

## Alumni Association

*Keeping Ties with Our Alumni*



**TAYLOR**  
School District



March 2020 Newsletter

# A HISTORY OF PRESENT AND PAST ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BUILDINGS

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## CLOSED ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BUILDINGS

### Bartlett Elementary School

- ★ Built in 1966
- ★ Closed in ?
- ★ Bartlett was a preschool for a short period and an adult education center in the mid-1970's
- ★ Renamed Racho
- ★ Closed June 2007
- ★ Razed in 2010

### Brake Middle School

- ★ Built November 17, 1958 with 36 rooms

- ★ Closed in 2007
- ★ Reopened as The Sixth Grade Academy September 2007
- ★ Closed in June of 2016

### Edgewood Elementary

- ★ Built in 1928
- ★ Addition built in 1971
- ★ Razed & Replaced by Housing Development

### Edison Elementary

- ★ Built in 1938
- ★ 2 rooms added in 1948
- ★ 4 rooms added in 1951
- ★ Razed & replaced by a Condominium Complex ?
- ★ Condominium Complex was torn down

### Eurekadale Elementary School

- ★ Built in 1960
- ★ Addition built in 1971
- ★ Downriver Guidance Center Head Start Program, moved out 2019

### Fairlane Elementary School

- ★ Built in 1950 with 10 rooms
- ★ Added 8 rooms in 1995
- ★ Renamed Wareing
- ★ Closed in ?

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### **Federal Elementary School**

- ★ Built in 1939
- ★ Addition built in 1957
- ★ Closed in ?
- ★ Currently Faith Covenant Church International

### **Fred C Fisher Elementary School**

- ★ Built in 1957 with 14 rooms
- ★ Closed in 2011

### **Fletcher Elementary School**

- ★ Built with 4 rooms on March 21, 1938
- ★ Added 2 rooms in 1947
- ★ Added 4 rooms in 1957
- ★ Added 6 rooms in 1962
- ★ Closed in ?
- ★ Razed in 2017
- ★ Currently City-owned Green Space

### **G Mennen Williams Elementary School**

- ★ Built in 1957
- ★ Closed in ?
- ★ Remodeling done and renamed the William D. Ford Senior Activity Center

### **Lyndon B. Johnson Elementary School**

- ★ Built in 1959
- ★ Addition built in 1962
- ★ Closed in ?
- ★ Renamed Johnson Preschool Center ?
- ★ Closed in 2009
- ★ Preschool was temporarily relocated back to Johnson after a fire in the preschool wing of Clarence Randall.
- ★ Closed in 2010
- ★ Placed back into three schools (McDowell, Moddy and Kinyon).
- ★ Re-Opened as Johnson Early Childhood Program in September of 2014

### **Monroe Elementary School**

- ★ Built in 1960 with 12 rooms
- ★ Closed in ?
- ★ Razed in 2011
- ★ The property is now used a Green Space

### **Pine Elementary School**

- ★ Built in 1960 with 10 rooms
- ★ Closed in ?
- ★ Currently the Taylor District Maintenance Department

### **Racho Elementary School #1**

- ★ Built in 1953 with 10 rooms
- ★ Added 10 rooms in 1971
- ★ Closed in ?
- ★ Razed
- ★ Property is now used for Green Space

### **Racho Elementary School #2**

- ★ Barlett was renamed as Racho in ?
- ★ Closed in June 2007
- ★ Formally Barlett Elementary School, Special Education Department and then Taylor Parks and Recreation Department
- ★ Razed in 2010 used as Green Space
- ★ Property is now used for Green Space

### **Sand Hill Elementary School**

- ★ Built in ?
- ★ Added 3 rooms in 1954
- ★ Closed in ?
- ★ Currently a residential home

### **Smith Elementary School**

- ★ Built in 1959

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# GOOD THINGS ARE HAPPENING IN THE TAYLOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS



**M**obile Dentist made a visit to our school on Jan 8th - 10th. They saw a total of 40 students for preventative and restorative services. They are scheduled to come back March 16th - 20th for six-month checkups. A phone call to Mrs. Kluk, who is the contact person for this program, provided us with the following information. Mrs. Kluk contacted the Michigan Smiles Program's Farmington office and arranged for them to service our high school students. Students who were interested fill out an application and the dentists came in free of charge. Over 100 students applied and they were seen regardless of having insurance or not. The dentists come to the high school three times per year. —*This article was in the Taylor High Griffin newsletter.*

**N**ew **Luncheon Menus** at Taylor High. They are not the menus I remember when I was at the High School. The students leading the Students Group met with the Food Service Director, Jennifer Trombetta, regarding new changes that are coming to the lunch program. Work started February 14th to upgrade all of our serving lines in both cafeterias. This

change will allow us to offer more stations and a variety of foods every single day. The students are very excited that we will be having a fresh fruit and vegetable bar, deli and soup station, pizza station, Griffin grill and a home cooking station. Since this is a big change for everyone involved, please remember to have patience as the cooks and servers get accustomed to the new stations. More choices will be added in the upcoming months as everyone gets acclimated to the new changes.

