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TORONTO HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

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## **Home Sweet Home - Autumn in Toronto**

*From Your Editor, Dorothy Blaner '72*

Indian Summer has left Toronto and the leaves have turned to gold, burnt amber and russet. We hear the rustling of the wind through the tree limbs, the crackling of raked leaves beneath our feet and the aroma of wood burning on the breeze as we walk through city streets.

At the THS stadium, we have cheered the Red Knights on to victory, while munching hot pizza, sipping cool pop and supporting the Toronto Band Boosters Booth. During the week, we tug on a light jacket or zip up a warm hoodie, performing chores outside or relaxing by just "hanging out on the front porch" with our friends.

Soon it will be time to light just one more fire on the grill, savoring that almost burned hotdog. We'll toast the marshmallows and create s'mores for the kids, while we sit around drinking hot spicy apple cider or a chilled refreshing glassful. As the weather gets colder, we'll add an extra blanket to the bed. We'll move into the warmest part of the house, the kitchen, the heart of our home.

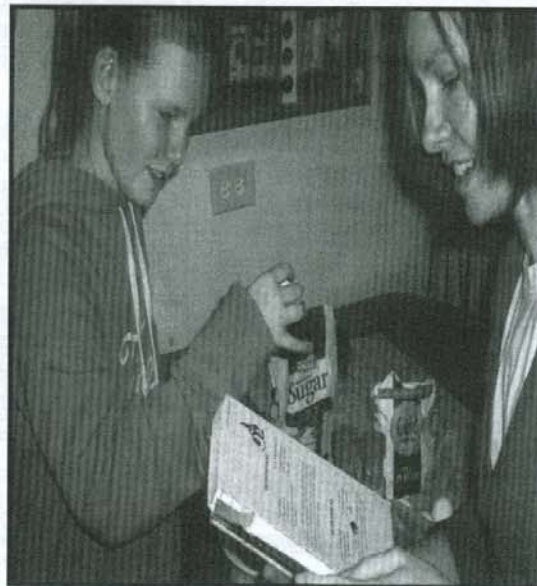
Talking amongst ourselves, we'll plan family reunions with favorite meals and tasty treats. (See the Buckeye recipe in this newsletter.) Perhaps, we'll plan our menus for tailgates to the Steelers or Browns football games. Maybe, we'll just decide on a Saturday night pot luck with close friends.

Do you remember when the aroma of hot pot roast, potatoes and carrots meant a home meal from Mom... Or when you inhaled an Apple Crisp made by Sis? Let's pick up a copy of *The Taste of Toronto, OH, that is Cookbook* and select a menu for tonight's dinner. We can read some tidbits about T-Town and smile. Look at my suggestions or make a choice of your own.

## **THSAA Menu for a Brisk Fall Day**

Appetizer:	Spinach Dip (p. 9)
Salad:	24 Hour (p. 93)
Entree:	Ham Loaf (p. 122)
Vegetables:	Baked Corn (p. 146)
Dessert:	Pumpkin Roll (p.307)
Snack:	Grandmother Coffey's Sugar Cookies (p. 267)

Mmm - that sure looks like a good meal. If you like it, you may be interested to know that we are having a **Holiday Special**. Our cookbooks are on sale for **\$7.25**, from now thru **December 21st**. What a nice way to help our scholars and give a gift to your special friend or treat yourself! Let's start some new food memories. Enjoy!



Using a recipe from *A Taste of Toronto, OH, That Is*, in their kitchen is daughter, Carlisle and mother, Brenda Walker '86; Brenda's son, Daniel, took the photograph.

**ALUMNI NEWS****Fallen Knights:**

**Howard V. King, Sr. '47**, who resided in Irvine, CA, passed away July 9, 2005. He had been employed by Timet Corp. for 33 years.

•**G. William "Bill" McGee '44** died suddenly in Zapata, TX, on February 24, 2005. Bill passed while doing what he loved: playing his guitar and singing with friends.

**Stanley A. "Stosh" Chesney '73** died August 18, 2005 in Toronto, OH.

**Sgt. Nathaniel S. Rock '97** died with five other Marines in hostile fire action near Haditha, Iraq, August 1, 2005. He made the supreme sacrifice for his country. Nate, a graduate of Toronto High School, completed a two year program at JCJVS in Heating & Air Conditioning. As a graduate of JCC's Police Academy, he was a part time Martins Ferry Police Officer. Nate was an avid hunter and fisherman. He was a member of the U.S. Marine Corps, serving with the 3/25 Weapons Unit of the Brook Park Reserve Unit - Cleveland & the Regimental Team 2 - Second Marine Division - II Marine Expeditionary Force in Iraq. He served 6 years in the Marine Corps prior to joining the Marine Corps Reserve. Nate was employed at the Wal-Mart Distribution Center. He was the son of **Tim and Agie (Harasimik) Rock '72**.

