



Taft Alumni Newsletter

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Did you See the R-E-E-E-ALLY Big Show?

by Shirley (Kalivoda) DeWeese (June 1960)

Yes, the TV show on NBC Sunday nights at 7:00 p.m., "You're the One that I Want" features our own **Jim Jacobs**, class of June, 1960, as one of the judges for the selection of lead roles in the new Broadway production of his play, "Grease".

Auditions for the show began in New York, where 23 possible contestants were selected. Then, on to Chicago, where Jim had hoped to have the auditions at Taft. But, because the building was "too neat and tidy," it was decided to hold the auditions at the Portage Theater instead (go figure).

Unfortunately, only seven contestants were picked from the Chicago group. One of those in the return group from Chicago was **Tom Moore**, a Taft graduate, class of ???. Another 20 were found at the auditions in Los Angeles at Venice High School where the movie was filmed and things were ready to go.

The first show aired January 7, and was number one in the ratings. Our favorite part, of course, was the brief tour of our home area showing Super Dawg and Parse's and our beloved Taft, with Jim and **Sue Blumenthal Houff**, one of the cheerleaders from the June '60 class.

Contestants from the L.A. and Chicago auditions were shown going through their paces as Jim smiled and riled. New York had its turn on January 14, and on January 21, it was at Grease Academy where the twelve top performers were selected to advance to the competition and the audience doing the voting. We hope you are watching and voting, too!!

"Grease" will open in New York in August and advance ticket sales are already through the roof. You can order tickets on Ticketmaster. The Grease website is NBC.com/Grease/.

CLASS REUNIONS

January 1957 - 50th reunion

Date: May 4, 2007

Place: Del Webb Sun City - Huntley, IL
in Drendel Ballroom.

Contacts:

Leo Drummer - wilmaleo5@aol.com

Sandra (Hubenthal) Sams -telsam@cox.net

Diane (Klier) Dierks - dierks@sbcglobal.net

Marilyn (Lane) Kellerman -mkells@sbcglobal.net

Ron Underwood runderwood1@earthlink.net

Beverly (Dilfer) Brown -
ab-brown@mindspring.com.

June 1957 - 50th reunion

Date: October 5-7, 2007

Place: Doubletree Hotel - Arlington Hts.

Contact: **Bob Fizzell** - 608-365-0096

or BobFizz@sbcglobal.net

1959

Date: June 2009

Place: TBD

Contacts:

Larry Marsh - fairsease2u@earthlink.net

Pat Lutz - plutz@chicagonorthwest.com

1966

Date: July 14, 2007

Place: Westin - North Shore in Wheeling

Contact: **Linda (Kelly) Sak** - Lulusak@aol.com

1987

Date: July 28, 2007 (tentative)

Place: Westin - North Shore in Wheeling

Contact: **Joe Bartel, Jr.** - (847) 368-8014

josef425@comcast.net

All Taft Classes - 5th Annual Reunion Picnic

Date: Sunday, March 18, 2007

Place: Ft. DeSoto Park, St. Petersburg, FL

Shelter number 14 - 11AM to 5PM

(park phone number - (727) 582-2267)

Contact: **Leon Kathan**

117 Monte Real Blvd.

Sebring, FL 33876-8056

(863) 655-4559 - leonkathan@yahoo.com

1962 Girls Gathering

Date: Spring 2007

Place: TBD

Contact: **Janet (Knoll) Stoll** - 630-665-5316

StollPatrol@aol.com



Elementary School Reunion

1958 - Norwood Park School - 50th Reunion

Date: 2008

Place: In planning stages

Contact: **Jerry (Beesley) Bloom** (June '62)

(920) 743-8449 or jerrybloom@fales.org

or **Linda (Leshuk) Davidson** (June '62)

(815-385-6879) or davi4@sbcglobal.net

Lost Classmates

Are you looking for old classmates you've lost touch with? We will help you in your search by publishing the name(s) in this newsletter. If that party responds to us, we forward that person's name and address to you.

Send your request and/or response to Taft

Alumni Association c/o Taft High School, 6530

W. Bryn Mawr Ave., Chicago IL 60631 or email us at taftalum@cox.net. The suggested donation for this service is \$5 per name.

Graven Memorial Scholarship

This year, there are four scholarships available for deserving Taft seniors. The Hendrickson scholarship has been an annual \$1000 award, as well as the two \$750 scholarships from TAA funds. The fourth is a special Graven Memorial Scholarship, in honor of former principal Dr. Graven who died this past year.

To date, \$1600 has been received to use for this year's special Graven Memorial Scholarship. A TAA Scholarship Committee has been designated to review all applications from the current 2007 graduating class of Taft High School. If you wish to give a donation either to the Graven Scholarship or the TAA general scholarship fund, please contact us before April 12, 2007. The deadline for student applications is April 13, 2007.

Silver Skates Derby - 1942



December 1942, preparing for the Silver Skates Derby, Mozart Park.
L-R: Roy Parker, Ken Henry, Buddy Solem and John Klemundt

Thanks to **Tom Gutzman** (June 1950) who sent us this picture from the “Flashback” page of the Graphic Section insert of the Chicago Tribune, November 19, 2006 edition. Tom said, “I thought this would be of interest for publication in The Alumni Newsletter. I remember seeing Ken in many skating meets, especially the Silver Skates Derby.” Tom remembered Ken from the class of January 1947. Ken married Roselle Johnson from the class of June 1950 and was elected to Taft Alumni Hall of Fame in 1989.

The Chicago Tribune’s comments with this picture stated “The climate didn’t hurt, but it was the passion of Chicago’s large Norwegian community for skating that made the city a speedskating powerhouse in the first half of the 20th Century. The annual Tribune-sponsored Silver Skates Derbies sealed Chicago’s status in the sport, drawing more than 3,000 competitors and 60,000 spectators at its peak. The prestigious meet, now hosted by Glen Ellyn Speed Skating, has produced generations of world-class athletes. Two of the racers in this photo went on to the Olympics; Ken Henry captured gold in 1952. And after his turn at the Games in 1948, Buddy Solem returned to Chicago, determined to add a Silver Skates men’s victory to his resume. (He did)”



Back Row - L-R (all from class of June 1962) Linda (Leshuk) Davidson, Violet (Georgeopolus) Bilissis, Carol (Soske) Mikulski, Elena (Borg) Wilson, Dianne (Gronek) Meltreger. Front Row - L-R Elaine (Gunther) Brummitt, Janet (Knoll) Stoll, Diane (Mikulski) Corrado, Barbara (Neubert) Schulz, Ann (Kwerneland) Robert.

