



Patriot Hometown Happenings

A Newsletter Designed Especially for Valley Forge High School Alumni
Spring 2003

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2003 Officers

President: Halle (Magpoc) Dawson - '89
Vice President: Russ Fischer - '70
Secretary: Linda (Reik) Brown - '65
Treasurer: Cathy (Aniello) Solomon - '73



President's Message

Greetings! I'm Halle (Magpoc) Dawson from the Class of 1989 and your new Alumni President for the 2003 year. I'm very excited to be elected for this position and to serve all of you while taking this organization to different and newer heights. A few weeks ago, the executive board sat down and discussed goals for this year. I want to take this opportunity to share them with you because we need your help to achieve them.

- Continue the Scholarship Program – Already being done. Alan Rudolph '88 (former president) has expressed interest in continuing to man the scholarship program.
- Increase our activities and maintain attendance at school events – This too has already been started. Russ Fisher '71 (Vice President) will be heading up this committee. Some ideas that have been suggested are the Memorial Day Parade and Party in the Park. If you have any ideas, email Russ at photoruss1@aol.com
- Hall of Fame – This program will be started this year with the help of Bob Baisch '65 and Brenna (Smith) Grimm '89 already seeking applicants. This year's ceremony will take place at Commencement Exercises in June.
- Newsletter – Although I have turned over my newsletter duties to Linda (Reik) Brown '65, our new secretary, I

encourage each and everyone of you to submit ideas or even write a little something for our newsletters. Perhaps a Remember When... column could get started. Check out our website and send Linda some ideas or submissions. www.vfalumni.org.

- Database – The executive board and I would like to see the database of about 1500 names doubled, if not tripled. This is very easy to achieve if former and future class reunion contacts, send us their database, either digitally or hard copy. We have over 30,000 graduates, so I know it can be done. By doing this, classes will be able to maintain current addresses for their future reunions, instead of searching every 5 or 10 years. Please if you have a database, please contact me!

The Alumni Association is beginning to move again! My personal goal is to help classes plan their reunion. Many times people don't know where to start and the only addresses that the school keeps are the addresses we had when we graduated. We also need to spread the word about the Alumni Association. I have flyers advertising our organization if any of you have area businesses that you can display them.

I always look forward to meeting, emailing or speaking to fellow alumni. Feel free to contact me if you have any questions or suggestions at halled@hotmail.com or 440-582-3409 or 9500 Madison Lane, North Royalton, OH 44133.



Halle

Vice President's Message

Hi,
As your Vice-President, I have a goal of having representation from every graduating class. To accomplish this goal I need to know who the contact person or persons for each class. So if you are that person or know who that person is, please contact me.

Second on my list of things to do: I need some input on what activities you would like to see your Alumni do or participate in. Activities like Parades and Party in the Park, which the Alumni plans to participate in this year, needs volunteers to help at these and other activities. Thanks in advance for everyone's input. I can be contacted by phone at 440-842-1424, or e-mail Photoruss1@aol.com.

Thanks,

Russ Fischer

Class Notes



Reflections

Let's highlight Senior Citations from years gone by. If you still have a copy of your Battlecry from your senior year, mail a copy of the Citations page to Linda Brown, 6432 Fernhurst Ave, Parma Hts OH 44130 to be highlighted here in the future! We can also include other memories here as well but we need you to supply the information!

Class of 1987

Best Athlete—Dan Walsh
Best Looking—Nick Marcos and Lisa Zakis
Wittiest—Steve DelRio and Jennifer Tvorik
Class Couple—Bill Gross and Lisa DeMarco
Most Scholastically Inclined—Mark Hier
Biggest Flirt—Chuck Molina and Angela Juliano
Most Musically Inclined—Scott Gallagher and Laura Koepke
Most Congenial—Joe Furia and Jennifer Tvorik
Most Spirited—Scott Yi and Jennifer Tvorik
Most Ambitious—Mark Hier and Jennifer Tvorik
Best Dramatist—Chuck Molina and Brenda Gregory
Best Dressed—Nick Marcos and Cora DiDomenico
Wierdest Clothes—Ron Skingle and Kelly Mitermiller
Most Artistically Inclined—Scott Boulton and Margret Riechel
Most Likely to Succeed—Marcy Pearsall
Best Athlete—Michelle Scotch

Bring back memories? Where are they now?
Send us your memorabilia and we'll post it here!



