, with teachers and students holding up the fine tradition that you yourselves established under the likes of a "Huffy," Lehrer and later directors, as well as a Hettle, Calienni, and Pullano under whom you toiled in the art rooms and shops. You laid down large footsteps, but this generation of artists is filling them well. We will see the names of many of them listed professionally far out into the future.

# Classnotes

**Coach John Zadell** received an Assistant Coach Achievement Award from the Ohio High School Football Coaches Association at the America's Greatest Football Clinic Awards banquet on Friday, February 8, 2013. The president of the OHSFCA introduced "Coach Z" who was presented with a lifetime achievement plaque for his service to the youth of Ohio. He then had his picture taken with Urban Meyer - the head coach at The Ohio State University. John has been an assistant coach for the Tigers since the early '90's and is presently the Special Teams' Coordinator, fullback, and defensive end coach for the Tigers.

Pizza Box owner **Jim West**, '75, celebrated this spring his 35th Anniversary of owning and operating the Pizza Box business. Jim and his family have supported the football program for many years, and we congratulate them on their years of service and support.

**Joel Hagy**, '83, was just named the Garrison Commander of Camp Perry in Port Clinton, Ohio. Joel is a graduate of West Point, and, after tours of duty in Iraq and Afghanistan, has moved closer to home to continue to serve his country. We wish him well in his new leadership position.

**Bill O'Hara**, '70, was recently promoted to Associate Manager of the Legal Resource Control Unit in the corporate headquarters of Cincinnati Insurance Company. Now in his 35th year with the company, Bill will oversee the collaboration of the electronic billing program, performance evaluation and fee negotiations with the company's over 700 national law firms.

**John Yohe**, '99, recently took a position with the Pioneer JVS in Shelby OH to teach their chemistry and physics classes.

**Daniel Yohe**, '02, will be ordained to the priesthood in Birmingham AL on June 22. Dan, or to use his religious name, Brother Paschal, began his religious studies at the Pontifical College Josephinum in Columbus, then began working with EWTN in Alabama before completing his studies at Emmitsburg MD at Mt. St. Mary's. His future assignments are not definite yet.

## Engagements

**Olivia Herb**, '05, and Matthew Fisher of Sandusky announced their engagement on January 20. Olivia is attending the University of Toledo where she is working toward her degree in social work. She is presently employed at Weazy's Italian Eatery in Sandusky.. Matthew is a graduate of Perkins High School and manages Weazy's Italian Eatery. The wedding will take place on September 7.

**Nicole Bruck**, '11, and Jacob Stierhoff announced their engagement on February 3. Nicole attended BGSU Firelands and is a full time student at Tiffin University. Jacob, a Margareta graduate, is a PFC in the United States Army stationed at Fort Riley KS. The wedding date has not yet been set.

**Mark Clayman**, '02, and **Kristen Kishman**, '07, announced their engagement on February 3. Mark served in the USAF, stationed at Shaw AF Base in Sumter SC and is now employed by the City of Huron. Kristin graduated from BGSU with her Bachelors Degree in Nursing in 2011. The couple will wed on October 11.

**Trevor Foust**, '09, and Jssica Schneider of Canton OH announced their engagement on June 9, Trevor graduated from the EHOVE Public Safety Academy and then attended Hicking Tech College. He is a recruit in the US Marine Corps. Jessica graduated in 2010 from South Canton high School and attended the Hocking Tech Culinary School. The wedding will occur on June 22.

**Thomas Craig**, '63, was wed to Marcia Harding in Columbus OH on January 4.

## Obituaries



**Michael Reitz**, '82, age 48, passed away unexpectedly on December 14, 2012. As an active Air Force member, he was assigned to Air Force One and was Airman of the Year in 1985, after which he served in the Ohio Air National guard for another 20 years.



**Teresa Temper Todaro**, '46, age 85, of Huron, passed away at the Stein Hospice in Sandusky on December 16, 20012. Teresa was a graduate of the Columbus School of Cosmetology and a licensed beautician in the Sandusky and Huron areas, as well as working with her husband at Sam's Sporting Goods Store.



**Linda Schwarzlander**, '61, age 69, of Bellevue OH, passed away on December 26 at Toledo Medical Center.

**Gordon Meeker**, '43, age 88, of Huron, passed away on January 3 at Admirals Pointe Nursing Facility in Huron. A veteran of WWII, Gordon returned to earn his dental degree and then began a practice in Sandusky in 1954 where he served until his retirement in 1989. He was an excellent wood worker and carver. His family was one of the first settler families of Huron.