1962 Taft Girls Meet On Short Notice With a Little Networking

On November 10th, some twenty or so 1962 June graduates met on short notice for dinner at Riggio’s Restaurant in Niles.

Janet (Knoll) Stoll contacted a few of her Taft friends who started spreading the word and with some branching, alumni

came who hadn’t seen each other for years. Another get together will be planned sometime this spring. If you’re interested in catching up with fellow alumnae, send your email address and we’ll let you know the date. See details on the reunion, page 2 of this issue.



In Our Memories

Dolores (Klisch) Lowing, class of January 1943 passed away July 2006 from lung cancer.

Dan Vrabec, class of June 1945 passed away on August 8, 2006.

Camilla Emil-Mencinger, class of June 1947 died of cancer in Tucson, AZ November 11, 2006.

Robert Scheller, class of June 1947 died August 8, 2006.

Nancy (Crippen) Michener, class of June 1949 died October 2006 at her home in Denver CO from cancer.

Dorothy J. (Langille) Brant, class of January 1956 died as a result of a heart attack in Marengo, IL on November 8, 2006.

Nancy (Ruhling) Johansen, class of January 1956 passed away on January 13, 2007. Her husband was **Gary Johansen**, class of June 1955.

Bruce Elchaker, class of January 1961 passed away on November 24, 2006.

Dennis Lane, class of June 1961 died September 30, 2006 from an acute blood infection.

Clyde Gothann, class of January 1963 died in August 2005.

Baron Anderson, class of 1971 died in June 2006 of a massive heart attack in his home town of Oswego, IL.

Names in the News

Baron Anderson (class of 1971) was nominated (posthumously) to the list of 2006 Honorary Packer Fan Hall of Fame inductees. He was chosen to be among the top ten finalists for this honor. The top winning award was chosen by on-line voting.



As **Rich Lindberg** (1971) stated so well recently, "Baron... was the consummate Packer fan... almost every day of his life he wore a Packer polo shirt or jersey to work... Just about everywhere. I knew Baron since second grade at Onahan School. He was a kind and gentleman, and truly named after the famous "Red Baron" of Germany, the World War I flying ace." Even though Baron died in Oswego, IL this past June, he would have been so proud to have seen the support of his many friends and family to bring him to this place of honor.

A new book was published this summer, entitled "Feline Four" by Taft grad **Paul Gerhardt** (class of January 1954). Paul retired about 11 years ago and has enjoyed a renewed interest in writing. This book is a humorous tale about a fictional family living in Sarasota, Florida. As can be construed from the title, a cat plays a prominent role in this yarn. The book

should appeal to anyone with a Carl Hiaason-like sense of humor and/or likes cats.

It can be purchased over the internet at Barnes@Noble, Amazon, etc. or directly from the author at giggerhardt@yahoo.com.



1940s

RICHARD DE LA MATER (1940), lives in Rocklin, GA, has 2 children and is retired from Montgomery Ward.

HARRY THORNBERG (1940) lives in Hamersville, OH, has 3 children and is retired.

FRANK ZEMAITIS (1940)
MARRIED JANE (JEWELL) (JUNE 1943) they live in Porter, IN, have 2 children and are retired. Frank was the first President of the original Taft Alumni Assoc.

SALLY (DERN) DUSKI (JANUARY 1941) lives in Chicago, has 3 children, 6 grandchildren and is a real estate broker.

ROBERT PASSOW (JUNE 1941) graduated from William & Mary BS 1948, Penn State MA 1952, lives in State College, PA, has 2 children, 2 grandchildren and is retired from Penn State.

BARBARA (ALITIS) HECOX (JANUARY 1942) graduated from Evanston Hospital RN 1946, lives in Albuquerque, NM, has 6 children, 9 grandchildren, 1 great grandchild and is a retired RN.

Bill Bessemer (June 1942)
GRADUATED FROM Northwestern BS 1949, U of MI MBA 1957, lives in Vacaville, CA, has 2 children and is retired.

WARREN DRITILEIN (JUNE 1942)
MARRIED MARJORIE

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(CROCKETT) (JUNE 1943) they live in Naples, FL, have 3 children, 11 grandchildren, 7 great grandchildren and are retired from their cut stone company.

MURIEL (HEYDEN) MAGILL (JUNE 1942) lives in Chicago, has 3 children (all sons, all Taft graduates), 7 grandchildren and is retired.

GLORIA (KLISH) REUTELL (JANUARY 1943) lives in Bloomingdale, IL, has 6 children, 10 grandchildren 4 great grandchildren and is retired from market research.

NINA (BURNS) BEALL (JUNE 1943) lives in New Port Richey, FL, has 4 children, 12 grandchildren, and 2 great grandchildren and is a retired graphic artist.

LE ROY SANFORD (JUNE 1943) graduated from Northwestern BS 1949, lives in Golden Valley, MN and is a retired entrepreneur.

PHYLLIS (LANGE) WILSON (JUNE 1943) lives in Nine Mile Falls, WA, has 3 children, 4 grandchildren, and 1 great grandchild and is retired.

LEONARD MAYER (JANUARY 1944) graduated from U of Miami BBA 1950, lives in Coral Gables, FL, has 2 children, 4 grandchildren and is retired.

JUNE (THORNBERG) JAROSZYNSKI (JUNE 1944) lives in Crystal Lake, IL, has 6 children, 22 grandchildren, 1 great grandchild and is a retired luncheon attendant from Taft.

JANICE (SORENSEN) REILAND (JUNE 1944), lives in Cary, IL, has 3 grandchildren and is retired.

MARY (DALTON) OLSON (JANUARY 1945) graduated from Purdue BS 1949, lives in West End, NC, has 3 children, 7 grandchildren and is a retired nursery school teacher.

RICHARD STAHL (JANUARY 1945) lives in Evanston, IL, has 2 children, 2 grandchildren, and 3 great-grandchildren and is retired from FMC Corp.

MARY (SMITH) BEIGER (JANUARY 1946) lives in Champaign, IL, has 2 children, 3 grandchildren and is a retired library clerk.

LOIS (BASSETT) WILLHARD (JANUARY 1946) lives in Webster, WI, has 3 children, 4 grandchildren, and 1 great grandchild and is retired.

