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Nostalgia

Seems like yesterday....

Middle age is not for sissies. Who of us over 50 has not struggled with the Four Horsemen of the Night, debt, depression, divorce and dyspepsia? Our age is the sandwich generation, pressed between the concerns of the parents who are still living and the demands of children and grandchildren. We hardly have time to worry about our own anxieties and neuroses.

However, every five years when my classmates and I gather in Salem for our reunion, my anxiety level starts to rise. I'm reminded of the passage of time, the ticking of the eternal clock, the breakdown of the old body, and I catch a fleeting glimpse of the shadow of my mortality.

My depression starts to lift when I see that after 35 years, most of my classmates still have it together. Relatively speaking that is! After all, not everyone can be Jane Fonda. In fact, I'm cheered by the news that my homeroom buddy, Eddie Sullivan, just gave up riding rodeo in county fairs a few short years ago. Eddie wore western clothes and boots years ago, even before Ralph Lauren created the American Look. Our cosmic cowboy was ahead of his time.

And what indeed was our time? The class of 1955 graduated in the very middle of a decade when all was right with America. The country was on the rise, the idea of democracy was gaining lustre throughout the world, the standard of living was improving for the working class and in towns like Salem people took pride in the fact that they could leave their doors unlocked.

Coming of age in the Quiet Decade has produced a class that since survived the convulsive sixties, the Watergate seventies and the go-go greed-driven eighties. For the most part we are what and who we were then, shaped by the values of the town in which we grew. To my knowledge we have no flaming radicals, cross dressers or religious zealots. There are probably a few closet Wayne Newton fans. We do have the Reverend Bob Brantingham, who could shed his ministerial robes for stand-up comedy anytime!

The way we were

We were black and white television/ blue suede shoes/ pink button-down shirts/ poodle skirts/ saddle shoes and twice rolled bobbysox/scarab bracelets/ friendship books/ Chevies and Fords, with yards of chrome/ single 45 RPM records played on tiny plastic phonographs/ Dad's factory picnics at Idora Park/ Blue Bell jeans with rolled-up cuffs/ part-time jobs that paid 52¢ an hour/ Kodak box cameras/ Jim Beard's little Red Crosley car/ crinoline slips under cotton print skirts/ Thursday night choir practice/ crew cuts at Freddie Dominic's barbershop/ Mom's tuna noodle casserole/ Elks' dances after the football games/ Maids of Salem initiation on the old Post Office steps/ Johnnie Ray and "The little white cloud that cried"/ the White Christmas Dance/ the Harris Print Shop for school tablets and Necco wafers/ shopping trips to Youngstown/ matching sweater sets/ Gail Brown, the high strutting drum major/ getting your driver's license at 16/ finally getting to drive the car at 17/ prom dresses that were pink and feminine/ working the hot dog stand at the football games/ and much, much more.

The Corner and other delights

The Corner Restaurant at Third Street and N. Lincoln Ave. was a Salem High School institution for as long as I can remember. Kate and Helen, two sisters of Wagnerian proportions, owned the place. They were helped by a little woman (Nora) with henna-colored finger waves that capped her head. These women did it all, took orders, cooked, cleaned up and served as mother figures to generations of Salem youth. They all wore flowered housedresses, white aprons, chain smoked, talked in raspy voices and didn't take any crap from kids.

The screen door would bang shut behind you, the tile squares on the floor were worn, and in summer a floor fan would turn slowly near the doorway. Each booth was lit by a small lamp that cast a warm light over the scarred table. A small Seeburg jukebox at each booth played

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three songs for a quarter. The decor was 50's knotty pine. Pictures of athletic teams, 8 x 10 glossies of standout jocks and wallet-sized graduation pictures filled the walls over the booths.

I was always intrigued by all the black and white photos of soldiers. The Korean War was raging and many graduates were in the service. Boot camp pictures showed them in dress uniforms, brush cuts and raffish smiles. Brave new recruits headed for Korea, Japan and Europe. Seems like yesterday they were here in the corner drinking cherry cokes, eating cheeseburgers and crisp, salty fries with ketchup, smoking cigarettes.

Small town summers

When school ended, around the first week of June, a gentle lassitude settled on our days. Babysitting, retail jobs, doing lawns and hanging out filled our summer calendar.

The Salem Country Club would become a leafy haven, a hideaway from the heat. Few of us belonged to the club, and guest invitations were enthusiastically accepted. A guard, usually an older gentleman, would check us in at the entrance to the club. We would drive past the tennis courts where we could hear the thock, thock of the ball. Usually it would be Bruce Gordon, John Schmidt, Terry Moore or Jere Hochadel playing. Volleys interrupted by laughter and the banter of self-assured young men.

The clubhouse, a rustic old building, had a wrap around veranda, inside a ping pong table and an old upright piano, perpetually out of tune. Before heading down to the boathouse we would check out the activity in the clubhouse.

Jim "Pat" Fife would often be playing the piano, banging out "Chopsticks" or "Heart and Soul" joined by another pair of hands belonging to Marilyn Litty or Janice Jeffries.

"Pat" Fife was the all-American boy, crew cut, steady blue eyes swept by long lashes, a chipped front tooth and an infectious raspy laugh that seemed larger than his diminutive size. He was our piano man.

A short drive under the arching pin oaks, maples and elm trees would lead to the bathhouse. A simple structure of white wood, it looked out on a small spit of sand and a slide in the shallow part of the lake. Farther out was a dock where you would accept the challenge to swim to the island. Swimming to the island was a test of endurance. The warm brown lake would often be choked with eelgrass and algae. By the time you pulled yourself up on the bank you had quite a workout. Resting on the island, the sounds of the oars clunking on the rowboats and the little kids squealing on the beach seemed far away. Dragonflies darted around the weeds at the edge of the water and the sun soon dried our upturned faces.

The summer dances at the club were well attended. We would show up at 9 or 9:30, guys tanned and

healthy, dressed in short sleeved shirts and khaki slacks. The girls, in ponytails or short summer haircuts, full cotton skirts and sleeveless blouses would wander in and out from the porch to the dance floor.

