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From The President's Desk by Ray Guim, '74



Dear Alumni,

Congratulations!

Our website is one of the biggest associations on Class Creator Network, and perhaps the second biggest site they have. True, there may

be bigger schools than BHS, but our alumni association is one of the oldest, having been around since 1986. Additionally, our association is special because we have given out at least six scholarships annually since 1986. Last year, our scholarships totaled \$12,500! This is all because we have great membership and sponsors. You can help by becoming one of those members; dues are small at only \$12 per year but, when added up, go a long way.

Beyond scholarships, our association has many other ongoing projects. One of our biggest tasks is our three-phase yearbook project. The first phase is to scan every yearbook picture for posting to our website (www.BensalemOwls.org). That means there are almost 28,000 pictures to scan and upload! John Bowman '77 and Lee Kirk '68 have given us a lot of help on this part of the project. As of this newsletter, we have just three years left to scan! This phase has taken almost three years of work, but I think the pictures are really great. Now you can check any year's photos by logging onto our site, clicking on "classmate profiles," selecting "year," and choosing "show yearbook pictures."

We have over 1,000 teachers' names on our site but want to share their pictures, too. As soon as we finish with uploading students' pictures, that will become our goal. Our final phase will be posting every single yearbook since 1925 online. We have already begun

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2014 Scholarship Winners

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*Cecelia Snyder
Memorial*



**Ian
Pisarchuk**

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*Jack & Dolores
Tilley-Hansen*



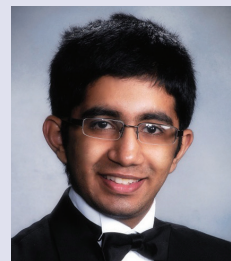
**Brian
Leible**

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*Florence Gerhart
Muller Memorial*



**Muhammad
Tahir**

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Mat's Pharmacy



**Parth
S. Patel**

~
*Thomas Jerome
Mitchell*



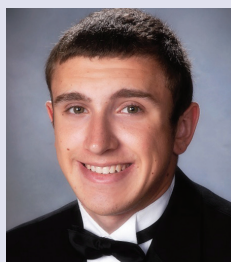
Kelly Nolan

~
*George H. Hadley
Memorial*



**Corey
Enelow**

~
*Betty Tono
Memorial*



**Chris
Kolcoyne**

~
*Al Bader
Memorial*



Thank You, Alumni!
Your dues & donations make this possible!

**SAVE
THE
DATE**

Annual Scholarship Golf Outing
June 17, 2015 ~ Bensalem Township County Club ~ see p. 5

President's Desk

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work on this phase; it has been going on simultaneously in cooperation with Bensalem Historical Society. John Dignam '78 and Robert Homolka '83 and Charles Satterfield (non-alumni) have tirelessly scanned yearbooks every Saturday morning for almost two years now. We have just a few more yearbooks to complete. Soon, we will find a site to host all of these books so that our dues-paying members can check them out. It's lots of fun to go back and read the books to see how things have changed and yet stayed the same.

To use our site, you can choose whether or not to log in via Facebook. If you choose to log in through Facebook, you will find that it's a pretty seamless process. Either way, once you create a profile on our site, only other members with profiles can see your shared information. Only registered members can view yearbook pictures, too, so be sure you have a profile if you want to take advantage of what we have to offer!

Another great member feature is our "In Memory" section, honoring those we have lost. Members receive notices whenever someone is added to this section. We know that everyone gets lots of e-mail these days, so you can choose to have this notice sent daily, weekly, or

monthly to better fit your inbox needs. The "In Memory" section also has symbols to alert you if someone has an obituary/comment (a rose) or no information (**). I have a personal goal of seeing that everyone in the section gets a rose so that we can pay our respects to those we've lost, but I need your help to do this. Please, if you know someone on this list and can say a few kind words, I would appreciate it. Military members also receive an American flag symbol, and I know many more alumni deserve to have one, too, so please alert us if you can help us out.