•**David R. Burns '55** died July 31, 2005. He was a member of the Bell Chapel United Methodist Church, Toronto Lodge #583 F & AM, as well as, President of the Jefferson Ruritan Club. He was past Assistant Zone Governor and was a Tom Downing Fellow.

**H. Mae Jaco '32** died August 20, 2005. She was a member of the 1<sup>st</sup> Methodist Church, a member of the church choir, and a former teacher of the Mary Martha Sunday School class. She was a loving sister to her brother Bill.

**Dorothy Sue (Ellis) Karnes '44** died September 2005. She was the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. W. R. Ellis, former pastor at the North River Avenue Christian Church.

•**George B. Meyer '39** died September 5, 2005. He was a member/ Elder of the North River Avenue Christian Church, the church choir, former church Treasurer. He retired from Weirton Steel and was also a member of Weirton Steel Men's Chorus, a member of the Toronto Community Band, Toronto American Legion. He served in the U.S. Marine Corps in World War II. He is survived by his wife, Margaret "Peg" (Barnes) Meyer '46 of 56 years, 3 children and five great grandchildren.

**Timothy Shane '88** passed away September 11, 2005 as a result of a motorcycle accident in Ormond Beach, FL. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army and was employed by the All Florida Air-Heating and Air Condition of Holly Hills, FL.

•**B. Aileen (Milligan) Myers '43** died at Crandall Medical Center in Sebring, OH. Aileen taught school in several systems in Ohio and Michigan. She was a member of Trinity Episcopal Church in Alliance, OH.

**BIRTHS**

First Ward Councilman **Glenn "G.R." and Jennifer (Russlee) Dickinson '88/'95** proudly announce the May 3, 2005 birth of a baby boy, Glenn Nolan.

Mike and **Malinda (Rock) Mowry '99** proudly announce the birth of their daughter, Olivia Suzanne, on February 19, 2005. Malinda is a Language Arts teacher for Alexander Local Schools in Albany, OH.

**ANNIVERSARIES**

**Congratulations to All!**  
**Jerry and Anna Lea (Litten) Wirth '49** celebrated their 52<sup>nd</sup> wedding anniversary on Nov. 20<sup>th</sup>.

**Leonard and Martha "Babe" Black '50** celebrated 50 years of marriage June 11, 2005. Their children gave them a family party at the Embassy Suites in Cincinnati. They were happy to have their original maid of honor **Marilyn (Williams) Loudon '50** in attendance.

**Mae (Papandrea) DeFallo '49** and her husband Bill celebrated their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on Aug. 13, 2005. There was a Mass and blessing service at Holy Rosary Church; dinner and reception at the Riverboat Room; given by their 5 children and 5 grandchildren.

**Larry and Lynda (Chesney) Glenn '88/'86** celebrated the 12<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on July 10, 2005. They have 3 children, Chez, 9, Blaze, 8 and Jazalyn, 6. They are Toronto residents.

**Harold and Anna Peters '36** celebrated their 65<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on July 19, 2005.

**Don and Doris (Leasure) Moore '47** celebrated their 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary on July 16, 2005.

**Bobby Petras '99** married Brandie James on September 4, 2005 at the St. Francis Roman Catholic Church in Toronto.

**Wade and Dolores "DoDo" (Yanklowski) Steel '54/'56** celebrated their 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary on October 15<sup>th</sup>.

**Joseph and Anna Marie (Dahill) Karaffa '42/'46** celebrated their 58<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary Oct. 22.

**Rusty and Kitty (Wertz) Roth '47** celebrated their 55<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on October 29<sup>th</sup>.

**Scott and Martha Irwin '85** celebrated their wedding anniversary on November 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**Scott and Lori (Voltz) Waggoner '80** celebrated their wedding anniversary Nov. 7<sup>th</sup>.

**Rick and Marlene (Graham) Wolf '79** celebrated their wedding anniversary Nov. 22<sup>nd</sup>.

**Buzzy and Ann (Keenan) Cattrell '69** celebrated their anniversary, November 23<sup>rd</sup>.

**John and Aldona (Pensis) Karaffa '53** celebrated their wedding anniversary, Nov. 26<sup>th</sup>.

**Bob and Bonnie Archer '73** will celebrate their wedding anniversary, Dec. 6<sup>th</sup>.

**Rick and Debbie (Gossage) Bailey '74/'73** will celebrate their wedding anniversary December 20<sup>th</sup>.

**Shawn and Doma McCart '85** will celebrate their wedding anniversary December 30<sup>th</sup>.



### STARS AND STRIPES:

Updates on alumni & family members who are serving in the military. For each story provided, THSAA sends a copy of the latest newsletter to that family member.

