




History 101 Professor J.C. Brown

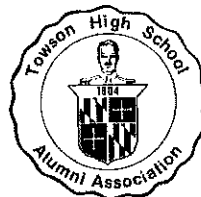
Here is some *more* Towson High history trivia.
See how many you know! (answers at bottom)

- A. First Towson High School Band! 
- B. Music Class is introduced.
- C. Circulating library instituted. Books bought at second hand stores and donated by parents— 1,100 total.
- D. First Ring Dance at Towson High. 
- E. Student body sells \$7,150 thrift stamps for war effort.
- F. Wrestling is added as a men's sport. 
- G. Boys have a gymnastics team.



A. 1940 B. 1915 C. 1927 D. 1955 E. 1918 F. 1957 G. 1978

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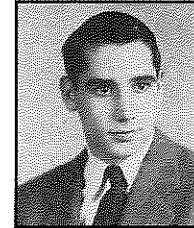
Parents—please contact us if your THS alum has moved and provide us with the new address and help us save on postage.

NEWSNOTE



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Brainard Joins Hall

The Hall of Fame recently inducted its 37th alumni: William Crittenden Brainard. Brainard graduated from THS in 1953 and entered Oberlin College (OH) where he earned a BA in Physics in 1957. He earned his Masters and Doctorate at Yale University, where he has taught since 1962.

At Yale, he twice served as director of Yale's Cowles Foundation for Research in Economics and also chaired the economics department. He was appointed the Frederick William Beinecke Professor of Economics (1987) and became the first faculty member to hold the Arthur Okun Professorship (1991). In 1996, he was elected chair of the Board of the Federal Reserve Bank of Boston, a position he held until 2002. A fellow of the Econometric Society and a member of the American Economic Association, he has served as coeditor of the prestigious Brookings Papers on Economic Activity for many years.

A colleague stated in the Yale Bulletin (October 26, 2001): "Bill Brainard has been an inspiration for students and colleagues from his earliest days as a graduate student to his later positions as teacher, editor, chairman, provost and kibitzer-in-chief. No puzzle is too arcane for his head and no anxiety is too mundane for his heart. Yale is a greater and more humane institution because of his presence over a long and distinguished career."

Bill has been married for almost 45 years and has three sons.

-Evelyn Sims Sedlack '53

New Landscaping for Old Garden

Many thanks to Maxalea Nursery for their generous donation of an entirely new professionally landscaped garden at the Aigburth entrance, including removing the old shrubbery, donating all new plants and replanting. The garden had become overgrown in recent years and was desperately in need of rehab. It now boasts beautiful perennials such as Lenten Rose, Plumbago, Meadow Rue and Goldenray. Woody plants such as Purple Beautyberry and Azalea, green accent plants, Blue Angel Hosta and Silvery Sunproof border grass act as perfect complements to the perennials and help to create a more attractive entrance.

Because Towson High holds special memories for many of the past and present Maxalea family members, they were more than happy to support their alma mater. Our sincere appreciation to: Donald McWilliams '49 married to Ruth Wilkinson McWilliams '53; John E. McWilliams '57 married to Sue Sands McWilliams '57 (deceased); and Michelle Gaston McWilliams '72.

THSAA Officers

Thanks to all who help keep this organization running! We still are in need of a recording secretary and corresponding secretary, as well as board members. Come to a meeting and support your alumni!

Terri Bowers Smith '84
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Vice President

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Newsnote, Board

Andy Bell '91
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Hall of Fame, Board

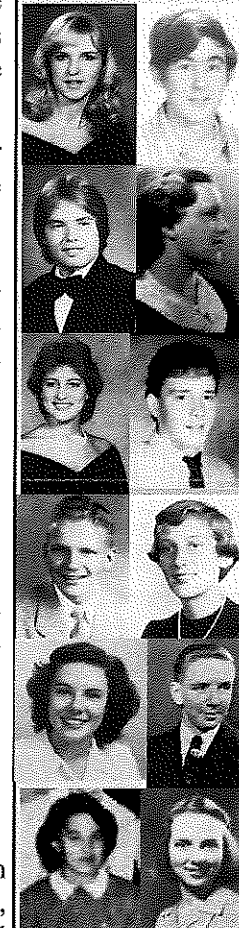
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Hall of Fame, Board

Johnna Crockett Suter '49
Reunions, Board

Harry Kakel '37
Board

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Barbara Blackstone
Hanlon '42
Board



Alumni Meeting Dates

2/7/06
3/14/06
4/4/06
5/9/06
6/14/06

All meetings begin at 7:00 pm in room 237.

