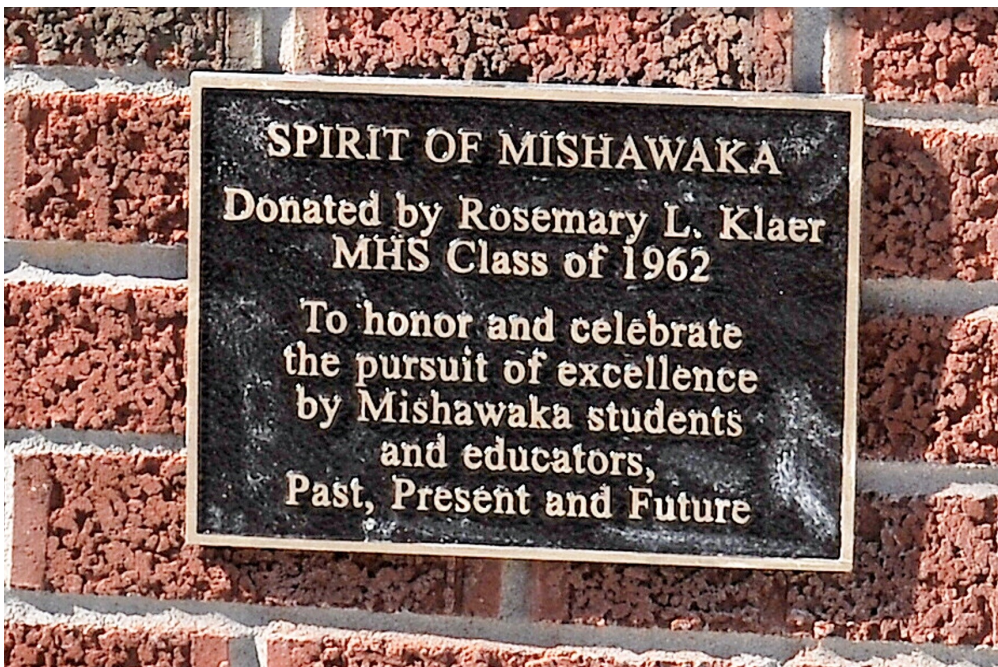
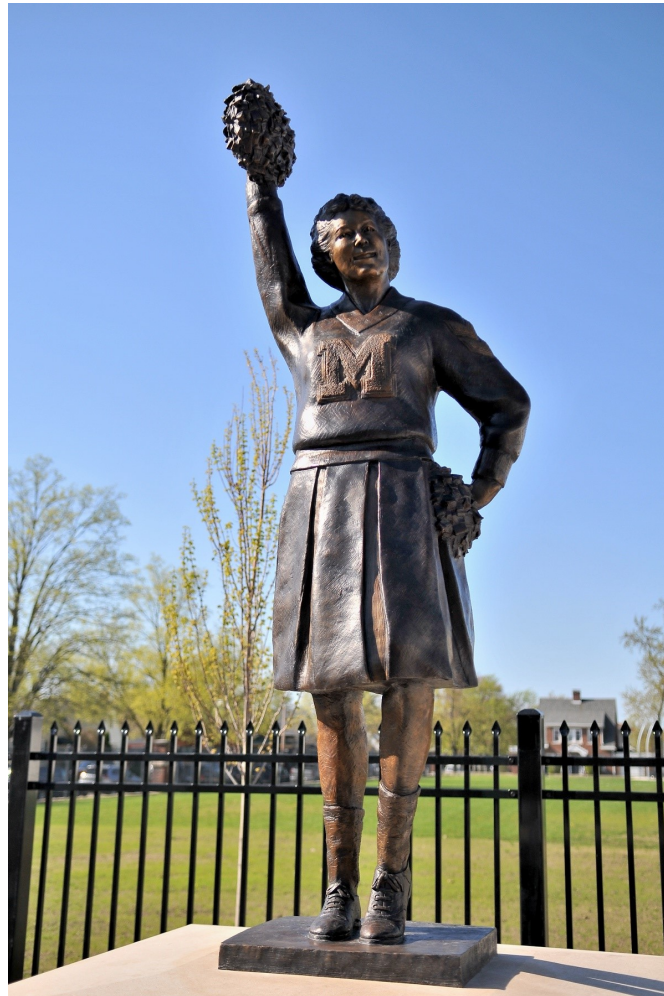


“Rosie as Cheerleader”

Dedicated on
April 26, 2019,
in the new
Alumni Plaza at
Mishawaka High
School
is the statue

Spirit Of Mishawaka

Created by sculptor
Dave Layman



Notes From The Editor

This being the first Newsletter that I have done for the MHSAA, I would like to get some feedback from our members. Is there something specific you would like to see or not see in the newsletters? Do you like having pictures or it doesn't matter either way? Would you like to see stories about the SCM schools? I will always be looking for stories or information from everyone so please feel free to email me or call me. In some of the articles, I have only posted a few of the pictures that accompanied the article but **all** of the pictures can be seen on our Instagram page.