**Sgt. Amy Adams '97** is in a Transportation Unit of the US Army serving in Iraq, at Camp Kalsu, 20 miles south of Baghdad.

**Lt. Justin W. Coffman '97** of the US Army is serving with 125<sup>th</sup> Forward Support Battalion at Camp Taji, Iraq. He is the Unit Movement Officer for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Division.

**Cpt. Christopher H. Warner, MD '92** is now serving at Camp Taji, Iraq as the 3<sup>rd</sup> Infantry Division psychiatrist.

Send us your news:

Email: [thsaa@clover.net](mailto:thsaa@clover.net)

We'll be waiting to hear from you!

**U. S. Army ROTC Cadet Robyn Coma '03** who is attending the University of Cincinnati was recently honored during the Cincinnati vs. Connecticut Homecoming game for being in the Ohio National Guard #512 Engineering Battalion and having completed the LTC Leadership Training Course (plus for contracting with the ROTC). Robyn, a 3<sup>rd</sup> Year Honor Student, is majoring in Criminal Psychology.

### News From All Over:

**Dorothy Blaner '72**, Executive Secretary to the Superintendent of JVS, was instrumental in getting JVS an \$118,900 ARC Grant.

**Janet (Blewitt) Loadman '56** has retired as a computer operator from the Moon Twp, PA Municipal Authority, after 33 years of dedicated work.

**Dan Indovina '73**, who is a supervisor in academic/administrative facilities at the College of Wooster, in Wooster, OH, has been given the added responsibilities of Recycling Supervisor at the College. Dan has also been an assistant basketball coach at Edgewood Middle School in Wooster for the past 6 years. He is engaged to be married on December 3, 2005 to Donna Tracy of Canton, OH.

**Andy Anderson '95**, who has been living in Chicago since Dec. 2002, is working at LEEDA Services of Illinois, Inc. as the Activity Director and a qualified Mental Retardation Professional in Chicago. LEEDA serves people with developmental disabilities in the community. Andy has been a member of 2CC (second-city cyclists) and raced all over the Midwest in 2005, seeing

the country and learning a lot about cycling. Andy writes, "My athletic back-ground in the Ohio Valley as well as my brothers encouragement helped to ease me into a new sport. I recently received confirmation that I will move from category 5 to 2 and will be racing Team Mack in 2006. Hello to all the THS alumni!" Andy is the son of **Bob & Janice (Blaner) Anderson '66/'67**.

**Steve Romey '75** is assistant principal at Harrison Central High School.

**John Welday '77**, Pittsburgh Penguins Strength Coach Trainer, recently spoke to Harrison students on drug awareness.

**Carol L. (King) Ghene '70** and her husband, John Ghene relocated to Toronto November of 2003. John retired from the U.S. Air Force after 20 years. Carol and her family have resided in New Mexico for the last 19 years. Carol is the daughter of **Frances (Lewis) Ford '43**.

**Pat (Kruise) Kosin '61** is the proud aunt of Brett Kruise who pulled a driver from a car accident in Dublin, OH.

**Jack Peterson '49**, left a coaching job in Wooster, OH to take a coaching job at Wofford College located in Spartanburg, SC in 1969. He is proud to have been able to assist students in receiving tuition money through his connection with Spartanburg philanthopists, one of whom is Vera Parsons. Jack, who has benn married to the former **Marge Hannan '48** for 52 years, has 3 children and 4 grandchildren.

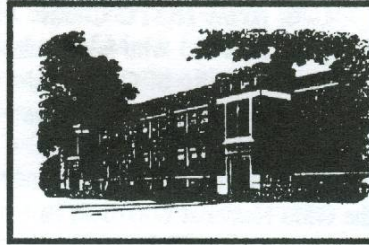
Steven Cattrell '03 performed with the Ohio University Marching 110 in the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade in New York City. This is Steven's third year playing trombone with Marching 110 and also with the Varsity Band. He is a recipient of the Robert T. Hughes Alumni Scholarship Award. Steven is majoring in Computer Science and is employed by Computer Network Services at the university. He is the son of **Buzz & Ann (Keenan) Cattrell '69.**

**Reunions:**

The Class of 1965 celebrated their 40<sup>th</sup> class reunion during the weekend of July 15, 16, and 17. On Friday, July 15<sup>th</sup> an informal "get together" from 6 to 10 PM kicked off their weekend activities at the Toronto city park shelter house. Everyone had an enjoyable evening.