Reunion News

'91— 15 year reunion is being planned for the Fall of 2006. Contact Mikey Abato Monaghan at mikeymonaghan@comcast.net

'75— The Class would like to thank Scott Trenner and Warner Mason for their meticulous planning of this year's reunion. They would like to thank you for your efforts in keeping the class together and bringing classmates in from all over the country.

If you are interested in planning a class reunion, please contact us. Questions? contact Johnna Crockett Suter at 410-472-6464 or at: crockettsuter@comcast.net or towsonhighalumni@bcps.org

Other News

Congratulations to Ellen Richmond Sauerbrey '55 who was recently nominated by President George Bush to head the State Department's refugee office. Good luck on your confirmation.

Kudos also to Ellen Oosterling Moyer '54 who was re-elected to a second term as Mayor of Annapolis, MD.

Class of 1949 Rides North

Thirty-eight members of the Class of 1949 traveled to Cumberland, May 27, 2005, to spend the day riding the Western Scenic Railroad.

The day was the first beautiful day in weeks with perfect weather and the country side in full bloom. Class member Charles "Fireball" Amos was the engineer on steam locomotive 734 which gave us a smooth ride to Frostburg and back. Lunch was waiting at the Frostburg Terminal prepared by the Frostburg Depot Café, nicely served and delicious: Hobo Stew and Chief Engineers Sandwiches wrapped in a red neckerchief. The return trip to Cumberland was beautiful through the valleys, along the rivers and fields, beside the Bone Cave and through the 914 tunnel as friendly neighbors waved along the route. A special guest was Michelle Robinson, 2005 Maryland Farm Queen, a lovely young lady. Our State of Maryland is small but beautiful from the mountains to the seashore!

-Johnna Crockett Suter '49

Scenic Railroad Stays Independent

"The Western Maryland Scenic Railroad will continue to operate as an independent organization, the chairman of the railroad's board (Charles Amos, '49) said in a report this week..."

"The board wants to ensure that the railroad is "testimony to the past, a self-sufficient enterprise for the present and a growing attraction for the future," Amos said."

"The scenic railroad organization operates a tourist steam train, pulled by a 1916 Baldwin locomotive on some of its 32-mile, round trip runs between Cumberland and Frostburg on the old Western Maryland Railway line. A state subsidy that helped sustain it through 16 spring-through-fall seasons is ending this year, raising the possibility that the railroad's private, nonprofit operator will have to find another, less costly route or shut down altogether.

'Amos said the scenic railroad also conducted a "comprehensive evaluation" of its operations and.....that the railroad alone has a \$5.5 million economic impact on the area...'

"We have produced our own financial forecasts and...with a conservative growth in pricing and ridership, can remain financially independent...for the next five years and beyond," the board chairman said.

-Excerpts Taken From Baltimore Sun, 9/24/05

We wish Charles and the railroad the best, it is truly a treasure of Maryland.



Class of 1952 Gets Together

The Class of 1952 had their annual fall luncheon on October 9, 2005. We had 18 in attendance, including Blanche Stevens, a former THS Math teacher, who is currently living at Edenwald. We had a "Memories" discussion which turned out to be very interesting. Our next annual Spring luncheon will be held at the Charred Rib Restaurant on Ridgley Road in Lutherville on March 25, 2006 from 12 noon to 3:00 PM. Please call RSVP at 410-296-0158.

-Nina Rankin Beaufelter '52

Reunion Time

Is it time for your reunion? Don't know where to go to get started? Contact the alumni office and we will get you on the right track. Our database is constantly updated and classes may request a copy of their database for \$50 that is refundable when it is returned to us with the updates that are attained. We will also provide you with an outline and alumni contacts in the food service and entertainment fields to give you a head start. If you are a service provider and would like to get on our contact list, please let us know. Reunion info can also be posted on our website.