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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
sppekhart@aol.com
Ladies please include your
maiden and current last names.

CLASS OF 1959

60th Reunion
JUNE 5 - 6, 2019
12:00 pm FOP,
attend the MHS Alumni Luncheon.
Food is \$9 with a cash bar. Admission
with no food is \$2.
June 6, at 6pm on the patio at
Between the Buns, Osceola,
Hors d'oeuvre and a cash bar.
Dinner at your expense.
RSVP to Beverly Deacon Snider
at 574-255-247

Class Of 1969

50th Class Reunion
Friday, JULY 26, 2019
Former Carnegie Library
Casual Evening Of Friendship
Fun And Entertainment
Buffet Dinner and Cash Bar
For more information, go to FB:
Mishawaka High School
Class of 1969,
cavemen69.com, or email
blstills15@comcast.net

Class of 70's

40th Class Reunion
Saturday July 27, 2019
The Oaks at Southpaw Farms
For more information go to:
Mishawaka HS Classes of the 70's
to rsvp

Class of 1979

40th Class Reunion
Saturday July 27, 2019
The Oaks at Southpaw Farms
For more information go to:
Mishawaka Class of 1979
40 yr Reunion

Class of 2009

10th Class Reunion
Saturday July 27, 2019
6:30 pm -10:30 pm
Celebrations Palace
For more information, go to FB:
Mishawaka High School
Class of 2009, Ten Year Reunion

2nd Annual CAVEMEN ALL CLASS REUNION

The Mishawaka Education Foundation will be hosting the first ever
Cavemen All-Class Reunion and we hope you will plan to attend.

Now is your chance to reunite with all your classmates and other
Cavemen who have attended MHS! All decades will be represented!

Mark your calendar and start spreading the word!

Register and get your ticket at
cavemenreunion2019.eventbrite.com

or get tickets at the School City Mishawaka Admin Bldg located at
1402 S. Main St., Mishawaka
\$20 per person

July 13, 2019 • 7:00 - 11:00 pm
Mishawaka FOP
1825 E. 12th St. Mishawaka

50/50 raffles
Class photos
Appetizers



Cash Bar
DJ and special surprises!
Classes from the 40's to '19

LETTER FROM WES & MARTHA PIERCE

WOW! What a year 2018 has been for us! Between all the doctor appts, surgeries, hospital stays, rehab, nurses and therapy appointments, we are still going strong and thankful for good insurance!

On February 5, 210 family and friends met at Arizona Community Church in Tempe, AZ, to honor Wes and Martha (Endicott) Pierce '56 at their 20/40/80 party. These numbers stand for 20 years in the Ministry of Senior Adults, their 40th Wedding Anniversary, and their 80th birthdays. Wes and Martha were picked up and brought to the church in a 1949 Packard Limo, including red carpet to walk on. (Wes used to own Pack-ards and belonged to the Packard Club). The morning included singing, trumpet solos, violin solo, and the audience shared stories about Wes and Martha. Lunch of Swedish meatballs was served, followed by cake and the singing of happy birthday and happy anniversary.

We did manage to lead a group of 24 from our church on an 8-day Alaskan Cruise in July. We had many, many people praying for us that we would make it okay. I'm still very involved with IN-Joy! Senior's at Ari-zona Community church in Tempe, although I'm not a Director this year. Wes and I were the Founding Directors 20 yrs ago, and it has continued to grow under the capable hands of several directors over the years. We were directors for 8 years.

Our family is doing great. The twins, our great granddaughters, Charley and Blakely, were here from Costa Mesa, Ca., with our granddaughter Lindsey and her husband Bryan for Thanksgiving. At 2 years old, they are very active. Our other granddaughter Michelle is involved in acting now and after being in several plays, is loving it! All of our children are doing well and seem to be healthy.

We wish you a Happy New Year and the best of everything in the new year.