## Taylor High School

Presents:

**Gary Procop, MD, MS**

*The Cleveland Clinic*

Monday, March 9, 2020

10:00: Welcome, Building Tour, Lunch and Learn in the Media Center    Lunch will be served at 10:30

11:40: Presentation to the afternoon CTE nursing and EMT classes.

12:35: Presentation to the students in Anatomy and Physiology, AP Chemistry, AP Biology, and Forensics 1 and 2, and morning CTE nursing and EMT classes.

1:30: Hands on Forensics - in the Little Theater with the Forensics 1 and 2 students.

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Dr. Procop is the Vice Chair for Pathology Education and the Director of Molecular Microbiology, Virology, Mycology and Parasitology Laboratories at the Cleveland Clinic. He is a 1983 graduate of Kennedy High School. He completed a Bachelor of Science at Eastern Michigan University, followed by an M.D. and M.S. at Marshall University School of Medicine. Dr. Procop completed his residency training in Anatomic and Clinical Pathology at Duke University Medical Center and a Clinical Microbiology Fellowship at the Mayo Clinic. He is currently working on a Masters of Education in Health Professions through Johns Hopkins University.

**A ORIGINAL FIGHT SONG FOR TAYLOR HIGH.**

The fight song words were written by band students and Andrea Bonner, Director of Bands for Taylor High. The fight song music was composed by Renee Kuczeski, Choral Director for Taylor High.

**Taylor High School Fight Song**

Taylor High School proud and strong  
Fight towards victory all day long

Rise up Griffins take to the sky  
Onward with courage show your pride

Taylor Griffins black and gold  
Forever proud, forever bold

We will stand and we will fight  
Victory will be ours tonight.

**ALUMNI NEWS!**



We welcome four new members to the fastest growing Alumni Association in the state. We are please to have them as Lifetime Members.

David Beatty JFK Class of 1971

Steven Beatty HST Class of 1978

David Mortensen, HST Class of 1979

Haley Mortensen, JFK Class of 2013

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- ★ Closed in ?
- ★ Razed in ?

**Taylor Center Elementary School**

- ★ Built in ?
- ★ Six room added in 1949
- ★ Closed in ?
- ★ Razed in ?

**Treadwell Elementary School**

- ★ Originally named Gordonier School
- ★ Built on March 14, 1938 with 4 rooms
- ★ Added 4 rooms in 1958
- ★ Added Multi Purpose & Music rooms in May of 1962
- ★ Closed in June of 2006
- ★ Sold to the King of Kings Christian Center





✓ **Sports** - Winter sports are almost over, but you still have a chance to attend a home basketball game. The remaining games are listed below:

**Boys 9th Grade 4:00 pm, JV 5:30 pm, Varsity 7:00 pm**

March 3rd Gibraltar

March 5th New Boston Huron



✓ **Fundraiser - "Chefs for a Cause"** is a three course meal crafted by professional chefs to benefit Taylor Culinary Arts students. March 6th First seating is at 5:00 pm, the second seating is at 7:30 pm. The cost is \$35 per person paid in advance. To reserve your seat, call 313-295-5757 ext. 12107. Other dates for the Chopping Block Restaurant (No Reservations Needed) are below meals are served from 9:45 am until 11:45 am. March 13th (Irish Food) and March 20th (Soup, Salad and Breadsticks).

✓ **Class Reunion - TCHS(Taylor, Michigan) Class of 65**

We are currently in the planning stages of a Taylor Center High School Class of 1965, 55th Class Reunion to be held October 17, 2020. The venue to be determined by the number of classmates interested in attending. There will be a nominal fee of \$10 - \$20, payable the night of the reunion (cash only please). The Event will be held locally in Taylor.

We will be sharing this information on Classmates, Facebook, and possibly by email. If interested please email Carol Stellini Hack at [carann327@gmail.com](mailto:carann327@gmail.com) by August 15, 2020. Please share this information with your Facebook friends and any classmates you are in contact with. Posting for committee for TCHS (Taylor, Michigan) Class of '65.

# 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.*

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 High**

Yolanda Sisto Mitts, Class of 1965 (passed February 16, 2020)

Tim Picard, Class of 1977 (passed December 5, 2019)

Aloma Courter Vick, Class of 1962 (passed February 7, 2020)

Cheryl Indorf DeBoom, Class of 1963 (passed February 9, 2020)

Gloria Thomann Shelton, Class of 1969 (passed January 18, 2020)

Deborah Herr Kersey, Class of 1970 (passed February 21, 2020)

Chris Herr, Taylor Center 1981 (passed February 20, 2020)

## **John F Kennedy High**

Cyndie LaBelle, Class of 1970 (passed November 30, 2019)

## **Staff**

Cherie Jacob Maleyko, Harry S Truman POHI Program (passed October 2014)

Phyllis Heatherly Darrah, Food Administrator (passed April 2019)

For more information about the deceased and their families, please visit the alumni website [tayloralumni.org](http://tayloralumni.org) and click on "In Memoriam".