



Taft Alumni Newsletter

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Taft Welcomes "New" Principal

by Jerry (Beesley) Stephenson (June 1962)

The students had barely settled down to their classes this past fall when the news hit. Principal **Mary Kay Cappitelli** was leaving! She had joined Taft last year after the retirement of Principal **Art Tarvardian**. It was announced that she was not retiring, but taking an extended health leave of absence, effective immediately, and her duties would be handled by Acting Principal **Carolyn Rownd**. Ms. Rownd's appointment was approved by the Chicago Board of Education and she joined the Taft staff in mid-November.

Carolyn Rownd comes on loan to Taft from Jones College Prep School where she has spent the past six years as assistant principal. Prior to that, she taught at prep schools for thirteen years in Middleburg, Virginia.

Should Mrs. Cappitelli decide to retire before the end of the school year in June 2014, the LSC (Local School Council) would need to begin the search for a permanent replacement for next Fall. Meanwhile, she will assist Ms. Rownd in the transition with students and staff.

The news stand also has served as a training ground over the years for many young men and a few young women, many of them from Taft. In its heyday, when there were morning and afternoon papers, the news business started very early and included several auxiliary stands. The loss of the afternoon Chicago Daily News and American meant scaling back and the afternoon hours were shortened. Although there now are more electronic readers, meaning less demand for hard copies on news print, the daily papers still are in demand from many of the Kaage customers who like to clip out articles.

Now, although it is back to just the original stand, Kaage's is not only a cherished Edison Park tradition but one of the few truly neighborhood stands which survive in the Chicago area. At the time the family marked 50 years in the business, Irv. Jr. officially "retired" and Mike Kaage took over as the official owner. But Irv enjoyed sitting on Kaage's corner so much that he has never completely stopped coming to work for a few hours at the stand, at least a couple of times a week.

Saluting the Kaage Legacy

by Anne Lunde (1969)



The traditions of the news stand at Oliphant and Northwest Highway date back in the Kaage family just about as long as the Kaage family's long association with Taft High School.

In 1943, Irvin L. Kaage Sr. and his sons, Irv. Jr. and George, took over the news stand. Irv Jr.'s connection with the stand was clear in his 1946 graduating class

description: He was senior class president and lettered in football and baseball. "His favorite subject is lunch, his hobby is sports, and his pet peeves are news-stand 'leeches.' Uncle Sam has plans for his future."

After a stint in the U.S. Navy, Irv Jr. returned to the news stand, eventually taking over the stand on his own. Later, his own children spent their time in the business too, starting with Taft grads Irv III, Patty and Mike. By the time his grandson, Irv IV, graduated from Taft, Irv Jr. was invited to present the diploma. Several of the grandchildren did their turns at the news stand.



Irv has been honored as the grand marshal for the Edison Park Fest Parade, an honor shared in 2013 with Mike, but the best honor came last year when the city of Chicago officially designated the west corner of the intersection as Kaage's Corner with an honorary street sign. State Sen. John Mulroe and State Rep. Michael McAuliffe joined 41st Ward Alderman Mary O'Connor and the Edison Park Chamber at the unveiling ceremony on June 14.

The key to a good news stand is having sales people who are so in tune that they know their customers' cars and newspaper choices. Irv and Mike, Taft grads, are a community institution.

Class June 1954 - 60th Reunion

Date: TBD - Interested in helping?

Contact: - **Toni (Geisert) Lien** - tlien002@san.rr.com
or 858-451-1445.

Class of June 1959 – 55th Reunion

(Other Classes Welcome!)

Dates: October 3 – 5, 2014 (Reception, Dinner,
Sunday Brunch, Possible Tour of TAFT & Grammar
Schools)

Place: Hilton Garden Inn (River Road/Des Plaines)

Contacts: Larry Marsh, fairseas2u@gmail.com, 540-869-2644
Anne Fear-McManus, annemcmanus@me.com
630-584-9194

Website: taftreunion1959.com

Class January/June 1961

Date: TBD - 2014 - picnic

Place: TBD (NW suburban location)

Contact: **John Prochaska** - taft1961reunion@aol.com

Class January/June 1962

Dates: May 2, 2014 - Welcome Reception and Dinner
May 3 - Tour of Taft with lunch catered by Superdawg
May 4 - Farewell brunch (optional attendance)

Place: Des Plaines Hilton Garden Inn - on South River Road

Contact: **Judy Merrill Ruegsegger** –
judy.ruegsegger@yahoo.com

Reply: taftreunion2014@outlook.com

Class January 1964 - 50th Reunion

Date: TBD (Any interest to get one going?)

Place: TBD

Contact: **Glenn Skinner** - geskinner@gmail.com

Class January 1965 - 50th Reunion

Date: September 26-28, 2014

Place: TBD

Contact: taft65@yahoo.com

Class 1968

Date: TBD (looking for committee members)

Place: TBD

Contact: **Robert Clark** - clark7811@msn.com

Class 1969

Date: October, 2014

Place: TBD

Contact: **Anne Lunde** - alundewriter@gmail.com

Class 1974 - 40th Reunion

Date: Saturday, August 9, 2014

Place: Moretti's (previously The Snuggery) in Edison Park -
6733 N. Olmstead - Chicago - 7-11pm
(Tickets are \$25 if paid online or \$35 at the door)
Pizza buffet, DJ and cash bar

Contact: **Jan (Ostromencki) Savage** - 858-353-3359
janhelloworld@hotmail.com - or

Barbara Moriarty - 847-492-8212 bmoriarty8@aol.com - or



Donna (Schaller) Evans -
evans56@sbcglobal.net - or

Marcia Kuhr -
mckuhr@yahoo.com - or

Sharon (Kasluga) Biernat –
847-410-3829 –
sharonb@creativepromo.net

1st Annual ALL CLASS Reunion Picnic EAST-South-EAST

Date: Saturday, April 5, 2014 - Noon - 4pm

Place: [REDACTED] (for those
unable to attend the west coast affair in St. Petersburg)

Pott Luck: a food item to share (BYOB)

