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The Official Newsletter of the Taylor High School Alumni Association

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The President's Piece

Message from the President;

Fellow Alumni, I want to start off by wishing you all a very Merry and Happy Holiday season. I am curious to know what you thought of our revised newsletter that is now being edited by Tom Bailey. Tom is the Director of Development of the Three Rivers Local School District, and as a board we really appreciate him working with us to make the newsletter better. If you would, please provide us some feedback of what you liked and disliked about the newsletter. Your input is very helpful to us, but I will say that so far, I have heard nothing but raves about it. We do apologize to those who received the letter late, but we have no control over that because we mail the newsletter out via bulk mail.

This year at THS Homecoming game, the Alumni association held its annual post game party at the American Legion in Cleves. We had a great turn-out this year. We had about 50 to 60 Alumnus stop by and socialize until about 1:00 am. The Class of 1971 (bottom left picture) held their 35 year class reunion at the homecoming football game and then gathered together at the post game party at the legion. It was a fun time.



Danny Stacy '71

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Excerpt from a letter received 6/06

Dear Alumni Association,
My Freshman year at Eastern Kentucky University
is complete! I had a wonderful time; met a bunch
of great new friends, got involved in the campus
life, attended sporting events, played intramural
soccer during the fall, and I even learned a lot too!
My college experience would not have been the
same without the scholarship that I was awarded
thanks to the alumni association. The money was a
big help.....The summer is
flying by, however, I am very excited to begin my
next semester at EKV. Thank you again for be-
lieving in me and acknowledging my efforts in
high school by awarding me your scholarship. I
really appreciate it and I will continue to keep you
posted on my progress throughout college.

Sincerely,
Morgan Benter
Class of '05

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Choral Corner with Kat

The Taylor High School Alumni Chorus is in full "sing" practicing for Evensong at Cleves Presbyterian Church at 4 PM on Saturday, December 2nd. And get out your cruise wear for "Come Sail Away", our upcoming spring concert to be held on April 27th and 28th at the Taylor High School auditorium.

We, as a chorus, are forever grateful for our "captain at the helm", **Martha Seymour '66**. Martha has been our musical director for the past two years, filling the quite BIG shoes of **Charlie Peak '64**.

Martha is a 1966 Taylor grad who went on to graduate from the University of Cincinnati with a degree in Chemical Engineering (oh my gosh, she is brilliant too)! Martha has worked at CDC-NIOSH for 34 years assisting and facilitating for the scientists with which she works. Martha loves to read and guess what? She LOVES to sing, which she has been doing since the tender age of 8 when she began singing for Zion United Methodist Church. Martha became part of the adult choir at Zion when she was only 13 and has been their director since 1968.

Martha joined the Taylor Alumni Chorus at its inception and has been instrumental in our success ever since. Originally, Martha sang soprano, but as the need arose, she sang alto. She had assisted Charlie over the years in musical directing and gallantly took over as director when Charlie was no longer able.

Martha is married to Laurance and they have three children; Alex, Mark and Rachel, all adults now. She even has two grandchildren, Monroe and Brantley whom I am sure she NEVER spoils!

We, the Alumni Chorus, are blessed by members like Martha who work hard to help us learn our music, our parts and make our performances a great success.

We hope to see you not only at Evensong in December, but in April too!

If you would like to join us in song and fun, contact Kathy (Kat) Thinnies at 467-0611 or tnthinnies@fuse.net.

Having a Reunion?—WE NEED TO KNOW. We would love to know the details of your reunion.....when it is?.....who is attending?where it is?.....and we love pictures. We want to include your reunion in the next TAYLORMADE!

Looking for a way for your class to give back? Why not collect donations at your reunion and make a CLASS GIFT to Taylor High School or the Alumni Association Scholarship Fund. Need help? Don't hesitate calling Tom Bailey 941-6400

Taylor HS REUNIONS

Class of '46

This year at the annual Alumni Banquet in July, the Class of '46 had their 60th reunion.

A good time was had by all.

