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New Alumni Association Formed

Graduates of Perry High School now have an alumni association, thanks to a group of PHS graduates who worked to organize the new association. The members who spearheaded the effort include:

Marv Bihn '54

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Thanks to Ralph Rockow, a member of the class of '51 and a 2001 Distinguished Alumni Hall of Fame recipient, who led the way to the formation of the Association.

Thanks, also, to Dr. Tim Berkey, Superintendent, Doug Jenkins, Principal and Patrice Carroll, Coordinator of Community Relations, for their support and guidance.

Nameless Newsletter

What should we call our alumni newsletter? Have any clever ideas?

Submit your proposed name by November 1, 2004 to:

The winner will be announced in the next newsletter and will receive a one-year Contributing membership in the Association.



PHS Alumni Association

PO Box 148

Perry, OH 44081

-or-

pshalumniassoc@hotmail.com

Homecoming Festivities Planned

The PHS Alumni Association welcomes all Perry alumni to join in this year's Homecoming activities on Friday, October 8.

The parade will begin at 6:00 p.m. at the Middle School, proceed south on Learning Lane, west on Manchester Avenue, north on Center Road, and east on Success Boulevard to Perry High School.

An alumni group picture will be taken during pre-

game. Alumni are asked to show their Perry pride by wearing school colors. Report to the band bleachers under the scoreboard at the north end



of Alumni Stadium immediately following the parade. The picture will be available for purchase.

After the game, plan to reconnect with old friends at the Taverne of Perry on Route 20.

For further details, contact Homecoming Committee Chairman, Charlene Gaskey Martorana '79, at martorana4@yahoo.com or 440-428-7356.

Admission to the game is \$5.



Do you know graduates or former students of Perry High School who would be interested in membership in the Alumni Association?

If so, let us know about them. Forward their names and addresses to:

phsalumniassoc@hotmail.com

-or-

Perry High School
Alumni Association
PO Box 148
Perry, OH 44081

Membership Application

Perry High School Alumni Association

PO Box 148, Perry, OH 44081

Forward completed form to the above address. Make checks payable to PHS Alumni Association.

Any graduate or former student of Perry High School will be considered an Associate (non-voting) member of the Association by submitting this completed application for inclusion in our alumni records. Contributing (voting) members shall be graduates or former students who have paid membership dues and have submitted application in full.

- Membership type: Contributing (voting) Member — \$10 annual dues
 Lifetime (voting) Member — one-time fee of \$100
 Associate (non-voting) Member — free

Name _____ Class of _____ Phone (____) _____
Please print (include maiden name, if applicable)

Address _____ City/State/Zip _____

Email address _____ Date _____

Please **DO NOT** list my name on the Perry High School Alumni Association Web site

Consider Joining Today

Interested in...

- renewing old friendships
- discovering what your classmates have been up to,
- reconnecting with your past, or
- participating in alumni activities?

Then consider membership in the newly formed Perry High School Alumni Association.

Applications are being accepted from any former

Perry High School student. See page 2 for an application.

There are three types of membership:

Contributing Member

Lifetime Member

Associate Member

Contributing Member:

These members pay annual dues of \$10. They are entitled to have their name and profile included in the alumni database, have voting rights at membership

meetings, receive the alumni newsletter, and have access to all pages of the alumni Web site.

Lifetime Member:

Members at this level pay a one-time payment of \$100 and enjoy the same rights and privileges as Contributing Members.

Associate Member: These members pay no dues. The main benefit to being an Associate member is that these individuals are listed in the alumni database making them easier to

locate for reunions and alumni events. They will be listed with a profile on the alumni Web site, but will have limited access to the site, will not receive the alumni newsletter, and will not be able to vote at membership meetings.

If you have questions about membership, contact Don Densmore '50, Membership Chairman, at 440-259-3218 or ddensmore@alltel.com.

Join now and earn a chance to win a \$50 gift card!

All new members (Contributing, Associate or Lifetime) who join the Association by November 1, 2004, will be entered in a drawing for a \$50 gift card good at Red Lobster, Smokey Bones, Bahama Breeze or Olive Garden. Don't hesitate...join today!

Where are they now?

This will be a regular feature in the alumni newsletter, but we'll need your help to accomplish it. Do you know someone who should be featured here? If so, contact us at pshalumniassoc@hotmail.com or PO Box 148, Perry, OH 44081.

Tammy Gillespie Class of 1987

For fans of the Last Comic Standing Season 2, you're familiar with our own hometown comedian, Tammy (Gillespie) Pescatelli. She did us proud by making it to the final show!

Tammy says, "I feel very blessed to have been a part of LCS2 and am just humbled by the support of my new (and old) fans. I was glad for John Heffron

winning the whole thing, but am looking forward to Season 3 —where I will need everyone to remember to vote for me AGAIN!

"Many of you are wondering what this has done for my career. Well, I am still on the

road, but the change is incredible — sold out shows and standing ovations. I am truly blessed."

Even though Tammy appears to be an overnight success, her career didn't begin with the Last Comic Standing;

Tammy's been entertaining for years. Just ask those who were on her cheer-leading squad or on the track team with her back at Perry High School!

Here are a few of her numerous credits:

- Three-time Addie Award winner and two-time Cleo nominee for her work in commercials
- Appeared on The Tonight Show with Jay Leno

- Featured comic at Evening at the Improv

- Winner of the Bud Light Ladies of Lafter Competition

- Appeared on National Lampoon's Funny Money

- Series regular on Court of Common Sense

- Host of Fox Kids Club

- Appeared on the Danny Bonaduce Show

- Appeared in movies including Beauty Queen Butcher, An Amerivan Love, My Brotherman, and The Shadow People

- Co-hosted a morning drive show at KPXR-FM in Illinois

Continued success to Tammy as she appears on LCS3 this fall.



