

FROM THE DIRECTOR

THE LASTING IMPACT WE HAVE

HE CFAA community lost two significant figures in our Chagrin community this past month with the passing of **John Hurst '52** and Mollie Macknin. Mr. Hurst is most remembered by the thousands of CFHS graduates that were guided by him whether in cross country, track or in the science classroom. The impact was also as significant by Mrs. Macknin, who helped raise the standards of our musical program. During the upcoming annual CFHS Mollie Macknin Alumni Chorus Concert, there will also be a formal recognition of the life of Mrs. Macknin. Both the Hurst & Macknin family are grateful for the outpouring of support from their former colleagues and students.



A picture from a recent retirees' picnic at Jack Stanton's '52 house. Although we don't have an account of the conversation, one may guess that John Hurst '52 could be talking about: A) a memorable cross country or track meet by one of his squads; B) his collection of insect specimens and butterflies from his biology classes; or C) recounting his days growing up in Chagrin compared to his current home in Hiram. Granted Tom Mattern '55 maybe trying to shift the conversation to A) the memorable 8th grade history project and D.C. trip; B) how the best basketball squad the Tigers have put on the court were in 1955 & 1956; or C) the history of Chagrin.

On a related note, we would like to thank Mr. Hurst for he recently made a donation for a second lifetime Tiger Pride membership. This donation was in memory of his long time colleague and friend Mr. Dale Richmond.

A decade ago, the CFAA was grateful for a donation by the Class of 1948 for a new computer. We certainly got a lot of vears from it, but it was time for a replacement. This past month several classes joined in for the new computer and we would like to thank Virgil Huggett **'57** and the Classes of 1957, 1960, 1968, 1973, 1977, 1981, 1982, 1988, 1989, 1994, 1996, 1997, 1998, 2002 & 2008 for their generous support. Our 18th Annual Alumni Golf Outing will take place at Tangle-

wood Country Club on Saturday, June 14. The event gives you a chance to catch up with old friends, make new memories and support the Alumni Association. We hope you join us for this reasonably priced golf event. A reservation form is listed later in the newsletter. You can also find the form and pay via PayPal at the CFAA website under the Golf Outing page. We are looking



At last year's CFHS Mollie Macknin Alumni Chorus Concert, Mrs. Macknin is pictured with three of her proud students - John Bagley '72, Tina Shafer '74, & Steffanie Pearce Vasquez '76. (Photos by John Tillotson '72)

forward to the 2014 Blossom Time Festival with many thanks to the Chagrin Valley Jaycees for all of their hard work in making it one of Chagrin's finest events. Many alumni are past and present members of this wonderful Chagrin Valley service organization. We hope you can join us for the All-Class Reunion sponsored by the Class of 1984 on Friday, May 23, at Town Hall. This year's keynote speaker at the Memorial Day ceremony on May 26, will be **Dr. Thomas Martinko '74**, Colonel, U. S. Army Retired. Tom currently works at University of Florida Health Systems as an Associate Professor in Adolescent Medicine. He will also be speaking at the Alumni Chorus Concert on Saturday, May 24.

Have a great Blossom and terrific summer! 🛣

— Brian McKenna '88 Chagrin Falls Schools' Alumni Director



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GETTING TOGETHER



MAY 22-26

Don't Miss a Minute of the Fun!

FRIDAY, MAY 23

100-Year Anniversary of Philomethian St. School

5:00 - 7:00 p.m., 77 E. Washington St. Come celebrate at the open house that will include a cookout, music, tours & many of your favorite teachers.

All-School Reunion Party for Alumni, Teachers & Friends

Sponsored by the Class of 1984

7:30 - 11:00 p.m., Chagrin Falls Township Hall There will be a Chagrin Falls High School Reunion/Homecoming Party at the Chagrin Falls Township Hall. Refreshments will be available. Renew old friendships and meet new alumni. It will be a great place for reunion classes to have their "ice breaker" for the Blossom Weekend. There will be a small admission charge to help pay for refreshments and the rental of the Township Hall.

SATURDAY, MAY 24 Alumni Chorus

1:00 - 2:00 p.m., Performing Arts Center - CFHS

Alumni Athletic Games

BASEBALL: 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., Lenny May Field (Front of CFHS) Please email Mike Sweeney if you are interested in playing in the baseball game (Mike.sweeney@chagrinschools.org).

MENS LACROSSE: Please check the Facebook group for more info.

MENS SOCCER: 11:00 - 1:00 p.m., Stadium Please email Mario Gerhardt (gerhardtmg64@me.com) or **Bob Darden '85** (RJD@DDLLC.us) or Jim McSherry (mcsherrylaw@gmail.com) if you are interested in playing.

> SUNDAY, MAY 25 Blossom Parade 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

MONDAY, MAY 26 Memorial Day Parade

10:00 - 11:00 a.m. Triangle Park to Evergreen Cemetery

2014 ALUMNI "ROCK JAM" READY TO GO



(Photo by John Tillotson '72)

"The Horn Dawgs" are (left to right) Lori Purtell Sobota '86, Eric Zaboly '74, Barry Zimmer (retired CFMS band director), Will Foley '81, Chris Bowe '08, Dave Bowe '76.

THE FOURTH ANNUAL Alumni Rock Jam is scheduled to take place on Saturday, September 6, at "Bean's Backyard" in South Russell. The event will feature our "Tiger Pride Band" playing classic rock tunes from the 60s, 70s and 80s along with grilled food and plenty of cold beer. All proceeds from the event will again go toward the \$1,000 "Tiger Pride Band Musical Arts Scholarship" to be awarded to a deserving senior next year. The 2014 scholarship will be given this May during the annual scholarship awards ceremony at the Performing Arts Center.

