

2002

ALUMNI REPORT

123rd ALUMNI BANQUET

JUNE 8, 2002

**TALLMADGE HIGH SCHOOL
ALUMNI ASSOCIATION**

June 8, 2002, 205 Alumni and Guests met at Tallmadge High School for the 123rd Alumni Banquet Meeting.

We began with a Social Hour at 5:45 P.M. followed by a Baked Chicken and Roast Beef Buffet dinner catered by Horning.

The decorations were the traditional Blue and Gold. The arrangement committee was chaired by James Werner (1943).

The invocation was given by First Vice-President Bill Neitz (1971).

After dinner and a brief intermission we moved to the Les Bennett room for our meeting and program.

President Chris Bauch (1971) called the meeting to order and introduced officers and committees.

A special thanks was given to John and Daisy Ilg Scalia (1960) of A-A Blueprint for donating all our printing services.

The Secretary's Report was read by Secretary Susan Wood Yeager (1978) and was approved.

The Treasurer's Report was given by JoAnn Stem Wood (1948) and was approved.

The Treasurer's Books were audited by Ileana Crites Williams (1944) and found to be in order.

Superintendent of Schools Vincent Frammartino was unable to attend because he was in Columbus watching the THS baseball team in the state semifinal game. Nancy Wack filled in and gave us an informative report on the status of the schools.

Honors Diplomas. Forty-four graduates earned honors diplomas. To receive an honors diploma, graduates must meet 8 of 9 academic criteria including a minimum 3.5 grade and a minimum composite of 27 on the ACT.

Distinguished scholars. Thirty-two seniors graduated as distinguished scholars, having maintained a 3.7 grade point average or better for four years of high school.

National Merit honors. One student was named a National Merit Finalist and Scholarship winner, an achievement earned by less than one percent of students across the country who participate in the PSAT qualifying exam. Two other students achieved commended status.

Educational excellence. Twenty-eight graduating seniors earned the Presidential Award for Educational excellence given to students who complete the core curriculum, maintain a 3.5 or better grade point average and score in at least the 85 percentile on a standardized reading or math test.

Merit awards. Fifty-one members of the graduating class earned the State Award of Merit. To receive this honor, students must complete the core curriculum, plus have 3 units of a foreign language, a 3.25 GPA, an average attendance of 90.8% or better and good character.

Scholarship winners. Fifty-one members of the Class of 2002 shared in more than \$45,000 in local scholarships awarded at graduation. These scholarships are funded by donations from area business, civic organizations, trusts and foundations.

Heritage Families. Each year, those students together with their parents or grandparents graduated from THS are recognized as Heritage Families. There were 16 Heritage Families in the Class of 2002.

Distinguished scholars. 32 seniors (3.7 GPA), 34 juniors (3.75 GPA), 41 sophomores (3.8 GPA), and 39 freshman (3.8 GPA) were recognized as Distinguished Scholars at a breakfast co-sponsored by Lions, Rotary, PEGS, and PTSA.

National Honor. In the fall, 33 juniors and seniors were inducted into the THS chapter of National Honor Society, which recognizes those who excel in scholarship, leadership, character and service.

Math scholars. TMS sixth Ohio Math League team placed 7th in the state out 178 schools and 2nd in the region. One student ranked 1st in the region and 4th in the state. TMS 8th grade math ranked 3rd in the region.

Regional Wins. Tallmadge team won second place at the regional Destination Imagination Competition.

Thinkers Tops. Tallmadge teams won top honors in the state in the Ohio Thinking Cap Quiz Bowl. The fifth grade team from Munroe won first place in the state. TMS sixth and seventh grade teams placed second in the state, eighth grades finished in third place statewide. Since Quiz Bowl started 13 years ago, Tallmadge teams have always placed among the top finishers.

State Qualifiers. Twelve members of the THS Forensics Team, including 3 district champions, qualified for the state finals. For six consecutive years, THS teams have placed at districts and sent an average of 12 students to the State Forensics Tournament.

DECA advance to Nationals. Two THS students advanced through regional and state contests to the national finals. DECA is an organization for marketing education students.

Science Olympiad. Sixteen THS students participated in the Science Olympiad at the University of Akron. Two students placed 1st in physics. THS also garnered a 2nd, two 4ths, and a 5th place trophy.

Writers win. Thirty-one TMS 7th and 8th grade students participated in the annual Reading and Writing Conference held at Kent State University. Skills sessions are followed by hands-on activities and contests. Tallmadge captured several of the top honors, including first place in Logo Contest and first place in the prestigious Jason Sykes Essay contest.

High note. THS vocal music program is rapidly expanding. THS hosted a Festival with five area schools. The choral group received a superior at the Ohio Music Educators competition.

Artists win. Tallmadge students won 2 Best of Show, 4 first place honors, 11 second, and 5 third place ribbons and 7 honorable mentions in the Summit County Art Show.

Musicians shine. Concert band members earned 20 superior and excellent medals at the district Solo and Ensemble contest sponsored by the Ohio Music Educators Association. The jazz band received an excellent rating at the Smokey Mountain Music Festival.

Soccer first. For the first time in school history, THS boys' soccer team won the District Championship.

District Champs. The girls' volleyball team continued its successful run, finishing the year with a 24-3 record and the Suburban League title and the District Championship. One team member earned a berth on the All-Ohio team for the second year in a row.