When Dom Parlo's band would play, the place would rock. He lived on Fifth Street just off Ellsworth and must have had his band for a while because they were great. When he played his sax, he poured his heart and soul into his solos, "Perdido", "Cherry Pink and Apple Blossom White," but most of all "Night Train" which was his closer — his signature piece. Sweat would pour down his face as he would turn and bend, his saxophone a golden blur, lights winking on the keys, wailing, wailing, wailing. The dance floor was alive with whirling, twirling kids having fun.

Sevakeen Lake had a completely different atmosphere. The water was spring-fed, cold and a deep viridian color.

We would dive from the boards or cannonball from the big white platform. Deep, deep into the dark green water, scissorkick our way back up to the warmer surface, lungs starting to burn and stroke back to the platform to do it over and over again.

Later in the afternoon, tired, chilly and hungry, we would make our way up to the lakeside area dotted with small, white wooden cottages. Betsy Moore would often host our gang and her affable mother, Irma, would preside over the smoky charcoal grill turning hot dogs and burgers. Wrapped in beach towels we would devour hot dogs, potato salad, chips and Kool Aid. Life just didn't get any better than those hazy, warm days with our friends.

I like to think that under the canopy of tree limbs and leaves at the country clubs, all the sounds of summer are preserved. Mothers calling their brood, teenagers honking the car horns, softball games, the pulsing faint beat of "Night Train" and the tinkling notes of Pat Fife's "Chopsticks" are collected and wrapped in the soft web of time. The sun flickers through the leaves and the breeze bumps the notes around, "Heart and soul, I fell in love with you..." Fife passed away at a very young age just as he was establishing his career in San Diego, far from his roots in Salem, far from the yellow frame house with the porch on Jennings Ave. Our piano man.

Seems like yesterday

Vicki Paparodis invited a group of junior girls to her home and in her parents' absence we explored the mysteries of her father's liquor cabinet. Oh, we were so sophisticated, tasting Dubonnet, apricot brandy and a variety of cordials from aperitif glasses. Let's hope she was able to cover up our indiscretion.

In the numbing cold we would watch football games at Reilly Field. Hoarse from yelling, we would see Bob Domencetti, arms pumping, exhort the defensive team to hold the line. His words, lost in the noise, would turn to icy puffs against the blue-black sky.

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Earle Bruce and 'boys' meet again

(From The Quaker Heritage)

To celebrate 30 years since graduating from Salem High, the Class of 1960 gathered last July. The football team of that class went 8-1 and was ranked eighth in the state under Coach Earle Bruce. Only two teams scored on the Quakers, who lost only to Ambridge, Pa. Bruce was 28-9 at Salem with 9-1 and 8-1 seasons.

The team had kept in contact with their coach over the years and this year sent him mementoes of their reunion. He sent back pictures and a media guide of his new job at Colorado State. Upon seeing the guide, several members of the team wished they could travel to Colorado to see one of Bruce's games.

After a football game, a group of former players decided they wanted to make the trip. Sally Chappell, wife of 1960 co-captain Ned Chappell, began making arrangements.

All senior members of the varsity team were contacted and invited to go. The final group consisted of Chappell ('60), the other co-captain Fred Phillis ('60), Joe Julian ('60), Larry DeJane ('60), Frank Capacio ('60) and Fred Harshman ('61).

Jean Bruce, the coach's wife, was called and she made plans to welcome the men to the Colorado State homecoming game.

The group flew to Denver on October 19. Coach Bruce had planned a full weekend beginning with attendance at the Friday night pre-game meal with the team.

At the dinner, the current players were seated at tables according to the position they play. The former players were also separated and seated in the same manner with the current players. The young players were very curious to learn and compare notes about their impressions of the coach with his former players.

According to Chappell, "The coach has stuck with the same winning methods he used 30 years ago. His theme is still 'Keep it simple!'"



Six former Quakers meet with Coach Earle Bruce at his home in Colorado. Seated from left to right are: Frank Copacio, Fred Phillis, Bruce and Larry DeJane. Standing are Fred Harshman, Joe Julian and Ned Chappell.

Following the meal, the coach took his team to a bonfire rally after which both old and new players had a team meeting. The next day, Coach Bruce had arranged for the men to attend a pre-game buffet and to be his guests at the game in which Colorado State soundly defeated the U. of New Mexico. (Bruce's team went on to finish the season 8-4 including a one-point win over Oregon in the Freedom Bowl, the school's first appearance in a bowl in 42 years. His first year at Colorado State was a 5-5 season, but in the two previous seasons before he arrived the team had a 2-21 mark.)

After the game at the Booster Club's post-game reception, the Salemites were honored by being individually introduced and welcomed by their

former coach.

Dinner and an evening of reminiscences followed at Bruce's home. It seemed that once again six men were back in high school reliving their gridiron glories with the man who directed "his boys" to success from their freshman year to their senior season in his first job as a head coach.

"His coaching really helped to set the characters of each of the boys he coached," says Chappell. "What the boys 30 years ago and the boys now learned will be carried on through life."

To cap the weekend, Coach Bruce met the group for Sunday breakfast and left them with a weekend full of memories they will cherish forever.

Classmates: Please call home!

The Class of 1961, getting ready for its July 13 reunion at the Elks Lodge, needs addresses for the following class members. Send addresses to Alumni office or call 332-1427.

Althea Patterson McPherson, David Brobander, Michael Boyd, Paulette Severs, Sally McNickle Skinner, Timothy Reynolds, Mary Lindner Criscolo, Nancy Robbins, Ted Zines and Carol Murphy Wunderle.

The Class of 1971, with a reunion planned for July 20 at the Saxon Club, is seeking addresses for Lynette

Boyer, Bonnie Maldonado and Dave Keglör.

The Class of 1976 will have its reunion July 6 at Timberlanes and needs addresses for Greg Sisler, Laurie Evans, Julia Metzger Modrak, Katherine Roher Eckman, Susan LaVallee Renfro, Tenley Crawford Hall, Robert Eaton, James Seever, Janet Harbert Roberts, Kelly Burgess Kurtz, Sheila M. Schrock, Kenneth Taylor, John S. Williams, Todd Musselman and William Redfern.