Contact: [REDACTED]
Jerry Bloom Stephenson - jbbloom@charter.net

11th Annual ALL CLASS Reunion Picnic South-EAST

Pot Luck: a food item to share (BYOB)

Photo shoot: 2:30 pm

Contact (if needed): **Leon Kathan** - 815-814-1555
leonkathan@yahoo.com

4rd Annual ALL CLASS Reunion Picnic South-WEST

Date: March 30, 2014, 11am - 3pm

Place: Stillman Railroad Park in Scottsdale, Stillman Ramada

Pot Luck: Beer permit (non-glass containers)

Donation: \$3 per person, bring lawn chairs

Contacts: **Kay Kuciak**, taftalum@cox.net, or
Paul Frizane, aztaftalumni@yahoo.com, or
Paulette English, eagleemail@taftalumni.org

Grade School Reunions

Norwood School Classes of Jan/June '58

Date: May 3, 2014

Place: 5967 NE Circle - Unit 1D - Chicago (3pm - ?)

Contact: **Jerry Bloom Stephenson** - jbbloom@charter.net
or **Linda (Leshuk) Davidson** - davi4@sbcglobal.net

Norwood School Class of June '64 - 50 Year Reunion

Date: TBD

Place: TBD

Contact: **Carolyn (Sykes) Toerpe** - c.m.toerpe@gmail.com
(...Looking for more classmates!!!)

Lost Classmates

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

Letters to the Editor

Hi Jerry -

Eleven from the class of January 1957 got together for a luncheon at Zia's in Edison Park on Friday Oct. 25th. I'm attaching a photo from the luncheon.

Marcelyn (Haerr) Norris (January 1957)



Seated L-R: **David Taylor, Leo Drummer, Marilyn Lane and Joyce Stensland**. Standing L-R: **Elaine Holt, Karen Taylor, Pat Hansen, Diane Klier, Marcelyn Haerr, Sue Moshier and Marilyn Kating**.

Mary-

My name is Steve Anderson. My father **William Anderson** was proud alum of Taft High School. Class of 1948. I just received the invitation for the reunion dated October 19. Please inform the reunion committee that my father passed away Super Bowl Sunday, 2002.

Steve Anderson

Hello Steve:

My dad **Bill McIlvaine** (June 1948) was able to encourage about 8 alumni to meet for lunch in Chicago earlier this month [November], which all seemed to enjoy. (See the photo below.) He got a list from **Frank Heyer**, also class of 1948, so I will forward your email to Frank, and update the info about your father in my dad's list. I just now spoke with my dad and read him your email over the phone as he is not online. Thank you so much for letting us know.

Mary McIlvaine



Mini Reunion - Class 1948 - November 6, 2013

Left side - **Marge Steeger Weadley, Bill McIlvane, Mr. Vegeais, Wallace Wilson**. Right side - **Mary Stenwall Rehberger, Frank Heyer, Elenor Scheel Vegeais, Henry Sanderson**

To whom it will help,

I would like [you] to know what is happening these days.

My brother **Wallace Auerswald** changed his name to Auer. He died in 1999; he married **Jane Perfect**, class of [January 1941]. My sister, **Shirley Auerswald**, class of [June 1942], died in 1986. Hope this gets through to the alumni committee!

Dawn (Auerswald) Suevel (January 1950)

[Hello, Dawn, Thank you for updating us on your siblings. We had some of the information, but not all. We did not know that Wallace had married Jane. We had a date of 1996 for Shirley, so I've updated that, as well.]

The best way to learn what's happening at Taft and with the alumni is to join TAA and receive our quarterly newsletter, full of color photos and letters from classmates, and news about reunions. I'm attaching a membership form for you here. We hope you'll join us. Paulette English, TAA Web Editor]

Dear Taft Alumni Association,

I sincerely appreciate the lovely fleece and will wear it with great pride. Thank you for your thoughtfulness and support.

Mary Kay Cappitelli, Principal, THS

To Whom It May Concern,

I have two trophies from the Girls Athletic Association (one in 71, the other in 73), earned by my late mother (**Susanne M. (Poulson) James**, class of 1973). I don't know if these are of any interest to you, but I'd thought I'd check before donating them. I'd be happy to handle any shipping costs if they are wanted.

My mother spoke fondly of your school, the teachers, and the friends she encountered there. She worked as a cardiac nurse for over 35 years; first in Illinois and ending eventually in California. She was a beloved friend, daughter, and mother. I know her education was certainly a contributing factor of this.

Janell James

[Janell, Thank you so much for telling us. We appreciate knowing that your mother kept Taft in high regard. I'm notifying our President, Kay Kuciak who can better respond to your offer of the GAA trophies. Paulette English, TAA Web Editor]

Hi All,

We had a great reunion weekend and if you couldn't make it, we missed you! There were 135+ of us. It was fun reconnecting and having those "aha" moments as the light dawned connecting our high school photo on the name tag with the person we were looking at. Of course, none of us looked 50 years older!

The reunion booklet will be sent to those who sent in their form, but did not attend. Corrections that were given to **Donna Griessmer Catlett** at the reunion for the booklet were sent to attendees in a special email. Be sure to record the changes in your booklet for future reference.

The photography studio did eventually return with the photos, but most were gone by the time they arrived.

You may order the photos from them at www.tomkilloranphotography.com or phone at 708-361-0025. Jennifer who delivered the photos suggested calling. The large class photo is \$20, and the smaller photos of individual grammar schools are \$10. S&H will be added, but will vary.

Thanks to those who brought snacks on Friday night. We had quite the choices. And, thanks to those who brought memorabilia for our table. Lots of great memories!

Alice Ackert Davenport attended a concert on Sunday night and shared the words of a song sung that night with me that she thought "seemed to apply"... "O sacred banquet...in which memory is recalled...the mind is filled with grace...and the pledge of future joy is given to us. Alleluia!"

I am still smiling from the weekend, and hope that if you came, you enjoyed yourselves and that if you were among those who couldn't make it, you will know that you were missed and hopefully join us the next time.

If you want to download photos to me, I will send on to the group. Also, if you hear of info about friends or if your info changes you can contact the Taft Alumni Association, but also let me know and I will add to my data base.

