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CHAGRIN FALLS ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Hello Fellow Tigers!

We hope that the Fall is starting well for you and your family. It has been exciting to see the start of a new school year with the hallways and classrooms at CFHS come alive again with students. Harris Stadium also had a feel of normalcy this August with the marching band working hard, the cheerleaders enthusiastically working on their routines, while the football and soccer teams were practicing once again to carry on the rich tradition of success. The golfers were hitting the links throughout the Chagrin Valley, the volleyball squad was preparing diligently in Ralph Quesinberry Gym, while the cross country teams were putting on the miles around the campus or by the Polo Field. At the alumni association, we hope to be able to have events that we hold so dear with our fellow CF graduates in the near future. We are excited to announce the 29th Chagrin Falls Schools Hall of Fame Class and look forward to announcing a date when we can properly recognize them with their families, friends, and

classmates. We do hope by late winter we can put on the 2nd CFAA Euchre Tournament, which will be open to alumni and non-alumni. Naturally, the end of the school year we will be ready to help bring together alumni with the All-Class Reunion on Friday, May 27th, which will kick off Blossom Weekend and several class reunions.

One of the things we are most proud of at the CFAA is being able to award scholarships to our deserving seniors. Annually we will give out between 5 to 7 scholarships. It is one of the most challenging tasks to select from well over 40 applicants. Over the years,

we have spearheaded the efforts to organize the school's support organizations with a common scholarship application and website. It has been met with enthusiasm from both the seniors and scholarship committees alike. We would like to welcome classes or individuals that would be interested in sponsoring a scholarship.

We hope you enjoy this issue of the Tiger Tales. We welcome you sharing news on you for a future issue.

Keep the Tiger Pride Alive!
Brian McKenna '88
Alumni Director

ALMA MATER

As the mist lifts high above us, in the valley view,
There you stand, Our Alma Mater, clear and brave and true
May we always keep your honor, keep your standards high
Hold your memories always with us, as the years go by.

Tho' in the time our paths may lead us, far across the sea,
Still our love will bind us ever, hand in hand with thee
Proudly singing of your honor, cry above the din
Praise to thee, our Alma Mater, praise to thee, Chagrin.

Chagrin Falls Schools Hall of Fame Class

Since 1991 we have alternated between achievement and athletic hall of fame ceremonies with each having 14 induction classes. This time we are changing things up with recognizing a class that includes graduates being recognized for either accomplishment. We are holding off on the ceremony until a time when we can properly recognize them in person. Our class includes **Dr. Bill Albers '70, Rob Crombie '70, Dr. Eric Pamer '73, Dr. Lisa Kroon '88, Leslie Cikra '09, Megan Takacs '09, and Chris Trinetti '10.**



Dr. Bill Albers '70

Dr. Bill Albers was an orthopaedic surgeon for over 30 years. For 23 years he had a private practice in Lynchburg, Virginia. During that period, Bill volunteered as a coach in both basketball and softball at his daughter's school, Holy Cross Regional School. The school earned three state titles in girls' basketball and four in softball.

Bill was voted the "State Coach of the Year" on three occasions and the school would later name their athletic field area, "William E. Albers Field." For nearly a decade, he successfully juggled a number of roles when he and his wife moved to Tennessee where he joined Campbell Clinic Orthopaedics. In addition to his work as a surgeon, he wrote three chapters in what is regarded as the preeminent text on orthopaedic surgery, *Campbell's Operative Orthopaedics*. Bill also taught 2nd year residents trauma surgery at the University of Tennessee Methodist Hospital and was voted as the "Teacher of the Year" by the residents.



Rob Crombie '70

Selected by his classmates as "Most Artistic," it is a surprise that Rob Crombie has become one of most sought after oil painters in our region. However, Rob took a break from the brush for nearly 30 years for a career in the print world and raise a family. Once he returned to his passion, he would find joy and an opportunity to give back. He travels quite a bit to small villages in France for inspiration. His work is on display in Cleveland, St Remy, France, South Carolina as well as in Summer shows around the region. While garnering success as an artist, Rob has gone above and beyond to open the world of art to adults and children throughout Northeast Ohio. He is a popular instructor at the Valley Art Center and gives considerable time to art groups as well as students in public schools to support their efforts to learn to paint. Rob has also made it a priority to work in our most under served schools in Cleveland and Akron where children may be most inspired and helped. The CFAA is proud to recognize Rob as our "Community Service Award" honoree.



Dr. Eric Pamer '73

Dr. Eric “Rick” Pamer is an infectious diseases expert and currently the Faculty Director of the Duchossois Family Institute at the University of Chicago where he is a professor in the Departments of Medicine, Microbiology, and Pathology. As a physician and scientist, Rick specializes in immune defense against infections associated with cancer treatment and whose research focuses on the microbiome’s impact on resistance to a wide range of microbial pathogens. The institute is dedicated to investigating and developing new knowledge about the human biological defense systems, including the microbiome, and their therapeutic and commercial potential for preventing disease and maintaining lifelong wellness. He came to Chicago from Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center in New York City, where he has served as head of the Division of Subspecialty Medicine since 2011 and director of the Lucille Castori Center for Microbes, Inflammation and Cancer since 2010. He joined Memorial Sloan Kettering in 2000 as chief of infectious diseases and has served as professor of medicine at Weill Cornell Medicine since 2001. Prior to his tenure in New York, he worked at Yale University from 1992 to 2000 as an assistant and associate professor of infectious diseases and immunobiology.



