



Taft Alumni Newsletter

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"The" Scholarship Challenge

Responding to the front page article of the TAA winter 2010 newsletter, a member of the 1960 class has taken up the challenge extended by **Darlene Bruemmer Hendricksen** (June 1962). Darlene is the widow of **Robert "Bill" Hendricksen** (June 1960) and has donated a \$1,000 scholarship in his name each year for the last ten years.



Now another member of the 1960 class has picked up the gauntlet thrown down by Darlene. As the 50th reunion of that class approaches this coming October, the alum would like to challenge the classes of January and June, 1960, to give to the TAA scholarship fund. This alum will match all gifts, fifty cents on the dollar, given up to a total of \$20,000, for a class maximum of \$40,000. The time frame would be from now until December 31, 2010. This would then be a gift from the class of 1960 in honor of their fiftieth. What an incredible opportunity to pay it forward!

Although this challenge is limited to classes of 1960, perhaps this will spur other classes to do similar gifts or even another challenge.

Checks should be sent to Taft Alumni Association, 6530 W. Bryn Mawr Ave., Chicago, IL 60631, Attention: Scholarship Fund. **Be sure to write "1960 scholarship challenge" on the memo line.**

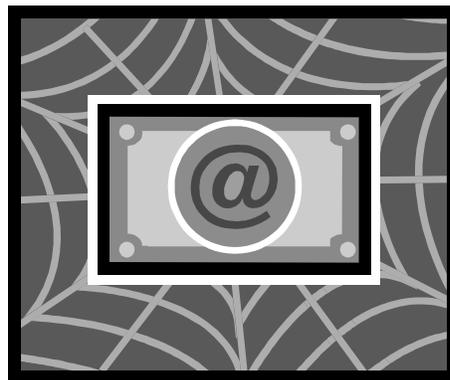
Our little brothers and sisters at Taft need our help now more than ever. This is a fantastic way to do it.

There's Only One TAA Website

Paulette English (1967) Web Editor

The growing number of Internet alumni websites demonstrates the desire for people to reconnect or remain connected to former classmates, and the ability of commercial enterprises to take advantage of that desire. The latest, brought to our attention by **Diane M. Cardella** (1978), is *USAREunited.com*.

While these websites are, for the most part, legitimate, they do not always make it clear that they are not affiliated with any school or any alumni association. They may, in fact, contact you in such a friendly way as to make themselves appear to be long lost friends.



Please, be alert! There is only one official Taft High School website (www.tafths.org) and only one official Taft Alumni Association website (www.taftalumni.org).

That ".org" is the clincher. It stands for "organization", typically not-for-profit. If you see a ".com" at the end of an address, you'll know that it's a commercial website for profit either through assessing a fee or through advertising dollars. As new information

comes to us, we'll pass it along to you so you'll know with whom you are dealing.

Taft Class Reunions

January/June 1960

Date: October 8-10, 2010
Place: Hyatt Regency O'Hare, Rosemont, IL
Contacts: **Shirley Kalivoda DeWeese**,
jtadsad22@comcast.net, 847-885-8655

Class 1965

Date: October 2, 2010
Place: Park Place Restaurant – Edison Park
Contacts: **Lee Marsh** at 847-359-1115
or email taft65@yahoo.com

Class 1966

Date: August 7, 2010
Place: Lamplighter's Restaurant - Palatine
Contacts: **Linda (Kelly) Sak**,
lulusak@aol.com or 847-705-9808 (Let it ring 8
times to leave a voicemail). This is an informal
gathering in prep for 45th reunion in 2011.

Class 1970

Date: September 25, 2010
Place: LaGrange Country Club, LaGrange, IL
Website: www.1970taftreunion.com
Gary Richert - gary.richert@comcast.net
Mike Costanzo - mikecostanzo1@gmail.com
Rick Winge - richardwinge@earthlink.net

Class 1971

Date: September 17, 2011
Place: Four Points Sheraton - Chicago
Contact: **Jim Lucchesi** –
lucchesifamily@sbcglobal.net
or **Mary Jane (Wojkiewicz) Mortensen**
nutstou2@aol.com

Class 1975

Date: September 17, 2010
Place: White Eagle Country Club, Naperville, IL
Contact: Kristie Sams-Faulkner at
ksams@eventplanning-info.com - Details at
<http://www.classcreator.com/Chicago-IL-Taft-1975>

Class 2002

Date: Initial planning stages
Place: Looking for committee members
Contact: **Jessica Washington** at
Jessicawash2008@yahoo.com

All Taft Classes -

8th Annual Reunion Picnic

Date: Sunday, March 13, 2011
Place: Ft. DeSoto Park, St. Petersburg, FL
Shelter number 14 - **Noon to 3 PM**
Cost: \$3/each
Pot Luck (a food item to share) + **BYOB**
(Note: photo shoot at 2:30 pm)
Contact: **Leon Kathan** (if needed)
117 Monte Real Blvd. Sebring, FL 33876 or
Email - leonkathan@yahoo.com



Show Your Logo!

Now that we hear the crack of the bat and the roar of the crowd, you could do with a great looking baseball cap for the new season. This is the one you need to show that you just can't hide that eagle pride. The adjustable, washable, one-size-fits-all cap displays the distinctive TAA logo embroidered—not printed—on blue for a quality look. The price is \$15.00 each plus \$6.00 S&H. Please order using the handy form at the end of this newsletter.

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.

For Oriole Park Alumni:

The Oriole Park School Educational Foundation is happy to announce two important fundraisers in this our first year as a not-for-profit organization. We will be hosting an evening event for adults called "Night Out", which will be held on May 14th at 6:30 pm at *Biagio's* at 4242 N. Central in Chicago. This will be a fun evening for parents, alumni and supporters of our community; please join us!

For our second fundraiser we are placing engraved paver bricks on the Oketo Avenue side of our school.

Leave your mark and your memories at Oriole Park School and participate.

