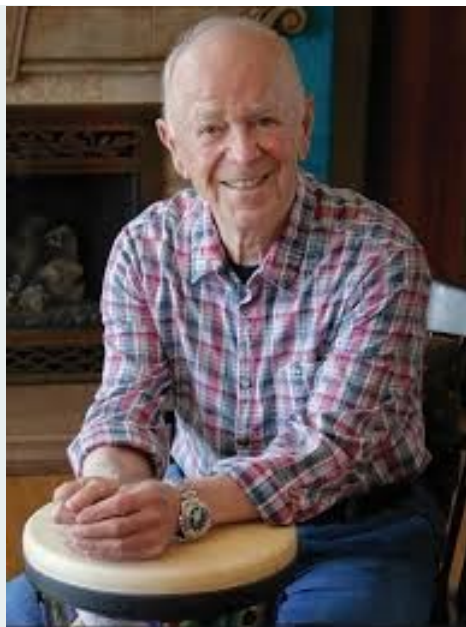
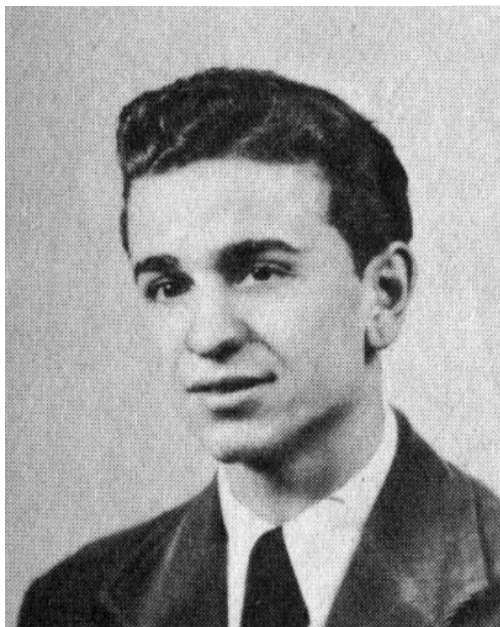


Remo D. Belli '45



Remo Belli was born and raised in Mishawaka. He graduated from Mishawaka High School in 1945. Remo began drumming at the age of 12 and at age 16; he started work as a professional musician before serving in the U.S. Navy, where he also played in a band. After his discharge, he moved to California, where he performed in clubs and toured with Anita O'Day & Billy May. Remo invented the first successful synthetic drumhead in 1957. From there, he started his own company, Remo, Inc. Until then, drums were extremely expensive because drumheads at that time, were made from animal skin. Remo's invention allowed every kid to purchase a drum who wanted to start a band in his or her garage. Most music historians consider the convergence of that invention, to be one of the ingredients that allowed Rock 'n Roll to explode into a cultural phenomenon. Almost every recording artist from all genres of music are drumming on a Remo drumhead. From the Beatles to Buddy Rich to Grateful Dead drummer, Mickey Hart, to Travis Barker, Blink 182 drummer, the list is a who's who of music.

Remo could have easily left his mark by doing nothing more than lead the way as the most successful drumhead manufacturer but he saw drumming as a way to help the human condition. Remo worked with music therapists to create drum tables that allowed a half dozen Alzheimer patients to beat on the same instrument because the socialization and communication results were so much more powerful having them all tap on the same instrument instead of separate drums. He also found a way to tailor instruments to meet the special needs of children and adults with developmental disabilities and autism. The prescribed use of rhythm-based music therapy created remarkable results with veterans suffering from Post-Traumatic Stress (PTSD). Remo even dreamed up a way to make drumming accessible for people with sound sensitivities through his invention of Comfort Sound Technology, making rhythm accessible as a tool for engagement in learning. Remo's Lullaby Ocean Disc and Remo Gato Box are used as tools in the critical care provided to help premature babies improve sleep and feeding patterns. Remo's commitment and support of music therapy and willingness to innovate instruments tailored for health applications helped make these outcomes possible.

