



# PANTHER'S TALE

CHELTENHAM HIGH SCHOOL  
ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

SPRING 1986

## THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

The Alumni Association is a group of CHS graduates who get together once a month to talk about ways we can promote unity among the alumni and support for our old Alma Mater.

When we left CHS, knowledge and friendships went with us, and this is one of the ways we have to give something back in return.

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**IF YOU MOVE, NOTIFY YOUR CHS ALUMNI ASSOCIATION. DON'T MISS YOUR CLASS REUNION DUE TO AN UNKNOWN ADDRESS.**



Melvia Wayns '33, John Knauf '31, Louise Bers Rose '33, Betty Cataldi '62, Marjorie Tucker, Sam Tucker '33, Ritchie Smith '33

Sunday, May 3, 1986, Cheltenham High School was the setting for a super All-Alumni Reunion! Over 300 people enjoyed a display of CHS memorabilia, talked with other alumni, ate heartily, courtesy of Rizzo's Italian Market, saw a slide show from our Centennial celebration, and heard the cast of this year's high school show, "Fiddler on the Roof" sing two songs. It was a marvelous afternoon — the camaraderie was fantastic! Classes represented ran from the 20's to the 80's. Tours of the "new" (built in 1959) building were given. All ages truly enjoyed their common bonds and requested that this type of event be repeated.



Bonfire/Pep Rally (l to r) Randall Ward '65, Robert Scholly '57, Bert Filemy '65, with future CHS graduates. Scott Negley '57, Betty Cataldi '62, Richard Marburg; Athletic Director, Michael Moonblatt '64, and Mark Waldo '68.

After an absence of sixteen years, a bonfire/pep rally culminated a week full of events leading up to the annual CHS-Abington football game in November. The event drew over one-hundred fif-

ty students, staff members and graduates. Although CHS lost to Abington, it is our hope that this spirit-raising event will continue for many years.

## ACTIVE WITH NASA

**Robert R. Stanley '55**, has been active with NASA for over 22 years, traveling worldwide for them and winning numerous awards for outstanding service. In 1969, Robert was Senior NASA Representative on the re-entry ship for Apollo 10 and Apollo 11 Lunar Mission return to earth in the South Pacific. Robert is head of NASA's Simulation and Compatibility Test Branch at Goddard Space Flight Center. He and his wife, Caroline, and their two children, Robert, Jr., age 15, and William H., age 10, live in Laurel, Maryland. Other interests are skiing, travel, antiques and classic cars.

## A GIRL NAMED SAM

Petite, energetic, a film awards administrator and another successful CHS graduate. **Sam Katz '73**, fits that description. She organizes the presentation of the Nissan Focus student film awards held annually in Hollywood. It is sponsored by the Nissan Motor Corporation of America and was created for them by TRG Communications. She joined TRG in 1982, a New York based marketing and sales promotion firm.

Sam lives in Manhattan with a large dog and a small cat. Her friends are young film makers and screen writers, which is what she will be some day.

## SPARKLE PLENTY

No more cloudy panes of glass to hamper your reflection. They'll glisten in the sunlight if **Charles "Chick" Higginbotham '38**, has anything to do with it. For 40 years, Chick has been cleaning windows for the Jenkintown Window Cleaning Company.

Chick is a life-long resident of the La Mott section of Cheltenham, moving just a few blocks from his parents home when he married Gwendolyn. They raised two daughters; Roxanne and Pam. He enjoys living and working in the area and is a member of the Cpl. Sidnor American Legion Post 451 and the Westover Golf Club. His family roots are local too. Chick's great-grandfather, the Reverend Robert Lee was the first preacher in the Salem Baptist Church of Jenkintown.

## A DINOSAUR FOR DOUG

Doug Brown was not a CHS graduate; He was a little 9 year old boy dying of leukemia when Kia and **Herman Regusters '52** met him in St. Elizabeth's Hospital in Utica.

Kia and Herman were planning a second trip into the Congo Basin to search for dinosaurs and Doug was interested. Doug was made an honorary member of the Expedition called TRACE and had his grandmother sew the TRACE insignia in all his pajamas.

Doug was supposed to die in two weeks, but he didn't. What he did do was talk about the Expedition and the dinosaurs he "knew" were there. A renewed interest in his own survival came about and he continued to live for five more months.

His last request was for the Regusters to carve his name on a tree in the jungle, and with that Doug quietly passed away.

