

WINTER 2015

Perry High School Alumni Association

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2015 EVENTS SAVE THE DATES

3/14: Bounce Night—PHS Community Fitness Center. Pre-game activities 5:30-7:00. Alumni Basketball Game at 7:00 p.m.

8/12: Alumni Picnic from 5—7:00 p.m. at Perry Park, followed by musical entertainment from 7—9:00 p.m.

9/12-13: Perry Fall Festival at Lee Lydic Park

9/18: Homecoming Parade and Game

9/19: All-Class Reunion Dinner—Perry Community Center, doors open at 5:00 p.m.

9/25-26: Hall of Fame Game/Dinner

9/26: Ritley Run 5K/Family Walk, Alumni stadium

Alumni Around the World



The Alumni Association was excited to hear from Frank Celigoj, Class of 1962, who advised us that he is living in Khon Kaen, Thailand after extensive international travel during his time with Lockheed Martin. His communication has peaked our curiosity to learn about our alums who have settled outside the United States. We would like to get your input and compile an article in the summer edition of our newsletter, along with more about Frank's experiences. Please share your stories! Let us know; where you've landed, what led to your move (job, military service, romance?), experiences, cultural differences, etc. Contact us via email at: phsalumniassoc@hotmail.com

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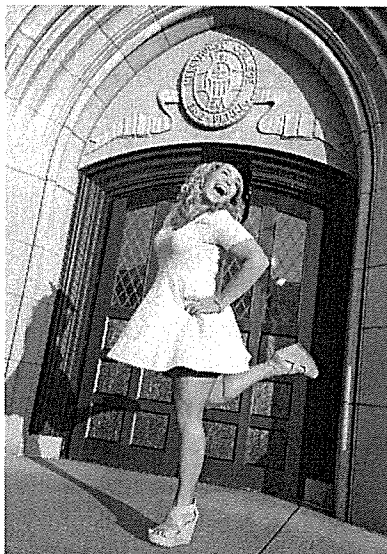
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Perry Alumni Scholarship \$\$\$ at Work

2010 PHS Alumni
Scholarship
recipient
Graduates with
Honors!



Samantha Platko

Our Alumni Scholarship program has awarded twenty-two scholarships to Perry graduates and children/grandchildren of Perry alumni since 2005. Many young adults have benefited from this long-standing financial assistance...including Samantha Platko. Samantha was one of two 2010 PHS Alumni Scholarship recipients. She graduated with Honors in May of 2014 from Mercyhurst University with a Bachelor's in Early Childhood and Special Education. Samantha is continuing her post-graduate education at Mercyhurst where her need to help those with disabilities, will be supported with a Master's degree in Special Education with a concentration in Applied Behavior Analysis. It's a great thing to be able to help young adults become the stewards of our future generations. We welcome any donation toward the scholarship fund as we have increased the number of annual recipients from one to three in the past ten years.

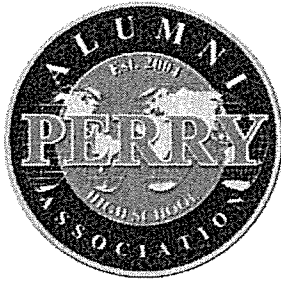
Thank you for your support!

Annual Signature Event—All Class Reunion

The **2014 All Class Reunion** was held Saturday, 9/20 at the Perry Community Center. This event was attended by alums from twenty-six Perry classes! The PHS Class of 1952 made an extra special effort to bring their classmates together, with class secretary, Richard (Dick) Frey sending a follow up letter to all of his classmates to inform them of a decision made by the attendees. "I am speaking for myself when I say it was one of the best reunions ever. I was able to hookup with one friend I had not seen in over fifty years as well as renew friendships with many others outside our class. Given the overwhelming success of this event it was the opinion of ALL in attendance from our class that we forego any further "five year" reunions and plan to meet at the All Class Reunion each year in the future." If you plan to celebrate a special landmark reunion with your class we're available to assist, keeping cost and work to a minimum. We also assist with communications through newsletters, website and our Facebook site. We offer support from our reunion experts and share their ideas and experience. Contact a director from page one of this newsletter, or email us at: phsalumniassoc@hotmail.com. Contact us soon to reserve a special corner of the building for your special reunion at the 2015 dinner.



**A few of the Class of 1952 attendees:
Kenneth Free, Ruth Stephenson, Richard Frey and
George Gyure**



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**Perry High School Alumni
All Class Reunion Dinner
R.S.V.P. by 9/1/2015**

Saturday, September 19, 2015
Perry Township Community Center
2800 Perry Park Road, Perry, Ohio

Doors open at 5:00 p.m. A buffet dinner will be served at 6:00 p.m. Dinner, desserts, coffee, tea and soft drinks provided.
BYOB, beer and memorabilia

Reservations are required to attend the PHS All Class Reunion Dinner

Please send the attached form along with your check payable to PHS Alumni Association by September 1st to:
PHS Alumni Association,
P. O. Box 148, Perry, OH 44081.
Cost: \$25.00 per person

Enclose payment with your reservation

Perry High School Alumni All Class Reunion Dinner – R.S.V.P.

Name: _____

(Include maiden name, if applicable)

Email: _____

Mailing address: _____

Phone: _____

Class of: _____

Number attending: _____

Amount enclosed: _____

Check number: _____

The Perry Foundation

Helping students since 1936

Established in 1936, the Perry Foundation is a non-profit organization whose purpose is to provide financial assistance to enhance the quality of education for graduates of the Perry Local School District.

The Foundation receives funding solely through donations and fundraising and has been fortunate to receive matching funds from North Perry Village.

The Foundation works to assist students in their pursuit of personal and academic excellence. Loans and scholarships are awarded to worthy applicants who have exhibited a desire to succeed academically and in recognition of the mission of the Perry Local School District.

For more information contact the Foundation at: 440-259-9200. An application can be downloaded by going to www.perry-lake.org, click the Community Groups Tab and then go down to: Perry Foundation.