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Book of rare local photos follows smash sell-out

A seemingly insignificant three-inch story in the 1990 Fall issue of this newsletter led to overwhelming sales for Dale Shaffer's book "Salem As It Was." The entire printing of 300 copies of the book was sold out in short order after 10,600 Salem High grads read the item.

"Orders came in from all over the U.S. and some people chatted with me on the phone for half an hour," Shaffer says. "One book even went to Saudi Arabia. I had no idea of the power of that newsletter. I had letters from all over."

One of the more interesting comments came from Dale E. Wykoff ('44) of Box 2202, Beaufort, SC 29901. His letter to Shaffer said:

"Many thanks for your thoughtfulness in sending me one of the few remaining copies of your new book. My check is enclosed.

"I have just glanced through it. What smells, tastes and fun it brings back!

"The smell of textbooks, paper and paste as you walked into MacMillan's bookstore; the smell of burning horses' hooves as old Charlie Ortel used to fit them with iron shoes in his shop or at local farms (with me in tow in about 1936); the taste of newly-made ice cream (Ernie Cunningham would tip us off when it was ready), working at the Famous Dairy in the early 40's; the big thrill of having our neighbor Nat Walken

allow us free entrance to the movie on Saturday; driving into Salem and reading aloud the sign "Stop at Isaly's in Salem." Dad always responded, "Well, I guess we'd better do that;" and the sounds of music that the picture of Mr. Finley brings back."

Shaffer's newest publication, "Salem Remembered — A Picture Scrapbook," will be printed in July. It will be available for \$15 at Cheshire's Booksellers and Fenske's News Agency in Salem or by calling Schaffer at 216-337-3348. Only 500 are being printed.

The book reproduces a selected group of 71 rare picture postcards of Salem, many now collector's items. The 234-page book contains a total of 144 photos and illustrations. There are 64 articles covering a wide variety of subjects ranging from the early Quakers to the Civil War; from the original platting of Salem to the building and dedication of Fourth Street School.

Ex-president dies

Dorothy Day Corso ('34), former president of the SHS Alumni Association, died unexpectedly at her home on March 21.

Mrs. Corso, a former teacher, headed the Alumni Association in 1985 and 1986. Her husband, Bill Corso, died in 1975.

Alumni cruise to Caribbean could benefit fund for scholarships

Members of SHS Classes of 1951 through 1957 were individually contacted last year about sailing on a 7-day Eastern Caribbean Alumni Cruise aboard the Holland American Lines Westerdam, sailing from Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., on Feb. 22, 1992. Since then the cruise has been opened up to welcome any Salem High graduate.

Bill Megert ('54), 923 Saxon Hill Dr., Cockeysville, MD 21030, has arranged the cruise through the Falls Road Travel bureau in Baltimore (Phone 301-467-2600). Bill's phone is 301-666-9288.

"Our ship will stop at San Juan, Tortola (Virgin Island), St. Thomas, and Nassau during the cruise," Bill says. The cost is \$1500 per person with final payment due Dec. 24, 1991. The price includes roundtrip air fare to Ft. Lauderdale, all meals, all tips, port charges and U.S. departure tax. All cabins are large outside doubles.

Megert says the Alumni Association scholarship fund will receive a substantial contribution if the cruise is sold out. Space is limited and reservations should be made at once.

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The Memorial Day parades were always led by new convertibles driven by young car salesmen driving old veterans. The Salem High band would march out to Hope Cemetery for the ceremony led by the V.F.W. and the Amvets. Young high school kids recite "In Flander's Field the Poppies Grow."

The band marching to a slow cadence, boom, shuffle, click, click moves up North Lincoln under the soft green of the May trees. By 11 o'clock the bandsmen are warm in their red woolen uniforms. The crack of the rifles bounces across the mournful marbles.

The Maids of Salem initiation was an exercise in absolute wackiness. A week of foolish activities, including roller skating across town early in the morning,

to pick up a big sister, dressed in long nightgowns and wearing funny hats. The initiation concluded on the steps of the old post office where with buckets of soapy water we would wash down the steps to the general amusement of traffic on State Street. Ah, youth!

As we look back on those golden years, fun-filled and relatively innocent, they seem to be such a contrast to today's coming of age in America. Perhaps it was the last innocent decade this country will know.

This summer as the reunion classes meet in Salem, when they gather in that warm and familiar town, some will say it seems like yesterday.

Rosemarie (Sulea) Cardoso
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Clarence, New York 14031

Alumni are boosters of scholarship funds

Contributions to the Scholarship Committee of the Alumni Association have continued to mount since the October 5 cutoff date for the last newsletter.

Through March 20 a total of \$6353 in gifts has been received, including \$470 from the Class of 1980 which held its reunion Nov. 24, 1990.

Checks may be made payable to SHS Alumni Asso., 328 E. State St., Salem, OH 44460.

CLASS OF 1921

Dorothy Failer Sullivan, Atlantis, FL

CLASS OF 1922

Anna Hutcheson Devault, Decatur, IL, in memory of Mary Jackson.

CLASS OF 1925

Stephen A. Bogar, St. Petersburg, FL

CLASS OF 1927

Ann McLaughlin, Salem, in memory of George W. Rogers ('27)

CLASS OF 1929

Helen Shelton Wilson, Lakewood, CO
Dorothy Lieder Curry, Naples, FL, in memory of Blair Curry

CLASS OF 1930

Alta Moores Christen, Elyria, OH

CLASS OF 1931

Barbara Benzinger Lindsley, Wichita, KS, in memory of Dorothy Asty Cope and Rebecca Harris Luce; Dorothy Harroff Johnson, Sebring, OH, in memory of Rebecca Harris Luce

CLASS OF 1932

John L. Barnes, Salem, in memory of Robert D. Jeffries; Harriet McArtor Jackson, Salem, in memory of Derf Capel; Amelia Mitchell Bogus, Miami, FL

CLASS OF 1933

Christine McArtor Pratt, Winona Lake, IN, in memory of Derf Capel; William A. Holloway, Sun City, AZ