Kevin Ryan '81

Kevin Ryan is one of the leading Internet entrepreneurs in New York, having founded and is Chairman of several businesses, including AlleyCorp, Zola and Nomad Health. Previously he founded and was Chairman of MongoDB, Business Insider and GILT. Previously, Kevin helped build DoubleClick from 1996 to 2005, first as President and later as CEO. In 2013, Kevin was named one of “The 100 Most Influential New Yorkers of the Past 25 Years” by the Observer. Aside from his professional responsibilities, Kevin serves on the board of Mercy Corps, is Vice Chairman of The Partnership for New York City, is a member of the CFR Committee on Foreign Affairs, is on the Board of TECH:NYC and is Director Emeritus for Human Right Watch. He previously served on the boards of Yale Corporation, INSEAD, the Direct Marketing Association, The Ad Council, HotJobs and the advisory board of Doctors Without Borders.



Dr. Lisa Kroon '88

Dr. Lisa Kroon is Chair of the Department of Clinical Pharmacy at the University of California San Francisco. In 2020, Lisa was appointed the Assistant Chief Pharmacy Officer for Research, Education, and Clinical Services for the UCSF Health Pharmacy Enterprise. She practices in the UCSF Medical Center’s Adult Diabetes Clinic and Diabetes Teaching Center, where she cares for people with diabetes and chronic illnesses. She co-directs the Fontana Tobacco Treatment Center. Her research and practice efforts focus on evaluating the impact of pharmacist provider status and expanded scope of practice, diabetes therapeutics, tobacco cessation, and innovative practice models in the ambulatory and community pharmacy setting. Lisa has received multiple awards including the prestigious “Outstanding Teacher of the Year” from the UCSF Pharmacy Class of 2012 and the 2019 Pharmacist of the Year by the California Society of Health-System Pharmacists.



Leslie Cikra '09

Leslie Cikra has had the most successful volleyball career in Chagrin history. The MVP of the Chagrin Valley Conference, she was selected as an Under Armor All-American was ranked as the 11th best player in the nation. Leslie would go on to be a four year letter winner at the University of Tennessee. During that period the Lady Volunteers had four straight NCAA Div. 1 tournament appearances and were the 2011 South Eastern Conference Champions. She was on the SEC Academic Honor Roll all four seasons, a First Team All-SEC selection in 2011, and twice was the SEC Player of the Week. She earned an All-American Honorable Mention Honor as well as All-South Region. After college, Leslie was a professional volleyball player in France and South Korea. She earned MVP honors in the South Korean Volleyball League and was second in total points during the 2015-16 season. Additionally, Leslie has been a USA Volleyball Women’s National Team Practice Player. Leslie’s passion for volleyball has continued in her role as a coach of a nationally recognized youth program in Colorado.



Megan Takacs '09

Megan Takacs was a two sport star at Chagrin earning All-Ohio honors four times in lacrosse and in her senior year in soccer. While at Chagrin, she was named a first team All-American for three years and was a member of the Great Lakes Team 1 for the Women’s Division’s National Tournament team in her sophomore and junior years. She led Chagrin in assists in each of her four years and had 221 career goals. Megan would go on to the University of California Berkeley where she became Cal’s all-time leader in career goals with 148 and her 184 career points rank second. She was recognized with several player of the week honors and for her academic success as well. Megan was selected first team All-American as a senior and garnered IWLCA West Region First Team honors and the Player of the Year of the Mountain Pacific Sports Federation conference in both her junior and senior seasons. She ended her senior season ranked seventh nationally in goals per game. Her senior season was even more impressive for Megan had to overcome an ACL injury that sidelined her for over half a year. After college Megan was an assistant coach for the University of California squad and went on to play in the 2013 World Cup for Team Canada, which won a silver medal.



Chris Trinetti '10

Chagrin has had a rich history in football dating back to 1898. However, it will be in 2009 that the Tigers will make its first appearance in the state title game. First Team All-Ohio quarterback Chris Trinetti would lead Chagrin to a 14-1 record that year with the only loss in the title game. Chris would garner MVP - Offensive Player of the Year honors by the Cleveland Touchdown Club, Plain Dealer “Grid Iron Hero” and first team honors in both the county and conference that year. He would finish his years at Chagrin with a 22-5 record as starting quarterback and as the record holder in several categories including career passing touchdowns (44) and career passing yards (3,831). During the Spring Chris was an accomplished midfielder on the boys lacrosse team. His 63 goals led the Tigers in scoring his senior year. Chris would also be honored as three time All-Ohio selection. After high school Chris would go on to Div. 1AA Davidson College where he earned three letters in football. He played primarily as a receiver and kick returner before his career was ended by injury and he took on a role as Assistant Offensive Coach. Chris was recognized on the Pioneer Football League Fall 2011 Academic Honor Roll.

