MHS ALUMNI NEWSLETTER

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NEXT MEETING

WEDNESDAY APRIL 4, 2018

NOON

F.O.P. HALL

~~MENU~~

Baked Ham Scalloped Potatoes Applesauce Roll and butter

\$9.00 per person

\$2.00 for non eaters

Includes:

Hot or cold drink

Tax and gratuity

Cash Bar available for beer, wine and mixed drinks

Half & Half drawing prior to the entertainment





DAVID SPALDING, M.D.

Jan. 22, 1938-Feb. 13, 2018

David Spalding, M.D., 80, of Mishawaka passed away peacefully surrounded with love by his wife of 58 years, Rosemary (Zirille) Spalding '56 and other members of his family. David was the son of Dr. Wendell and Mary Spalding.

David earned his MD degree from Indiana University in 1963 and joined his father in his family practice in 1966 and worked with him until his father's retirement in 1973. **David** absolutely loved practicing medicine and in his 34 years of practice, he tended to the needs of thousands of patients with his compassionate care.

In 1964, **David** served two years in the United States Public Health Service in Washington, D.C. Through the 1980's, he served as a preceptor for St. Mary's College School of Nursing, the St. Joseph Medical Center Family Practice Program and the Ivy Tech Physician Assistant Program. **David** was on the active staff of St. Joseph Hospital from 1966 until his retirement. He was honored by Indiana University as "1988 Family Physician of the Year."

David loved Mishawaka and supported his community in a variety of ways; as a volunteer physician for the Children's Dispensary, as football team physician for both Mishawaka and Marian High Schools. He and his wife welcomed foreign exchange students into their home. **David** and **Rosemary** were long time loyal members of the MHS Alumni

Together, the **Spalding's** were great Chicago Cub fans and planned their winter vacations in Arizona for the Cubs spring training, as well as a devout IU basketball fans. **David** loved gardening and maintained a vegetable garden on his garage roof.

Memorial contributions may be made in **David's** name to the Poor Hand Maids of Jesus Christ; St. Monica Church; or the Mishawaka Education Foundation.

She remembers "Dream Backfield".....

"I remember so well the "Dream Backfield" of 1944 and many of it's members from my 1945 class who were part of the team. I was a faithful band member with Max Kraning's direction and our little club had it's own celebrity...Anna Mae Ehrmin '45 on piccolo in "Stars and Stripes Forever."

Not many of us left....I live across Lake Washington from **Bill Gates**! I keep busy in my retirement community with bridge games, etc., but I am still happy to hear about my former classmates and how the MHS Alumni is doing."

A letter from **Shirley (Powell) Weishaar**, class of **1945**Mercer Island, Washington

She Weathered Hurricane Erma.....

"I would like to say hello to all my classmates and friends from the MHS Class of **1956.** Thanks for stepping up to get our newsletter back to being about MHS Alumni. Included is a little extra to help."

Susan (Myers) Nitsos '56 Tierra Verde, Florida

Stan and Snow Go Together.....

This editor received a picture via e-mail of a wiry old man in Battell Park in Mishawaka, bundled all up, braving those minus zero days in January. 14 inches of snow on the ground, his feet strapped to skis and ski poles in his hands. Who is this brave ole' soul out on a day everyone else is inside trying to keep warm?

None other than our own **Stan Ross**, MHS Alumni member, class of 1949 and **88** years young, enjoying great conditions for cross country skiing. A true outdoors lover, **Stan** swims, jogs or bikes on a daily basis, depending on the weather. At the alumni meetings, he is often on the dance floor doing his thing. **Stan** also is the chairman of the MHS Alumni Christmas Food Drive.

Small World....

When **Dick** and **Emilie** (**DeMeter**) Miller mailed in a generous donation, **Emilie** noticed that her sister, **Dorothy Demeter's** address was the same as this editor's address except one apartment number was 131W and her Sister's was 130 W...just next door.

