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He's the Maker of the World's Finest

From pedantic classroom to aromatic kitchen

By Lois Firestone ('50)

A family tradition, fondly remembered from his growing up years, combined with a penchant for researching market trends, has transformed the placid phase in one man's life usually reserved for retirement, into a second, successful career.

Salem native Don Mathews has set aside any plans he might have had for a leisurely succession of days devoted to catching up on his reading, research and comparing notes with longtime university colleagues. Instead, those days are filled with creating, packaging and mailing out the handmade chocolate delicacies his company produces.

The name of his company, Shelton-Mathews Chocolates, is a tribute to his mother, whose candy recipes are at the core of what has become a prestigious chocolate-making business.

Don Mathews, who graduated from Salem High in 1950, grew up in the Jennings Avenue home his grandfather built in 1850. His father, Donald Henry Mathews Sr., Don's namesake, operated a local barbershop for several years. His mother, Catherine Shelton Mathews kept house and helped raise the family.

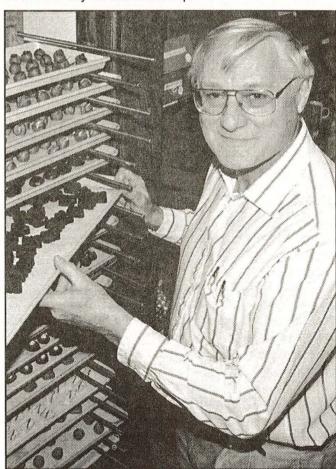
One of the pleasures of Don's childhood was his mother's candy making and the delicious aroma which filled the kitchen during those days. "My Dad made candy, too, fudge and peanut brittle," he says, "And there was nothing like coming home after a hike in the woods or running the dogs for one of my Dad or Mom's candy treats. I have great memories of dipping chocolate at Christmas time, and other festive times. I never forgot that and continued the tradition with my own kids."

Don's professorial career spanned 32 years as a professor of marketing and statistics at Youngstown State University - he still teaches one or two classes at YSU and the Kent State Trumbull and East Liverpool branches.

After graduating from Salem High, he entered Kent State, but his studies were interrupted with three years' duty in the Air Force. After his discharge he enrolled at Kent State but then transferred to Baylor University in Waco, Texas for his bachelor of science degree. He'd

been stationed in Texas during his time in the service and was eager to go back.

He attained a master's degree from Southern Methodist University and his P.D. at Union Institute Graduate School in Cincinnati. The institute sent him to New York City for his internship.



Don Mathews pauses during a busy work day in his Shelton-Mathews Chocolates shop in Youngstown, surrounded by the shop's tasty offerings. (Photo by Aleks Dolzenko)

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Don met his wife, Deborah, a Michigan native, at a conference in Washington, D.C. A graduate of Smith College, Deborah spent some time with the Peace Corps. During their 32 years of marriage, she has continued her interest in civil rights, working with the Youngstown-Warren Regional Chamber of Commerce. The couple has three children, Donald H. Mathews III, Guy Edward and Laura Shelton.

Determined to become an entrepreneur, Don returned to Salem With his family, and on Sept. 7, 1960, opened a marketing research company in the Keener building. His firm grew at the rate of 10 to 20 percent every year, and he decided to move the business to Youngstown.

At the same time, YSU was looking for a part time marketing and statistics teacher. "I was to have one class, then two, and when I got to the campus, I discovered I had five classes," Don says. Eventually he became a full-time professor. "In 1979, I became department head. That got to be too much for me to handle, so I decided to sell the marketing business. A company called National Resarch bought it, keeping the employees I'd hired."

After semi-retiring from YSU, he went back into a full-time operation, forming the Mathews Marketing Research Co. In the back of his mind was the idea of starting up his own business.

He began specializing in researching the food industry, working for companies like Procter and Gamble, General Mills and Prego. At the same time, he heard that a candy company in western Pennsylvania was going out of business and selling their candymaking equipment. Don bought it and put it in storage.

"In 1991, I took it out, rented a house on Mahoning Avenue, a former jewelry store, and went into business. I knew I couldn't compete with the large companies, like Gorant. Also, the candy equipment I'd bought lends itself to hand-dipping. "

He studied with chefs, read books, attended candy seminars and experimented. "I'd noticed there was a growing interest in continental-style chocolates. As people traveled more, they were trying out European candies, like truffles and pralines, chocolate that had to be made by hand. "

"It was lonely in the early days. I still had no marketing plan and no budget for advertising", he says. He told the first 100 customers that they could buy his product at the wholesale price forever. That gesture made the difference, and the company began to grow. He credits those original customers with spreading the word about the quality of his chocolates.