Class & Reunion Notes

Although there is no upcoming formal reunion for the **Class of 1960**, they do gather in a group about once a month. If a classmate is planning a trip to Chagrin, they can contact Karen Hurst Johns, leekarenjohns@gmail.com, so they can be included in the get together.

Class of 1962 - 60th Reunion. Locals have started the 2022 planning process and are looking for your bucket list ideas. Please get involved and help us update your contact information via CFHS1962atplay@gmail.com

FYI: In addition to emails, we will use CFHS1962 FaceBook (private group) for Reunion updates...

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/84647725838/>

CFHS **Class of 1970** - The 50 + 1 Reunion has been postponed for now with the hope of safely gathering as a group in 2022. You can keep in the loop for updates on their Facebook page at: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/10150115846360268>

and you can send or request information to: Darrell Johnson at commish94@aol.com.

The brunch/lunch picnic is still scheduled for Sunday, October 10th at the South Russell Village Park outside pavilion, 1050 Bell Rd.. It will go from 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. for locals and those in the area.

The **Class of '71** is holding its 50th Class reunion over the 2022 Blossom Time Weekend (May 27 - 29). For more info. contact Ruth McIlrath at ruthcav@cebridge.net

The **Class of 1979** will be having their 42nd Reunion to Friday, October 15th to coincide with the plans the Jaycees have to do a Blossom event over that weekend. As always, please go to our class website at: <https://sites.google.com/view/chagrin-falls-class-79/home> for information on the event. Contact Jeff Baker - bakej38@gmail.com or Betsy Towns - Btowns79@gmail.com for any questions.

Class of '80 - Mark your calendars to a 42nd year reunion in 2022.

CFHS **Class of '82**...as amazing as it sounds, our 40TH reunion is coming up in 2022! We hope we can get as many classmates as possible to attend this one. No formal plans have been made at this date, but we hope to get a reunion committee together to make it a memorable weekend. If you are interested in helping in any way, please contact Jana Boysen Young at janayoung542@gmail.com. We would love to have some new classmates help plan this reunion. Blossom will be May 27-30, 2022.

Class of 1991 - The Reunion Committee will be working on a plan for a rescheduled "30 year" reunion. Watch for details on the class Facebook page.

The **Class of 1992** is planning their 30 year reunion over Blossom Weekend 2022 (Saturday May 28, 2022). Please make sure to join our Facebook group, CFHS 92, if you haven't already for timely updates. If you're not into FB, please email Lauren (Davidson) Perko, lolaperko@gmail.com, with a current email address and/or phone number.

Thanks! Hope to see you all there!

The **Class of 1997** is planning for their 25th year reunion over Blossom Weekend 2022 (Saturday, May 28th 2022). Please make sure to join our Facebook group, Chagrin Falls Class of 1997, if you haven't already for timely updates. To pass along your current email address or to get involved, please email Jenny Freshman Ward (jfreshman@hotmail.com).

The **Class of 2005** are hoping to put on a happy hour style reunion in May 2022. To keep in the loop on class and reunion news join the class Facebook group "Chagrin Falls High School: Class of 2005 Alumni Group". Please reach out to Kim Leary (kimberly.leary@gmail.com) or Lindsay Street Kepreos (lstreet212@gmail.com) with any questions. We hope everyone is staying healthy and that we can come together soon!

The **Class of 2006** is tentatively planning for a 15 year reunion in the near future. Please email Grant Monda (grant.monda@gmail.com) or Michael Hermanson (mhermanson4@gmail.com) with your latest contact information. They are also looking for classmates to join in on the planning if you are interested

The **Class of 2012** is planning for their 10 year reunion over Blossom Weekend 2022 (May 27-31)! Please make sure to join our Facebook group, [Chagrin Falls High School Class of 2012](#), if you haven't already for updates. To pass along your current email address or to get involved, please email Brooke McEntee at brookemc12@gmail.com.

Florida All-Class Reunion

Dear Florida Tigers...Your classmates and fellow Alumni will be meeting in September to discuss the upcoming Florida All Class Reunion 2022. Fingers crossed we will be together again in one large venue. Please join and continue to monitor our Facebook pages or contact me personally at wsuzannebg@yahoo.com. Our Florida face book page is: All Class Reunion Florida Chagrin Falls High School. Times are changing but our commitment to each other remains strong. Wishing all of you good health as we stay TIGER STRONG

Throwback Picture



Coach "Q" & Coach Hurst
(Photo from the Quesinberry family)

Do You Remember

Senior Pranks; playing your first game in C.S. Harris Stadium or Ralph Quisenberry Gymnasium; picture day; Drivers Ed classes; middle school dances; your favorite place for pizza; slumber parties; final exams; chow ups and chow downs; spring vacation; snow days; your first crush; your homeroom teacher; after prom; Yours Truly; the Popcorn Shop; Mazzulo’s Market; Fazios; Sports Den; Dairy Mart; Mug and Brush; Baskin Robbins; Mr. Smith’s Restaurant; the movie theater; the Valley Drive-In; your locker location; swimming during gym class; the first day of school; doing unknowns in chemistry class; 8th grade trip to Washington, D.C.; your senior blurb; going into town with friends after school; spending the day at the Rec Center; school shopping at Chagrin Department Store and Woolworths; Taggarts Toy store; running up Grove Hill; sledding at the Metro Parks; your first class reunion; your favorite school bus driver; pep rallies; spring musicals; & spirit week.

