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August 2017 Alumni Newsletter

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GOOD THINGS ARE HAPPENING IN THE TAYLOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS



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Harry S. Truman Marketing Program

As mentioned in the July Newsletter the Marketing/DECA Club has had a very busy and successful year.

In addition to the accomplishments highlighted in the July Newsletter the students also put together an entire prom fashion show, using skills and knowledge for sales, promotion, marketing, visual merchandising and phone calls to local vendors.

David's Bridal and Men's Wearhouse provided all the attire for the models, donated money to the DECA club, and gift certificates for the raffles.

The Marketing students also participated in "Mittens for Meyers", and volunteered at a local soup kitchen.

Additionally, eighteen students qualified for the National Honor Society.

Way to go Truman Marketing!

WHERE ARE THEY NOW?



Theresa Rose-Wright, Truman High School 1977

Walking into Truman High School in September 1974 was both exciting and intimidating. It didn't take long to adjust, but a map would have been helpful those first few days. Friday night football and basketball games were the highlight of my week and cheering on Truman's first hockey team will always stick out in my memory.

I spent a lot of time in the office-block classes, learning shorthand and typing, which proved beneficial for me. I was part of the Co-Op program throughout my Junior and Senior year and as we were seated in the gym for graduation rehearsal in June 1977, Mr. Ray, one of the counselors, came up and tapped me on the shoulder and asked if I would like to go on a job interview. Little did I know that the Credit Union I obviously passed every day on the way to High School, would be the

place I would spend the next forty years. I went on that interview and two weeks after graduation I started working full-time for Taylor Governmental Employees Credit Union, now known as Total Community Credit Union, working my way up from a Teller to Vice-President, a position I have held for the last 16 years.

Along with working full-time, I raised two beautiful daughters, Hannah, 27, and Hayley, 25, with my husband Jerry, whom I married in 1978. God has blessed our family in many ways, one of those being we have been fortunate to have many opportunities to travel over the years, my favorite destination being Maui. In my spare time, I am either in my kitchen baking or out on my back patio, lost in the pages of a book. My most favorite pastime of all is spending time with my family. I currently have no plans to retire and am continuing to work at the Credit Union that serves Taylor and the surrounding communities.

I walk out of work every day and can see the school and often hear the band playing in the distance, a continuous reminder of my time spent at Truman High School, and the many memories that were made there.

ALUMNI NEWS!



The Taylor Alumni Association

Welcome to our newest Lifetime members:

Luke Adams, HST 1991

Lindsay Akers, HST 1996

Pat Baker, JFK 1967

Alma Nine Cogdill, TCH 1977

Janis Shevrovich Motsinger, TCH 1965

Marlene Nine, TCH 1978

Vicky L Nelson, HST 1976

Michael Paone, TCH 1969

Angela Hollon Reeves, TCH 1983

Gloria Newland Scaggs, JFK 1976

Karen, Stults, TCH 1967

To join send your name, school and year of graduation along with \$25 payable to the Taylor Alumni Association and mail to the Taylor Alumni Association, 11501 Beech Daly Road, Taylor, MI 48180.

Alumni Association Board

The Board is constantly working to bring members more service. "Yellow pages" is a new addition to the Alumni website Tayloralumni.org. The Yellow pages provides an opportunity for alumni owned or operated businesses to list their services and for alumni to search for services. The Board hopes the listings grow so we can have geographic coverage such as rentals in Florida or Dentists in Chicago. Please advise us of Alumni owned or operated businesses so we can expand the listings.

A Fall, all school, all classes alumni party is being planned and information and dates will be announced in the near future.

Contributors

Donna Hoffman Sigler TCH class of 1960 is a new contributor to the Alumni Newsletter.

We welcome anyone else to join our editorial team. It would be great if we could have a contributor from every school and class reporting about their class mates, promotions, travels and anything else of interest.

GOOD THINGS ARE HAPPENING IN TAYLOR

► August 13th - 20th Junior League Baseball World Series.

This annual international event is held at World Series Field in Heritage Park. A spectacular week long international tournament for the best teams of 13 & 14 year old baseball players from around the world.

► October 27th Hallow-Palooza

This Halloween event includes stops across Heritage Park, starting at the Sheridan Center, winding through Coan Lake and the Petting Farm, Taylor Conservatory and back. Tons and tons of trick or treat stations. Great fun for the family.

► November 25th Taylor Winter Festival and Santa's Magic Forest Kickoff

Bring on the holiday season! Start it with this Thanksgiving Week-end event, including a parade to Heritage Park, lighting of the official City Holiday tree, fireworks and the opening of Santa's Magic Forest.

NEW BUSINESS IN TAYLOR

Southland has invested tens of millions into it's mall. A key element being the Cinemark Theater. Other additions: H&M, Primanti Bros, Grimaldi's and BJ Restaurant and Brewhouse.

Menards is building a project called Trader's Point on Eureka. As a result of this activity, others are moving into the area, including: Wahlburgers, Lazy Boy, Pearle Vision, Tropic Smoothie, Golden Corral, Vitamin Shoppe, SkyZone, Panera Bread and Pizza Papalis.

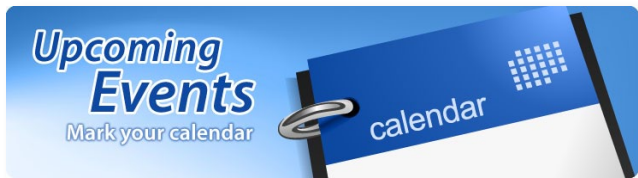
HERITAGE PARK

Using a grant, the waterwheel at Coan Lake will be motorized and fitted with lights. This project along with the three new fountains will create a beautiful setting for Park goers.



LITTLE KNOWN FACTS ABOUT MICHIGAN

- Wherever you are in Michigan, you are within 85 miles of one of the Great Lakes.
- The Kellogg brothers, who made Battle Creek the Cereal Capital of the World, accidentally discovered the process for manufacturing flaked cereal.
- The soda beverage "Vernors" was invented in Michigan.
- An individual from Michigan is called a "Michigander," "Michiganian," or a "Michiganite".



- September Foundation and Alumni Board Meetings start up again.
- August 2nd Taylor Conservatory (*Latin Jazz*) 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm
- August 9th Taylor Conservatory (*Deyon Yates*) 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm
- August 16th Taylor Conservatory (*Dave Bennett Quartet*) 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm
- October 7th TCH Classes of 1966, 67, 68 & 69 Reunion. Holiday Inn Southgate. \$75 per person. Dinner, Dance, Open Bar & Souvenir. Make checks payable to TCH and mail to TCH Reunion at 25143 Lyncastle, Farmington Hills Mi 48226. Please direct questions to Joan Cleveland Graham (248) 476-3558 or email to jngraham2@aol.com.

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.

Taylor Center High

Brian Price, Class of 1959 (passed May 24, 2017)

Joanne Clevenger, Class of 1964 (passed June 11, 2017)

Jim Janoskey, Class of 1960 (passed June 30, 2017)

John F Kennedy High

Gail Cleary, Class of 1970 (passed May 27, 2017)

For more information about the deceased and there families, please visit the alumni website tayloralumni.org and click on "In Memoriam".