The Miller's, Dick '49 who just turned 87, and Emilie reside in Columbus, Ohio where Dick is a retired professor from Ohio State University. An all-State football player at MHS and a track star under the legendary coach, "Dutch" Thurston, he still keeps in playing shape by playing volleyball twice a week. He gardens with one daughter and bakes bread and cookies with the other daughter every Wednesday.

Up To Date With The Hocker Family.....

Jack '48 and Betty Jo Hocker live in Venice, Florida. Jack, 88 years old, finally gave up playing 12" slow pitch softball just two years ago. In 1991, his team won the national championship on the 60 years or older division. The team traveled all over the United States to win the title. Jack played center field for the MHS baseball team under coach Ward Baker for four years and later independent baseball for the legendary Pop Frankle. Jack is a graduate of Franklin College

Jerry '49 and Joan (Hocker) Gerard '50 have recently moved from Granger to Mishawaka. Jerry, a Ball State graduate retired from teaching at Mishawaka High School in 1999.

Rich '49 and his wife, Betty Lou (Mills) Hocker '50 reside in Niles, Michigan and he is retired from Reese Products in Elkhart. He also played varsity baseball for the Cavemen. Rich, an avid outdoorsman who loves fishing, recently had a knee replacement but will be ready to go full speed again this spring.

Class of 1948....Don't plan anything during the August meeting of the MHS Alumni! You will be pleasantly surprised! Nothing ever like it before..... Trust me!

Back On The Court Again....

"After a couple of years recovering from shoulder problems after surgery, I'm back on the racquet ball courts. I'm 70 years old now but still hold my own with the younger guys." Bill Watkins '58 moved to Greer, South Carolina several years ago and looks forward to a visit back to Mishawaka to see a lot of his old friends.

Norm Is Back In Town....

Since his wife died, **Norm Woolet '50** has moved back to Mishawaka from Sebring, Florida. He claims to have the cleanest sidewalks in town with his trusty snow blower. **Norm** does volunteer work with Hospice and hopes to make an alumni meeting soon. Thanks **Norm** for your hefty donation.

90 Years Old And Still Jumping....

"For my **90th** birthday in October 2017, I went sky diving in Michigan City, IN to full fill my 'Bucket List'. It was a wonderful experience and I'd love to do it again. My grandson shared the dive with me, but he admitted he was a little scared. Most of my family and lots of friends were on the ground to watch and they were holding their breath."

Mary (Chamberlin) Vellman ' 45

WOW!!!

Thanks to **Dale Strombeck '55** for his gigantic donation to the MS Alumni. **Dale** lives in Mishawaka and noted, "I want to make sure the alumni stays alive."

Enjoying Her Retirement....

Colleen (Davis) Lerner '43 graduated from Memorial Hospital of Nursing and lives in South Bend. She said, "I'm retired now and enjoying every minute of it."

A Great Florida Visit....

Joe '61 and his wife, Martha (Eminger) Emmons '61 returned to their home in Sun City, Arizona from their visit to Lake Okeechobee, FL where they visited Martha's brother, Ross "Bill" Eminger '67 and his wife, Nancy. They also had a nice visit with long time friends, Larry Zehring '61 and his wife, Kay '60 while in Florida. Martha, Bill and his sister, Elizabeth (Eminger) Stoll '70 all graduated from MHS as did their parents. Elizabeth's daughter is also a graduate, and who knows? Maybe one day there will be the 4th generation of MHS graduates in the family.

Purchased The New MHS Directory....

Kathleen (Gunnett) Pamachena '56 who lives in Elkhart, IN made a generous donation to the alumni and said, "I also bought the new MHS Directory"

MISHAWAKA

EDUCATION FOUNDATION

SOMETHING NEW~~DON'T MISS OUT MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW! SATURDAY JULY 28, 2018 MISHAWAKA F.O.P. HALL MHS ALL CLASS REUNION



Has your class stopped planning your class reunion due to low attendance or high costs?

Cash Bar with light refreshments and a DJ Watch for complete details in next newsletter

IN MEMORY

Janice K. (Soens) Barcus

Class of 1956 from

Paula (Bolerjack) Gruber

Extra Money In Memory of Bruce.....