Spring Athletics

by Charlie Barch, Athletic Director, Chagrin Falls Schools

The Spring saw the Tigers team in full swing. The baseball team went 24-7, won the Chagrin Valley Conference, and lost in the Regional Semi Final. Senior Jack McMullen was selected as the CVC MVP. The softball squad had a rebuilding year. Boys tennis went 12-6 and were lead by state champion junior Andrew Zimcosky and state qualifier Jackson Quinn. Andrew earned the CVC MVP honors. Andrew also won the state title as a freshman, but was unable to defend his title in 2020 due to the pandemic shutting down spring sports. Girls track and field won the CVC, had 7 qualify for states, and had 3 school records broken. Boys track and field finished 2nd in the conference and 3rd at Districts. They broke one school record and the 4x4 relay team finished 4th at states. The girls lacrosse team finished 6-12 with a very tough schedule. The boys lax team ended the season at 15-8 and were state runners up. We had 12 players named All-Ohio, 35 named All-Conference, and 17 named All-Region. Junior Cam Croasdaile was named All American in lacrosse.

Betcha' Didn't Know

- The first meeting of the Chagrin Falls Booster Club was on Oct. 17, 1945 in the old art room of the current Intermediate School. George Camp was the first president. It was a culmination of a year of work that came out of raising funds through the Chamber of Commerce to erect lights at the stadium. That effort was led by C.S. Harris, CF Class of '14. He led the fundraising through the Chamber of Commerce and was also the CF School Board President at the time.
- The first schoolhouse in Chagrin Falls was built around 1835. It is thought to have stood on the east side of Main Street where Dink's Restaurant was and now Aurelia Restaurant is.
- The first yearbook was published in 1911 and known as the Annual.
- The 1911-1912 boys basketball team finished with a 15-3 record although the team and other Chagrin teams did not enjoy the services of a coach like bigger high schools at the time did.
- The first Chagrin Falls High School Alumni Association was formed in 1890. They held a social event at Punderson Lake to welcome new members from the graduating class of 1890. Prior to that year there had been 10 graduates of CFHS.
- The first tennis team at Chagrin was formed in 1924.
- The Biology Club began in 1941 as an outgrowth of the Science Club. That same year, the Balsa Bugs, whose main purpose was to encourage the design and building of model airplanes, was formed under the direction of shop teacher Norm Fry.
- The Chagrin Valley Recreation Center was formed in the summer of 1943 by a group of parent volunteers.
- Two of our most revered coaches at both began their teaching careers in 1957 at Chagrin: Glenn Wyville in basketball and John Piai in football.
- The original Tiger mascot, Mortimer, was a gift from the Class of 1960, the first class to graduate from the new high school on East Washington Street.

Alumni Kids



At graduation each year the CFAA recognizes the graduates that had a parent graduate from CFHS with a corsage. This year we had 23 seniors with a mother or father that also share a degree from Chagrin, while 4 of them have both parents graduating from Chagrin.

- 1st Row (L to R) - Zach Lechman (**Adam Lechman ‘88**), Olivia Calhoun (**Pat Calhoun ‘87**), Jane Juergens (**Kenny Juergens ‘85**), Marnie Chapic (**Danica Winovich Chapic ‘90**), Jamie Dustin (**Jim Dustin ‘83**), Lilly Karyo (**Sally Garrett Karyo ‘81**), Alexa Nielsen (**Leif Nielsen ‘88**), Adelaide Doman (**Paul Doman ‘88 & Susannah Thompson Doman ‘90**), Emily Heater (**Mike Heater ‘91 & Laurel Worley Heater ‘89**), Ellis Clark (**Miles Clark ‘86**)
- 2nd Row - Ben Jarvis (**Amy Wooden Jarvis ‘87**), Colin Cusack (**Cathy Clegg Cusack ‘85**), Josh Norton (**Chris Norton ‘92 & Dora McGregor Norton ‘92**), Dawson Pierce (**Tate Pierce ‘89 & Johnna Calhoun Pierce ‘91**), Reed Dowling (**Lisa Kihlstrom Dowling ‘86**), Keanu Sherman (**Letran Tiburcio Sherman ‘97**), Robert Schron (**Chad Schron ‘94**), Ian Rodgers (**Hope Gumprecht ‘83**), Michael Tropf (**Robert Tropf ‘87**), Jack Kane (**Scott Rose ‘74**), Charles Peck (**Marlo Galey Peck ‘91**)
- Not Pictured - Lilley Maine (**Dave Maine ‘70**) & Caroline Holland (**Mara Donahue Holland ‘84**)

In The News

Congratulations to **Gordon '55** and **Thelma Harmon Hill '57**, on their 60th wedding anniversary. Carv and Thelma were married April 15, 1961 at Valley Lutheran Church. They are the proud parents of 3, 8 grandchildren and 6 greats with #7 arriving in September. Carv and Thelma enjoy time with their family and travel, while Carv is also playing a lot of golf. In 2019 they went to France to attend the 75th anniversary of D-Day, at which time one of their granddaughters played bassoon in her college orchestra at the foot of the Eiffel Tower.