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RETURN TO VIETNAM

After 52 years, I made a commitment to return to Vietnam. I booked through a national tour group that specializes in veterans wanting to return. Leaving Houston on EVA Airlines, we traveled for 16 hours to Taipei, Taiwan for a short-stop and then on to Hanoi. We were very surprised to see such a modern airport and also a brand new bridge over the huge Red River into downtown. On the way into town, we visited Hoa Lo Prison that many of our former POWs called the Hanoi Hilton. Although it had been cleaned up, it was still a drab and awful looking place. We stayed in Hanoi for two days and visited the HO Chi Minh Mausoleum where lines were three blocks long on a weekday. Much honor is given to him there on about 50 acres right in the city.

We then traveled by Vietnam Airlines to Ho Chi Minh City formerly known as Saigon. There are many sights to see there including the old Presidential Palace which is now called The Reunification Palace. There is still a huge presence of French architecture in both Hanoi and Saigon. Saigon is a very progressive, large city with an estimated 11 million inhabitants and probably 9 million motor bikes. We stayed in modern hotels that were clean and had wonderful western style breakfast. Our noon and evening meals were a Vietnamese five to seven course meals. One day, we had Elephant Ear Fish for lunch and while looking and sounding gross, it was really quite good.

We took one or two- day side trips to the northwest and northeast stopping each noon for a bowl of the Vietnamese Pho staple. While out of Saigon, we visited some war sites that others wanted to see. There was little to no evidence that Americans were ever there. Near an old airstrip, some vehicle trailers had extra sides made higher with PSP, an old military runway steel planking. We stayed in the Delta area where I was for a time in '68 and saw much change there. Between floating and city markets there were more than plenty of places to shop for what ever you liked. On our last day in country, our guide took us on a trip back to my old base camp area and the surrounding city of Bien Hoa for a re-visit. Everything had changed to say the least. Although, the air base, now a Vietnamese Army Base, and a few city landmarks were still there. On another trip, the Cu Chi Tunnel complex was an interesting place with much of the original tunnels still existing. We were guided through them for short distances to understand just how tight and small they really were.

All in all, it was great trip and I would recommend it to those who are thinking about it. The people were very friendly and have long since moved on from the war that I still had in my mind when I was thinking about going there.

Michael Lannoo '64

In Memory

John E. Armstrong
6-23-53 to 2-22-19
Class of 1971

Sandra (Sweeney) Behm
2-11-51 to 4-6-19
Class of 1969

Doris (Holmes) Chaffee
2-2-31 to 3-10-19
Class of 1948

Helen Chamberlin
11-29-22 to 12-5-18
Class of 1940

William L. Chamness
2-20-40 to 3-10-19
Class of 1958

Norma (Ort) Daniels
10-12-31 to 3-25-19
Class of 1949

Richard Deardorff
7-25-20 to 2-24-19
Class of 1938

**Dorothy M.
(Chamberlin)
Dosmann**
8-9-30 to 4-9-19
Class of 1948

Sharon (Miller) Fisher
03-24-38 to 2-13-19
Class of 1957

Paul E. Gildner
9-10-31 to 3-31-19
Class of 1950

**Mildred (Grise)
Gilliland**
1-7-37 to 5-6-19
Class of 1955

**Virginia (Campoli)
Grzeskowiak**
8-15-24 to 2-15-19
Class of 1942

Eleanor (Wallace) Hein
11-5-26 to 3-19-19
Class of 1944

Sally (Derck) Hummel
9-7-28 to 3-7-19
Class of 1946

Patrick Manuel
10-27-61 to 12-20-18
Class of 1980

Olga Louise McQueen
2-23-29 to 12-11-18
Class of 1946

ARIZONA REUNION

In Memory cont'd

Jerome Meek

7-5-34 to 12-30-08
Class of 1952

Curt Overmyer Sr

11-17-56 to 12-18-2018
Class of 1975

Keith Rideout

11-19-26 to 3-23-19
Class of 1945

Mavis (Clardy) Rose

9-16-36 to 3-9-19
Class of 1964

Emily (DeWeert) Schang

10-29-18 to 3-30-19
Class of 1936

Alfred "Bub" E. Siple

5-5-37 to 4-1-19
Class of 1956

Mary (Komick) Thomas

8-18-23 to 4-2-19
Class of 1942

Orval "Mac" Willingham

4-26-32 to 4-1-19
Class of 1950

Virgil D. Yeakey

7-6-43 to 3-10-19
Class of 1962

Donald L. Zanotti

5-28-47 to 4-1-19
Class of 1965



Miskodeed Request

If you have Miskodeeds 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 years 1926, 27, 29, 31, 37, 37, 42, 43, 44, 45, 57, 58, 59, 97, 2000, 02, 04, 05, 06, 07, 08, 12

Thirty-one people attended this years 17th Annual MHS Arizona Alumni Association Reunion on Saturday, March 2, 2019 at Dobson's Restaurant in Mesa, AZ. Paul Smith '53 was there to say the Invocation. Martha (Endicott) Pierce '56 MC'd the event while Barbara (Freese) Nelson '53 ran the registration table.