Bill Roggeman III, class of 1977 reports, all is well with the five "Rogge Boys" from 12th Street.... John '79, Richard '82, Robert '82 and Steve '86. Everyone healthy, happy and enjoying our family times.

"Please use the extra money in honor of **Bruce Chamberlin** '45, my favorite teacher at MHS. "I was always appreciative of his kind words, encouragement and wisdom 'Mr. C' showed me. He was a great guy!"

Comments From Some of Our Alumni.....

"Use the extra money where ever needed. Glad to be reading about alumni again."

Susan (Myers) Nitsos '56

Terra Verdi, Florida

"It is so good to hear about what's going on again back home with our old classmates. Hope you stay healthy and can continue with the Alumni newsletter."

Audrey (Johnson) Soward '48 Georgetown, Texas

Craig Power '72 mailed in a generous donation, renewing memberships for himself, his brother, Barry Power '74 and his sister, Linda (Power) Shelton '70, Barry lives in Mishawaka, Linda calls Charlotte, North Carolina home and Craig lives in Porter, Texas. He said, "We are all scattered across the United States but we enjoy reading what is happening at home through the newsletter,"

IN MEMORY

JOHN J. KALIL

July 28, 1928-Feb. 13, 2018 Class of 1944

PAUL EUGENE MORGAN

Oct. 17, 1925-Feb. 13, 2018 Class of 1944

JOAN (WACHS) DORN

Mar. 12, 1926-Jan. 25, 2018 Class of 1957

DUANE L. GOSS

May 18, 1931-Dec. 30, 2017 Class of 1950

CAROL ANN (HUTSON) McDANIEL

Sept. 20, 1942, 2018 Class of 1960

ELIZABETH (VANDER WENDE) HENRY

Apr. 21, 1923-Feb. 9, 2018 Class of 1941

FRANCIS "FRANK" TOMASIK

Nov. 27, 1943-Feb. 11, 2018 Class of 1962

MARJORIE (EBERHART) NELLANS

June 16, 1927-Mar. 8, 2018 Class of 1945

GORDAN A. SMITH, Jr.

May 10, 1954-Jan. 23, 2018 Class of 1972

ANNE JANE (SHIELDS) MEIXEL

May 28, 1920-Feb. 21, 2018

Class of 1939

ROBERT EARL ASHBURN

July 9, 1938-Mar. 2, 2018 Class 1956

DAVID SPALDING, M.D.

Jan. 22, 1938-Feb. 13, 2018 Class of 1956

MARY LOU (PHILION) MORIN

July 6, 1926-Feb. 13, 2018 Class of 1944

LILA G. (REEG) SMITH

Dec. 27, 1925-Feb. 16, 2018 Class of 1943

CHARLES A. BOBINECZ

Dec. 14, 1935-Feb. 9, 2018 Class of 1954

KATHLEEN (GOELLER) AGOSTINO

Feb. 20, 1950-Feb. 1, 2018 Class of 1968

WILLODEAN (ADAMS) FRANKS

Dec. 24, 1947-Feb. 2, 2018 Culinary

MARILYN (KLOPFENSTEIN) FREDERICK

Jan, 20, 1921-Jan. 31, 2018 Class of 1936

HERBERT "HERB" KIMBLE

Oct 16, 1936-Feb. 13, 2018 Class of 1954

JAMES B. POLLOCK

Mar. 15, 1925-Feb. 13, 2018

Class of 1943

JERRY SABADE

Dec. 18, 2017 Class of 1963

MAY THEY ALL REST IN PEACE

Your editor apologizes if there are some alumni who have passed away whose names do not appear in the In Memory columns. Your editor clicked the wrong button and lost the original list. If your loved one is missing, please contact me with the name, dates and class, and it will appear in the next newsletter.

Your editor wishes to thank **Frank Cachowski** '61 for his help in setting up the format of this MHS Alumni newsletter, plus whenever a snag shows up....**Frank** drops everything and bails me out by fixing the problem. All at no charge!