I just sent a cashier's check for \$1,314.63 to the Taft Alumni Association with a note indicating that it is from our class. We did good! We kept the price of the reunion to the same as it was 10 years ago and had this left over to share with the school.

We will look at picnic sites for next summer; probably in Des Plaines. And, then it seems likely to have a 55th reunion!

Cheryl Henninger Krupa (January 1963)

[Cheryl, On behalf of the TAA, I thank you for your class reunion gift. As always, Taft grads are the best! Jerry Stephenson, TAA Newsletter Editor]

Letter to the TAA Editor,

I was saddened to learn in the last TAA [Spring 2013] newsletter that **Marlene (Fenske) Douglas** (June 53) passed away last December. She was one fine and kind gal, who gave generously of her time to be on our class reunion committees making for a splendid very well-attended 50th reunion for the enjoyment of us all.

Marlene, **Celeste Gassman** and I were locker partners for all 4 of our years at Taft, which now has me scratching my head wondering how we managed that.

My deepest condolences to Marlene's family.

Marilynn (Loh) Wennerstrom (June 53)



"The Class of June 1959, along with spouses and guests, held their Annual Christmas/Holiday Luncheon on 30 December at The Hilton Garden Inn in Des Plaines. A good time was had by all! June 1959 will hold their 55th Reunion next October 3-5 at the Hilton Garden Inn. Details to follow and to be posted on the Class website: www.taftreunion1959.com."

Larry Marsh, (President, Class of June 1959)

Dear Jerry,

I enjoyed reading the ongoing dialogue between you and Bud Wrisley.

Even though I am considerably older than both of you, my sister, **Betty Wilson Schnitzler** (June '50) and I lived on Newark Avenue at one time, and know almost everyone mentioned, plus many more.

To keep this note short, I just wanted to clarify Bud's memory and yours, regarding who lived where. There seems to be no disagreement about your family living at Newark and Ardmore (I really only knew Marjorie and Chuck), and you were both right about the family living at Newark and Avondale! It wasn't a Beesley, but it was a Beazley! (That was **Vince Beazley**, June '47). Thanks for all your good work!

Bob Wilson, Norwood (June '43), Taft (June '47)

To TAA,

I'm writing to notify you of the death of **Thomas R. Moyer**. I think Tom went to Taft. I went with his older brother Pat (Class of 1977 or 78), please check the records and post in newsletter if indeed he attended Taft.

Keith Englemann (1979)

[Keith, Initially, I couldn't find a listing for Thomas Moyer, however, that is may be due to CPS ceasing to publish graduation lists after 1973. In fact, we didn't even have you listed (we do now). The late 70's early 80's are sparse, but we are always on the lookout for information, either through reunion committees or correspondence such as yours. Anne Lunde, TAA Vice President, recently uncovered class lists from '86, '87 and '88 that had been published by the Des Plaines Publishing Company in their grad sections. In recent years, we have received senior lists directly from the school. So, we thank you for adding another piece to our puzzle. Paulette English, TAA Web Editor]

Jerry,

HAPPY NEW YEAR to you and yours, and thanks again for all you continue to do for TAFT alumni and for our high school alma mater!

Attached please find a recent photo taken at our Annual TAFT June 1959 Christmas/Holiday Luncheon. Here is a suggested caption:

Hi Jerry,

Wondered if you could tell me who to email to let Taft alumnae and anyone else that might be good to contact. In late June we had a break in and lost jewelry. One of the items taken was my Taft class ring. Can't believe someone would purchase this but you never know. Anyway, thought if someone ever saw it somewhere, in a jewelry store, flea market, or if someone has seen it and contacted the alumnae association or someone else associated with the school. It would help to let them know I have lost mine. Wish I had a picture of it, but I don't. Remember it had the blue stone and 1962 on it and I think my initials.

Sandy (Schmook) Jones (June 1962)

[Sandy, I'm so sorry. Having been a victim a couple times with theft, I understand how violated you feel after something like that. I am notifying our TAA Web Editor so she can possibly put something out on our TAA Facebook page. And, if you look on the TAA web page, there is contact info for Jostens (the company who made the ring). Maybe they can provide you with a generic photo for you to use with the insurance company. Your Cousin, Jerry (Beesley) Bloom Stephenson, TAA Newsletter Editor]

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Taft June 1961 Class Cocktail Reception 2013

The Taft June 1961 Reunion Committee planned to have a cocktail reception one year after its 50 + 1 year reunion. The event was scheduled for September 14, 2013, at the 56th floor Library of the Park Shore condo building at Randolph St. and Lake Shore Dr.

There was little apparent interest in the event by Chicago area alumni, many of whom had scheduling conflicts, so the event was modified to include a dinner. The late afternoon was bright and sunny, allowing attendees to see up and down the downtown lakefront from Navy Pier to beyond Soldier Field, and west along the Chicago River. Wine, cheese and appetizers began the event, and the video record of the prior year's reunion played in the background. After the attendees renewed acquaintances, we walked under Lake Shore Drive along the DuSable and Monroe Street Harbors to the Columbia Yacht Club for dinner. Night fell during the dinner, and we returned along the harbors to the 56th floor Library amid the twinkling lights of the city. Wine and an array of desserts were set out on the bar, and attendees took the opportunity to take night photos of the city from the adjoining pool deck.

Carolyn Larsen (6/61) and **Bob Sperl** (6/60) served as hosts for the evening. Reunion committee members **Cindy Ludtka** (6/64) and **John Prochaska** (6/61), and **Mary Langenegger Bernahl** (6/61) handled the logistics. Attendees included **Marsha Vogt Podlasek** (6/61), **Noel Tureck** (6/60) and **Don Thomson** (6/61), **Susan Miller Aldrich** (6/61), **Maurya McGinnis Zaki** (6/61), and Maurya's neighbor Sue from New Orleans.

A final decision on a proposed Picnic for September 2014, including both the January and June 1961 classes, has yet to be made.

Reunion Reflections

by **Alice Ackert Davenport** (January 1963)

Submitted October 2013

Transitioning ...