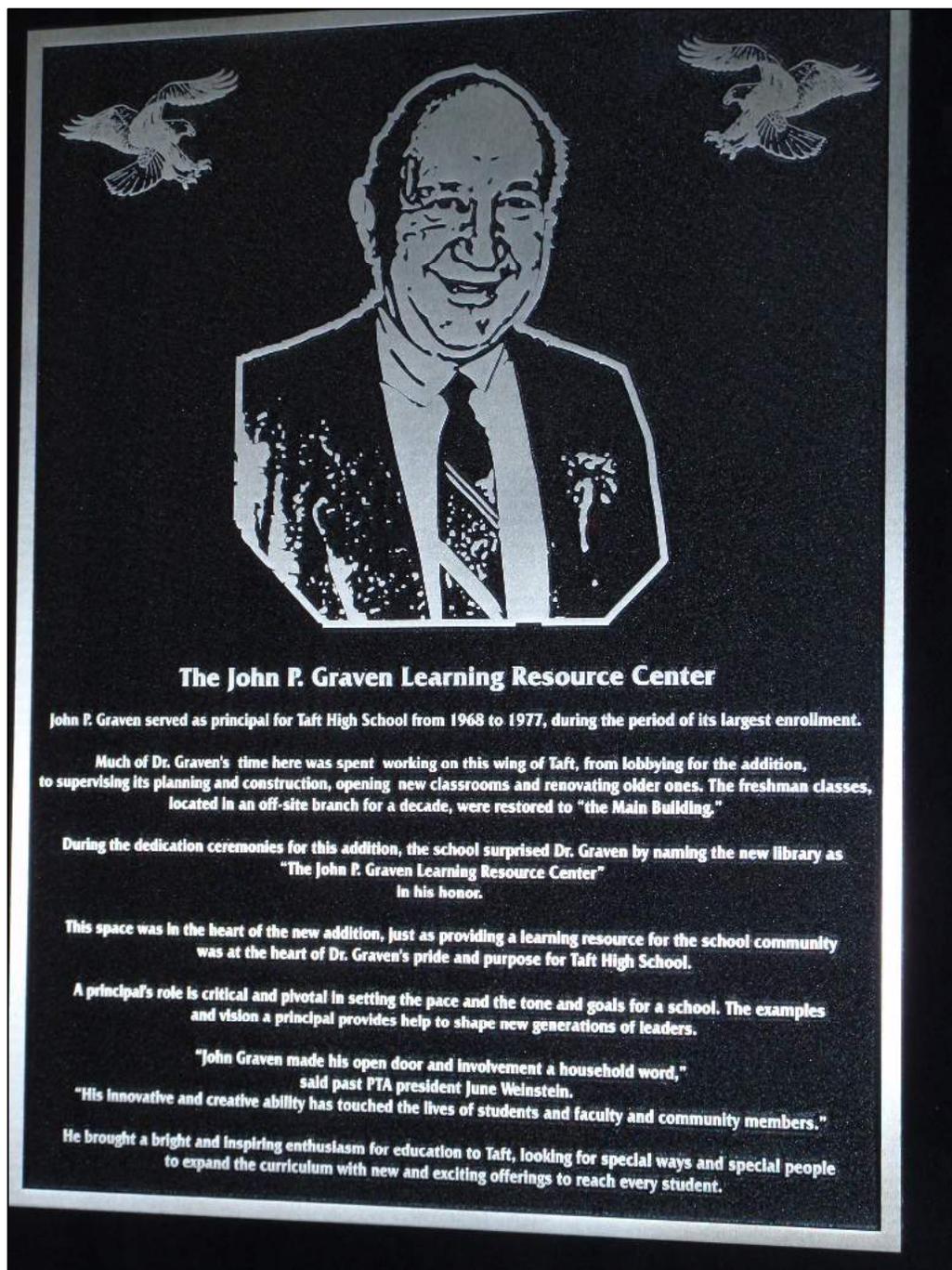
The OPS Educational Foundation would also like to keep in contact with the Alumni. We are interested in hearing from all graduates. Interested Oriole Park Alumni please contact **Matthew Malarski** (1990) at malarskm@wil-mette39.org .

Dr. Graven Plaque Dedication

A new plaque has been posted outside the main entrance to the Taft library by the Taft Alumni Association. Dedicated as part of the "new" addition in 1970, the John P. Graven Learning Resource Center was named in honor of Dr. Graven, the principal who spearheaded the planning and construction of that wing of Taft.

The library, already beginning to expand beyond just books, was conceived as a wider resource for all of Taft's learners.

The rededication ceremony, in conjunction with the Hall of Fame installation last fall, was attended by Dr. Graven's widow, Anastasia.



Recognizing the “Downing Sommers Way”

**6700 Block of Oshkosh Avenue, Edison Park, was Dedicated Feb. 13, 2010
to the Memory of Two Who Were Pioneers in Area Community**

Anne Lunde (1969)

Friends and family gathered as the 6700 block of North Oshkosh Avenue in Edison Park was dedicated on Feb. 13 as the honorary Downing Sommers Way, in memory of two area community theatre pioneers--**Peggy Sommers** and **James Downing** (June 1943)—who taught dance and drama there for four decades.

Downing's son, David, and Maurita Gavin, aide to Alderman Brian Doherty, 41st Ward, recognized the importance of Sommers' and Downing's contributions to introducing the arts to so many northwest area residents.

Attending the ceremonies from the Downing family were and his wife Rita, of Park Ridge, their children Sara and Jimmy, and David's cousins, **Gary Downing** (1969) and **Kathy (Downing) Dafnis** (1971). A young people's chorus from Edison Park United Methodist Church, whose members have appeared in productions at the church's James Downing Theatre, provided music.



Sommers had started her career as a dancer in New York, appearing in shows including the Marx Brothers' original stage version of “Animal Crackers.” A knee injury led her to study ballet as a means of therapy. She moved to Edison Park in the late 1930s and began teaching dance from a house in the 7200 block of West Ibsen Street.

Downing, an Edison Park native, attended Ebinger School and was an early 1940s graduate of Taft High School. He joined the Navy, serving in the Pacific in World War II. Back in Chicago in 1946, he studied at the Actor's Company. While he worked as an actor, he found his calling in directing plays in the Chicago area.

In 1949, Sommers and Downing teamed up and opened a dance and drama studio over what is now Zia's Ristorante, at Northwest Highway and Oliphant. Later that year they moved to 6705 N. Oshkosh Ave., in the basement of the old Edison Park State Savings Bank building, where the Peggy Sommers Studio would continue for another 40 years.

At one point the studio had over 300 students in dance, drama or both disciplines. They taught ballet, jazz and tap dance at the studio and ballroom dance in the Park Ridge schools. Among the drama students who went on to professional recognition were Carrie Snodgrass, Karen Black and How-

ard Platt. Another student, Hillary Rodham Clinton, went on to the world's political stage instead.

In addition to teaching, Downing and Sommers both directed community theatre productions in the area. They worked with the Newcastle Players (Edison Park and Norwood Park), the Playmakers Community Theatre and Park Ridge Community Theatre (both in Park Ridge), and shows at Edison Park United Methodist Church. They presented Lincoln Pageants and Dreams on Wheels, which involved singing, dancing and antique cars.

They retired from teaching in 1990, and some of Sommers' remaining teachers took over the business. In 1992, the Peggy Sommers Studio became the Studio of Dance and Drama and moved to the 6100 block of Northwest Highway in Norwood Park. Downing, who had moved to Park Ridge to raise his family, later worked for Bachman's Hardware in Park Ridge.