New Inductees Named

Three new members were inducted into the Perry High School Athletic Hall of Fame earlier this month. The new honorees include:

Carl Torch, Jr. '40 for his contributions as an athlete and coach

Barbara Bacon Inscho for coaching during the periods of 1947-50 and 1957-58

Tom Advay '67 for serving 32 years as "the voice of the Pirates"

They join 66 other outstanding men and women who have been inducted since the inception of the Hall of Fame in 1993.

For more information about the recipients, visit our Web site at www.perry-lake.k12.oh.us. Click on District, Community Information, then Alumni Association.



Visit Our Web Site

Want to learn the latest about alumni activities?

Looking for a classmate?

Want to post a message to fellow alumni?

Interested in who's had a baby, who's retired, who's

earned a special award, or who's graduated?

Get the latest scoop by checking out the Perry High School Alumni Association Web page. Log on to the Perry Schools Web site at www.perry-lake.k12.oh.us.

Click on District, Community Information, then Alumni Association.

Do you have news you'd like to share? If so, contact us at pshalumniassoc@hotmail.com or PO Box 148, Perry, OH 44081.

Fundraiser a Success

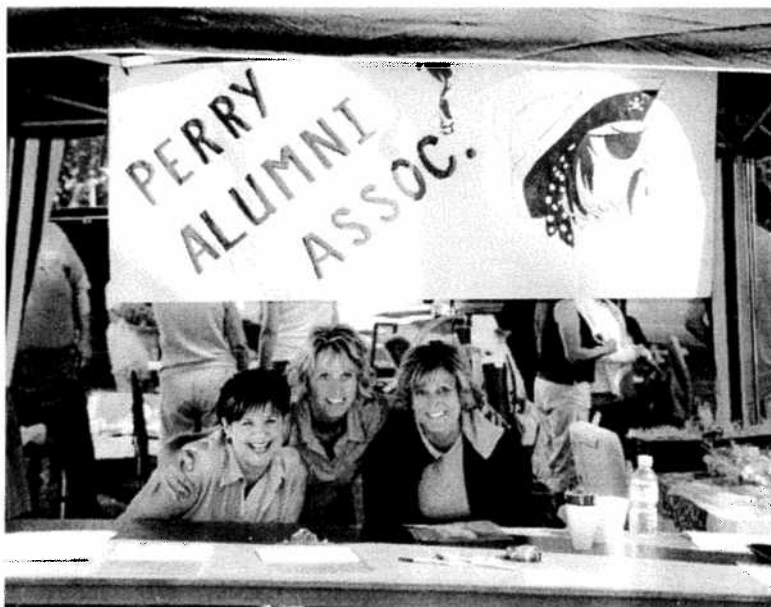
Members of the PHS Alumni Association participated in the Perry Village Street Sale on August 7. The group sold donated "treasures," lots of homemade baked goods, beverages, pizza and nursery stock. Nearly a thousand dollars was raised!

Tammy Brewster Klco '79 and Nicki Truman Chiappone '69 co-chaired this successful event.

Thanks to the volunteers who set up and worked, Clifford Brewster '80 for donating nursery stock and providing the manpower and trailer to move the items from storage to the sale, C.M. Brown Nurseries for nursery stock, our supporters who baked and donated items to sell, Jim Gyure '76, who provided the tables and

donated bottled water for us to sell, and those who purchased items to help our treasury grow.

Our thanks also to the Perry Historical Society for allowing us to set up on their prime real estate.



Becky Miller Garry '80, Tammy Brewster Klco '79 and Toni Nocida Kramer '81 hard at work at the Street Sale

Planning a reunion?

Let us help. We'll gladly post your reunion information on the Alumni Web site and publish it in the Alumni newsletter.

You're also welcome to search our database for classmates.

Contact Patrice Carroll, our alumni/school liaison, at 440-259-9342 or carrollp@perry-lake.k12.oh.us to let us know how we may be of service to you.

Would you like to see your ad in the alumni newsletter?

A business card size ad sells for \$25.

To place an ad in the next newsletter, send your ad copy and check by October 22, 2004 to:

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Homecoming 2004

See page 2 for details!

Greetings fellow alumni!

I am delighted to be serving as the president of the newly formed Perry High School Alumni Association and am grateful for the opportunity to assist in the association's mission to support alumni and school endeavors.

For those of you who don't know me, I have lived in Perry my entire life. I am a member of the class of 1976. I live a charmed existence and have met with wonderful success in my life.

Doesn't that sound conceited? That's not at all how it's intended. You see,

I attribute so much of who I am and what I've accomplished to the foundation established as a student at Perry High School.

The guidance of committed teachers and coaches, the teamwork fostered in sports and band, the communication and leadership skills cultivated in clubs, the opportunities to be creative on stage, the educational instruction received -- these things all contribute to the people we are today and the success we've achieved. I am so grateful for the opportunities I had at Perry High

School and am proud to say I am a graduate of this wonderful educational institution!

One of my goals as president is to create opportunities for alumni to renew friendships, reconnect with their past, and get caught up with those who share common roots.

Remember the alumni football games in the 80s? I loved participating in alumni cheerleading and band for those games. It was an opportunity to rekindle relationships (and work to get the body back into a

cheerleading uniform!). I look forward to starting new alumni traditions like this.

I invite your suggestions for alumni activities, our Web site and newsletter. I also encourage you to become an active member of our growing association.

Best regards,

Judy Miller Church '76
President
PHS Alumni Association