ALUMNI ASSOCIATION OF TOWSON HIGH SCHOOL
PO. BOX 3
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Class Notes

Lisa Waters 410-667-2575
84 Saturday November 27, 1999, 8:00-12:00 a.m. Mt. Wash Tavern– Erin Kelly Miller - 410-545-1214 (work)

Matt Bayne 410-464-2010, Rob Armetta 410-252-8882

Alumni Dinner Dance -
Saturday, October 9, 1999
Invitations will be mailed in July

Mary Dresser 410-818-7024

Tentative plans- Hunt Valley Marriott, September 23, 2000 Fran S. Willhide 410-665-2619
Carroll Weirich 410-269-1341, Fred Craig 410-665-1768

Norma Anderson
McCarthy 410-679-7241

Planning 40 year reunion in 2000. Helen Perkins Berry 22244 Dixie Drive, Bishopville, MD 21813, 410-

If you are interested in chairing a planning committee, please call Zenas Sykes 410-532-2071, newsbld@ad.com

Planning November reunion—Patty Gratz Douglas 410-329-8079 or 410-357-8226

NEWS NOTE
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From the President’s desk...
Towson High is in its fourth year of a complete renovation. One of the unfortunate by-products of this renovation has been felt by the Music Department. The auditorium is still not complete. The senior musicians, who are extremely talented, have never performed in their own auditorium. They have played in elementary and middle school facilities. In addition, due to the unexpected high costs, the music department has not been able to upgrade their equipment, nor their instruments.

As a result, a group of students, parents, faculty members and alumni are organizing a fund-raising event at the Joseph Meyerhoff. The idea is to give these talented high school musicians an opportunity that they can take with them for the rest of their lives, and if possible, to raise funds for modernizing. In fact, we believe that this program will include performances by students and alumni as well as current members of the Booster Club. Total costs are expected to be around $18,000 - $22,000 just to hold the event. Tickets cost $15. We are looking for alumni and local corporate support to cover these costs allowing all ticket revenue to go directly to the Music Department. Please help in one of the following ways: 1) participate in the performance 2) buy tickets for family, friends and neighbors 3) sponsor the event and receive prominent recognition and preferred seating 4) simply write a check.

Make checks payable to the THS Music Boosters and mail to:
Towson High School, 69 Cedar Avenue, Towson 21286 MD
Name:
Address:
Graduating Class:
Telephone:
Instrumental or Voice:

THS Principal’s message from
Gwendolyn Grant

Soon, it is our hope that Phase II of the THS Transformation will be completed. The building modernization will be final when the music suites and auditorium are completed. Presently, Towson is the most technologically advanced school in Baltimore County with new fiber optic wiring, a state-of-the-art wide area network, five computer stations in over 50 classrooms, and six computer labs with internet access.

Technology will be used as a tool to support and enhance the Essential Curriculum and Instruction. Research indicates that an array of tools for acquiring information and for thinking and communicating allows more students many more ways to become successful learners. "Technology encourages different types of interactions among students and between students and teachers, engaging students in higher-order cognitive tasks (Teaching Learning and Technology)." Studies on increased teacher and student access to computers and technology indicate that students:

• Explore and represent information dynamically and in many forms
• Become more confident about learning
• Become independent learners and self-starters
• Finish whole units of study more quickly than in past years
• Work more collaboratively
• Develop a positive orientation to the future

With the support of the Alumni Association and the Fund for the Future campaign, Towson will soon become a 21st Century School.

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Alumni Events 1999

Senior Celebration

THS will again hold their after-prom drug and alcohol free party. Support this yearly program with your donation. Include it with your dues and please specify.

[Name: ]  [Class: ]  [Instrument: ]  [Did you own your instrument: ]  [Telephone: ]
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[Best time for rehearsal]  [M-W-F (circle all that apply)]  [Return to:]  [Towson High c/o Barry Karov]

49 Cedar Avenue

Towson, MD 21286

Fourth of July Parade

Join THS Alumni in this year’s parade. THS band director, Barry Karow is looking for all alumni musicans to play with the band again. We are also looking for a member from each class to march with us as well. Contact Randy Bowers at (410)-321-7535 or Barry Karow at (410)-887-3688.