On Saturday, several early bird classmates met for breakfast at hometown favorite, Margaret's. Saturday evening, classmates and their guests attended a buffet dinner with "Youth Harbor" dancing at Dyer Country Club. The number of chicken dance participants far outnumbered the few "brave" macarena dancers.

Prizes were awarded to the classmate attending from the farthest, **Jennifer (Dougherty) Arunyon** from Seabook, Texas. The most grandchildren honors (10) went to Caroline (Burchfield) Susan of Detroit, MI. Special guests included Mr. Paul "Bear" Kalivoda and his wife, Betty. Everyone enjoyed hearing "Bear" Tales. A possible cruise for the 50th reunion was discussed.



**The Way We Were - 1950's**

**By: Sandra Kay (Reynolds) Irwin '60**

Time has changed, we have changed, but most of us will agree that nothing can change the memories of those years we spent together at Toronto High School.

Those were days when we learned to drive a car, dance at Youth Harbor, and appreciate the opposite sex. An age when some of us picked a vice or two such as a can of beer, a cigarette, or a little profanity. Drugs were what sick people took and weed was something that grew in your garden.

I often wonder how our parents had the nerve to hand us the keys to the family car, put up with our pajama parties, and listen to our rock and roll music. What would it have been like without Fats Domino, Elvis Presley & the Platters or the Stroll, Jitterbug & Cha-Cha.

Those were the days when living together was a no-no, a boy wouldn't dream of getting a permanent wave, and a bra was a necessity. Girls wore crinolines and bobby socks, boys wore pegged pants and crew cuts, and cars wore fender skirts and didn't have air conditioning. A dollar's worth of gas was all we needed to go cruising.

Remember when Pop Herdman and Paul Kalivoda ran the swimming pool with an iron fist and our parents ran us the same way?

Our favorite hangout was Youth Harbor and I still picture Mrs. Grill turning on and off her light bulb to announce a girl's choice. The girls would do anything to get the boys away from the ping-pong table. Of course, they just ran off to the boys restroom.

Then there was Noonan's with their famous peanut butter fudge sundaes or if you wanted a coke, you could always go to the Hut. Last but not, least, there was Melhorn's Dairy where Lou was constantly trying to chase the teenagers away from hanging out in front of his place.

Oh, how much fun it was on a Sunday afternoon to meet your girlfriend or boyfriend in the balcony of the Manos Theater, dutch treat, of course.

Who could forget the school plays, the magazines drives, the test cheating and note passing? Or the fun we had on the band bus and at Band Camp and Rock Springs Park.

We saw television come and bobby pins go and if we had a dollar in our pocket, we had it "Made in the Shade" as the saying went. Our big worries were wondering if our seams were straight and if we should win the next game.

Yeah, this was the 1950s - a time before: plasma TVs, Microwaves, Ipods, Cell Phones, Computers, Wireless Laptops, and Digital Cameras, but we had fun times and made many happy memories in spite of it all.

### Remember When - From THS Yearbooks 1964, 1984, and 1999

**Row 1:** Marty Fair - Algebra II, Greg Sierra - Geometry, Mary Ann Shuma - Algebra II **Row 2:** Melissa Choma - Spanish II, Bob Flesch - Spanish II, Jim Calabrese - Algebra II, Kim McElwain - Geometry **Row 3:** Chris Shook - English 9, Debbie Miller - Spanish 1, Andrea Putnam - English 9, Heidi Montgomery - English 10, Donna King - English 12 **Row 4:** Paul Rebres - Biology, Margaret Suffoletta - Chemistry 1, Gretchen Montgomery - Chemistry 1, Jennifer Garnick - English 10, Linda McCart - Biology, Dan Obertance - Sen. Soc. Studies **Row 5:** Don Knight - Algebra 1, Dave Ault - Biology, Fred Enochs - Sen. Soc. Studies, Tracey Hickey - French II, John Dilley - French 1, Kim Deiderich - English 12, John Herrick - Biology **Row 6 :** Mr. Plesich, Ken Corning - English II, Doug Shevelow - Algebra II, Scott Irwin - American History, Kelley Gray - Sen. Soc. Studies, Rich Allen - Geometry, Bill Myers - American History, Jeff Deiderich - General Science,

Not Pictured: Tom Core - Geometry, Dave Alban - Algebra II, Fred Deiderich - Algebra II, Russ Hodgkiss - American History, Lesley Johnson - American History, Brian Phillips - English 10, Carl Scott - Spanish 1, Kathy Sinclair - Spanish II, Mitch Stratton - Sen. Soc. Studies

### SCHOLARSHIP TEAM



These senior girls are posin' pretty



Left to Right: Bob Urich, Bill Hutchison, Tim Seese



Who Do You Remember?

"History Chicks" Chrissy, Stephanie, Chrystal and Ashley