



2016 ALUMNI REPORT

137th ALUMNI DINNER JUNE 11, 2016

On June 11, 2016, 112 Alumni and guests met for the 137th Annual Alumni Dinner Meeting.

The meeting began with a Social Hour in the gymnasium of Tallmadge Middle School at 5:00 PM with live music by the band, Coach. At 6:00 PM, the dinner, catered by Tasteful Affairs, was served. The menu included Garden Salad, Roasted Garlic Herb Chicken Breast, Penne Pasta with Marinara Sauce, Meatballs with Marinara, Sweet & Sour Meatballs, Vegetable Medley, Garlic Breadsticks and Assorted Desserts. The decorations were the traditional Blue and Gold.

A welcome was given by President Mary Rzewnicki Cushing (1974) which included the introduction of Chief Operating Officer of Tallmadge City Schools, Steve Wood, the 2016 officers (1st Vice President, Bill Hilbish (1974); 2nd Vice President, Bill Conley (1956); Secretary, Gayle Bross McMillan (1974); Treasurer, Mary Black Overholt (1963) and Assistant Secretary, Chris Freeman-Clark (1977)). Mary Black Overholt, who will be stepping down as an officer, was thanked for her 30-plus years of service as an officer of the Alumni Association.



Mary Cushing then directed attention to the quilt hanging in back of the room. She explained that it was started by students of the Middle School (then the Junior High) and their teachers at the time of the centennial of the High School and the Junior High. Chris Ulichney, a retired Tallmadge Middle School teacher, ended up with the pieces of the uncompleted quilt and after 36 years and several relocations, she learned how to and did complete the quilt. She donated it back to the Middle School

and the Middle School PTA has brought it to the dinner tonight so alumni could see it. There were also small lap quilts, one of which was donated to the alumni raffle.

The invocation was given by Bill Hilbish. After dinner, the Annual Meeting was called to order by Mary Cushing and the 2015 minutes were approved.

The Treasurer's Report for the calendar year previous was given by Treasurer, Mary Black Overholt (1963):

TREASURER'S REPORT – DECEMBER 31, 2015

Balance carried forward from 12/31/2014		\$4663.80
Income:		
	Dinners	2025.00
	Dues	1050.00
	Donations	2429.00
	Total Income	\$5504.00
Expenses:		
	Post Office Box	232.00
	Scholarships – 3 @ \$750	2250.00
	Arrangements Committee	93.52
	Caterer	2025.00
	Apples	46.00
	Postage	6.49
	Entertainment	200.00
	Circle Fest vendor fee	100.00
	Total Expenses	\$4953.01
Balance on hand as of 12.31/2015		\$5214.79

There being no additions or corrections, the Treasurer's Report was approved as submitted.



Mary Cushing then welcomed Chief Operating Officer of Tallmadge City Schools, Steve Wood, who welcomed the Alumni and updated them on the happenings in the Tallmadge City Schools during the past year.

Recognition of 50-Year Class:

Mary Cushing then introduced the representative of the 50-year class:

Our next order of business is recognition of our 50-year class, the Class of 1966. Presenting for that class is Jeff Davis. Jeff was President of Student Council in his senior year at Tallmadge High. He was editor of the yearbook, worked on the school newspaper, the Devil's Tale and ran track and cross country.

Jeff graduated from Akron U, went into the radio and publishing business and then became a teacher, first part-time at Akron U and then full time in the Akron City Schools.

I now call on Jeff Davis to speak to us for the Class of 1966.

Class of 1966 Report:

Thank you for that nice introduction, Mary. Good evening everyone. It's a real honor to be a part of this tonight. And thank you for letting me speak early in the program before the other members of my class nod off. You know it's been 50 years ...

It's traditional to have the class president speak, and in our class that was Paul Miller. Paul was so respected he was voted class president every year. At last report, he was the Executive Vice President of Elizabeth Arden cosmetics in New York City and living in Connecticut. He couldn't make it to our meeting, so I was asked to substitute for him tonight.