What an impressive career and human being this MHS graduate was. Information for this article was obtained through many internet sources.



Notes From The Editor

Many changes have happened this month within School City of Mishawaka. Just to mention a few, Mr. Wayne Barker stepped into his new role as superintendent on July 1st, Mr. Jerome Calderone became Director of Human Resources/Student Services, Sarah Hickie is now Assist. Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction and Mr. John Ross is now principal of Mishawaka High School. These are just a few of the new additions and changes within the school system. School starts in just a few weeks and then begins another new school year!

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REUNIONS

Class of 1953

Reunion Brunch
Thursday August 8, 2019
FOP Hall
10:30 AM to 1:00 PM
Cost \$15.00 per person
Send check to:
Suzanne (Williams) Kistler
3118 Cherry Tree Lane
Elkhart, IN 46514
574-264-4732
sppelkhar@aol.com
Ladies please include your
maiden and current last names.

Class of 1974

45th Reunion
"Still Spinning After All These Years"
Friday, August 2, 2019
Diloreto Club
7:00 pm to 10:00 pm
Saturday, August 3, 2019
Roc's Sports Café
6:00 pm to 10:00 pm ?



For those classes that have already had their reunions - be sure to send in some pictures along with a "report" of your class reunion. We would love to hear about the turn out and an update on the alums!

BACK TO SCHOOL DRIVE!

At the August 7th Alumni Luncheon, the MHS Alumni Association will host a **Back to School Supplies Drive**. As always, our alums are the best when it comes to helping out! Please remember to bring an item (or two) to help our teachers provide the necessary supplies to their students. Many times, teachers will purchase much needed school supplies out of their own pockets.



Last year MHS alums donated over 100 boxes of crayons, 1,108 pencils, 199 glue sticks, 44 packages of erasers along with calculators, scissors, folders, and so much more! This generosity helped teachers and students start the new school year on the right foot!

The Mishawaka Education Foundations (MEF) along with the partnership of the PTA help students succeed in their classrooms and we can help too. A bin will be provided at the luncheon to drop off your donated item.



Join the staff, students and community of School City of Mishawaka on August 23, 2019 from 4-7pm for a Healthy Tailgate. Come kick-off the start of the football season with snacks, bounce houses, obstacle courses, and much more! This event is free to all ages and open to the public. Our Healthy Tailgate will be located in the West Gymnasium at Mishawaka High School.



Mishawaka High School Alumni Association is partnering with University Park Mall for a **Back To School Clothing Drive** for the middle and high school students in our school district.

UP Mall is giving us a POP UP STORE for three days to collect all donations. The mall will be having all kinds of Back to School sales so our hopes are that people will take advantage of the sales and donate some new clothing to help out our students who are in need. The event takes place on..

August 2nd, 3rd & 4th

10 a.m. to 9 p.m.

University Park Mall
Across from the Apple Store

Local News

Mystery Soldier Sought

Can anyone identify this Mishawaka WWII soldier? My grandparents and great-aunt owned Lawson & Zentz grocery at 501 E. Lawrence at Locust St. They lived at 510 E. Lawrence St. Grandpa took several photos of neighborhood “boys” before they left for service; Jack and Larry Deal (MHS students) and several more. The soldier in this photo has been a mystery as grandpa has passed away before I knew about these photos. I believe this soldier lived in the area of the grocery and was an MHS student. Maybe he is still alive. Maybe not. There must be someone who can identify this mystery WWII soldier. Please help! This soldier is standing on the Locust St. side of the grocery behind the delivery truck. The Lawson & Zentz store stills stands.

MHS Alumni Herbert Lawson's '45 son Greg submitted this. If you know who this is, please contact the editor and I will get the information to Greg.



Ernest & Mary (Tavares) Niedbala '55 celebrated their 61st wedding anniversary on June 21st, 2019. Congratulations!

Congratulations to Richard '53 & JoAn (Tavares) Ball '52 who celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary on June 26th, 2019.