After 37 years teaching English and film at Winona State University in the Minnesota State University system, **David Robinson '61** is now retired and living in Madison, Wisconsin, where he and his wife can be closer to their daughter and grandkids.

Bob Johnson Jr. '63 retired in 2002 after a 31 year career at the U.S.P.S. with ten of those years as the Postmaster at Middlefield. Bob has been an active member of Rotary International these past 33 years, which included a time when he was District Governor of Rotary District 6630. Bob has been married to Cindy now for 46 years.

Marilyn Sue Fluitt Lambert '63 and her husband Robert took their grandson to Hawaii in June. They had met 53 years ago in Oahu and they decided to see the "Big Island." It was a beautiful trip for all of them and also a celebration of their 53 years of marriage.

Jim Abdnor '72 has been happily married to his wife, Susan, for 41 years. He recently retired from American Airlines after 34 years with his last duty flying the 787 internationally. He now plans to split time between Arlington Heights, IL, and Bellaire, MI, staying active in church and airborne in gliders.

Linda Ashby Stanchfield '72 is the caretaker of a non-profit youth camp in Nevada City, California.

Doug Wheatcraft '80 is a Project Manager at Timco Rubber Products, Inc. in Cleveland.

Sharon Dooley '83 graduated with a Doctorate in Nursing Practice in Health Systems Leadership from Mount St. Joseph University in Cincinnati. She has moved from Columbus, Ohio to an island off the coast of South Carolina right next door to her big brother, **Bill '81**, where she is really enjoying beach life.

Greg Hincke '83 and his wife Kristin welcomed their third grandchild and first granddaughter, Emilie in July. Fortunately for them their son and daughter in law live only 6 miles away from them in Oklahoma City. Greg also recently completed his Professional Association of Dive Instructors (PADI) Master Scuba Diver Trainer (MSDT) instructor certification. He is now qualified to teach 4 primary and 12 specialty scuba diving certification courses. He teaches at Sharky's Scuba in Moore, Oklahoma in his spare time.

Savannah Council on World Affairs Board of Directors President, **José da Cruz '87**, Ph.D. was elected to the World Affairs Councils of America Board of Directors. José is the Professor of International Relations and International Studies at Georgia Southern University.

Matt Vranich '88 is Senior Vice President of Sales and Marketing of Everglades Boats in Everglades, Florida.

Larry '92 and **Jacqui Podor Biscotti '99** and family have recently moved to Alpharetta, Georgia.

Christy Carlson '96 recently got engaged to Tommy Dallace and they live in Milwaukee, WI. Tommy is a lifelong Wisconsinite, with a 25 year career in stage and movie acting, and Christy is three years in Milwaukee now working at an environmental engineering firm in marketing.

Natalie Fletcher Cubbal '03 just moved from San Diego, CA to Charleston, SC. She got a new job working as a Navy contractor for Alpha Omega Group.

Elizabeth Williams '04 is a licensed independent counselor at Lake-Geauga Recovery Systems in Mentor, Ohio.

Hannah Seligson '06 is a Developer Evangelist at Codefresh. She is also currently in the process of creating a small tech community under the project name 'Tech With Hannah'. It will be a website that will include

forums, blog posts, a podcast, and a way for others to connect and support each other.

Ryan Toedtman '06 is Manager Talent Acquisition at UCHealth in Denver, Colorado.

Ben Jackson '07 is a IT Business Relationship Manager at Abbott in Chicago.

Nate Wynveen '07 recently joined TurnCap, the Cleveland-based private equity concern as a partner where he will be building and leading the commercial real estate development arm of the firm while continuing to oversee his development company and brokerage firm, the Caledonia Companies. Nate lives in the Chagrin Valley area with his wife Alida.

Tay Glass '08 is Senior Producer of Local Live(s), a project that aims to change how journalist's voices are used to tell stories. Tay and other alumni from Columbia's School of Journalism partnered with six newsrooms to produce live storytelling events that featured journalists sharing first-person narratives behind their reporting. Local Live(s) was a winner of the inaugural "Impact Grants" from the Brown Institute for Media Innovation. This year Tay and his fellow team aim to scale the impact of these events to 30 newsrooms with the hope of humanizing journalists and increasing trust in the reporting process.