As Mary said, I'm a retired teacher, and I haven't given a test in a long time. So here are a couple questions:

1. *Fill in the blank: You're 16, you just received your driver's license and you have the keys to the car. You immediately drive to _____.*

Correct answer: A&W

2. *Multiple choice: The first hamburger you ate at a Tallmadge restaurant was at:*

- a. *A&W*
- b. *Sperry's*
- c. *Burger Chef*
- d. *Lujan's*

Correct answer: Bumpas Drug (remember they had a soda fountain?)

3. *Those who sat in their cars at A&W and watched the cars cruise through were most critical of:*

- a. *No ketchup for the French fries*

- b. *The driver's choice of passengers*
- c. *Six-cylinder engines*
- d. *Four-door sedans*

Correct answer: Swirl marks in the wax job.

4. *Tallmadge Springs or Maca Park? Baker's Acres anyone?*

My family moved to Tallmadge halfway through my 6th grade year. I came from St. Joseph grade school in Cuyahoga Falls where the boys had to wear ties and the girls wore uniforms and saddle shoes. One of my classmates there was Linda Leone Papoi. (Linda?) Her family moved to Tallmadge, too, and she's another member of the Class of '66. One day Linda showed up at school in her saddle shoes and instead of the normal white shoelaces she had pink and black shoe laces. (Anyone remember the Dodie Goodman song, "Tan Shoes with Pink Shoe Laces"?)

Well this had to be a major violation of the dress code -- a huge statement for a Catholic school girl -- so we had a girl with a little attitude. Cool. I loved it.

So there were about 60 kids in my sixth grade class at St. Joe's. Then, boom, there I was at the old Central school on North Avenue with about 25 kids in the class. Where is everyone? And the girls were suddenly in colorful clothes, and they wore makeup, and they smelled good—I became a little distracted ...

What was the city of Tallmadge like back then? Anyone remember the businesses on the Circle? Let's start with the middle:

The Congregational Church, of course. City Hall and the police department were still inside the Circle.

Across from City Hall was the new Bumpas storefront, but does anyone remember that it shared its building with Lawson's? Yes.

Next to Bumpas was Kremer's Barber Shop and eventually our first public library branch. Go across the street to the Sohio station with all the U.S. Stoneware buildings behind, then across East Avenue to Heiser's American station.

Then Burger Chef, over to Evans Savings and Dairy Queen, Lujan's and—not the First National Bank, but Mogadore Savings, then the Sunoco and Pure Oil Stations, Dr. Sperry's house (the funeral home on the corner), then the Stewart home, which was torn down to put in a Wally Waffle.

A&W is still there on West Avenue, but a little farther were J&J Pizza and Wray's Pit Barbeque. They're gone, too. Things have changed.

Let me give you a couple quick remembrances about junior high before moving on to some high school stories.

I've forgotten the names of many of my junior high teachers: Sixth grade was Ms. McFarland, there was Mrs. Esch for seventh grade English, Mr. Thomas for social studies.

What did I learn in junior high? A lot, and a couple other teachers I very clearly remember stick out because I learned what I call "life lessons."

One of the teachers was Larry Lowing, our gym teacher and the junior high basketball coach. I wanted to play basketball badly, but I was nowhere near good enough to make the team. I had never even held a basketball in my hands until we moved to Tallmadge. How was I going to make the basketball team?

But Mr. Lowing let me hang around at practices and even ride the team bus to away games so I could maybe learn a few things. What did I learn? The two fundamental rules of basketball: Rule Number One: If you are double-teamed, somebody else is open. Over the years, I've translated that into Life Lesson # 1: For every problem there is an opportunity. Find the open man. Find the opportunity. Don't complain. Pick up the pieces and try to make things better.

Basketball Rule Number 2: When you are behind in a game, catch up with the clock stopped. How do you do that? Drive to the basket and try to catch up at the foul line. Which leads to the second life lesson learned in junior high: There's always another way. A change of pace can be good for all of us. It's okay to stop and think.

Now don't get me wrong on that stopping part, because Coach Lowing's teams were also masters of the fast break. A Dick Bratt rebound, 45-ft. outlet pass to Steve Watral, a layup at the other end and the rout was on. Actually, I'm not sure if our junior high basketball teams ever lost. I'm sure most of you remember Coach Tom Rossiaky. He was on the sideline when Tallmadge won the Metro Championship in 1966, but some of the credit goes to Coach Larry Lowing.

