

## GIFT

This is part of an article I published on Don Heirman back in March 2022. In May of this year, we were notified that we would be receiving an additional \$28,000 to produce the Newsletters and an additional \$42,000 to MEF for reunion purposes from Don's estate. We have been truly blessed. If you haven't been to the Mishawaka Historical Museum, stop by and see the train set that belonged to Don, it's worth the trip.

Don was born and grew up in Mishawaka and was a 1958 graduate of Mishawaka High School. He was very active while in high school from being a member of the National Honor Society to being an Usher in the Ushers Club.

This is just a little information about Donald and his life (courtesy of the 1958 Miskodeed and his obituary). After his death, we were informed that Don had left the Alumni Association \$30,000 to produce the MHSAA Newsletters and \$45,000 to the MEF for reunion purposes. We are forever grateful for this gift from Don.

Congratulations to Karena Nevorski and Tanner Roop for receiving this year's Mishawaka High School Alumni Scholarship. Karena plans to become a Doctor of Physical Therapy while Tanner is undecided on his career path at this time. We are thankful that we can help our newest alumni in furthering their education.

Come hang out with your classmates for awhile. Bar will be open and food is available in the Café. Tell your friends . \$5 Cover Charge.



## MHS ALUMNI MIXER

JULY 27, 2023

5:00 PM - 7:00 PM

CHICORY CAFE  
114 W. 1ST SREET  
MISHAWAKA, IN



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## In Memory

**Darrol Fry**  
04-13-1920 to 01-16-21  
Class of 1938

**Paul Foltz**  
05-03-27 to 03-24-23  
Class of 1947

**Richard Kesler**  
07-12-29 to 04-21-23  
Class of 1947

**Mary Lou (Scott) Seybold**  
09-02-31 to 05-16-23  
Class of 1949

**Constance (White) Coyner**  
05-09-32 to 03-20-23  
Class of 1950

**Phyllis (Kohler) Spear**  
06-05-32 to 04-10-23  
Class of 1950

**Wanda (Redburn) Holmes**  
03-24-36 to 03-11-23  
Class of 1954

**Nancy (Dentino) Breske**  
10-01-37 to 03-23-23  
Class of 1955

**Donna (Bruegel) Hertz**  
05-18-37 to 03-27-23  
Class of 1955

**Marilyn (Choplin) Krueger**  
01-30-37 to 03-27-23  
Class of 1955

**Margaret (Weber) Struss**  
10-01-37 to 10-20-22  
Class of 1955

**Lequita (Starnes) DeLaurelle**  
06-29-38 to 12-18-22  
Class of 1956

**Sharon (Whitney) Wiseman**  
08-26-38 to 09-30-22  
Class of 1956

**Karen (Csakany) Frayer**  
04-28-39 to 05-04-23  
Class of 1957



August 19, 2023 • Notre Dame Downes Ballroom

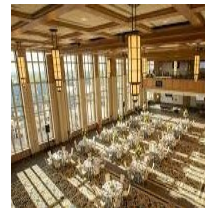
Join us as you see your favorite literary characters pop from the pages and relive the written work of legendary authors.

*Mark your calendar now!*

The gala will include a VIP reception, cocktail hour, dinner along with the opportunity to bid on many unique auction items donated by community businesses and individuals. Online bidding has already opened. Scan the QR code and you will be taken to the auction site.



Tickets:  
\$75 per person  
\$125 includes VIP reception  
\$700 for a table of ten  
\$1200 for a table of ten  
With VIP reception



Gather your friends and colleagues and wander through the **PAGES IN TIME** while bidding on items to support the educators and students of School city of Mishawaka. Funds raised at the event will provide books and benefit all school libraries program throughout School city of Mishawaka.



**JULY 1st at 5:00 pm**

The MEF annual silent auction will be open for online bidding!

Check it out at [bit.ly/pages2023](https://bit.ly/pages2023) or scan the QR code.