Don's personal favorite is the Dresse Noix, a toasted pecan in chocolate. The most difficult to make are the raspberry truffles because of the time-consuming layering they require. His most popular sellers are the raspberry and white truffles.

The mouth-watering "menu" consists of chocolates flavored with raspberry, mocha, orange or cognac; white and dark ganache, a Belgian praline, the Dresse Noix, and the Dresse Noisette which is a blend of hazelnut paste and chocolate which form elegant rosettes topped with filberts.

His partnership with Youngstown surgeon Jeff Stover goes back a few years. He was leafing through a U.S. Air Magazine during a flight, and was intrigued with a story that rated a Youngstown-based company the second best chocolatier in the country. When Jeff visited the store, Don was surprised to hear his company had been rated at all. A friendship and business relationship was formed, and in January the two incorporated, with Don holding 70 percent and Jeff 30.

Don and Jeff make 50 to 75 pounds of candy a day in their shop at 2503 Mahoning Ave. in Youngstown, with the help of one full-time employee and three part-timers. Every section of the house is utilized: the living room is set aside for dipping, the kitchen for making centers, and the upstairs quarters for packaging and office space.

Most of the business is mail order, and they hope to concentrate on that in the future, but the shop does well, too. They hope to open more stores as demand grows.

"Production is a problem because the chocolate has to be made by hand. It's hard for us to keep up and work long hours. Jeff and I need to work on the company's growth," he says.

Don's chocolates can be ordered by calling the toll free number, 1-800-844-9497 or 1-888-628-7435. The firm's website can be reached at www.cisnet.com/chocolates. Prices are \$22.50 plus \$5 shipping and handling for the one pound size and \$45 plus \$7 shipping and handling for the two pound size.

The shop at 2503 Mahoning Ave. in Youngstown can be reached from downtown Youngstown: West on Mahoning between Belle Vista and Hazelwood, on the left or south side of the street. The store's driveway is opposite the intersection of Manchester. From Meridian Avenue: Head east toward downtown Youngstown. The shop is on the right or south side of the street one block past the third traffic light (Hazelwood) and next to the car wash.

Sobek corrects vision problems

Undetected vision problems can ect a child's success in school and an adult's success in life, Dr. Joseph J. Sobek ('56) believes.

Joseph, an optometrist and developmental vision specialist in Dover, Ohio, says only 60 of the 3,000 optometrist in Ohio do some type of "helping children" work, or vision therapy, and that's only two percent.

"Most doctors correct sight, what comes into the eyeball. Vision is what really happens in the brain," he told a reporter for the Bargain Hunter publication of the Tuscarawas area in June. "Visual motor is telling the brain telling the muscles what to do."

Typical eye examinations determine how well a person sees at a distance of 20 feet. "When about 80 percent of the information your brain takes in is through your vision, this can be critical to your success in life, " he said.

"Traditional optometrists, old-timers like me, still test the performance skills of how the two eyes work together at a stance. We also test for accommodation (turning the eyes for reading) and focusing."

A person with 20/20 eyesight who can't focus may have difficulty reading, headaches, and problems with remembering, Joseph says. Words may disappear, letters may move around on the page or the print may go in and out of focus.

"Most kids think this is normal because that's what is happening to them," Joseph says. "Children often think everyone sees the same way they do and never say anthing."

Not all vision examinations are learning-related and that is his specialty. A comprehensive learning-related visions exam also evaluates eye movement control, focusing, tracking, fixation, how the eyes work together, visual motor integration, form perception and visual memory.

He says passive visual activities like watching television, video and amputer screens often hinder development of good vision skills.

Some children hate school or are

labeled slow, lazy, attention deficit, dyslexic, working below potential or a behavior problem. Children do have these problems, but Joseph believes for some youngsters it may be they don't see or focus the way they should.

While "one hour" eye care is popular with the hectic schedules of the 1990s, that may not be enough for some people, Josheph says. Vision therapy is more than just getting glasses in one visit. It involves a series of visits to learn specific activities to correct the vision problem. However, the positive effect of the exercises may be evident immediately.

Teachers have been supportive of his methods and let parents know this may be an answer. Others resist his ideas.

"Yet once people come in here and see what we do, the biggest referrals are our successful people. Once we get done, we still send them back to their regular eye doctors."

"My method is not fast; you have to exercise, you have to do the work. Most parents and children don't want to work. A disability means you can't do it," Joseph says. "Would you rather have your children have disabilities or abilities is a question I ask them."