Also, to **Sandra (White) Mikesell '65**, the alumni's treasurer who so adeptly works with **Lynn Howard** at MHS Graphic Arts to produce the letter, and with **Letty Block** at Lake Michigan Mailers who process and mail the newsletters.

THANK YOU ANNE (RUPPE) SHIELDS

Class of 1980

Anne lives in Overland Park, Kansas and has access to a computer service that she sends this editor, via the E-MAIL, names and information of any and all MHS Alumni who have passed away.

Celebrating Women of HOPEIn Our Community

Hannah's House

Lunch and Silent Auction Wednesday May 9, 2018 11:30 AM

Holiday Inn Mishawaka Conference Center

40 Year Anniversary....

Jack Davis '51 and his son Larry Davis started Daman Products in 1976 in a 40' x 40' building on Smith Street in Mishawaka. In 1997, the company moved into their new 45,000 square foot building on Home Street. Jack is now retired and he and his wife Phyllis are enjoying the good life.... doing a lot of traveling in their motor home. Just another MHS alumnus success

IN MEMORY JEAN ANNE (RODGERS) MOORE

March 12, 1929-September 26, 2016 Class of 1947 with love from Janet (Rodgers) and Dick Freeman

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MISHAWAKA EDUCATION FOUNDATION

The Mishawaka Education Foundation will be hosting upcoming foundation events. Do not miss the fun!

Mark your calendars now! Details coming soon!

April 4th

MEF Major Saver Card will be on sale at the April MHS Alumni meeting.... \$10.00....Great savings!

June 13th

"Made in Mishawaka" Annual Luncheon Honoring **John Manuszak** and **Jennifer Zimmerman**

July 9th

1st Annual MEF golf tournament at Morris Park CC

July 28th

MHS All-Class Reunion Event at Mishawaka F.O.P.

October

MEF Growing the Future Silent Auction Dinner

For more information on any of these events, contact: Jane (Zimmerman) Wright '68

<u>foundation@mishawaka.k12.in.us</u> 574-254-7701 (office) 574-532-1881 (mobile)

New Member.....

"I'd like to renew my membership and add my daughter, Victoria (Hazinski) Geschke '78 who lives in Mishawaka to the mailing list. Use the extra money in memory of my son, Robert Hazinski '80, who passed away in 2012."

Virginia (Arndt) Hazinski '46 Mishawaka

Here and There With Our Alumni.....

Betty (Hixenbaugh) Gavin '45 mailed in her dues and said, "I always had fun while working for the alumni." **Betty** was the first secretary-treasurer for the MHS Alumni, a post she held so adeptly for twelve years.

Mary Anne Guy '54 sent in her dues, plus a little extra and said she had been down to Indianapolis and had a nice visit with Eleanor "Zubby" '45 and Gene Marler. She said, "they are all doing well but they miss the alumni and all their friends."

Pete LaCava '49 said, "I lose tract of when my alumni dues are due, so here they are plus. If there is anything I can do to help, just holler."

"Although I'm legally blind, I eagerly look forward to each issue for my husband to read them to me. Although membership has fallen, I do hope the newsletter will continue to be published."

Carol (Stump) Sumney '54 Ft, Wayne, Indiana

In Memory Of Bruno....

"I wish I lived a closer and could attend the monthly luncheons. We always looked forward to attending them....seeing and talking to friends, Use the extra in memory of **Bruno**."

Elsie (Belli) Van Bruaene '43

Peoria, Arizona

2018 MHS ALUMNI REUNION IN FLORIDA..

The crowd was down for the **20th MHS Alumni** reunion in Florida on March 7th this year, but the comradery was just as strong and the food at Homer's Smorgasbord was just as good as in the past. **Doug Ingram '56** and **Jim Masters '66** co-hosted the event which was attended by 33 members and guests.

Jack Sime '45 was the oldest attending alumnus, Sandy (Emmons) Wenzel '64 traveled the farthest in Florida (200 miles), Karen LeFave who lives in Canada, and Jean Craft was the youngest alumnus.