Dan Lalich '08 is a Research Associate in the Department of Astronomy at Cornell University in Ithaca, NY. Dan earned his Ph.D. in Geoscience from the University of Texas at Austin. Dan's research has focused primarily on recent climate variability on Mars, particularly the affect of changing orbital conditions on surface ice deposits, and plans to apply these methods to help answer questions about Titan's surface evolution using Cassini data, as well as continuing to investigate recent Mars history. Using the SHARAD orbital sounding radar, he developed techniques for estimating the composition of individual layers within the Martian north polar ice cap, with the eventual goal of using these layers as a climate record. Recently, he has also used data from NASA's Operation IceBridge to detect recent changes in the flow velocity of the Greenland Ice Sheet.

Kim Keesler '08 recently became the Operations Manager of Athletica Health and Fitness in Coral Springs, Florida.

Samantha Gebler-Evers '10 is the Principal at Julie Billiard School in Westlake, Ohio. She and her husband, David, live in Chagrin and are proud parents of two year old twins John and Mary.

Miranda Bradach '11 is a nurse practitioner at University Hospitals in Cleveland. Miranda specializes in hematology and oncology.

Lindsay Lingafelter '11 was recently promoted to Paid Search Manager at Reprise Digital in New York City.

Joe Sitzwohl '11 is Strategic Account Manager at BioDigital in New York City.

Annie Flesher '12 is a Senior Product Manager of Content at Nike in Portland, Oregon.

Laurel Sutherin Bourgeois '12 was recently promoted to Supervisor of the Admissions Department at Highland Springs Hospital in Cleveland.

Will Hinman '13 is Director of Ohio House of Representatives Speaker Bob Cupp's office in Columbus.

Quinn Malone '13 is a Financial Representative at Lifetime Financial Growth in Beachwood, Ohio.

Ana Medina-Fetterman '13 is a Senior Recruiter at Earthjustice, the United States' largest environmental law firm. Ana is based in Washington, D.C.

Grace Wilson '14 is the new women's volleyball assistant coach at Cedarville University. She joins the Lady Jackets after serving as a graduate assistant coach for two seasons in the volleyball program at Division III Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology in Terre Haute,.

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Retirees Notes

After finishing her degree in fashion at Kent State, which included studying in Paris, **Emily Gebler '15** is living in Manhattan. Emily works for fashion designer Christian Serrano, who is a host of Project Runway and a voice on the Simpsons.

Maggie Clemens '16 is an Associate Sales Representative for the medical technologies corporation Stryker in Baltimore, Maryland.

Emilie Gunn '16 is a Marketing Assistant at the brokerage and property management company Colliers in Cincinnati.

Morgan Walker '17 recently began a full time position with Amazon as an Operations Area Manager following her graduation from Clemson University.



Photo by John Tillotson '72

Retirees Picnic

- ROW 1: Skip Riegel, Rita Owen, Judy Kramer-Lineweaver, Doris Bernoski, Claudette Whitelaw
- ROW 2: Judy Riemenschneider, Linda Mattern, Carol Foley, Rosemary Janoch, Marilyn Wyville, Dan Stone, Fadia Hamid, Melinda Redding, Audrey Weatherhead
- ROW 3: Gary Nelson, Molly Francis, Phyllis Nelson, Pat Haynish, Lynn Reboul, Janet Brown, David Buckle, Greg Gamm, Jim Cowan, Ray Battles, Sally Lyle
- ROW 4: Bill Lineweaver, Cathy Matthews, Toni Cordaro, Jean Sulik, Ray Haase, Bob Lonchar, John Rydquist, Bob Ohlrich



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Your Tiger Pride membership (\$250 or \$100 if you are over 70) will go to the Scholarship Fund and Dues to the General Fund. Other donations will go to the General Fund unless you specify a different fund. Make checks payable to: Chagrin Falls Alumni Association.

Mail to: Brian McKenna '88, Alumni Director, Chagrin Falls Schools, 400 E. Washington St.,

Announcements

Birth News

To **Ian ‘99 & Brittany Williams Mullins ‘10**, a son, Ian Arthur II, April 20, 2021.

To Meghan & **Taylor Sutliff ‘00**, a daughter, Lindsey Kate, July 21, 2021.

To John & **Emily Levien Reed ‘01**, a daughter, Marley Lucille, July 29, 2021.

To Tiffany Crump & **Kevin Consolo ‘03**, a son, Landon Blaise, July 22, 2021.

To **Sean ‘03 & Lindsay Laufik Leibin ‘03**, a daughter, Maren Jean, May 23, 2021.

To Jude & **Maggie O'Toole Santos '03**, a son, Harold Peter, Aug. 8, 2021.

To John & **Brittany Anderson Laseak ‘04**, a daughter, Peyton Leigh, May 2, 2021.

To Bolton & **Kristin Schmittel Ford ‘04**, a son, Bolton Xavier, Jr., July 31, 2021.

To Matthew & **Kasey Stever Glode ‘04**, a daughter, Parker Sperry, May 7, 2021.

To Chelsea & **Ryan Abelman ‘05**, a daughter, Isabelle Rose, Aug. 4 2021.

To Mitch & **Taylor Meyer Hubbarth ‘05**, a daughter, Piper Rose, June 8, 2021.

To Max & **Lea Trinetti Newman ‘05**, a son, Luca Jordan, July 20, 2021.