Note: Our tax exempt status may not be used for reunion purposes due to



liability issues.

Lifetime Membership Drive

Life memberships fund the Ted Prince Memorial Scholarship Fund given each year to an exemplary THS student. Ted Prince was the only THS student to perish in World War I after volunteering following college. Our goal is to give a \$10,000 scholarship every year— currently we are giving a scholarship of \$5,000. (Donators from April '05 — Oct. '05)

1934 Mary Sue Fielding Sklarevski-Baublitz
1940 B. Lois Gentry Macks
1941 E. Rebecca Guthrie Rothwell
1947 David J. A. Fisher
1949 M. Latimer Banner
1951 Hollis M. Almony
1951 Constance J. Perry Johnson
1952 Betty J. Poellinger Ford
1953 Martha Thiemeyer Ager
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1957 Colleen Lynch Hall
1957 Judith Niemeyer Stout
1960 Sue D. Deghetto Fairman
1960 Thomas E. (Charlie) Mandato
1960 Anne Gould Millar
1960 Richard A. Riley

1961 L. Jeanne Dykes Bowman
1962 Dennis Richard Barnes
1962 Michael A. Britton
1962 Martin F. Gakenheimer
1963 Olivia F. Carter Brand
1964 Janice H. Huber Donlan
1964 Philip T. Snead
1965 Benjamin O. Brookhart
1965 Donna E. Lawson Croff
1965 Timothy M. Rodgers
1966 Lynda B. Bull Clarke
1967 Sandra E. Cobb
1968 Marjorie W. Bookhout
1968 Donald G. Hicks Jr.
1968 Nancy L. Gretz Sebring
1969 Jeffrey P. Dreisbach
1971 William J. Wiesand III
1972 Susan J. Cooke
1972 Nancy A. Hall Cooper
1973 Brenda G. Swift Bennett

1973 Ronald A. Rider
1973 Jan E. Starner Sanborn
1974 Clarke B. "Doober" Aburn
1974 James T. Johnson Jr.
1976 Debora L. Cuomo Maas
1976 Ellen V. Horton Ruggier
1977 Cynthia G. Heese
1977 Mark A. Lashley
1977 Mary Cadogan Lashley
1977 Donna Betkey Valenta
1977 Victor B. Walker
1978 Steven A. Casper
1979 D. Kathy Kines
1981 David F. Cline
1981 Marcel Guy Kimble
1985 Deborah A. Budacz Rice
1990 John W. Walter
1994 Cristine Largoza
1998 Kimberlee Letschin

EDITORS NOTE: Our apologies to the following donors—their contributions to the Annual Fund were incorrectly listed last issue.

FIVE STAR GENERALS (>\$1,000)

1968 Cynthia B. Haines Stone
Class of 1954
1954 Donald L. Strohmeier
1975 Scott K. Trenner
1967 Suzan M. Moore Zoukis
1975 Warner P. Mason
Class of 1975

FOUR STAR GENERALS (\$500—\$999)

1936 Edward A. McGough
1975 Glenn W. Heisey
1951 Thomas S. Hicks

THREE STAR GENERALS (\$250-\$499)

1942 Charles Edwin Stricker
1956 Richard D. Irvin
1938 Robert Louis Barrett
1943 Oliver S. Travers
1945 Joyce Hens Green
1953 Frances J. Gebb Daub

We greatly regret the error. Ed

Membership Application & Renewal

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First Maiden Last

Grad. Year _____ Phone: _____

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Email: _____ Please do not email me alumni highlights throughout the year!

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Lifetime members receive the Newsnote for life and discounts on events and clothing.
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Please note: Annual Membership is now \$10.00



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14K Gold (White or Yellow)	\$485	\$429	\$419

Please send in this order with your name, address, phone and full payment. Check, money order or credit cards excepted. Make checks payable to Balfour. Shipped in 6-8 weeks. Finger size can be attained through jeweler.