"If you can't jump rope, march, make a basketball hoop or read fast-those are disabilities. If we take the 'dis' off, now our children are happier because they have an ability to do things."

Vacar likes website

Broadcast journalist Tom Vacar ('67) who works at KTVU Fox in San Francisco is pleased with the alumni association website. He writes, "Having attended all of my five-year class reunions, it's fun to 'come back home' more often through cyberspace. I hope all classmates from all classes will help establish this as the premier high school web site in the nation, just as they have done with the association itself."

Alumni office has own website

A local internet service company has developed and donated a website for the Salem High Alumni Association.

Digital Venues, Inc. developed the SHSAA website which is found on the Internet at www.salemohio.com/alumni. The site serves as a single, up-to-date source of information and events for the alumni association, 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.

Any alumni with Internet access can browse the website to get current listings of class reunions, class coordinators, and honored alumni. Alumni can also submit any name or address changes.

A directory of web pages has been created for each graduating class and the company is offering free hosting to anyone interested in creating a home page for their class.

The directory of alumni email addresses can be searched by first name, last name, or graduating class.

Even the newsletter is available, although the current edition is not yet posted. Each future newsletter that is posted online will be archived for a search for articles by a key word or name in all of the archived or current newsletters.

To find out more about the city of Salem online, browse the city's website at www.salemohio.com.

Remembering SHS

Sharing memories of his football days at Salem High with his grandson, Louis Juliano ('46) fondly remembers his years at Salem High.

Louis turned 70, June 21, and celebrated with his family at his home in Olmsted Falls, his daughter Annette Juliano Quinn ('76) writes.

Louis' grandson is following in his grandpa's footsteps he plays the same position and wears he same number as his grandfather on the varsity football team at Elyria High School

Annette says Louis would love to hear from old classmates.

Reunion Classes Continue Support From Graduates

The Salem High School Reunion classes of 1998 continued the great tradition of providing monies for education for future graduates of Salem High School. It is only by this continuing support from our alumna that future graduates will have some help with the cost of their college educations.

CLASS OF 1938:^{\$}1146 The following members of the class of 1938 contributed to the total amount: Irene Schmidt Beals, Columbus, OH; Harry Booty, Youngstown, OH; Anna Simion Bursan, Cuyahoga Falls, OH; Lovell Metts Claypool, Labelle, FL; David Hart, Sarasota, FL; Harold and Mary Helen Bruderly Hoprich, Sun City, AZ; Bill Jones, Tuscon, AZ; Marguerite Vincent Lord, Broomall, PA; Paul Meier, Hobe Sound, FL; George Nagy, Canton, OH; Ruth Provins Shallenberg, Tullahoma, TN; Ralston Smith, Corvallis, OR; Betty Albright Hanzlick, Atlanta, GA; Dan Ugran, Phoenix, AZ, Betty Walton, Mayfield Heights, OH; Tawny Whitacre Wooley, Destin, FL; and from Salem: Mary T. Bohr, Earl Cody, Shirley Davidson, Mike Oana, Evelyn Tullis Robbins, Don Roher, John Spack, Joe Vogelhuber, Lloyd Walker, Hugh West, Edward Zilavy.

CLASS OF 1943:980 After their 50th Reunion in 1993, the Class of 1943 established a program and secured funds to donate to the Vocational Education Fund of the Alumni Association - a donation of \$20 honoring each deceased class member as their death occurred. The class has given \$400 in memory of the 20 class members who passed away from 1993 to 1998. In June of 1998, at their 55th Reunion, the class donated \$980 to the Vocational Education Fund in memory of these 49 class members whose deaths occurred prior to their 50th class reunion: Albert Kenst, Anna Hrovatic Adams, Art Cody, Jr, Anna M. Helman Eyster, Arthur Scheib, Barbara Brian, Betty Rea Walters. Clyde Pales, Dean Vincent, Dorothy Brobander Smith, Dorothy Kozar, Duane Thomas, Edward Safreed, Elaine Engeter Rogers, Elinor Hilliard Shasteen, Elio Volio, Esther Davis Schaefer, Ethel Kovash Thornton, Frank Hagan. Frank Lutz, Glenn Weigand, Harry Ehrhart, Harvey Stiffler, Howard Null, Irene Vavrek Brobander, Jack Beagle, Jacqueline Brown Beck, James Elias, Jean Lantz Paxson, Jean Vincent Williard, Jean Warner Simmons, Jerry Iler, Martin Catlos, Mary Byers Howett, Mildred Kenrnuir Brantingham, Regis Stiffler, Richard Beatty, Robert Myers, Ruth Sinsley Lee, Vinginia Schoss, William Lutsch, William Stratton, Wilma Anderson, Carmen Nocera, Dewey Shaffer, Richard Culberson, Robert Martin, Robert McNichol, and

The class presently has 165 class members still with us. They will honor these members with a similar donation, a total of \$3,300, within the next year. Thereby, they will have made a donation, representing each of the 234 Class of 1943 members, to the Vocational Education Alumni Fund.

