

2011

"Keeping the Spirit of Lincoln Alive!"

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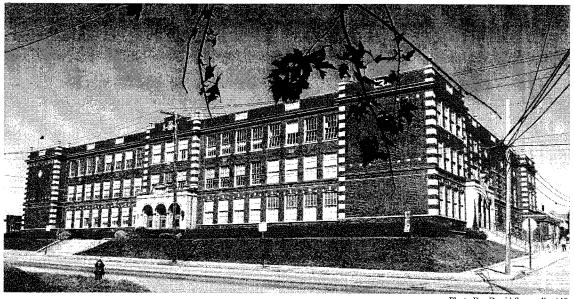


Photo By: David Sponseller '49

# **Our Lincoln Heritage**

Celebrating the 85th Anniversary of the Lincoln High School Building

### "From The Choir's Perspective"

Veronica Sima Parkinson 59

### "From the Band's Perspective"

Ed Hostetter '68

There was no cake, no candles and nobody sang "Happy Birthday," but over 500 enthusiastic "partiers" attended the best 85th birthday party one could ever imagine on Saturday, March 26, 2011 at 2:00 PM. Hosted by Heritage Christian School, the guest of honor, our beloved Lincoln High School building. shone brightly. The auditorium and halls were filled with the glorious sounds of music and laughter. Master of ceremony, Principal J. Howard Pizor, wearing maroon and gold, and mistress of ceremony, Commissioner Janet Weir Creighton '68, wearing red and black Heritage colors, kicked off the celebration with pom poms blazing and humorous remarks.

Following the Pledge of Allegiance and singing our National Anthem, the audience was treated to selections by the Lincoln Alumni choir, led by John Hayward '64 and accompanied by Betty Oswald. With baton in hand, Ed Hostetter '68, soon followed, directing the Lincoln Band with precision.

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On the afternoon of March 26th, about forty musicians from Lincoln High School of the nineteen-fifties, -sixties, and seventies joined a like number of young musicians from Heritage Christian School on the stage of that venerated building at 6th & Harrison, to make music and memories, proclaim school spirit, showcase the historical ties between our schools and "our" building, and demonstrate cooperation and fellowship between three generations of musicians! The occasion was the first combined concert featuring The Lincoln Band and Choir and the Heritage Christian School Band and Choir.

The purpose of the four groups performing together was to celebrate the building's eighty-five years and to raise funds for much-needed repairs and renovations. I am extremely proud to have been a part of that effort, and happy that Stark County Commissioner Janet (Weir) Creighton, my classmate from 1968, agreed to join us as one of the two Masters

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# CLHSAA CALENDAR

#### 2011

June 06	Board Meeting * 6:30 PM
July 11	Board Meeting * 6:30 PM
July 19	Scholarship Awards Recognition
July 31	HOF Community Parade
Aug. 01	Board Meeting * 6:30 PM
Aug 30	Stark County Fair Booth
Sept 05	(Under the Grandstand)
Sept 12	Board Meeting * 6:30 PM
Sept 22	Annual General Board Meeting Refreshments 7:00 PM
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	Refreshments 7:00 PM
Oct 03	Refreshments 7:00 PM.  Board Meeting * 6:30 PM
Oct 03 Nov 07	Refreshments 7:00 PM.  Board Meeting * 6:30 PM  Board Meeting * 6:30 PM
Oct 03 Nov 07 Nov 28	Refreshments 7:00 PM.  Board Meeting * 6:30 PM  Board Meeting * 6:30 PM  (Dec.) Board Meeting * 6:30 PM  Holiday Gift Shop *

### 2012

Jan 02	Board Meeting * 6:30 PM
Feb 06	Board Meeting * 6:30 PM
Feb 16	Annual Reverse Raffle
Mar 05	Board Meeting * 6:30 PM
Apr 02	Board Meeting * 6:30 PM .
May 07	Board Meeting * 6:30 PM

\*715 Wertz Avenue NW



## **CLHSAA President's Message**

Andrea Roman Herbst '66

Thank you ALL for your continued support of CLHSAA and "Keeping the Spirit of Lincoln Alive" during 2010!