Perry High School

Student Internships

Alumni Needed to Promote Authentic Learning Experiences

Now more than ever before at Perry High School we understand the importance of having a labor force ready to successfully navigate the global economy. Perry Schools are actively connecting students to work-based learning experiences to personalize and make their learning more authentic and real-world focused. Internships, shadowing experiences and mentorships allow our school a way to promote the relevance and increase the rigor of their Perry High School experience. These experiences give the 21st century learner the opportunity to consolidate and apply the learning from their

high school coursework into a meaningful and relevant on-the-job experience. Participating in an internship is a student's opportunity to connect with the world outside of school and to gain the skills to go on to further education and/or enter the workforce. Without this vital connection, many young people may not know why basic skills are important or know how complex a job can be. Through working with an adult mentor at the worksite, students have the opportunity to develop a foundation of general workplace skills and to acquire information in their chosen career cluster/pathway. Internships introduce PHS students to positive adult role models who can help instill, reinforce and demonstrate important behaviors such as a positive attitude, integrity, ethics, human relations, teamwork, organization, leadership skills, timeliness, and good study habits.

The career speaker series continues to be available to students to learn from representatives from various career pathways tell about their occupation, skills required, as well as personal educational journey to get to their current role. November and December's focus was on engineering careers while January focused on Health related careers. February's focus is on Information Technology careers, with The Fine and Performing Arts for March to include such things as theater, graphic arts, illustrators, architecture, music, landscape design, creative design, etc.

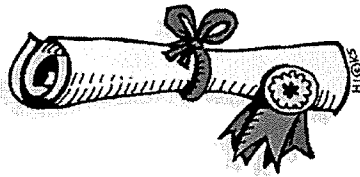
We want to connect with alumni who are interested in being a part of our career speaker series as well as those who may be interested in hosting an intern or have a shadowing student. Please contact Amy Harker at 440-259-9200 ext. 9201 or email at harkera@perry-lake.org if you would like to support Perry students' journey through the work-based learning experiences. Mrs. Rita Soeder, career readiness contact at the high school, can also be contacted (soederr@perry-lake.org).

Our district website also has information about work-based learning experiences. (www.perry-lake.org)

PHS Alumni Scholarships Offered

The Perry High School Alumni Association Scholarship was established in 2005 to recognize graduating seniors who have exhibited commitment and loyalty to their schools and/or communities. In 2015, three \$1,000 scholarships will be offered. Recognition will include at least one each of the following; one graduating senior who is the child/grandchild of an alumnus and attends any school (not necessarily Perry High School) and one graduating senior who is a graduating senior from Perry High School. Applications can be found on the Perry Schools website at: www.perry-lake.org/Scholarships.aspx.

If you know a PHS senior or have a family member who is a high school senior, encourage them to apply for this scholarship. **All applications must be returned to the Alumni Association by April 1, 2015.** Please email with any questions to: phsalumniasoc@hotmail.com.

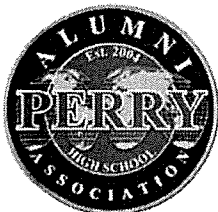


Classmate News

Maria Zampini, Class of 1980, just added "author" to her impressive list of career accomplishments. Garden-pedia, an A-to-Z Guide to Gardening Terms was released in January 2015. It is a new kind of garden reference guide that cuts through confusing "hort-speak" terminology with simple explanations and high graphic appeal. Visit Amazon, Barnes & Noble, Indiebound or Powell's to order a copy. Maria is scheduled to speak and do book signings; February 21st at the Home & Lifestyle Expo at Great Lakes Mall, and will appear March 7th at Lake County Master Gardener Volunteers and OSU Extension's Home Gardeners' Workshop, [registration: http://lake.osu.edu/program-areas/master-gardener-volunteers/2015-home-gardeners-workshop-ground](http://lake.osu.edu/program-areas/master-gardener-volunteers/2015-home-gardeners-workshop-ground).

Remembrances

Donald J. Chapman, Class of 1939, passed away January 27, 2015
 Michael Joseph Kane, Class of 1975, passed away January 16, 2015
 Diann Kochevar Newman, Class of 1962, passed away December 13, 2014
 Lawrence (Lonnie) R. Lett, Class of 1972, passed away December 12, 2014
 Linda Garvin Angaran, Class of 1967, passed away December 10, 2014
 Phyllis Frey Carpenter, Class of 1935, passed away December 7, 2014
 Bonnie Lee Hackely, Class of 1963, passed away December 6, 2014
 Ron Szekely, Class of 1966, passed away December 2, 2014
 Richard Eugene Peltoma, Class of 1950, passed away November 13, 2014
 Christine Mobily, Elementary Teacher 1975-1982, passed away October 21, 2014
 Gordon Densmore, Class of 1945, passed away September 26, 2014
 Martha J. Heavner Kuhn, Class of 1970, passed away August 25, 2014
 Tommy A. Kobulnicky, Class of 1962, passed away August 24, 2014
 Sherri Renee Herzog, Class of 2007, passed away July 24, 2014
 Jon Dennis Billig, Class of 1965, passed away March 19, 2014



Perry High School Alumni Association \$1,000 Scholarship Application

The Perry High School Alumni Association Scholarship was established in 2005 to recognize graduating seniors who have exhibited commitment and loyalty to their schools and/or communities. In 2015, three \$1,000 scholarships will be offered recognizing one graduating senior who is the child/grandchild of an alumnus and attends any school (not necessarily Perry High School) and one who is a graduating senior from Perry High School.

Scholarship Application

Eligibility

Candidate must:

- be a graduating senior
- be the child or grandchild of a PHS alumnus who attends any school or a PHS graduating senior
- complete the scholarship application (below)
- plan to pursue post-secondary education immediately following graduation from high school
- possess a 2.5 or higher grade point average at time of application and provide verification of gpa
- submit an essay (see Essay Guidelines)
- submit two letters of recommendation addressed to the PHS Alumni Association Scholarship Committee: one from a high school teacher, school staff member or Perry High School alumnus, and one from any other individual

Essay Guidelines

The essay must respond to the question: *What have you done to make your community and/or school a better place?* The essay must be typed and contain no more than 500 words. The candidate's name, home address and home phone number must appear in the upper right corner of the essay.

Deadline

The scholarship application, letters of recommendation, grade verification and essay must be postmarked by April 1, 2015.

Notification

The scholarship recipient will be notified by May 25, 2015.