Sommers died in 2000. Downing died in 2005. In 2007, in Downing's memory, the Edison Park United Methodist Church—where he had been a member for many years—established the James Downing Theatre in conjunction with the church's John Waldron Arts Center. The Downing Theatre, now in its third season of shows, opened a month of performances of “The Fantasticks” on March 6.



Help Wanted

Taft Alumni Association is looking for a Taft grad (preferably) who is an insurance broker who can offer good quality liability insurance to our organization at a good rate. If you, or if you know someone with that ability, would contact Kay Kuciak with details, it would be appreciated. Connect with her at taftalum@cox.net.

Letters to the Editor

Dear Tom, Kay, Shirley and Arlene,
Just a note to express our **get well** wishes to all of you and to thank you for your continued service to the Taft Alumni, even through all the adversity! You guys are great! And our prayers are with you all.

Mick and Judy (Peinert) Geyer (June 1960)



Friends from January 1946

These long-time Taft friends met on January 25, 2010 for dinner and jazz at the Island Pub in Naples, FL. From L-R are **Gene Nugent, Bonnie (Weidman) Nugent, Barbara (Lawton) Loeschen and Len Bunge**, all from the January 1946 class.

To TAA
Subject: **George "Soeey" Maier** (June 1949)

[I] saw the letter regarding the subject and noted the reference to Marv, George's older brother. Marv was the original "Soeey". We had a softball team at Brooks Park in Edison Park and we called ourselves the Brooks Park Broncos. Our left fielder was **Marv Maier** (June 1947). He was so sure handed that we said anything hit to him was "in the well". Being teenagers we decided that wasn't good enuf so we said it was "in the sewer". A few games later we started calling Marv 'Soeey". Marv doesn't remember it this way but it can be confirmed by **Dave Perschke** (January 1948) and **Jerry Meltzer** (June 1947) who were both on the team.

Bill Fassnacht (January 1948)

To: TAA

I have been doing extensive research on deceased for class of 1971. You have a **Randell Holmes** listed as "deceased" [on the TAA website]. Would you please REMOVE [this name]? I have personally spoken with not only him but his wife as well. They also would appreciate the list be corrected.

There is a Randall Holmes that is deceased, but NOT from the class of 1971. At this time we have a list of 43 deceased classmates. When I have been able to truly confirm all of them I will send a list so the memorial website can be updated or corrected.

Thank You

Mary Jane (Wojtkiewicz) Mortensen (1971)

[Web-Editor's note: For what it's worth, I've removed Randall Holmes from the Memorials page based on Mary Jane's information. Someone may have seen an obit for a Randall Holmes and assumed it was a classmate from 1971. Paulette English]

I am an Oriole Park School (1986) and Taft High School graduate. My daughter is a kindergartner at Oriole Park School and I became a board member of the OPS Foundation. This is the inaugural year of the Foundation and we are going to try and make contact with any alumni. We were wondering if we would be able to put any foundation information about Oriole Park in your newsletter or website. We really want to just get our name out there to see if we can get any responses from alumni.

Another question we were wondering was if you have a list of Oriole Park Alums. One of the other board members is working with Lane Tech to see if we can make contact.

I am still involved at Taft High School as the Assistant Varsity Baseball Coach and we appreciated the regional championship picture you put on the summer issue of the team last summer.

Thank you for your time and all you do for Taft and its alums.

Matthew Malarski (1990)

[Editor's Notes: Matthew, This sounds like a mutually beneficial undertaking. I don't think we (TAA) have any lists of elementary school alumni, but we could, perhaps, ask them to step forward. Since we are already working on a Master Taft Grad listing, it would be easy to add a column for the (grammar) grade school name. Maybe an easy way would be to simply add a box to the TAA application form. See the article highlighting your new OPS Foundation project elsewhere in this issue. Best of luck with your project. Paulette English & Jerry Bloom]

To TAA:

Those who remember [teacher] **John Swider** from our days at Taft High School may remember that he retired to coach his daughter, Nancy, when she decided to return to compete in the Olympics after hav-

ing her first child. He not only coached, he babysat for Nancy Jr.

So [this past Winter Olympics which played out in February 2010], Nancy Swider-Pelz Sr. is coaching her daughter, Nancy Swider-Pelz Jr. in the Olympic speedskating. I hear she's competing in the 3,000 meters which should be sometime today [February 14]. They live in Wheaton now but Nancy Sr. is still associated with the Park Ridge speed skating group. Just a heads up on a Taft connection.

Anne Lunde (1969)



Wally Meisner '54 & his wife **Gayle (Schroeder) '55** visited with **Marlowe (Petrie) Sorensen '55** (in foreground) and her husband Woody (who took this photo) in Fountain Hills, Arizona reminiscing about the fun years at Taft and send a warm greetings to their Taft Alumni friends.

Hi Jerry,
I want to submit an address correction. In the last addition of the Taft Alumni Newsletter, in the Class Notes section, my town of residence was reported as Lake Geneva, Illinois. It should have read Lake Geneva, Wisconsin. Thanks.

John Grud (June 1958)

Dear Kay,
In a recent newsletter our Wildwood weekend dinner for the June 1959 reunion weekend was mistakenly described as an "all classes" reunion. I began getting calls from Wildwoodian's from every imaginable class....some who started when the 4-room school first opened (about the same time Taft opened) and some from recent classes--we were already sharing

our dinner site with Edison and Oriole Park Taftities so we had to close that part of the festivities...but welcomed all to the tour of Wildwood,

We asked that anyone attending make a donation, any amount they chose to Wildwood. We never thought to take a headcount, but we turned \$720 over to the Principal Elena Savoy! There were out-of-state folks who drove in, there were younger brothers and sisters of classmates, there was a whole family who showed up - three brothers, wives and kids! There were a few who still lived in the neighborhood and had seen their own kids through Wildwood!

I thank whoever made that error....I had a ball! I truly appreciate all you've done to keep old friends in touch, I'm sure you don't hear "thank you" nearly often enough.

Penny (Eichin) Isaacson (June 1959)

To TAA:

I love getting my 'green' Taft Alumni Newsletter. Thanks to everyone's efforts to make this happen! Now that I do get it electronically, I do not see the sticker with my membership expiration date, which I always relied on to remind me to renew each time! Is there a way I can find out when my membership does expire, so I can be sure to keep it renewed? Thank you again.