Suburban title. Under new head coach Jon Karnuth, the boys basketball team won 18 games, lost 5 and earned the Suburban League title.

Baseball. As regional champions, the boys' baseball team made a return trip to Columbus and the final four. They placed first in the state.

Business Friend of Education. A new award, "Business Friend of Education," was established to recognize area businesses for their extraordinary generosity and cooperation. The first recipients were: Henry Bierce Company, Dairy Queen, Carol Martin Hair Designers, Star Chevrolet, Summit Racing, and Summit Rehabilitation.

Dynamics Community Theatre. Dynamics is an intergenerational program in the Tallmadge schools. In its eighth full season, student and adult actors performed "Annie," "Christmas Story," and "Secret Garden."

Career Fair. The Business Education Alliance, which is a partnership of the chamber of Commerce and Tallmadge School, sponsored a Career Fair at THS for students and parents. Fifty area businesses and individual professionals participated. Exhibitors also included Tallmadge parents and alumni.

Bus Open House. "School Bus Safety – Show and Tell" was the theme for this year's National School Bus Safety week. To mark the festivities, the transportation staff hosted its sixth annual open house at the transportation garage. Visitors learned about driver requirements and training and had a close-up look at the district's two new buses. Vendors donated prizes for a Poster Contest for elementary riders.

CAN. Tallmadge CARE Community Action Network (CAN) is a volunteer organization for community members committed to helping youth to choose drug-free lifestyles. This year CAN obtained funding from the Ohio Parents for Drug Free Youth to publish a student Directory identifying those parents who signed the SAFE HOMES, SAFE PARTIES Parent's Pledge. Signers promise not to allow gatherings in their homes when they are not present nor will they allow the use of alcohol or other illegal substances. The directory was distributed free of charge to each THS family.

Volunteer recognition. Nearly 650 volunteers were invited to the annual district-wide Volunteer Appreciation tea in April.

Ohio Reads. Dunbar and Overdale won a second round of funding from the state to train volunteers to work with at-risk students, to purchase reading materials and to provide professional development for staff. Each building received \$28,980. Munroe School won an Ohio Reads implementation grant of ca. \$60,000. More than 100 volunteers worked in this program this past year.

Achievement Fair. Overdale Primary School was tapped to represent Tallmadge as one of only 100 Ohio school districts to participate in the Student Achievement Fair at the annual Ohio School Boards Association Conference. The Fair showcase outstanding and effective academic programs and practices. Overdale featured the success of the all-day kindergarten program.

National Certification. Two TMS teachers, Carole Walker and Julie Emch, earned National Board Certification. Participation in this comprehensive and rigorous screening process is voluntary. There are now 6 Tallmadge teachers who have this prestigious honor.

Outstanding Art Teacher. The Northeast Region of the Ohio Art Education Association and its 550 members selected Munroe art teacher Carolyn Modugno as an Outstanding Art Teacher for 2001-02.

School District Report Card. Tallmadge met the performance standards in 23 of the 27 categories and is rated as an "effective" district. "Effective" is the 2nd of 5 tiers, with the top tier being "excellent." This report card reflects an increase from last year, when the district met 21 of the 27 indicators.

Task Force on School Facilities. More than 200 Tallmadge residents participated in focus groups during the month of February as the Board of Education has committed to seeking community input throughout a process to address the district's facilities needs. Currently a 70-member Task Force representing staff and community members are looking at needs. The timetable calls for a proposal or proposals to recommend to the board of Education by October.

Fifty Year Report – (1952) - The fifty-year reunion committee got together to write the report. Anthony DeOrio, the Vice-President of the class, gave the speech to the Alumni in attendance

I am Anthony "Tony" DeOrio Vice president of the class of 1952 and I am privileged to address you this evening in the absence of our deceased class president and friend Loy Booker.

When one looks back in time at our Graduation Programs of Tallmadge High School, it should be noted that, the first words of the program state: "Commencement Exercises."

The root of the word commencement is (commence), meaning to begin. Yet, we may have thought of our graduation at that time to mean a successful conclusion of our school years at Tallmadge High School or our education. I retrospect, it is obvious that it was this education which prepared us to begin (commence) life's diverse challenges, responsibilities, hardships, and joys.

My personal reflections and perhaps yours are this. I am thankful for the education acquired and the time spent at Tallmadge High School. I am convinced that, it was the quality, dedication, love, and hard work of the faculty of Tallmadge High School, which engrained in our very fiber, that which enables us to function as good citizens of the world. And, allowing us to live through the diverse challenges, responsibilities, hardships, and joys in our continuation of life since Commencement Exercises.

Allow me, if I may, at this time to acknowledge but a few creditable facts about the class of 1952.

The number of students was 67. As best can be determine, this time, we now number 50.
(Let us now have a moment of silence to remember the deceased classmates and faculty of Tallmadge high School).

The class of 1952 has an inspiring motto! It states: "We build the ladder by which we rise."

It also has a very poignant Class Poem which was written by our classmate Evelyn Morgan.
It reads:

Commencement day is drawing nigh,
And we shall soon leave Tallmadge High,

The many joys and many woes,
Our teachers, classmates, friends and beaus.

Classes, books, activities, and band,
Along with football games so grand.

The track events and basketball
Those happy times we will recall.

Each memory will have its part,
With in the bosom of every heart.

Now we must leave it all behind,
For we've another path to find.

And may we never stop to rest.
Until we find the path that's best.

But when the way seems long and dear,
We know we need not tread with fear.