To Ryan & **Katie Stancik Hanson '07**, a son, William Edward, Aug. 2020.

To Peter & **Janie Stricker Scully ‘07**, a daughter, Bryn Elizabeth, July 30, 2021.

To John & **Molly Gerbasi Heaton ‘08**, a daughter, Leah Yvonne, June 10, 2021.

To Ben & **Maggie Hermanson Woldenberg ‘08**, a daughter, Sutton Jane, May 12, 2021.

To Megan & **Alden Millar ‘08**, a daughter, Abigail Florence, May 1, 2021.

To Pierce & **Laurel Sutherin Bourgeois ‘12**, a boy, Brooks Nevin, July 19, 2021.

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 791 graduates. We also have a framed plaque in the CFHS due to the the generous donation from the Kelly Small ‘99 Memorial Fund.

A recent project has been to research the over 70 names listed in the 1943 Zenith that was dedicated to former CFHS students who are “already serving in the armed forces, and to those who are entering the service in ever increasing numbers.” The confirmed names have been added below with our more recent additions.

Kaden Rufer ‘19

Keanu Sherman ‘21

Make a Difference for THE FUTURE OF THE CFAA

Since 1989 we have been fortunate to have the support of so many alumni from the time they have given to help in events to donations. Over these years we received donations of a larger nature that have made a substantial impact on helping us grow and make more of an impact on our fellow and future alumni. We hope that some of you may consider a larger gift whether in the near future or in your estate planning. We would be more than happy to discuss how your charitable contribution can help further our mission.



Marriages

Stephen Palek & **Mindi Sanders ‘95**, April 16, 2021.

Jess Tyson & **Kyle Ball ‘08**, June 5, 2021.

Hope Miller & **Dan Lalich ‘08**, June 5, 2021.

Elizabeth Bornmann & **John Storaasli ‘10**, May 8, 2021.

Greg Huffman & **Sydney Liber ‘13**, July 17, 2021.

In Memoriam

Nancy Dunton Dorsey ‘51

James Gibson '52

Sally Parmelee Young ‘58

Jacqui Bauman Wert ‘59

Roger Bevis ‘59

Bonnie Wilson Gatlin ‘59

Joan Ebersold ‘60

Gary Watkins ‘61

Robert Alexander III ‘70

Glenn Beall ‘76

Kim Hanson Morgan '76

Tim McWilliams ‘77

Jennifer Zuber ‘02

Donations

Gary W. Mills, Ed.D. ‘60 has made a donation in memory of **Candy Jones Lum ‘61**.

David Robinson '61 has given a donation in memory of English teachers Hubert Frebault and Elsa Jane Carroll.

Bob Johnson Jr. '63 has given a donation in memory of former coach, Athletic Director, CFHS Physical Education teacher Ralph Quesinberry.

Kathy Kiel Lewis '64 has given her Tiger Pride membership in memory of retired CFHS English teacher Elsa Jane Carroll.

Daniel Wright '67 has given his Tiger Pride membership in memory of retired teachers Mr. Claude Colvin (English) and Mr. Heald.

Anne Smith Colman '69 has given her Tiger Pride membership in memory of her parents, track official Franklin Smith and CFMS Librarian Barbara Smith.

Linda Ashby Stanchfield '72 has given her Tiger Pride membership in memory of retired CFHS physical education teacher Ms. Wilcox.

Chan Diamond '72 has given a donation in honor of his former coach, retired CFHS Athletic Director and Physical Education teacher Glenn Wyville.

Jim Abdnor '72 has given a donation in memory of retired music teacher Molly Macknin.

Beth Felger Ryan '75 has donated memorabilie to the Chagrin Falls Schools Tom Mattern Historical Room.

Katie Stancik Hanson '07 has given her dues in honor of retired Intermediate School teacher Anita Eberl.

Retired CFHS German teacher Dr. Mario Gerhardt gave a donation in memory of retired CFHS Band Director Dr. Bill Foley & retired CFMS social studies teacher and former Alumni Director **Tom Mattern '55**.

School News

Speech & Debate Garners National Recognition

Ten students from CFHS competed at the National Speech and Debate Tournament, which took place virtually in June. The team included junior Brenna Sincaglia and senior Fiona Garvey in Dramatic Interpretation, juniors Grace Hoy and Eric Feucht in DUO Interpretation, junior Hattie Sherman in Humorous Interpretation, junior Wren Opperman in Original Oratory, sophomore Tina Logan in Program Oral Interpretation and juniors Ali Holtz, Sophia Avery and Carter Kilby in Lincoln Douglas Debate.

On the debate side, Avery placed 3rd in the nation in Lincoln Douglas Debate while Holtz placed 7th. Holtz also took 5th place in the Lincoln Douglas debate speaker awards. Kilby contributed by making it to elimination rounds and placing in the top 1/3 of the 368 debaters at the tournament. Because of the amount of points scored by the debaters, Chagrin Falls High School was named a School of Excellence in Debate as one of the top 20 schools nationwide.