Awarding of Scholarship

To receive the scholarship award, the scholarship winners must submit their grades (gpa of at least 2.5 on a 4.0 scale) to the Alumni Association Scholarship Committee at the completion of their first education term after high school graduation.

Mail scholarship application and essay (postmarked by April 1, 2015) to:
**PHS Alumni Association
Scholarship Committee
PO Box 148 Perry, OH 44081**

APPLICATION DEADLINE: APRIL 1, 2015

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

High School: _____

GPA at time of application: _____

College planning to attend: _____

Intended major: _____

Parent's name: _____

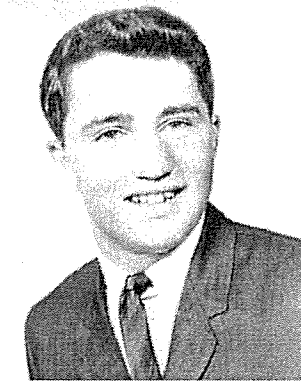
Parent's graduating class (if PHS grad): _____

List participation in extracurricular activities (include school year)

List participation in civic/volunteer projects at your school or in your community (include dates)

If more space is needed, please attach a separate page.

2014 Alumni Hall of Fame Inductees



Rick Amos is a 1968 graduate of Perry High School where he began his career as a leader and involved citizen. He served as the class president all four years of high school, VP of student council his junior year and president of student council his senior year. He served as Co-editor of the Annual in 1967-68. Athletically, he lettered in baseball, football and was co-captain of the Rifle Club. He is known as a successful business owner and community leader who dedicated a great amount of his life in actively serving others through community involvement. He is the owner of a health and life insurance agency and is well regarded as an expert in the field and currently serves on the Perry Foundation board, is a Perry Township Trustee and is the current chairman of the Perry Economic Development Council. Rick has been a longtime member of three Chambers of Commerce in Lake County and was a long time board member and past president of the Madison-Perry Area Chamber of Commerce and was awarded the Community Service Award in 2003. Rick served on numerous boards and commissions over the years. He was a charter member of the Perry Athletic Hall of Fame Committee and the Distinguished Alumni Hall of Fame Committee. Since the inception of the Perry Fall Festival committee he has served and is currently a working member. He also gave back to the youth of the community through coaching football and baseball programs for 12 years. In addition, he served on the Perry Recreation Board for 10 years and was on

the Perry Zoning Commission for several years as well. He was an active member of Perry Kiwanis. Rick was a member of the Perry Board of Education for 14 years. During his tenure, he served as president or vice-president during many of his years. Rick played a prominent role in preventing the consolidation of the Perry and Madison School Systems. He worked aggressively behind the scenes and played a major role in blocking the third vote that could have initiated consolidation proceedings. He also worked with fellow board members to create the Perry Schools Facilities Inc. and the creation of a private corporation to sell bonds to help complete the full Perry Schools Campus. Rick and his wife Susan still reside in Perry and have 5 grandchildren. Their four children attended the Perry Schools.



Andrea "Andi" Parhamovich is a 1996 graduate of Perry High School. She came into this world wanting to make a positive difference through every experience that life had to offer. After graduating from Marietta College, Andi quickly satiated her affection for

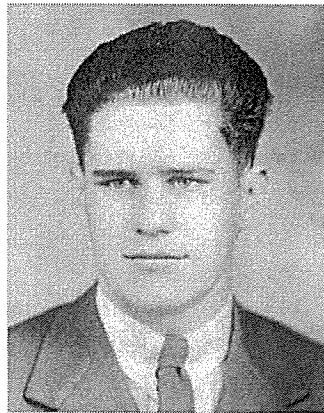
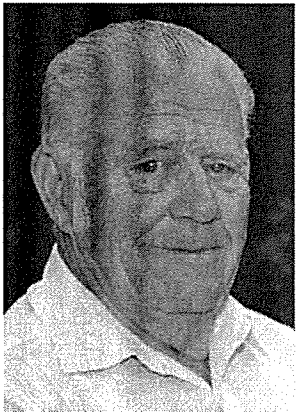
self-discovery by working in both the political and media fields in Boston and New York City. Yet Andi's fierce spirit and determination to make a difference in this world were made most apparent when she moved to Baghdad in August of 2006. Andi did not support the Iraq war, but believed strongly in promoting democracy and being a part of history in a positive way. Andi wanted to use her education and skills as a communications specialist to help Iraqi political party leaders and parliamentarians develop strategies to reach out to voters and constituents. Andi's work helped to build the kind of national level political institutions that can help bridge the sectarian divide and improve Iraqi lives. "She Believed She Could, So She Did."

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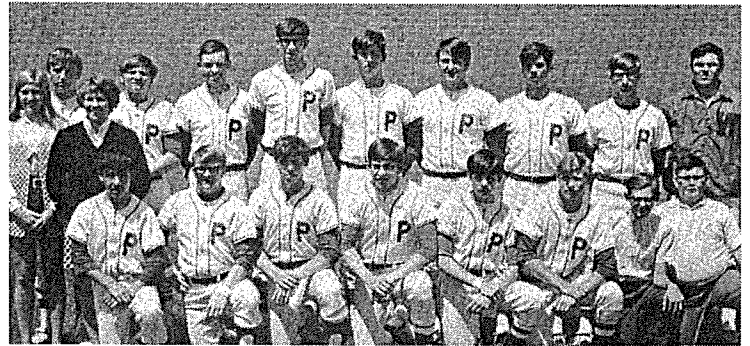
Andrea “Andi” Parhamovich - continued

She ultimately gave her life in the struggle for a cause in which she passionately believed. Andi was killed in Iraq on January 17, 2007, when her convoy was attacked following a political party training session. Andi has been honored posthumously as an Outstanding Young Alumna by the Marietta College Alumni Association (MCAA) Board of Directors. The candidates are considered based on their personal and professional achievements as well as how those reflect upon the value of a Marietta College degree. Andi's work at Air America, Miramax and the National Democratic Institute were impressive credentials. She was selected unanimously. As Madeleine Albright wrote, “Andi's courage and deep commitment to freedom and democracy remain an inspiration to all of us who carry on her work, and to young people everywhere looking to make a difference in the world.”