RON DAUBE (JANUARY 1947)
MARRIED MAE (SUCHAK) (JANUARY 1947), they married after re-meeting at the 25th class reunion. Between them they have 5 children, 11 grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren. They are retired Ron a CFO at Borden, Inc.

DOROTHY (BREWER) LAMBERT (JANUARY 1947) lives in No. Ft. Myers, FL, has 5 children, 7 grandchildren and is retired.

RITA (VODVARKA) MARCHETTI (JUNE 1947) graduated from St Annes Hospital RN 1950, lives in Huntington Beach, CA and is a retired RN.

ADELE (GROCKE) MILLER (JUNE 1947) lives in New Port Richey, FL, has 3 children, 5 grandchildren and is retired.

FLORENCE (EGAN) STANTON (JUNE 1947) graduated from San Jose

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State BA 1969, MA 1974, MS 1975, lives in San Jose, CA, has 4 children and is a Psychologist and docent at San Jose Art Museum.

JUNE (ANTATER) DAVIDSEN (JANUARY 1948) graduated from Northeastern Bed 1965, lives in Fontana, WI, has 2 children, 3 grandchildren and is a retired teacher.

DANIEL HANSEN (JANUARY 1948) graduated from Wheaton College BS 1952, Loyola MD 1958, lives in Harvard, IL, has 8 children, 11 grandchildren and is a retired Physician.

JAMES JOHNSTON (JUNE 1948) lives in Sun City West, AZ and is retired from C & NW.

JANICE (JEFFERY) BURDEN (JANUARY 1949) lives in Mesa, AZ, has 5 children. 8 grandchildren and is a housewife.

JACQUELINE INGRAM (JANUARY 1949) graduated from De Paul BS 1954, lives in Park Ridge, IL and is a retired Chicago teacher.

CARMELLA (WALSH) PATKE (JUNE 1949) lives in Wauconda, IL, has 2 children, 1 grandchild and is in sales.

1950s

MARIAN (MARTIN) BARKLEY (JANUARY 1950) graduated from Lawrence BA 1954, Aurora U MSW 1990, lives in Northbrook, IL, has 3 children, 3 grandchildren and is retired.

RICHARD BENNETT (CLARKE BENNETT AT TAFT) (JUNE 1950) graduated from IA State BSCE, Yale MSCE, lives in California, MD, has 5 children, 5 grandchildren and is a retired civil engineer.

RICHARD LIZAK (JUNE 1950) lives in Des Plaines, IL, has 4 children, 8 grandchildren and is retired.

RONALD PETERSEN (JUNE 1950) graduated from Monmouth BS 1955, U of Chicago MBA 1965, U of CA JD 1981, lives in Glendale, CA and is a retired lawyer.

PAUL SKOGSTROM (JUNE 1950) graduated from Carthage College BA 1954, U of NE MA 1955, lives in Clarksville, OH, has 7 children, 11 grandchildren and is a psychologist.

RAY BLACK (JANUARY 1951) lives in Cortland, IL, has 9 children, 23

grandchildren and is a retired plumbing contractor.

LEONA (WATSON) CORDUAN (JUNE 1951) lives in Trevor, WI, has 2 children, 3 grandchildren and is retired.

CAROL (DEHLINGER) DOYLE (JUNE 1951), graduated from IL State 1955, Nat'l College of ED 1982, lives in Park Ridge, IL, has 2 children, 3 grandchildren and is a retired teacher.

DIANE (KISTING) KAYE (JUNE 1951) lives in Ft Myers, FL, has 4 children, 2 grandchildren and is retired.

PATRICIA (SCHUESSLER) HAASE (JUNE 1952) lives in Rolling Meadows, IL and has 4 children, 3 grandchildren.

KEN SCHMIDT (JUNE 1952) MARRIED CAROL (WOLD) (JUNE 1957), they live in Palatine, IL, have 1 child, Ken is a retired electrician, Carol retired from United Airlines.

PATRICIA (TUHY) SOCHA (JUNE 1952) lives in Morton Grove, IL, has 2 children, 6 grandchildren, is retired, does watercolor artwork and spends 6 months in Minocqua, WI.

PAT (MATTHEWS) HALL (JANUARY 1953) graduated from Oakton Comm. College LPN 1982, lives in Wheeling, IL, has 5 children, 10 grandchildren and 1 great grandchild and is a retired RN.

ROBERTA SWANSON (JANUARY 1953) graduated from North Park AA 1955, Nat'l College of Ed BA 1957, Western Carolina MA 1983, lives in Hendersonville, NC, has 4 sons, 3 grandchildren and is a retired elementary teacher.

PAT (MILLER) BURNESON (JUNE 1953) lives in Naples, FL, has 3 children, 6 grandchildren and 1 great grandchild and is a retired nursery teacher and artist.

CAROL (UHL) CONNOLLY (JUNE 1953) graduated from U of MN BA 1958, lives in Chicago, has 2 children, 3 grandchildren and is retired.

JEANNINE (SEBBY) MAY (JUNE 1953) live in Harvard, IL, has 2 children, 3 grandchildren and is retired.

HENRY WEBER (JUNE 1953) lives in Santa Teresa, NM, has 2 children and is retired from Raytheon CO.

DARLENE (SWEENEY) MC GRATH (JANUARY 1954) lives in Mt Prospect, IL, has 2 children, 2 granddaughters and is retired.

THOMAS WALLNER (JANUARY 1954) lives in Schaumburg, IL, has 3 children, 3 grandchildren and is a retired lithographer.

JAMES DICKE (JUNE 1954), graduated from St Olaf BA 1958, U of UT BS 1960,

U of MI MS 1966, Harrington U DSc 2000, lives in Raleigh NC, has 3 children, 1 grandchild and is a retired meteorologist for NOAA.

ALICE (MC CREARY) LUNDBERG (JUNE 1954) lives in Anderson, SC, has 5 children, 6 grandchildren and is a housewife.

NOVELLE (CUNNINGHAM) PALLANICH (JUNE 1954), graduated from Northwestern BS 1957, U of UT MS 1967, U of MO EdD 1978, lives in Lees Summit, MO, has 2 children, 8 grandchildren and is a retired professor, now a consultant.

MARC BENNETT (JANUARY 1955) graduated from Georgetown U BS 1959, lives in Berkeley Springs, W VA, has 2 children, 1 grandchild and is a retired pilot.