CLASS OF 1934

Robert Ketterer, Alliance, OH; John Pukalski, Salem

CLASS OF 1936

Betty Jeane Auld Giesy, Flint, MI

CLASS OF 1937

Frederick D. Cooper, Philadelphia, PA; Ida Konnerth Meissner, Salem, OH, in memory of Walter Melitshka ('37)

CLASS OF 1938

Robert Hinton, Berlin Center, OH; Betty Walton, Cleveland Hts.; George Nagy, Canton, OH; Ralston E. Smith, OR, in memory of Eunice Smith Brown ('42)

CLASS OF 1939

John F. Evans, Silver Spring, MD; Lena Colian Ricci, Youngstown, OH, and Mr. & Mrs. Joe Baran in memory of Fred Mix ('46)

CLASS OF 1940

Lois McArtor Irons, Columbiana, OH, in memory of Mary E. Jackson and Derf Capel; Harry Halverstadt, Los Alamitos, CA

CLASS OF 1941

Robert S. McCulloch Jr., Salem, in memory of Mary E. Jackson; Bill Theiss, Midlothian, TX; Robert S. McCulloch Jr., Salem, in memory of Dorothy Day Corso ('34)

CLASS OF 1942

Capt. Don F. Milligan, Coronado, CA

CLASS OF 1943

Emma Bauman Holmes, Fullerton, CA; Marjorie McArtor Herder, West Hills, CA, in memory of Derf Capel

CLASS OF 1944

Rachel Keister Riley, North Canton, OH; Dale E. Wykoff, Beaufort, SC, in memory of Kermit Johns ('44); Dominick A. Alessi, St. Louis, MO

CLASS OF 1945

Frances Vaughan Juarez, Lakewood, OH, in memory of Ella Thea Smith Cox ('16); James A. Wright, Brevard, NC, in memory of loved ones; Fred Dawson, Houston, TX

CLASS OF 1946

John W. Works, Stow, OH

CLASS OF 1947

Alex Sobolewski, Los Angeles, CA; Mary Lou Haessly Loudon, Salem, in memory of Dorothy Asty Cope ('34); Betty Rayniak Farcas, Salem, in memory of John Farcas ('45); Gertrude Zerbs Works, Stow, OH; Frank Hoopes, Salem

CLASS OF 1948

Albert C. Falk, Salem, in memory of Robert Jeffries; Doris Waithman Kersmarki, Salem; William A. Urbanowicz, Burton, OH

CLASS OF 1949

Dr. Robert E. Campbell, Haverford, PA, in memory of Frederick McKee Campbell

CLASS OF 1951

Bonnie Layden Danklef, Salem

CLASS OF 1952

Mary Ellen Alessi Palk, Salem, in memory of Robert Jeffries; Ken & Judy Jackson Clay, Salem, in memory of Derf L. Capel ('79); Lois Smith Votaw, Salem, in memory of Derf Capel

CLASS OF 1953

Ed Votaw, Salem, in memory of Derf Capel

CLASS OF 1954

Bob Sebo, Pittsford, NY; Doris McNamee Stephenson, Sarasota, FL, in memory of Martha Whinery McNamee ('28)

CLASS OF 1955

Barbara A. Wright, Edgewater, MD, in memory of Derf Capel ('79); Barbara J. Beery Lippiatt, Salem, in memory of Derf Capel and Mary Jackson; Richard and Pat Jurczak Saltsman, Salem, in memory of Derf Capel; Verda Miller Bland, Bryan, TX, in memory of Derf Capel; Frances Ziegler, Salem; Rosemarie Sulea Cardoso, Clarence, NY in memory of Edith Goodman

CLASS OF 1956

Richard M. Coppock, Colorado Springs, CO, in memory of Guy L. Coppock ('20); Wilma Bodendorfer Ford, Columbus, OH

CLASS OF 1957

Grace DelFavero Finch, Salem

CLASS OF 1958

Thomas Corso, Salem, in memory of Dr. Paul Corso ('24) and Dorothy Day Corso ('34)

CLASS OF 1960

Vince and Sally Fester Horning, Wooster, OH, in memory of Rob Wiggers

CLASS OF 1961

Karen Trombitas Gast, Elyria, OH, in memory of Kathryn S. and John Trombitas

CLASS OF 1962

Manfred F. Meine, San Francisco, CA

CLASS OF 1964

Richard M. Vacar, Sarasota, FL

CLASS OF 1966

Polly Lease Fraser, Incline Village, NV, in celebration of lifelong friendships with Nancy Harris Weakley ('66) and Louis Wilson Tyo ('66); David Roberts, Oberursel, Germany

CLASS OF 1968

Gregory E. Cline, Peachtree City, GA; Janet Fusco Leslie, Beavercreek, OH, in memory of Lori Ann Wilt; Kathleen Scahill Roberts, Oberursel, Germany

CLASS OF 1969

Deborah Sell Craig, Kent, OH; Barbara Klein Cline, Peachtree City, GA

CLASS OF 1970

Mike Mehno, Plano, TX, in memory of Craig Anderson, George Ursu, Gary Ormes

CLASS OF 1971

Jean Kiliman Esposito, Salem, in memory of Derf Capel ('79); Ed Emch, Salem, in memory of Rob Wiggers; Dorothy Drotleff Conser, Salem, in memory of deceased 1971 classmates

CLASS OF 1973

Paula Wilson Ellis, Cleveland, TN

CLASS OF 1974

Kris Ulrich Charles, Massillon, OH

CLASS OF 1977

Polly Stokes Pohlable, Wapakoneta, OH

CLASS OF 1979

Kimberly Oriole, Fayetteville, NC in memory of Derf Capel ('79)

CLASS OF 1980

Frank Marino, Columbus, OH; Tracey Waugh, Lowell, MA; Suzon Horning, Dallas, TX; Randy and Wendy Stillwell Miller, Bedford, OH; Joe Vuksta, Akron, OH; Karin Lahue, Wheaton, IL; Doreen Stanley Barrett, Leetonia, OH; Susan Windon Niehaus, Berlin Center, OH; Bonnie Bailey McClellan, Alexandria, VA; Jeff Walter, Cuyahoga Falls, OH; Dayne Myers, Los Angeles, CA; Lois Landwert Smith, Parma, OH; Marshall and Patty Ward Clark, Winter Haven, FL; Jeff Ehrhart, Rochester, MN; Denise A. Herron, Richmond Hts., OH.