New items added daily so check often and place your bids on everything from travel and spa packages to gift certificates to local businesses and restaurants.



The MEF Auction  
only happens once a year!

Join the fun now!  
Be sure to spread the word.



**Donald Hammock**  
03-08-39 to 03-06-23  
Class of 1957

**Ronald Barton**  
12-15-40 to 04-09-23  
Class of 1959

**Patricia (Slabaugh) Miller**  
08-28-42 to 03-13-23  
Class of 1960

**Ines (Froeben) Dragani**  
02-05-43 to 03-18-23  
Class of 1961

**Ralph Werner**  
11-10-44 to 03-22-23  
Class of 1963

**William Buck**  
12-10-45 to 03-22-23  
Class of 1964

**Jim Rodts**  
01-27-47 to 05-10-23  
Class of 1965

**Ronald Watson**  
02-17-48 to 03-21-23  
Class of 1966

**Michael Merritt**  
12-28-49 to 03-05-23  
Class of 1968

**Margaret (Lechlitner) Dillman**  
07-25-51 to 03-23-23  
Class of 1969

**Robert Watkins**  
08-28-53 to 03-03-23  
Class of 1971

**Joseph Brunner**  
02-12-57 to 04-02-23  
Class of 1975

**Constance (Wiser) Maupin**  
12-27-55 to 04-04-23  
Class of 1975

**Kevin Gann**  
11-25-57 to 01-18-23  
Class of 1976

**Scott Ward**  
12-24-70 to 03-06-23  
Class of 1989

**Earl Risner Jr.**  
11-06-73 to 04-30-23  
Class of 1993

**Andrew Bennett**  
01-02-90 to 03-30-23  
Class of 2008



*April Birthdays*

- 1\* Cindy Blair
- 1\* Cindy Bodle
- 1\* Dennis Ditsch
- 1\* Mark Swanson
- 2\* Paula Freed
- 2\* Helen Orisich
- 3\* Kenneth Locke
- 3\* Pat Slabaugh
- 4\* Tom Brainerd
- 4\* Barbara Canfield
- 4\* John Gautier
- 4\* Carol Miller
- 5\* Sherman Deal
- 5\* Sherry Henry
- 5\* Judy Speicher
- 6\* Peggy Copeland
- 6\* Richard Cowen
- 6\* Rachel Grummell
- 6\* Kevin MacIsaac
- 6\* Catherine Panis
- 7\* Kenneth Barker
- 7\* Lee Muldoon
- 7\* Sharon Serge
- 8\* Jim Dodrill
- 8\* Naomi Fernsler
- 8\* John Schimizzi
- 8\* Arlene Stamm
- 9\* Barbara Hoffman
- 9\* Carol Masters
- 9\* Paul Streich
- 9\* Morgan Van Damme
- 10\* Diana Gundeck
- 10\* Marianne LaFree
- 10\* Rebecca Parker
- 11\* Judie Woodka
- 11\* Charles Yates
- 12\* Janice Hallam
- 12\* Don Johnson
- 12\* Keith Leonard
- 12\* Danny Meehan
- 12\* Carolyn Simpson
- 12\* Cindy Vernasco
- 13\* Jim Braunsdorf
- 13\* Mary Fowler
- 13\* Victoria Maione
- 13\* Vicki Swadener
- 13\* Jane Wright
- 14\* Marilyn Hahn
- 15\* Nancy Dancinger
- 15\* Lorie Rauch
- 15\* Barb Stillson
- 16\* Debbie Stamm
- 17\* Alan Emmert
- 17\* Andy Stone
- 18\* Patricia Coffman
- 18\* Kay Johanson



**Class of 1953**

70<sup>th</sup> Reunion

August 2, 2023

Chicory Event Center, Mishawaka

Contact: Suzanne Kistler, 574-264-4732  
SPPElkhart@aol.com

This will take place during the monthly Alumni Luncheon.

Please R.S.V.P to Suzanne so there can be an accurate count given to the Chicory.