## 100 YARD DASH

**Dr. Richard H. Rothman '54**, an internationally known orthopedic surgeon was honored recently at a reception. The party was given to welcome Dr. Rothman, who became the chairman of Jefferson's Department of Orthopedic Surgery. Dr. Rothman is now the James Edwards Professor of Orthopedic Surgery at Jefferson Medical College.

In addition to his new posts at Jefferson, he will continue to serve as director of the Rothman Institute at Pennsylvania Hospital. He wants to build new bridges of cooperation between the two which he feels will lead to better patient-care, research and teaching benefits. Dr. Rothman will perform surgery at both hospitals and will be able to move comfortably between the two — after all — Pennsylvania and Jefferson are only 100 yards away from each other.



Lady Cat Powers

## THE RIGHT SPIRIT

Lady Cat Powers enlarges on the man made world to include the birds and animals, the free spirit of the Colorado Rockies, U.F.O. activity and the psychic world. This lady loves nature and values life's many mysteries. In school she was **Marcia Douglas '56**, but now is known legally as Lady Cat Powers. Her husband passed away nine years ago. She has a son living in Florida and a daughter, Dayre, her partner and co-writer (on the music, guitar) and an honor of the National Gold Key Society at the University of Colorado.

The following poem by Lady Cat Powers was selected for publication in the "World's Best Loved Poets".

### STAR MESSAGE TO EARTH

*We are sending a message, for you here today...  
With the hope that each person, in some little way,  
Can open a door...and then lend a hand,  
In helping your fellowmen all understand...*

*As we travel to planets, so far away  
The beauty is hard to describe here today,  
For the beings are varied, and not always "man"  
But all of them are doing the best that they can!*

*They take care of their planets, to keep them alive  
And the meaning to existence, is more than "survive"  
Their forests grow tall, and not ruined by man  
And the rivers flow clean, not a single beer can!*

*They're believing in friendship, but never in war  
They consider the price, because they've seen it  
before*

*They're living in harmony, like the peace of a dove,  
And they've named their religion: they're calling  
it love!*



Donald Lee Holmes

## SHORT, BUT SWEET

One of **Donald Lee Holmes, '54**, poems won the Golden Poet Awards in 1985, with Steve Allen hosting the 1st Annual World of Poetry Convention in Reno, Nevada in August. Donald's poem was dedicated to his mother, family, friends and "The Poet in Everyone!"

### LOVERSE

*Eighty-five is bound to be all that's been  
promised to you and me.*

*We need but be loving and give Spiritual  
embrace,*

*for like the cream off the top, we're the  
human race.*

*And this planet Earth is our paradise divine  
And all we need be is both Gentle and Kind.  
So Smile as in Happy, and Sing as in Song  
And next thing you know we shall all get along!  
From the Top of the Mountain, to the Edge of  
the Shore —*

*If we follow these guidelines, we shall never  
need more.*



Have you seen this woman? Not surprising! **Barbara Zellers Ross '52** is a successful photographer's model and has been on the magazine cover of "50 plus" and "Prevention".

## THIS 'N THAT

**Marlene Fisher Cuce**, '75, lives in Horsham, PA and is a dental assistant and receptionist.

**Sid Berman**, '62, resides in Easton, PA and is a business manager.

**Susan Nagler Perloff**, '61, is living in Philadelphia and is a self-employed public relations consultant and free-lance journalist.

**Edward A. Mebus**, '60, lives in Abington, PA and works at the Naval Air Development Center. He heads up the Surveillance Radar Branch.

**Mikell Stevens**, '80, resides in Philadelphia and was a Temple graduate in Communications. Now a weekend radio personality and during the week a producer at WIP Radio in Philadelphia.

**Edmond H. Kenyon, Jr.**, '67, is General Manager of Cheltenham Square, a recently renovated shopping mall in Cheltenham Township.

**Craig Littlepage**, '69, is Head Basketball Coach of Rutgers University in New Jersey.

**Dr. Marion Goldman Shapiro**, '46, lives in Cheltenham and is in private practice as a Clinical Psychologist after ten years as Associate Director of the Van Hammatt Psychiatric Clinic.

**Michael L. Brownstein**, '75, works in publishing for CBS in New York City.

**Ron Stewart**, '66, and **Robin Friedman Stewart**, '72, live in Killeen, Texas with their two sons, Shawn, age 6, and Sage, age 3. Ron supervises ten 7-11 stores and Robin is a certified aerobics instructor at a health spa.