JOAN (GAERTNER) MC INNIS (JANUARY 1955) graduated from Northwestern Bsed 1958, Farleigh Dickinson MS 1984, lives in Tinton Falls, NJ, has 2 children and iss a retired computer consultant.

ALAN SWANSON (JANUARY 1955) graduated from U of I BS 1959, lives in Spring Lake, MI, has 4 children, 4 grandchildren and is retired.

Thomas Frantz (January 1956) LIVES IN San Diego, CA, has 5 children, 9 grandchildren and is a retired stockbroker.

PAULA (MEYER) HOVLAND (JANUARY 1956) lives in Island Lake, IL, has 3 children, 3 grandchildren and is retired.

MARLENE (LILJEGREN) PICKERING (JANUARY 1956) lives in Renton, WA, has 3 children, 8 grandchildren and is retired.

LYNN (BLETZINGER) HAMMERSMITH (JUNE 1956) lives in Park Ridge, IL, has 6 children, 7 grandchildren and is a homemaker.

ROBERT OLESKOW (JUNE 1956) lives in Lake City, MN and Naples, FL, has 1 child, 6 grandchildren and is retired as CEO of Matt-Son, Inc.

CAROL (SMALL) SMALLEY (JUNE 1956) lives in Wood River, IL, has 2 children, 7 grandchildren and is retired from the Corps of Engineers.

JOANN (SEARS) WILLIAMS (JUNE 1956) lives in Mt Prospect, IL, has 3 children, 7 grandchildren and is retired.

AUDREY (PETERSON HAMPTON (JANUARY 1957) lives in Hampton, GA, has 4 children, 5 grandchildren and is retired.

BARBARA (VAUGHN) WOLFF (JANUARY 1957) lives in Chicago, has 3

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children (all Taft grads), 2 grandchildren and is retired spending 6 months in Estero, FL.

HERB PASKE (JANUARY 1957) graduated from IL State BS 1961, Loyola MS 1965, lives in Riverwoods, IL, has 2 children, 1 grandchild and is a broker.

BARBARA (WALKER) LEWIS (JUNE 1957) graduated from Chicago Teachers Bsed 1961, Northeastern Med 1969, lives in Mt Home, AR, has 2 children and is a retired teacher.

VIRGINIA (BOBENG) LEWIS (JUNE 1957) lives in Dacula, GA, has 3 children, 7 grandchildren and is in part time sales.

ROY MOELLER (JUNE 1957) graduated from U of I BS 1962, U of WI Psychology 1972, lives in Coronado, CA, has 2 children and is retired from banking.

JOHN CROLL (JUNE 1958) MARRIED NANCY (NOVAK) (JUNE 1960), he graduated from U of I BS 1963, they live in Bothell, WA, have 1 child, 3 grandchildren and are retired.

CHRISTINE (WOJTAS) ZALL Y (JUNE 1958) graduated from U of I BS 1962, Med 1967, lives in Hilton Head, SC, has 2 children and is a retired teacher.

CAMILLE (NIGRO) CACCAVARI (JANUARY 1959) lives in Franklin Park, IL, has 2 children and is retired.

TOM CROSTON (JANUARY 1959) graduated from COE BA 1963, lives in Wheeling, IL, has 1 child (a Taft grad) and is retired from insurance.

1960s

PAULA (BROCKSTEIN) ADAMS (JANUARY 1960) graduated from U of I BS 1964, MS 1965, lives in The Woodlands, TX, has 2 children, 2 grandchildren and is a retired teacher and an artist PT instructor.

BARB (NOON) BLITZEN (JUNE 1960) lives in Arlington Hts, IL, has 2 children and 3 grandchildren.

ANN (RICHARDS) ANDERSON (JUNE 1961) graduated from Oberlin College BA 1965, Brandeis U MMHS 1988, lives in Jamaica Plain, MN, has 4 children, 2 grandchildren and is an affordable housing administer.

KEN KORTAS (JUNE 1961) graduated from U of Louisville BS 1964, lives in Simpsonville, KY, has 1 child and owns currency exchanges.

TOULA (DEMAS) GARBIS (JUNE 1962) graduated from Northeastern BA ed 1966, lives in Glenview, IL, has 3 children, 4 grandchildren and is a retired teacher.

JUDTIH (GRAU) HITZEMAN (JUNE 1962) MARRIED KEITH (JUNE 1961), they live in Ponte Vedra Beach, FL, have 3 children, 2 grandchildren and she is retired.

SUSAN (HENRIKSEN) KRUMM (JUNE 1962) graduated from Bethany College BA 1966, KS State MS 1970, U of KS MSW 1994, lives in Topeka, KS, has 2 children, 2 grandchildren and is a clinical social worker.

LESLEE (DOUBEK) LAMP (JUNE 1962) graduated from Evanston Hospital RN 1965, lives in Pe Wee Valley, KY, has 3 children, 1 grandchild and is an RN.

GLORIA (POPP) MEIER (JANUARY 1963) lives in Covington, LA and is a licensed private investigator.

DARLENE (LEFF) POLZIN (JANUARY 1963) lives in Huntley, IL, has 3 children and is a personal banker.

DONALD HOY (JUNE 1963) graduated from Elmhurst College BA 1969, Loyola MBA 1974, lives in Schaumburg, IL, has 1 child and is a retired benefits manager.

RICK KASPER (JUNE 1963) lives in Chicago and is retired from real estate.

BARBARA (PUCCINELLI) MONSTVIL (JUNE 1963) lives in Morton Grove, IL, has 2 children, 2 grandchildren and is a travel services administrator.

SHARON (STROBOT) NIEFT (JUNE 1963) lives in Streamwood, IL, has 3 children, 4 grandchildren and works for Marriott Hotels.

DIANE (PETERSON) WILK MARRIED JEFFREY (JUNE 1963), they both graduated from Northern BS 1967, live in Harwood Hts, IL, have 2 children, 2 grandchildren, Diane is a semi retired teacher and Jeff is a business administrator.

MALAMA (MITCHELL) XERRAS (JUNE 1963) graduated from Boston U BS 1967, lives in Peabody, MA, has 2 children, 6 grandchildren and is a retired accountant.

JUDY (WATERS) GRUNDKE (JUNE 1964) lives in Arlington Hts, IL and has 2 children.

LINDA (BERG) HERMANN (JUNE 1964) lives in Kent, OH, has 2 children and is an assistant to the President of Kent State.

STEVE GOTZ (JANUARY 1965) lives in Schaumburg, IL, has 4 children and is a plant manager.