For in the future day by day,
Our God above will guide the way.

The naming of the year book "Circle Light" was thought up by our classmate Esther Marshall.

Yes, the class of 1952 formed the committee and wrote the school's Alma Mater.

Tallmadge High School took the Metro League Football Championship in 1952 under the direction of head coach Bill Barton.

Dr. Frammartino, members of the Alumni Association, our class would like to present to Tallmadge

High School for posterity our 50th year class mementos. Which are:

A ceramic Trivet, with our class motto "We build the ladder by which we rise", with depicting graphics of the High School, students and the Tallmadge Circle Light.

A memory booklet of the class of 1952 identifying who we are and the way we were.

A 50th year diploma presented to each of our remaining classmates. This reads:

This certifies that classmates of the class of 1952 having completed the practical courses of real life over the past fifty years sustained by the education and principles required of a earlier Diploma given at Tallmadge High School the twenty-ninth day of May 1952. With realization that "we build the ladder by which we rise" and having subsequently experienced and adapted to and survived life sciences, quantum leaps, history-rewritten, wars, recessions, marriage(s), birth, deaths, working careers, vocations, raising of family, and monumental changes in life styles which causes reflections on "The Way We Were."

Is here-by entitled to this

Diploma

Granting the named graduate full unrestricted rights to teach others how to build life's ladders by which to rise.

Given at Tallmadge, Ohio, this eighth day of June 2002.

Our class will also write a check to the Alumni Association ear marked to be used for scholarships in the amount of \$200.00. Which is the remaining balance in our treasury.

And in conclusion, thank you for allowing me to address you this evening on the behalf of the Class of 1952.

At this time the Association presented 50 years pins to the women and tie tacs to the men of the class. They were also given Golden Delicious Apples for good health which were furnished by June King Marsh (1934).

All graduates who graduated more than 50 years ago also received Golden Delicious Apples compliments of June King Marsh (1934).

We then heard from the 25 year Class-Class of 1977 which was given by Becky Stalnaker Allman.

We had 322 students in our class. The administration, faculty and staff totaled 82 members.

We started our senior year with Mr. McCombs as our principal and Mr. Buzzelli as our assistant principal. In January, Mr. McCombs went to work for the Board of Education, so Mr. Buzzelli moved up to principal and Mr. Nist became the assistant.

Some of the popular styles that year were: platform shoes, painters pants, overalls, gauchos

with boots, Levis, scarves worn around the neck, crazy socks with toes and fuzzy gorilla socks. Designer glasses were becoming a new fad. Boys were wearing their hair longer-much longer than today's boys.

Here is a look at our sports that year. The football team had 10 losses and 0 wins. They were coached by Mr. Pappano. The basketball team was coached by Mr. Maddox. They had 10 wins and 8 losses. Our baseball team for the 4th consecutive year shared the Metro title with Nordonia having 25 wins and 7 losses. Joni Brickley was the only female golfer in the Metro League.

No matter how our teams performed, we always had a lot of support from the student body. The student Athletic supporters were called Bleacher Bums and Broads, Pep Club and Black Angus. Bib overalls, painters pants, Pratt and Lambert hats, suspenders, jock socks, flannel shirts, t-shirts, life saver suckers and bubble gum were the symbols of the Bleacher Bums and Broads. Some bums were Also known as Black Angus Rooters. They were a group of young men that weighed over 200 pounds.

Probably one of the most memorable things that happened our senior year had to do with the weather. It was the coldest winter since 1918. It was the worst winter in 200 years in our country. Ohio was hit the hardest. The roads were hard to travel on. Some mornings school buses were up to an hour late. There was a gas shortage. The temperature in the classrooms went down into the 40's. We had snow days on January 10th and 11th. January 17-21 were calamity days because the East Ohio Gas Company closed our school. They were only to keep the school heated enough so the pipes would not freeze. Governor Rhoads was going to demand a 15-30 day closing. Teachers started to plan home lesson plans. Seniors wondered what it would be like to graduate in July. Fortunately we did not have to close. One nice thing that came out of all of this was our 1st semester exams were all cancelled. The mid-winter formal was also cancelled. The school's heat was shut off at 2:30 every-day.

Our senior pictures were taken at Carpenters Studio with only one pose and one outfit unlike today's seniors.

Our Senior prom was held at the Kent State Ballroom.

Our favorite outside school activity was going to A&W on Tuesday nights. It was nickel root beer night and jam packed. You were lucky if you could find a parking spot. Cars would cruise in and out all evening long.

Class of 2002. At this time Rick Bock (1972) welcomed his son Alan Bock and the Class of 2002, which graduated 186 students Sunday, June 2nd. Alan was one of 10 valedictorians for the Class of 2002 maintaining a 4.0 grade point average. He was in National Honor Society, Student Senate and a distinguished scholar. He was the class treasurer for three years. He held offices in Spanish Club, Pep Club, Fellowship of Christian Athletes and Letter winners Club, of which he was president this past school year. He also received the Manhood Award and the Wesley Woodford Men's Memorial Athletic Award.

Alan then responded for his Class, Hello, First I'd like to say thanks for the opportunity to come here tonight and talk about the class of 2002. My name is Alan Bock. I have lived in Tallmadge my whole

life and grown up in our school system. Next year I will be attending Mount Vernon Nazarene University in Mount Vernon, Ohio, where I will be studying pre-optometry and playing basketball.