 Martha Flickinger Haber, Perkiomenville, PA; Richard Herron, Fort Myers, FL; Norma Hanna Hippley, Lisbon, OH; Dick Jones, Alexandria, VA; Joe Kastanek, Clearwater, FL; Carol Kelly Kerr, Warren, OH; Mary Jane Merino Kimes, Alliance, OH; Odessa Bohner Landahl, Winter Haven, FL; Sally Zeigler Lefler, Westerville, OH; Mary Lippiatt Lewis, Akron, OH; Mary Jane Bergman Lull, Phoenix, AZ; Barbara Wilson McCorkhill, Beloit, OH; David Miller, Prescott Valley, AZ; Gloria Vincent Moore, Brookville, PA; Dom Parlontieri, Alliance, OH; Joy Chessman Pelletier, Shingle Springs, CA; Nancy Stamp Rek, Niles, OH; Sally Hurlburt Rosemond, Sanford, FL; Peggy Whiteleather Rosing, Convers, GA; Bill Sechler, Berea, OH; Patricia Keyes Smith, Columbus, OH; Jeanne Breault Smith, Clearwater, FL; Nancy Trebilcock Sobona, Fort Wayne, IN; Nancy Callahan Souder, Columbiana, OH; Miriam Bauman Sundstrom, Marysville, MI; Walter Taylor, Sebring, FL; Bill Urbanowicz, Leesburg, FL: Lucy Huston Warner, Ravenna, OH: Bill Weber, Carmel, IN; Dick Whinnery, Grand Prairie, TX; Jack Wilson, East Liverpool, OH: Mariorie Hanna Wood, Canton, MA: Dick Zimmerman, Pittsburgh, PA; and from Salem: Elaine Gillette Bergman, Jean Flick Bradley, Richard Borton, Robert Coffee, Danny Crawford, John DiAntonio, Pat Neely Ehrhart, Albert Falk, Roy Gibson, Ronnie Hannay, Marilyn Miller Herron, Grant Knavel, Dorothy Shoop Long, Rudy Maroscher, Clara Moyer Metts, Gloria Steffel McNeelan, Jim McNeelan, Marguerite Fultz Miller, Margaret Sommers Oesch, Irene Swetye Patterson, James Rhodes, Mary Ann Linder Roth, Royal Schiller, Genevieve Sims, Patricia Murphy Smith, Donna Leipper Snyder, Gerry Baker Spack, Richard Theiss, Janet Youtz Warner, Joyce 'Willie' Wilson,

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Thanks to the Class of '58, the Alumni Office now has a fax machine. You may now call, email, fax or mail us your change of addresses. Donating to this project were Bonnie Semple Wilson, Wooster, OH; Mark Weber, Jefferson, OH; Nancy Cope Murphy, Tucson, AZ; Kathleen Metts Ashbaugh, Calcutta, OH; Geraldine Pastorelli Wilson, Dublin, OH; David Zimmerman, Hudson, OH; Judith Sartick Morse, Warren, OH: James Schaeffer, Johns' Island, SC: Diane Papaspiros Steffas, Cleveland, OH; Charles Cook, Silver Springs, MD; Stephen Wald, Gastonia, NC; Carol Hawkins Souders, Niles, OH; Maureen Gonda Arundel, Girard, OH: Teresa Journey Miller, Raleigh, NC: Danny Weber, Lisbon, OH; Edward Drotloff, East Liverpool, OH; Joyce McElroy Lasky, Lisbon, OH; Paul Welch, Kent, OH; Mary Ann Howells Lyden, Columbiana, OH; and from Salem: Barbara Stamp Good, Henry Maxim, Sally Kays Sweeney, Frank Sweeney, Joyce Jensen Brooks, Howard Sommers, Helen Kupka Baker, Penny Parker Lippiatt, Twila Allison Lora, and Tom Althouse.