Mark your calendars and join us for an evening of great music, food and plenty of Tiger Pride!

MORE DATES TO REMEMBER

Saturday, June 14 18th Alumni Golf Outing

Saturday, Sept. 6 4th Annual Tiger Pride Concert

Thursday, Oct. 16 12th Achievement Hall of Fame Ceremony

> **Friday, Nov. 28** 16th Alumni Basketball Game

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GETTING TOGETHER

CLASS & REUNION NOTES

Those were the days my friendwe thought they d never end. CLASS OF 1959 – Plans are still in progress for our 55th Class

Reunion which will be held over July 4th weekend. We will meet Friday night at Doogan's Restaurant in Aurora for dinner and maybe see some local fireworks. Saturday, July 5, we will have an afternoon catered picnic at Beartown Lake in Bainbridge. If you have any questions or haven't RSVP'd, please contact Loretta, Meta, Suzie Feick, Leanne, Carol May or Karl & Sally Haecker.

CLASS OF 1964 – The Class of '64 will be holding its 50th Reunion Saturday, August 23, at the Pine Lake Trout Club. We are trying to locate all of our classmates and are also trying to find classmates who were with us at some point, but moved before graduation. If you haven't already, contact Buzz Bourisseau at jbourisseau@ gmail.com

CLASS OF 1969 – Rev. Skip Regan reports that the Class of 1969 will not be having a 45th for too many key players are attending significant family or career events this year, but they have already reserved Beanie's for their 50th reunion. To keep in the loop, you can email Skip at RevSkip.Regan@gmail.com.

CLASS OF 1974 – The Class of 1974 will be celebrating its 40th Reunion over the Memorial Day weekend. This year marks the 100th Anniversary of the "Middle School" now known as the Intermediate School. There will be a special celebration at the school on Friday. Friday night at the Town Hall is the All School Class Reunion hosted by the Alumni Association, which is always a great time! On Saturday there are MANY activities organized by the Alum Assoc.... Reunion Baseball, Lacrosse and Soccer games. The Alumni Choir performance at the new PAC, The Historical Room and tours of the High School and the Blossom Time Festival in Chagrin! Saturday night our Class Reunion will be held at Pine Lake Trout Club (more info to follow). Sunday, for the parade, we are trying to organize a special place for our class to enjoy the day (more info to follow).

CLASS OF 1979 – "RAISE A LITTLE HELL" The class will begin its Reunion on Saturday, May 24, 6 p.m., with a soiree at



Chagrin Falls Day in Florida 2014. BACK: Mark Laderer '62, Kurt Laderer '65, Helen Hodges Scheiner '62, Pat Hodges Furth '64, Kirk Brown '74, Bob Lambert '57, Marilyn Lambert Fluitt '63, John Lambert '62, Ray Simpson '52, Don Chapman '59, Jim Fitz '58, Bill Szitar '59, Bob Huber. MIDDLE: Norma Rastetter Bassett '62, Sharon Szitar, Joan Matthews LaRue '58, Joanne Simpson '58, Helen Winovich. FRONT: Sue Fitz, Stacy Laderer, Suzanne Sutton Wright '62, Janet Carpenter, Reed Carpenter '62. MISSED PHO-TO: Carolyn Groth Huber '59, Bob Bassett, Ken LaRue, Don Winovich CFHS parents Don Winovich & Helen Winovich (Barry '84, Brian '85, Bob '86, & Danica '91).

CHAGRIN FALLS DAY IN FLORIDA ... WHAT COULD BE BETTER?

A WONDERFUL TIME was had by all the Chagrin Falls High School graduates from 1952-1974 who attended the Chagrin Falls Day on March 4, in Lakeland, FL. We gathered at the Colonnades club house for fun, food and fellowship. The group voted to continue this event and it will be held March 3, 2015, at the Colonnades in Lakeland. Thank you to all who attended, to those who sent regrets see you next time and an extended invitation to all those interested to continue to watch for details in the *Tiger Tales*. We want this to become a tradition so we may support and further our friendships, support our Alumni Association and remember how lucky we were to be raised in Chagrin Falls, OH, and be educated in a school system that promoted good citizens and honorable men and women. TIGER PRIDE is alive and well. On behalf of the CFAA, thanks to Carolyn Groth Huber, Jim Fitz, Reed Carpenter, and Suzie Sutton Wright for all their help in putting this event on.

Bean's Backyard in South Russell. It will feature a casual cookout and great music arranged by the one and only Mr. Jeff Baker. Master of ceremonies is Mr. Cary Gluf. The picnic will include dancing, badminton, corn hole and other swell games. Ticket prices will be reasonable. To keep in the loop on further details email Sali McSherry at smcsherry99@hotmail.com or by phone at 440 318-5090. There will also be a golf outing that morning. Email or call Kelley Clegg for more information on the golf at kelleyclegg1@gmail.com or 440 279 3326.

CLASS OF 1984 – The Class of 1984 will be celebrating its 30-year Reunion

over Blossom Weekend. The festivities will begin with the All-Class Reunion sponsored by the Class of 1984 at Town Hall on Friday evening. The next event will be on Saturday evening at the home of Amy Johnson Tausig. The informal gathering will include a food truck and drinks. Barry Winovich will be putting together the musical selection for the evening and Tim Piai will be providing the sound system. Dick Blake and Scarlet Schroeder may show up to give etiquette and dance lessons. The event will go from 5 - 11 p.m. The class will come back together on the corner of E. Washington and Cleveland Streets to

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watch the Blossom Parade on Sunday afternoon. Check in on the class Facebook group, Chagrin Falls High School Class of 1984 or email Matt Hanley at matthewhanley@verizon.net for more information.