On the speech side, Grace Hoy and Eric Feucht took 11th place in Duo Interpretation and Brenna Sincaglia and Fiona Garvey both made it to elimination rounds in Dramatic Interpretation. In March, Hoy and Feucht won the 2021 Ohio State Championship in DUO Interpretation.

Seniors win 1st Place in Stock Market Game

Seniors Colin Cusack, Matisse Despres and Noah Girard, students in business teacher Nancy Vondrak's financial literacy class, came in first place in the Ohio Stock Market Game, a statewide competition sponsored by the Securities Industry and Financial Markets Association (SIFMA). The Ohio Stock Market Game ran from February through April. Student teams were given \$100,000 and decided which stocks or mutual funds they wished to invest in based on their research or ideas.

Annual Cardboard Boat Regatta

The annual Chagrin Falls Middle School Cardboard Boat REC Regatta took place on May 25. Each year, the seventh-grade team launches the interdisciplinary project, combining STEM, art and literacy programming, as they fundraise for the nonprofit Water for South Sudan in hopes of raising enough funds to install groundwater wells in villages of South Sudan, which cost about \$15,000 to install. Without the opportunity to have the event in 2020, the eighth graders also took part. Seventh-graders raised \$25,358 for Water for South Sudan. With the eighth-graders' \$19,046 for H(e)arts 4 Guatemala, the two classes together raised \$44,404.

Creation of Songwriting Class Ignites Interest at High School

Chagrin Schools has had a tradition of musical excellence that spans decades. This year, the music department added a new program to the fold with the creation of a songwriting class. Nathan Bachofsky, director of choirs at Chagrin Falls High School and Middle School, started hearing about students who were writing their own songs or forming bands together. It got him thinking about the students who are interested in music and songwriting, but perhaps do not feel the draw to join ensembles like choir, band or orchestra. With student interest emerging and his own love of songwriting and arranging, Bachofsky decided to pitch the idea to the administration and Board of Education who welcomed and supported the new program.

The class is open to all high school students in grades 9-12 and meets all year long. The program also is structured in a way that students can take the course for multiple years if they so choose. It is Bachofsky's hope that this course builds a songwriting community within the school. Students learn elements of songs, song structures, creative writing, basic music theory including chords and chord functions, music business and law, and foster 21st century skills such as collaboration and problem solving. Students also get experience with sound engineering, recording and editing through a platform purchased by the District called Soundtrap.

Projects range from acoustic style singer songwriter inspired themes to creating music for film. One highlight of the class has been the real life experience of having the opportunity to create theme music for the District's new podcast, Tiger Talks. Another favorite part of the class is the quarterly "jam sessions" in which students bring in instruments and play through popular songs to gain more exposure to various musical styles and improve their own instrument technique. The program also features special guest artists and field trips to places such as the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame.

The goal of the program is to foster a lifelong love of songwriting and music making. Each year will end with a sing/songwriting showcase to allow students the opportunity to share their work with family, friends and community members.

Alumni Scholarship Winners

Since 1990, the CFAA has awarded 149 scholarships totaling over \$150,000 including this year's winners. This year's winners were from left to right: Dawson Pierce (Lenny & Lana May Scholarship), Emily Heater (Alumni Scholarship), Lily Karyo (Tom Mattern Scholarship), Talie Avatichi (Class of 1964 Scholarship), & Mary Margaret Demangone (Ruth Noble Scholarship)

Cum Laude Inductions

CFHS inducted 32 students from the Class of 2021 into the Cum Laude Society. This society is among the oldest academic honor organizations in the country for high school students. The society is still based on three core values that come from Ancient Greece. These are Arete, which means moral goodness and living up to one's potential; Dike, which is the concept of justice; and Time, which relates to being true to what is right and acting with honor.

CFHS held the Cum Laude induction ceremony on April 8. This year's Cum Laude Society members are: Gillian Brown, Jeremy Cavanagh, Emily Collins, Mary Margaret Demangone, Elizabeth Foley, Noah Girard, Marley Goodwin, Marley Graham, Tallulah Haskett, Emily Heater, Lillian Karyo, Erin King, Aerin Krebs, Julius Lelonis, Brenden Levey, Owen Lewis, Paula Loudermilk, Owen McClintock, lolana Monteux Arraiza, Dena Mossad, Olivia Nerpouni, Camron O'Connor, Jackson Quinn, Annie Scott, Madeleine Scott, Summer Snell, Riley Thompson, Benjamin Tinsley, Luke Volpe, Maris Walther, Liliana Winans, and Ian Zitney.

CFHS Nationally Ranked Again

Chagrin Falls High School is a 2021 Best High School, based on rankings from the U.S. News & World Report. The school is ranked #2 in Cleveland, #8 in Ohio and #291 in national rankings. Of the 27,000 high schools in the country, nearly 18,000 schools were nationally ranked and 683 schools were ranked in Ohio. In addition, the school was nationally ranked #71 in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics) high schools. This year's ranking puts CFHS in the top 1% of high schools in the nation.

2020-21

Chagrin Teacher of the Year

Justin Wise '05 (Gurney)

Chagrin Staff

Member of the Year

Shawn Carlson (Gurney Custodian)

