

"The Archive" was the name selected by votes cast by the Junior Class (Class of '63) on May 3, 1962 for Valley Forge High School's yearbook. "The Heritage" was the runner-up and now appropriately names our alumni newsletter.

Ours Is A.....

Heritage

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From The President

Spring is FINALLY here! I thought it would never come! Finally we can start planting things and watching them grow. And that includes the Wetlands Project that we started last year. If you have been out of the loop, here is what it's about.

A started brewing last summer by Jim Wohl ('66) and I to build a new courtyard in the existing large courtyard between the auditorium and the cafeteria. It desperately needed some TLC and Jim and Bill Raymond ('65) spent the summer weeding and mulching. As fall approached, the focus started to shift. At this point now, the courtyard is being transformed into a wetlands. This will be a major hands-on, outdoor lab for the Biology Department. Jim enlisted the help of the VF Ecology Club led by teacher, Jon Komar and also the Biology Department at Tri-C. Trees were removed last fall and plans for a natural pond have been created. All new vegetation will be of the spe-

cies native to this area and come from the Tri-C greenhouse. It is certainly exciting to see so many people involved Jim is an expert organic gardener and also works with the Cleveland MetroParks and the National Wildlife Federation.

Mark your calendars today for Saturday, May 12th and May 19th when digging will commence! If you have any questions, please email Jim Wohl at wjim25@yahoo.com or myself.

We also have many other projects to get busy with. It is that time of the year to start planning our annual fundraiser for scholarships, the next hall of fame induction (which will be at Commencement in June), the next memorabilia display, and any other new project that comes to mind!

Love, Luck & Laughter!

Linda Reik-Brown
Class of '65



Is There or Isn't There?

The debate continues....is there or isn't there a time capsule buried within the confines of Valley Forge High School. The question comes up, debates ensue: Where was it? Has it been dug up? Where is it then? What was in it? No matter who you talk to, you get a different answer! So we will leave this question open here forever until we find out the answer! (I have it on good authority that the same questions are unanswered at Parma!)

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Audit Committee

Review past year's bank transaction entries including class disbursements, withdrawals, and deposits.



Donate Your old Yearbook to the Alumni Association



Treasurer's Report

Cathy Anelli-Solomon Class of '73

If you have yearbooks you no longer want and are still in a "healthy" condition, please consider donating them to this project. Yearbooks will be sold as is. We will advise here and at our website when we have any available for sale.

One of each year will also be reserved for reference only for classes to use in the Alumni office as needed. You can come in and scan information and pictures for your reunion use.

ONE OF EACH OF THE FOLLOWING USED YEARBOOKS ARE AVAILABLE FOR SALE FOR \$40 PLUS \$5 SHIPPING:

1963	1967 (2)	1976	1980
1964	1971	1977	1981
1965	1972	1978	1982
1966	1975	1979	

THE FOLLOWING USED YEARBOOKS ARE IN OUR REFERENCE LIBRARY: 1963 to 2001 (except 1992, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006).

These are available for reference only in our office. A computer and scanner is available if you wish to take information from them home. Bring your own disk!! Call Linda at 216-889-9179 for more information.



How Can You Help ?

- **Buy advertising:** For \$25/yr, we will place your business card in our newsletters and all pamphlets we hand out at the class reunions, VF events and community events.
- **Donate Funds for Scholarships:** We awarded \$500 scholarships in the past. We hope to do this again with an eye towards increasing the amount or number of scholarships awarded in the future.
- **Fundraising:** Suggest fundraising strategies and/or be ready to jump in and help implement one.
- **Attend Meetings:** Help us make decisions that will shape the future of the Association as well as socialize with other alumni.

We are a non-profit organization and exist only by donations and fundraisers. As you plan your reunion, call me for our tax ID number and IRS instructions.

1/1/07 to 3/31/07

Beginning Balance	15,609.98
Income	6,337.27
Expenses	170.00
Money in Trust	19,104.34
Ending Balance	21,777.25

Class Notes!

Class of 1989

Hello from **Missy Schabel-Friedrichsen!** Just thought I'd drop you an update to let you know that my family has moved to sunny southern CALIFORNIA. My husband, Mike has taken a job with a new company whose HQ is out here. I LOVE it out here! My son, Tim has turned 11 and my daughter, Allison has just turned 4! Now if that wasn't enough, I've recently found out I am pregnant again. This baby will be arriving in early October. I love to hear from friends, feel free to drop me a line anytime. Mfried2417@aol.com.