CLASS OF 1989 – Hello Class of 1989! It is hard to believe that we are having our 25th Reunion this May! We hope you all can attend! Reunion festivities include: Saturday, May 24, 6 p.m., Cucina Rustica, heavy hors d'oeurves will be served until 9 p.m. and a cash bar will be provided and remain open until 10 p.m.; Sunday, May 25 (Parade Day), we will be hosting a preparade party on East Washington St. at the top of the parade route on the stadium side beginning at noon. Kids included. If you have any questions, please call Megan Thomas Robinson 610-283-9615 (cell) or email megdan5@me.com.

CLASS OF 1994 – Saturday May 24, the Class of '94 will be hosting its 20th Reunion at South Franklin Circle in the Chautauqua room at 7 p.m. For more information contact Clay Bartel at claybartel@gmail.com or Dana Loparo Matta at danaloparo@yahoo.com.

CLASS OF 1999 – The Class of 1999's 15-year Reunion will be held on Saturday, May 24, at Chagrin Falls Town Hall from 6 - 9:00 p.m. For those that need more information, contact Emily Weingart Farrell at emilywfarrell@gmail.com.

CLASS OF 2004 – Class of 2004!! Get excited to celebrate our 10-year Reunion on Saturday, May 24, at Village Martini and Wine Bar from 6 - 8:00 p.m. Tickets are \$15 per person (includes appetizers, reserving the location and tips for the servers) and there will be a cash bar. Tickets will be sold at the door. More details on presale to come. Significant others welcome! If you have any questions, please reach out to Cait Clegg (caitclegg@gmail. com) and Brooke Takacs (brooke.takacs@ gmail.com). See you soon!

CLASS OF 2009 – The Class of 2009 will be hosting their 5-year reunion on Saturday, May 24th at the Greenville. The informal get-together, which begins at 6:00, will include appetizers and a cash bar. For more information check the class Facebook group, CFHS Class of 2009, or email Vince Coleman at colemavi@gmail.com

SPECIAL GIFTS THANK YOU ALUMNI & FRIENDS

BELOW ARE THOSE that recently gave a donation to the CFAA in memory of CFHS science teacher and coach **Mr. John Hurst '52**:

Arline Miller Moore '43; Linda & Tom Mattern '55; Sally, Virginia '80, & Tad Taft '85; Jana Boysen Young '82; Kelann Maus '82; retired physical education teacher and coach Don Wem; retired industrial arts teacher and coach Pete Olah; retired teacher Phyllis Patton Ekelman; retired teacher and coach Glenn Wyville and retired secretary Marilyn Wyville; Retired teacher Frank Mc-Whorter; Marjorie and retired teacher and current Varsity Soccer Coach Dr. Mario Gerhardt; & Shirley Ashby

Below are those that recently gave a donation in memory of Chagrin Schools music teacher Mrs. Mollie Macknin:

Laurie Rokakis '73; Leslie Mapes '79; Sally, Virginia '80, & Tad Taft '85; Kelann Maus '82; Retired teacher Phyllis Patton Ekelman: Mariorie and retired teacher and current Varsity Soccer Coach Dr. Mario Gerhardt; Drs. Belinda and James Lieberman; March & Anne Feldman; Larry & Joyce Moore; Leeta Benson; Dr. Charles & Carole Faiman: retired teacher and coach Glenn Wvville and retired secretary Marilyn Wyville; Michael & Susan Kane; Rachel Edwards; Mark & Lynn Singer; Netty Markell; William Jones; Robert & Lydia Dershewitz; Bob & Cindy Hazelton and Mary Rosenberg.

Retired elementary school teacher **Arline Miller Moore '43** has made a donation in memory of retired school teacher Bobbi Lineweaver.

Bevington Wince '51 has given her Tiger Pride membership in memory of her cousin Marilyn Larkworthy Fishel '46.

Dave Farris '53 has donated memorabilia to the Chagrin Falls Tom Mattern Historical Room.



Pat Sheridan Mitchell '56 has given a generous donation in memory of her cousins David Mc-Ilrath '33, Nancy Taylor Sieker '45, and Wade Taylor '49.

Allan '58 & Kathleen Kermeen Sindelar '58 have given their Tiger Pride membership in memory of retired CFHS science teacher Neal Wheatcraft.

Christine Thoren Rundus '60 has given her Tiger Pride membership in memory of retired CFHS science teacher Neal Wheatcraft and CFHS Dean of Students and social studies teacher Dale Richmond.

Virginia Burton Luft '61 has given her Tiger Pride membership in honor of retired teacher Jim Reed and in memory of retired CFHS science teacher John Hurst '52.

Felicia Miraglia Grigaliunas '61 has given her Tiger Pride membership in memory of retired physical education teacher Ann Dornback.

Linda Bird Powers '63 has given her Tiger Pride membership in memory of retired CFHS Dean of Students and social studies teacher Dale Richmond.

Toni Swan Kuyon '63 has given her annual dues in memory of classmate Tommy Zugan '63.

Friends from the Class of 1964 have given a Tiger Pride membership in honor of classmate **Bruce Rinkoski '64**.

Bry Schroeder '67 has donated his mounted insect collection from freshmen biology with Mr. Hurst to the Chagrin Falls Tom Mattern Historical Room. The donation is in memory of retired science teacher John Hurst '52.

Bette Hillman '73 has given her Tiger Pride membership in honor of retired CFHS math teacher Jack Stanton '52 and in memory of retired CFHS science teach Neal Wheatcraft.