There were eight restaurant gift cards raffled off and the two winners of half & half were **Tom Klaer** '58 from Mishawaka and **Carl DeMaegd** '54 from Winter Haven, FL. The last order of business was a vote by the group to have the 21st MHS Alumni Florida reunion at Homer's Smorgasbord in Sebring on Wednesday, **March 6th 2019**.

Back For A Visit In August.....

Judie (Storts) Oliva '58 moved to Santa Maria, California a couple years ago and she was pretty close to the recent mud slides in California. **Judie** says, "I like the climate in California but I miss seeing my friends back in Mishawaka. Looking forward to my visit back in August and hope I can attend an alumni meeting."

Editors Note: We miss you too, **Judie!** You always brought a crowd with you to the meetings.

16th Annual MHS Reunion in Arizona....

Once again, **Martha (Endicott) Peirce '56** who resides in Phoenix, put on another great reunion luncheon and program for the 20 attendees. It was held at Dobson's Restaurant in Mesa, AZ for the first time.

Martha opened the meeting, welcoming everyone, Paul Smith '53 from Phoenix said the Invocation and led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance. Barb (Freeze) Nelson '53 from Sun Lakes, AZ took care of all the registration.

First time attendees were J.B. Rivard '48 and his guest, Anya Carlson, Randy Balmer '68 and his wife Pat. Alfred Cocanower '56 from Mesa, AZ brought a copy of an old MHS Baccalaureate program from his father, dated June 10, 1928. It listed the names of the teachers at that time, many of which we had in 1956 and later.

Prizes were given to the following people:

Earliest year graduates:

Ardith (Mark) Brown '48, Fountain Hills, AZ Bernie Rivard '48, Spokane, Washington

Most recent year graduate:

Randy Balmer '68, San Tan Valley, AZ

Class with most alumni present:

1956: Alfred Cocanower, Bill Hartman, Dean Beltz and Martha Pierce

Traveled the farthest distance:

Patrick '52 and Sharon Serge. Tucson, AZ. Some people told about their recent trips back to Mishawaka and their class reunions. Martha read the names of those who have passed away since the last meeting, as well as greetings from those who were unable to attend. The meeting was closed with the singing of the Mishawaka Fight Song. .3

One Liners From Alumni.....

Audrey (Johnson) Soward '48 from Georgetown, Texas said, "Thanks to Sue (Clark) Witz '48, she keeps me updated on my old Classmates."

Joyce (Harmon) Hunn '57 continues her ministerial work as Associate Pastor at the Second Presbyterian Church in Indianapolis, IN.

Allen Rodgers '45, that outstanding basketball player for the Cavemen has been moved to the nursing wing at Southfield in South Bend, and now has his niece, Cheryl Beehler read him the MHS Alumni newsletter each month.

Fred Kuss 58 and his wife, Carol (Townsand) Kuss '66 notified the staff that they were receiving two newsletters.

"We both enjoy keeping up with the alumni news. Thank so much to the staff for keeping the organization going."

Mary (Mahank) Barnes from the class of 1943 lives in South Bend. Mary is retired from 1st Source Bank



Final Snowbird Local Weather Report

South Bend Tribune...March 14, 2018

TEMPERTURE

Today High 46 Today's Record 81 (2012)

PRECIPITATION		Normal
Month to Date	1.20 in	0.99 in
Year to Date	11.21 in	5.23 in
SNOWFALL		Normal
Month to Date	6.0 in	4.10 in
Season to Date	90.0 in	67.20 in

East Coast - West Coast.....

Dwight Wygant '46 who resides on the West Coast in Los Gatos, California (a few miles south of San Francisco) was about 100 miles south of the recent wild fires in Sonoma County, but he could see and smell the smoke, He did know of a fellow Pan Am person and his wife who died in the fire. As for those dreaded mud slides.....there were about 300 miles south near Santa Barbara. Dwight said, "they got a lot of publicity because it was in Oprah Winfrey's neighborhood."

Now for the East Coast. **Dwight's** sister, **Nancy (Wygant) Logan** who lives in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida. Hurricane Erma swept through her area, but fortunately she suffered very little damage to her property.

More One Liners From Alumni....