- 18\* Robert Peiffer
- 18\* Jeff Niespodziany
- 18\* Robert Peiffer
- 18\* Gale Schalliol
- 18\* Rodney Spear
- 19\* David Rutkowski
- 19\* Nancy Taylor
- 19\* Gregg Thomas
- 20\* G.Jules Bickel
- 20\* Robert Maes
- 21\* Kathryn Bonder
- 21\* Scott Ermeti
- 21\* Michelle Highland
- 22\* Robert Harke
- 24\* Rosemary Spalding
- 25\* Keith Fulmer
- 25\* Linda Ganser
- 25\* Marlene Locke
- 25\* Marjorie Schwind
- 26\* Janet Keller
- 26\* Arlene Martin
- 26\* Gloria Rejer
- 26\* Dick Rejer
- 26\* Jeanette Witherspoon
- 27\* Ruth Cochran
- 27\* Rita Weisweaver
- 28\* Everett Byrd
- 29\* Kathleen Albright
- 29\* Phil Miller
- 29\* Tricia Pequignot
- 29\* Bradd Stamm
- 29\* Brett Stamm
- 30\* Dan Braunsdorf
- \*30 Nick Fisette
- \*30 John Hanson



*May Birthdays*

- 1\* George Wachs
- 1\* Thomas Weisweaver
- 2\* Michael Amos
- 2\* Ross Deal
- 2\* Barbara DeRoo
- 3\* Paul Foltz
- 3\* John Kreiter
- 4\* Barbara LaPlace
- 5\* J.B. Rivard
- 5\* Nancy Roelke
- 6\* Randy Harris
- 8\* Richard Kemble
- 8\* John McLane
- 8\* Barry Power
- 8\* Scott Stamm
- 8\* Karen Williams
- 9\* Margaret Boner
- 9\* Charlene DeNeve
- 9\* Jean Flowers
- 9\* Marian McConahay
- 9\* Raymond Myers
- 9\* Dale Persyn
- 10\* Larry Holmes
- 10\* Cheryl Poynter
- 11\* Cassie Rauch
- 11\* Robert Steif
- 11\* Billy Watkins
- 12\* Marianne Fair
- 12\* Hajji Jojo

## June Birthdays

1\* Frank Cackowski  
1\* Sue Graves  
1\* Bill Kremer  
1\* Pamela Long  
1\* Amy Wayne  
2\* Hope Keiser  
2\* Loralee Lavis  
2\* Cherri Smith  
2\* Walter Vernasco  
3\* Patricia Levan  
3\* Janice Nagy  
3\* Jacqueline Neely  
3\* Greg Skene  
3\* Mary Steif  
4\* Rhonda Hays  
4\* Emilio Soto  
4\* John Mortimore III  
4\* Pam VanHoecke  
5\* Wayne England  
5\* Richard Mullin  
5\* Amy Rauch  
5\* John Sill Jr.  
6\* Nelson Hill  
6\* Bill Schalliol  
7\* Ron O'Lena  
8\* Joyce Futterknecht  
9\* Mark Dicken  
9\* Tod Meersman  
10\* Sarah Barker  
10\* Janet Kline  
10\* Sandra Paszli  
11\* Bill Kyle  
11\* MaryBeth Torma  
12\* GeorgeAnna Childress  
12\* Cindy Grimme  
12\* Harrison Obenchain  
12\* Ronald Showalter  
13\* Judith Heying  
14\* John Rice  
14\* David Schroeder  
14\* Larry Speckman  
14\* Wayne Witter  
14\* Kris Wolfe  
15\* Jean Caddy  
16\* Lynda Bathje  
16\* Pete DeKever  
16\* Cheryl Mortimor  
16\* Heidi Peebles  
16\* Whit Witherspoon  
17\* Barbara Dicken  
17\* Judith Oliva  
17\* Susan Tordi  
18\* Sherry Harke  
18\* Linda Nichols  
18\* Elizabeth Robertson  
18\* Sharon Showalter  
18\* Shirley Tindall  
18\* Elwyn Tylavsky  
19\* JuLaine Rice  
19\* John Snyder  
19\* David VanAvermaete  
20\* Jerry Britton  
20\* Virginia Hazinski  
20\* Randy Molnar  
20\* Jeff Rea