**Rick Mollenkopf**, '63, age 66, passed away on March 8, 2012 at Mission Hospital, Asheville, NC, after a 2-year battle with cancer. Rick was an Air Force veteran, and had a long career in healthcare financial management. He and his wife Denise loved living in the mountains.

**Mary Elizabeth Hahn Vaughn**, '51, passed away Monday, January 7, 2013 in Apple Valley CA, after a brief illness. Born and raised on the Hahn Farm on Bogart Road, she worked at the local phone company as an operator before moving to Pasadena, California where she continued working in the offices of AT&T. Mary enjoyed working on the Rose Bowl Parade floats and traveling across the United States with her husband.

**Elizabeth Heveran**, '76, age 54, passed away on January 23. Liz had been a resident of Naperville, IL.

**Fred Hammond**, '48, age 82, passed away on February 3 at Stein Hospice in Sandusky. A US Army veteran, Fred had served as a maintenance man for the Huron School District for many years.

**Louis Fedele**, '42, passed away at Stein Hospice in Sandusky on February 9. A proud U.S. Army veteran, Louis had worked for the Lake Erie Dock Co. as a brakeman until his retirement.



**Robb Jackson**, '70, age 60, passed away in Corpus Christi TX on February 23 due to complications from surgery. A philosopher, poet, scholar, professor of English at Texas A&M in Corpus Christie, Robb was a dedicated writing teacher, avid naturalist, motivator of students, and Regents Professor.

**Robert Martin Gerding**, '62, 68, of Lutz, Fla., passed away peacefully at home on March 4, 2013. Born on D-Day, Bob joined the navy. He graduated in 1967 from The Ohio State University with a degree in Soviet and East European Affairs. He received his commission in the U.S. Navy in 1968 in Newport, R.I. and served as an intelligence officer in the Philippines, Sangley Point.



**Larry "Mr. Z" Zimmer**, age 73, of Huron passed away on March 28 of natural causes at home. Larry had taught American and World Literature and writing classes at Huron High from 1963 until his retirement in 1987. He was an avid teacher of literature and the arts, founder and advisor of the Great Books Forum for 25 years, and in retirement a world traveler and active member of the Erie County Retired Teachers' Association. A more complete article on Larry's meaning and importance to Huron High School is found earlier in this issue.

**Donald Rielle**, age 80, soulmate and husband of Judy Lacey Rielle, '53, of Hyde Park NY, passed away on February 14 at home, surrounded by his family. A Korean War vet, Donald was a veteran educator and long-time superintendent of the Dutchess County Schools in New York.

**Jerry Rugg**, '66, age 64, of Oregon OH, passed away on May 16 2012 at Hospice of Northwest Ohio. A Vietnam navy veteran, Jerry was a volunteer firefighter for the Oregon Fire Department.

**Ricky Meade**, '76, age 55, passed away in Kingsport TN on April 30 after a courageous fight against cancer.

**Wilma Daugherty**, age 101, passed away on May 17 in Stein Hospice In-Patient Unit in Sandusky. Wilma had worked at the Huron Public Library before teaching 3rd and 4th grade in Huron for 24 years until her retirement. She had penned three books of short stories, a children's book for the Merry-Go-Round Museum in Sandusky, and enjoyed oil painting as well.

**Rosemary (Pisano) DeFazio**, '44, age 86, passed away April 13, 2013 at Erie Co. Care Facility, under the care of Stein Hospice. She was a lifelong resident of Huron.



**Jane Feick Jones**, '51, age 79, of Cleveland Heights OH, passed away May 20 at Judson Park after a short illness. A graduate of Kent State with her degree in graphic arts, Jane designed ads for the May Company, Higbee's, and Halle's of Cleveland before becoming a working member of the Cleveland Botanical Society where she spent endless hours tending their Knot Garden.



**Louis John "Jack" Hart**, '44, passed away on May 14 in Scottsdale AZ. After graduating from high school, Jack joined the army airborne to serve his country. He began teaching in Cleveland before moving to Arizona. A former physics and earth sciences teacher in Phoenix AZ, Jack will be remembered by his former students as an old school but effective, challenging, and witty educator whose students learned to appreciate him only long after they had graduated.