Present at the reunion were:

- Robert Siegert (Class President)
- And Annabelle Siegert
- Ray and Delores Brown
- Jack Myers and Colleen
- Fred and Jacki Maltbie
- Shirley (Reninger) Culley
- Janet Greenwell
- Maude (Sykes) Simonson
- Nora (Grant) Walton
- Dolly Jones—wife of the late Robert Jones
- Dottie (Edwards) and Howard Seaver

1980's Decade Reunion

Did you graduate in the 1980's ?

Call your fellow graduates and

Come and Join Us for a Wine Tasting
for ALL Taylor grads of the 80's.

Where: Rohrer's Tavern—3 Rivers Parkway, North Bend

When: Monday, January 29, 2007

Time: 6:30pm start

Cost: \$5 cover, which includes wine tasting and appetizers

Special Pricing on orders of Bottles of Wine

** If you don't like wine, there is a cash bar open all night. The

kitchen will also be open for dinner/food purchase.

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1990's Decade Reunion

Did you graduate in the 1990's ?

Call your fellow graduates and

Come and Join Us for a "Night Out with Fellow Alum"
for ALL Taylor grads of the 90's.

Where: Rohrer's Tavern—3 Rivers Parkway, North Bend

When: Saturday, March 3, 2007

Time: 8pm start

Cost: No cost. The restaurant and bar is available for you to purchase food and drink.

** Come see Taylor graduate Mike Benter play acoustic guitar and sing.

** Come visit with Mr. Marshall Brumback, who will be in attendance

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The Past is Rich...

TAYLOR HIGH SCHOOL

Early School History

The local high school of this community was organized in 1920 in the former John S. Conner School building by Charles T. Young. It was referred to as Union High (also Cleves-North Bend High and Miami Township High). At the same time, the Connor building housed grades one to eight of North Bend. It was fashioned along the plan of a full four-year high school from the start with one pupil in the senior class. The first class graduated in June 1922 and consisted of two pupils. The first two graduates were Thelma Kelly and Okla Miller.

On January 6, 1926, the high school moved into its present location, Taylor High School building, North Bend. In June 1926, five pupils, all boys, made up the first class to graduate from the Taylor High School building. These students were John Dell, Paul Garrison, Walter Rogers, Elmer Howard, and Alexander Franz.

The Taylor High School building housed grades 7 through 12 until the 7th and 8th grades moved to the new Junior High School in January 1962. The 9th grade moved in the fall of 1962. The 9th grade was returned to the high school in 1975 when the junior high school was converted to a middle school.

Taylor High School also enrolled students from the Whitewater Township (Hooven) and the Green Township (Mack) areas until 1956 when the Three Rivers, Southwest, and Oak Hills districts were organized. Green and Whitewater townships did not have high schools. They were predominately rural. Green Township is now in the Oak Hills District and Whitewater Township is in the Southwest District.

The high school building had additions made in 1932, 1941, 1949 (gym and natatorium), 1960 (industrial arts annex), 1969 (business-library, foreign language, cafeteria), and 1977 (band annex).

The school site contains slightly more than six and one-half acres of land. Taylor High School received its name from W. W. Taylor who was president of the Cleves-North Bend Board of Education at the time the high school building was built. Mr. Taylor was an active member of the Hamilton County Board of Education until a few years prior to his death in 1955.

On November 26, 1956, the school districts of Cleves-North Bend, Addyston, Mt. Nebo, and Miami Township voted to consolidate all of the local school districts into one school district. **The Three Rivers Local School District celebrated its 50th birthday last month!**

...the Future is Now.

The future, which includes facilities that support comprehensive science activities, child safety, and strong infrastructure for today's technology, is on the horizon for Three Rivers Schools. This is a chance to do something great for the children of today and tomorrow— your children and grandchildren. Through careful planning with top financial experts and input from all walks of the community, Three Rivers has tweaked a plan to make the schools stronger, make the community stronger, AND save operational tax dollars in the process. Support Three Rivers!