Arthur Warren is a 1943 graduate of Perry High School. He served in the United States Navy during WWII from 1943-1946. During his time in the service, he attended Oberlin College. After serving his country, he began driving a truck for the local Perry feed store and eventually purchased enough shares to take ownership. Arthur was the owner and operator of the Perry Coal & Feed Company

He was also post commander of Perry American Legion Post 697, served as a Perry Township Trustee, was captain and assistant fire chief of the Perry Fire Department, and was an active Lake County Fair board member, serving as president for three years and was known as “Mr. Lake County Fair.” He was inducted into the Lake County Fair Hall of Fame in 2011. In 2002, the Lake County Fair Scholarship was renamed the Arthur F. Warren Memorial Youth Scholarship His greatest achievement was leaving a lasting, positive impact for all of his community. Many things that have shaped Perry came from contributions and efforts that Arthur made. He was proud of where he came from and wanted others to feel the same way. The legacy that he left, not only to his children and grandchildren, still lives on to this day. Arthur and Violet (Glausser) were married and raised two children, Barbara and Richard and had three grandchildren.



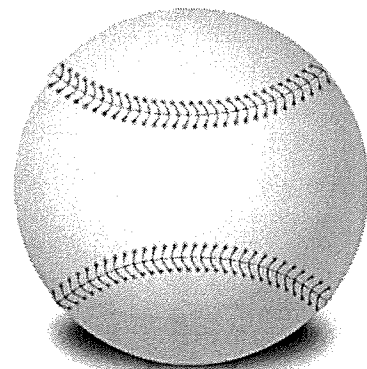
1970 Baseball Team There were 14 members of the Perry High School 1970 Baseball Team; sophomores Rich Chapman, Bob Kovalchuk, Bob Obee, Roger Secor and Tom Stinchcomb, juniors Rick Brewster, Scott Hoyt, and C.J. Peattie, and seniors Alan Brown, Ed Chapman, Don Martony, Frank Moore, Charlie Robinson, and Jim Siegel. Dave Nelson and Tom Silvas were the team managers and Margie Palmer Gibson was the statistician. Coach Jim Freeman was serving in his first year of teaching having just graduated from Ohio Wesleyan College. This was his rookie year as a high school coach. The baseball program at PHS had collectively only won a total of six games during all three preceding years (1967-1969). **Continued on page 7**

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1970 Baseball Team - continued

Player numbers were dwindling and serious consideration was given to dropping the sport from the spring schedule all together. The baseball program did begin that spring and players hung hope on the fact that although they had only won three games in the '69 season, ten of the losses had only been by one run. Many of the players were part of a summer Community Pony League in Perry and in 1969 that team got into a tournament play in Willoughby and won it all. Subsequent to that the boys determined during winter months to commit to making themselves into members of a winning team in the spring. With a new coach, a recent success, and a dream, the team vowed to make the 1970 season memorable. However, financial concerns and stringent budgetary constraints forced many school programs at that time to undergo severe cutbacks. Baseball was not high on the radar for expenditures. Uniforms for the team had been worn by ballplayers for close to a decade. The new young coach looked with dismay at the shabby condition of the clothes as he passed them out to the boys and said, "you guys can't wear these..." The school system allotted a purchase of pants due to the obvious patches upon patches and thread bare condition, but they only requisitioned ten pair for the team of 14. Four of the boys had to take those pants through another season. Players purchased their own shoes and at a team meeting, the boys had the idea to all buy the same color of shoes -white- unheard of at that time and surely a fashion statement back in the day! So, with a new coach, some new pants, white shoes and a dream, the season was off to a fresh start. As the season went on that spring, equipment began to show its wear

and tear. Bats were broken and when someone came up with the funds to buy three new bats, the only ones available to purchase were 36 inch length and most of the team used 30-33 inch length so the boys had to choke up on the bats in order to make due. Six of the first seven games were wins and the season held the promise of success that had once been only a dream. The team completed the 19 game season with a record of 14/5. That first loss for the 1970 boys had been to what was then an elite team from Middlefield Cardinal. As the tournament games were put together for the sectionals Perry had the opening round slotted against Middlefield Cardinal. The regular season had been a 4-2 loss at home field for Perry against Middlefield Cardinal, but a 2-1 nail-biter victory in tournament play gave this team a reason to consider themselves an elite team. They took on Newbury in the sectional finals and blanked the Black Knights 6-0. District play saw wins over Grand Valley by a score of 6-3 and Leavittsburg LaBrae 9-1. The Regional games tested the resolve and metal of this team when the star pitcher was side-lined due to strep throat and prom night was between the two games. However the Pirates beat the number two ranked team in the state, Bridgepoint Jesuit, with a thrilling 2-1 win and a win the next day, 11-4 against Lorain Catholic. Perry had never sent a team to state competition in baseball, and what a team to make it the first time! At the state tournament the team pulled ahead in an early lead 2-0, but were unable to make it out of the first round, losing in a close 8-7 game against Pettisville in the Final Four, 1970 Ohio State Baseball Tournament.



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2004 Baseball Team The 2004 state final four Perry Baseball team was led by six seniors, Bret Billhardt, Jeremy Goldizen, Jake New, Mike Ryan, Aaron Wallace and Scott Walters. The team also included five juniors, Mike Bohrer, Sam Brewster, Kevin Lawrence, Kyle Rosko and Darrick Tibyash and four sophomores Isaac Erkkila, Michael Lauria, Aaron Stanich and Tom Wills. The six seniors were already part of two conference championship teams in 2002 and 2003 and one sectional championship in 2003. After a heartfelt 1-0 loss in the District semifinal in 2003 against Canfield, the then juniors dedicated themselves to repeat as conference champions and qualify for the district championship in 2004. Needless to say the expectations of the coaches and players were very high for the upcoming spring. Through dedication, great work ethic, senior leadership and the addition of nine very athletic and unselfish underclassmen, the group far exceeded their expectations the next spring. Entering the middle of May 2004, the Pirates were riding a 10-game winning streak during which they secured a share of the conference championship with a 2-run, 2-out bottom of the seventh come-from-behind 2-1 victory over Chagrin Falls. Needless to say, the depth of the team was evident as they not only completed the first of their goals during that stretch, a conference championship, but also garnered a second consecutive Sectional championship by thumping Wickliffe, 22-0.