Valerie Stewart Sosnowski (1969)

[Valerie, we're so glad you're enjoying the newsletter online. You've asked a great question--you obviously don't want to miss a single issue! The answer is that we will notify you by email (with an attached membership form) in plenty of time for you to submit your dues. Thanks for asking. Paulette English, Web Editor]

To TAA:

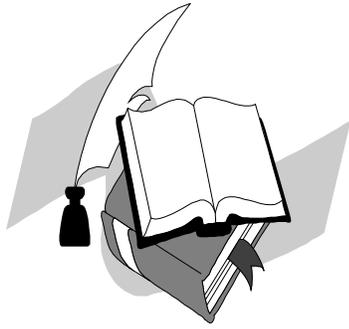
I was curious I was wondering I'm class of 2000 of Taft and was wondering if we are going to have a reunion for 2010? It's been 10 years I thought we did reunions in 10 year spans. I haven't seen any word about it can you let me know if the class of 2000 is going to have a reunion this year?

Rachael Lukaszewski (2000)

sweethoney021@yahoo.com

[Rachel, thanks for your interest in a reunion. To date we've had no news of a 10 year reunion for the class of 2000. (By now, everyone knows what I'm going to say next.) This doesn't mean YOU can't get things going. Remember, reunions can be a casual dress-down-picnic-in-the-forest-preserve or fancy-hotel-five-course-dinner-and-a-DJ formal. You decide. And, there's no law against an 11 year reunion, either. I'm sending you a tip sheet on reunion planning (also available online), and I hope you seriously consider taking on the task. If you do, please send us the plans to post in the newsletter and on the website. If you are not a member of TAA, please join us. Good luck and have fun! Paulette English, Web Editor]

Class Notes



1940s

FRANK ZE-MAITIS (1940) married **JANE (JEWELL)** (JUNE 1943); they live in Porter, IN, have 2

children and are retired. Frank was the 1st President of the TAA.

VIRGINIA (HUNT) BARNETT-BUCHNER (JUNE 1941) lives in Placerville, CA, has 5 children, 7 grandchildren, 13 great grandchildren and is a retired HS registrar.

RALPH CAPPARELLI (JANUARY 1942) graduated from Northern BS 1951, lives in Chicago, has 2 children, 4 grandchildren, is an IL State Representative and a TAA Hall of Famer.

BETTY (KLIMEK) MACK (JANUARY 1942) lives in Omaha, NE, has 3 children, 9 grandchildren, 6 great grandchildren and is retired.

MARY (BOARINI) IDSTEIN (JUNE 1942) lives in Mc Henry, IL, has 5 children, 12 grandchildren, 7 great grandchildren and is a retired bookkeeper.

MARGARET (MAREK) NEUMAR (JUNE 1942) lives in Glenview, IL and is a retired secretary.

ROBERT WLEKLINSKI (JANUARY 1943) married **GERMAINE (PETERMANN)** (JUNE 1945), he graduated from Loyola BSC 1950, they live in Arlington Hts, IL, have 2 children, 6 grandchildren and are retired.

RAY SWANSON (JUNE 1943) lives in St Charles, IL, has 2 children, 2 grandchildren and is retired.

ROBERT FLUM (JANUARY 1944) graduated from Northern BS 1950, MS 1958, lives in Mineral Point, WI, has 8 children, 18 grandchildren, 14 great grandchildren and is a retired school superintendent..

ROBERT MILLER (JANUARY 1944) lives in Park Ridge, IL, has 4 children, 5 grandchildren, 2 great grandchildren and is retired.

HAROLD TERSCH (JANUARY 1944) married **BETTY (GRABOWSKI)** (JUNE 1946), they live in Plano, TX, have 4 children, 5 grandchildren, 5 great grandchildren and are retired.

MICHAEL GLIENNA (JUNE 1944) lives in Chicago, has 3 children, 4 grandchildren and is a retired court reporter and boxing judge.

EDWIN HLDWEIN (JUNE 1945) married **JOAN (CZIRAK)** (JUNE 1947), Ed graduated from U of WA BS 1949, CPA 1951, Joan graduated from Boise St AS 1973, they live in Boise, ID, have 2 children and are retired.

PAT (MILLER) BURGER (JUNE 1946) graduated from Harper AS 1970, Northeastern BA 1974, lives in Temecula, CA, has 2 children, 2 grandchildren and is a dental hygienist.

ROBERT HOLMES (JUNE 1946) graduated from IIT BS 1950, Purdue PhD 1953, lives in Sunapee, NH, has 3 children, 9 grandchildren and is an emeritus professor of chemistry and winters in San Diego, CA.

WILLIAM ROEHL (JUNE 1946) graduated from U of KS BS 1950, Princeton MFA 1955, lives in Noank, CT, has 2 children, 4 grandchildren and is an emeritus professor at City U in New York.

DOLORES (SHERMAN) WEEDA (JUNE 1946) graduated from Northwestern BS 1950, Northeastern MA 1977, lives in Wyoming, MN, has 2 children, 2 grandchildren and is a retired teacher.

SHIRLEY (MILLER) TURNER (JANUARY 1947) lives in Mt Prospect, IL, has 2 children, 6 grandchildren, 2 great grandchildren and is a housewife.

RICHARD VLASAK (JANUARY 1948) graduated from De Paul B 1953, MA 1961, U of I PhD 1968, lives in FT. Atkinson, WI, winters in Largo, FL, has 3 children, 8 grandchildren and is a retired university professor.

JACK BERGREN (JUNE 1948) married **LALIA (MAIWORM)** (JUNE 1950), they live in Burlington, WI, have 4 children, 5 grandchildren and are retired.

WILLIAM MC ILVAINE (JUNE 1948) graduated from Walton School of Commerce BSA 1950, CPA 1951, lives in Racine, WI, has 6 children, 7 grandchildren and is a retired CPA.

TERRY MURPHY (JUNE 1948) graduated from Lake Forest College BA 1952, lives in Cibolo, TX, has 6 children, 17 grandchildren and is a retired sales rep.

WANDA (NELSON) STENZEL (JUNE 1948) graduated from North Park AA 1950, lives in Prince-

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ton, IL, has 4 children, 9 grandchildren and is a piano teacher and organist.

SHELDON MEHR (JANUARY 1949) graduated from CA State MA 1959, UCLA BA 1953, lives in Los Angeles, CA, has 1 child, 2 grandchildren and is a retired college professor and author of children's books.

WILLIAM NEUBAUER (JANUARY 1949) LIVES IN Chicago and has 1 child.

VIRGINIA (SCHULTZ) VERSCHUEREN (JANUARY 1949) lives in Spring Grove, IL, has 2 children, 3 grandchildren and is a retired computer operator.

ARVID ALVIN (JUNE 1949) lives in Sturgeon Bay, WI, has 2 children, 4 grandchildren and is a retired supt./estimator of landscaping.