**Ted Temper**, '44, age 88, of Huron, passed away on May 21 at home surrounded by family. Ted was drafted out of high school during his junior year and entered service in WWII where he earned two Bronze Battle Stars and The Purple Heart for battlefield injuries which plagued him the rest of his life. He operated Ted Temper Real Estate in Huron from 1965 until his retirement in 1991.



**Albert Stierhoff**, '64, age 66, passed away on May 22 at the Stein Hospice Center in Sandusky after a brief illness. After serving his country in Vietnam, Al returned home and was employed as a union electrician for thirty years.



**Kathleen Sudsina**, '79, age 52, passed away on June 5 at Stein Hospice after a five-year battle with pancreatic cancer. Kathy had worked as a switchboard operator for Providence Hospital and then Behnke's Telephone Answering Service of Sandusky for 27 years.



**Sally Purvis Felton**, '51, age 80, passed away on the morning of June 9 at the Firelands Regional Medical Center. Sally was employed for many years by the Charles Nickels Farm in Huron.

**We thank those who have sent us either death, engagement, or marriage notices of Huron grads who live out of this area. We try not to miss anyone, but if they are listed in media out of the range of the local papers, it is easy to do. Continue to contact us so we can spread the word. Remember, it is never too late to send a congratulation or sympathy card.**

**Please also to continue sending us information about other life changes or significant milestones, awards, promotions or other interesting activities that you think classmates and grads would like to know about. We prefer to make these Classnotes pages non-fiction.**



## Membership

Financial support for your Association continues to grow, approaching 700 paid members. Upon this core group depends much of what we are able to accomplish. We thank you for your generous support and continue to encourage others to join the list of those who wish to see the Association continue to meet the challenges of rising costs. We do not and will not deficit spend. See the inside back cover for the many options available for membership.

Marian Weigand Ryder	'33	Milan	OH	Sherry Enderle Mischler	'63	Huron	OH
Marjorie Henes Marshall	'37	Amherst	OH	Gary Brown	'64	Toledo	OH
Ruth Warner	'38	Longview	TX	David Horner	'65	Norwalk	OH
Donna Kreck Klepper	'38	Huron	OH	James Kiger	'66	Bakersfield	CA
Marie Camp Leser	'40	Sandusky	OH	Carol Trautt	'67	Col. City	CO
Eleanor Waite	'43	Strongsville	OH	Dan Marshall	'67	Atlanta	GA
Mary Waite	'43	Strongsville	OH	Anna Wunder Bauman	'67	Huron	OH
Allan Slyker	'43	Lighthouse Pt.	FL	John Zimmernan	'67	Huron	OH
Leota Farschman Gilbert	'44	Dublin	OH	Cheryl Kaman Zimmerman	'67	Huron	OH
Jack Hart	'44	Scottsdale	AZ	John Caporini	'68	Huron	OH
Ruth Bonningston Deehr	'44	Berlin Hts.	OH	Pam Wentz Ebert	'68	Bay Village	OH
Carolyn Rau Claggett	'46	Newark	OH	Timothy Wallick	'69	Huron	OH
Bill Kaiser	'48	Sagle	ID	Roger France	'69	Buena Vist	CO
Robert Fritz	'48	Vermillion	OH	Patricia Lyons Baker	'70	Elyria	OH
Patrician Altman Basilone	'48	Huron	OH	Pamela Nasby Runner-Perkins	'70	Huron	OH
Dixie Thomas Andrews	'49	Huron	OH	Steve Fisher	'70	Huron	OH
Betty Webster Ruetenik	'49	Montgomery	TX	Tim Sowecke	'70	Huron	OH
Bill Schell	'49	Huron	OH	William O'Hara	'70	Liberty T'ship	OH
Myrna Bickley Abel	'50	Sandusky	OH	Debbie Green Paulk	'70	Peyson	AZ
Dr. Carol Payne Smith	'51	Kalamazoo	MI	Beth Legando Fisher	'71	Huron	OH
Dominic Tike Majoy	'51	Huron	OH	Chris Baker	'71	Huron	OH
Barbara Voight Mitchell	'51	Huron	OH	Julie Hetrick Sowecke	'71	Huron	OH
Agnes Doyle Majoy	'52	Huron	OH	Jody Boyes Caporini	'71	Huron	OH
Shirley Steibly Watrous	'52	San Diego	CA	Jeri Kendrick Houstoun	'71	Austin	TX
Donald Shrigley	'53	Sandusky	OH	Chris Harlan	'72	Norwalk	OH
Jean Davis Howard	'53	Huron	OH	Becky Wilber Harlan	'72	Norwalk	OH
Judy Lacey Rielle	'53	Hyde Park	NY	Steven Myers	'72	Columbus	OH
Peggy Payne Zimmer	'53	Mayfield H'ts	OH	Gaetano Munafo	'73	Huron	OH
Diane Esposito Hoffman	'54	Huron	OH	Rebecca Hamer Sanders	'73	Hilliard	OH
Laura Daniels Cramer	'55	Logan	OH	Gary Majestic	'74	Rome	GA
Rolland Hart	'55	Sandusky	OH	Greg Yarmoluk	'74	Howell	MI
Linda Fisk Wareham	'56	Fredericktown	OH	David Shearer	'74	Arroyo	
William C Handley	'56	Cape May				Grande	CA
		Court House	NJ	Laurel Junod Wolf	'75	Stow	OH
Carol Sprankle Lescher	'56	Norwalk	OH	Judy Connors Mize	'75	Sandusky	OH
Nancy Rhodes Harman	'56	Huron	OH	David Gillette	'75	Golden	CO
Carol Haggerty Schell	'56	Huron	OH	Sharon Caporini Aamoth	'75	Solon	OH
Ann Bostater Hart	'56	Sandusky	OH	Susan Coleman Frankart	'76	Huron	OH
Janice Rae Cook Herrmann	'57	Amherst	OH	Liz Hagy Swain	'76	Huron	OH
Barbara Mellein Warner	'58	Toledo	OH	Mary Reese Folger	'76	Huron	OH
Sara McCormick Caffrey	'59	La Mirada	CA				
Doyle Beilstein	'60	San Antonio	TX				
Dottie Allinson Presutto	'60	Vermilion	OH				
Dr. William Towne	'60	Rockford	IL				
Marjorie Windnagle Billman	'60	Huron	OH				
Lee Stierwalt	'60	Colorado Sp'gs	CO				
Judith Moore Zoliniak	'60	Santa Cruz	CA				
Nelson Hardesty	'61	New Albany	OH				
Dave Majoy	'62	Huron	OH				
Kay Dahlhofer Wilson	'62	Chester	MD				
James Hamer	'62	Plain City	OH				