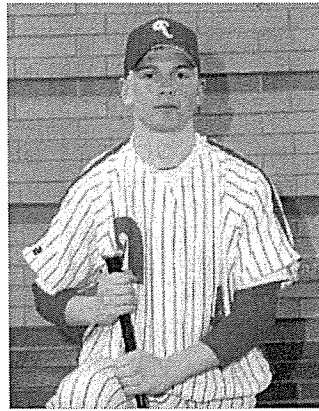
This was just a preview of what the Pirates had in store for the rest of their state tournament opponents. The No.1 sectional/district seeded Pirates continued toward the goal of a district championship as they encountered Chanel in a suspended district semi-final game. With the score 6-0 in favor of the good guys in the bottom of the sixth, the game was suspended due to inclement weather. The Pirates came back the next day to secure three outs in the top of the seventh, accomplishing their goal from a year ago and catapulting themselves into the district championship game vs. Leavittsburg LaBrae. With another outstanding pitching performance and an offensive machine in high gear, the boys of destiny dismantled LaBrae, 10-0, earning a trip to Massillon for the regional semifinals vs. Cuyahoga Valley Christian Academy and running their overall record to 24-6 on the year. In the first three games of the state tournament (the pirates received a bye in the sectional semi-finals) the ball club outscored their opponents, 38-0. This continued in the first inning of the regional semi-finals as they scored a quick five runs in the first. It was too easy to soon vs. an 18-4 very talented team. CVCA came back to score five of their own in the sixth but the offensive juggernaut had tacked on two more runs to win the game, 7-5, and send them on to the regional finals against Creston Norwayne. The regional final was a duplicate of the district finals as the combination of great pitching and hitting resumed with a shut-out and a two-run, walk-off home run, which secured their place in Canton for the state final four. The 10-run, run-rule victory gave the ball club a 26-6 record, with exactly half, 13 of them, being of the run-rule variety (10 run lead after the fifth inning). The Pirates and their great fan support headed to Canton and Thurman Munson stadium for the state semi-final vs. Coldwater. Touted as the state championship game by the media, 1,200 people were in attendance for this game on a Friday afternoon, the two teams did not disappoint.

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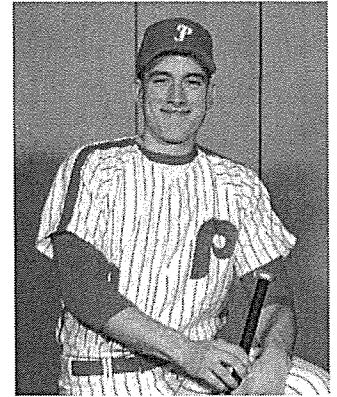
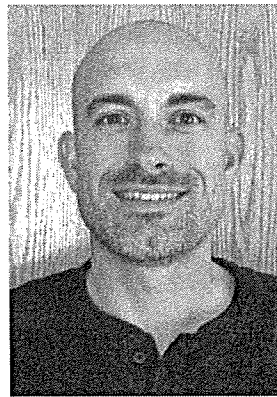
2004 Baseball Team—continued

The proud Pirates fought the entire seven innings, scoring two runs in the bottom of the seventh to come up just one run short in a disappointing 5-4 defeat. During the 2004 season the team recorded a 26-7 record; which included several championships (Skipper invitational, CVC Conference, Sectional, District, and Regional). They then went on to outscore their opponents by a 59-10 margin in state tournament games. For the 32 games, not including the state final, they had a team batting average of .314, scored 284 runs, with 336 hits and 28 home runs. On the hill, the pitchers combined to allow just 58 earned runs in 247.0 innings of work for a 1.98 ERA. The pitching staff also accumulated 242 strikeouts, while allowing 158 hits and issuing just 98 walks. 2004 proved to be a year and team to be remembered in Perry Baseball History.



Heath Baker is a 1999 graduate of Perry High School and was an outstanding baseball player helping to lead the Pirates to back to back 25 win seasons in 1998 & 1999. Heath was a three-year starter and letter winner for Perry, and was a 1st Team All-Ohio selection his senior year. His senior season was indeed memorable as Heath compiled a 9-0 record that year, which set a school record for winning percentage. Heath threw a no-hitter that season and led all of Lake County in wins, strikeouts and innings pitched. He also racked up many awards and accolades, including Chagrin Valley

Conference MVP, Lake County Baseball Club 1st Team, as well as News-Herald & Plain Dealer 1st Team Lake County. Heath also excelled for the Pirates during his junior campaign, once again leading all of Lake County in wins, strikeouts, and innings pitched. He set school records that season for wins (11) and strikeouts (100) and ultimately was named the News-Herald Pitcher of the Year. He was also Plain Dealer 1st Team Lake County, Lake County Baseball Club 1st Team, and Honorable Mention All-Ohio. Heath went on to attend Baldwin Wallace College where he continued to enjoy success athletically. He was a four-year starter and letter winner for the Yellow Jackets Baseball team, where he finished with a 15-6 career record and holds two Baldwin Wallace school records.



Roy Infalvi Jr. is a 1994 graduate of Perry High School and was an outstanding three-sport athlete during his athletic career at Perry High School, earning a total of seven varsity letters, two in football, two in basketball and three in baseball. Roy was a three year starter and team Captain for the Perry Baseball program. During his senior campaign, Roy was named 1st Team Northeast District, as well as News-Herald and Plain Dealer 1st Team. He drew many accolades at the conference level as well, as he was a unanimous 1st Team selection for the East Suburban Conference, while also earning the ESC's Most Valuable Player honors. Roy ultimately earned state recognition as he was selected to the All-Ohio Baseball team during his senior season. During his junior year, Roy was named 1st Team All-ESC and 1st Team News Herald.

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2014 Alumni Hall of Fame Inductees—continued

Roy Falvi, Jr. —continued

His accomplishments did not end when he stepped off the baseball diamond. Roy was also a two-year starter for the football and basketball programs, where he earned 1st team All-ESC honors as a senior lineman for the Pirate Football squad. He was a two-way starter for both his junior and senior season, while also earning News Herald Honorable Mention in 1993. Roy went on to attend Cleveland State University where he saw the dream of playing Division I collegiate baseball come true. After graduation from CSU, Roy began his teaching and coaching career at Willoughby-Eastlake Schools, and has coached at the high school level in football, basketball and baseball. He currently is the Head Basketball Coach at Willoughby South High School.