Peeling away layer after layer ...

Responsibilities, commitments, projects half done,

Books to be read and friends to call: fun!

Driving ...

Mile after mile, moving from "Now":

- my 'have to do' duties - backwards to "then".

Will I remember anyone?

Will they care to see ME?

What will we find to talk about?

All these questions flee:

"We could've talked all night; we could've

talked all night ... And still have stayed for more!"

Apprehensive, eager – Will it all just be a blur?

Anxious, yes, but self-assured

Fifty years, summed up, one word: Reunion!

We understand each other in ways others just cannot.

We shared so much; grew up as one -

and understood a lot!

I left a piece of heart and soul with every hug I gave...

But that's ok; you filled mine with a part of yours,

to save.

Yevtushenko wrote: "No people are uninteresting.

Their fate is like the chronicle of planets.

Nothing in them is not particular, as planet is

dissimilar from planet..."

Each new old friend: a burst of fireworks,

a flower in a bouquet.

Triggering good memories: talks that lasted all day.

Events shared, songs enjoyed

Basketball games, good buddies

Favorite teachers, Taft football

Home room, roaming the halls

Gym class, classy gear,

Band and orchestra, ogling boys

Chorus and art, actual cheerleaders

Today, they dance. Then, they dug in!

Transitioning ...

Homeward bound: a great sense of joy,

But also of loss. Wishing we could've been

Together longer. Let's try it again!

[Yes, Jerry; I give my permission to print my poem, knowing that there are REAL poets out there... in fact, usually I do not like poems that 'rhyme' - did I learn that from a Taft English teacher?!? - but I wanted to do some rhyming in this reflective poem... so it goes! Rev..Alice Ackert Davenport - Macomb IL]



Class Notes

To all TAA members,

Your Class Notes section here includes both TAA new members and renewals, when received and when space permits. If you don't provide new information, we reprint what we currently have on file for you. If you want your name to include "other" special details, you need to include that information when you send in your dues with the form as shown on the inside of the last page of this newsletter.

1940s

Stanley Logan (June 1942) married **Marjorie (Behn)** (June 1942); he graduated from U of I BEME 1949, U of NM MS 1964, PhD 1974; Marjorie graduated from U of NM BS 1970. They have 2 children, 2 grandchildren, and they live in Santa Fe, NM, where he is a nuclear engineer consultant and Marjorie is a homemaker.

Robert Forney (June 1944) graduated from Purdue BS 1947, MS 1948, PhD 1950, lives in Unionville, PA and is a retired VP from Du Pont Co.

Taft Lowell (January 1945) graduated from Lake Forest BA 1949, lives in Arlington Hts, IL, has 3 children, 2 granddaughters and is a retired teacher and insurance broker.

Ted Dobrowolski (January 1946) lives in Hinsdale, IL, has 5 children, 6 grandchildren, 7 great grandchildren and is a retired president of Goodwill Manufacturing.

Julianne (Stamer) Hollander (January 1947) lives in Punta Gorda, FL, has 2 children, 1 grandchild and is retired.

James Geisler (January 1947) married **Marge (Kaufuss)** (June 1949); they live in Brewster, MA, have 4 children, 3 grandchildren. He is a retired consultant, she is a retired LPN, and they currently own Ocean Gold, a B & B in Brewster.

Rodney Lowell (June 1947) graduated from U of Chgo BA 1951, lives in Tucson, AZ, has 2 children, 7 grandchildren and is a retired physics technician.

Bill Fassnacht (January 1948) graduated from U of I BS 1952, lives in Hilton Head, SC, has 2 children, 4 grandchildren and is a retired business owner. He was class president for January 1948.

James Jacobsen (June 1949) graduated from Northern BS 1952, Bradley MS 1947, North Colorado EdD 1964; lives in Peoria, IL, has 1 child, 4 grandchildren and is a retired professor from Western IL and an antique dealer.

Henry Wagner (June 1949) married **Rosalyn (Coy)** (June 1952), he graduated from Northwestern, they live in Lillian, AL, have 5 children, 10 grandchildren, 2 great grandchildren and he a retired electrical construction supt.; Rosalyn is also retired.

1950s

Richard Murbach (January 1950) lives in Las Vegas, NV, has 4 children, 7 grandchildren, 7 great grandchildren and is a retired controller.

Robert Sir (June 1950) graduated from Lake Forest BA, lives in Milton, GA, has 7 children, 10 grandchildren and is a retired custom home builder.

Ed Archambault (June 1951) graduated from De Vry 1953, lives in Sun City West, AZ, has 5 children, 12 grandchildren, 3 great grandchildren and is retired from WGN-TV in Chicago.

Ronald Betz (June 1951) graduated from U of I BS 1955, Roosevelt MA 1987, lives in Northbrook, IL, has 2 children, 6 grandchildren and is a retired pharmacist.

Art Nauman (January 1952) graduated from U of I BA 1956, lives in Sacramento, CA, has 2 children, 2 grandchildren and is a retired newspaper journalist.

Gary Machon (June 1954) married **Donna (Matheson)** (January 1957), he graduated from U of I BS 1960; they live in Medford, WI, have 4 boys, 9 grandchildren. Gary is a retired pilot from American Airlines and they now own a small beef cattle farm.

Art Reider (June 1954) lives in St Petersburg, FL, has 3 children, 11 grandchildren and is a retired Des Plaines firefighter.

Gary Johansen (January 1955) lives in New Lenox, IL, has 2 children, 4 grandchildren and is retired.

Walter Johnson (June 1955) lives in Woodstock, IL, has 2 children, 6 grandchildren and is retired.

Katherine (Hansen) Gutierrez (June 1956), lives in Sebring, FL, has 2 children, 3 grandchildren and is a retired photographer.

Chester Kowalski (June 1956) graduated from IIT BS 1967, lives in Norfolk, AR, has 3 children, 4 grandchildren and is a retired manager.

Nancy (Wander) Stolfa (June 1956) graduated from Blackburn BA 1960, lives in Cape Haze, FL, has 5 children, 11 grandchildren and is retired from IBM Systems.