Rochelle (Ruff) Whiteaker '56 from Monroe, Washington sent in a check for her membership, plus a little extra and said, "Hope this small contribution will help get the group back in good shape. Thanks for all the work the staff does to keep things going."

"Keep up the good work! I sure miss the old home town." Bill Blume '53 Greenbriar, Arkansas

Amelia Sue (Hintz) '58 from Naples, Florida looks forward each month to read the alumni newsletter about her old classmates.

"Enclosed is my member ship payment for 2018. I find this newsletter more appealing....more info about our fellow alumni. Keep up the good work!"

Mary (Hummel) Kohn '56 South Bend, IN

David Middleton '53 who resides in Ft Wayne, Indiana remarked that he was surprised as to how many MHS Alumni lived in Ft. Wayne.

Did you know that there are presently 42 Mishawaka alumni living at St. Paul's Retirement Center? Some in independent and assisted living, others in Rehab and the memory care unit.

Mishawaka High **School** 1978

40th Class Reunion

Friday August 24th

1-5 pm Meet and Greet at Denise Chamness' pool.....12415 Stage Coach Ct, Granger, JN 46530.

Beer and small appetizers will be provided

4:00 pm Tour of the High School. Meet Mary Beth Roshech at the front entrance.

7:00. pm to ? Pat's Pub in Granger, JN....Food, adult beverages, dancing and socializing.

Top Secret Band will be performing. Great Band!

Saturday August 25th

11:00 am to 6:00 pm....Rose Park cookont. (Eat at 4:00 pm) Volleyball, softball and Bocce Ball....Meat / fish and water will be provided....BYOB for cocktails.

Ont of towners....bring your paper plates, napkins, plastic ware, trask bags and chips In towners....bring a disk to pass, or a salad or appetizer.

7:00 pm to 11:00 pm....Meet at the Di Loreto Club (Division Street in Mishawaka) for dancing, cocktails and socializing. Food will be available for purchase. Mel Green and Gemini will be performing.

Sunday August 26th

10:00 am...Brunch....Bloody Mary's at Chicory Café in South Bend
1:00 pm to 6:00 pm...Lounge by the pool at Keely (Padget) Paston's pool.....56058 Channel
View Drive, Elfhart, JN 46516.

Save this schedule for dates, times and list of events
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I Need Your Help!

This newsletter depends on securing information from all of its subscribers. Please send me news items about you or your other class mates. Other classmates are as eager to hear about you as you are to hear about them. Send your news items to:

John Moore 3602 So. Ironwood Dr, Apt. 131 W South Bend, IN 46614 Back-in-the-day

How many MHS Alumni members can you identify in this class photo of the St. Joseph School 5th grade class of 1933? If you can identify any "unknown," please send us an email.



Photo provided by: Frank Cackowski

<u>Row 1:</u> Catherine Bokhart, Agnes Ernst, Joan Messana, Santina Carolino, Catherine Boehnlein, Marry Carroll, Marie Stalteri, Rosemary Walsh, Helen Dorothy Buraczewski

<u>Row 2:</u> Richard Robinson, Bob Eberhart, Bob Hoerstman, Bernard Carner, Chuck Ransberger, Elizabeth VanDerWende, Judy Lehr, Joan Maculski, Mary Jane Burket, Lucille Dennis, Mary Ferrittie, Ida Ferrittie

<u>Row 3:</u> John Cackowski, Nelson Wurz, Carl Feyos, James Beyers, Eddie Lukowski, Chick Maggioli, Unknown, Howard Muldoon, Walter?, Ralph Ganser, Eugene Liepold, Charles Hull, Unknown

<u>Row 4:</u> Dolores Bultinck, MaryAllen Frank, Ann Straczinski, Unknown, Elizabeth Gregorowicz, Elizabeth Makieski, Alford Ganser, John McKenna, Bob Wachs, Herman Heintzberger

APRIL MEETING ENTERTAINMENT



PAT HEIDEN TRIO



BACK FOR THE 8th TIME BECAUSE YOU ASKED FOR HIM



Good old songs from out of the past Plenty of room for dancing

