

Taylor Schools Alumni Association Newsletter

October, 2024



Taylor Center High School (1953-1997)
 John F. Kennedy High School (1966-2018)
 Harry S. Truman High School (1974-2018)
 Taylor High School (2018-Present)

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION HAPPENINGS

The Taylor Schools Alumni Association participated in the second annual “Celebrate Taylor” event. A great free family event celebrating businesses, clubs, organizations in Taylor with lots of great giveaways and food. The Alumni Association gave away a raffle basket filled with school supplies, puzzles, and candy! Below is our winner Lily with her brother who she promised to share her winnings with!



News FLASHBACK - Taylor Schools In the News

Auctioned to George Schultz, of Inkster, the 127-year-old Gordonier School at Inkster and Van Born Roads in Taylor Township will be moved to Middlebelt and Ecorse Roads and used as business property. It went for \$210 Saturday at a reunion attended by former pupils and teachers it had housed. In its place will be erected a modern building included in County PWA projects.

Before the auction, Cyrus Randall, 81 years old, told of his first days in the Gordonier School, where he was sent when 4 years old. His daughter, Mrs. Myrtle Randall Wallace, told of her graduation from the school 43 years ago and of taking a teaching position there in 1901. The old school bell was auctioned to Arthur L. Valada, former mayor of River Rouge.

MUSEUM UPDATE

We will be sending out an update soon as to the progress (or lack of) on the Alumni Museum. Don't fret, we still keep moving forward but would like to share the present situation and some photos.

NEW MEMBER - Welcome!

David Przygocki, Kennedy Class of 1977

TAYLOR SCHOOL NEWS

If you are in the area, stop and show your support for CB's Cafe (former Chopping Block). They have a Facebook page too! They are located at 9551 Westlake (old Taylor Junior High area).

CB's Cafe (formerly The Chopping Block) is a student-run restaurant. Students learn customer service skills, money handling, basic cooking, and baking skills as well as everything it takes to work in the hospitality industry.



DON'T MISS IT!
CB's Cafe is Opening
DATES
OCTOBER 17 & 18TH - GERMAN
OCTOBER 31ST & NOV 1ST - MEXICAN
NOVEMBER 14 & 15TH - SOUL FOOD
DECEMBER 5 & 6TH - ITALIAN
JANUARY 30 & 31ST - CHINESE
FEBRUARY 6 & 7TH - GREEK
FEBRUARY 27 & 28TH - ENGLISH
MARCH 13 & 14TH - BBQ
TIME: 11:50 AM - 1:00 PM
Reservations are **REQUIRED!** Take out orders may also be placed in advance or on the day. Please submit all reservations and orders to cbs-cafe@taylorschools.net.
*Dates may be subject to change based on school calendar changes, inclement weather and at the instructor's discretion.

TAYLOR PUBLIC SCHOOL FOUNDATION FOR EDUCATIONAL EXCELLENCE

The Taylor Public School Foundation is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization and was established in 1986. It is made up of volunteers from businesses and the community to raise funds above and beyond the School District operating budget. It supports a variety of educational programs throughout the school district, K through 12, to enhance the education of our Taylor Public School students including scholarships. HELP SUPPORT THEM!

Taylor!

Eat to support
Taylor Public School Education Foundation



♥ 20% Donated Back

📅 Wednesday, October 23rd / 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM

🕒 RSVP below

groupraise.com/events/285946

Famous Dave's
23811 Eureka Road, Taylor

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Taylor Public School Foundation for Educational Excellence
Presents



Dueling Pianos on Sat, Nov 16th
at Democratic Club of Taylor
23400 Wick Rd., Taylor



Doors at 5:30 PM Show Starts at 7:00 PM

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| Karl's pizza | \$35 a ticket |
| Malek Al-Kabob food | \$250 a table |
| Cash \$ Bar | Sponsorship |
| Wine, Beer and Soda | Packages Available |

TPS Foundation awards more than \$45,000 per year in Scholarships and Teacher Grants

Support from you enhances the vision of Taylor Students

Contact:
Armando Sardanopoli
(734) 895-5875

Great Music
Gift Raffles
50/50

Taylor Public School Foundation for Educational Excellence is a registered 501(c)3 Non-Profit Organization.
<https://taylorschoolsfoundation.org/>



REUNIONS

JFK Class of 1984 40th reunion is Friday Oct 18th. Join our class group for full details.

https://www.facebook.com/groups/140643442012NEW_MEMBERS

JFK Classes of 66-69

Kennedy, classes of 66-69 held a reunion September 12 at Leon's restaurant in Taylor. As Chuck Bonner said in his post: "Great crowd, mostly 66 & 67. All were welcome, we had a few from 68 & 69. We even had an Alumni from 70 & 71. We had a great time, lots of fun, and saw Ole friends & classmates. Many want to do this again next year "





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 and graduating class and date of passing.

Taylor Center

Richard Pressey – Class of 1959 (September 7, 2024)

Virginia Musgrove Chenevere – Class of 1963 (August 18, 2024)

Leonard Bryan Rocheleau – Class of 1967 (August 30, 2024)

Jeffrey Ehrenberg - Class of 1979 (September 18, 2024)

Kennedy

Kimberly Sue Martin Granica – Class of 1983 (2020)

Truman

Luann Church Palmer – Class of 1978 (September 14, 2024)

Manny Rodriguez - Class of 1977 (August 23, 2024)

Staff/Faculty

Kenneth Walker – Former Superintendent (September 2024)

For more information about the deceased and their families, please visit tayloralumni.org

Alumni Association



Taylor School District

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Association

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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 _____

email _____

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