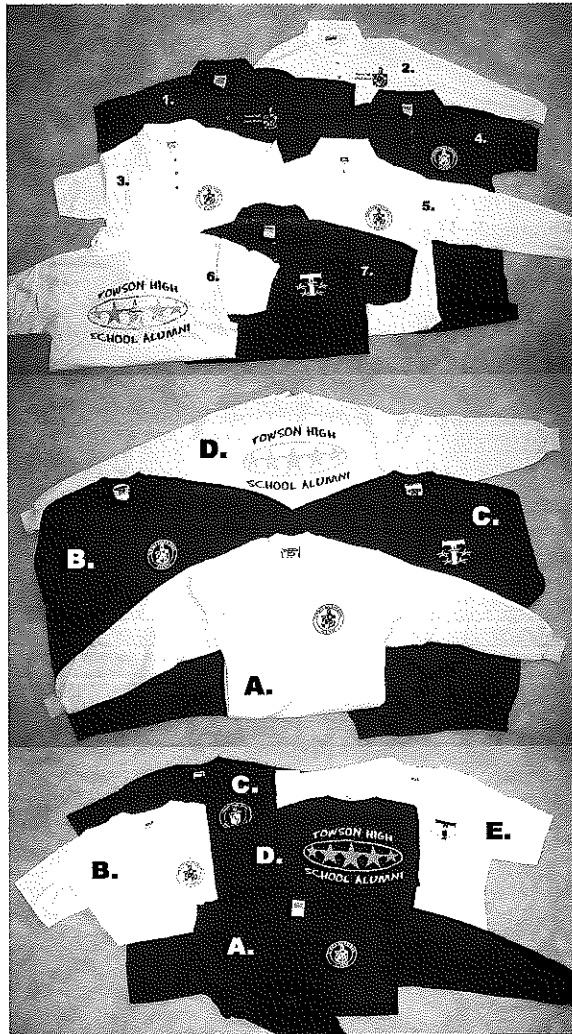
THS Ornaments

These solid pewter ornaments are the first and second in a series of three which capture THS schools. Ornament I, above, is the building on Allegheny Ave. which is currently used as offices for the school board. It served as the high school from 1907 until 1925. The second ornament is of THS from 1925-1949 which is located on Central Ave. and is currently the Bykota Senior Center.

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1. Maroon Short-Sleeve, Embroidered General Crest only \$20
2. White Long-Sleeve, Embroidered General Crest only \$20
3. White Short-Sleeve, General Crest only \$10
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6. White Short-Sleeve "T" with stars, logo on back only \$15
7. Maroon Short-Sleeve "T" with stars, logo on back only \$15

Sweat Shirts

- A. Ash Heavyweight with General Crest only \$20
- B. Maroon Heavyweight with General Crest only \$20
- C. Maroon Heavyweight "T" with stars, logo on back only \$20
- D. Ash Heavyweight "T" with stars, logo on back only \$20

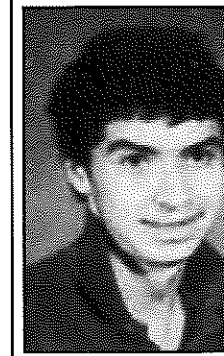
T-Shirts

- A. Maroon Long-Sleeve with General Crest only \$10
- B. White Short-Sleeve with General Crest only \$10
- C. Maroon Short-Sleeve with General Crest only \$10
- D. Maroon Short-Sleeve "T" with stars, logo on back only \$10
- E. White Short-Sleeve "T" with stars, logo on back only \$10

S&H—\$4/order-Call for size & availability.

In Memoriam...