Dianne (Slatkay) Frantzis (June 1957) lives in Glenview, IL, has 2 children, 4 grandchildren and is retired, spending winters in Sanibel Island, FL.

Judith (Edfeldt) Hartman (June 1958) lives in Mt Prospect, IL, has 3 children, 3 grandchildren and spends time doing clerical work for her husband's company.

Joyce (Cleaver) Leddy (June 1958) graduated from U of I 1962, lives in Pasadena, CA, has 2 children, 2 grandchildren, is retired and is a painter involved in the arts.

Joan (Petersen) Murray (June 1958) lives in Niles, IL, has 5 children, 11 grandchildren and is a customer service rep.

Glenn Templeman (January 1959) married **Barbara (Lynn)** (June 1959); he graduated from U of I BS 1964, IL State MS 1965, Barbara graduated from U of I BS 1963; they live in Arlington Hts, IL, have 3 children, 7 grandchildren. They are both retired teachers; Glenn also plays the trumpet in a big band dance band.

Barbara (Knudson) Newlin (June 1959) graduated from IL State BS 1964, George Washington U MA 1994, lives in Richmond, VA, has 2 children, 1 grandchild and is a retired human resources director.

1960s

Michael Kelly (January 1960) married **Sheryl (Buerger)** (January 1963); he graduated from North Park BS 1964, Northern MS 1968; they live in Huntley, IL, have 3 children, 5 grandchildren and both are retired.

Tom Nelles (June 1960) married **Lynn (Foerster)** (June 1960); both graduated from Cornell BA 1964; they live in Hoffman Estates, IL, have 3 children, 6 grandchildren. Tom is retired from sales & marketing, Lynn is a retired educator.

Robert Sperl (June 1960) married **Carolyn (Larsen)** (June 1961); he graduated from Roosevelt BSBA 1980, Carolyn graduated from Roosevelt BSBA 1964, Loyola MSIR 1989, Kent Law 1999, they live in Itasca, IL, have 4 children, 8 grandchildren, Robert is a CFO, Carolyn is a human resource consultant.

Janet (Swanson) Cnota (January 1962) lives in Scottsdale, AZ, has 3 children, 8 grandchildren and is a retired pastry chef.

Phyllis Miller (June 1962) lives in Crescent City, FL and is a retired executive with IL Dept. of Public Aid.

David Robert (June 1962) married **Ann (Kwerneland)** (June 1962); he graduated from Loyola Ed D 1974, they live in Arlington Hts, IL, have 2 children, 1 grandchild and both are retired.

Donna (Maag) Esposito (June 1963) graduated from Northeastern BA 1966, lives in Marana, AL, has 2 children, 2 grandchildren and is a retired sales rep.

Randall Fischer (June 1963) graduated from De Paul BSA, Walton BA, U of I CPA, lives in Lake Forest, IL, has 1 child, 3 grandchildren and is a CPA.

Dan Frizane (June 1963) lives in Minden, NE, has 5 children, 3 grandchildren and is a college music teacher.

Ellamae Braun (June 1963) lives in Barrington, IL, has 2 children, 2 grandchildren and is a part time cashier at a car dealership.

Alice (Mohrman) Kosnik (June 1963) graduated from Northeastern BA 1966, lives in Northbrook, IL, has 2 children, is a retired Spanish teacher who is now a world language consultant teacher/trainer.

Patricia (Naumes) Sherman (June 1963) graduated from Wright AA 1965, lives in Glenview, IL and is in sales.

Rita (Golterman) Barth (June 1965) lives in Park Ridge, IL and is a retired rate analyst.

Nancy (Wendt) Gunning (June 1965) graduated from Luther College BA 1970, lives in Park Ridge, IL, has 4 children, 5 grandchildren and is a human resource administrator.

Pamela (Stern) Hendricksen (June 1965) graduated from U of I BA 1969, lives in Prospect Hts, IL, has 2 children, 3 grandchildren and is a retired administrative assistant.

Leroy Pomeraning (June 1965) lives in Scottsdale, AZ, has 2 children, 4 grandchildren and is retired.

Marie (Marquardt) Rodgers (June 1965) graduated from Interior Designs Inst. 2001, lives in Irvine, CA, has 2 children, 3 grandchildren and is retired.

Wayne Willems (June 1965) graduated from Western BA 1969, Northwestern MBA 1974, lives in Dallas, TX, has 2 children and is a retired investments counselor.

David Bergnbreiter (June 1966) graduated from Mi State BS 1970, MIT PhD 1974, lives in College Station, TX, has 2 children, 1 grandchild and is a chemistry professor at Texas A & M.

James Bixler (June 1966) married **Gail (Ponce)** (1968). He graduated from CAL State BA 1977; they live in Oceanside, CA, have 3 children, 1 grandchild and both are retired, with Jim from USMC.

Katherine (Schneider) Knapp (June 1966) graduated from Northeastern BA 1971, lives in Henderson, NV, has 2 children, 1 grandchild and is in the new home business.

Holly (Gundlach) Mihalovich (January 1967) graduated from North Park, lives in Charlotte, NC, has 1 child and is a housewife.

Paul Frizane (June 1967) graduated from Northeastern BA 1976, lives in Mesa, AZ and is a semi-retired teacher. Paul is the one who started up the Southwest Alumni picnics.

Mildred (Reynolds) Zasadil (1968) lives in Schaumburg, IL, has 1 child, 1 grandchild and is an insurance agent.

Mike Fransen (1969) graduated from IIT BSME 1974, UIC MS 1978, lives in St. Charles, IL, has 3 children, 5 grandchildren and is a retired HS math teacher.

Richard Karneboge (1969) graduated from Western BA 1973, Central MI MSA 1986, and lives in Pekin, IL, has 2 children and is a retired program director at Tazwell County Health Department.

1970s

Juergen Rusnak (1970) graduated from Roosevelt BA 1974, MBA 1983, lives in Des Plaines, IL and is a retired software consultant.

Mary Kay (Kretch) Haben (1973) graduated from U of I BS 1977, U of MI MBA/Mktg 1979, and lives in Glenview, IL, has 2 children and is a retired president of Wrigley, North American.