Show Your Support!

THS Alumni meetings are held in Room 111 at 7:30 p.m. at THS on the second Tuesday of each month.

Dates include: April 13, May 11 and June 8.

Hall of Fame Inductee-1995

Joyce Hens Green

Judge Green, a 1945 THS graduate was appointed United States District Judge for the District of Columbia on May 11, 1979 and entered on duty on July 27, 1979. She served on the United States Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court (Chief Judge), 1988-95, and as a Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia, 1968-79. Prior, she practiced law in the District of Columbia and Virginia.

She is a member of the American Bar Association; the American Judicature Society; the District of Columbia Bar; the Bar Association of the District of Columbia; the Virginia State Bar; member and past President of the Women’s Bar Association; past chairman, Executive Women in Government; Fellow, American Bar Foundation; former Director, Federal Judges Association; and Women’s Forum of Washington. Currently she serves as a Bar Association’s Judicial Division; and on the Judicial Branch Committee of the Judicial Conference.


Membership Drive

As of December 31, 1998 there were 475 Life members. (Life Membership checks received after December 31, 1998 will be listed in the Fall 1999 Newsletter.) Here are the newest additions:

1941 Anna Stocker Clark
1941 Francis Koenig Bevan
1946 Louis Mihon House Jr
1946 Donald H. Shanklin
1947 Adele Shumway Walker
1955 M. Jack McCarry
1951 Andrew S. Bly
1951 William A. Beck
1951 Nancy Giler Fox
1953 Edward C. Carney
1953 Howard S. Downing Jr
1953 Mary Stuckelhoff Fiocchi
1954 Samuel McVay
1954 B. Lee Pritchard Marshall
1954 William Vinson
1955 Susan E. Edwards Armstrong
1956 Lynn Moss
1956 A. Jean Pringle
1958 Karen L. Cope
1960 Elizabeth L. Schwalb
1960 Barbara L. Browning
1961 Ann C. Cane Wohlt
1961 John H. Engel
1962 Virginia Richards
1963 T. Paul
1965 Edward T. Rock
1965 Mary L. Moore Tettles
1965 William T. Collins Jr
1965 James Edwards
1967 Robert L. Pollin
1975 Joyce Christiansen
1975 Nancy L. Stuber
1975 Karen J. Reddy Phillips
1984 Terri Bowers Smith
1977 Susan Sundt

LISTEN UP

We at the Alumni Association have a way to do the following:

• Save your money on your phone bill
• Add 20% to THS finish its renovation and be established as one of the prominent high schools in the country
• Build a more solid foundation for the future of our community.

For each individual that chooses to change their long distance carrier to Excel, the resulting savings will flow to two places: Your pocket and the THS Alumni Association.

For more details and sign-up sheets, please call Steven Popp at 410-321-4307.

HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE-1995

Norris A. King

Norris A. King, a 1929 Towson High School graduate, was inducted into the Hall of Fame because of his lifelong dedication to the education of Baltimore County School children.

After graduation from 1931 from the Normal School at Towson, he began his career that ran the gamut of teaching positions. He began teaching sixth-grade at Catonsville Elementary. From there, he was appointed vice-principal and principal of several elementary schools. He was a supervisor at junior high schools and principal at Parkville Junior-Senior High. He became Director of Secondary Education in 1956 Director of Central Area in 1965, and Assistant Superintendent in 1977. Throughout his professional career, King was an active member of the Kiwanis Club of Parkville of the United Methodist Church and THSAA, where he organized class reunions. He had a local dance band where he played the banjo and guitar at TSU. He was awarded The Distinguished Alumni Award in 1991.

An extensive traveler, he has prepared videotapes of his trips, which he shows to schools and community organizations.

Norris A. King had a distinguished career in the educational field, and in service to the community. He retired in 1975.

He has been married to the former Alma Pinchly for 64 years.

Membership Application and Renewal

Alumni Association Towson High School
P.O. Box 36, Hyde, MD 21082

Name: ____________________________
Maiden: ____________________________
Last: ____________________________
Grad. Year: ________________________

Address: ____________________________

Phone: ____________________________
Dues include: $100 Life $50.00 Annual Life Installment Other Gift: ________________________