## CLASS OF 1973

### 50th Reunion

August 19, 2023

Chicory Event Center, Mishawaka

Facebook Page: Mishawaka High Class 1973

Contact: Peggy (Jones) Bassier, 574-220-2546 or  
papergirl552@comcast.net

## CLASS OF 1978

45th Class Reunion

September 8 & 9, 2023

### WHEN

#### Friday

4:00 Tour of MHS  
7:00 Home Football  
Game

#### Saturday

6:00 Reunion at Castle  
Manor in Merrifield Park

### FOOD

Catering by  
Mission BBQ

Cash Bar  
Wine & Beer

### COST

\$30 Single  
\$50 Couple

More information  
on payment to be  
announced soon

For more information: contact vickie\_strauser@hotmail.com

## SAVE THE DATE!!!

## MHS '65 CLASS REUNION

WHEN: Saturday, September 9, 2023

WHERE: South Bend Elks Club

(Handicap accessible)

This is the rescheduled 55th reunion – Spread the news

Information can be found at:

mishawaka1965@gmail.com

Questions: Contact Gail Karst Whitehead at 574-536-2332

21\* Marilou Moore  
22\* John Copeland  
23\* Barcus Fobe  
24\* Margie Austin  
24\* JoAnn Cummins  
24\* Janice O'Neill  
25\* Betty Ballard  
25\* Betty Germano  
25\* Peter McQueen  
25\* Jane Slane  
25\* Bob Wallis  
26\* Bill Cork  
26\* Betty Lou Nimitz  
26\* Tracy Teegarden  
27\* Tammy Barcus  
27\* Larry Curtis  
27\* Sharon Kyle  
27\* Nancy Price  
28\* Barry Groh  
28\* Kay Owens  
28\* Kathy Watson  
29\* Sharon Farson  
29\* Anne Schmitz  
30\* Rick Claeys



**MISHAWAKA**  
EDUCATION FOUNDATION

## SAVE THE DATE

October 7, 2023

Annual  
**Trunk or Treat**  
In the  
Mishawaka High  
School Parking Lots  
4:30 – 7:30 pm

If you would like to have a car in the event to hand out candy and promote your business, please contact Jane Wright at [founda-tion@mishawaka.k12.in.us](mailto:founda-tion@mishawaka.k12.in.us) or Heidi at [mhscave-menalumni@mishawaka.k12.in.us](mailto:mhscave-menalumni@mishawaka.k12.in.us)



## April Anniversaries

- 1\* Bob & Sun Britton
- 2\* Berlyn & Nancy Ware
- 4\* Emilio & Carolyn Brownstein
- 4\* **Veryl & Arlene Stamm - 70 yrs**
- 6\* Michael & Lori Sanders-Dougherty
- 8\* Jay & Rosemarie Mead
- 9\* Roy & Jeanne Calvin
- 11\* **Don & Joyce Notary - 70 yrs**
- 12\* Danny & Pamela Meehan
- 12\* Phillip & Joan Pynaert
- 12\* Richard & Donna Witkowski
- 13\* David & Cindy VanAvermaete
- 16\* **Richard & Pamela Mullin - 40 yrs**
- 17\* Richard & Joan Halterman
- 17\* J.Michael & Lorie Kedik
- 17\* Gregg & Sharon Thomas
- 17\* Sam & Betty Tracas
- 20\* Joseph & Becky Kiefer
- 24\* Jim & Karen Locke
- 27\* James & Rachel Grummel
- 28\* John & Frances Cook
- 28\* Ron & Barbara O'Lena