CLHSAA 2011 is well underway in keeping pace with the 2010 events. The 2011 Reverse Raffle took place in February and the planning committees for the Scholarship Awards (July) and the Service Awards (September) have been meeting. The application for our participation in the Annual HOF Kick-off Parade has also been accepted. Alumni band and choir members presented a combined performance with Heritage Christian's choir and band in March for the benefit of Heritage Christian School ... aka our old stomping grounds!

The CLHSAA Board sets high goals for achieving success, with our number one goal for the existence of this alumni association being to ensure that the treasury remains filled to provide scholarship awards for the young lions.

A SPECIAL THANKS to our dedicated board members, past board members, committee members, and new volunteers who give a lot of time, energy and effort to reach our goals.

I would very much like to recognize and give a hearty applause to Cindy King-Fickes '75 for her dedicated and very conscientious efforts as the outgoing treasurer/co-treasurer of the previous six years! We welcome new treasurer, Elaine Campbell '71, to these duties.

I also wish to acknowledge and salute Karen-Gerzina-Samuelson '60 as our ECHO and Fall Newsletter Editor for the past 19 years! What a great treat it was to receive and read the Echo all those years. Susie Swihart-Vitale '66 has graciously accepted the ownership of these duties!

We all share in the loss of Mr. Harry Mason in late 2010. His mantra was "In Giving We Receive," and I believe all good people try every day to live by these words.

Be a part of our goals, step up and make a difference! You will have the opportunity to give and, in turn, receive. Stop in at our monthly board meeting (first Monday of each month at 6:30 pm) at the office on Wertz Ave SW. New ideas and suggestions are always welcomed.

# 2010 Scholarship Recipients Unable to Attend Awards Ceremony

College: Christina Clarke, Ann Dobry, Jared Heller, Chelsea Peters, Matthew Shilling

High School: Janelle Coates, Julia Comodeca, Courtney Davison, Sarah Geis, Melissa Gottschlich, Douglas Gray, Jenna Greku, Paul Hahn, Ann Hunt, Grace Kontur, Kelsey Lantz, Jessica Leach, Megan Lindsey, Megan Marino, Christina Rueger, Elizabeth Schmidt, Miles Viseur

Rumberger: Claire Blackledge

# CLHSAA & Rumberger Foundation Scholarships Awarded

Roger Hegnauer '71

The Canton Lincoln High School Alumni Association honored the 2010 scholarship recipients with a dessert reception on July 20 at Westminster Community Church. A total of forty-four \$500 scholarships were awarded. Since the scholarship program began in 1990, \$397,300 has been awarded to 796 graduates or descendants of Lincoln students. For the second year, the Rumberger Foundation also awarded five \$5,000 scholarships. Gloria Kirkbride Rumberger '61 is the Lincoln connection to the Rumberger Foundation, and CLHSAA is very appreciative of the donation.

Five recipients received special scholarships. For the twelfth consecutive year, the Ed Mang, Class of 1951, Memorial Scholarship was awarded. Other memorial scholarships were presented In Memory of Fred Peters '62 by Family and Friends, In Memory of Nick Zazula '60 by Family and Friends, In Memory of Coen & Clara Welling (parents) by Alana Welling Arnold '69, and In Memory of Paula Lightbody '71 by Family and Friends.

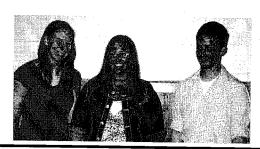
Thirty-six of the 2010 scholarship recipients were recent high school graduates, and eight were current college students. We congratulate all of them and wish them well with their future academic goals.

Applicants who did not receive a scholarship in 2010 (or 2011) are reminded that they may reapply. Graduates and attendees of Lincoln High School and Lincoln Junior High School, as well as their lineal descendants, are eligible for scholarships.

The members of the 2010 Scholarship Committee were Roger Hegnauer '71, chairperson, Karen Mottice Christoff '72, Don Dorkoff '59, Sherry Schario Cini-Putnam '60, and Sally Schweitzer '66. Sherry was also board liaison, Karen Gerzina Samuelson '60 was committee secretary, and Cindy King Fickes '75 was treasurer.

Thank you to all who helped, to everyone who donated to the scholarship fund, and to those who supported the fundraisers. Please continue your donations and continue "Keeping the Spirit of Lincoln High School Alive."