MARY (FORSLAND) HARNER (JUNE 1949) graduated from Northwestern BS 1954, lives in Lake Geneva, WI, has 2 children, 2 grandchildren and is a retired teacher.

JESSIE (DOUGLAS) USDROWSKI (JUNE 1949) lives in Elk Grove, IL, has 2 children, 1 grandchild and is retired.

HENRY WAGNER (JUNE 1949) married ROSALYN (COY) (JUNE 1952), they live in Lillian, AL, have 5 children, 11 grandchildren, 2 great grandchildren and are retired. Henry played 3 years pro-baseball after playing on the 1949 city championship team.

1950s

DONALD CHASSEE (JUNE 1950) lives in Dellwood, WI, has 5 children, 15 grandchildren, 6 great grandchildren and is retired.

JOAN (PFLUG) EURICH (JUNE 1950) lives in Mt Prospect, IL, has 3 children, 6 grandchildren and does real estate.

MARGARET (KREBS) GRUMBINE (JANUARY 1951) lives in Schiller Park, IL, has 3 children and is retired.

JOHN NELSON (JANUARY 1951), lives in Schaumburg, IL, has 4 children, 7 grandchildren and is a telephone tech.

ROBERT EBENHAHN (JUNE 1951) graduated from U of No. DK 1953, U of IA 1955, lives in Saratoga, CA, has 3 children, 5 grandchildren and is a retired airline pilot.

WILLIAM FORNEY (JUNE 1951) graduated from IN BS 1955, lives in Bloomington, IN, has 4 children, 8 grandchildren and is a retired accountant/farmer.

RICHARD LALLY (JUNE 1951) graduated from Chicago Tech College 1958, lives in Edgerton, WI, has 2 children, 4 grandchildren and is retired.

MARILYN (PAULSON) KETCHPAW (JUNE 1952) graduated from Wright AA 1956, lives in Winter Haven, FL; has 5 children, 8 grandchildren, 6 great grandchildren and is retired.

LESLEY (LENIAK) PARRISH (JUNE 1952) lives in Grand Junction, CO, has 3 children, 8 grandchildren, 2 great grandchildren and is retired from paramedic/medical records.

ARLENE (ENGEL) GUSS (JANUARY 1953) lives in Belton, MO, has 5 children, 5 grandchildren, 4 great grandchildren and is a housewife.

PHYLLIS (GEISERT) UMPHRES (JANUARY 1953) graduated from Wesley Memorial Hospital RN 1956, lives in Chatsworth, CA, has 3 children, 7 grandchildren, 2 great grandchildren and is a retired RN and docent at the Ronald Regan Presidential Library.

JUDITH (MOERS) HARDMAN (JUNE 1953) lives in Mt Prospect, IL, has 5 children, 14 grandchildren, 2 great grandchildren and is a housewife.

LENORE (RAMELOW) IMONDI (JUNE 1953) graduated from North Park 1955, U of I MA 1957, U of RI MLS 1970, lives in Johnston, RI, has 1 son, 3 grandchildren and is a retired teacher/librarian.

MARILYN (ERICKSON) RAPINCHUCK (JUNE 1953) graduated from West Suburban Hospital RN 1956, lives in Oakdale, CA, has 4 children, 9 grandchildren and is a retired RN.

ALBERT NORDENGREN (JANUARY 1954) lives in Woodstock, IL, has 7 children, 13 grandchildren and is retired from construction.

ROBERT PHILLIPS (JUNE 1954) lives in Arlington Hts, IL, has 4 children, 10 grandchildren and is a retired field superintendent and heavy equipment operator.

DONALD RING (JUNE 1954) graduated from Northern BS 1958, U of MI 1961, Cornell PhD 1969, lives in Arlington Hts, IL, has 2 children, 4 grandchildren and is a retired principal from Niles West HS.

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THOMAS SOWKA (JUNE 1954) graduated from U of I BA 1958, lives in Decatur, IL and is a retired insurance broker.

DONNA (HEDSTROM) BOTZ (JUNE 1955) lives in Oshkosh, WI, has 2 children and is a retired secretary.

KENNETH KOLCONAY (JUNE 1955) lives in Park Ridge, IL, has 1 child and is retired.

ARLENE (JOHNSON) SCHOESSLING (JUNE 1955) lives in Chicago, has 3 children, 8 grandchildren and is a retired department secretary from Maine East.

MARLENE (CERNY) WILLIAMSON (JUNE 1955) lives in Glendale, AZ, has 3 children and is a retired secretary.

DOROTHY (ALMQUIST) ENGQUIST (JUNE 1956) graduated from Wesley Memorial Hospital RN 1959, lives in Downers Grove, IL, has 3 children, 5 grandchildren and is an RN.

MARION (SPIERLING) LEAVY (JUNE 1956) graduated from Wright AA 1988, lives in Chicago, has 4 children, 5 grandchildren and is a retired administration assistant at U of I.

PAULETTE (HUSE) MC GUIRE (JUNE 1956) graduated from IL State BS 1960, lives in Frankfort, IL, has 3 children, 3 grandchildren and is a retired teacher.

EDWARD RODRIGUEX (JUNE 1956) lives in Palatine, IL, has 8 children, 16 grandchildren and is a retired production supervisor.

LYNNETTE (DICKOW) CLOONEY (JUNE 1957) lives in Fox Lake, IL and is a purchasing manager.

ROBERT FIZZELL (JUNE 1957) graduated from Beloit BA 1961, Northwestern MAT 1966, PhD 1975, lives in Beloit, WI, has 3 children and is a retired professor and consultant.

DIANNE (SLATKEY) FRANTZIS (JUNE 1957) lives in Glenview, IL, has 2 children, 4 grandchildren and is self employed.

RONALD JEDLINSKI (JUNE 1957) graduated from Northwestern 1961, lives in Naples, FL, has 1 child, 2 grandchildren and is owner/CEO of Roman, Inc.

KENT WALLACE (JUNE 1957) graduated from IL Wesleyan BS 1962, lives in Dallas, TX, has 3 children, 4 grandchildren and is a retired investor.

MARGO (ANDERSON) MAKSTENIEKS (JUNE 1958) graduated from U of I BS 1962, lives in Woodridge, IL, has 2 children, 1 grandchild and is retired from biological research.

DAN ISACKSEN (JANUARY 1959) graduated from Bradley BS 1964, Rutgers 1982, lives in Bourbonnais, IL, has 3 children, 9 grandchildren and is a bank president.

MILLICENT (EICHIN) ISAACSON (JUNE 1959) lives in Deerfield, IL and is the retired owner of Hookers Nook, LTD.