From Salem: Jim Purrington, Barry Magyaros, Debra Keller, Deborah Randolph Vogt, Mark Cowie, Judy Bailey Bartholow, Amy Madison, Jeff and Wendy Ellis Strabala, Scot Darling, Tom Darling, Pam Huffman Hickey, Susan Yakubek Miller

CLASS OF 1986

John Piontkowski, Southfield, MI

Alumni office is busy place

The SHS Alumni Association office at 328 E. State St. had another busy year in 1990. It was used 72 times for meetings.

There were 56 reunion planning sessions by the various classes, eight Alumni Association meetings, five meetings for other groups and three class receptions held in conjunction with reunions.

A phone call to 332-1427 is all it takes to reserve the office for a meeting.



GOOD TURNOUT--Alumni cagers turned out in big numbers for Coach George Spack 's Alumni Day on December 26 . Posing here are: First row (l. to r.) Ken Kenst ('68), Nick Cosma ('50), Sal Guappone ('42), Chuck Montgomery ('67), Chuck Joseph ('65), Rick Gregg ('65), Lou Markovich ('67), Robert Jaeger ('41), George Spack ('69) .

Second row- John Shivers ('69), Joe Shivers ('66), Paul Fennema ('67), Tom Jesko ('74),

Howard Jesko ('73), Kim Cranmer ('72), Ed Votaw ('53), Ted Thorne ('62), Rick Theiss ('60) .

Third row: Paul Rutkousky ('78), Bill Shivers ('78), Paul Shivers ('75), Dave Warren ('74), Randy Fortney ('77), Shane Franks ('73) John Sheets ('75), Joe Miller ('73) .

Fourth row: Walt Shields ('79), Burt Capel ('89), Mark Shivers ('80), Jeff Walter ('80), Bob Jesko ('78), Bruce Maher ('78), Mark Burrier ('90),

Brooke Pidgeon ('89) .

Fifth row: Dave Milheim ('85), Dave Edling ('85), Chip Null ('87), Brett Bezeredi ('87), Mark Webb ('78), Jeff Zimmerman ('81), Lance Miller ('90), Jim Sheets ('77) .

Sixth row: Tom Wiggers ('89), Scott Jones ('89), Marty Hergenrother ('82), Rich Huffman ('86), Rich Elias ('86), Bill Bryant ('88), Tom Scullion ('81), Paul Schlueter ('86) .

Alumni cagers help raise cash for varsity trip

Fifty-six former Quaker basketball players turned out for Coach George Spack's first Alumni Day on December 29.

"It was such a success, we are going to do it every year," Spack declared. "All the old timers had a great time."

The group whooped it up for the day-long program that included shooting contests, lunch and three games in the evening. The oldest players were Bob Jaeger ('41) and Sal (Tut) Guappone ('42). Youngest were Lance Miller and Mark Burrier (both '90).

The event was held to raise funds to send the Quaker varsity of 13 boys and two coaches on a goodwill tour to Costa Rica over June 23-July 5. Checks to help underwrite the trip may be made out to Salem Roundball Fund and sent to Spack at Salem High School, 1200 E. 6th St., Salem, OH 4460.

Where are they?

Dr. Emma Bauman Holmes ('43) taught in elementary schools for a number of years after graduating from Mount Holyoke College and obtaining an M.A. from the U. of Illinois. Upon receiving a Ph.D. in elementary education from the U. of Iowa in 1961, she was hired by the California State University in Fullerton, Calif. While at CSUF, she wrote two books on mathematics education in the elementary school and had some articles published. She is now a professor of education and child development, emeritus, having retired last June. She says, "I still enjoy teaching and so will continue half-time for a few years." Her address is Box 5302, Fullerton, CA 02635.

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John DeFavero ('61) was named president of Purup, North America, a division of Purup Electronics, a Danish company. The promotion came last

Salem High's Honored Alumni

1958 Fred E. Cope ('25), teacher, coach, athletic director
 1959 Joel H. Sharp ('14), judge, scholarship chairman
 1960 Natalie Sharpnack ('01), teacher, principal
 1961 Chester Smith ('16), sportswriter
 1962 W. Eugene Young ('27), scholarship fund treasurer
 1963 Lloyd Yoder ('21), radio executive
 1964 Laura Mae Hovermale Whinnery ('30), alumni historian
 1965 Holland Cameron ('14), founder Salem tech school
 1966 Lowell Fleischer ('55), U.S. diplomatic service
 1967 Fred J. (Jack) Mullins ('35), airline executive
 1968 Dale Leipper ('33), oceanographer
 1969 Dr. Joseph D. Morris ('39), surgeon
 1970 Capt. S. R. Chessman ('43), Navy officer
 1971 Jay Hanna ('45), telephone executive
 1972 Max M. Fisher ('26), financier
 1973 Jerry Miller ('49), minister
 1974 Gail Herron ('36), businessman
 1975 Donald Getz ('52), artist
 1976 Joseph Hajcak ('54), blimp pilot
 1977 Dr. Paul Corso ('24), physician
 1978 Andrew Chithea ('42), comptroller
 1979 Alta Peterson ('14), teacher, principal
 1980 Lt. Col. Richard Coppock ('56), Air Force officer
 1981 Dorothy Pozniko Beam ('52), music professor
 1982 Herbert J. Hansell ('43), attorney
 1983 Dr. C. James Callahan ('51), veterinary medicine
 1984 Tom Berger ('41), artist, western painter
 1985 Daniel E. Smith ('46), jeweler, alumni officer
 1986 Charles Gibbs ('43), banker, alumni treasurer
 1987 Mary Mercer Krogness ('56), teacher, writer
 1988 Harvey E. Walken ('46), real estate management
 1989 Joseph F. Ferreri ('47), EPA engineer
 1990 William M. Schaeffer ('39), UCT International president

July. He lives in Stillwater, Minn., with his wife, Marian, and two daughters. John does extensive traveling through the U.S. and also to Denmark, Germany and Brazil.