**Jack Melnick**, '47, is a consultant, specializing in Computer Education and Financial and Retirement Planning. He also wrote and marketed a personal computer software package called, "Tax Mask", which automates the functions of income tax preparations for individuals.

**Louis Ciocca**, '61, is Manager of Plans and Control at IBM Product Operations in Endicott, New York.

**Susan Brenner**, '64, lives in Reading PA, and works for the Hamilton Bank as a Credit Analyst in Commercial Lending. Her husband, George, is on the faculty at Albright College.

**Michelle Spark**, '69, is a painter and recently had a show at the Sragow Gallery in New York.

**H.R. (Ted) Taylor**, '58, was elected President of the Eastern States Athletic conference (NCAA Division III) which is made up of colleges in Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland and Virginia. He is currently Director of Athletics at Spring Garden College and lives in North Wales, Pa.

**Steven B. Dorf**, '73, is an attorney with a law firm in Los Angeles which provides counseling and representation on matters involving civil and criminal litigation.

**Sonya Lever Murray**, '57, has two teenage children and lives in California near San Francisco.

**Ronda Freedman Monheim**, '65, is a teacher in Cherry Hill, New Jersey.

**Steve Solms**, '57, is president of Historic Landmarks, a Philadelphia company that turns old loft buildings around "the olde city" into apartment houses.

**Dr. Karl T. Weber**, '61, is director of the Cardiovascular Institute of the Michael Reese Hospital and Medical Center and Associate Director of Cardiology. To his credit are numerous publications and lectures in this country and in Canada.

**Steve Butler**, '74, a Temple graduate, has been named news Director at KYW-AM. He had been a field producer and writer for Channel 10 and also a reporter at KYW-AM covering transportation and City Hall.

## CHANGING TIMES

**Marjorie Abrahams Slavin** '55, is a practicing family therapist and author of a monthly psychology column for the Riverdale Press with occasional articles in the New York Times and the Ladies Home Journal. Marjorie is also collaborating on a self-help book for parents of divorced couples (the grandparent generation); because times are changing and the feelings of the grandparents cannot be ignored. It's confusing when a new boy or girl friend enters the picture; old ties become strained and very often they are denied visitation of their grandchildren. Marjorie is there helping the families work through their trials and tribulations and accepting the changing times.

**RETRACTION:** A mistake was printed in the Fall issue of Panther's Tale: **Susan Weiner** '73, has never had a connection with WKDU, but is Advertising and Promotion Manager for KYW News radio 1060.

**David Breslow** '78, does have a connection with WKDU and hosts the Boker TOV Radio Show on Friday mornings...Apologies to both of you for the mix-up.

## MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES

**LIFE MEMBER**.....\$25 minimum  
**CENTURY MEMBER**.....\$100 minimum  
**PATRON**.....\$250 minimum  
**FRIEND OF CHELTENHAM**.....\$500 minimum  
**BLUE AND GOLD CLUB**.....\$1000 minimum

## NEW CENTURY MEMBER

DIANE RUBIN LIEBERMAN '70

## THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

One of the primary purposes of the Alumni Association is to provide some financial assistance to qualified students for continuing their academic or vocational education.

Since 1980, we have awarded 15 scholarships totaling \$7,500. These grants have been drawn from capital raised from membership dues, which cannot continue.

It is our hope that our Scholarship Fund will eventually generate enough interest to underwrite our yearly awards. YOU can help us attain this lofty goal by sending your tax-deductible contribution TODAY! Any amount, of course, is most welcome.

## SCHOLARSHIP CONTRIBUTORS

**BERNARD ROTHCHILD** '32....donation \$200.00  
**MOSELLE BUTTERWORTH BEATTY** '39...donation \$10.00  
**DR. HERMAN M. WESSEL**.....donation \$50.00  
 former Principal of Elkins Park Junior High  
**WILLIAM J. WAGNER** '59....donation \$100.00  
**WILBUR HURST**.....donation \$50.00  
 Media Coordinator for the school district  
**CLASS OF 1960**.....donation \$500.00

## MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIPS CONTRIBUTORS

**JAMES L. WOLF** '33  
 Memorial by Dr. Richard E. Wolf '31

**CLAUDINE VENT**  
 Mother-in-law of Paula Witherspoon  
 (aide at Elkins Park Middle School)  
 Memorial from the E.P. Teaching Staff

## ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

**Evelyn Thorp** donated pictures belonging to her husband Malcolm, class of 1918.

**Samuel Boggs** donated pictures for CHS Memorabilia.

**Doris Springer Mayer** contributed two yearbooks, 1910 and 1911.

**The Class of 1960** donated \$500.00 to CHS towards the purchase of a new panther costume.

**Frank Waters** '28 contributed \$50.00 towards "Panther's Tale" expenses.

## MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION AND INFORMATION FORM

Name \_\_\_\_\_ CHS Class \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
include maiden name

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Yes, I would like to help my Alumni Association

I'm joining as a Life Member \$25.00

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## REUNIONS IN REVIEW

**Class of '36** . . . An enjoyable 50th reunion was held at Manufacturer's Country Club on May 9th.

**Class of '45** . . . Celebrated their 41st on March 22, 1986 at Williamson's Restaurant in Horsham.

**Class of '60** . . . Had their 25th reunion November 30, 1985 at the Fort Washington Holiday Inn. It was an extraordinary turnout, echoing the same liveliness, warmth and friendliness reminiscent of their high school years. Thanks to classmate Steve Almes for putting the evening's memories on video. Classmates also received a souvenir photo album. A movie shown on TV, sports and new events that happened during their high school years brought back many memories. The Class of 1960 gave a generous donation to the CHS Alumni's Scholarship Fund; they have also given a large monetary gift to CHS making the purchase of a new panther's costume possible.

**Class of '65** . . . Started their celebration at the Adams Mark the evening of November 30, 1985, with a cocktail party including hot and cold food. A video, portraits and candid were taken of the 20th reunion and may be purchased. On Sunday, a brunch was served at the CHS cafeteria for classmates and their entire families. They enjoyed a hot dog vendor, Hoagie Express, clowns and computerized t-shirts.

**Class of '75** . . . Celebrated at the Warwick Hotel the Friday of Thanksgiving weekend enjoying their 10th. Everyone was welcome afterwards at Elan, where the festivities continued.

**Class of '80** . . . Enjoyed an informal gathering the Friday after Thanksgiving at The Ambler Cafe.

## ACTING CREDITS

**Richard Weinstock, '76**, has compiled many acting credits since his graduation from Emory University. His theatre experience includes work with both Weist-Barron Studios and HB Studios in New York; television's "Ryan's Hope" and "The Guiding Light"; also, off-Broadway, commercials and films. Currently, he works as an account executive for WPVI-TV in Philadelphia.



1965 Reunion Committee l to r Linda Klump Flack, Bette Steinberg Quindry, Richard Quindry, Ellen Finklestein Shubin, Ellen Green Sklaroff, Susan Gurman Bean, Andy Rubin.

## UPCOMING REUNIONS

**Class of '26** . . . Interested in a reunion? Call 215 - 886 9500 (School District) and ask for the phone number of the Alumni Reunion Chairman.

**Class of '28** . . . Will hold their 58th reunion in the afternoon on May 28, 1986 at Williamson's Restaurant in Horsham. Call Bud Brogden, 215 - 646 3597 for information.

**Class of '66** . . . Celebrating their 20th on Saturday, November 29, 1986, at the Adams Mark Hotel, City Line Avenue, Philadelphia. Contact Andrea Frankel Lipman at 215 - 364 3236 or Linda Kahn Zlatkin at 215 - 576 0182.

**Class of '76** . . . On Friday, November 28, 1986 at the Philadelphia Zoo, the 10th will be celebrated. Call Nancy Kurtz Goldshear at 215 - 825 3460.

**Class of '81** . . . Contact Joan Kahn, 215 - 886 8880.

## DISCLAIMER AND NOTICE

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*We request that reunion committees protect their class list to avoid unwanted solicitations.*

## NOBEL PRIZE WINNER

**Dr. Michael S. Brown '58**, was co-recipient of the 1985 Nobel Prize in Medicine, awarded in December. Dr. Brown and his partner, Dr. Joseph Goldstein, are molecular geneticists at the University of Texas Health Science Center in Dallas. They discovered that human body cells have receptors that determine how much cholesterol circulates in the blood. The researchers also found a link between cholesterol-related disease and the lack of such receptors or their failure to function.

We salute Dr. Brown on this outstanding accomplishment!

Dr. Brown attended Thomas Williams Junior High School before moving on to CHS. He was very active in extra-curricular activities while at CHS, playing baseball, editing the high school newspaper's sports pages, he was president of the Radio Club in his junior and senior years and was chairman of the Public Relations Club.



DR. MICHAEL S. BROWN

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