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Lynn Smith Lindsey	'80	Swampscot	MA	James Rod Swain	'05	Columbus	OH
Joan McCann Heinrich	'80	Jupiter	FL	Alex Swain	'06	Columbus	OH
Phil Harris	'81	Huron	OH	Sarah Baker	'06	Huron	OH
Dan Billman	'82	Mars	PA	Kathy Kosan	former faculty	Huron	OH
Lynn Andrews	'85	Keene	NH	Judy and Don Pflieger	former faculty	Sandusky	OH
Diane Billman Clements	'85	Bay Village	OH	Dr. Will Folger	former principal	Huron	OH
Newton Marshall	'86	Winnetka	IL	Lynn J. Studer	former principal	Bluffton	SC
Michael Bork	'90	Huron	OH				

## Scholarships

Your Association's Scholarship funds continue to grow. Contributions to our General Scholarship Fund are expended in the school year in which they are donated. Donations made to the Scholarship Endowment are held in reserve, invested now through the Huron Educational Foundation, with only the earnings annually awarded in scholarships. Likewise, any donor advised scholarships, those established in memory of someone, are also invested with the Foundation and the earnings distributed as the donors have stipulated at the time of the establishment of the fund.

### General Scholarship Fund and Endowment

Lynn Andrews	'85	Keene	NH
Jack Hart	'44	Scottsdale	AZ
James Kiger	'66	Bakersfield	CA
Tim and Julie Sowecke	'70/'71	Huron	OH
Patricia Altman Basilone	'48	Huron	OH
Janice Rae Cook Herrmann	'57	Amherst	OH
Donna Kreck Klepper	'38	Huron	OH
Kathy Kosan	Former Faculty	Huron	OH
Judy and Don Pflieger	Former Faculty	Sandusky	OH
Barbara Boeckling	'43	Salem	OH

*In Memoriam:* Gordon Meeker

### Shontz Science Scholarship Fund

This fund was established to honor the memory of and the many contributions to the science program made by Thomas Shontz, former biology teacher at Huron. Disbursements are made to students seeking to continue their science education.