PATRICIA (SANTELL) LUTZ (JUNE 1959) graduated from IL Wesleyan BS 1964, lives in Arlington Hts, IL, has 2 children and is director of public relations at Greater Woodfield Convention Bureau.

LARRY MARSH (JUNE 1959) graduated from US Naval Academy BS 1963, American U 1968, U of Munich 1970, lives in Great Falls, VA, and is retired Rear Admiral, US Navy-Submarines and a TAA Hall of Famer.

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 artist instructor.

JACQUELINE (METCALF) ABBETT (JUNE 1960) graduated from Marquette Dental Hygiene 1962, MI State BA 1986, lives in Okemos, MI, has 2 children, 3 grandchildren and is retired.

DENNIS FERSON (JUNE 1960) lives in Wakefield, MI, has 2 children, 2 grandchildren and is a retired labor relations manager.

GEORGE GEYER (JUNE 1960) married JUDY (PEINART) (JUNE 1960) they live in Mt Prospect, IL, have 4 children, 4 grandchildren, Judy is retired, George is a construction inspector.

SANDRA (MAHNKE) HOLMES (JUNE 1960) lives in Winchester, MO, has 3 children, 5 grandchildren and is a bookkeeper/tax preparer.

KATHY (YOST) PAGE (JUNE 1960) graduated from IL State MS 1965, lives in Benton, IL, has 2 children, 3 grandchildren and is retired.

NORM PHOENIX (JUNE 1960) graduated from Wright AA 1963, IIT BSEE 1967, MSEE 1972, Nat'l

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Lewis U MAT 2008, lives in Chicago and is a retired electrical engineer, now a math & physics teacher.

MARIANN (SCHLAGETER) STRASHEIM (JUNE 1960) lives in Marlow, OK, has 1 child, 2 grandsons and is retired.

RICHARD WENDRICKS (JANUARY 1962) lives in Hot Springs Village, AR, has 2 children, 1 grandchild and is a retired quality control auditor for Iowa.

MARILYN (PROCHASKA) COPELAND (JUNE 1962) graduated from Northern AA 1965, lives in Tampa, FL, has 2 children, 2 grandchildren and is an administrative assistant.

KAREN (RINKACH) JOHNSON (JUNE 1962) lives in Fox River Grove, IL, has 2 children, 3 grandchildren and is retired from real estate.

LYNN (HIBARGER) SARRACCO (JUNE 1962) married WILLIAM SARRACCO (JUNE 1960) they live in Snellville, GA, have 5 children, 3 grandchildren, Lynn is a real estate agent and Bill is in auto parts after-market business

RAY SETZKE (JUNE 1962) lives in Clearwater Beach, FL, has 2 children, 2 grandchildren and is retired from Ace Hardware Corp.

DON HOWARTH (JANUARY 1963) graduated from Carroll College BA 1967, U of WI MBA 1969, lives in Allentown, NJ, has 2 children, 2 grandchildren and is a retired partner in an accounting firm.

MARY (TERLECKI) MC KELVEY (JANUARY 1963) graduated from Northern BA 1967, lives in Wittman, AZ, has 2 children, 3 grandchildren and is a retired staff development co-coordinator.

JEANNE (WATROUS) ZYCH, graduated from U of WI BS 1967, IL State MS 1972, lives in Ft Myers, FL, has 2 children, 1 grandchild and is a retired teacher.

JAMES KUHAGEN (JUNE 1963) graduated from Augustana BA 1967, Penn St MeD 1968, U of I PhD 1975, lives in Arlington, VA, has 2 twin boys and is director at North VA training center, psychologist-behavioral.

SHARON (OLSON) RAINEY (JUNE 1963) lives in Loudon, TN, has 2 children 5 grandchildren and is a retired customer services manager.

LAWRENCE LARSON (JUNE 1964) graduated from U of I BSE 1972, U of So Cal MSSM 1978, Nat'l Defense U MA 1994, lives in State College, PA, has 3 children, 1 grandchild and is a director.

LLOYD MARQUARDT (JUNE 1964) graduated from U of I BS 1968, Purdue MS 1972, PhD 1974, lives in Smyrna, GA and is a human resources consultant.

DALE SCHUNK (JUNE 1964) graduated from U of I BS 1968, Boston U MeD 1974, Stanford PhD 1979, lives in Summerfield, NC, has 1 child and is a dean at U of NC.

BOB KRUKOWSKI (JANUARY 1965) graduated from SIU BS 1984, Webster U MBA 1992, lives in Lake Villa, IL is an author under the pen name of Robert Lloyd Franklin.

DONNA (LAMBRECHT) LEWANDOWSKI (JANUARY 1965) lives in Palatine, IL and is a medical business manager.

JAMES BATOR (JUNE 1965) lives in Downers Grove, IL, has 1 child and is a consulting cash flow broker.

JANE (SCHAEFER) BEHNKE (JUNE 1965) graduated from Western BS 1969, lives in Woodbury, NJ, has 3 children, 1 grandchild and is self employed.

LAWRENCE COCO (JUNE 1965) lives in Morton Grove, IL, has 3 children, 5 grandchildren and is in print sales.

CHRISTINE (MOTZNY) NELSON (JUNE 1965) graduated from Loyola BSN 1969, lives in Elk Grove, CA, has 2 children, 5 grandchildren and is an RN-nurse evaluator for CA DHCS.

RANDY OLSEN (JUNE 1965) lives in Goodyear, AZ, has 2 children, 5 grandchildren and is owner of ROK Construction.

LYNN (HINTZ) POZSGAY (JUNE 1965) lives in Mt Prospect, IL and is a retired banker and from real estate.

KENNETH CARLSON (JANUARY 1966) graduated from Triton AA 1976, lives in Mesa, AZ, has 2 children, 1 grandchild and is a retired Bartlett Police Office and is now paralyzed living in the VA nursing home in Phoenix.

LINDA (SPECKMAN) HARRETT (JANUARY 1966) graduated from Northern BS 1970, U of Louisville MA 1977, lives in Jeffersontown, KY, has 2 children, 3 grandchildren and is a retired teacher of a psychiatric hospital.

JOHN BROOKS (JUNE 1966) graduated from SIU BFA 1971, lives in Elk Grove, CA and is in sales.

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GARY HANSEN (JUNE 1966) lives in Northbrook, IL, has 2 children and is an engineer.

JOSEPH POPP (JUNE 1966) graduated from U of I BSME, lives in Lombard, IL, has 1 child, 2 grandchildren and is senior project engineer and a TAA director.

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

SANDIE (STEWART) TEPSICK (JUNE 1966) lives in Algonquin, IL and is an executive assistant.

JUDITH BOCK (JANUARY 1967) graduated from Northeastern BA 1971, MA 1982, lives in Grayslake, IL and is a retired educator.