Steve Jancovic (1973) lives in Chicago, has 3 children and is in sales.

Jerry Herreweyers (1974) graduated from U of I BS 1974, San Diego ST MS 1982; lives in San Diego, CA, has 1 child and is a product manager.

1980s

Steve Ek (1983) married **Carrie (Shafer)** (1984) she graduated from U of I BA 1988, Keller Graduate MBA 1997, they live in Park Ridge, IL, have 3 children. Steve is owner of EK Automotive in Edison Park, Carrie is a registered dietitian.

1990s

Juanita Silva (1990) graduated from Northeastern BS 1996, lives in Chicago and is a Chicago fire fighter.

Due to some difficulties with the changing of hands from Frank Heyer to Jim Hartford and dealing with the severe weather in Chicago during the month of December, we have a delay in our record keeping. If you sent in your renewal recently, the dates on the front of the newsletter will be wrong. As I receive the mail, you will either get an email or a card showing your updated renewal date. Thank you for your patience, Kay Kuciak, President TAA

In Our Memories

Elsie Sadowski, Teacher's Aid and Manager of Box Office, employed in the late 60's to 90's, died September 8, 2012.

Wallace R. Auerswald (changed last name to Auer), class of June, 1940 died July 28, 1999 in Franklin Park, IL. He was husband to **Jane Perfect**, class of January 1941.

Shirley A. (Auerswald) Nielsen, class of June 1942, died October 11, 1996 in Des Plaines, IL.

Erna Mae Bone, class of January 1944, died November 30, 2013 in Barrington IL. She was an elementary teacher at Roosevelt School in Park Ridge IL for over 30 years.

Clarence Edward Johnson (Red), class of June 1944, passed away January 14, 2014. He retired as the President and CEO of Borg Warner, was a Taft Hall of Fame inductee and the husband of **Shirley (Meltzer)** (June 1943).

Kenneth F. Kuenstler, class of 1947, passed away January 8, 2014.

Chrys Marie (Arnold) Hoff, class of June 1946, passed away suddenly October 24, 2013. She was the sister of **Gloria (Arnold) Klingaman** (January 1948).

Richard Jerome Jamieson, class of June 1948, passed away on August 15, 2012. He was brother of **Charles Jamieson** (June 1948).

Charlotte Jay (Sutton) Douglas, class of January 1949 passed away January, 2014.

Patricia Rae 'Pat' (Johnson) Kellogg, class of June 1949 passed away January 17, 2014 in Woodstock, IL. She is the sister of **Carol Hayes Heck** (June 1954).

Nancy (Kuhl) Buending, class of June 1950 died August 17, 2013.

Donald Francis Chassee, class of January 1951, passed away June 8, 2013 at home in Friendship, WI. He previously was married to high school sweetheart, **Joyce Stichter**, and brother to the late **Richard Chassee**. He was founder of flooring company, Noland Sales Corp. of Chicago.

Michael Jeffery Bain, class of June 1958, died in December, 2013. He is the brother of **Patricia (Bain) Utley** (June 1963).

Robert Murray, class of June 1952, passed away in April 2013; his wife is **Joan (Petersen)**, class of June 1958.

Carole (Green) Lubecker, class of June 1953 died in April, 2013 from heart problems.

Vic Shufitowski, class of June 1962 from Mundelein, IL died October 20, 1993.

Kim Leslie (Wolter) Hansen, class of January 1962, passed away October 10, 2013. She was sister to **Robert Wolter** (January 1958).

Curtiss Stewart Hinkell, class of June 1962, died January 9, 2013 from a collision of a car with his motorcycle.

Ronald Irving Pearson, class of June 1962 died July 3, 2011 from a ruptured aneurysm.

John Christianson, class of January 1963, died, date not known.

Ruth Ellen Nelson, class of January 1963, died, date not known.

Martina (Oskroba) Mueller, class of January 1966, passed away on January 21, 2014.

Thomas Joseph Wolek, class of 1969 died, date unknown.

Susanne M. (Poulson) James, class of 1973, passed away September 15, 2012 from complications of Pulmonary Hypertension and Right-sided Heart Failure. See additional comments in "Letters to the Editor" section.

Deborah (Sadowski) Barker, class of 1975, died September 17, 2013 of cancer. She was the sister of **Christopher Sadowski** (1971) and daughter of **Elsie Sadowski** (see above).

Thomas R. Moyer, class of 1977, died August, 2013. He was CEO of Western Shield Label of California and the brother of **Kevin Moyer** (1976), **Michael Moyer** (1978), **Colleen (Moyer)** (1979), **Bill Moyer**, **Patrick Moyer** (1979) and **Daniel Moyer** (1985).

Michael Neumann, class of 1994 passed away July 11, 1996 from leukemia. He played baseball for Taft, and was brother to **George Leyva** (1995).

Patrycja (Tarasko) Leyva, class of 1995, died July 11, 2006 from a pulmonary embolism. She was the wife of **George Leyva** (1995).

"In Our Memories" page on our web site now includes veterans with their branch of service and which conflict, if any, they were involved when that information becomes available. Feel free to contact us with any updates or corrections. We always appreciate your help to keep our files up to date.

Letters to the Editor

(Continued from Page 5)

Hi All,

Here is a picture from **Norman Jansen** (January 1956) while at the Grand Canyon on his Route 66 vacation here in US. He graduated with me and we were both in **Mrs. Rogers** Division. Norm went on to Northwestern U ... studied music (French Horn) and was in the Taft orchestra. After graduating from NU, he was hired by the Bergen Festival Orchestra in Bergen Norway where he stayed until his retirement. While in Norway he met his wife & has a couple of kids. He still lives in Bergen.... but has 2nd home in Bradenton Florida.

Judith Nelson (January 1956)



Hilsen fra oss i Grand Canyon

Paulette,

I noted that on page 12 of [the Autumn] newsletter under "In Our Memories," **Roger Nowak**, class of 1969 is listed as dying in 1970. I believe his name is listed in error, as I spoke with Roger in October of 2012, and also **Larry Magill** (another 1969 classmate) spoke with him this summer.