Michelle Renee Webb is a 1987 graduate of Perry High School and an outstanding two-sport athlete, excelling in both cross country and track. Michelle was a two year letter winner during her career for the Perry Cross Country program, and would have been a four year winner if not for her move out of state prior to her junior season. Nonetheless, she made the most of her time as a Pirate, winning the GRC League Cross Country title during both her freshman and sophomore seasons. She won multiple invitationals throughout her career and ultimately was a State Cross Country Qualifier in both 1983

and 1984. Her success did not stop once the fall sports season was over. Michelle excelled for Perry on the track as well, and was a two year letter winner as a member of the track program. Her freshman season, Michelle earned not only GRC league honors, but was a Regional Qualifier in in both the 800 and 1600. She came back stronger and faster her sophomore season, and not only qualified for Regionals for a second year in a row, but ended up with All -Ohio honors by finishing 6th at the State Meet in the 800. Once she had moved to Arizona, Michelle found continued success on the track, finishing as high as 3rd in the state during her career. Michelle is now back home living in Perry, and is a real estate professional. She has also spent time coaching both cross country and track at local high schools in Northeast Ohio.

Thank You Lifetime Members!!!

The PHS Alumni Association would like to recognize and thank the additional individuals who have committed to the \$100 Lifetime Membership Level in the second half of 2014 (July 1st – December 31st). These monies go to help fund scholarships for future graduates of Perry High and descendants of Perry Alumni. Below you will find a list of individuals who have made this commitment:

Name	Class of
Fred Colburn	1955
Kristine Howard	1988
Zak Hurd	2014
Gary A. Nemeth	1969
Tom Tamborski	1965
Shannon O'Brien Yankie	1994
Donald West	1958

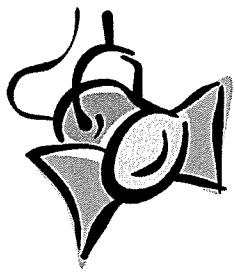


Alumni at Perry Schools

At a recent Perry Alumni Association meeting a question was posed for which none of those present had an answer. As is the norm with small towns, someone said "Oh I can ask (whomever), they work at the school. After a few other names were offered up, it became obvious that many of our alums loved Perry schools so very much that they've returned to join the ranks as employees. We thought it would be fun to share a list with you. Hopefully we haven't missed anyone!

First	Maiden Name	Last Name	Class	Position
Vicki	Vendley	Heil	1964	Cafeteria
Linda	Locke	Hazel	1967	Retired Teacher and currently a long term sub
Nancy	McCormack	Fiorenza	1970	Cafeteria
Nicki	Truman	Chiappone	1970	PMS Media Associate
Holly	Pickard	Rittenberry	1971	Custodian
Connie	Wyant	Brothag	1971	Educational Associate
Sue	Amos	Hackley	1972	Cafeteria
Diana	Drain	Matheney	1974	Educational Associate
Connie		Chapman	1975	Bus Driver and Educational Associate
Sandy	Pomietlo	Yankie	1975	District Nurse
Pam	Sines	Schlauch	1976	Educational Associate (PHS)
Judy	Church	Miller	1976	Secretary to CFO
Paula		Osborne	1977	Bus Operator/on board school bus instructor/educational associate
Larry		Snyder	1978	Custodian
Tammy	Brewster	Klco	1979	Bus Aide
Cindy	Allen	Hennessey	1979	Bus Driver
Bill		Sarvis	1980	PHS Business/Technology Teacher/Cross Country Coach/Perritech Advisor
Sheri	Leskovac	Sprankle	1983	Cafeteria
Denise	Piunno	Cogar	1984	Educational Associate
Karen	Brainard	Kuhn	1984	Educational Associate
Kelly	King	Zaletel	1985	Bus Driver and Copy Center worker
Barb	Orosz	Jeschelnig	1987	Bus Operator/PMS lunchroom educational associate
Stacy	Evans	Harvey	1987	Educational Associate
Barbara	Vidmar	Beyer	1987	PES Educational Associate
Tami	Gilson	Roberts	1988	5th Grade Teacher
Melissa	Ebling	Bentley	1988	Cafeteria
Kelly	Hammond	Kailburn	1988	Educational Associate Cross Categorical Unit (PES)
Andy		Roberts	1988	Perry Local Schools Board of Education
Julie	Gilson	McGonnell	1991	Bus Driver
TJ		Rockwell	1992	Athletic Director
Ashley	Albrecht	Hacking	1994	Perry Local Schools Board of Education
Heather	Fenstermaker	Robinson	1994	Teacher Perry Preschool/Educational Associate at PES/Advisor for QUEST
Eric		Thomas	1995	Middle School Math Teacher
Robin	Brooks	McCann	1995	PMS Educational Associate

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2014 SPOTLIGHT AWARDS

Joseph Lorek, Class of 1993

As we contacted Joe Lorek, he was in his car on his way to meet up with his family who moved to Kansas City, Missouri shortly after Christmas. Joe had remained in Medina the last month to tie up loose ends.



Joe was a four year letterman in soccer at Perry. After graduating from Perry High School in 1993, Joe furthered his education at Ohio University majoring in Sociology, specializing in Criminology. He graduated in 1997.

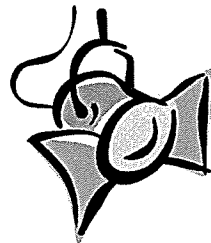
Joe's first endeavor was working as Border Patrol Agent with the US Border Patrol. His job was to enforce federal laws related to immigration, controlled substance and customs. He patrolled the remote, mountainous border in southeastern Arizona in between ports of entry into the US near Tucson. After four years in that position, Joe moved on to the position of a Federal Air Marshal with the US Federal Air Marshal Service. His responsibilities were to enforce federal laws related to transportation security. Joe flew in undercover teams on domestic and international flights to ensure the safety of the aircraft, crew and passengers of American chartered aircraft. He was based out of Chicago and he flew to locations all over the world.