GERALDINE (BERNARD) NIEDER (JANUARY 1965), lives in Lakewood, CO and is a retired tax assistant.

VAL JENSEN (JUNE 1965) graduated from Cedarville College BA 1969, Elmira College MS 1974, Alliance Theological Seminary MDv 1985, lives in Oceanside, CA, has 2 children, 3 grandchildren and is a submarine Navy chaplain for Squadron 15.

BARBARA KALISH (JUNE 1965) graduated from NO AZ U BS ed 1970, GA State MS 1974, AZ State MA 1977, lives in Phoenix, AZ and is a retired teacher.

RALPH KELLER (JUNE 1965) graduated from U of Chgo MBA 1979, lives in La Grange Park, IL and has 1 child.

PAMELA STERN (JUNE 1965) graduated UIC BA 1969, lives in Prospect Hts, IL, has 2 children and 1 grandchild.

C. RONALD LINDBERG (JANUARY 1966) graduated from Augustana BA 1970, U of I MS 1972, MD 1976, lives in Willowbrook, IL, has 2 children and is an ophthalmologist.

KATHY (MOUNT) DAVIS (JUNE 1966) lives in San Diego, CA and is a secretary.

RUSSELL SNYDER (JUNE 1966) graduated from MI State BS 1970, Central MI MS 1978, lives in Saginaw, MI and is a pharmaceutical sales rep.

RICHARD LUCANGIOLI (JANUARY 1967) graduated from FL U 1987, lives in Aurora, CO, has 1 child and is a horticulturist.

MARY MOUNT (JANUARY 1967) lives in Austin, TX and is a US Customs and border protection assistant.

THEODORE PAPPAS (JANUARY 1967) graduated from U of NM 1972, lives in Itasca, IL and is a sales rep.

KATHY (MC ALLISTER) SCHRAMM (JANUARY 1967) lives in Richmond, IL, has 2 children, 4 grandchildren and is retired.

PANELOPE (COUGHLIN) FLUGER (JUNE 1967) graduated from Southern IL MS Ed 1972, lives in Little Rock, AR, has 3 children, 2 grandchildren and is a preschool director.

MARCIA (WALSH) HEDBORN (JUNE 1967) graduated from Northern BS 1971, lives in Naperville, IL, has 3 children and is an administrative assistant.

DEBORAH (SCHWANTES) DOMES (JUNE 1968) lives in Elk Grove, IL, has 2 children 1 grandchild and is a teacher in Chicago.

MARY (STOKLOSA) FERRANDINAO (JUNE 1968) graduated from Western IL BA 1973, lives in Barrington, IL, has 2 children and is a teacher.

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KAREN FLYNN (JUNE 1968) graduated from Northern BS ed 1972, lives in Chicago and is a teacher at Steinmetz.

COLLEEN (MALONEY) LA PAGLIA (JUNE 1968) lives in Sandy Springs, GA, has 2 children and is a flight attendant.

WOODROW POWERS (JUNE 1968) lives in Fox Lake, IL, has 3 children, 2 grandchildren and is VP & general manager for a family business.

MILDRED (REYNOLDS) ZASADIL (JUNE 1968) lives in Schaumburg, IL, has 1 child, 1 grandchild and is an insurance agent.

ANNE LUNDE (1969) graduated from Rockford BA 1973, lives in Chicago and is a newspaper editor for Pioneer Press and a TAA Hall of Famer.

VALERIE (STEWART) SOSNOWSKI (1969) graduated from Ravenswood Hospital RN 1973, MS 2005, lives in Lindenhurst, IL, has 1 child and is an RN director of surgical services.

BARBARA (MUSUR) STAEHLE (1969) graduated from De Paul BS 1982, lives in Downers Grove, IL, has 1 child and is a VP, tax manager for Northern Trust.

GLENDA (HODGSON) VITEK (1969) graduated from Chicago City AA 1971, lives in Wichita Flass, TX, has 2 children and is a comptroller.

1970s

DEBRA (EWANIC) ALLEN (1970) graduated from U of I BS 1974, Med 1981, lives in Columbia, MO, has 3 children and is a university administrator.

LYNN (HALICKI) ARNOLD (1970) lives in Cary, IL, has 1 child and is a bookkeeper.

RICHARD DOCTOR (1970) graduated from Northwestern 1974, lives in Lisle, IL, has 2 children and is in research and development.

PAUL KRUTY (1970) graduated from U of Chgo BA 1974, U of WI MA 1984, Princeton PhD 1989, lives in Urbana, IL, and is an architecture professor.

RICHARD ANDERSON (1971) graduated from SIU BS, lives in Schaumburg, IL, has 4 children and is a Schaumburg firefighter, Battalion Chief.

MICHAEL JAKUBOWSKI (1971) graduated from U of I BS 1975, lives in Arlington Hts, IL, has 3 children and is a database administrator at the Chicago Mercantile.

JEAN (WALSH) KLAMERUS (1971) graduated from Wright AA 1974, lives in Park Ridge, IL, has 2 children and is a stay at home Mom.

EDWARD KNAPP (1971) graduated from Southern IL BS 1976, lives in Glen Ellyn, IL, has 2 children and is in insurance sales.

MARK LIES (1971) lives in Kingsford, MI, has 3 children and is in consumer electronics.

MARY KAY (SABINO) KENNEDY (1973) graduated from U of I BA 1976, Hastings College JD 1983, lives in Redwood City, CA and is a lawyer.

ROBIN (ADKINS) LASNOSKI (1973) graduated from Marquette BS 1972, lives in Oneida, WI, has 2 children, 2 grandchildren and is retired.

GLENN LUIKAART (1974) lives in Machesney Park, IL, has 3 children, 1 grandchild and is a railroad repairman.

CYNTHIA (CLAY) CROUSE (1975) graduated from Columbia College BS 1991, lives in Crystal Lake, IL and is a CEO Int'l Trade Assoc, and competes in adult national level in ice skating.

GUY HOFF (1975) lives in Chicago, has 1 child and is an auto mechanic.

ANNE MICKEY (1975) lives in Phoenix, AZ, assist in building schools and helping women of Afghanistan also director of sales western region for Carnival Cruise Lines.

DEBORAH ALTMAN (1977) lives in Chicago and is a graphic artist.

THOMAS LAFIN (1977) MARRIED JEANNINE (BENSEN) (1980), they live in Flower Mound, TX and have 2 children.