Valerie Stewart Sosnowski (1969)

[Hi, Valerie, Thank you for setting us straight on your classmate. We will correct our records accordingly. Paulette English, TAA Web Editor,]

Hi Paulette,

As usual, I read the online version of the Alumni Association newsletter as soon as I received your email. Thank you for providing the links to Target's "Take Charge of Education" program. As a denizen of Target (I'm almost embarrassed to tell you how many times a week I shop there - two of the cashiers greet me by name when I walk up to their lines) and a debit and credit cardholder, I immediately signed up. Living in San Diego with no children, there isn't a local school with which I have a connection. I'm glad I can help support Taft and its mission by doing what I do almost every day - shopping at Target.

Thanks again and keep up the great work on the newsletter. Receiving it is always the highlight of my day.

Ralph Walton (1982)

[Ralph, we're delighted that you enjoy the newsletter, and thank you for being a continuing supporter of Taft. Paulette English, TAA Web Editor]

Hi:

I never got a yearbook. I was wondering if there is one available for sale.. Also wondering if there is class reunion for 1956 coming up that I could attend. Any information you could help with would be great. Thanks a lot.

Bob Lewis (June 1956)

[Hello, Bob, we're glad you contacted us, but sadly we have no yearbook for 1956. I also checked with Classmates.com, and they don't have one posted yet either. I'm sharing your query in our newsletter in case a classmate can give you a line on a yearbook. ...As to a '56 reunion, nothing yet, but--everyone knows what I'm going to say next--if YOU would like to get something rolling, TAA will supply you with a list of names and contact information, and helpful reunion tips. ...The best thing you can do right now is to join TAA to receive our quarterly newsletter and keep up with all the happenings. I'm attaching a membership form here for your convenience. Besides our web page, you'll also find us on Facebook. We hope you'll join us. Paulette English, TAA Web Editor]

Hello:

My name is Don Simon. **Sam Workman** and I were roommates at Fresno State when he left Taft High to start college and continue his track career. When we parted in 1964 at the end the school year, we had become very good friends, however we lost track of each other and never saw each other again. I don't know if he is alive, or not. If he is, I would love to find a way to reconnect. If he is not, I could supply you with some wonderful articles about him during our year together, that I'm sure he would approve of. Any information would be greatly appreciated. Thank you.

Don Simon, Fresno State

[Hello Don, I could find no record of a Sam Workman in the CPS graduation lists. Is it possible there is another spelling for the last name of your friend Sam? Computers are very specific in their searches. The standard method we use for classmate search is to review our files and then, if not found, we place a notice in the TAA newsletter in hopes of finding that person or another who knows the whereabouts of that classmate. The requested donation for this service is \$5. A check can be made out to "Taft Alumni Association" and mailed to TAA, c/o Frank Heyer at Taft H.S., 6530 W. Bryn Mawr Ave., Chicago, IL 60631. Any response we receive would then get forwarded to you.

Please advise, Jerry Bloom Stephenson, TAA Newsletter Editor]

Hi Paulette,

I'm not sure if I am in the file. Here is my updated info: *[personal info privatized]*, Edgebrook Elementary School, Jan 1946. I truly enjoy the TAA Newsletter and appreciate all of the time and effort it takes to stay current and respond to all of the notes. Thank you so very much.

Mary Ann (Buddenbaum) Tittle (January 1950)

[Hi, Mary Ann. Thanks for keeping us current with your information. We're so glad you enjoy the newsletter. I had your old address in Indiana (not far from my folks in Porter, I think. I notice that your phone number is still an Indiana number. If you are a snowbird, we can accommodate two addresses. Paulette English, TAA Web Editor]

Dear Jerry,

I have been receiving the T.A.N. for only about a year so far. This newsletter had a few items that brought back memories to me.

First, the lead article about retired coaches and teachers hit home to me. In my freshman year, I saw Taft lose to Austin for the city championship in football 15 to 13. **Joe Kupcinet** coached that team. Two layers stood out for Taft. They were **Steve Nosek** [January 1949] and **Phil Kleasak**. I still communicate with **Bill McCarthy** [June 1952] who played four years for Coach Kupcinet. I was on the 1949 baseball team coached by **Jim Smilgoff** that won the city championship. **George (Sooie?) Maier** [June 1947] was the standout player on that team. **Bruce Benson** [January 1950] (also an outstanding player) played shortstop on that team. I played four years on the team. I still periodically see **Herb Manig** [June 1952] (all city pitcher) and **Jim Tortorelli** [June 1952], both of whom played four years. I also played three years on the basketball team for **Jack Rapper**. We had Junior and Senior teams, based on height. Jim Tortorelli and I were on the Juniors because we were short until our senior year. I made the height requirement for the Junior team, but Jim didn't. I then elected to play on the senior team.

Secondly, there was a letter to you from **[Norton] "Bud" Wisley** [January 1953]. I remember Bud for several reasons. First, his relationship with Bruce Benson. Second, I believe that his family owned a soap manufacturing company. Third, Bud's first wife, **Donna Granzin** [June 1952] was in my class and I had one date with her. I don't remember the year. I also knew **Marcia Lien** [January 1953] as she was in my first wife's class. I think her family owned a chemical company. Lastly, Bud and I both passed the CPA exam. I met him at an awards meeting in the late fifty's.

You also mention the Crippen house. **Harvey [Crippen – June 1953]** was in my wife's class and he played on all the teams.

Another girl in my wife's class was **Pat Miller [Burneson – June 1953]**, who married my cousin who went to Steinmetz High School.

My wife's name was **Dorothy Weed [June 1953]**. She graduated one year after me. We were married for 47 years until she passed away in 2002. Dorothy's sister, **Sally [Weed – June 1959]**, was at Taft when Jim Grabowski was there.

My older sister **Elaine [Swanson Herwig – June 1950]** at one time dated a boy named Vinnie Beesley. I don't imagine that he was related to you.