Interested in making this dream a reality? Call Rhonda Bohannon, Superintendent, to find out how you can help.
941-6400

We need our alumni!

Alumni Spotlight

Lieutenant Colonel Christopher Seaver Class of '76

Lt. Col. Christopher Seaver (left) has retired from the U.S. Air Force. Chris has traded in his flight suit for a shirt and tie. He remains on the staff at the U.S. Air Force Academy. He and his wife, **Lyn (Richards) '75**, live in Colorado Springs, Colorado. Lyn is a teacher at Eagle's View Middle School. Their three sons live in Boulder Colorado. Craig is a teacher at Casey Middle School. Ryan and Chad are students at Colorado University.



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In my last message, I had asked you for input about our annual Alumni Banquet that is held in July of each year. We are still open for suggestions on ways that we can make this annual event better. One suggestion that I received is to have a dinner dance only and hold the annual business at a separate meeting. If you have any ideas, please call me, email me, or drop me a letter in the mail. We will begin making plans right after the Christmas Holidays.

If you would like to be a part of our fifth annual THS Alumni Show that is produced by the Alumni Chorus, please contact Kathy Thinnis or **Martha (Meyer) Seymour '66**. Or you can contact me and I will get you in touch with the right people. Practice begins after the first of the year. It is a lot of fun, so come on and join in. There is a spot in the show that is just perfect for you.

As your President, I always try to encourage our members to get actively involved in our great association. We could do so much more with help from our Alumni Brothers and Sisters. We are in need of people to help out on several committees and future activities. If I can encourage you to do so, please call me at 513-941-8185. We need you.

We are trying to encourage every THS Alumnus to join the Alumni Association. If you know of anyone who is interested in joining, please let me know and I will make sure they get a membership application card. Or have them call Howard Seaver, who is the Alumni Membership Chairperson. The cost of a Single Membership is \$10.00 and if you are married to a Graduate from Taylor High School, a joint membership is \$15.00.

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Remember the Buzzword is "JOIN!"

In closing I always ask you to support our Scholarship fund. We have worked hard for the past 7 years to make sure we are able to give scholarships to qualifying graduating seniors.

If you would like to make a Tax Deductible donation to the THS Alumni Scholarship foundation, please send donations to the **THS ALUMNI SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION**

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*Happy Holidays!!
Danny Stacy - President.*

Our 1st Annual Giving Drive officially started and will run until June 30, 2007. Help us kick off Three Rivers School District's 50th Anniversary by donating to "A GOLDEN OPPORTUNITY" ANNUAL FUND DRIVE Help us achieve our Goal!

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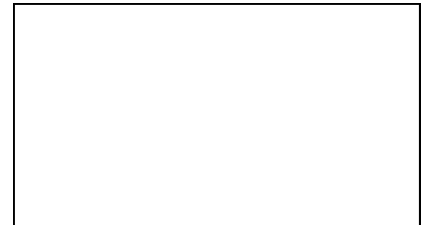
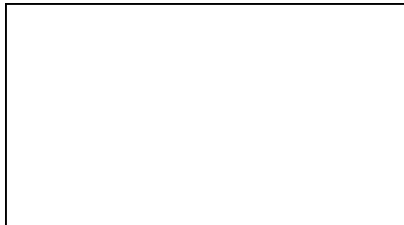
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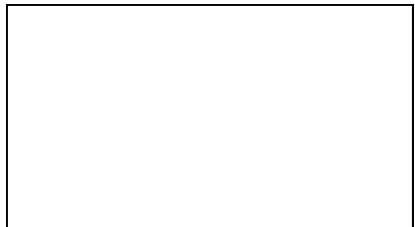
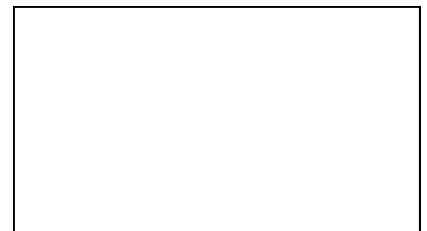