- 1925 Regina E. Fox, Baltimore, MD, 07-08-05
 1930 George W. Rodney, Gaithersburg, MD, 27-Feb-96
 1934 Harry H. Hicks, Ventura, CA, 02-Jun-05
 1935 Brig. Gen. John Franklin Burk, Jr. Timonium, MD, 14-Oct-05 (Hall of Fame)
 1936 Frances Steuart Green, Timonium, MD, 07-Aug-05
 1937 Thomas Slaughter, Rogersville, TN, 12-Jun-05
 1938 Sarah Andrews Welsh, Elkridge, MD, 07-Feb-05
 1938 John R. Reckord, Baltimore, MD, 09-Aug-05
 1940 Evelyn L. Cockey Borkowski, New Oxford, PA, 22-Mar-05
 1942 Robert Lauder Kunkel, Towson, MD, 18-Oct-05
 1942 Mary Elizabeth Gunther Tilley, Bel Air, MD, 01-Jun-05
 1943 Robert W. Parks, Fairfax, VA, 19-Aug-05
 1944 Doris Watters Hoerl, Baltimore, MD, 01-Feb-05
 1945 Joyce Frank Citro, Nov-04
 1945 Mary C. Buckingham Thompson, Baltimore, MD, 26-Nov-04
 1946 Robert V. (Bob) Dorney, Chino Valley, AZ, 19-Apr-04
 1947 Wilmer L. Smith Little, Egg Harbor, NJ, 21-Apr-05
 1948 Robert L. Gilland, Timonium, MD, 18-Apr-05
 1950 William Louis (Bill) Rentzell, Ft. Worth, TX, 22-Dec-04
 1951 Lois A. Willis Bandell, Timonium, MD, 09-Jan-03
 1955 Kenneth B. Graham, Charlotte, NC, 02-Apr-05
 1957 Susan B. Hocker Linz, Reisterstown, MD, 01-Jun-05
 1958 Randa S. Engel Barto, Doraville, GA, 27-Jul-05
 1959 Douglas M. Whitehurst, Cockeysville, MD, 31-Dec-03



On October 29th 2005, the Alumni Association lost a dear member, Sanjay Shetty, Class of 1986. Sanjay was hit and killed by a drunk driver while crossing York Road in Towson. A loyal volunteer, Sanjay would attend all of our alumni events and was always ready with a smile and a pleasant greeting for anyone who stopped to visit. Sanjay's warm personality and dedication will be missed.

- 1960 Col. John E. Rothrock, Ruxton, MD, 25-Nov-05
 1960 Julia (Judy) Vail Thomas Sondre, Orlando, FL, 05-Apr-05
 1966 Raymond Harry Dietzway, Baltimore, MD, 02-Jun-05
 1968 Richard Paul Page, Severna Park, MD, 6-Oct-05
 1972 Sarah Wroten Patterson, Bel Air, MD, 14-9-05
 1975 Karen Ann Kalista Bierly, Phoenix, MD, 19-Feb-05
 1976 Katherine E. (Kitty) Levy Sheldon, Ponte Vedra Beach, FL, 3-11-05
 1979 Timothy D. Caton, Glen Arm, MD, 14-Jun-05



Looking for Our Fallen Heroes



As you may know Ted Prince was the only Towson High Alumni to perish in World War I. An annual scholarship is given in his name. Our list of lost alumni in World War II numbers 39. Currently we are working on establishing lists of those that perished in Korea, Vietnam, or the Persian Gulf. If you know of anyone, please contact the alumni office. We would like to acknowledge them respectively. Here are the beginnings of our lists:

Vietnam War

Thomas A Dolan '67- Dec 1971
 Ronald Lee Kesling '66- Dec 1967
 Charles Joseph Armstrong '66- Dec 1967

Korean War

John Thomas Wells III '39- Dec 1951

Alumni Awards for the Class of 2005!

Towson High's Class of 2005 Commencement Ceremony was held on June 1st at the Towson Center at Towson University. Each year, your donations and contributions go toward financial scholarships and awards for five deserving seniors chosen on the basis of their academic performance. They also possess characteristics of heart, mind and conduct as evidenced by a spirit of loyalty and service to Towson High. Best wishes for future endeavors to:

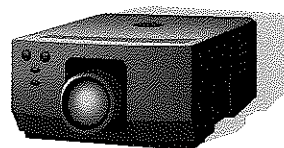
- Alumni Award for Academic Excellence.....Emily Mitzner
 Ted Prince Memorial Scholarship.....Lauren Lee
 Arthur C Crommer Mathematics Award.....Andrew Bolton
 Nannie Feast Award.....Richard Davis
 R. Louise Balls Creative Writing Award.....Paul Hendricks



Gratitude to the Alumni from Annual Fund Recipients!