Don Swanson (June 1952)

[Don, it was fun reading your letter and seeing all the connections between you and other Taft grads that have been mentioned in the TAA newsletters over the years. You are correct, The Wrisley's had a soap company and the Lien Chemical Company was on Northwest Highway for many years. Also, I remember your sister-in-law Sally Weed, and her sweet smile while she "performed" with the Taft cheerleaders in the early 60s. The one difference I'll mention to your letter is the name of Vinnie BEAZLEY (June 1947), who was not related to me, and as I recently learned, lived near Newark and Avondale Avenues. Jerry (Beesley) Stephenson, TAA Newsletter Editor]

Dear Jerry,

I would very much appreciate if you would publish **Donald's [Chassee – January 1951]** obituary in the newsletter. He felt very honored to have attended &

graduated from Taft High School. He related many interesting experiences through the years and attended an occasional reunion. On his eightieth birthday, he was surprised by a visit from a fellow classmate from Taft he had not seen for 50 years. Quite a reunion.

He always read the newsletter from cover to cover. I believe his membership expires in May 2014.

Joyce C. Chassee

[Joyce, thank you for your kind letter. Our condolences go to you and your family. Due to space constraint, we cannot publish complete obituary details on Taft grads. We have listed his name in this newsletter "In Our Memories" section on page 8 and will include his name in the website memorial section as well. Jerry Stephenson, TAA Newsletter Editor]

Hi:

[I just received your Email notice for renewal.] I will have my daughter send a check as I am blind [and] do not write...by the way, her name is Paulette and she is an educator and just retired from the Los Angeles School System. I enjoy the Taft News...I am a WWII Vet and Christmas Day reached my 90th birthday. At the VA Blind Training Center, I am a volunteer and reintroduce Vets to play blind golf.

Howard Payne (January 1942)

[Howard, thank you so much for your continued support. Your volunteerism under remarkable circumstances is an inspiration and a wonderful example of the Taft spirit and courage. Paulette English, TAA Web Editor]

Prussing School Class of 1963 50-Year Reunion



Last September, 18 Prussing Elementary School alumni and their guests arrived at Hugo's Frog Bar and Chop House in the Rivers Casino, Rosemont, to celebrate their 50 Year Reunion. The alumni were **Cindy (Bergmann) Puralewski, Sharon (Blitzner) Deutscher, Carol (Hanson) Everson, Craig Huber, Karen (Jensen) Catron, Gwen (Kammien) Ginnochio, George Kruto, Linda (Mutter) Olsen, Patricia (O'Brien) Cerny, Patricia (Scharing) Richert, Martha (Schioler) Luzio, Linda (Stenstrom) Torres, Martin Tikovitsch, Nick Varallo, John Wiemhoff, Susan (Wilder) Grumman, Janice (Woosley) Conrad, and Paulette (Zemaitis) English.** The conversation and laughter never stopped long enough to take a "serious" class photo (and for the record, we never saw one frog).

In the News

In October, 2013, **Rich Lindberg** (1971) signed a contract with Rowland & Littlefield Publishers for his next book, his seventeenth. It will be titled "Gangland Chicago: 150 Years of Mayhem in the Streets," which explores the history of street gangs from the time of the Civil War through the modern age. Concurrently, he is working on the authorized history of his alma mater, Northeastern Illinois University. To be published by the university, it is the first complete history of the college, covering its founding as a Cook County Normal School (teacher's college) in 1867 through the current time. Rich stated, "Without Northeastern and its wonderful history faculty I studied under in the 1970s I sincerely doubt that I could have written and published all these books."

Attention! Edison School Grads

Submitted by **Bob Johnson** (June 1964)

Here's an update. .. in case you aren't aware of the following.. The Chicago Public School System is going through some trying times with dozens of inner city schools being closed for lack of enrollment.

But, not so in the **"old"** neighborhood.

It seems my alma mater (Edison) is over-crowded with 450 ++ students! (I seem to recall during our baby boom years, we had 600 students with classroom sizes of 40 students)

Today, with 450 students and classrooms trying to be kept under 25 students means a need for 20 rooms!

Edison does not have it! .. So, I heard the Library and Gym have been converted into classrooms. I even heard from one of the construction workers that some classes are conducted in the halls!!!!

But. A big (**huge**) new addition will be opening soon (Fall 2014?) I visited the construction site to take some progress photos. There will be ten new class rooms on the 2nd floor with Cafeteria and mechanical services (Air conditioning) on the 1st Floor. The front of school appears much the same (except for the handicap ramp and the school signage).

I wonder if we might get a tour of the school next fall when the **TAFT Class '65 Reunion** takes place! (Don't forget to save Saturday - September 27th **2014** for the **TAFT '65 Reunion**) As always, for all the memories...



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Yearbook Inventory

Some years are hard to keep in supply. All requests are on a first-come, first-serve basis. As of today, we have the following yearbooks for purchase: 1942 Jun (1), 1943 Jun (1), 1945 Jun (1), 1946 Jun (1), 1959 (1), 1960 (1), 1965 (2), 1966 (1), 1985 (24), 1986 (47), 1987 (76), 1990 (52), 1991 (9), 1992 (132), 1993 (5), 1994 (57), 1995 (183), 1996 (65), 1997 (52), 1998 (154), 1999 (151), 2000 (351), 2001 (123), 2003 (76), 2004 (77), 2005 (56), 2006 (40), 2007 (40), 2008 (40).



Time to Renew?!!

Thanks to all who read our plea about keeping current with your membership. If you receive the newsletter electronically, you'll find an emailed reminder in your inbox when you are about to or have lapsed. If you receive the newsletter by post, check your address label for your year of graduation above the eagle logo on the back page. Is it correct? Also, check the expiration date of your current membership with the Taft Alumni Association located just below the graduation date.

Membership rates were reviewed by your TAA Board and determined there was NOT a need to increase dues this year. However, if your expiration date is close, we urge you to sit down NOW, complete the membership form on the next page and write out a check for \$15 or just \$20 for husband/wife graduates at the same address. You'll receive **TWO** full years of newsletters filled with opportunities to learn about classmates, reunions, school events and alumni programs. Be sure to use the application on the following page to share with us the latest updates in your life.

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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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