Jim Abdnor '74 has given his Tiger Pride membership in memory of Mollie Macknin for creating a love of song in so many rambunctious youth.

Cynthia Felger Helbig 74 has given her annual dues in honor of retired CFHS science teacher Ray Battles.

Bruce McNeil '75 has given his Tiger Pride membership in memory of CFHS industrial arts teacher Mr. Norm Fry.

Martha Beattie Bistritz '77 has given her Tiger Pride membership in honor of the CFAA.

Richard Davis '77 has given his annual dues in in memory of retired English and drama teacher Mr. Harold Loesch.

Rod Davis '77 has given his annual dues in in memory of retired English and drama teacher Mr. Harold Loesch.

Kelann Maus '82 has donated her class ring to the Chagrin Falls Tom Mattern Historical Room.

Marabeth Smyser Izzo '85 has donated memorabilia to the Chagrin Falls Tom Mattern Historical Room.

Natalie Gross Remington '86 has given her Tiger Pride membership in honor of retired CFHS English teacher Gayle Nemeth Bial.

Meredith Neidhardt Connerton '95 has given her annual dues in memory of retired elementary teacher Al Sekerak.

Retired basketball coach Dale Bruce has given a donation for a scholarship in memory of former players **Dennis Bradley '56** and **Dave Banning '57**.

Retired Chagrin Schools teacher Barbara Warren and her husband Charles have made a donation in memory or retired CFHS Dean of Students and social studies teacher Dale Richmond.

Ralph Fishel has given a donation in memory of his wife **Marilyn Larkworthy Fishel '46**.

Mary Collins has given a donation to the Chagrin Falls Tom Mattern Historical Room in honor of her daughter **Christine Collins '03**, who was recently inducted into the Chagrin Falls Schools Athletic Hall of Fame.

Retired CFHS German teacher Dr. Mario Gerhardt made a donation in memory of **Kevin Whitelaw '83**.

CHAGRIN FALLS TOWNSHIP HALL

EVERY YEAR we have our All Class Reunion at historic Chagrin Township Hall. Many of you know how hot and sweltering that building can be! A committee has been put together to raise funds to renovate the hall, and the first thing they want to do is to put in air conditioning. The Township Hall is one of the most historic buildings in the Village. The work is to be done in such a way so as to respect the historic nature of the building. The committee and Township Trustees have the goal of restoring the building so that it will be able to be used for small weddings and get togethers. If you are interested in helping make this happen,



you can find a link to donate at www.chagrinfallstownship.org or Friends of Township Hall, 83 N. Main St., Chagrin Falls, OH 44022.

ALUMNI CHORUS CONCERT TO FEATURE VIETNAM VETS

IN ADDITION TO remarks from **Dr. Tom Martinko '74**, (Col. US Army, Ret) the 2014 Alumni Chorus Concert will feature "Dusty" Earl Trimmer - 11 Bravo Combat Infantryman, 3rd 22nd Infantry Division, University of South Vietnam, War Zone C, Class of 1968-1969, from Twinsburg, OH, and author of the recently released book *Condemned Property?* Dusty will speak about his time in Vietnam and the effect it had (and is still having) on his life and the lives of many other veterans that served in Vietnam. His book will also be available for purchase at the concert.

The chorus is asking all local (and not so local) Vietnam veterans to join us for this concert as we will be recognizing and acknowledging them and their service to our country. As of the 2014 concert, the Alumni Chorus will be an official sponsor of the Wounded Warrior Project and all funds raised for this and future concerts will be donated to that cause. Please plan to join us for this worthwhile event and we encourage you to invite any and all Vietnam veterans to the concert. Saturday, May 24, (Blossom Time Saturday), 2014, 1:00 p.m. (that's 1300 hours for you military types), at the Performing Arts Center on the CFHS Campus. The chorus would also like to invite everyone who has photographs of veterans who served in Vietnam or pictures from Vietnam, to bring them to the concert so that we may display them. We hope to see you there!

100TH YEAR CELEBRATION



THE CURRENT Chagrin Intermediate School is 100 years old! We are celebrating this historic building Memorial Day weekend. An Open House will be held on Friday, May 23, from 5 - 7 p.m. at the 77 E. Washington St. location. This event will include a cookout and visits from retired teachers. Some teachers who will be attending are Tony Sharnas, Greg Gamm, Dan Stone, Barb Warren,

Glenn Wyville, Jack Stanton, Jan Mottinger and Tom Mattern. Chagrin school memorabilia will also be displayed and films of Chagrin schools from 1933 will be playing. There will be music and tours of the building as well. Current Chagrin Falls students will also be creating a float for the Blossom Time parade. We are looking forward to having alumni visit the historic building on Friday, May 23, from 5 - 7 p.m. of Memorial Day weekend and reminisce about the good old days in this classic building!



TIGER SPORTS REVIEW

By Charlie Barch, Athletic Director

THE GIRLS' BASKETBALL team had a 14-8 record this year with a very tough schedule. The girls went 10-0 in the CVC and won the conference for the second consecutive year. To see a recap on the terrific season you can go to http://youtu.be/BT3R-S1GMGI. The Boys Basketball team finished the season with a record of 21-4, which ties them for the most wins ever in the program's history. The team won the CVC for the 2nd year in a row. The team eventually lost in the district final. The Wrestling team won 10 dual matches this year, which doubled their wins from last year. The team came in 6th place at sectionals and had four district qualifiers this year. The

Girls Swimming and Diving Team went 6-1 in duals meets and came in 4th place in the CVC. Eleven girls qualified for districts and four qualified for states. The boys swimmers and divers went 7-0 in duals and came in 2nd place at the CVC meet. The boys sent 12 to the districts and seven to the state meet. While not an official team, several of our track and field athletes compete annually in the Indoor State Championships. Last month senior **Antonio Conte '14** captured the Divisions II-III high jump by clearing 6-6. Antonio will be taking his talents to the University of Cincinnati. Other seniors that signed letters of intent were **Lukas Sontich '14** (University of Pennsylvania - football), **Max Hallwachs '14** (University of Notre Dame - soccer), and **Ed Shelley '14** (University of Toledo - football).