## May Anniversaries

- 2\* Randall & Paula Freed
- 3\* **James & Vicky Ganser - 20 yrs**
- 3\* John & Cheryl Mortimore
- 4\* **Paul & Kay Johanson - 60 yrs**
- 6\* Thomas & Nancy Blum
- 7\* Alan & Martha Emmert
- 7\* Jerry & Gail Klaer
- 8\* David & Marilyn Schmitt
- 10\* **Robert & Nancy Taylor - 20 yrs**
- 12\* Nick & Sigrid Thanos
- 13\* James & Hortense Goessens
- 14\* Gene & Eleanor Marler
- 14\* Richard & Marilou Schroeder
- 16\* Nelson & Janis Weaver
- 17\* Michael & Jeanine DeGeeter
- 18\* Hubert & Judy Kuzmich
- 19\* Anthony & Rosemary Grasso
- 19\* Eugene & Patricia Levan
- 23\* David & Lisa Gartee
- 23\* Vernon & Lorrie Snyder
- 23\* William & Lora Rozzi
- 24\* **Barry & Debra Groh - 20 yrs**
- 26\* Robert & Judith Heying
- 26\* Joseph & Phyllis Nicolini
- 27\* Nicholas & Jeannie Blume
- 28\* Dennis & Patricia Ditsch
- 29\* Phillip & Linda Dotson



## June Anniversaries



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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1* <b>Kenneth &amp; Marlene Locke - 50 yrs</b></li> <li>1* Michael &amp; Lori Lundgren</li> <li>2* Warren &amp; Margaret Boner</li> <li>3* Donald &amp; Carolyn Simpson</li> <li>3* Jerry &amp; Cherri Smith</li> <li>4* John &amp; Phyllis Burgh</li> <li>4* <b>Randy &amp; Gwen Fern - 40 yrs</b></li> <li>4* Dennis &amp; Sandra Selner</li> <li>5* Lafayette &amp; Rosemary Turley</li> <li>5* Duane &amp; Rosemary Walterhouse</li> <li>6* Thomas &amp; Emily Alexander</li> <li>6* Dale &amp; Marilyn Dutoi</li> <li>6* Ken &amp; Pat Gantz</li> <li>8* Rodney &amp; Patricia Spears</li> <li>8* David &amp; Sandra Wetzel</li> <li>8* Tim &amp; Charlotte Zeak</li> <li>10* James &amp; Donna Braunsdorf</li> <li>10* Philip &amp; Antonietta DeLong</li> <li>10* Larry &amp; Elaine Holmes</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10* Joseph &amp; Cindy Kertes</li> <li>10* Paul &amp; Pam Macri</li> <li>13* Don &amp; Kay Owens</li> <li>14* David &amp; Sarah Schroeder</li> <li>15* Jerry &amp; Jackie Garner</li> <li>15* Arthur &amp; Joan Greenfield</li> <li>15* <b>Robert &amp; Mary Steif - 60 yrs</b></li> <li>15* Fred &amp; Victoria Shelby</li> <li>16* Joe &amp; Martha Emmons</li> <li>16* Gene &amp; Carol Hany</li> <li>17* Darwin &amp; Mary Boutiette</li> <li>17* Robert &amp; Linda Ganser</li> <li>18* <b>Samuel &amp; Sue Perri - 40 yrs</b></li> <li>20* Steven &amp; Nancy Dancinger</li> <li>20* Keith &amp; Naomi Fernsler</li> <li>20* Kris &amp; Kris Wolfe</li> <li>21* Ron &amp; Carol Wesselhoft</li> <li>22* Keith &amp; Sherri Leonard</li> <li>22* Mark &amp; Joni Schroeder</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>23* Todd &amp; Debbie Stamm</li> <li>24* Wallace &amp; Mary Hostetter</li> <li>24* Walt &amp; Stacie Kodba</li> <li>25* Richard &amp; Susan Amacher</li> <li>25* Dennis &amp; Judy Carter</li> <li>25* Joseph &amp; Julia Ciszczon</li> <li>26* Keith &amp; Gloria Fulmer</li> <li>26* Bill &amp; Phyllis Groth</li> <li>26* Charles &amp; Pat Mitschelen</li> <li>26* Duane &amp; Matilda Williams</li> <li>27* James &amp; Joyce Jewell</li> <li>27* Thomas &amp; Noreen Marriott</li> <li>28* Mark &amp; Vicki Deedrick</li> <li>28* Kurt &amp; Vicki Swadener</li> <li>29* Baron &amp; Diana Biedenweg</li> <li>29* John &amp; Theresa Hemphill</li> <li>29* Ronald &amp; Sharon Showalter</li> <li>29* <b>Larry &amp; Jeanine Speckman - 50 yrs</b></li> <li>30* Greg &amp; Paulette Steinke</li> </ul> |
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Congratulations to all the couples and a big round of applause for  
The Stamms & The Notarys who are celebrating **70** years together!