Alright, on to the big news! Our committee has recently voted to hold a reunion picnic for all of our alumni. We are looking into some locations and will let you know where it will be held soon. The tentative date is September 2016. Mark your calendars now and get ready for a big picnic! You can also check our site to see if your class is having a reunion soon—or even to see if you missed the last reunion—by looking for the "Reunion Calendar" and "Reunion Archive." Your graduating class is not required to work with the Alumni Association, of course, but we have lots of resources and can really help promote your reunion. Send me an email to President@BensalemAlumni.org if you're planning a reunion, and I will give you some information.

Next year's golf outing will be on June 17, 2015 at Bensalem Township County Club. Come and catch up with us! This year, we had a special guest. Have you heard of Kevin Grow '14? If not, do a quick Google search, and you'll see plenty of stories and videos. He's the kind of guy who will be a trivia question for many years to come with questions like, "Who signed a basketball contract with the Philadelphia 76'ers and the Harlem Globetrotters in the same year?" Kevin was a high school senior and team basketball manager who was born with Downs Syndrome. He went into a game on Feb 8, 2014, and scored 14 points in two minutes. He made four out of five three-pointers, the last one at the buzzer! He made national news and had a whirlwind tour with Vice Principle Geoff Per '86. At our golf outing, Kevin promptly beat some of the old crew to some three-point shots! I have to admit that I need some work if I'm going to catch up with Kevin.

I look forward to all of the great things we'll get to do together soon. Have a great holiday season and wonderful new year!

Ray



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January 31, 2015



2015 Bensalem High School Hall of Fame Inductees (left to right): Donna Marie Ferriola-Brosh, '92 (Basketball), Angela Howard-McIlwaine, '92 (Basketball), Robsawne Little, '94 (football), Brian Locke, '93 (football), Brittany Yetter-Cloutier, '05 (soccer), Antwine Moore, '90 (basketball), Christine Brady-Shannon, '96 (softball), Lisa Johnson-Nutter, '82 (track), Ralph Tamm, '84 (football), John Thompson, '04 (track), Samantha Farlow, '08 (soccer), Reggie Carter, '06 (track), *Absent from the picture Linda Crawford-Faloon, '77 (swimming).*



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All Bensalem alumni from the 60's are welcome!

October 11, 2015, from 2:00 to 6:00 ~ \$60/pp

Bensalem Township Country Club

All money due by 9/20; Sorry, no tickets at the door.

Anyone interested in golfing at the Bensalem Country Club on Friday (10/9) or Saturday (10/10 after 11 am), a discounted tee time rate of \$30 can be booked beginning Sept. 25 at 215-639-5556, ext.1.

Checks or questions can be directed to: **Kathy Tomlinson Quinn**, 18 Boulder Lane, Horsham, PA 19044; jjqktq@verizon.net; 215-990-7653; or **Deanann Hinkin**, 1831 Crazy Horse Drive, Auburn, PA 17922; czaborowski1831@comcast.net; 267-736-9744 or 570-739-4281.

REUNION NEWS

Classes '69 – '72 Annual Picnic Reunion

Saturday, September 26, 2015

12:00 to 6:00PM ~ *All are welcome!*

Core Creek Park ~ Pavillions 5 & 6

More information to follow on website, or contact:

Diane Jones Pittam '69 – twopitts@comcast.net ;

John Helgesen '70 – livkory@hotmail.com;

Laureen Ditzio Martin '71 – labs4lm@yahoo.com;

Linda Prindle Panuccio '72 – lpanuccio54@hotmail.com.

*For more Reunion News, visit us
on the web @ www.BensalemAlumni.org*

ALUMNI IN THE MILITARY

U.S. Air National Guard Airman 1st Class

Eric D. Buechner '13 graduated from basic military training at Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland, Texas. Buechner is the son of Jeffrey and Tracey Buechner, the grandson of Nancy Staerk, and of Norman and Carol Buechner; the

nephew of Kelly, Chris, and Denise Buechner, Mike and Nancy Pritchard, all of Bensalem, and of Kevin and Lisa Buechner of Pennel.

Air Force Airman 1st Class **Jeremy J.**

Mctamney '14 graduated from basic military training at Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland,

Texas. Mctamney is the son of Linda Michener of Bensalem. He is also the brother of Julie Alexander and the son-in-law of John Alexander, both of Levittown.