Lynn Smith Lindsey	'80	Swampscot	MA
Tim and Julie Sowecke	'70/'71	Huron	OH
Barbara Voight Mitchell	'51	Huron	OH
Patricia Altman Basilone	'48	Huron	OH
Janice Rae Cook Herrmann	'57	Amherst	OH

### Dolores Heydinger Elementary Teacher Scholarship

This scholarship was established to honor the memory of Dolores Heydinger and her many years of teaching preschoolers, kindergartners, and first graders. It will be awarded to a graduate who indicates a desire to become an elementary teacher. This endowment will make its first disbursement beginning in the 2015 school year.

Mary and Ellie Waite	'43	Strongsville	OH
Robert Fritz	'48	Vermillion	OH
Christine Hahn		Huron	OH
James Kiger	'66	Bakersfield	CA
Beth Legando and Steve Fisher	'70/'71	Huron	OH
Tim and Julie Sowecke	'70/'71	Huron	OH
Patricia Altman Basilone	'48	Huron	OH
Rol and Ann Bostater Hart	'55/'56	Sandusky	OH
Judy and Donald Pflieger	Former Faculty	Sandusky	OH

### Beginning a Scholarship

If you or your family wishes to begin an endowed scholarship fund in memory of anyone and, as donor, stipulate the recipients and any other factors, please contact us to learn how to begin the process. With the Huron Educational Foundation now firmly in place, we can help you grow your funds over the years and insure that the memory of a loved one continues to be honored. Our financial advisor is Keith Sweigert, '02, with the local Sandusky office of Merrill Lynch.



## Membership Sign Up<sup>613</sup>

### HHS Alumni Association Membership Form

(Membership renewals are due in December of each year. New 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 \_\_\_\_\_ "Super Tiger" \$300 (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" \$40 \_\_\_\_\_ Regular "Red" \$20

### Scholarship Funds

Contribution to General HHS Alumni Association Scholarship Fund \$ \_\_\_\_\_ or to the Endowed Scholarship Fund \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

Larry Zimmer Memorial Scholarship Fund \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (A Perpetual Endowment Fund through the HEF)

### Huron Football History, Vols. I by Dave Brown

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

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

Email \_\_\_\_\_

I would like \_\_\_\_\_ copies of Dave Brown's book Huron Football: Vol. I at \$20, each, tax and shipping included, shipped to me at the above address.

### Volume II, Huron Football: 1980 to 2012

I would like \_\_\_\_\_ copies of Dave Brown's book Huron Football: Vol. II at \$30, each, tax and shipping included, shipped to me at the above address.

I would like \_\_\_\_\_ sets of both volumes of Dave Brown's book Huron Football at \$45 for both, tax and shipping included, shipped to me at the above address.

If you would like copies of either or both volumes sent as gifts directly to someone else, please list the names and addresses on a separate sheet. I will sign the copies to them and mail out right away. Dave.

Volume II is selling very well, but there will not be a second printing, so don't wait.

# Homecoming 2013

Plan now to participate in this fall's Homecoming festivities the weekend of September 18 - 22.

The fun begins on Wednesday evening with the annual homecoming parade. You can watch or you can participate. Alumni floats are welcome if a class wants to defend its past honor! Get your buddies together, get a growler or two to help the thinking process, and then come up with an idea and just do it!

On Thursday evening, September 19, the Annual Hall of Fame Induction ceremony will be staged at Mesenburg's Plaza Place. Join your classmates in celebrating with the inductees. This year's inductees are listed in an article on page 24 inside.

Friday, September 20, is the big game with all the pre- and post-game festivities. Meet us under the tent any time after 5 PM for a tail gate party and skull session with the team and band, then enjoy the game and celebrate the victory at Mulligan's Pub afterwards. Make it an enjoyable weekend with friends.

## Memorial Tree Dedications

As we have mentioned many times, the area for planting memorial trees inside and around the Huron Memorial Stadium has been filled. You can, however, continue to have a loved one remembered within the stadium grounds. On page 19, we offered an alternative, that of a memorial plaque to be hung on the reverse side of the memorial sign at the entrance to the stadium.

Another alternative for your consideration is to plant a living memorial tree at the McBride Arboretum on the Firelands Campus BGSU. The arboretum board has provided a list from which donors may select a species of tree to have planted in an appropriate site chosen by our landscape architect. For information on cost and trees available, please call the Erie MetroParks office at Osborne Park, 419-625-7783. Trees can be planted in any season except the dead of winter. If you would like to have a little ceremony with family and friends at the time of the planting, that can be arranged also. This type of memorial is especially satisfying as family and friends over many years can continue to watch a living thing grow and beautify a special place.

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