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Steven E. Votaw ('73) began new duties last fall as executive director of the Charles B. Mills Center in Marysville, Ohio. He had been chief of the Bureau of Clinical Services for the Cleveland Department of Health and Human Resources.

Votaw is the son of Ed ('53) and Lois Smith Votaw ('52) of Salem.

Votaw is responsible for administering health, mental health and substance abuse programs at the Mills Center. He earned a BA degree at Kent State and his master of science degree

from Youngstown State University. He is a Ph. D. candidate in public management and finance at Ohio State U.

Votaw, his wife and three children reside at 9692 Mojave Circle, Plain City, OH 43064.

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'84 ring found

Another lost class ring has been recovered and returned to its original owner.

The Association was advised by Marie Callahan Fawcett ('34) that she had found the ring in a flower bed at her home in Salem. Initials inside the ring revealed that it belongs to Scott C. Shaffer ('84) who is now studying in Tennessee.

The mailbox

From: Harvey C. Lehman
112 N. Lakeside Dr., Apt. 2-F
McPherson, KS 67460

Dear Robert Dixon:

I received the fall Alumni newsletter just recently. I have read it carefully as your former journalism teacher and will give you a very top grade on your production. As copyreader and proofreader I find no mistakes. Congratulations to you. You are doing a top-notch job.

Another thing which always amazes me is the size of the Alumni Association fund and the amount of the scholarship grants awarded each year. Forty-seven graduating seniors with scholarships totaling \$115,000. That's amazing. It's no wonder that so many from Salem go on to colleges and universities. One can readily understand why so many Salem High grads achieve distinction as reported in your newsletter from time to time. I well remember William M. Schaeffer, honored as the outstanding alumnus for the year of 1990, and Dr. Joe D. Morris, who was designated outstanding alumnus in 1969. Both were in classes of mine. They were good students and deserve our congratulations.

I had hoped to get back to Salem again, but won't likely be able to do it. Mrs. Lehman, Ruth, is in the Cedars Health Center here with Parkinson's Disease and I help care for her each day. I am in good health but will reach my 88th birthday next month.

— Q —

From: Ralston Smith ('38)
1420 NW 15th St.
Corvallis, OR 97330

I have been meaning to write ever since I received the Fall, 1990 edition of the alumni newsletter to let you know how much I really do appreciate receiving this publication.

There are always items in the newsletter that bring back fond memories of people and events from my growing-up years in Salem and, since a part of my career involved preparing publications for Oregon Public Broadcasting and the Oregon Division of Continuing Education, I can

attest with some authority to the excellence of Bob Dixon's work in preparing the newsletter.

Corvallis, Oregon, is so far from Salem that much that constitutes my rootedness in Salem might be forgotten without the newsletter's periodic reminders.

I still enjoy reminiscing about attending the 50-year reunion of the Class of '38. Being there, participating in all of the activities of a very well planned reunion, and getting reacquainted with many old friends and classmates was a highlight of 1988 for me. My wife and I both appreciated the hospitality extended to us by the alumni association.

I remain active in retirement with such organizations as the Human Services Coalition of Oregon, Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon, and the Mental Health Association of Oregon and am a registered lobbyist at the Oregon Legislature for those organizations.

Please accept the enclosed check for the association in memory of my sister, Eunice Smith Brown ('42). She died in June, 1990 in Sarasota, Fla.

— Q —

From: Vince & Sally Fester
Horning ('60)
950 E. Highland Ave.
Wooster, OH 44691

We had a wonderful time at our 30-year class reunion, renewing old friendships. We feel very lucky to have such strong ties to our high school alma mater.

How about celebrating the 35th anniversary of Earle Bruce's coaching at SHS (1956-60) next fall?

(See related story in this issue.)

— Q —

From: Manfred F. Meine ('62)
37-S Fort Mason
San Francisco, CA 94123

During my 29 years of military service I was always far away when SHS Class of 1962 had its reunions. Your newsletter makes me regret those missed opportunities and I look forward to attending my 30th.

The forced breaks resulting from numerous military transfers extended my college days a bit beyond the norm (26 years to be exact), but happily, I

recently achieved my goal of obtaining my Ph.D. in Public Administration. The end of this long road will hopefully be retirement from the military — if the current crisis allows — and a university position not all that far from old SHS.

— Q —

From: Lawrence Weigand ('31)
6580 Seminole Blvd. #230
Largo, FL 34642

I want to thank you for sending me and the rest of our track team the program from the 1930 district track meet. I remember it well.

I ran in the 880-yard relay and my buddies gave me a five-yard lead going into the last 220. I think every fast runner from Akron and Youngstown passed me before I got 100 yards down the track. I must have finished last.

These are all good memories and thanks for bringing them back. I can't believe that there are only 10 of us left.

Hope to see you this summer, God willing.

— Q —

From: Polly Stokes Pohlabl ('77)
814 Bellefontaine
Wapakoneta, OH 45895

I think the Alumni Association does a great job. The school system I am teaching in does not come near to what you contribute for scholarships. It makes me proud to come from Salem. Keep up the good work.

— Q —

From: Sandra Morrison Chappo ('63)
Rte. 5, Box 34 E
Beckley, WV 25801

Fall issue of newsletter is great. I know this takes lots of time to put together and I do appreciate the news from home. I left shortly after graduation, but do keep in touch with friends and family still in Salem.

The article on Bill Schaeffer was terrific. I have known him since his daughter and I met in fourth grade at McKinley school. He is one great person.

Please note my new address. We have lived in several states and it always surprises me to find someone from Salem. "We" are everywhere! Keep up the good work on the newsletter.

— Q —

Alumni band to strut again for Jubilee

Plans are under way for the Salem High School Alumni band to once again perform in Salem's Jubilee parade July 20, 1991. The band won a trophy for best adult band in the parade last July.

There will be a morning rehearsal and luncheon after which the group will march in the evening parade. Letters with more specific information will be mailed in May to former band members.

Classmates from 1966 and 1971 are especially encouraged to attend since their reunions have also been scheduled for July 20. Contact person is LuAnn Limestahl Cole ('71), 976 S. Lincoln Ave., Salem, phone 216-337-9066.