While working for the Federal Air Marshal Service, Joe met his wife Karena. They married in November of 2003. Joe worked for a year as a police officer in Medina and then as a Tax Enforcement Agent for the Ohio Department of Taxation Criminal

Enforcement Division. Joe's most recent position has been as a Special Agent with the Office of Inspector General for the US Department of Housing and Urban Development. He conducts criminal investigations involving violations of federal law as they relate to the US Department of Housing and Urban Development, its programs and its employees. His investigations typically involve white collar crime, public corruption, fugitive apprehension, and other crimes affecting HUD and HUD interests.

Joe and his wife Karena now reside in Missouri and have two boys, Joey age 10 and Anthony age 9. In their free time, they enjoy playing soccer and martial arts.

Joe's favorite memories of his days at Perry High School are of the weekend get togethers at friends' houses and the beach, as well as soccer.



Lorena Sironen, Class of 1988

Lorena Sironen graduated from Perry High in 1988. In her time since Perry, Lorena has worked as a domestic violence advocate for the last eight years, with 4 of those years serving in Lake County. Lorena speaks about healthy relationships and domestic abuse in Lake County high schools, businesses, hospitals, colleges, Lake County Jail, juvy hall. She works in helping many victims to be led to safety and educating the community about taking a stand against abuse. Lorena is part of the response team in Lake County, Victim Assist Team, Lake County Task Force. Ms. Sironen has received awards from the Lake County Commissioners and the House of Representatives for outstanding advocate for the year in 2012.

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Alumni at Perry Schools— continued

First	Maiden Name	Last Name	Class	Position
Amanda	Wilson	McMurtrie	1997	Elementary Music Teacher
Christy	Lindemer	Patriarca	1999	K-8 Literacy Specialist
Cassie	Schlauch	Crofoot	1999	PMS Intervention Specialist Teacher
Brandy		Siegel	2000	6th Grade Math Teacher/7th Grade Volleyball Coach
Candice	Pfouts	Balinereri	2000	Cafeteria
John		Grdina	2000	HS Intervention Specialist/Head Baseball Coach
Alan		Iacofano	2000	HS Social Studies Teacher/Head Boys Basketball Coach
Josh		Kenesky	2000	PHS Teacher
Ashley	Cowolski	Pavicic	2003	Elementary Spanish Teacher
Heather		Horton	2003	Intervention Specialist Cross Categorical Unit (PMS)
Jessica		Garry	2004	4th Grade Teacher
Kelly	Siegel	Holderman	2004	HS Spanish Teacher/Volleyball Asst. Coach/Softball Asst. Coach
Jeremy		Goldizen	2004	Weight Room and Fitness Mgr/Grades 7-12 Fitness Manager/ IFPA Pro Natural Bodybuilder
Sarah		Wren	2006	QUEST Site Coordinator
Tyler		Schimpf	2010	Information System Technician

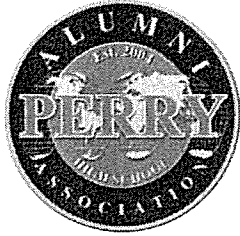
2014 SPOTLIGHT AWARDS—Continued

Lorena has obtained her associates degree in Human Services and she carries a license of social work assistance since 2007. She is currently attending Youngstown State University working on obtaining her Bachelors Degree in Social work. She is a registered domestic violence advocate in senior standing. Lorena resides in Montville, Ohio and has a 21 year old son. Lorena gives back to her community and returns to Perry and speaks to health classes regarding health relationship, anger and communication sponsored by the Forbes House. Lorena was recently promoted to Advocate Supervisor at Forbes House Shelter for victims of abuse.

Lorena's best memory about Perry High School is.... Being able to assist Perry Elementary School with their education and as she has started her volunteer work over 27 years ago.

WIN A MINI-IPAD!

Have you contemplated joining the Alumni Association as a Lifetime Member? This is your chance to become Lifetime Member AND win a mini-ipad! We are having a lifetime membership drive. If you join as a Lifetime Member (\$100) between 12/1/14 and 3/31/15 you will be entered in a drawing to win a mini-ipad. Our mission as the Perry High School Alumni Association is to provide the graduates of Perry with lifelong relationships with the school, students, faculty and staff, of both the past and present. Being a member of the Alumni Association allows you to stay connected to former classmates, stay informed on current happenings at the school and allows the Association to be aware of efforts and accomplishments in your life. Consider becoming a Lifetime Member today!!! Together we can make a difference. Because, Once a pirate you are always a pirate. An application is enclosed in this newsletter. Thank you again to Cindy Kozlowski Square, Class of '66, the lucky winner of the mini-ipad in the 2014 membership drive last year !!!



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Perry High School Alumni Spotlight Award Nomination Form

The Perry High School Alumni Spotlight Award is given by the PHS Alumni Association to recognize an alumnus who demonstrated extraordinary efforts throughout the year.

All PHS graduates are eligible. Award winner will be featured in the Alumni newsletter.

Name of Nominee: _____ Date of Nomination: _____

Graduation Year: _____ Is he/she a member of the PHS Alumni Association? Y N

Nominee's Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone #: _____ E-Mail: _____

Reason for Nomination: _____

Significant Accomplishments/Personal Background Info (i.e. College, employment, marriage/children): _____

Mail Nominations to: **PHS ALUMNI ASSOCIATION, P.O. Box 148, Perry, OH 44081**
Any questions, please e-mail: phsalumniassoc@hotmail.com

NOTE: We are also seeking nominations for the Distinguished Alumni Hall of Fame. Nominees for this outstanding recognition must be alumni of Perry Local Schools who have distinguished themselves at a high level of achievement in their particular field of study, life's work, or community service in areas such as, but not limited to, the arts, business, education, government service, community service, science, and technology. *Nominees must have graduated at least 15 years prior to the selection date.* Individuals may be nominated posthumously. If interested in nominating someone for this award, an updated form is available at www.perry-lake.k12.oh.us/district/community_info/index.php



The Perry Service Learning Program is celebrating its 10th anniversary this school year! To celebrate, we have created a listed of ten accomplishments we have made over these past ten years.