JOHN MATELING (1977) MARRIED KAREN (BECKER) (1977) he graduated from Northwestern BS 1981, U of I MS, Karen graduated from U of I BS 1981,

they live in Grayslake, IL, have 4 children. John is a senior safety specialist at Quaker Oats, Karen is an occupation therapist for the Grayslake school district.

ROBERT PAHL (1977) lives in Lake Villa, IL, has 2 children and is maintenance manager for a pharmaceutical company.

KAREN (KLODA) STOLZMAN (1977) lives in Lake Forest, IL, has 4 children and is self employed in a plastics company

JOYCE (BETTINGER) REDA (1978) graduated from Western BA 1982, lives in Lake Forest, IL, has 2 children and is a substitute teacher.

1980s

ROBERTA CIHLAR (1983) lives in Skokie, IL and is a facilities services supervisor.

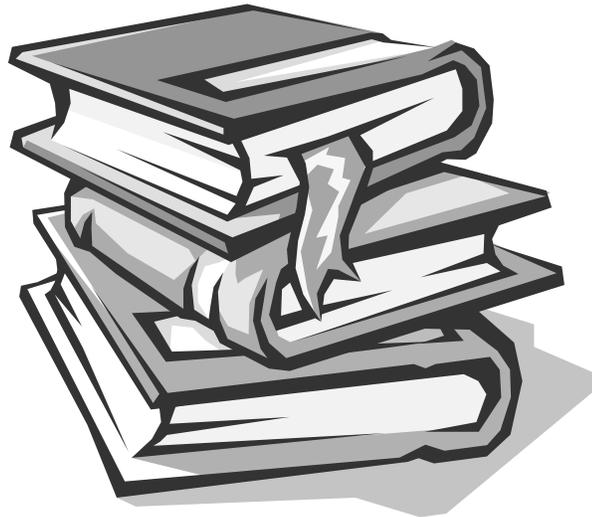
JOSEPH CZOPEK (1983) graduated from US Naval Academy BS 1990, lives in Annandale, VA, has 3 children and is an engineer.

SONIA RICHTER (1983) lives in Norridge, IL, has 2 children and is a divestment analyst for a major oil company.

PHILIP COMPTON (1984) graduated from U of CO BA 1991, U of Denver MA 1995, lives in Pueblo, CO, has 3 children and is a middle school principal.

ESTHER (VARGAS) MURO (1986) lives in Chicago and is a Century 21 realtor.

TRACY STAPLETON (1988) graduated from Northeastern BA 1993, lives in Chicago and is an account executive.



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The original Rydell High

By Yaryna Klimchak

Jim Jacobs, the writer of the musical *Grease*, visited Taft on Dec. 14 to film an interview for his upcoming TV show. You're the One that I Want.

"It's kind of like American Idol in the sense that at the end the nation picks the stars, but it is a lot more difficult because not only do our winners have to know how to sing but they also have to know how to dance and act well," said Jacobs.

You're the One that I Want will premier in Jan of 2007 on NBC and the actors who win will get to perform as the lead rolls of Danny and Sandy in June on Broadway.

"The last time I visited Taft was in 1989 when Taft was celebrating its 50 year anniversary. It was also when Taft put up its alumni Hall of Fame," said Jacobs.

Jacobs also stated that teenagers have changed quite a bit since his time at Taft.

The only thing teenagers

back then and now have in common is age. Today teenagers are much more into technology with their computers, cell phones and ipods." said Jacobs. Jacobs implied Taft no longer has its "greasers" which were local kids who were into cars, rock & roll, and girls. Today's stereotype of preps and jocks were called "collegiate" or kids who were more than likely going to attend college.

"I went to Taft from 1956-

been better than being a teenager." said Jacobs.

Unlike the "collegiate" Jacobs never went to college instead he went straight into the work force, first having a few odd jobs such as working at factories and offices. Jacobs first got into theater and acting when he worked as an office boy for the Chicago Tribune. He went to a little theater that a man he worked, with suggested and watched plays.

Jacobs instantly became in love with theater and began to pursue a career in acting which landed him in Broadway.

"There's no formula for success, a lot is what you make of your fantasies and dreams. Keep working and keep dreaming. Pursue your dreams but I do admit there is a lot of luck involved. Do it while you're young, while you

have good health and of course while you have your ambition." said Jacobs.



Jim Jacobs (in light-colored pants) visited Taft with former classmate Sue (Blumenthal) Houff (blond in striped top), Billy Bush (far right) and his production crew last December.

1960: this was the Golden Age of rock and roll. Nothing could have

Introducing Taft Alumni Association Board Member



Arlene (Laufer) Ware, class of June 1960, was married to **Ron Ware** (Jan. 1956) for forty years. Ron died in 2002. She said, "I have one daughter who married May 2006. I work part-time selling wallpaper, window treatments and doing in-home design consulting.

"I became interested in TAA through my friendship with Shirley DeWeese - TAA VP and Treasurer, who suggested I may like to participate and, of course, I believe in the scholarship program. My email address is -arlenew4172@aol.com."

Note: This bio is being repeated from last issue as we inadvertently left off Arlene's "then and now" photos.

Letters to the Editor

Dear Mrs. Kuciak,

Perhaps you know of someone who collects Taft memorabilia. If so, you might wish to pass along the enclosed material.

The Souvenir Edition of the Taft Founders March is especially interesting since it signed by **Mr. Rapier**, the composer.

Additional signatures of interest are **Mrs. Lewis** (Latin Teacher), **Mr. Teuscher** (Assistant Principal), **Mr. Puippo** (Biology Teacher) and some really nice students.

I think of the people of Taft often. Sometimes I wonder how different my high school life would have been if I had chosen to be a serious student instead of the mindless adolescent I was. Maturity arrived late.

Thank you [to you] and the other officers and directors for [your] good work.

Bill Bessemer (June 1942)
Vacaville, CA

[Editor's Note: The Taft Alumni Association truly appreciates your generosity and we have added your kind donation of "stuff" to our archives. They will be excellent resources for future exhibits of Taft history. J. Bloom, TAA newsletter editor]

Dear Jerry,

...[I] read the story about me in the last issue and had to laugh, sounded like I shed my slacks and went to class without the skirt!!! Always a great issue. ... [The classes] of Jan. and June 1946 had a very successful

reunion in Sept. Everyone should attend at least one reunion in their life. I have been able to attend every reunion held and even other classes from Taft. January of 1946 may already be planning another in two years, it was that much fun to get together.