We Want to Hear From You!

Your classmates would like to know what is happening with you! Any information about marriages, births, careers, etc. can be published in this newsletter. Feel free to include photos! Mail Responses to: Linda Reik-Brown, 3418 West 127 St, Cleveland OH 44111 or email to patriots@vfalumni.org.

We Have A Bushel of Useless Facts!

From the Department of Nobody Is Perfect— Thomas Edison designed a helicopter that would work with gun powder. It ended up blowing up and also blew up his factory.

Reunions!



The Class of 1977 is pleased to announce their 30 year reunion will be held on Friday July 27, 2007. The event will be held at Carrie Cerino's banquet facility on Ridge Road in North Royalton, Ohio starting at 7:00 PM. The evening will include hors d'oeuvres and dessert tables as well as a cash bar. A DJ will be playing the tunes we all grew up on as well as current requests.

To secure your reservation for the reunion, class mates are requested to send a check for \$50 per person made out to "Class of 1977 Reunion/Mark Horvath" and sent to 4709 Pebble Beach Way, Eagan MN 55123. All checks must be received by July 1, 2007. Your check will be your receipt. Payment must be made in advance and will not be accepted at the door.

Class members are asked to send updated contact information (address, e-mail and phone number) to Claire Rozman at rozman8400@comcast.net. Anyone interested in helping locate class mates should also contact Claire Rozman. Any additional questions can be sent to horvath.mark33@hotmail.com. We look forward to seeing everyone on July 27, 2007!

The Class of 1978 is starting the search for classmates early due the loss of their database. Their 30th year reunion will be in 2008. Please get in touch with Connie Ilko at cmi13@aol.com if you are from that class to be sure you get put on the list!

Help Needed!!

Still looking for someone with database experience to help us set up our online database. We have plenty of novices working on this thing but we need a guru to put it all together and make it happen!

Pleassssssse! There must be someone out of us 33,000 alumni who can handle this!!

Linda 216-889-9179

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The Class of 1987 is holding planning meetings for a reunion this year. Please contact Margaret Anderson for more information at either mmanderson@aol.com or mmanderson@yahoo.com. Also you can get in touch with them at VFClassof87@yahoogroups.com

The Class of 1997 is holding their 10th Year reunion on Saturday, November 24th at Dave and Buster's in Westlake, 6:00 pm until midnight! If there's any questions from anyone, please contact Alex Johnson @ (440) 724-5116 or ajohnson@parmahtscity.com. If anyone would like to contribute to our class reunion, please have them write a check out to VFHS, Class of 1997 and contact Alex Johnson at ajohnson@parmahtscity.com.

Please send the association any information about your reunion, missing persons, etc. Also, if you just had a reunion, please send us your database so we can update the master database. And tell us how your reunion went! We would love to publish it here! Email Linda Brown, patriots@vfalumni.org or mail to 3418 West 127 St, Cleveland, OH 44111.

2 Class Rings Found!

1970 and 1986

If you'd like more information, please contact Russ Fischer @ photoruss1@aol.com

Valley Forge High School Hall of Fame

Do you know someone who has made a significant contribution to our school, our community or our world? Nominate them for this honor and tell us about their post high school accomplishments in Academics, Athletics, Career, Cultural/Performing Arts or other endeavor.

You will find the form online at
www.vfalumni.org

Looking For Memorabilia!

We are always on the hunt for memorabilia for our next display. Currently the display houses the many years of our beloved *Archive* in anticipation of the next one!!

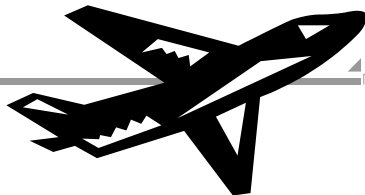
The display is in the front hallway with the Hall of Fame near the auditorium. Check your closets and attics for anything that might be appropriate.

Next Meetings

Tuesday, April 17, 2007 ~ 7 pm
VF Alumni Association Office

Tuesday, July 17, 2007 ~ 7 pm
Fox & Hound Restaurant, Parmatown

You know that indestructible black box that is used on airplanes? Why don't they make the whole plane out of that stuff?!



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