The class of 2002 has many diverse students who graduated. After this summer there will be six students who will pursue athletic careers in college. There are two students who will be studying ballet at prestigious academies. Another student will be studying performing arts in the notable fine arts program at the University of Cincinnati. Another student was a national merit final qualifier with test scores in the top 1% in the nation. Another student received a full ride to Marshall University plus the opportunity to study for a semester at Oxford.

Through our years at Tallmadge High School we have seen much success in athletics. This year alone, five teams were in the district finals. The baseball team, who earlier today won their state semifinal game, has made three consecutive appearances to states, which is a remarkable achievement. The basketball team made it to the district finals for the 3rd straight year as well, with our record for the last three years being 65-8. In individual sports, one person participated in the state tournament, with many others representing our school in regional competitions. The amount of school spirit demonstrated at every sporting event was unrivaled by any other school.

While the achievements of this class are obvious, this year has shown how much we have grown through the years. After Sept. 11 we showed strong patriotism and helped others through the uncertainty. Within these last few months, we have lost 3 of our friends at school. During these tough times, we have been there to console each other and our younger peers who lost close friends. We have gathered around the flagpole numerous times to lift up prayers for those who were hurting and needed comfort. Our class has been through tough times, but I have noticed that in the trials we have faced, our unity has strengthened as well. Our class is a good example of how roots grow deep when the wind grows strong. Through trouble we have persevered and even become stronger. I believe this is a great sign of our maturity.

As a representative of the Class of 2002, I honorably accept our admittance into the Alumni Association. Thanks again for inviting me to come here this evening.

The class of 1929 – 73 year class had 1 member in attendance.

The class of 1933 – 69 year class had 1 member in attendance.

The class of 1935 – 67 year class had 1 member in attendance.

The class of 1940 – had 4 in attendance.

The class of 1941 – had 5 in attendance.

The class of 1942 – 60 year class had 6 members in attendance.

The class of 1943 – had 10 in attendance.

The class of 1944 – had 7 in attendance.

The class of 1945 – had 2 in attendance.

The class of 1946 – had 8 in attendance.

The class of 1947 – 55 year class had 3 in attendance.

The class of 1948 – had 10 in attendance.

The class of 1949 – had 6 in attendance.

The class of 1950 – had 7 in attendance.

The class of 1951 – had 5 in attendance.

The class of 1952 – 50 year class had 31 in attendance.

The class of 1977 – 25 year class had 3 in attendance.

MEMORIAL

Hold Out Your Hand

When I must go, and go I must
To change this flesh to promised dust,
I beg of you, no soulful tears
But think of all those precious years,
To all it seems I've gone away,
But I'll return to you some way,
If at some time you feel despair
Hold out your hand and I'll be there,
OR IN A FLOWER GARDEN FAIR
Hold out your hand and I'll be there,
And when you say your evening prayer
Hold out your hand and I'll be there,
With all my love and all my care,
I'll take your hand, and I'll be there,
Eternal love and lasting care,
I'll take your hand, yes I'll be there.

Since the Alumni Banquet in 2001 we have lost to the great creator.

Class	Name	Age	Date of Death
1939	Polly McAlister Stotler	82	July 2, 2001
1939	Carol Brickley Kinder	80	Dec. 5, 2001

Class	Name	Age	Date of Death	
1944	Virgil M. Buckbee	76	Mar.	14, 2002
1945	Robert E. Yohey	75	Sept.	18, 2001
1946	Virginia Radcliffe Purk	73	Nov.	22, 2001
	Robert L. Booth	74	Mar.	9, 2002
	Margaret Snyder Casmire	73	Jan.	16, 2002
1948	Robert E. Crislip	72	May	9, 2002
1949	Charlene Neale Mann	69	June	9, 2002
	Betty Haney Myers	69	Sept.	12, 2001
1951	Thomas E. Huston	67	June	16, 2001
	Irene Olesky Yamokoski	68	Nov.	21, 2001
1952	Ruby Gaddis Hoover	67	Oct.	21, 2001
1953	Helen Disselhoff Trump			
1955	Carole Metcalf Phillips	63	Sept.	22, 2001
1966	Mark J. Rostedt	53	Jan.	9, 2002
1967	Ernie Bedillion	51	July	30, 2001
1970	Anthony Comeriato	49	Mar.	2, 2002
1971	Pamela Harden Wehman	48	June	24, 2001
2002	Teresa Conti	17	May	26, 2002

We also lost to death, teacher, Eileen Cook Knapp, 83, July 21, 2001, she retired in 1978.

JoAnn Stem Wood, Class of 1948

Unfinished Business – There was no unfinished business.

New Business – Two \$600.00 scholarships were given to the Class of 2001, recipients were Miss Brandi Bowers and Miss Nicole Owens. We also had our first Hall of Fame Member Ruth Luneman King and our first Honorary Inductee was Howard C. Barnes. This was reported by Kathleen Bauch Maddox of the Hall of Fame Committee.

The first inductee to the Tallmadge Alumni Hall of Fame is Ruth Luneman King. (1893-1991) Born in 1893, Ruth was the Salutatorian of the Tallmadge Class of 1912. Ruth earned her teaching certificate for grades 1-8 and began teaching in the fall of 1912.