Army Pvt. Christopher D. Suarez '14 has graduated from basic combat training at Fort Jackson, S.C. Suarez is the son of Dalilah and step-son of Andy Padilla of Bristol.

Air Force Airman **Vincent Angel** '14

graduated from basic military training at Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland, Texas.



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28th Annual Alumni Golf Tourney



Wednesday, June 17, 2015 ~ Bensalem Twp. Country Club

Our annual golf outing is open to all Bensalem HS alumni and their guests. The \$120/golfer registration fee includes: golf w/ cart, coffee & doughnuts in the morning, soft pretzels, soft drinks, water and beer on the course. Swing shot prints of all golfers are also included, with swing shot video's online at www.SwingMan.Smug.com.

Prizes for every golfer are awarded at the buffet lunch immediately after the tournament.

Proceeds support our scholarship fund, which awards scholarships to seven deserving Bensalem High School seniors each year. To register as a golfer and/or a sponsors, please visit www.BensalemOwls.org.

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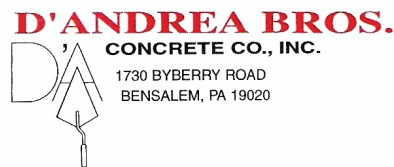
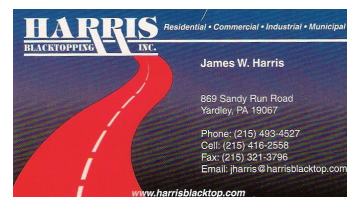
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Alice J Scheer
Sperling, '45
Sarah A Lorenzo
Gottsabend, '49
Walter R Dallas, '50
Howard Bates, '50
George C Egly, Jr., '52
Allen Morrison, '52
Geraldine Zukowski, '52
Erma H Rupp, '53
Rose M Grey Doneker, '53
Patricia A Malloy Tither, '54
Marie E Quigley Garton, '55
Edwin Catanach, '55
John Shetzline, '56
Virginia A Clifford Wharton, '60
Marjorie Hodgson Hughes, '60
Charles J Morton, '60

Peggy A Foley Parker, '61
Richard Booz, '61
Theodore Kristiniak, '62
Barbara L Incarnato Hughes, '62
Julie Snyder Bruni, '63
William Mahoney, '63
Eugene Samero, '65
Gordon Larson, '65
Dorothy Vickers DelGuerico, '65
Robert Eckert, '66
Thornton Wagner, '66
Carolynne D'Aquino, '67
Linda G Ashton Price, '68
Robert E Poole, '68
Diane Pittam Jones, '69
Leigh Schwartz Pallatt, '69
Nancy L Anderson Ashton, '70
Robert Varkonyl, '70
Joanne Shafter Christian, '71
Keith Crawford, '71
Donald Doorly, '71

Patricia R Grady, '72
Linda C Panuccio Prindle, '72
Doris Lynn, '72
Dylan Lynn, '72
Luanne DiPaolo Ashton, '74
Joseph Price, '74
Jack Dietz, '74
Mark Piscitelli, '74
Joanne Penner Connelly, '75
Phyllis Zecca Gallagher, '77
Lynn Shucat Fankhouser, '79
Bill Kohler, '81
Donna M Wilson, '82
Tammy Jenkins Rarick, '82
David Segal, '83
Alan Jenkins, '83
Jennifer Weaver, '07
Marie Rickarts
Lynda Alexander
George Cutter

BLUE OWL

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Jean A Mudie Jones, '41
G Eileen Keener Dunkerley, '46
Teddy T Saiki, '46
David Dallas, '46
Elizabeth F Kirk Seip, '53
Frances O'Keefe Bender, '56
Gerald J (Jerry) Weikel, '57
Louise (Cooki) Collinet Lutkefedder, '61
Richard Ossowski, '62
James L Drueding, '62
Theodore Kristiniak Jr., '62
Bob Ifkovitz, '64

Betty Klebe, '64
Rosalyn Flannelly, '65
Jack Klebe, '65
Deanann A Hinkin Zaborowski, '65
Marilyn K Sharif Lewis, '66
Carolyn Shindler Funke, '66
Kathleen Quinn Tomlinson, '66
Kenn Hughes, '67
Joseph Romello, '69
Dennis G Moessner, '71
Dennis Moessner, '71
Beryl Rosen, '71