I am always looking for stories, celebrations, announcements, reunion information, something big that's going on in your life or career, that I could put in the newsletter. If you have something that you would like to submit, please email it to me by the 10th of the month. I love pictures too! If you would like to receive the newsletter electronically instead of hard copy, e-mail mhs-alumni@mishawaka.k12.in.us For past issues of the MHS Alumni Association Newsletter (starting with the February 2017 issue), go to <http://scm.mishawaka.k12.in.us/mhs/school/alumni>.

Do you have extra time on your hands and are looking for something to do to make some extra money? Mishawaka High School Athletics is looking for ticket workers for the 2019-2020 Fall, Winter & Spring season. For more information, please contact Ticket Manager Wendy Melton 574-250-0300.

In Memory

Eileen (Johnson) Bennett
2-29-52 to 7-9-19
Class of 1970

Margaret (Miles) Coffman
7-6-37 to 12-21-18
Class of 1955

Dr. Ralph Coffman
8-11-35 to 6-7-19
Class of 1954

Carol (Horvath) Dodge
1-21-42 to 6-30-19
Class of 1960

Charles “Larry” Gates
12-28-27 to 2-8-19
Class of 1947

Roland Hintz
3-23-29 to 7-7-19
Class of 1947

Charles Hunt
3-17-52 to 6-26-19
Class of 1970

John Juan
6-8-47 to 7-3-19
Class of 1965

Virginia (Barkes) Kincaid
12-31-28 to 12-15-18
Class of 1947

Betty (Matz) Kluge
9-21-21 to 3-25-19
Class of 1940

Frederick Kuss
8-17-37 to 6-25-19
Class of 1958

Daniel Lattimer
5-10-46 to 6-24-19
Class of 1964

Dr. Earl Mitchell
9-27-39 to 6-16-19
Class of 1957

Bill Mullins
7-17-37 to 5-11-19
Class of 1955

Dennis Nicolas
12-15-42 to 6-11-19
Class of 1961

Kathryn (Sellon) Pingle

3-10-36 to 7-3-19
Class of 1954

Donna (Hittig) Royer

3-29-46 to 1-24-19
Class of 1944

Wade Sefton

8-6-40 to 1-13-19
Class of 1957

Ruth (Martin) Shultz

6-23-49 to 7-1-19
Class of 1967

Sharon (Clayborn) Simmons

7-10-47 to 7-5-19
Class of 1965

Rebecca (Lester) Simoneaux

8-7-47 to 6-8-19
Class of 1965

James Spainhower

10-16-47 to 5-25-19
Class of 1965

Bonnie (Foley) Strong

11-23-25 to 1-30-19
Class of 1944

Preston Tracy

12-28-90 to 6-21-19
Class of 2009



**MEF ANNUAL
SILENT AUCTION/
DINNER**

Thursday, October 17, 2019
Holiday Inn
Mishawaka Conference Cntr.
1208 Douglas Rd
Mishawaka, IN
Cost: \$60 per person
\$600 per table of 10

Honorees: Dr. Dean Speicher,
Mike Pettibone & Dr. Bruce
Stahly.

If you have questions, need
additional information or
would like to inquire about
sponsorship opportunities on
any of the above-referenced
events please contact Jane
Wright '68 at 574.532.1881
or founda-
tions@mishawaka.k12.in.us.

History Corner by Greg Wulle

A Hero's Tale

Oscar Schelstraete and Darren Hess are not the only two parishioners who saved St. Joseph church from burning to the ground. The hero of this story is a fourth grader from long ago.

Once upon a time, when St. Joseph had its own school and the student's went to mass every day, a little boy Danny Raab, saved the church. At one time there was a bank of vigil lights by the Christ the King statue. While waiting for Mass to start one day a woman, a leader of the parish, went to light a candle and say a prayer. In those days, women wore hats to church and attached was often a net veil.