Her first teaching position was in a one-room school in Tallmadge located near Southwest Avenue and Brittain Road. Ruth used her first month's paycheck to purchase an organ for the school because she thought no child should grow up without music. During the 1914-1915 school term, Ruth taught grades at Munroe Falls. It was there that she met her husband, Harry King. They had two children – a daughter, June and a son, Bill.

Ruth grew up in Tallmadge Methodist Church at the Circle. She sang in the choir and served as a substitute organist. She began her Sunday School teaching career in 1911 and taught for over 60 years. It was noted at her 80th birthday that she was still the substitute teacher. As for other jobs in the church, you name it and Ruth did it.

Ruth always liked to make a little money for herself. She served as secretary of the Tallmadge Historical Society for twelve years and gave the annual report on the activities of the town. She received \$10.00 a year for this position. However, her best paying job was being the correspondent for the Akron Beacon Journal, The Cuyahoga Falls Time Press and the Kent Courier. Her pay was based on the number of inches that she reported.

Ruth was active in the Grange, Tallmadge Alumni Association and the PTA. She was president of the PTA when attendance was around 400 and she helped organize the Summit County PTA where she served as President. Ruth was the first woman to be elected to the Tallmadge Board of Education. She also prepared an illustrated lecture on bees, which she gave to most of the Garden Clubs in Ohio and even some in Pennsylvania.

In 1867, the Akron Beacon Journal selected Ruth for one of its ten "Women of Achievement" awards. At age 80, Ruth was still active in the Garden Club, Country Study Club, Sunshine Club, Kent Club and her favorite the Dorcas Quilting Circle.

The Kent Courier on June 11, 1915 noted in their report of the wedding of Mr. H.O. King and Ruth Luneman, "The bride is a highly esteemed young lady, very prominent in church and social circles." Little did they know how prominent she would become.

Ruth Luneman King died in January 1991. At this time, it is my pleasure to induct Ruth Luneman King as the first inductee to the Tallmadge Alumni Hall of Fame.

The first honorary inductee to the Tallmadge Alumni Hall of Fame is Howard C. Barnes. (1873-1962) The nominator of Mr. Barnes did such a fine job; I would like to read some of the excerpts from their nomination.

Mr. Barnes was born in his ancestral home on Northeast Ave. in Tallmadge in 1873. At age six, he started attending school and continued through the eleventh grade. Because Tallmadge schools did not have a senior year and was thus not considered an accredited high school, Mr. Barnes chose to attend Akron High School (where Central Hower is located). This required him to walk daily from the Tallmadge depot on Northeast Ave. along the railroad tracks into Akron at Forge Street. Upon graduation from high school, he then attended Oberlin College where he majored in Greek, Latin and Mathematics. When he graduated from Oberlin, Mr. Barnes then attended Chicago Theological Seminary in Chicago, Illinois. Upon graduation, he was ordained into the ministry of the Congregational Church. He worked for a couple of years in the churches of the Chicago area and was then assigned to Oklahoma. It was there that he met his wife, Jessie Willson. They had three sons. One was developmentally handicapped and when he reached his teens, the family decided it would be less restrictive to return to Tallmadge.

Rev. Barnes farmed 200 + acres and served as substitute minister for many churches in Summit and Portage counties. When the boys were ready to start college, Rev. Barnes decided he needed to earn more money so he enrolled in Kent Normal School (now Kent State University) to earn his teaching certificate. He served four years as principal of Edinburg High School and taught eighth grade in Tallmadge for several years, then became the High School Principal. Students respected and loved Mr. Barnes. Many later would come to him for advice and counseling in life decisions. Often these were children with school or family problems, or businesspersons, industrialists, political leaders and union leaders. Additionally, his parlor was the scene of more weddings than local churches. It was estimated that he performed well over 500 marriages.

Rev. Barnes was also vice president of the Summit County Horticultural Society and a member of Grange. He served on the Advisory Counsel of the Farm Bureau, the Summit County Historical Society and the Akron Ministerial Association.

Rev. Barnes' love showed through every word and deed. It has been said that to know Rev. Barnes was to love him. He died in July 1962 and was buried in the Tallmadge cemetery.

Although all but his senior year of school were in Tallmadge, it is because of the lack of accreditation at that time that Mr. Howard C. Barnes, is our first "Honorary inductee" into the Tallmadge Alumni Hall of Fame. Again it is my great pleasure to present this first "Honorary" inductee - Rev. Howard C. Barnes. Next, Sandra Everhart Barabas (1964) spoke a few words about Mr. Barnes how he meant so much to her and that she was glad he was an Honorary Member of the Hall of Fame.

Just a reminder that dues are a very important part of Alumni. Without the dues we would not be able to give scholarships, pay the postage or get the 50 year pins. Without your support there would be no alumni so lets remember to pay our dues of \$5.00. The Alumni Association does not have the means to buy pins for those 50 year classmates that don't pay their dues when being honored as 50 year graduates.

There will also be an application and the rules for nominating the Hall of Fame members included in the Annual Report.

NEXT YEAR OUR BANQUET WILL BE JUNE 7, 2003.

Tallmadge Education and Enrichment Foundation has been established to get businesses and organizations to raise funds to further education and for scholarships. If you know of anyone who would donate have them send their donations of Tallmadge Foundation PO Box 62, Tallmadge, OH 44278.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

President	Bill Neitz	1971
First Vice President	Amy Bauch	2001
Second Vice President	James Werner	1943
Secretary	Susan Wood Yeager	1978
Assistant Secretary	Mary Olesky	1967
Treasurer	JoAnn Stem Wood	1948
Assistant Treasurer	Mary Black Overholt	1963
Nominating Committee	Chris Bauch	1971
	Faith Wagner Hause	1943
	Karl Starks	1944
	Richard N. Wood	1948

Submitted this 8th day of June 2002.