Mark Lecuyer, '73
Ed Allahand, '73
Ray Guim, '74
Marcele F Bartlett, '75
Cathy Monroe, '76
David DeBonaventura, '77
Patricia L DeBonaventura Barrett, '77
Mary K Clifton, '79
Richard Florentino
Roberta Vickers
Albert L Copeland, Jr

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Eileen Harner, '57
Daniel R Bentz, '59
Mary Newcomer Gruver, '60
Patricia Allahand, '60
Harry M Thorpe, Jr., '61

Joan Cronise Gregg, '63
John E Dahlquist, '64
Robert A Behm, '65
James A Hartz, '65
Harry Kellerman, '66
James Bogan, '67
Karen Lilik Shastay, '70

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Edward J.D. Sherwood, '74
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Diane Muller Sills, '61

Steven Geiges, '74

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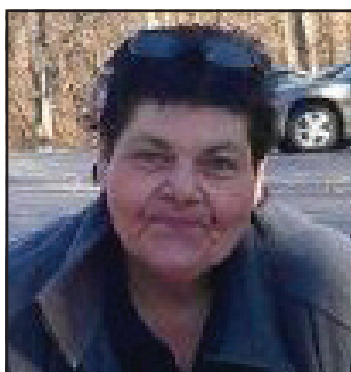
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We do our best to make sure those who help us achieve our mission are recognized, but sometimes a name or two may not appear where it should in print. To those we say "we're sorry!" Please visit www.BensalemAlumni.org for a complete list, and let us know if anyone is missing!

In Memory . . .



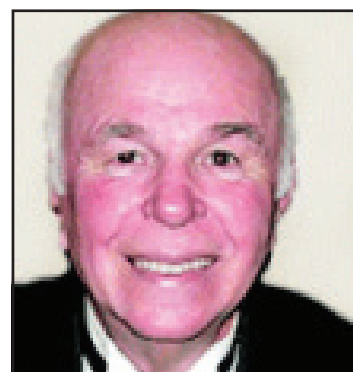
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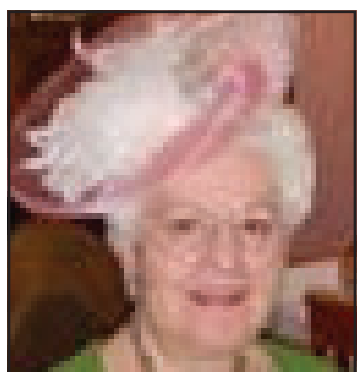
Eugenia Abril '83



Jeffrey Burke '88



Robert J. Erkert '55



Hedy Witzel Scherneck '60



Virginia E. Boyd Whyte '41



*Margaret Maginnis
McDonald '40*



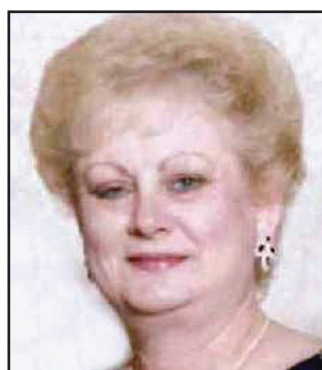
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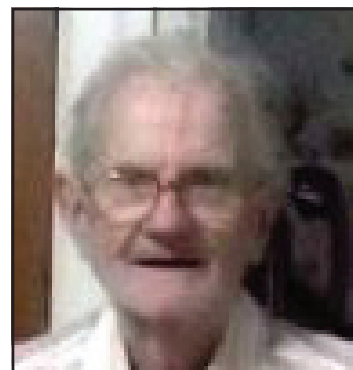
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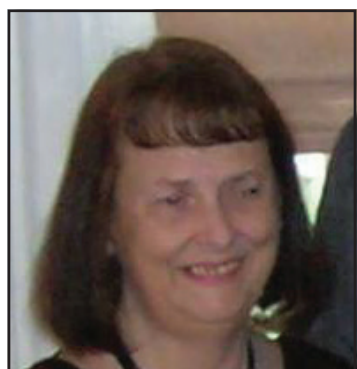
Nancy Zimmerman Powell '53



Nancy H. Parker Blair, '59



Lester C. (Les) Yeagle '46



Linda M. Meyer '68



Chester W. Kowalski '53



Clara Kleinert Tomlinson '35



Joseph Wilk '37

In Memory . . .