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Foreman enjoys Althorp tour

A visit to Princess Diana's Althorp home on July 23rd left an indelible impression on Marianne G. Foreman ('81) of Woodland Hill, California and is sharing the life-time experience through her recollections and photographs.

"Diana, Princess of Wales, was perhaps one of the most popular and well-known women of the 1980s and 1990s. I don't think this was realized until her tragic death last August when her Kensington Palace home became the centerpoint for a worldwide outpouring of grief," Marianne writes. "Millions of people around the world watched her televised funeral a few days later, and she was laid to rest at the Spencer ancestral home, Althorp. I think everyone who owns a television



set has seen the Round Oval where she has been laid fo rest."

"Late in 1997, Diana's brother, Earl Spencer, announced that Althorp would be open to the public during the months of July and August 1998, by invitation only. On July 23, I was one of the few people in the world (only about 150,000 people can go) who was fortunate enough to make the journey to Althorp which is located about 120 miles northeast of London.

"The tour not only included the

Visitors can be seen going toward the gates of Althorp which Earl Spencer opened to the public this summer.

At left Marianne Foreman stands in front of the gates of Diana's ancestral home on July 23, the day she toured the estate where the princess is buried.

Round Oval, but the house and grounds as well. The fact that Earl Spencer and his family still live in the house part of the year was clearly visible by some of the modern amentities (stereo, television, photos, etc.) that were surrounded by things of old.

"It was truly a unique experience to actually be in the same house and rooms where Diana grew up and lived, practiced ballet and dance in, and where Prince Charles asked for her hand in marriage.

Shaffer's new book offers over 230 photographs

With more than 230 historic photographs, "Salem, Ohio" by local historian Dale Shaffer offers an excellent visual image of what the past was like in the Quaker town.

Covering the time period from 1850 to 1956, this book offers a glimpse of the downtown of yesterday, with photos of the old buildings, trolley cars and homes.

The people of Salem are depicted as they looked, worked and played in earlier times. Every photo is a conversation piece with a unique story to tell, which represents a small part of Salem history.

"Salem has always been seen as a quiet, traditional, and peaceful city - largely because it was founded by Quakers," Shaffer says. "In fact, the name Salem, which comes from the word Jerusalem, literally means 'City of Peace.'

"The city has many claims to fame, including its active role in the Underground Railroad and the Anti-Slavery Movement. Salem has long been the industrial manu-

facturing center of the area, providing jobs for thousands of workers from miles around. Product names like Mullins, Deming, Silver, Eljer, American Standard and Bliss have been an important part of both the Salem and world economies for many years."

The price of the 128-page paperback book is \$21.

To order from Cheshire Booksellers, write to 379 E. State St., Salem 44460 or call (330) 332-5306.

Since June 1, 1998, the beginning of the new fiscal year, Salem High School alumni have opened their hearts and wallets to help future graduates of SHS. Through memorial gifts, beguests, and an estate memorial, a total of \$43,528,26 has been contributed to the Scholarship Fund.

In addition, classes holding 1998 reunions provided generous support for the Alumni Association. Contributing a total of \$14,126, the 50 year class of 1948 led the way with its gift of \$5000. The graduating class of 1998 gave a gift of \$200.

Individual contributors and memorials are listed below:

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Graduates of '45 plan for reunion

A small group of graduates from the Class of 1945 have come up with an idea to help finance their 55th reunion in the year 2000.

Elizabeth Thatcher, spokesman, says that the group meets once a month for lunch. They each give a dollar toward the reunion during the luncheons, but realize they are making little headway in gathering enough money to pay for the costs of a reunion.

"We have discussed this situation and thought perhaps each class member would be willing to send us \$12 a year so we would have some monies with which to plan our reunion activities," Elizabeth says. "If we would get \$12 for this year and \$12 for next year (a dollar per month) from each member we would be able to get ourselves in gear early in '99, because it does take discussion, exchange of ideas, implementation, etc."

Elizabeth adds that any suggestions will be appreciated.

Class members who would like to participate in this project can send their check or money order to the Salem High Class of 1945, in care of Elizabeth Thatcher, 365 S. Lincoln Ave. Salem 44460-3105.

Class reunions set for 1999

Planning for 1999 Reunions is well underway. Put aside these dates if you are a member of these classes:

- 1934 Sometime in July, 1999. Contact Roy Yeager at 332-5670
- 1939 May 28,1999 at Salem Golf Club. Contact Don Vincent 332-1776
- 1944 September 25,1999 at Timberlanes. Contact Liz Oldcorn at 337-6518
- 1949 September 17,18,19, 1999 but schedule is not yet complete. Contact Norma Byers at 222-1991
- **1954** September 4,1999 at Timberlanes. Contact Joan Spack at 337-7575
- 1959 July 23, 1999 Reception at VFW.