As there were no nominations from the floor the officers were declared elected.

President Bauch said it was an honor and privilege to have served the Tallmadge Alumni for the past 5 years. He then turned the gavel over to the new President Bill Neitz.

We then sang the Alma Mater led by the Class of 1952 who wrote it.

President Neitz thanked all for coming and asked them to return next year.

As there was no further business the meeting was adjourned.

ALMA MATER

We praise thee Tallmadge High
To thee our hearts are true
Ever we honor thee with Faith and Loyalty
Tallmadge, Devotion is our pledge
Your Standards we hold high,

1952 - Nancy Atwood Kemp
 Jim Klabbatz
 Della Teague Lucius
 James T. McGuire
 Evelyn Morgan
 Betty Foster Murphy
 Paul Page
 Nancy Anderson Pancoast
 Emma Jean Wharton Porter
 Jacqueline Dewey Pounds
 Betty J. Parks Seymour
 Bob Stott
 Ramona Hoffman Thursby
 Doran D. Young
 Arthur Wolcott
 Ruth Simovic Wolcott
 1953 - Mary L. Smith Allison
 Gale W Stem
 Dorothy M. Bond Dittmer
 Rosemarie Mittiga Filing
 Doris A. Swartz
 Charles E. Jackson
 1954 - Eugene Ilg
 Kenneth R. Riley
 Betty Hahn Millsaps
 Charles McGall
 1955 - Dorothy Fike Ilg
 Harriet Bierce Perdue
 Patricia Booker Keener
 JoAnn Aber Stem
 Charlie Wells
 James Johnson
 Nancy Heaton Johnson
 Barbara Scherer Horvath
 Jean Jackson Whitlock
 1956 - Pat King McGall
 1957 - Sandra Norton Taylor
 Bonnie Fordham Rutledge
 Barbara Rohn Ray
 Judy Sylvester Avila
 Margaret Young Deemer
 1960 - John E. Scalia
 Daisy Ilg Scalia
 1963 - Mary Black Overholt
 1964 - Sandra Everhart Barabas
 Carolyn Patterson Hall
 1965 - Kathleen Bauch Maddox
 1967 - Mary Olesky
 1968 - Gail Fike Hinkle
 1971 - Bill Neitz
 Chris Bauch
 1972 - Samuel J. Brewer

1972 - Mark Metcalf
 Cindy Soulier Metcalf
 Robert A. Yeager III
 Jim Olesky
 1973 - Sue Naso Bauch
 1975 - Pete Webb
 Cliff Yeager
 1977 - Frances Lomelo Sedlock
 Don Kozlowski
 1978 - Sue Wood Yeager
 1980 - Carolyn Starks Munhall
 Debbie Hilbish Kozlowski
 1983 - Eileen Morgan Arrington
 1989 - Clifford Horvath
 2002 - Alan Bock

ALUMNI MEMBER PAYING DUES BUT UNABLE TO ATTEND

1930 - Martha Lanterman
 1933 - Wilma Crites Newlon
 1934 - Caroline Banks Acken
 June King Marsh
 Myrtle Smith Teeney
 1935 - Alice Scherer Crites
 1936 - James M. Stauffer
 Richard Emmitt
 Jean Uhl Sylvester
 Robert B. (Bob) Lutz
 1937 - Minnie Scherer Phoenix
 June Kromer Gulbranson
 1938 - Helen Wade Knowles
 Emma C. Holmes
 Kathryn Eickleberry Emmitt
 Beatrice Watts Acken
 Fred J. Harvatt
 1939 - Ellis W. King
 1940 - Hilda Crites King
 Sally Yount Emerick
 Arlin Cosner
 Marguerite Kolar Young
 1941 - Roselene Janovick Cosner
 Irene Clemmo Grames
 Howard W. Atwood
 Robert L. Richards
 1942 - Jean Jones Cockrell
 1943 - William B. Shreve
 John D. Knight
 Willia (Billie) Orr Hart
 1944 - Robert M. Cochran Sr.
 Dolores Coontz Hine
 Richard E. Smith

Memories will never die.
Our school days we hold dear and years
At Tallmadge High
Tallmadge Devotion is our pledge