Edward B. (Ed) Vasant '46



Edward J. Conway Jr. '63



Gary A. Goodspeed '71



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John J. Diamond '45



Mark Beecher '83



Jacob R. Simmers '13



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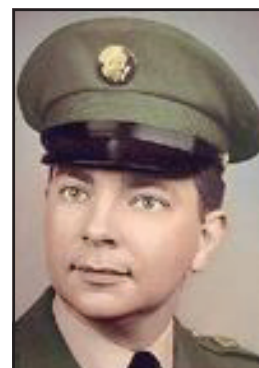
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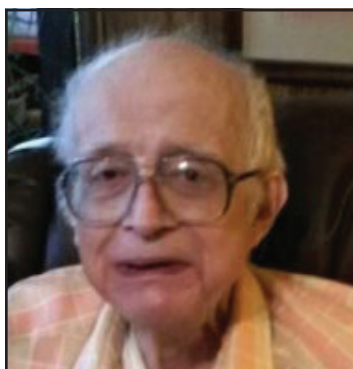
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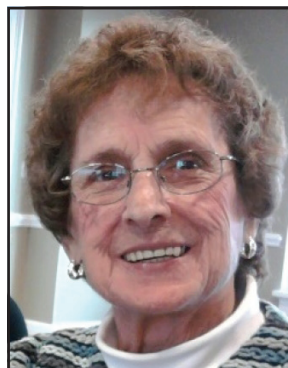
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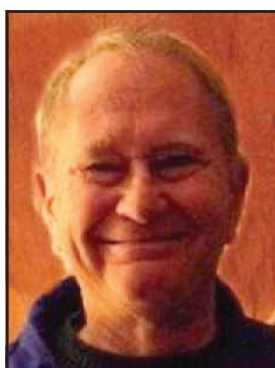
Barbara J. Schaul Payne '54



George E. Darby '67



James W. Snow '59



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Dennis Warg



Ruth M. Mattocks Kauffman '47

Not Pictured...

Linda F. Jones Gausline '62

Dean Lacriox '72

Andrew Srogota '66

Gloria T. Thompson

Laster-Taylor '48

Joseph Heilman '53

Robert Hoch '82

Mary Coar Sleppy '50

Denise M. Dorman Palovcak '76

Joseph Cowdrick '66

Michael Milgram '91

James (Dunk) Duncan '50

Sandra M. Kolecki '65

Sue Crossman '70

Fawn Fellmuth Malizia '79

John J. Paczynski '56

Virginia Killiam '67

Doris E. Avrett Grantham '57

Stephen J. Smith III of Hilton Head, S.C., died Monday, Dec. 15, 2014, after a lengthy illness. He was 44.

Mr. Smith was born in Elkins Park, Pa., and raised in Bensalem. He was a 1988 graduate of Bensalem High School. He received a Bachelor's degree in Sports Administration from Temple University, and a Master's degree in Journalism from The University of South Carolina.

Mr. Smith was the owner-proprietor of Three Dawg Entertainment, and an assistant tennis professional at Palmetto Dunes Tennis Center.

Besides tennis, he loved golf, and all the Philadelphia sports teams.

Mr. Smith was preceded in death by his mother, Frances (Hart) Smith. He will be sadly missed by his father, Stephen J. Smith Jr.; his loving sister, Beth Costa (Donald); and his two nephews, Kaegan and Gryfin Costa, and numerous aunts, uncles and cousins.

Wayne Mirante '77

Lillian Walters Wiley '55

Stacey L. Brown Mace '81

Virginia Carter Mangone '58

Patricia McIlhenny Clungeon '64

Alfred R. Carter '63

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Barbara Jacobs '82

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Justin Witman

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**ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP
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June 17, 2015 @ Bensalem Township County Club.



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