 July 24, 1999 Dinner and Dance at

 Timberlanes, 6:30 PM. Contact Ray Esterly
 at 332-4763

- 1964 August 6, 1999 Pump Room, Timberlanes August 7, 1999 Salem Golf Club Contact Stevie Jo Rice Thomas at 332-9749
- 1969 August 7, 1999 at Timberlanes Contact Fred Werner at 337-6498
- 1974 August 28, 1999 at The Barn Contact Diane Roberts James 332-4474
- 1979 Needs someone to step forward to plan their reunion
- 1984 September 3, 1999 Bon-Fire Set-Up Party following Salem Football game. September 4, 1999: Golf Scramble AM Family Picnic 12-3, Hotdogs & chips provided Casual evening at The Barn: Cocktails, Music, Barbecue 6:30-??. Contact Lori Seese Yerkey at 337-9165
- 1989 August 28, 1999 Contact Lucia Apicella Fraser at 337-6222

Lichtenwalter Family Advocate

Twelve years ago, Carol Lichtenwalter ('70) was having difficulty finding services to help her daughter, Amy, who has Down Syndrome. During her search she got involved with family advocacy.

She began by seeking the advice and support of other parents in similar situations. When Amy was 5, Carol joined with others to form the United Parents Support Group for Down syndrome.

For the next seven years she worked with the Arc of Stark County. Then a little over four years ago, she began working for the Stark County Family Council as an administrator.

Today, Carol is director of the council, and her goal is making social services for families accessible and effective.

The Akron, Ohio Beacon Journal

profiled Carol in its Our Town column on May 26, focusing on her work with the council.

The council helps parents use services and agencies that range from education, mental health and children's services, to health and juvenile justice.

Whenever possible, the council tries to work out solutions that keep youngsters with their families and in their communities. Many families are unaware of the numerous public services that are available, and she enjoys making it easier for families to find the service that will help them.

Carol, who can be reached at PO Box 8852, Canton Ohio 44711, enjoys working in the yard, reading, and spending time with her family which includes her husband Tim, two sons and daughter.

Smith named outstanding educator

Jeanne Landwert Smith ('72) has received the Franklin B. Walter Outstanding Educator Award.

Jeanne is a teacher at West Carrollton Junior High School, and was chosen by the Miami Valley

Special Education Center from a field of 15 other statewide nominees. Jeanne has taught for 22 years, 19 at the junior high level where she seves as the Special Education Department chairperson.

"I'm embarassed for taking credit," Jeanne says. "These were never things I did by myself. If I didn't have wonderful people to work with, this would've never happened."

She spends part of the day helping emotional and behavioral students reintegrate into regular classes and also works as a learning disabilities teacher.

Jeanne meets after school with students who have been in physical or verbal conflicts and has organized a peer mediation group to combat youth violence.

Salem gets name in the news

Andy Chitiea ('42) writes to us from time to time about interesting goings on in the east coast, and recently sent us a story involving Salem which appeared in the Los Angeles times.

In his June 17 column, Off-Kilter, staff writer Roy Rivenburg puts Salem in his Bizarre Memorials Department: "When we recently told you about a San Diego businessman's proposal to put urns inside the outfield wall of a

new San Diego Padres baseball park, we figured it was the weirdest stadium idea around. We were wrong. At O'Rielly (!) Stadium in Salem, Ohio, a urinal once used by John F. Kennedy is displayed as a historical monument."

Andy's P.S. to this interesting piece of information: "Believe me, having lived there for 16 years, Los Angeles has a lot more weird things than this. As a matter of fact, the weird is the norm."

Vacar airports systems director

Richard M. Vacar ('64) has been named the City of Houston Airport System's Director of Aviation.

Nominated by Mayor Lee P. Brown on March 26, Richard was unanimously approved by the Houston City Council on April 8. He had served as acting director since early December following the departure of longtime HAS Director Paul B. Gaines.

"During his tenure as the department's chief operating officer/deputy director, operations and maintenance, and later as acting director, Rick has shown clearly his ability to lead the world's sixth largest airport system," Mayor Brown said when he announced the nomination.

"I am confident that he will continue to effectively and efficiently lead our city's airports through the amazing growth they have been experiencing over the years," Brown said.

Richard, an accredited executive of the American Association of Airport Executives, joined the Houston Department of Aviation in August 1995, after serving six years as executive director of Florida's Sarasota Manatee Airport Authority.