Oana lauded for his kraut

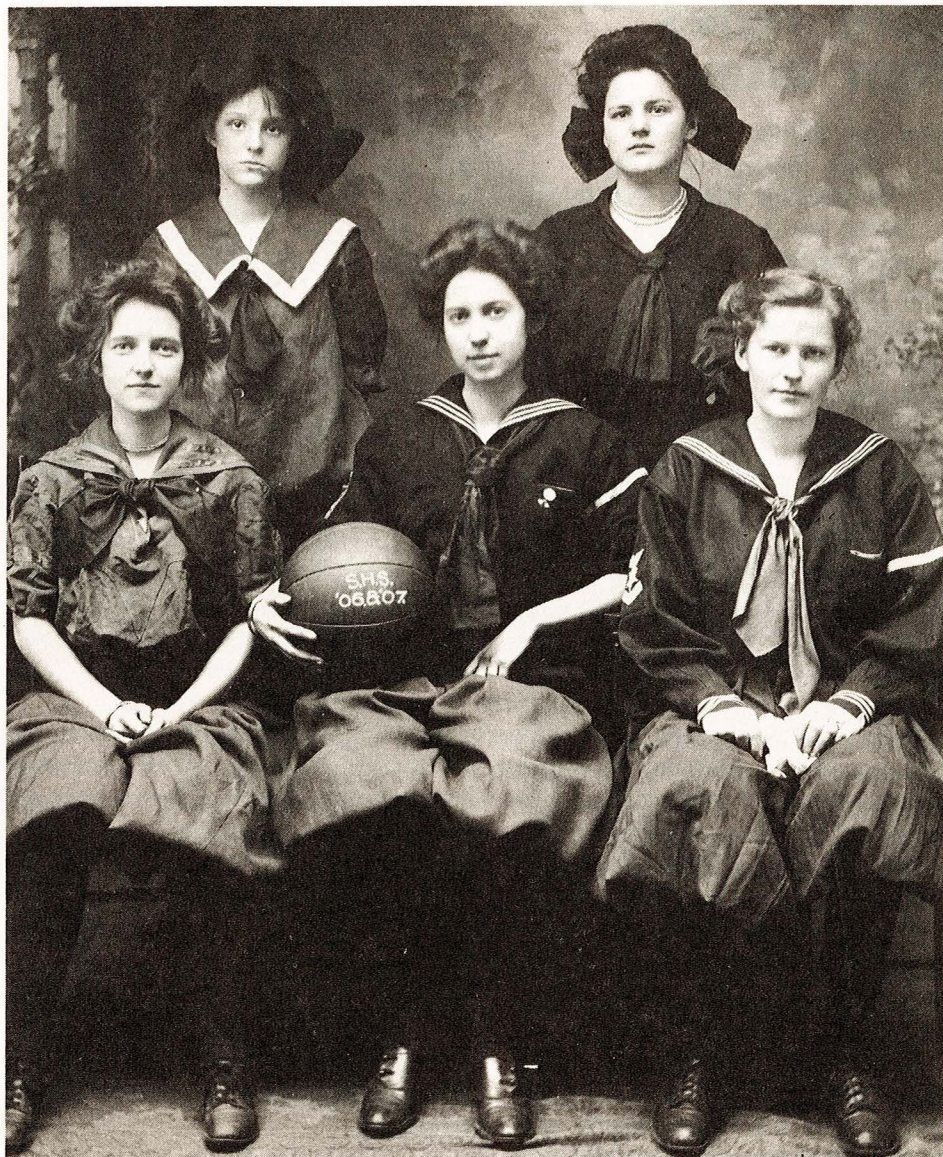
Salem High 1938 grad Mike Oana, an accomplished sauerkraut expert, gained some state-wide notoriety last year when he was featured in a story in Ohio Magazine.

Mike, who lives at 1813 Depot Rd., Salem, with his wife, Alice ('41), is known to his neighbors as the "King of Kraut." He prepares it in two 55-gallon barrels at his home, doing 300 pounds at a time. The preparation time is six weeks, but the kraut is worth the wait.

Mike learned the art from his father and mother, who came to the U.S. from Transylvania early in the century. The making of sauer heads (head kraut) was an Oana family tradition.

After World War II, Mike started making the kraut solo and by now the complicated process has been mastered. His cabbage rolls are famous and much in demand by his friends. Ohio Magazine even printed Mike's cabbage roll recipe. He will furnish it upon request.

Mike, who was a varsity football and basketball player in high school, also is a wine maker, but that's another story.



VINTAGE COURT WEAR--Sporting gorgeous baggy bloomers and sailor blouses, the SHS girls basketball team of 1906-07 posed for this studio photo. There is no account of the team's season record. Front row (l. to r.): Marguerite Barckhoff Mullins, Edith Cooper and Mary Lee Boyle. Back row: Esther Silver Mullins, Inez Yengling Bixler.

Jan Deane prize to reward best SHS student writers

Salem High graduates from 1970 and 1971 lost a good friend when Atty. Jan Deane Healey ('71) died in December, 1989. She has been described as a wife, mother of two young girls and a rare person of amazing wit and warmth. Everyone was impressed with her brave dignity and humor during her yearlong illness.

A committee has been formed to

solicit funds for a Jan Deane Prize in Creative Writing to be awarded annually to the best student writer at Salem High. Jan was a writer, editor and contributor on the staff of the Quaker while in school.

Checks may be sent to The Jan Deane Prize, c/o Carolyn Funk, Salem City Schools, 1226 E. State St., Salem, OH 44460. The committee hopes to begin awarding the prize in June.

More notes from afar

From: Jay Albright ('61)

7699 Fletcher Bay Rd.

Bainbridge Island, WA 98110

Hello! For years I have received the association newsletter, felt very proud to be a SHS alum and said to myself "someday I've got to at least pay for the printing and postage for those great publications."

Well, today's the day! Enclosed is a check, which will be the first of (hopefully) annual contributions to the cause — to keep 'em coming. Your terrific work is very much appreciated!