MEL ELLINGSEN (JANUARY 1967) graduated from Western BS 1971, lives in Antioch, IL, has 2 children and is a sales administrator.

THOMAS LORENZ (JUNE 1967) lives in Wheeling, IL, has 1 child and is a police officer.

JUDITH (INGRAM) OWENS (JUNE 1967) graduated from Northeastern BS 1971, lives in Chicago, has 1 child, 1 grandchild and is a retired teacher.

MICHAEL HIONIS (JUNE 1968) married CARMELLA (CESARIO) (1969), he graduated from Northeastern BS 1973, Chicago State MS 1981, PhD 1995, they live in Chicago where Mike is a teach at Taft and also a TAA director.

BONNIE (BROOKS) LOPEZ (1968) lives in Arvada, CO, has 2 children, 2 grandchildren and is an aesthetician.

GAIL (GALLA) NEHRIG (JUNE 1968) graduated from U of MO BS 1978, lives in Estes Park, CO, has 2 children and is a homemaker.

CHUCK WIRTANEN (1968) graduated from Northeastern BS 1972, Northern MS 1985, lives in The Villages, FL and is a retired teacher and coach.

JAMES TRAUDT (1969) lives in Cary, IL and is an electrical contractor.

1970s

JIM BOBUS (1970) graduated from U of I BS 1974, Loyola MBA 1977, lives in Palatine, IL, has 3 children and is a marketing director.

CYNTHIA (GALLAGHER) CUMPIAN (1970) graduated from U of I BA 1974, lives in Chicago, has 1 child and is a business writer.

JUDY JACOBSEN (1970) married ROY NEGA (1969), they live in Hawthorn Woods, IL, have 1 child and is a staff accountant. Judy is a current TAA director board member.

RONALD KAZMAR (1970) graduated from U of I BS 1974, CPA 1974, Northwestern MA 1989, lives in Plainfield, IL and is CFO Central Steel & Wire Co.

KENNETH GAUGHAN (1971) graduated from Northeastern BA 1974, Loyola MSW 1977, EdD 2004, lives in Bradon, FL, has 1 child and is a supervisor-school social work services.

BRIAN JOHNSON (1971) graduated from U of IA BBA 1975, lives in Scottsdale, AZ, has 2 children and is a regional manager-Descarts Systems Group.

DAGMAR (STANKOVSKY) KLOS (1971) lives in Chicago and is a textile artist and wrote "The Dyers Companion" released in 2005.

MARY JANE (WOJTKIEWICZ) MORTENSEN (1971) married THOMAS MORTENSEN (1975). They live in Chicago and have 3 children and 1 grandchild.

NANCY (BALLA) EZRA (1972) graduated from Northeastern BA 1976, Cal State MA 1992, PhD 2007, lives in Van Nuys, CA, has 2 children and is a director, child psychology, Children's Hospital in LA.

JOHN MIKULKA (1972) graduated from Auburn BS 1985, IIT MS 1977, lives in Montgomery, AL and is a programmer.

PHILIP PETERSON (1973) graduated from St Joseph College BS 1977, lives in Villa Park, IL, has 1 child and is chief financial officer-ABT Electronics.

LINDA (ROSS) WEISS (1973) married ROBERT WEISS (1974), they live in Mt Prospect, IL, have 2 children, Linda is a bookkeeper for District 21, Robert is a LT Paramedic/engineer for the Schaumburg Fire Department.

NANCY (SZENDA) O' BRIEN (1975) lives in Niles, IL, has 3 children and is a housewife.

PAM (PROVENZANO) BALCER (1976) graduated from Ray Vogue, AA 1978, lives in Rolling Meadows, IL and has 2 children.

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GAIL (KRUSINAKI) HARNED (1976) lives in Lexington, KY, has 2 children and is a Curves owner, winters in Naples, FL.

KAREN KRUSE (1976) lives in Schaumburg, IL and is a write/author of "A Chicago Firehouse: stories of Wrigleyville Engine 78".

JANICE (VIDOVIS) MOUSCHOVIAS (1977) graduated from U of I BS 1981, Med 1984, lives in Urbana, IL, has 3 children and is a ballroom dance instructor and director of English Center USA.

EDWARD ECKHARDT (1978) lives in Elk Grove, IL and has 4 children.

LINDA (WEINDORF) CUSSEN married JOHN CUSSEN (1976), they live in Streamwood, IL and have 2 children.

ROSEMARIE WOLSKI (1979) graduated from Northeastern BA 1983, lives in Chicago and is a service representative.

1980s

WALDEMAR KOSCINSKI (1980) graduated from VA Tech MS 1993, IN U MS 2001, Nat'l Defense U MS 2003, lives in Manassas, VA, has 2 children and is a production director for Zumwalt Corp.

LISA (RENDER) HELMINSKI (1981) graduated from Northeastern BA 1987, lives in Palatine, IL, has 1 child and is a graphic designer.

LISA (TERDINA) HOROWITZ (1982) lives in Chicago and has 2 children.

RON OLLE (1985) married BARBARA (HEINZ) (1970), they live in West Chicago, Ron is a land surveyor, Barb is an occupational therapist.

CHRISTINE WHITTY (1988) graduated from De Paul MBA 1999, lives in Batavia, IL, has 2 children and is a managing examiner.

In Our Memories

William Walton Funk, class of June 1942, passed away in September 2009.

Mildred (Idle) Wilcox, class of June 1942, died January 28, 2010 from Parkinson's Disease.

Edward Malesky, class of June 1945, died January 10, 2010.

Carolyn (Sharman) Christensen, class of June 1946, died in February, 2010. A graduate of Northwestern University, she was last known as residing in California.

Norma (Rigoni) Eaker, class of June 1948, died on February 28, 2010.

G. Werner Fritsch, class of January 1949, passed away April 2009 from cancer.

James Arnold Hallman, class of June 1960 died March 2, 2010 as a result of a SCUBA diving accident.

Judith Gail Tomal, class of June 1960, died March 18, 2007. She had been living in Las Vegas, NV.

Norman Michael Fruhauf, class of 1967, passed away on July 11, 2009.

Paul Robert Webster, class of 1970, passed away in February 2010 after a four-year battle with kidney cancer. He lived in Woodstock, IL.



If you learn of a classmate, faculty member or other person affiliated with Taft High School who is deceased, or if any of the information we present appears to be in error, please contact us so that we can remember them with respect both in the newsletter and on our Memorials page online. *Thank you.*

TAA Board Meeting

The next TAA board meeting will be held at Taft on May 13, 2010 at 7:00 pm.

Alumni are *always welcome* to attend.