Membership

\$5.00 per year due in September!
Donations cheerfully accepted anytime!
Lifetime membership \$50.00

Please get your dues in to keep this
newsletter coming!

T-Shirts

VF Alumni T-Shirts are
still available in sizes
XL and XXL. Only \$15!
Call 440-582-3409 or
email
halled@hotmail.com



1965

Caren (Andryscio Peters) Bachman was married on December 7, 2002 on Shipwreck Beach, Poipu Bay, Kauai, Hawaii to Randy Bachman, the wonderful man that she was dating for 6 years. They bought a renovated home built in 1920 in historic downtown Northville, Michigan and just love living in a small historic town on the northwest outskirts of a large metropolitan area. Along with the marriage and new home came a job promotion and the adoption of the sweetest dog in the world, King, a combination Bull Mastiff and Chocolate Lab. You can email Caren at carey.bachman@watsonwyatt.com.

David Cochran passed away the day before Thanksgiving, November 27, 2002. He had a massive heart attack. He didn't even know he had the attack until it was too late. The doctor said the previous Tuesday that he should already be dead...he was walking around living with only the right side of his heart working. David served in the U.S. Army for three years following high school. He then joined the Army Reserves and served them for 27 years. He is survived by wife, Patricia, and four sons.

1989

Jackie (Kusnerik) Zelenka graduated from Cleveland State University in 1995 with a paralegal degree. In 1996 she became a litigation paralegal for R.I.T.A. Since then, she married Todd Zelenka from Strongsville in 2000, moved to Brunswick and their first son, Matthew Anthony, was born on November 13, 2002.

Ken Pirozzoli works in construction (Local 310 Laborer) and hopes to publish a book soon called Heart, Soul and Mind (words of a man's soul), a book of poems, songs, riddles and philosophy. Many have been touched by his work so in return he has realized that God has given him a gift. He plans to take classes in desktop publishing and business. He is also looking to move to Henderson, Nevada to get into entertainment.





Reunions, Reunions, Reunions!



The Class of **1973** is planning their reunion for September 27, 2003 at St. Josephat's. Call Cathy (Anelli) Solomon for more details: Home 440-779-5049 or Cell 440-336-0681.

The Class of **1978** will not be having a 25 year reunion this year. They will be having a 30 year reunion in 2008. They will begin searching for classmates in 2006. Feel free to email Connie (Kurz) Ilko with any address changes at dmi13@aol.com or call 330-665-1102.

The Class of **1993** is planning their reunion for November 29, 2003 at the Avalon Event Center. Contact Jena Suhadolnik at jena@netwalk.com or 614-794-5566 or George Schmatta at 216-905-3100.

The Class of **1994** is gathering information on missing persons for next year. Contact Stacy Brown at stcy28@aol.com or 440-886-5080.



Please send us any information about your reunion, missing persons, etc. Also, if you just had a reunion, please send us your database so we can add/update everyone so they receive this newsletter. Email Halle Dawson, halled@hotmail.com

We Want to Hear From You!

Your classmates would like to know what is happening with you! It doesn't matter if you have a fancy job or a glamorous lifestyle. Any information about marriages, births, careers, etc. can be published in this newsletter. Also, you may write articles about past or future class reunions, an interesting alumnus, anything you wish that is related to Valley Forge High School. Feel free to include photos!

Name:	Maiden	Graduation Year
Address	City	State/Zip
Phone	Email Address	

Tell Us What's Going On!

Mail Responses to: Halle Dawson, 9500 Madison Lane, North Royalton, OH 44133 or email to halled@hotmail.com

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Please visit and give us your feedback. We would like to give each class their own page. Please visit the Class of '65's page to see a sample of what can be done.

People are emailing me wondering why there isn't anything there for their class. We need YOU to supply the information. The class of '65 is there because that's MY class and I had the information.

So start searching your attics and closets for that old scrapbook or box of memories and share with all of us!

Email me today so we can include your email address in the Email Directory!

ldbrown@stratos.net

Linda

Linda (Reik) Brown, Class of 1965
VF Alumni Association Secretary
and Webmaster