Another Junior High teacher and another life lesson: Mr. John Gump and Algebra 1. Today, kids start with algebra in 3rd grade, but our class got it in 9th grade.

I'm sure if any of your kids get lost in Algebra they act like little angels in class. Back then, we got lost, too. The angel part, not so much. Especially if there was a student teacher involved.

Mr. Gump had a student teacher one semester, a tall, good-looking guy with two outfits—a sports coat and a blue-green sharkskin suit. He always looked terrific.

But one day the class was lost and we were giving the man a really hard time. (By the way, I retired from Garfield High School so I've pretty much paid my penance for this.) Mr. Gump must have heard the noise from down the hall. He asked the student teacher to step outside, and he ripped into us.

Basically what he said was that the student teacher knew way more than we did and that we needed to give him respect. Then Mr. Gump proceeded to list the courses the student teacher had already taken, just so he could have the privilege of standing in front of us knuckleheads: linear algebra, three courses in calculus, differential equations, statistics, and I had no idea of what Mr. Gump was talking about.

Life lesson #3 then: Most of us don't even know what we don't know. The corollary, let's call it Life Lesson #4, is that most of us think we know people, but we really have no idea.

I got myself through graduate school. But in our immediate neighborhood there are two men with PhDs in chemistry, another with a PhD in Electrical Engineering (designing cell phone towers for Cisco), a medical doctor, and we just lost a neighbor who spent nearly 40 years at Goodyear and had about 90 patents.

You know, when you walk around the block and see these folks pulling weeds or painting the mailbox, they seem just like ordinary people. But they have gifts. Sometimes we don't realize that. We'll come back to that thought.

High school: There were 187 members of the Class of 1966, but I'll touch on a few classmates with particular gifts and try to put things in the context of the times.

The Tallmadge system switched to a different model in the early 60s. It moved from a system where grades 6, 7 and 8 were grouped together in a junior high to one with grades 7, 8 and 9. So our class actually entered the high school building as sophomores in 1963. I guess you could say we got gypped out of part of the high school experience. But on the other hand we had something to brag about: Hey, we must have been pretty smart. We graduated from high school in only three years—which was true.

What happened during our three short years in high school?

In 1963. . .

- *The Washington-to-Moscow "hot line" was installed, to keep us out of nuclear war*
- *A doctor in Houston implanted the first artificial heart*
- *Martin Luther King's "I have a dream" speech—200,000 people lined up on the National Mall to hear it*
- *The Pro Football Hall of Fame opened in Canton, with 17 charter members.*
- *There were 15,000 U.S. military advisers in South Vietnam. The French had just vacated.*
- *John Kennedy was killed in Dallas, and Lyndon Johnson became our new president*
- *The day after Christmas, a little song called "I Want to Hold Your Hand" was released in the United States.*

Then in February 1964 ... the Beatles performed it live on The Ed Sullivan Show. 73 million people watched at home. Strangely, the single sold 3,400,000 copies, but didn't win the Grammy for Record of the Year. Instead, it was "The Days of Wine and Roses," by Henry Mancini.

What else in 1964?

- *Betty Friedan's "The Feminine Mystique" was released in paperback, the first real push for the feminist movement since women gained the vote in 1920.*
- *In an upset, Cassius Clay beat Sonny Liston and became the heavyweight champion of the world. The very next day, he announced that he had joined the Nation of Islam and was changing his name to Muhammed Ali.*
- *In March, President Johnson unveiled his "War on Poverty." It helped establish Medicare, Medicaid, Head Start, and the food stamp program.*
- *Ford unveiled the Mustang.*
- *Nelson Mandela was convicted of espionage and sentenced to life in prison in South Africa.*
- *President Johnson signed the Civil Rights Act into law. It prohibited job discrimination and segregation in public places.*
- *In the fall, a United States ship was attacked by three North Vietnamese torpedo boats in the Gulf of Tonkin. Five days later, congress passed a resolution allowing full-scale war against North Vietnam.*
- *Lyndon Johnson clobbered Senator Barry Goldwater in the presidential election. Goldwater won only six states.*
- *In December, the Cleveland Browns beat the Baltimore Colts 27-0, earning its fourth NFL championship in 15 years and the last one since.*

I mentioned several junior high teachers. We had some wonderful high school teachers, as well. Steve Uhall, Mildred Alexis, Mr. Williams and Mr. Lockhart, and Marion Chappelle, the guidance counselor.