Deep in prayer, head bowed, the woman's veil caught fire. Without thinking of the danger to himself, Danny and his friend Butch, both fourth graders, leaped up, ran to the woman, and used their hands in a clapping motion to douse the flames. After saving the woman, the possible fire spreading to the whole church, the boys returned to their pew and heard Mass.

Later that day there was a summons to the principal's office who was also the 8th grade teacher – Sister M. Aloise. What could she want with Danny & Butch? It must be to honor them for being heroes! The woman could have ended up like the newly canonized St. Joan of Arc. We must be going to be honored – maybe a certificate, maybe a monetary reward, maybe recognized in front of the whole school. – or the best honor, a holy card. “Danny Raab, come here! Sister said.....You are in big trouble! What do you think you were doing causing a disturbance in Church?” From hero to bad guy in one minute! The way of the Brides of Christ – who can figure them out, except Jesus. No matter what Sister Aloise said, Danny, We thank you! God Bless you!

This true story was submitted by Danny Raab. Danny & Butch Stabrowski are both MHS graduates from the class of 1954.

Berlyn Ware, Bob Smith,
Chuck Wayne



Class of 1957

All Class Reunion



Class of '67

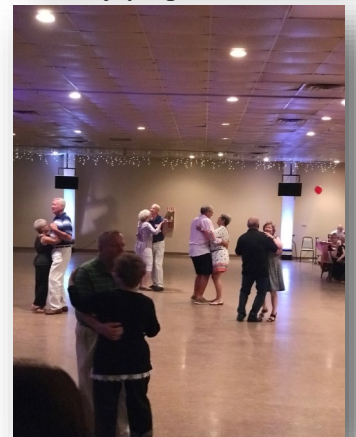
Kathy Klotz '68 came all
the way from AZ!



Enjoying the music!



MHS Cheerleaders
welcoming everyone
in.

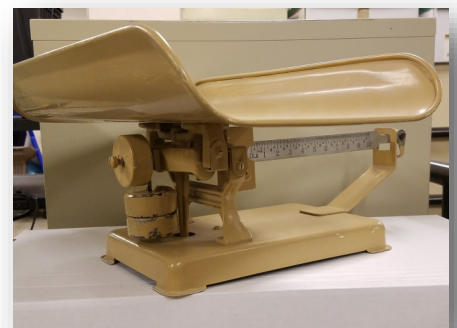
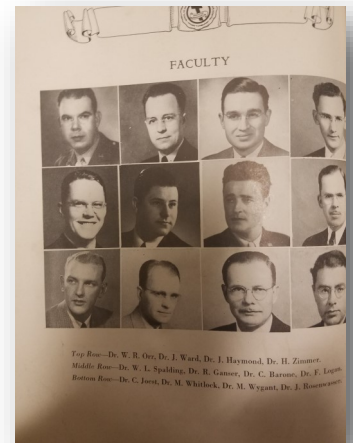
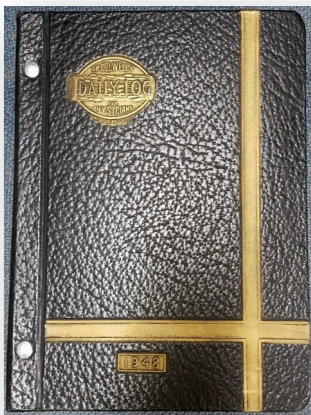


Heirlooms Tell the Tale

Do you remember a time when doctors routinely made house calls and a nurse's uniform included a cap and cape? Thanks to Jeanine Reynolds and her generous donation of family heirlooms to the Hannah Lindahl Children's Museum, those times will never be forgotten. One of those items was a 1947 Yearbook from St. Joseph's School of Nursing in Mishawaka, as well as a nursing cape and cap her mother, Patricia (Parr) Barone, wore after graduating. Patricia and her twin sister Thrasilla both attended Mishawaka High School. After classes they would do military work at Uniroyal to help with the war effort. Once high school was completed, they attended nursing school and graduated in 1947. Patricia married C.V. Barone in 1952. She retired in 1979 and passed away in 1999.