ALUMNI MEMBERS PRESENT

1929 -	William Edmiston	1947 -	Gene Young
1933 -	Katherine Huber Cannizzaro	1948 -	Gene Riddle
1938 -	Paul Ragle		Beryl Vandersall
1940 -	Francis Cooper		Richard Wood
	Josephine Ilg Patterson		JoAnn Stem Wood
	H.A. (Chuck) Steiner		Natalia Olesky Rzewnicki
	Mary Haney Wilson		Richard Hughes
1941 -	Alberta Crossen Bauch		Ellen Baker Hughes
	Harry Bost		Catherine Cate Detweiler
	Julius W. Gearhart		Maxine Hoke Metcalf
	Helen Black Thompson	1949 -	William K. Seymour
	Robert E. Ripley		Lois Fenning Sheppard
1942 -	Jean Point Call		Lavonne Gomoll Dodge
	Carroll Jones		Jerry E. Smith
	Mabel Newlon Jones		Norma Stallings Greenwood
	Robert E. Powers		Ethel Fauley Petty
	Jean Miller Powers	1950 -	Mary Ledgerwood Riddle
	Lois Everhart Schuld		Marcene Riddle Scyoc
1943 -	James Werner		Marian Parks Schopper
	James Henninge		Joan Carmack Morgan
	Marjorie Lawrence Henninge		Elizabeth L. Griffith
	Donald Jones		Paul F. Zurschmit
	Marilyn Jones Osborne		Norma Oxford Shaffer
	Faith Wagner Hause	1951 -	Dolores Seckman Baldwin
	Jane Shuman Huth		Sarah Jones Bennett
1944 -	Don Dean		Margaret Acken Boggess
	Dorothy Senglar Schroedel-Wilson		Richard S. (Dick) Smith
	Margaret Orr Bumpas		Carl Miller
	Karl Starks	1952 -	Mary Ann Bailey Anzallo
	Francis Park Ripley		Carol Grigg Batten
	Ileana Crites Williams		Gene Bond
1945 -	Betty Heiser Dean		Charles W. Bower
	Don Williams		James L. Dack
1946 -	Wilma Shephard Beatty		Carolyn Null DeHart
	Don Cully		A.D. "Tony" DeOrio
	Jean Atwood Cully		Patricia Marik Eyre
	Shirley LeCount Kalbaugh		Robert D. Fenning
	Bruce Detweiler		Paul F. Fike
	Theodora Scott Urban		Jean Digby Freyman
	James D. Kinney		Hillard A. Hall
	Alice Wade Gallo		Mary Lee Ferguson Hall
1947 -	Shirley Sanford Booth		Robert C. Hildreth
	Melvin Metcalf		Patricia Ware Jackson

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| 1944 - Marie Harmon Geisnger | 1951 - Karl Stevenson |
| Ward A. Clemmo | Dolores Gusbar Costanzo |
| 1945 - Leslie Pletcher | 1952 - Kathryn Hull Robey |
| Jeanette Mallory Cherry | 1953 - Shirley Miller Clark |
| 1946 - Bill Everhart | Dorothy Acken Hicks |
| Paul Haney | 1955 - Karl K. Hershberger |
| Arthur W. Schmidt | 1956 - Margaret (Peggy) Simpson Linnen |
| Donald Richards | Jerry Walters |
| 1947 - Bill Williams | Martha Stephens Gabrosek |
| Marian Wolcott Charles | 1957 - Lynn Fernella Eldridge |
| Norma Smith Richards | 1958 - Alice M. Jacobson |
| Gwendolyn Burks Haralson | 1960 - William E. Blaydes |
| Roy Henninge | 1961 - Les Sackett |
| Louise Schlup Archer | 1972 - Linda Reardon Ditch |
| 1948 - John Cochran | Linda Fialol Mallory |
| Conrad Renner | Joe Mallory |
| Ruth Davis Schmidt | Diane Evans |
| Emylie Fohner Odom | Ben Shaffer |
| Helen Reznik Butler | 1974 - Mary Rzewnicki Cushing |
| Richard Vydra | 1975 - Tonya Martin Ballard |
| Vincent Hoffman | 1976 - Terrie Morgan |
| Edgar (LeRoy) Bell | 1977 - Charlette Dixon Thompson |
| Betty Taylor Eller | Karen Mackey Horton |
| Wallace Wood | Milton E. Atwood |
| 1949 - Carolyn Atwood Mackey | Diane L. Smith |
| Diane Littrell Williams | Becky Stalnaker Allman |
| Doris Jones Eagon | David H. Jacobson |
| 1950 - Violet Kerns Gerken | Vickie Westfall Webb |
| Barbara Ragle Lucak | Paige Fisher |
| Gerald D. Gelvin | Chuck Martin |
| Irma L. Shephard Zema | 1980 - Sherri Lynn Jacobson Tarboy |
| Virginia Ayers Brant-Krichbaum | 1982 - Joseph G. Jacobson |
| 1951 - Jean Kovarik Welch | 1988 - Anna M. Jacobson McCumbers |
| Margaret A. Priest Legg | 2000 - Anne Maddox |
| Donna Zurschmit Beard | 2001 - Amy Bauch |
| Lowell E. Ripley | John Maddox |
| George D. Pletcher Sr. | 2002 - The Entire Graduating Class |
| Joan Smith | |

COMMUNICATIONS

Sorry to have missed the Tallmadge Alumni Association meeting and banquet. Will look forward to next year. Please send me a copy of the minutes and reports. Thank you, Marguerite Kolar Young – 1940

To THS graduates – greetings, particularly to those who graduated in the 1930's. My great-grandson Damiano Spano graduates from THS this year! I am a widow for the third time, living with my cat in Anna Maria Island, FL. June Kromer Stuart Bradshaw Gulbranson – 1937

THS Alumni – Wish I could be there, but hope to make it in 2003 for our 60th. Will spend the summer months near Prescott, AZ in a nice Senior RV camp only an hour and a half from home. Our “home” away

from home is there on a yearly basis. Nice to have the family visit there. The family numbers 24 descendants Plus one due in September. We have cute little boy and girl toddlers running around the house, and doing in the carpet. Who cares? Not I. Best wishes to all. Billie Orr Hart – 1943

Unable to attend this year. Eye surgery scheduled in June. Hope to see you next year. Art Schmidt – 1946