Let me tell you about two others, Dick Schwabe and Paul Wachtel. Both are best remembered as wonderful football coaches. (Our class had some wonderful athletes, too, and they certainly had something to do with the coaches' success: Metro Championships in football, basketball, and track, and second in the district in golf. The baseball team went 23-3 and was second in the state. Marvelous athletes.)

Dick Schwabe and Paul Wachtel coached football in the fall but they also coached track in the spring.

One day, I was sitting in Algebra Two – in the seat I proudly occupied for two years – and I was looking out the window (which might explain the two-year part) and there they were out on the track with a tractor, plowing up the track. What??

I didn't know what was going on and I was afraid to ask. But the next day they were there again, this time dragging a hay rake behind the tractor. And the next day they were pulling a roller. It turned out they were renovating the track. It seemed that cinder tracks weren't supposed to have ruts and puddles everywhere after it rained and these two men wanted a facility we could be proud of.

Several years later, I bumped into Coach Wachtel at the University of Akron, where he was working on his PhD and I was getting a Master's in business.

That's when I learned Life Lesson Number 5: He said, no, digging up the track didn't have anything to do with being proud of our facility. They just didn't want any of their runners to sprain an ankle or twist a knee running through those ruts. They were just trying to keep us safe. The lesson was, if you want to be a success, you need to go beyond your job description. Plowing the track wasn't in the teachers' contract. Go beyond what's expected.

I'm always flabbergasted when I hear an older individual say, "I've lived a fine life. I have no regrets – wouldn't change a thing." Really? Never made a mistake? There's nothing to correct or apologize for? There was nothing in your life that you could not have improved? There wasn't a weed you could have pulled or an idea you could have shared or a child you could have comforted?

Well that wasn't the lesson I got from those two coaches.

What happened in 1965? Turmoil.

- *Malcom X was assassinated in New York City.*
- *In Selma, Alabama civil rights marchers were attacked with billy clubs, tear gas and bull whips by state and local police.*
- *The first US combat troops arrived in Vietnam*
- *Palm Sunday tornados killed 271 people in the Midwest -- 60 in Ohio. Two swaths, each 450 miles long. The one that finally lifted up in Cuyahoga County originated right outside Cedar Rapids, Iowa*
- *Congress went back and did a little more work on the Civil Rights Act, amending Title IX to give women equal opportunities in education. Today, many folks complain about the federal government getting involved in education, but I think this shows it has its place. In our day, Tallmadge girls didn't play interscholastic sports. All they had was the GAA—the Girls Athletic Association. They played each other behind closed doors. In basketball, the girls used a rubber ball. The rules allowed a player to dribble the ball only three times, then she had to pass the ball or shoot. Nothing challenging. Nothing athletic. Not real basketball. Can anyone in the room imagine Tallmadge High School without girls' basketball, soccer, or softball?*

- *In 1966 sports, Baltimore swept the Dodgers in the World Series, The Celts 4-3 over the Lakers in the NBA championship (the NBA had only 9 teams), and if anyone knows who won the NCAA basketball championship that year I'll be flabbergasted. It was Texas Western over Kentucky (72-65). Texas Western was the first team in the tournament to start five African American players. In case you are wondering, Texas Western is now known as UTEP—the University of Texas at El Paso.*
- *In entertainment, "The Sound of Music" won the Oscar for Best Picture and we had the first episode of "Star Trek" on CBS.*
- *But CBS backed out of plans to show "Psycho"—they thought it was too violent for home TV.*
- *I enrolled at Ohio University. The bill for the school year (including room and board) was \$1468. My summer job at U.S. Stoneware paid \$2.31 per hour, the union wage, which meant that I could almost cover the cost if I was able to get some hours over Christmas break.*
- *By the end of the year, the United States had 385,000 troops in Vietnam.*

Which brings me to our classmates, many of whom are now gone.

The first was Tim Kranshan, who had joined the army after graduation. He died in in an ambush in Vietnam only eight months later. He left a girlfriend behind. He and classmate Dave Conley had talked about moving to South America.