Hope to make it to Florida for the 5th Annual picnic [All Taft class reunion] at De Soto Park on March 18th. Looking forward to it already. See you then.

Mariann Leversen-Erlenbach
(January 1946)

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Taft's Gun Stolen by Ruthless Serial Killer

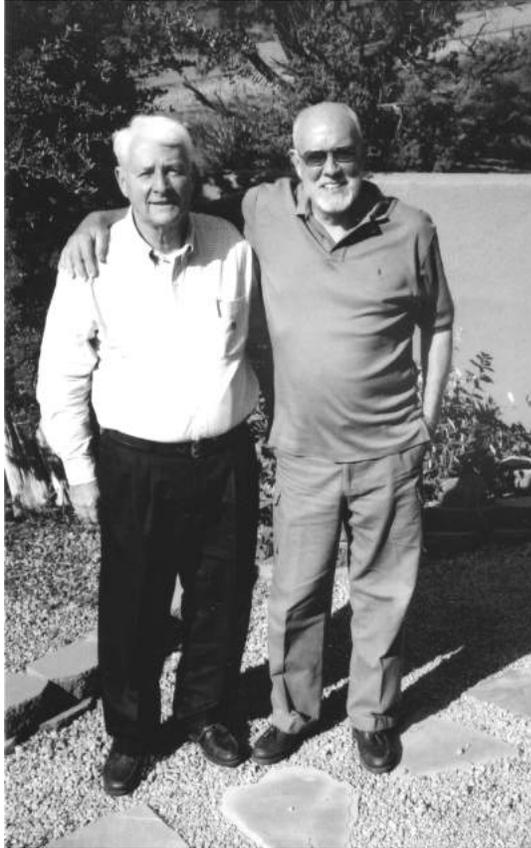
A researcher for *The Courant* newspaper of Middletown CT, Marlene Clark reveals a very shocking tidbit of history on our namesake, President William Howard Taft. In a recent column from her paper, she stated, "After serving in the White House from 1909 to 1913, William Howard Taft went to work as a law professor at Yale University in New Haven. Taft's house on Whitney Avenue was burglarized in 1920, and a serial killer made off with the former president's .45-caliber handgun. It was subsequently used in at least 10 murders."

Our President Taft? No, it couldn't be! Not wanting to perpetuate untruths or false statements, this editor [Jerry Bloom] scoured the Internet to confirm those facts.

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Dear Jerry,

I thought you might be able to find a spot in an upcoming newsletter for the enclosed photos.



Dick Traugott (January 1957) and I first met as opponents when we played against each other in the 1953 northwest side grammar school basketball championship game. That game was played at the Norwood Park field house and my school, Onahan, defeated his Edison Park team. By the fall of 1956, however, we were teammates on a 7-1-1 Taft football team that won the Northwest White Division championship and reached the quarterfinals of the city league playoffs.

The previous semester we had been opponents on a second occasion when we both ran for president of the Student Council. This time Dick won. After Taft we went our separate ways and had only seen each other once since then until this fall.

Our second meeting since leaving Taft occurred when Dick and his lovely wife, Lou, came to Arizona in mid October to attend the Phoenix wedding of their youngest daughter. The night after the ceremony they attended the Bears vs. Cardinals football game at the home team's new domed stadium in Glendale. Then the following morning, after the Bears incredible comeback victory, the Dick and Lou headed out for the Grand Canyon. Fortunately, on their way there they were able to stop off in Red Rock country and spend the night with my wife and I at our home in Sedona. Dick and I had not seen each other since January of 1966, when by coincidence we ended up at the same downtown Chicago employment agency. I moved to San Francisco shortly after our chance meeting, but Dick told me during his visit that his interview that day resulted in his obtaining a position with 3M where he worked for the next 33 years. The Traugotts are retired and now live in Hendersonville, North Carolina.

Lynn I. Terry (June 1957)

P.S.: In the recent photo, Dick is the one with a full head of hair and I'm not!

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EIGHT SEEK HIGH OFFICE



L. to R. 1st Row: Nola Goebel, Nancy France, Linda DeVille, Marcia Spark. Top Row: Ronald Jedlinski, Dick Traugott, Lynn Terry, Norman Olson. (Photo by Walker)

The Student Council elections were held on Friday, February 24, preceded by skits presented by each nominee at an assembly, Thursday, February 23.

Those seeking the gavel position were Dick Traugott, senior, and Lynn Terry, junior. Lynn is a member of the basketball and baseball teams, and Dick is a member of the football team.

Nominees for Vice President were Linda DeVille, junior and former Secretary of Student Council, and Nancy France, junior and a cheerleader.

Ron Jedlinski and Norman Olson, both juniors were hoping to be elected to count the money in the Treasurer's position. Ron is a Managing Editor of the Trib and Norm is a member of the swimming team.

And last, but not least, Nola Goebel, junior, and Marcia Spark, senior, both very active in Student Council, were nominees for Secretary.

Due to our advance deadline date we are unable to publish the winners of the election in this issue. Consult the Taft Trib News Bulletin Board for the results.

Interested in Coming?

The next Taft Alumni Association meeting is scheduled for May 10, 2007 at 7:00 pm at Taft High School. All alumni and friends of Taft are welcome to attend.

Dear Jeraldene,

The last two issues of the Taft Alumni Newsletter referred to some past athletic participation.

The Spring 2006 Newsletter referred to the present and past basketball teams. The past basketball program, which began in 1974 and ran for twenty-five years, was quite unique. In 1974, Taft High School had probably the finest football program in the CPL. At that time, the fine student athletes who participated in the basketball program were determined to have an excellent basketball program as well. Strangely, but gratefully, this strong desire on the part of these initial basketball players at Taft was passed on from year to year. Players who did not even personally know the past basketball players were drawn into that initial desire and thus continued the tradition. Most alumni are aware of the great basketball accomplishments of these dedicated student athletes. The Taft team dominated the North Red Division for many years through the mid nineties and was always a strong contender in the city play-offs. These men and their accomplishments were truly among the best in the CPL and the State of Illinois. The players have been and are a credit to the excellent status of Taft High School.

As the coach of these young men, I was and still am proud of their accomplishments and continued success in their daily lives. Most people cannot fully appreciate the dedication these young men had for the Eagles. At this time I would like to salute all those individuals who participated in any way with the basketball program. You all were the heart of Taft High School.