A licensed attorney admitted to practice in California and several federal courts, Richard is a licensed pilot, and previously served as deputy director of operations and noise program/environmental manager of the Burbank-Glendale-Pasadena Airport Authority.

"I am pleased Mayor Brown asked me to join his leadership team and City Council has given me its vote of confidence," Richard said, following the nomination. "We have an incredible group of employees within the Houston Airport System who work hard every day to make sure our facilities are well thought of by the public, including our passengers, tenants, airlines and meeters and greeters. I look forward to us continuing our high level of service¹ to each of those constituent groups."

Community calendars available

The Salem Community calendar, printed annually for the benefit of designated non-profit organizations in Salem, is now available by mail order.

From 1984 To 1991, the calendar proceeds were given to SAGE, the Salem Association for the Gifted Education, which is now affiliated with the Salem Public Schools. Since 1992 the beneficiary has been the Episcopal Church of Our Saviour.

This year's calendar will feature sketches by local artists; Jock Buta, Erma Eaton, Diane Friedel, Jim Gow, JoAnn Holt, Sam Kirkland, Jodi Paxson, Ed Sullivan, Linda Sutter and Janice Yereb.

The buildings being featured include downtown businesses (Spack Insurance Co. And Fenske's News Agency), old buildings (remodeled Burchfield house and refurbished Butech office exterior) as well as several century homes on North and South Lincoln Avenues.

Price of the calendar is \$9. To place an order, write Mrs. John Buta, 663 S. Lincoln Ave., Salem 44460, and include a check for \$9 which covers the cost of the postage.

Peachy Weeks reaches 100

Everyone who ever met or worked with Irene "Peachy" Weeks remembers her well - as a cheerleading coach or a promoter of thespian projects during her years as a teacher at Salem High, she put her all in to it.

Peachy reached a milestone in her life this year. On May 27, she celebrated her 100th birthday. Since 1992 she has resided at Hutton Nursing Center I, and she's known there, too, as Peachy.

She got the nickname, which stuck over the decades that followed, on her first teaching assignment, a freshman geography class. "And it was a tough one," she recalls today. Good of it came, though, on the last day of school the "bad boys" of her class gave her a

pillow with a peach placed in the center. The words: "A Peach of a Teacher."

Peachy has lived in Salem since 1935, although she grew up in Michigan where she graduated from St. Clare High School. She received her college degree from Albion College when she was only 18.

For 26 years, she taught German and French languages in Salem schools, retiring in 1968.

She still speaks fluent French and German, and she and another resident enjoy conversations in French frequently.

If you care to write her, Peachy can be reached at Essex of Salem, 2511 Bentley Drive, Salem 44460.

Alumni enjoy newsletter

"I love to tell friends about this marvelous fund," Patricia Ross French ('56) writes in reference to the alumni association.

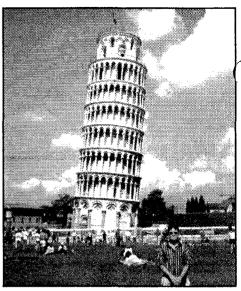
"None of them has ever heard of a public high school even having such a thing. I love knowing that I'm a part of this effort to provide educational funding for deserving students from my hometown of long ago!"

Culley Coughlin ('58) enjoys receiving the alumni newsletter, and includes the addresses of her sister and brother. Sylvia Ann Livingston Recktenwald ('55) lives at 1698

Sundown Lane, San Jose, Calif. 95127; and Meredith Suliot Livingston ('57) resides at PO Box 125, Valparaiso, Fla. 32580-0125.

Joyce Vaughan Constant ('51) of Falls Church, Va., looks forward to receiving the newsletter. "I usually drop everything when I receive it and read it from cover to cover. It brings back fond memories of Salem and high school."

Joyce writes about the passing of her sister, Audrey Vaughan Cunning ('54) on October 26, 1997.



Stopping to have his photo taken during his stay in Pisa, Italy in June is T. J. Bakondy ('97), who poses in front of the city's famous tourist attractions, the leaning tower.

Notes from alumni

Although he's retired, Dr. Robert E. Campbell ('49) of Haverford, Pa., is still keeping busy, editing a postgraduate educational publication for diagnostic radiologists.

Robert tells us that he's "playing more golf, but my handicap has not improved. I'm pleased to read that the Salem High School Alumni Association Committee has granted nearly \$2 million in scholarships to almost 1, 000 students over the past years. Keep up the good work. My father would be proud of your efforts." Robert's father was Frederick M. Campbell.