- 2005-2006:** Perry Service Learning's first year! To start off the program on a positive note, the various plunges students have the opportunity to participate in, were initiated. A long time favorite has been the Chicago Plunge. It involves a trip to Chicago, Illinois where students volunteer for four days at Su Casa, a battered women's shelter.
- 2006-2007:** Cardboard boxes, cold weather, and a fire to keep you warm or, also known as, Shantytown! During PSL's 2nd year, the first Shantytown was held on the grounds of Perry High School's campus. It has since given students a different perspective on what a typical homeless person may go through on any given night.
- 2007-2008:** As their community service, four PSL students brought (program name) into the Perry Service Learning Program. Seven years later, PSL students are still raising puppies in hopes that one day they will become a service dog for an individual in need.
- 2008-2009:** The big annual holiday food drive was initiated in PSL's 4th year. In partnership with local Rideout's IGA, PSL has raised countless dollars and pounds of food that has been donated to the Perry Center. The Perry Center distributes that food to community members in need.
- 2009-2010:** PSL students hosted the first annual Walk in Their Shoes. This event was designed to raise awareness and promote understanding about mental illness and people with special needs.
- 2010-2011:** Go green! PSL, in partnership with Recycling club, holds the very first community green day. Students get the opportunity to help make our community a little bit greener. Whether that be cleaning up a beach, working in a senior citizen's yard, or clearing trash and recycling items in public areas.
- 2011-2012:** The green theme continues as PSL incorporates The Giving Garden. The garden is tended by PSL students. All of the vegetables planted are donated to the Perry Center.
- 2012-2013:** In partnership with Magnified Giving, Perry Service Learning starts its first year of our student philanthropy program. Since, we have been able to give \$4,000 to well-deserving non-profits in the area.
- 2013-2014:** PSL is on the move! The Center for Civic Engagement is created in the Manchester West building to provide a larger and more enriching classroom space for future PSL students.

However, your help is what makes our program successful. The annual fund generates revenue that enables PSL to offer meaningful opportunities through a wide variety of activities and programs. PSL strives to help students connect their living with their learning. You can make your gift online today at perryservicelearning.weebly.com/psl-annual-fund.html or by mailing a check made payable to The Perry High School Service Learning Program to: 1 Success Boulevard, Perry, Ohio 44081. Thank you in advance for your gift and all it makes possible for our students.

4th Annual Bounce Night March 14th



Basketball players needed! The fourth Annual Alumni Basketball Game/Bounce Night at the PHS CFC and Competition Gym will be held on Saturday, March 14th. The evening offers something for all ages. Pre-game activities begin at 5:30 and will include; bounce houses, foul shooting contests, knock out and pirate dig. At the 7:00 game, two teams comprised of alumni players from multiple decades will face off. A refreshment stand will be available. This event has raised over \$1,000 annually to be put toward the scholarship fund. Please join us for an evening of family fun and entertainment. It is open to the public, so please help us spread the word to your friends and family and join in an evening of family fun and excitement. A flyer is

12th Annual Ritley Run - 5K Run & 1.5 Mile Fun Walk



The 2015 Ritley Run will take place on 9/26 at PHS Alumni Stadium at 9:00 a.m. The Robert Ritley Memorial / Perry Athletic Hall of Fame Run/Walk was started in 2004 in memory of long-time Perry High School football coach and teacher, Bob Ritley. Coach Ritley lost a long battle with cancer in 2003 and this run/walk has been organized to raise money for both the Robert Ritley Memorial Scholarship Fund and the Perry High School Athletic Hall of Fame. The Robert Ritley Memorial Scholarship Fund gives out \$1,000 scholarships to area high school seniors that exemplify qualities that honor Coach Ritley. Winners are chosen based on their applications and references that reflect their outstanding scholastic achievements and involvement in athletics, community service, and leadership activities.

Class of 1965—50th Reunion

Details are not yet final, but Class of '65 planners wanted to share their thoughts and get a tentative head count of your interest in participating in any or all the activities shown below on Friday, Saturday and Sunday - 9/18, 9/19 and 9/20. Please respond to Greg Nemeth, phone: (440) 415-2155, or mail to: P. O. Box 304, Perry, OH 44081, or email him at: galnemeth@roadrunner.com by March 17th. Please share this information with your classmates. Please help—unable to locate: Sue Bauer, Charla Urban and Diane Wright.

Friday Afternoon: Perry Township Community Center

Friday Evening: Tailgate, Parade, Football Game, Dinner at a local restaurant in small groups

Saturday Afternoon: What would you like to do, if anything? Golf/Cleveland Museums/Wineries

Saturday Evening: A venue similar to Hellriegel's Inn with a private room. Headcount needed for reservations.

Sunday Morning/Afternoon: Breakfast at Perry Family Restaurant, Private tour of Perry's Historical Museum

Even if you are not interested in attending and/or not available for any or all of the reunion weekend, please provide your current email, postal mailing address and telephone numbers to us. If you are traveling from out of town will you need overnight accommodations?

4th Annual Bounce Night In Perry

Sponsored by Perry High School Alumni Association

Fun Night for the entire Family!

SATURDAY, MARCH 14th

Perry High School CFC

****Everyone is invited****

Free Throw
Contest

Concessions
Available

FREE Bounce
Houses

Door
Prizes

Knock-Out
Contest

Alumni Basketball Game



5:30-7:00 Pre-Game Party located in the CFC Field House.

Activities to include: Bounce Houses, Foul Shooting contest and Knock Out



7:00 pm Alumni Basketball Game

\$3.00 per person (all included)

If you would like to be a part of the Alumni Basketball Team, please fill out the registration form below by Feb. 28th. \$10 to cover cost of shirt.

Name _____ Maiden _____ Class of _____

Address _____

Cell _____ E-mail _____

T-shirt Size (Circle one) S M L XL XXL

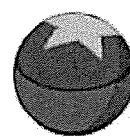
Mail to PHS Alumni Association, P.O. Box 148, Perry, OH 44081. Please e-mail questions to phsalumniassoc@hotmail.com.

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4th Annual Bounce Night In Perry



Sponsored by Perry High School Alumni Association

Fun Night for the entire Family!

Alumni Basketball Game



SATURDAY, MARCH 14th

Perry High School CFC

****Everyone is invited****