The following year my best friend, Keith Hipply, was almost home from work at his college job when he was killed in Goodyear Heights by a guy who ran a red light. It was five days before Christmas and was planning to give a ring to a wonderful girl. We've lost many other classmates, too. So much for the plans we make. There's a Life Lesson #5 there somewhere.

Paul Wachtel and Dick Schwabe are gone too.

Remember how I said there are things you just don't know about people? I knew Dick Schwabe as a coach who also taught gym and health. And I knew he spent his summers managing a swim club in Montrose. What I didn't know was that he got his pilot's license in college and joined the Army Air Corp during WWII. He job was to fly men and equipment over Himalayan Mountains. Over the "hump." In his obituary, it said if you mention "the Hump" to a room full of 21st century pilots, the room will become very quiet. Very few pilots today could imagine the dangers in this 530-mile-long passage over the mountains in an unarmed, underpowered C-47 with no radar, no navigational aids, and no way to climb much higher than the mountain tops. So our own Coach Schwabe, before most of us were even born, was flying around or between those mountains in some of the worst conditions known to flying.

His obituary called his logbooks "an encyclopedia of flight. 45,000 hours in the air in every conceivable machine that had wings."

So, the class of 1966: What have our members done to be worthy of teachers like that?

Lots of good stuff:

- *Sue Whitten Wimett went into finance and accounting and ran her first marathon at age 40;*
- *Albert Woody became an airline pilot;*
- *Herb Theiss sold hospital laboratory equipment;*
- *Our salutatorian, Elaine Satterfield Cessna and her husband have their own trucking company in Pennsylvania. They've also started a motorsports business;*

- *Beth Haines Hager, Glenn Adams, Beth Kneirium Brunner, Linda Gore Oelberg, Diane Bibbee Saviers, Claudia Sacket Jacobsen, Regina Zahir Vincent all became educators, as was I;*
- *Educators Ken Herstich and my friend Don Smith were also successful high school coaches. Don's girls' basketball team won a state championship in 2005;*
- *Tim Aurand, Dick Bratt and Dave Lundy went into law enforcement;*
- *Don Bendell, became a novelist and has written nearly 30 books;*
- *Lonnie Drayer became a patent attorney;*
- *Dick Whetstone and Terry Caipen were career military;*
- *Tom Cole went into retailing at Polsky's and became the Chief Administrative Officer at Macy's in New York City;*
- *Lois Taylor Hollingworth, LeAnn Walters McClelland and Nancy Sipe Erickson became nurses;*
- *Dr. Paul Kosko, became an eye surgeon in Mississippi;*
- *Dr. Jim Lock, our valedictorian, became the Chairman of the Department of Cardiology at Boston Children's Hospital and Professor of Pediatrics at Harvard Medical School;*
- *Ted Bare, who asked me to speak to you tonight, became an entertainment mogul and restaurateur – three movie theaters and two pizza shops. Visit the Highland or Linda Theater when you can. And the pizza at Leonardo's is fabulous.*

So many members of our class have done very well. And I look forward to seeing many of them at our 50th class reunion in October. Thanks for letting me tell their story.

50-Year Pin Presentation/Recognition of Golden Agers

Gayle McMillan then presented the 50-year pins to members of the Class of 1966 and recognized all Golden Agers in attendance including Don Dean, Karl Starks, and Ileana Crites Williams, Class of 1944, oldest alumni in attendance. Golden Agers are the 50-year class and older.

Recognition of the 25-Year Class:

Mary Cushing acknowledged that the Class of 1991 is celebrating its 25th year, but announced that as there were no representatives in attendance, there would not be a remembrance from that class.

Welcome of Graduating Class:

Bill Hilbish then introduced the 2016 Class representative:

It is my honor to officially welcome the Class of 2016 to the Tallmadge High School Alumni Association.

Representing the Class of 2016 is Victoria Murray. Victoria was a member of the cross country and track teams. She was secretary of the National Honor Society and active in the Student Senate, the Spanish Club, Leaders in Action and the Biomimicry Club. Victoria will be attending Kent State University majoring in exercise physiology/pre-medicine. Please welcome the class of 2016, class Valedictorian, Victoria Murray.