BOOSTER BRICKS

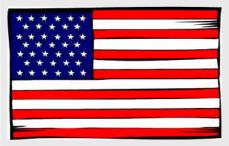
THE CHAGRIN FALLS Booster Club is doing a second round of paver bricks at the C.S. Harris Stadium. Last summer over 480 pavers were installed inscribed with names of families, graduates, current students and 44 classes from 1951 - 2014. The pavers were placed in the walkway in front of the grandstand to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the stadium. The money raised has been used to help fund the many worthy ventures of our Booster Club including updates to the grandstand.

They will take orders until June 30 and have them installed in July. People can place orders by going to the Booster website, www.cfboosterclub.org, or if they have questions about the project, contact the Boosters directly at chagrinbricksale@gmail.com. Pavers can have three lines of 15 characters per line, spaces and punctuation included. The pavers are \$100, but there is a discount for purchasing multiple bricks. "To complete the set" they would like to have the following classes represented: 1952,1955, 1956, 1958, 1963, 1964, 1967, 1975, 1976, 1978, 1979, 1980, 1990, 1993, 1995, 1999, 2000, 2005, 2010, 2012, and any other pre-1951 class.

OUR NEXT OLYMPIAN

KIMBERLY ZAHL '94 has been a Special Olympic Athlete for 30 years and has earned close to 250 medals and ribbons, including 117 gold. Last fall, she was finally nominated to represent the State of Ohio at the 2014 National Special Olympic Games in Trenton, NJ. A campaign is ongoing to

SERVING THE U.S.



BELOW IS an addition to the list of Chagrin graduates who have served our country in the armed services. The overall list is posted on the CFAA website and contains 731 graduates. We also have a framed plaque in the CFHS due to the the generous donation from the **Kelly Small '99** Memorial Fund.

Bill Lewis '81

raise the necessary \$5,000 to send Kimberly and her mother to the games for the week long event. Kimberly will be competing in singles, doubles and 4-athlete team competitions. She will be competing in her favorite sport, which is bowling. This trip is especially sentimental as Kimberly lost her father (and bowling coach), **Fred Zahl '70**, very suddenly a little over a year ago. He dedicated many years to coaching and would have liked nothing more than to see his only daughter shine at Nationals. The Zahl family would like to thank Solon Freeway Lanes, which is Kim's "home court," the Metzenbaum Center in Chesterland, the Chagrin Valley Roller Rink, and the Chagrin community for their generous support. If you would like to donate online, then go to http://www. gofundme.com/693nn4. There is also a donation fund account set up at Huntington National Bank. Donations can be deposited directly to this account "Kim Zahl for National Special

Olympics Fund." Donations can also be mailed ^{c/o}Jackie Zahl, 7011 Oak Street, Chagrin Falls, OH 44022. For questions, one can contact Kim's brother **Mike Zahl '91** at 702-573-6933 or michaelzahl@verizon.net or mom, **Jackie Porter Zahl '70** at jackiezahl@gmail.com or 216-702-7060.

18th Annual CFAA Golf Outing Saturday, June 14th Tanglewood Country Club

18-Hole Golf Scramble ~ golf (with cart) - 2:00 p.m. ~ dinner (with pop/beer) - 6:00 p.m. ~ Limited to the first 144 golfers ~ RSVP by June 6th

FILL OUT this form and mail it to the alumni office. You can also pay on the CFAA website under the Golf Outing section. Your fee provides you with 18 holes of golf with a cart, dinner, beverages and a gift. Skins & mulligans are available. Make checks payable to the Chagrin Falls Alumni Association and mail to **Brian McKenna '88**, Alumni Director, Chagrin

Falls Schools, 400 E. Washington St., Chagrin Falls, OH 44022. If you are interested in sponsoring a hole, donating raffle items, gifts, etc., then please let us know at the Alumni Office (440-247-4387).

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WHO'S NEWS



Phelps Nichols '59

is President at American Learning LLC. American Learning provides professional services to all types of organizations, e.g., entrepreneurial start-ups, Fortune 100 Companies, non-profit organizations, foundations, religious groups, and military and government agencies. Phelps lives in Detroit, MI.

Jack Schron '66 is one of 11 Representatives on the Cuyahoga County Council. Jack represents District 6, which encompasses the southern and eastern region of the county and includes Chagrin Falls. He was reelected to a four year term last year. This November he will be vying for the Cuyahoga County Executive position. Outside of his service to the community and being President of the CFAA, Jack has led Jergens, Inc., as President and CEO for nearly 30 years, as well as co-founding an internet education business called Tooling University. He also served 28 years in the United States Army, retiring as a Lieutenant Colonel. Jack and Mary Ellen Doddridge Schron '69 live in Moreland Hills. All three of their sons graduated from Chagrin and they have four grandchildren.

Dr. James Thobaben '72 is Dean, School of Theology and Formation at Asbury Theological Seminary in Kentucky. He also has the roles of Associate Provost for Institutional Effectiveness and Professor of Bioethics and Social Ethics. Asburv rivals Duke University for the top Methodist seminary in the country. Previously Jim served as Vice President for Ethics and Research at Mississippi Methodist Rehabilitation Center. He was also a visiting Ethics Scholar at the University of Missouri's Molecular Biology Program. He is author of Healthcare Ethics: A Comprehensive Christian Resource. In addition to his work at the seminary, Dr. Thobaben

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is co-pastor at Mt. Zion United Methodist Church in Mercer County, Ky. Jim and his wife, Marcelyn, have two grown children.