There were several first time attendees this year including School City of Mishawaka Superintendent, Dr.A.Dean Speicher and his wife Char. Dr. Speicher spoke about some changes and additions at Mishawaka High School and also some changes with the Alumni Association. Dave Parks '73, Judy (Hoff) Henthorn '56 and her granddaughter Meagan Orban (graduated from Riley) and Meagan's husband Bryce Dudka (graduated from Washington), and Paul Smith's '53 daughter Mela Dee Ammann were all able to attend for the first time.

Elsie (Belli) Van Bruane '43 received a prize for being the Earliest Year Graduate. Dave Parks '73 received the Most Recent Year Graduate prize. Al Cocanower, Judy (Hoff) Henthorn, and Martha (Endicott) Pierce, all from the class of 1956, received the prize for the Class with the Most Alumni Attending. Jan (Hesch) Golba '58 won for the First Reservation received and Patrick Serge '52 and wife Sharon from Tucson, won for the Who came the Farthest. Congratulations to all the winners!

Greetings were read from several people who could not attend this year and those who lived in Arizona that passed away this year, were mentioned.

The evening was closed with the Mishawaka Fight Song being sung by all.

Martha (Endicott) Pierce '56



MISHAWAKA HIGH SCHOOL FLORIDA REUNION



The 20th Annual Florida MHS Alumni Luncheon was held in Sebring, FL on March 7, 2019
Homer's Original Smorgasbord



Joseph Bernard “J. B.” Rivard, a 1948 Mishawaka High School Alum has just put out, yet another book. “He’s written songs as well as orchestral works, produced and exhibited award-winning paintings and etchings, worked as a reporter and journalist, published cartoons and illustrations, written novels and short stories, and retired as a re-search engineer from a U.S. National Laboratory where he authored or co-authored more than 40 technical papers listed on Google Scholar. As a novelist, he’s motivated by a desire to write exciting, emotionally-stirring stories that communicate the essence of the human spirit”. J.B. contacted me about his newest book and wanted to share it with the Alumni Association.



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MHS Alumni March Financial Report

Beginning balance as of March 1, 2019		\$18,797.85
Income:		
Interest	.72	
Membership	1,517.00	
Net Lunches	<u>320.00</u>	
	\$ 1,837.72	<u>\$ 1,837.72</u>
Expenses:		
Entertainment	400.00	
FOP Hall rent	156.60	
MHS Culinary Dept	550.00	
Newsletters	1,277.38	
Post cards	492.37	
Postage	<u>530.63</u>	
	\$ 3,406.98	<u>\$ 3,406.98</u>
Ending Balance as of March 29, 2019		\$17,228.57

MEF

12th Annual

“Made in Mishawaka” Luncheon

Honoring

Rosemary Spalding and the late Dr.
David Spalding

and

Alvin Smith

June 12, 2019

12:00—1:30 p.m.

Contact Jane (Zimmerman) Wright ‘68
foundation@mishawaka.k12.in.us



HEIDI PEEBLES
MHSAA Newsletter Editor in Chief
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Heidi By The Numbers:
 1980 MHS Graduate
 5 Generations of Cavemen
 12 Years Administrative Secretary at MHS
 39 SCM Family Members

A big thank you to Pastor/ Dr. Greg Lawson for his continued support of the Mishawaka High School Alumni Association and his challenge to all alumni to send in your membership application and make the MHSAA the biggest one in America!

Luncheon Information

- June 05 Mostaccioli, meatballs, Italian salad, fresh fruit, roll
Paul Decker Band
- July 03 Brats, potato salad, baked beans, fresh fruit, roll
Mark Rydzinski
- August 07 Pulled BBQ pork, macaroni salad, baked beans, fresh fruit
J.Jay Brook
- September 04 Chicken, potatoes/gravy, green beans, fresh fruit, roll
Bob Nagle
- October 02 Polish sausage, sweet & sour cabbage, potatoes/gravy, noodles, roll
Dick & Debbie
- November 06 Thanksgiving turkey, potatoes/gravy, dressing, cranberry salad, roll
The Swing Sisters
- December 04 Polish sausage, chicken, noodles, potatoes/gravy, green beans,
sweet & sour cabbage, roll
Craig Tornquest



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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 574-254-7437.