Response by Class of 2016:

Hello! Once again, my name is Victoria Murray, and I am a graduate of the class of 2016. Unfortunately, our senior class president could not be in attendance, so as one of the senior class officers, I am standing in place for her this evening. Nevertheless, it is truly a privilege to be able to speak to you all tonight about the accomplishments of Tallmadge High School's most recent graduating class: the class of 2016. I think one of the best aspects of being a student at Tallmadge High School is the wide variety of activities and organizations in which students can participate. There are so many different activities for so many different interests, and I am confident in stating that I believe the class of 2016 took full advantage of all the wonderful opportunities available to students at Tallmadge High School.

In the realm of athletics, Tallmadge had another successful year. This year marked the beginning of the new suburban league, allowing Tallmadge to be matched against schools more similar to our own size. As we said goodbye to rivals such as Wadsworth and Nardon, we welcomed the new competition from Barberton, Kent, and Aurora. Several of our teams did especially well in our league championships, as we saw girls' bowling take 1st place, baseball and boys' swimming take 2nd place, and girls' basketball, girls' cross country, softball, and wrestling take 3rd place. In swimming, a group of 3 seniors and 1 junior made to the state meet in the 200 medley relay, finishing 15th in the race. Those seniors were Dominic DiSalvo, Cameron Coen, and Jared Graham. We also had many seniors earn 1st team all-league honors in multiple sports. Moreover, several of our graduating seniors will be continuing their athletic careers at the collegiate level at schools including Hiram College, Mount Union, and Marietta College.



Once again, the Tallmadge High School band program had another successful year, bringing energy and excitement to our games and pep rallies and earning Superior ratings at all of their competitions, including State. They also received awards including Best Percussion, Best Color Guard, and Best Overall General Effect.

Furthermore, the Tallmadge High School theater program put on successful and entertaining productions this year, with the play "Midsummer/Jersey" in the Fall and the musical "Into the Woods" in the Spring.

The various service organizations at Tallmadge High School made a significant impact on our school and community this year as well. Student Senate did well with their Christmas family fundraiser and hosted several successful blood drives, saving lives and earning funds for local scholarships at the same time. Leaders in Action held their first silent auction this year, earning about \$9000 to be distributed to three deserving charities: The Ronald McDonald House of Akron, Hope Lodge of Cleveland, and One of a Kind Pets of Akron. National Honor Society also continued to make an impact through its fundraising for local scholarships and for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society.

The blossoming Biomimicry Club also made big strides this year, earning funding through grants and car washes to construct an eco-friendly greenhouse made of plastic 2-liter bottles on the high school campus this summer.

Through all of our involvements, whether athletic, artistic, musical, professional, or service-related, the class of 2016 carried on the Tallmadge tradition of excellence and involvement set by the past generations of Tallmadge High School graduates. I am confident that with our enthusiasm, energy, and passion, the members of the class of 2016 will have a great impact on not only on our own futures, but also on the future of our community. We will always be thankful for the culture, tradition, and support provided by the individuals and organizations within our city throughout all of these past years, and I look forward to seeing many more driven and spirited classes in the future.

Mary Cushing then announced that with the inclusion of the 193 members of the Class of 2016, the total number of Alumni who had graduated from Tallmadge High School was 14,803. Mary presented the Class of 2016 table placard to Victoria and asked her to bring classmates from the Class of 2016 to future Alumni dinners.

Memorial:

Mary Cushing then presented the memorial, reading classes and names. This information was included in the program along with class, date of death and age at death which is included here. Also included are names presented to us at the dinner.

MEMORIAL

*We often think of days gone by, when we were all together.
We call their names a final time, our classmates gone forever.*

Since the Alumni Banquet in 2015, we have learned about the loss of these Alumni:

Class	Name	Age	Date of Death		
1941	Betty Thomas Emery	92	April	18	2016
1942	Mary Elizabeth Diese Burton	92	January	23	2016
1943	Juanita McMillan Donald	90	June	7	2015
1944	Frances Fenn Salmons	89	December	4	2015
1944	Gertrude Webster Scherer	90	April	27	2016
1945	Robert Detweiler	87	June	29	2015
1946	Evelyn Grand Dinger	87	August	17	2015
1946	Alice Wade Gallo	87	March	29	2016
1946	Robert Harmon	87	December	28	2015
1947	Shirley Sanford Booth	87	November	9	2015
1948	Margarethe (Marge) Davis Braun	84	October	11	2015
1948	Ransell (Junior) Yoho	84	June	11	2015
1950	Jimmy Moles	84	May	30	2016
1951	Margaret Priest Legg	82	March	8	2016
1952	Jean Digby Freyman	81	July	13	2015

1954	Ruth Gaddis Crummel	80	April	13	2016
1954	Lawrence Jones	79	June	22	2015
1958	Julia Norton Barker	76	April	11	2016
1958	Joyce Pfeifle Hood	76	March	1	2016
1961	Brenda Croy Ebie	73	March	29	2016
1962	Erwin Herman	71	April	21	2016
1963	Richard Kline	70	May	3	2016
1964	David Baughman	68	April	5	2015
1964	Robert Morgan	70	March	1	2016
1964	Phillip Rorabaugh	68	July	3	2015
1966	Lee Salzwimmer	68	August	30	2015
1966	William Sherrill		September	28	2015
1966	John Labbe		May	9	2015
1967	William "Dave" Ennemoser	66	December	14	2015
1967	Janet Oden Foster	66	January	28	2016
1967	Richard Gallagher	66	July	17	2015
1971	Patricia Fox Alspach	62	January	13	2016
1972	Marianne Kaneas Blankenship	61	February	13	2016
1973	Beth Gilbert Wylie	61	March	6	2016
1975	Gene Guillard	60	May	27	2016
1975	Robert (Jim) Holmes	58	September	26	2015
1975	Susan Wade	58	September	9	2015
1976	Anthony Paolucci	57	March	21	2016
1979	Christine Schley Tucker	54	January	14	2016
1980	Patricia Mallory Buczkowski	53	February	12	2016
1983	Kevin Currey	50	July	15	2015
1988	John McPeck II	45	October	19	2015
1991	Erin Myers	41	May	2	2015
1991	Randy Sliman	42	September	29	2014
1995	Molly Cole	38	October	14	2015
2000	Lindsay Wahl Giannobile	33	June	6	2016
Teacher	John King	84	July	15	2015
Teacher	John Roberts	85	April	14	2016
Teacher	Molly Walsh	76	September	5	2015

Unfinished Business: There was no Unfinished Business.

New Business: Mary Cushing reported:

We did not receive the letter announcing the three winners of the scholarships provided by the Alumni Association before the meeting. Each winner was provided a \$750 scholarship. The winners are all children or grandchildren of Tallmadge High School Alumni. Editor's Note: The letter announcing the

winners was found after the meeting (lost in the mail!). The 2016 winners of the Tallmadge High School Alumni Association Heritage Scholarships are: Alyssa Brown, Dominic DiSalvo and Hannah Kahook.

The Alumni Association again plans to have a tent at the Circle Fest on August 20th. Please stop by the tent and say hello. Next year's annual meeting will be held on Saturday, June 3, 2017.

Nomination of Officers:

Nominated for a two-year term are:

President: Bill Hilbish 1974

1st VP: Gayle McMillan Bross 1974

2nd VP: Bill Conley 1956

Secretary: Mary Cushing 1974

Treasurer: Chris Freeman-Clark 1977

There being no other nominations from the floor, the slate of officers was approved.

A 50/50 raffle and door prize raffle was then held with prizes donated by local businesses. Bill Hilbish thanked the sponsors for their donations of cash and gift certificates, Gayle Bross McMillan who donated the basket of flower bulbs as well as the flower arrangements on the tables, and all attending for their support of the Alumni Association.

After the singing of the Alma Mater, the 137th Annual Meeting of the Tallmadge High School Alumni Association was adjourned by new President, Bill Hilbish.



MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

* = Donated to Scholarship Fund

1944	Don Dean Karl Starks * Ileana Crites Williams	1958	James Bailey Janet Jacobs McCaulley *	1966	Jeff Davis * Helen Boehn Etheridge Marianne Codrea Grigas Linda Giles Heiser Charlene Taylor Herstich Kenneth Herstich Linda Arnes Melia * Linda Leone Papoi Paul Schweigert Don Smith *
1945	Betty Heiser Dean	1959	Irene Baer Brandt * Paul Hood* Rex Houze Phyllis Coleman Jones Gretchen Kalbaugh Kuhlke Pat Pifel Pander Ronald Smith *	1968	Dennis Roquemore Donald Williams
1946	Bruce Detweiler * Donald Richards Theodora Scott Urban	1961	Kenny Anderson * Pam Mullett Bob Smith Tom Ward Howard Williams *	1970	DonnaRae Flanary Gail Mahaney Williams
1948	Helen Reznik Butler * Catherine Cate Detweiler * Gene Riddle Alvin Sayre Beryl Vandersall *	1962	Michael Corathers * Joanne Houger Gray * Lee McCoy Hill Jon Houze * James Stiffler	1971	Jim Wray
1949	Carolyn Atwood Mackey *	1963	Merrilee Bissett Anthe Shannon Browning Stiffler Robert Clark * Bobbie Eddy * La Donna Tallman Herman Michael Mahaney Mary Black Overholt Leona Cirullo Senn Judy Carroll Smith Rita Sylvester Wass * Sandra Herstich Williams *	1972	Debbie Byron Armentrout
1950	Elizabeth Jacobs Griffith * Mary Ledgerwood Riddle Marian Parks Schopper Norma Oxford Shaffer* James Wharton Paul Zurschmit*	1964	Bonnie Theiss Robinson	1974	Mary Rzewnicki Cushing * Christine Mackey Farquhar Bill Hilbish * Gayle Bross McMillan Sherry Ouellette Wray
1951	Dolores Seckman Baldwin * Gloria Hughes Gooden * Joan Smith * Fay Seevers Wharton	1965	Diane Luli Canada Russel Heiser Janes Perrine Susan James Smith Avis Sylvester Walkley *	1976	Paul Williams
1952	James E. McGuire *			1977	Chuck Byron Chris Freeman-Clark *
1955	Karl Hershberger Patricia Booker Keener Annamay Baer Lewis * Jean Jackson Whitlock			1978	Linda Rzewnicki Nasuta *
1956	William Conley Roger A. Crislip			1986	John Byron
1957	Judy Sylvester Avila Sandra Norton Taylor John Tuel * LaVerne Henderson Tuel *			1989	Clifford Horvath
				2016	Victoria Murray

MEMBERS PAYING DUES BUT UNABLE TO ATTEND:

x = Donated to Scholarship Fund

Class	First Name	Maiden Name	Last Name	Donation
1938	Beatrice	Watts	Acken	
1939	Ellis		King	
1940	Hilda	Crites	King	
1942	Jean	Point	Call	
1948	Richard		Vydra	x
1949	Irby		Ballard	
1949	Paul		Hawkins	x
1949	Audrey	Jones	Woerz	x
1950	Norman		George	x
1950	Vernon		Petty	x
1951	Donna	Zurschmit	Beard	x
1951	Sarah	Jones	Bennett	x
1951	George		Pletcher	x
1951	Lowell		Ripley	x
1952	Maryann	Bailey	Anzallo	
1955	Kenneth		Keck	
1955	Donald		Woerz	
1956	Charles		Doepker	
1956	Martha	Stephens	Gabrosek	x
1956	J. Thomas		Jones	x
1956	Peggy	Simpson	Linnen	x
1958	Janice	Beresh	Doepker	
1958	Ina	Oxford	Paulus	
1959	Rebecca	Edwards	Brand	x
1959	Margie	Saylor	Metcalfe	x
1960	Ann	McCoy	Mickle	
1961	William		Thrasher	
1963	Eileen		Eddy	x
1966	Rudd		Bare II	x
1970	James		Mallory	x
1971	Daniel		Brown	x
1971	Bill		Neitz	
1971	Judy	Wood	Ripple	
1975	Marlene	Berg	Cass	
1975	Clifford		Yeager	
1976	Terrie		Morgan	x
1977	Karen	Mackey	Horton	
1978	Susan	Wood	Yeager	
1980	Edward		Mackey	
1983	Eileen	Morgan	Arrington	
1983	Patty	McNeal	Hartshorn	x