Dear Mrs. Smith (Alumni President) and Alumni Association,
On behalf of Towson High School I would like to thank you for the beautiful new and improved Aigburth Garden. Our new garden is most attractive and a focal point of our school. We are most fortunate to have such a caring, supportive Alumni Association who continually seeks out projects to enhance all aspects of our program. We will cherish our new garden. Thank you for all you do to carry on our Tradition of Excellence.

Sincerely,
Jane Barranger, Ed.D.
Principal



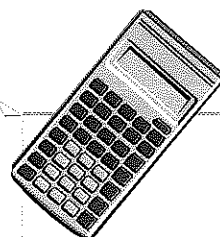
Dear Alumni Association,
Thank you for the funds to purchase a video projector for use with our programs. We will use it for classroom presentations, for informational sessions to market our programs, and for our annual Employer-Employee Appreciation Banquet.

The goal of each of our programs is to provide students with opportunities to make real-world connections to the learning they are doing in the classroom. The projector will enable us to showcase the experiences our students have in their work experiences, and it will provide a necessary resource for assuring that our students have experienced using technology. We appreciate your support and dedication to the current students of Towson High School.

Sincerely,
Alicia Fales
Chair, School to Career Transition Department

Dear Towson High Alumni Association,
I am a French V student in Ms. Arnett's class at Towson. I wanted to personally thank you for the contribution of \$400.00 which went towards the new printer for our foreign language department. The new printer not only helps teachers in efficiently printing out their materials, but also greatly benefits us students as well. Thank you again for your generous contribution to the foreign languages department at Towson.

Sincerely,
Joví Sapper
Class of 2005



Dear Alumni Association,
Thank you very much for your generous contribution. It enabled us to triple our amount of equipment (graphing calculators) since the county and state matched it! I really appreciate that you got the check and the letter in so quickly that we were able to make the deadline. Thanks again for all you do for our students, department and school!

Sincerely,
Glen Hyman, Math Department

Class Notes

WEDDINGS & ENGAGEMENTS

Bram Arrington '91 & Dr. Margaret Barry '93 planned for 9/06

Erica Batten '91 & John Goldwater on 6/11/05

Charles Hammann III '92 & Emily Levin planned for 5/06

Lee C Synkowski '96 & Sonia Schaefer planned for 8/06

Amy Stambaugh '96 & Justin Green planned for 5/06

Kasha DiLisio '96 & Carl Vandivier on 5/14/05

Jason Levy '98 & Aime Voith '99 planned for 7/06

BIRTHS

We welcome
Kyra Duryea Thacher to
Stephanie Spiegel Thacher '89
and Jeff Thacher

THS Bulletin Board

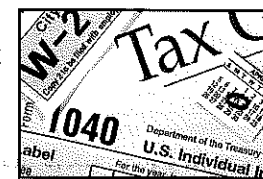
More Donations !

Thank you to...

Beth Gutterlet Simon '81, Carolyn Lawson Evans '58, Linda Loeb Clark '60, Janis Koch '63 and Stephanie Spiegel Thacher '89 for their Commencement Programs.

The programs help with identifying past award winners as well as finding missing alumni! Thanks also to the estate of Regina Fox '25 for the donation of several archive materials and Doris Ritter Ensminger '45 for info from the 1917 Sidelights!

The Alumni Organization is looking for an Accountant to handle our treasury as well as a firm to process our taxes. Any one interested in helping with yearly taxes, contact the alumni office.



please contact the alumni office.

Special thanks to Michelle Reillo '78, for the donation of her book
Aids Under Pressure

"This fascinating book presents the results of laboratory data, clinical experience and cost-effectiveness in using hyperbaric oxygen therapy in the management of AIDS, based on over six years of clinical experience in the management of patients with HIV disease using hyperbaric oxygen therapy. Michelle R Reillo, BSN, RN, trained in the fields of critical care and infectious disease at the University of Maryland, has been involved in the treatment of patients with AIDS since the beginning of the epidemic in 1983. Since 1993, she has been the clinical director of LifeForce Hyperbaric Institute in Baltimore where she conducts research on hyperbaric medicine and its effects on AIDS-related complications."

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Our strong bond can ne'er be broken
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High School life is swiftly passing
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