Dwight M. Woodward '72, is a Ph.D. candidate at Ohio University's E.W. Scripps School of Journalism, Woodward, a former newsman for The Associated Press and senior writer at OU, is teaching news writing and editing at Scripps. His research interests include international journalism, ethics and the Internet's impact on news gathering and delivery. The three-year program leads to a doctorate in communication/journalism. Woodward suggests CFHS Tigers visiting Athens and the land of the Bobcat contact him at dwight.woodward@gmail.com. Woodward is the son of the late James A. Woodward '43 and Virginia Briggs Woodward Fast '45, both graduates of CFHS.

Bette Hillman '73 is recently retired after a wonderful 34-year career in industrial hygiene, safety and environment. Bette lives in Houston, TX.

Cynthia Felger Helbig '74 and her husband recently enjoyed becoming grandparents for the first time. They live in Lakewood, OH.

Bruce McNeil '75 is a self employed architectural designer in Austin, TX.

Richard Davis '77 is Project Manager at Northrop Grumman Electronic Systems in Baltimore, MD.

Rod Davis '77 is developing onboard entertainment and connectivity systems for airlines in the Middle East and Central Asia. Rod lives in Trabuco Canyon located in the foothills of the Santa Ana Mountains in California.

Jon Kindred '79 is President & CEO of Morgan Stanley Japan Holdings Co. and Morgan Stanley MUFG Securities Co., while also being a member of Morgan Stanley's global Management Committee. Additionally, Jon holds the title of Non-Executive Chairman of Mitsubishi UFJ Morgan Stanley Securities Co.

David Musselman '79 is Associate General Counsel at Essential Power, a power generation company based in the Northeast.

Don Brown '80 is President of Optimal Blue Secondary Services, a company that

provides managed content services to those in the lending services industry. Don is based in Denver, CO.

Barb Finnerty '81 is a licensed real estate agent for Halstead Property in New York City. Barb is also a freelance copywriter.

Kevin O'Donnell '81 is owner of O'Donnell Construction Services, which is located in Louisa, VA.

JoAnn Sworan '81 is President of Real Estate CSO, which provides credit solutions for real estate buyers. JoAnn is on several boards related to the industry and speaks nationally on the topic of credit reporting. JoAnn lives in Illinois.

Mike '85 and **Kim Carpenter Clark '86** recently moved to Waunakee, WI, which is right outside of Madison. Mike is senior VP at CSM Companies, which provides trucking and transportation services. Kim is a Schedular at University of Wisconsin Hospitals and Clinics. Although Wisconsin is now their home base, they both do quite a bit of travelling to support their daughter, Macy, who competes in horse competitions nationally.

Matthew Stanton '88 is proud to announce the release of his feature film *North Starr* on DVD. Copy includes full feature, theatrical trailer, alternate ending, director's commentary and lots of entertaining behind the scenes extra's. Matthew served as Lead Producer, Director, Screenwriter and an Actor on this award winning independent film project. To purchase a DVD please visit www.fatbessyfilms.com or northstarrthemovie.com for more information.

John Meyer '91 co-wrote and coproduced with his fiancée Etienne Side Effects of Barry. It is a short comedy film that was recently screened at this year's Cleveland International Film Festival and at other festivals throughout the country. There's a 30-second trailer for the film at http://sideeffectsofbarry.info. John has been acting, writing and producing primarily in Los Angeles.

Heather Grubich White '93, owner of award-winning WhiteSands Photography, just wrapped a shoot for Betabrand clothing company's upcoming "smart models" campaign--a unique effort to feature PhD and PhD-candidate models.

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Ian Martz '95 was recently promoted to Vice President & Controller at DMB Pacific Ventures in San Francisco, CA. DMB Pacific Ventures is a privately held real estate investment and development company with assets throughout California and Hawaii.

Julie Ferlito DiMatteo '96 is Preservation & Collection Coordinator - Records & Information Management Services at Ernst & Young in Atlanta, GA.

Jason (J.D.) Thalman '96 recently was recognized as a Gold IRONMAN All World Athlete. His race performance in 2013 earned him a place in the Top 1% in the world in his age group for overall Ironmans.

Glenn Knirsch '98 recently moved back to Cleveland from Washington, DC, to work as an attorney for McGlinchey Stafford in Beachwood, OH. Glenn represents financial services institutions, including national and state banks, investment banks, finance companies, savings associations, mortgage bankers and other licensed lenders in regulatory compliance matters, as well as individual and class action consumer claims.

Lindsay Skala Bird '98 recently purchased the family 's Chagrin-based pet sitting service, Reliable Pet Sitting. She and her husband Shaun have two daughters, 4-year-old Charlotte and nearly two-year old Josephine. Before pet sitting, Lindsay was Director of Finance at the Cleveland Clinic.

Lauren Miller '01 recently started a new job as an Independent Consultant and Team Coordinator for Norwex, a company that seeks to improve quality of life through radically reducing the use of chemicals in personal care and cleaning. To learn more or contact Lauren go to www.LaurenM.norwex.biz.

Aaron Slodov '01 recently began a PhD program at CWRU studying power systems engineering. Aaron had previously worked at Meetup.com and Google.

Ben Smith '01 is a Registered Representative for R.A. Croucher & Associates in Independence, OH.

Nina Yancich Eastman '01 is an Executive Assistant at First Republic Bank in Boston.

