



# Taylor Schools Alumni Association Newsletter December, 2024

On behalf of the Taylor Schools Alumni Association Board, wishes to everyone for a Healthy and Happy Holiday Season! It is a very busy time of year and sometimes the holidays can be difficult for some with family and friends that are no longer with us. At this time, we need to keep them in our memories and enjoy the love that we shared with them.

What is going on with the Alumni museum, you ask? Well, I think we “finally” have movement to get our storage area cleaned up so we can start organizing our memorabilia. Since our items have moved from four different places since 1997, we need to get things organized. Our high school yearbooks have been organized to better see what years we have. We still need to go through the junior/middle school and elementary school books. Don’t forget, we are always looking for junior high and elementary books or memorabilia to add to our collection.

Starting in January we will need help organizing what we have in the areas that we are storing our things in. We will send out dates to those who would love to come to help us. We do have a list of those of you that reached out earlier this year to offer to help. Whether it is organizing our trophies or uniforms, we need your help. There are only a few who have the time to help, and we would love to get our museum set and open to everyone to come view.

We also will be working on the Kennedy bricks. We have the plaques to attach to them. More information to come on when they will be available for purchase.

Stay safe and Happy New Year to all!

God Bless,  
Caroline Craddock Patts TC ‘73, President  
Taylor Schools Alumni Association

## WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS

Gaye Lyles – Teacher Johnson, Kennedy, Truman  
Miranda Raich – TVLA 2020  
Jacob Raich – TVLA 2024  
Michael Manga – Kennedy 1970  
Alanna Kostegian – Daughter of Vanar “Van” Kostegian (coach)



## **OBITUARIES**

*The Alumni Association members would like to extend their deepest sympathy to the family and friends of the former classmates mentioned below. You will forever be in our thoughts and prayers.*

*Please Note: If you know of a deceased graduate that is not listed in the Memoriam section of our website, please let us know the name, school, graduating class and date of passing.*

### **Taylor Center**

Charles Robert “Rob” Seeber – Class of 1965 (passed 11-3-2024)

Gary Pauley – Class of 1972 (passed 10-21-2024)

Stanley William “Bill” Smolenski – Class of 1965 (passed 10-10-2024)

Mark Jesulaitis – Class of 1975 (passed 4-30-024)

Thomas Shinn – Class of 1976 (passed 10-16-2024)

### **Kennedy**

Suzanne Miller Bonds – Class of 1968 (passed 10-29-2024)

Robert Trimai – Class of 1967 (passed 11-13-2024)

Daniel O’Neil – Class of 1973 (passed 11-4-2024)

Jacalyn Culberson Suhayda – Class of 1971 (passed 10-27-2024)

Randall “Randy” Hebert – Class of 1972 (12-5-2024)

### **Truman**

Julia Grove Murphy – Class of 1977 (passed 12-14-2024)

*For more information about the deceased and their families, please visit [tayloralumni.org](http://tayloralumni.org)*

## Alumni Association



## Taylor School District

Taylor School District Alumni  
Association

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### **Taylor Alumni Association Board**

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#### *Alumni Association Purpose*

*To enhance the educational atmosphere of the Taylor School District by developing an active alumni association for the common good of both the graduates and the school district.*

## Taylor School District Alumni Association Application for Membership

Alumni lifetime membership: \$25 per person.  
Please print clearly:

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

First Name \_\_\_\_\_

Maiden \_\_\_\_\_

School Attended \_\_\_\_\_

Graduation year \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_

Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

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### **Make checks payable to:**

Taylor School District Alumni Association

Mail this form along with your payment to:  
Taylor School District Alumni Association  
11501 Beech Daly, Taylor, MI 48180

### **Benefits of your lifetime membership:**

Monthly newsletter

Website

Facebook page for info

email notices

Class reunion information

Alumni Museum

Social get togethers

Scholarship donations