I am a 1961 grad. I now live on Bainbridge Island, Washington, where my wife Janet and I moved from Los Angeles. We came to the Pacific Northwest almost six years ago as the result of a job change for me. I have been working in radio as a job gypsy — program director, DJ, news director and go-fer — since leaving WSOM nearly 30 years ago. I decided to settle down, stabilize my personal life and went into business for myself as a programming consultant, specializing in country music radio stations, three years ago.

Janet is an audiologist working on her Ph. D. at the U. of Washington and operates a private practice with offices specializing in hearing aids and other "assistive listening devices." She operates a national "ALD" mail order business.

"Sound" (of one kind or another) is our life.

As a result, I am embarrassed that it has taken so long for you to hear a "peep" from me. I promise it won't be as long until the next time.

— Q —

From: LtC (Ret) Raymond L. Pierce ('48)

9615 Millbrook Dr.

San Antonio, TX 76245

Enclosed is a contribution toward your next newsletter. Keep up the good work.

It might interest some members of the Class of '48 that a new book about the Korean War was published last November entitled "Rangers of

Korea" and that I was named in it three times. Also, most don't know that I served in combat with the 199th Light Infantry Brigade in Vietnam during 1969-70. So at least one member of the '48 class has served in combat with the infantry in two wars.

Note, for your records, I am married to the former Patricia H. Pasco ('52).

— Q —

From: Chuck Joseph ('65)

500 Briarbrook Ct. NE

Warren, OH 44484

Your newsletter is an outstanding effort in keeping the Alumni together. I enjoy reading it front to back and I am very proud to say I am a Salem Quaker.

— Q —

From: Jack A. Smith ('44)

9312 Muirkirk Dr.

Dublin, OH 43017

Have immensely enjoyed the alumni newsletter. I remember our days at The Corner with juke box playing T.D. boogie woogie and the "Dagwoods." It was fun talking with friends like Bob Shea, Knobby Greene, Tuner Scullion, Tony Hoover, Flick Entriiken, Earl Miller, Liz Stewart, Jack Rance, Socko Vavrek and all the others.

— Q —

SHS classes fraternize

Several SHS classes are now holding monthly get-togethers.

The 1955 class started it all by holding monthly luncheons several years ago. Now the Class of 1940 has luncheons each month and the Class of 1932 has a lunch every two months.

The Class of 1937 has a monthly breakfast as do the men of the Class of 1938. There are no reservations required and members may bring spouses or guests. Attendance at the meals varies from a handful to more than two dozen.

Seniors plead 'not guilty'

(For the benefit of all the graybeards among SHS alumni, we herewith reprint a portion of the March 2 Ann Landers column which is self-explanatory.)

We are probably the only members of society in the history of mankind for which the younger generation has so little respect and has demonstrated such a shameful lack of regard.

Senior citizens are constantly being criticized, belittled and sniped at for every conceivable deficiency of the modern world, real and imaginary.

Upon reflection, I would like to point out that it wasn't the senior citizens who took the melody out of music, or the beauty out of art, or the pride out of appearance, or the romance out of love, the commitment out of marriage, the responsibility out of parenthood, togetherness out of family, learning out of education, loyalty out of Americanism, service out of patriotism, the hearth out of the home, civility out of behavior, refinement out of language, dedication out of employment, prudence out of spending or ambition out of achievement.

And we certainly are not the ones who eliminated patience and tolerance from relationships.

— Jerome Goldstein
Boca Raton, Fla.

— Q —

Holiday services

George A. Vavrek ('45), commandant of the Glendale-Burbank Detachment, Marine Corps League, is serving as chairman and master of ceremonies of the May 27 Memorial Day services at the National Cemetery in Los Angeles, Calif.

The services are expected to draw 1,500 people and will feature a Marine Corps general as principal speaker, a Marine band and mass color guard units.

Vavrek has been quite active in Marine Corps veterans affairs for many years.

— Q —

Oregon U. names new gym for Janet Woodruff

Janet Woodruff ('19), for many years head of the women's physical education department at the University of Oregon, has been signally honored by her faculty colleagues.

Seeking to honor and commemorate her contributions to teaching and the development of physical education at the university, they have named a gymnasium in her honor.

It will be the Janet G. Woodruff Gymnasium at Gerlinger Hall at Oregon U. In notifying Miss Woodruff, Myles Brand, university president, said, "I am truly moved and impressed by the sincere regard in which you are held by all those whose lives you have touched."

Miss Woodruff, injured in a fall last year, resides at Fox Hollow Residential Inn, 5320 Fox Hollow Rd., Eugene, OR 97405.



A backhoe rips up remainder of West bleachers at Reilly Field as work commences in late March to construct a new eight-lane all-weather track and new bleachers and press box. The football field must be moved westward to accomodate the wider track and that will require additional drainage facilities and field crowning. Funds were voted for the project in February, 1990, but bids were so high work was delayed until this year. Authorities now say it will be completed by August 1, but only dreamers believe that. Some football may be played elsewhere in 1991. Reilly Field was built 63 years ago and was the envy of northeastern Ohio.

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A reminder

If you have moved your residence in the last year or if any of your SHS graduate children have moved, please advise the alumni association of the new address.

Last spring it cost the association more than \$500 to have newsletters forwarded or returned because so many addresses had gone unreported.

Our newsletter will never reach the new address until it is reported here. The postal department will not forward third class mail without a fee.

Reunions in 1991

Thirteen Salem High School class reunions are scheduled for 1991, plus the annual Alumni Association dinner on June 1 at the high school. The 50-year class of 1941 will be honored at that time.

The reunion schedule:

- 1931 - June 8 at Timberlanes
- 1934 - July 13 at Timberlanes
- 1936 - May 31 at Golf Club
- 1939 - June 22 (picnic) at Shelton's Grove
- 1941 - May 31 at Timberlanes
- 1946 - July 6 at Timberlanes
- 1951 - July 27 at Golf Club
- 1956 - July 5 at Saxon Club
- 1961 - July 13 at Elks Club
- 1966 - July 20 at Elks Club
- 1971 - July 20 at Saxon Club
- 1976 - July 6 at Timberlanes
- 1981 - June 29 at Saxon Club

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