7th Annual All-Class Picnic

"So sorry we will not be able to attend. Did not realize this was an annual event since I live so close (Safety Harbor). I will make every effort to make the next one." **Dick Austin** (June 1954)

"Please say hello to all that attend the Reunion from, **Marge (Tiede) and Jim Geisler** on Cape Cod. When on the Cape call us 1-508-255-7045. Have a great time." (January 1949 & January 1947, respectively)

"Have fun and I will think of you as I ski down the slopes in Colorado." **Bruce England** (January 1959)

"Thanks for the reminder (invite) I wish I could go. At least the weather should be warmer than here in Chicago Land! Have fun."
Beverly (Kintz) Barker (January 1956)

These were just some of the comments transmitted and received just before our annual event at Fort DeSoto State Park outside St. Petersburg, Florida took place last month. Unfortunately, we didn't get any group photo received by press time, but will include in next issue, if someone who took photos sends one to us.

The weather was spectacular, especially considering Florida experienced the coldest winter on record for the past twenty years or so. The water looking out over the Gulf was azure blue with sailboats, container ships and wind-surfers to view as we visited and shared lunch with one another. Special thanks to **Leon Kathan** (June 1956) for again providing this opportunity for all Taft grads (and those friends and spouses who came with the Taft grads). Also, thanks to the grad who provided a bushel full of ruby-red grapefruit from her own tree for us to share. And the pot-luck dishes shared were plentiful and delicious. Nobody left hungry!

Thirty-seven people signed the guest register list. They were: **Marjorie Klarquist Nehlsen** (June 1956), **John Mihalik** (Lane, 1953), **Gail**

Anderson Gornick (June 1956), **James Gornick** (January 1955), Judith Moers Hardman (June 1953), Lynn Bostrom Swanson (Joliet Twp. HS, 1961), Dave Swanson (Lane, 1952), Fred Hardman (Schurz, 1946), **Ralph Johnson** (January 1963), **Mary Roeske Johnson** (January 1965), **Paula Steen Williams** (January 1965), **Jack Williams** (January 1964), **Joyce Baxter** (January 1961), **Vivian Baxter** (January 1967), **Eileen Thorne** (January 1963), **Sheryl Buerger Kelly** (January 1963), **Michael Kelly** (January 1960), **Sue Berg Kitchen** (January 1963), **Kay Berg Normann** (January 1959), **Robert Heidorn** (June 1955), Patricia Heidorn (Roxanna, IL 1955), **Evie Fischer Miller** (January 1946), **Stephen Wren** (June 1961), **Jerry Beesley Bloom** (June 1962), Bernard Bloom (Lane, 1952), **Jane LaMarche Adair** (January 1952), **Jeanette Olsen Gilbertson** (January 1963), **Judy Olsen Gammon** (January 1960), **Judy LaMarche** (January 1965), Rob Stain back (Satellite Beach, FL 1972), **Margaret Hase Harris** (June 1954), **Paulette Hase McGuire** (June 1956), **Annette Knuth Gustafson** (June 1956), **Leon Kathan** (June 1956), **Sharon Haining Kramer** (June 1961), **Ruth Haining Pierburg** (June 1955) and **Paul Pierburg** (June 1953).

The TAA Inbox Blues

Paulette English (1967) Web Editor

I'm happy to report that we've had a terrific response to the e-newsletter signup since the last issue. There is, however, a small problem that you can help to resolve. When you provide us with an email address, please double check it for accuracy. If you use a spam filter, please add TAA to your allowed list. I've attempted to respond to a several folks only to have my message bounce back as undeliverable.

If you haven't received the response that you were expecting, please send your correct address to eagleemail@taftalumni.org and we'll get the records straightened out...and don't forget to tell us if your address has changed. Thanks!

Getting Wired/Going Green!

If you haven't already thought of it, please consider helping reduce the publishing costs of this newsletter and feel good about reducing excessive consumption of trees, water, electricity, etc. that would be needed if you continued to receive your newsletter via the regular mail.

TAA Merchandise Order Form

Qty	Item	Specifics	Price Each	Total Price
	Windbreaker—blue nylon drawstring bottom printed with white TAA logo	Medium Only	\$25.00	\$
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	T-Shirt—gray cotton printed with blue TAA logo	Medium	\$10.00	\$
	T-Shirt—gray cotton printed with blue TAA logo	Large	\$10.00	\$
	T-Shirt—gray cotton printed with blue TAA logo	X-Large	\$10.00	\$
	T-Shirt—gray cotton printed with blue TAA logo	XX-Large	\$12.00	\$
	T-Shirt—gray cotton printed with blue TAA logo	XXX-Large	\$12.00	\$
	Taft Alumni Logo Fleece Jacket	Medium	\$40.00	\$
	Taft Alumni Logo Fleece Jacket	Large	\$40.00	\$
	Taft Alumni Logo Fleece Jacket	X-Large	\$40.00	\$
	Taft Alumni Logo Fleece Jacket	XX-Large	\$40.00	\$
	Taft Alumni Logo Fleece Jacket	XXX-Large	\$40.00	\$
	Taft Yearbook (be sure to state year)	Year:	\$30.00	\$
Shipping and Handling: Stickers only = \$1.00, all other orders = \$6.00				\$
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Yearbooks available for purchase: Some years are hard to keep in supply.

All requests are on a first-come, first-serve basis. As of April 7, 2010, we have the following yearbooks: 1954 Jan (1), 1955 (1), 1982 (2), 1985 (25), 1986 (48), 1987 (78), 1990 (53), 1991 (10), 1992 (132), 1993 (4), 1994 (58), 1995 (183), 1996 (64), 1997 (52), 1998 (153), 1999 (151), 2000 (351), 2001 (121), 2003 (76), 2004 (77), 2005 (56), 2006 (40), 2007 (40), 2008 (40).



Offer for Taft Alumni!

Dan Marsek (1978) & Nancy (Lobodzinski) Marsek (1979), owners of Antique Cruisers Inc ... Muscle Car Restoration, Repair, Plastic Repair, Maintenance, and Part Sales. Anything and Everything for Muscle cars say, “Please let everyone know to mention Taft Alumni Association at time of sale and **we will make a donation to the Association.**” So, contact them at ACruisers@msn.com or 815-344-6644. Their website is www.AntiqueCruisers.com.

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Please tell us as much about yourself as you like so that we can share your news in the newsletter's *Class Notes*. Only fields marked with an asterisk (*) are required for membership. We will not publish your address or phone number.

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<input type="checkbox"/> I wish to be listed in the <i>TAA Email Directory</i> on the TAA website www.taftalumni.org			
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Dues are \$15.00 for a two year membership or \$20.00 for an alumni couple (give spouse's name if a Taft graduate).			
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