# Luncheon Menu

2023

12:00 - 1:30pm

\$15 per person

<b>July 5</b>	Hot dogs and brats, potato salad, macaroni salad, fresh fruit, roll & butter
<b>August 2</b>	Meatloaf, mashed potatoes & gravy, glazed carrots, roll & butter
<b>September 6</b>	Bruschetta Chicken, grilled vegetables, roasted potatoes, roll & butter
<b>October 4</b>	Taco Bar – build your own tacos with chicken and beef, taco toppings, Mexican rice, refried beans
<b>November 1</b>	Thanksgiving – turkey, potatoes and gravy, stuffing, green bean casserole, roll & butter
<b>December 6</b>	Polish buffet – sausage, fried chicken, mashed potatoes & gravy, noodles, sweet & sour cabbage, roll & butter

Drinks available: Coffee, Water, Lemonade, Coke,  
Diet Coke, and Iced Tea

Other drinks are available in the café

On occasion, if there is food leftover and everyone has had a 2nd trip to the food table, we may offer a carry-out meal for \$5.

If you would rather have something other than what the menu offers, you can also order from inside the Café. Your order will be brought to your table.

## April Birthdays



Rodney Spear



## May Birthdays



L- Linda Bessmer, Becky Kiefer, Joyce Chambers, Chuck Wayne & John McLane

## June Birthdays



L- Linda Nichols & John Snyder

We have Alumni spirit wear items for sale. T-shirt \$12, Sweatshirt \$17, add'l \$3 for 2xl and up.

We will be adding additional styles and items to the inventory in the future.

Call Heidi

@

574-254-4523



## Miskodeed Request

If you have old yearbooks that you would like to donate or are looking for a certain year that you may not have, please contact [mhs-alumni@mishawaka.k12.in.us](mailto:mhs-alumni@mishawaka.k12.in.us) or call 574-254-4523. There is no cost if you are an alumni, \$5 per book for non-alumni. You cover the shipping cost.

I currently have extras of 1912, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 51, 54, 55, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 65, 66, 67, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 2000, 01, 02, 03, 04, 05, 07, 08, 09, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14



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Having a reunion and want to take a tour of MHS, call 574-254-4523. Reunion tours are given on Saturday mornings from 9-11 or 10-12.

## PAVE THE WAY

School City of Mishawaka has built a lasting tribute to the tradition of Mishawaka High School. Alumni Plaza is the newly renovated courtyard leading to Steele Stadium. This is a beautiful external space that has become a place for students, alumni, and the community that encompasses the "Spirit of Mishawaka". Personalized 4"x8" bricks are great gifts to: celebrate your class reunion, create a permanent place in the community for yourself, your children or grandchildren, promote your business and show your community support, memorialize a lost loved one, honor a soldier or service-person with a patriotic thank you. For more information, email [peeblesh@mishawaka.k12.in.us](mailto:peeblesh@mishawaka.k12.in.us) or call 574-254-4523.