Kathryn Kramer Gaydos '02 is an Associate Attorney at Hurtuk & Daroff Co. in Cleveland.

Matthew Trinetti '02 is Director at The Escape School, which is a branch of Escape the City. The organization helps to connect people with exciting noncorporate opportunities, while the School publishes guides and essays regarding career changes, entrepreneurialism, or adventure. Matt was the keynote speaker last month during the Cum Laude Society induction ceremony for seniors at Chagrin Falls High school.

Steve Downie '04 is Customer Service-Warranty Manager at Techtronic Industries, a manufacturer of electrical and electronic products in the areas of power tools and floor care. Steve is based in Greenville, NC.

Emily Jensen '04 will be graduating from SUNY Binghamton with a Masters in Social Work this May.

Drew Stelzer '04 recently took a position as Wide Receivers Coach/Pass Game Coordinator at Kenston High School. The Bombers are coached by **Jeff Grubich '96** and have made the playoffs the last two seasons.

Ryan Abelman '05 is Project Manager at Clearhead a digital optimization agency based in Austin, TX.

Ryan Luby '05 moved to Albuquerque, NM. recently to take a position for the investigative unit at KOB-TV. Ryan had spent nearly five years at KETV in Omaha.

Jesse Howell '06 is a Vendor Management Specialist at Opower, a softwareas-a-service company that partners with utility providers around the world to promote energy efficiency. Jesse is based in Washington, DC.

Hayley Kaminski '07 is an art consultant at Lee Hayden gallery located in Beachwood, OH.

Bill O'Riordan '07 is Market Development Manager at Nexant, a management and technology consulting services for governments, electric and gas utilities, energy producers, and oil and gas companies. Bill lives in Chicago.

Rachael Press '07 is a registered dietitian at Austin State Hospital in Texas.

Ben Brenot '08 is a production worker at Dovetail Logistics, which is an event executor company.

Eric Namaky '08, a graduate of New www.chagrinfallsalumni.org York University, is a member of the indie band 5j Barrow. The group recently represented Manhattan in the finals of the 2014 Battle of the Boroughs. Eric is an accomplished pianist who played at Carneige Hall before he even entered high school.

Emily Fishman '09 is pursuing a PhD in Molecular Biology at the University of Toledo with research specializing in structural cellular biology in male fertility.

Kate Koberna '10 recently started as the Community Engagement and Education Intern at Playhouse Square in Cleveland.

Ted Cogan '12 was selected to be Vice President of O'Neil Hall on the campus of the University of Notre Dame. Ted is finishing his sophomore year and is a computer science major.

MEMORABILIA NEEDED!

THE CFAA would enjoy adding more items to the Tom Mattern Historical Room and hope that you can help. We are looking for videos and/or DVDs of the senior slide show, OABR, graduation, fall play, spring musical, 8th grade graduation, sporting events, Gurney or Sands Holiday Show, and anything relevant to what makes our past at Chagrin Falls Schools so memorable.



IN MEMORIAM

Captain David Draz '44 Judith White Clayton '50 Retired CFHS science teacher John Hurst '52 Roger Babcock '55 Valerie Reitz Hill '55 Dennis Bradley '56 Kevin Whitelaw '83 Retired musical teacher Mollie Macknin

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NEWS OF ALUMNI MOVERS & SHAKERS TIGER SPOTLIGHT

Scott Lax '70 has been getting a lot of positive attention with his new book, Vengeance Follows. The suspense novel is a tragic story of love and loss that ultimately reveals the cruelty of human nature and the healing power of forgiveness. Part of the description of the novel includes, "And so Sam travels to America, to a charming little Ohio town where lights twinkle

on the snow in winter and fairs shimmer in the summer heat. Here, Sam will seek his revenge—and find retribution for his lost love in a way he could never imagine." For those that have read Scott's first novel, *The Year That Trembled*,

understand that he once again sets the story in Chagrin Falls, although his novels have called this unique town Chestnut Falls. Advance praise is coming from several prominent authors, including Pulitzer Prize-winning critic and coauthor of *Flags of Our Fathers,* Ron Powers. As for Scott's first novel, *The Year That Trembled*, it has been reissued in paperback after originally being published in 1998. The novel is a Vietnam-era story which follows a group of small-town friends as they wait out the 1970 draft lottery. The paperback does include a few small changes to make it more suitable for teaching in schools. University School has taught the book, and last fall, U.S. also staged a new production of "The Year That Trembled," the play, for the play's 10th anniversary. Both books are available on all the book websites such as Amazon, and selected bookstores, such as Fireside and Mac's Back's in Cleveland. Additionally, the *Plain Dealer* did a nice story called, "Scott Lax Extols the Virtues of Chagrin," in which he got to talk about growing up in Chagrin Falls. Although this is keeping Scott busy, he actually has a full-time position as managing editor of TOA Technologies in Beachwood, a global firm, overseeing their video and written content. Scott's 3-year-old-son, Finn Scott, wife Lydia Lax, and stepson, Chagrin 9th grader Angus, make it all worthwhile. Scott can be reached on LinkedIn, at his website, www.scottlax.com, or email at scott@scottlax.com.

Kevin Spellman '91 is a manager with Vector Management in Nashville, TN. At the 2014 Grammy Awards, two of the groups that he manages won. Sound City won Best Soundtrack Compilation with *Real to Reel* and Emmylou Harris and Rodney Crowell's *Old Yellow Moon* won for Best Americana Album.

Brian Glazen '92 produced "Fishing Without Nets," a docudrama about Somali pirates. The film won the U.S. drama directing award at the Sundance Film Festival. Brian is the founder of Think Media Studios, a video and event production company, in Mayfield Hts., Ohio.