Sorry, I won't be able to attend but look forward to getting the annual report for news – especially of the class of 1941. Irene Clemmo Grames

To all Alumni members, a warm welcome to the Class of 2002 and greetings to my class of 1937, our 65th anniversary year. I cannot attend, but my thoughts will be with all of you. I lost my wonderful husband, Edwin, in January, after 60 happy years. This has been a difficult and trying ordeal. I extend my thoughts, prayers and love to all. Minnie Scherer Phoenix

I enjoyed attending the 65th anniversary of our graduation last year along with Bob Johnson. I would appreciate hearing from any of my other classmates. Fortunately my wife and I were able to visit Jim Stauffer who was unable to attend because his wife had just had surgery. Bob Lutz – 1936

I won't be able to make it to the alumni function this year, and for the best of selfish reasons. We're having a monster cherry crop in our orchard. I have to stay home and harvest it. Please send me a copy of the report. Paul Haney – 1946

Not able to come this year. Hopeful next year. Joan Smith – 1951

Sorry I can not attend the dinner, I have a family commitment but hope to see you all next year. Margaret (Peggy) Simpson Linnen - 1956

I enjoy hearing from the alumni. Arlin and I Rosalene Janovick Cosner enjoy our 1927 Model T. Ford. We do a lot of weddings. The wedding party love riding in the car. Nothing else new. We want to say hello to the class of 1940 – Arlin Cosner and 1941 – Rose Janovick Cosner

Looking forward to attending our 50th next year. Dorothy Acken Hicks – 1953

Can't attend this year but I'm still traveling: South Georgia Island and the Falklands last November and have just returned from the Kimberley region of NW Australia. Marian Wolcott Charles 1947

Sorry, Unable to Attend – Richard Vydra – 1948

I'm sorry to miss the meeting this year, its always so much fun seeing and visiting everybody. The social hour is never long enough. However this falls at the same time as our 50th Wedding Anniversary which we will celebrate with a long trip, that is, if we can find someone to put up with our 2 dogs and one cat! I look forward to receiving the Annual Report. Have a great meeting. Barbara Ragle Lucak – 1950

Sorry, I cannot make it to the dinner. Charlette Dixon Thompson – 1977

I am deeply disappointed that I will not be able to attend this year's meeting, the 60th anniversary of the Class of '42. I had gone as far as making airplane reservations which have now necessarily been canceled due to health problems of my husband. Best wishes to all THS grads, and especially to any of my classmates who are with you. Jean Jones Cockrell

I am unable to attend the Alumni meeting and dinner this year. We will be in Wheaton, IL for our grandson's graduation and will go to Niles MI for a small Mallory reunion – since my sister-in-law (Elsie Storer Mallory)

is unable to travel. Congratulations to the graduating seniors and greetings to the Alumni. Jeanette Mallory Cherry – 1945

Sorry we can't attend Bill's 55th reunion, but have other commitments this year. Just returned from FL where we visited Ruth (Thomas) and Ed Jackson. Bill & Diane Littrell Williams - 1947 & 1949

Sorry I will not be able to attend this year. Congratulations and best wishes to the Class 2002. Leslie E. Pletcher – 1945

I would love to attend again and see dear friends, but it is also my grandson, John's high school graduation. I send greetings to all. Violet Kerns Gerken – 1950

June 8th is Jim's 50th class reunion at Mount Union College. Sorry to miss my Alumni dinner. Carolyn Atwood Mackey – 1949

Best wishes to all. Sorry I won't be able to attend this year. Dolores Coontz Hine – 1941

"HI" to all my classmates! Jim Stauffer 1936

Sorry – but I will not be attending. I will be thinking of everyone and enjoying the memories of THS. Ruth Davis Schmidt – 1948

TREASURER'S REPORT 2001

Balance brought forward on January 1, 2001	\$2,858.56
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Receipts for 2001:

Dinners	\$1,944.00	
Dues	1,202.00	
Donations	193.10	
Interest	20.55	
		\$3,359.65

Expenditures

THS Scholarships		
2-\$600.00	\$1,200.00	
After Prom Committee	100.00	
THS Forensics	200.00	
Postage	219.65	
Smyth Trophies-50 yr. Pins	136.00	
Arrangements Committee	58.25	
Catering – Horning	2,043.00	
Refunds	54.00	
Secretary Fee 2001	50.00	
Secretary's Supplies	45.07	
		\$4,105.97

Balance on hand December 31, 2001	\$2,112.24
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JoAnn M. Wood, Treasurer

TALLMADGE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

NOMINATION FORM FOR THE TALLMADGE ALUMNI HALL OF FAME

If you know of a deserving nominee for the Tallmadge High School Alumni Hall of Fame please complete this form and return to the addresses given.

CRITERIA FOR ENSHRINEMENT

- Must be a Tallmadge High School graduate or someone recognized for special contributions and service to the Tallmadge City Schools and to the community although not necessarily a graduate (honorary achievement)
- Ten years must have passed between high school graduation and induction
- Exceptional achievements in their field and/or career accomplishments or unique contributions to their community
- Must have demonstrated good citizenship both in and out of school

Name of Nominee _____ Phone _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Date of Graduation from Tallmadge High School _____

Activities participated in while attending Tallmadge High School:

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Nominator's name _____ Phone _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Date of your graduation_____

Please return no later than February 1st to :

C/O Nancy Wack-Alumni Hall of Fame

Tallmadge, Ohio 44278