Other donated items belonged to Jeanine's father who was a Mishawaka family physician. Dr. Barone graduated from Notre Dame and completed his residency at St. Louis University. The donations included his daily hand written physician's log, several medical journals, a metal scale used to weigh babies, and the bronze name plate that hung at his office. The final item was Dr. Barone's small black bag that he carried when he made house calls. Inside was a stainless steel box that held a hammer to test reflexes, a pair of tweezers, a hypodermic syringe, a blue cotton towel, two stainless steel bowls, a white kidney shaped bowl and a glass bottle with a glass stopper.

Dr. Barone cared for many families, however, the majority of them were Belgians and Italians. When any of his patients didn't have money, they paid with homemade meals and vegetables from their gardens. No checks, credit cards or billing statements were needed. He provided free samples from pharmaceutical companies as the first line of treatment and would only write prescriptions when those didn't work. Patients came first! Dr. Barone spent 53 years as a family physician in Mishawaka, and passed away in 2000.



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I'm going to do a story on generations. How many generations in your family have graduated from or are currently in an SCM school? I am the third generation out of five. Let me hear from you!

PAVE THE WAY

School City of Mishawaka is in the process of building 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 can 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 stultzj@mishawaka.k12.in.us or call 574-254-4537.



Luncheon Information

Mishawaka Event Center /FOP

12:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.

- August 07 Pulled BBQ pork, macaroni salad, baked beans, fresh fruit
Entertainment: J.Jay Brook
OLD CAR SHOW in the parking lot
- September 04 Chicken, potatoes/gravy, green beans, fresh fruit, roll
Entertainment: Bob Nagle
- October 02 Polish sausage, sweet & sour cabbage, potatoes/gravy, noodles, roll
Entertainment: Dick & Debbie
- November 06 Thanksgiving turkey, potatoes/gravy, dressing, cranberry salad, roll
Entertainment: The Swing Sisters
- December 04 Polish sausage, chicken, noodles, potatoes/gravy, green beans,
sweet & sour cabbage, roll
Entertainment: Craig Tornquest



OLD CAR SHOW

The annual open Car Show will be held at the August 7 Alumni Luncheon. You are invited to bring your hot rod classic, antique or any nice ride. September 4 is scheduled for the rain date. If you have any questions, contact Vince Kertes '64 at 574-315-0319.



Winners of “Who came the farthest” to the July Luncheon. Meet Jim Sirok ‘64 (right) and Martin Palsaso. Jim has lived in Saipan, Northern Mariana Islands for 40 years. Saipan is 7,299 miles from Mishawaka. They deserve the win!



MHS Alumni June Financial Report

Beginning balance as of June 01, 2019		\$ 17,142.03
Income:		
Interest	.61	
Membership/Memorials	25.00	
Lunches	<u>246.00</u>	
	\$ 271.61	\$ <u>271.61</u>
		\$ 17,413.64
Expenses:		
Entertainment	400.00	
FOP Hall rent	252.45	
MEF	<u>1000.00</u>	
	\$1,652.45	\$ <u>1,652.45</u>
Ending Balance as of June 30, 2019		\$ 15,761.19

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 or call 574-254-4523.

I currently have extras of 1926, 27, 29, 31, 37, 37, 42, 43, 44, 45, 57, 58, 59, 97, 2000, 02, 04, 05, 06, 07, 08, 12

July Meeting

We had a great turn out at the July Luncheon. School City of Mishawaka's new Superintendent Mr. Wayne Barker was in attendance. He spoke for a few moments about how he was excited to be a part of a great community and was looking forward to being a part of it.

There were 127 in attendance this month!!!

The 1/2 & 1/2 winners were:

Judy Henthorn '56.....\$30
John Snyder '67.....\$20
Dick Biltz '54.....\$12

Your MHSAA membership now gets you \$1 off all MHS athletic events! You must show your membership card to receive the discount. If you do not have a card, you can get one at the luncheons or call 574-254-4523. Look for more benefits to come.