Recent graduate, Amanda J. Jackson says: "Thank you very much for the generous scholorship of \$3,600...I know of no other school district that is so generous and so supportive of its students. The money is very much needed to pay my tuition to Otterbein College in the fall."

Walt Kekel ('58) likes the alumni newsletter and the website. "I hope the alumni will take the time to browse it and enter their information so fellow alumni can communicate." He also appreciates the time and effort we put into the newsletter, and enjoys perusing each issue.

Vavrek organizes fundraisers for veterans memorial

World traveler George "Socko" Vavrek ('45) has completed two successful fundraisers for a new veterans chapel to be built in Boulder City, Nevada.

Over \$700,000 was raised in a one-year period for the project which will cost \$1.3 million. George is serving on the chapel committee's executive board which plans to have the chapel completed by Memorial Day 1999.

He left Salem ten days after his graduation from Salem High in 1945. In California, he worked for the Navy Department and then joined the U.S. Marines. For six years he served at Cherry Point, N.C., Quantico, Va. and El Toro, Calif. He's a World War II and Korean War veteran with the rank of staff sergeant.

A life member of eight veterans organizations and active in several of them, he lived in California for 40 years, working as a salesman and a bailbondsman. After he retired in 1992, he moved to Nevada.

Socko organized the first Salem Quakers California reunion in October 1986 in Long Beach, attended by 150 people. A year later, he set up the acond reunion, this time in San Pedro, and attended by 175 people.

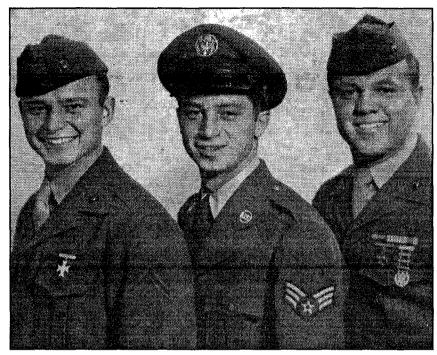


Photo above was taken Easter of 1951 in Salem, it was the first reunion in three years for the Vavrek brothers. From left are George of Henderson, Nevada; Joseph ('48) of Fairfield, Calif.; and Evin ('50) of Cojai, Calif. Joe served 26-1/2 years in the Air Force, leaving as a master sergeant, and Ervin served in Korea as a Marine Corps sergeant. George Vavrek is shown (top) in 1949 at Quantico, Va. where he played center and line backer for two years with the famed Quantico Marines. He also played for two years at Cherry Point, N.C.

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Hansell named to L.A. police commissioner board

Dean Hansell ('70) was sworn in July for a full five-year term as a member of the Los Angeles Board of Police Commissioners.

He was first appointed by Mayor Riordan in July 1997 to serve out the unexpired term of Police Commission President Ray Fisher who resigned to become the Associate Attorney General of the United States.

A partner and partner-in-charge of litigation with the Los Angeles office of the law firm LeBoeuf, Lamb, Green & MacRae, Dean has taken a leadership role in a number of commission initiatives during his first year on the commission.

They include instituting police commission review, audit and final approval of all law enforcement related injuries; creating a Hate Crimes Task Force that is re-drafting the Special order governing enforcement of hate crimes, designing training procedures; creating an Intellectual Property Ad Hoc Committee to make recommendations on licensing and property issues of the LAPD logo.

He has led in new procedures in risk management to strengthen the commission's ability to reduce the cost of litigation to the taxpayers; he's working with the mortgage industry to provide financing for police officers and firefighters who want to live within the Los Angeles city limits.

A business trial lawyer, Dean is the past chair of the antitrust section of the Los Angeles Bar Association and is a member of the McBurney Complex Litigation Inn of Court. He has also been a judge pro tem of the Los Angeles County Superior Court.

A graduate of Northwestern University Law School and Denison University, Dean has been a member of the executive advisory board of the Asian Pacific American Legal Center, served on the editorial board of the Los Angeles Lawyer Magazine, and the editorial board of the International Reinsurance Dispute Reporter.

He was an adjunct assistant professor of law, teaching legal ethics at South-western Law School. He is also the author of more than 20 book chapters and law review articles on a variety of legal topics.

He has been involved in a variety of community and law-related organizations. Dean serves as a member of the board of directors of the Library Foundation of Los Angeles, is vice chair of the board of directors of the Los Angeles Shanti Foundation, past board member of the Jewish Federation Council of Los Angeles Metro Region, and the Martin Luther King Institute.

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