Leslie Cikra '09 recently finished up her first professional volleyball season overseas in France. Last summer she trained with the USA National Team and may do the same this summer. Leslie will also train this summer in California.

MARRIAGES

Stacie Krueger & Glenn Knirsch '98, Feb. 22, 2014. Annie Cross '01 & David Smith, Dec. 21, 2013. Coleen Piteo and Ryan Crowley '04, Sept. 27, 2014. Samantha Ehrenbeit '07 & Kyle Bidwell, Nov. 30, 2013.

LITTLE TIGERS

To **Mitch '91** & **Jennifer Zierold Schneider '94**, a boy, Clayton John, Sept. 28, 2013. To **Clay '94** & Margaret Bartel, a boy, Clayton Warde, Jr., March 22, 2014. To Tim and **Maribeth Bagley Crosby '96**, two boys through adoption on Feb. 25, 2014. They welcomed Chase Byrne, who is 12, and Evan Joseph (middle name after **Joe Bagley '66**) who is 2 years old. To Kyle & **Jennifer Barr Surber '96**, a boy, William Edward, Dec. 13, 2013. To Kelly and **Jesse Fishman '99**, a boy, Miles Jacob, Jan. 14, 2014. To Lisa & **Clay Burnett '00**, a girl, Maybelle Jane, Feb. 1, 2014. To Mark and **Vicky Epprecht Pelsozy '00**, a girl, Anna Ruth, on Feb. 5, 2014. To **Scott '00** & **Rachel Conti Gebler '00**, a boy, Ty William, March 8, 2014. To Mike & **Meagan Meyer Mulloy '00**, a boy, Cormac "Mac" John, Jan. 30, 2014. To William & **Joy Fishman Burke '01**, a girl, Micah Faye, Aug. 1, 2013.

To Kay & **Ephram Wilkoff '05**, a girl, Myalynn Iva, through adoption, March 28, 2014. They welcomed Myalynn at two months old through foster care in Colorado and she is now 19 months old.

RETIRED TEACHER SPOTLIGHT WHERE IN THE WORLD ARE

THEY NOW?

Former CFHS

music teacher Dr. Bill Foley is retiring after a 50-year career as the Federated Church Music Director



in Chagrin Falls. Last month, Bill directed a special performance of the Chancel Choir accompanied by a professional orchestra. Always at his side, wife Carol served as the rehearsal accompanist. The couple have formed and led many musical groups and Bill still directs the Men of Chagrin choral group.



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BETCHA DIDN'T KNOW

EXCERPTS FROM *History of the Chagrin Falls Schools, 1833 - 1960* by **Tom Mattern '55**:

Schools today are asked to do more and more things that were once done by the home and/or community. There was a time, however, when the Chagrin Falls Schools and a local doctor went beyond the call of duty. ...

One tidbit from the 1920s dealt with schools and tonsils. Beginning in 1925 and for the next 15

years, a local doctor, **Chauncey Wycoff '00**, would arrange to spend a day each year at the old Philomethian Street School, the one torn down in 1940. He was there to take out students' tonsils at a cost of \$7.50 per student in the old building's Assembly Hall. With their parents' permission, students would line up and wait to be called. Once called, they would be given a little ether and have their tonsils removed. The tonsils were then thrown into buckets and the youngsters placed on cots and given ice cream and pieces of ice to chew. Once recovered, the children were sent home. What happened to the buckets of tonsils remains a mystery. One probability is that they ended up at the old village dump on Solon Road, which is known as River Run Park. ... In the late 1930s, and into the 1940s the senior class had a Kid Day at the end of the school year where the class would dress up as little children and just "act silly." The class of 1942 was informed by the school administration that Kid Day was cancelled due to the seriousness of World War II which had just begun. Disappointed, the class decided to have a different kind of day and to cut school and "play hooky" at the shelter house in the Metropolitan Park. With the military draft looming ahead for the senior boys, one last fling seemed appropriate. **Margaret Manley Batchelor '42** remembered that the class was punished with three additional days of school. The teachers were not amused. It remains a cherished memory for the class of 1942. ...

Norm Fry came to Chagrin Falls in 1937 to teach industrial arts (shop). Through the years he had many "firsts" to his credit. During World War II, he worked evenings in the school with a group of juniors and seniors who built, to specification, model airplanes -- replicas of the fighter planes and bombers that were being used in the war. These models were then used by the United States government to teach soldiers identification of planes. What he was most remembered for was the use of his famous paddle. Norm retired in 1977 after "forty years of fun!"

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SUGAR BUSH hike in the spring to watch the farmers tap the trees and collect the sap for maple syrup; competing and winning an East Cuyahoga County or Chagrin Valley Conference title; pep rallies led by our Tiger cheerleaders; sock hops after Friday night athletic events; English teacher Miss Elsa Jane Carroll and her green ink that she famously used; the Radio Club, nicknamed the Audio Aces; final exams; Safety Patrol; the Blossom Run; running up Grove Hill training for a sport or sliding down it on a pumpkin; Driver's Ed Class ...

COOKING ON BEHALF OF THE ALUMNI

WE WOULD LIKE to thank Debi Shukys Gebler '75 and Sherrie Takacs Wooden '75 for representing the Chagrin alumni at the 9th Annual Chagrin Valley Chili Cook-Off this past January. Over two dozen teams compete in several categories and our team represented the orange and black in terrific fashion. This event is a fundraiser put on by the Chagrin Valley lavcees. This year's proceeds will below

Jaycees. This year's proceeds will help to fund the refurbishing of the Stairway to the Falls.

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