Taft High School is fortunate to have **Coach Nishibayaski** as its present basketball coach. We passionately worked together for many years. He is an exceptional and highly qualified individual.

Also mentioned in the Summer 2006 Newsletter, was the girls' softball program. I wish to congratulate the present girls and **Coach Vidas** on their 2006 accomplishment. Coach Vidas is an excellent coach and a true friend.

Uniquely again, the young ladies who began the softball program, captured the same desire that the young men had in the basketball program. They wanted to be the best!

And they were. That desire began in 1985 and proceeded for twelve years. During that period of time, Taft was usually in the finals of the city championship series, nine years, winning the city championship three times in undefeated seasons and making three Elite Eight IHSA state tournament appearances. Taft was by far the most respected CPL team in the state tournaments. The relentless effort of the Eagles was invigorating during those years. The team and each individual player did Taft proud?

As coach of these fine young ladies, I am proud of the fine tradition that they established. Their constant pursuit of excellence was very gratifying. Their determination was greatly appreciated.

Finally, I am and these student athletes were proud to represent Taft High School. Those programs were unique and cannot be duplicated. New programs will establish their own Taft's history. I will always remember the excellent individuals - players, coaches, teachers, administrators, office personnel, students and supporting staff - in these programs who contributed significantly toward making Taft High School the fine institution that it was and is.

Only the things done for eternity will last. Thank you.

Frank Hood, Coach
Taft High School



Jerry,

To give credit where credit is due, the "Time Marches On..." piece comes from the Beloit College Mindset List - <http://www.Beloit.edu/~pubaff/mindset/index.html>.

This list has gotten extensive publicity since it was first released in 1998. It "is used by educators and clergy and by the military and business in their efforts to connect with the new generation."

Bob Fizzell (Taft '57, Beloit '61)

Dear TAA,

Last year our group from St. Charles, MO started from Fort Mandan, near Bismark ND on April 2nd to coincide with the original departure of the Corp of Discovery in 1805. One of the most interesting areas on the Missouri River is the wild and scenic White Cliffs from Fort Benton, MT to Peck Lake and Dam. My wife and I were able to join this part of the Missouri [River] on our own, floating downstream for 125 miles, taking five days to do so. After this trip, I joined the group of re-enactors in Dilliam, MI on the Beaverhead River and a portion of the Lemhi Pass into Idaho. I spent one week in 2005.

This year, 2006, is the final year as Lewis/Clark arrived back in St. Louis on Sept. 23, 1806 after two years, four months and nine days on the trail. As this was the final year, I wanted to be sure to be with them into St. Louis. We drove west in August and again did a canoe trip on our own down the Green River for 75 miles as a tune up. I then joined our group on the Missouri near Sioux city IA for the final phase into St. Louis, and paddled a dugout canoe for 14 days and about 300 of the 740 miles remaining. We arrived in St. Louis, as planned at 1200 Noon, same as Lewis/Clark on the same day 200 years later. Quite an experience.

H. Paul Rebscher (January 1953)

[Editor's note: We first learned of Paul's experience with this group a couple years ago and highlighted him in our Autumn 2004 TAA newsletter. His group are re-enactors who did the journey of Lewis and Clark, starting from St. Charles, MO. J. Bloom, TAA Newsletter Editor]



Paul & Steve – between Decatur NE and Wilson Island, Iowa on the Missouri River. Sept 6, 2006



Paul in sunglasses paddling a dugout fastened together for stability. Eight men to a canoe. – Decatur, NE Sept 5, 2006

Jerry,

One of the highlights of 2006 [for me] was a visit to Marshall Field's in downtown Chicago with a final luncheon at the Walnut Room with my dear friends Sharon, Gwen and Susie. It brought to mind how rich I am with the friendships of so many people across the country and beyond... What fun!



Both **Sharon (Blitzner) Deutscher**, left, and **Gwen (Kammien) Ginocchio**, the tallest, were [my] classmates in '67. All four of us, Suzie (Wilder) Grumman included [far right], were classmates at Prussing Elementary, class of '63. Suzie attended Steinmetz.

Paulette English (1967)

President Taft's Stolen Gun

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As was confirmed by several Internet sites, the story was true. After that burglary, the robber continued his life of violence and crime. The life of Carl Panzram was a series of unrelenting beatings by his brothers and subsequent criminal behavior by him. As a young man, he was already well indoctrinated in the reform school system. Even in the Army he received a general courtmartial in 1908 after pleading guilty to several counts of larceny and was sentenced to three years at Leavenworth prison in Kansas, where he was further brutalized.

This angry young man continued his life of crime by committing arson, assault, rape and robbery all around the country. In 1996, the movie "Killer: A Journal of Murder" was based on his life. He was cunning, always a step ahead of law enforcement until 1928 in Washington, D.C. when he was captured and convicted of burglary and housebreaking.

But, while back in Leavenworth, he murdered a laundry employee in 1929 and sentenced to hang September 5, 1930. He ultimately confessed to killing at least 22 people!

This is one piece of President Taft's life that was sheltered from us as we grew up, while taking U.S. History and learning about our namesake. One wonders... if the scandal papers were as popular in the 1930s as they are today, if the naming of our high school might have had a much different outcome.

*[Editor's note: Thanks to **RoseAnne (Baetz) Austin** (June '62) for sending this newspaper clipping to us.]*



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Jackets: \$30.00 each

Blue nylon windbreakers with a white flannel lining and snap front with a drawstring bottom. The silver emblem on the left breast area reads "TAFT HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI" with an eagle in the center: M (38-40) only, (X and XL SOLD OUT!)

Yearbooks: Suggested donation \$30

These yearbooks are hard to keep in supply. Requests are on a first-come, first-serve basis. Currently, as of December 11, 2006, we have the following yearbooks available:

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Deception Uncovered

It has come to our attention that an email has been circulating recently touting people to join the "William Howard Taft group" page. We believe it is a ploy to have you join or rejoin Classmates.com by clicking on the links within the message. The email is signed by a Chase Stevens.

We do not have any knowledge of this person, nor do we have any affiliation with any other website except our own. Please see the official website of the Taft Alumni Association details on the inside back page of this newsletter. Also, we do not share our TAA membership list nor our email directory to anyone.

Thanks to **John Placko** (June 1965) for bringing this deception to our attention by alerting our E-Mail Listing Co-ordinator Paulette English. As Paulette has noted, the Internet can be a wonderful place to re-connect with old friends, but one should know who they are communicating with and use caution when sharing personal information.

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