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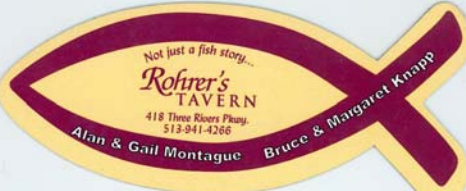
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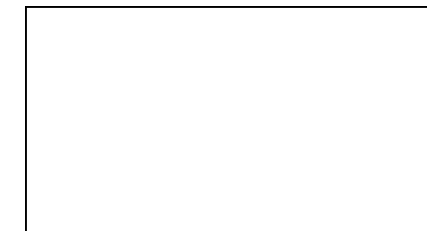
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Audrey (Milton) Simmons '46 writes, "This newsletter is wonderful, a great improvement. I am looking forward to more issues. I love the photos in color and enjoyed seeing several classmates I knew."

Thank you Audrey!

Please keep in your thoughts and prayers the family of
 ~**Clarence Rudisell**, Taylor High School **Class of '38** Who passed away in September, 2006 and
 ~**Florence Ruskaup**, who passed away on October 15, 2006. Florence was also of the **Class of '38**
 ~**Helen (Yochum) Owens**, who passed away recently. Helen was also of the **Class of '38**
 ~**Jane Thackston Gross '43** who passed away December 3, 2006

The class of 1951 recently gathered for our 55th reunion. Our class lost a dear friend and classmate, Asher Hoodin, in April, 2005. Dr. Hoodin's medical career spanned 36 years. He was Medical Director of the Urology Department, President of the medical staff, and a member of the hospital Board of Trustees of Jewish Hospital. He also served in the Army M.A.S.H. unit in Vietnam from 1967-1969. Asher played football for Taylor on a team that was undefeated for 3 years. They won the Hamilton County Championship in 1950.

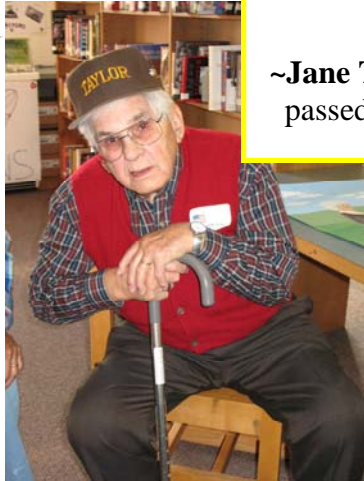
And here's the rest of the story.... Asher heard it said that some classmates could not afford to come to our reunions. He did not want anyone left out, so he secretly picked up the tab for our last 4 reunions. Asher hosted our 50th reunion at his home on the Ohio River with a great outdoor barbeque. It was then that he admitted his generosity and how pleased he was to be able to celebrate each reunion with all of us. In spirit, we thank Asher and his wife, Shirley, for the memories.



Asher Hoodin '51

Submitted by
Carol Hanlon Graham '51

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Clifford Gross '41 visits Taylor for the yearly Veteran's Day celebration



Veteran, **Forrest Herbert** (sitting) jokes with **Joe Sykes '48**



Patrick Schmalle '00 (center), talks with faculty member **Matt Meyer** (left) and Taylor senior, **Josh Merz** (right).

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Upcoming Events

- ◆ **The Lady Jackets Basketball Alumni Game**
Dec. 23, 2006 at 6:30PM—Taylor HS Gym

- ◆ **Alumni Association Meetings**
January 11, 2007
February 8, 2007
March 8, 2007

All meetings are at the American Legion in Cleves and start at 6:30pm. They usually last about 1 hour.

Have an idea to share? Want to get involved? Is there an event you would like to see? Join Us!

- ◆ **Graduates of the 1980's**

Get Together with fellow alum at Rohrer's Tavern on Monday, January 29, 2007 for a wine tasting.....details on page 3

- ◆ **Graduates of the 1990's**

Get together with fellow alum at Rohrer's Tavern on Saturday, March 3, 2007 for drinks and food.....in attendance will be our very own former principal—Marshall Brumback! ... details on page 3