2011 Scholarship Awards Reception Tuesday, July 19 at 7:00 PM Westminster Community Church



2010 COLLEGE RECIPIENTS
Diana Biller, Alyssa Geralds and Andrew Oberlin



2010 HIGH SCHOOL RECIPIENTS
Jamie LaBuda, Olivia Buttery, Hannah Finley,
Janelle Linder, Kendra Colby
Row 2: Ryan Friedl, Eric Neff, Charles Dobry,

and Vincent Marazita



2010 HIGH SCHOOL RECIPIENTS
Angela Reigle, Samantha Shavers, Teressa Taylor,
Taylor Roman
Row 2: David Peters, Tony Paumier, Keith Wilson II,
Anna Zotta, Kelsey Wilzoch, Justin Sheil



RUMBERGER FOUNDATION RECIPIENTS Kristoffer Grimsley, Ryan Thompson, Gloria Kirkbride Rumberger,

Courtney Maierhofer and Mark Toole

### Elections - 2011

The following were re-elected to positions they held in 2010: Andrea Roman Herbst '66, president; Peggy Robart '66, past president; Mary Snellenberger Spreainde '66, vice president; Diane Boldizsar Zazula '62, secretary, Elaine Campbell '71, Karen Trenary Fashbaugh '61, trustee (3 years); Judy Workman Kackley '60, trustee (3 years); and Georgene Roman '66, trustee (2 years). Veronica Sima Parkinson '59, who formerly served as vice president, was elected trustee (2 years); as was Mike Yannone '64, trustee (2 years). Gary Love '55 will continue as historian. Best wishes to all!

### Elections - 2012

Please consider taking an active part in your alumni association by attending the monthly board meeting usually held at the CLHSAA office at 715 Wertz Avenue NW the first Monday of every month at 6:30 PM. If you're interested in being a candidate in 2012, please call the Nominating Committee Chairperson Mary Spreainde at 330-499-0057. Everyone is welcome! (Check CLHSAA 's published calendar for actual dates.)



Front Row: Elaine Campbell - Treasurer, Diane Zazula - Secretary, Karen Fashbaugh and Ronnie Parkinson - Trustees. Back Row: Gary Love - Historian, Mary Spreainde - Vice President, Peggy Robart - Past President, Andrea Herbst - President, Judy Kackley, Georgene Roman and Mike Yannone - Trustees

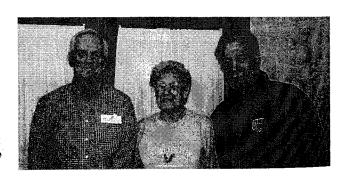


Karen Gerzina Samuelson '60

#### THANK YOU KAREN!

Susie Swihart Vitale '66

Karen Gerzina Samuelson '60, been the Editor of the Echoes of Lincoln newsletter since the Canton Lincoln High School Alumni Association was founded 21 years ago. She and her excellent staff have consistently produced an outstanding newsletter, which became more and more polished as time passed. In my first year as Editor, I am experiencing first-hand just how much time and attention Echoes of Lincoln involves. I can only speculate how many thousands and thousands of hours Karen has devoted to this newspaper. It is my goal to respectfully keep the bar as high as Karen and the past Echoes staff members have placed it. Thank you again, Karen. You have given us not just a newsletter, but a written history of the past two decades. I'll try and honor you, the Echoes of Lincoln staff and Lincoln Alumni by taking good care of your "baby." You're g-r-r-r-reat!



Left to Right: Jim Osborn - Everything, Nicci DiMarzio - Photographer, Dave Schemansky - Membership & Database

# **NEWS of ALUMNI...**



#### **CONNIE GUIST '64**

The uniform worn by Lincoln High School majorette Connie Guist '64 in the very first Professional Football Hall of Fame Parade the summer of 1963 is on display in the "Celebrate the Sixties" exhibit at the William McKinley Presidential Library & Museum now through June 5, 2011. This nostalgic exhibit includes fashions, hats, shoes, jewelry, toys,

household items, magazines, books and record albums from the period. Guests will view a 1969 Oldsmobile 442 convertible, an above the knee wedding dress, and Jacqueline Kennedy paper dolls, among many other items. The museum is located at the base of McKinley's Monument.



#### Deb Denney '65

got involved with the Ex-Newsboys organization several years ago at the urging of Canton City Councilman Jim Griffin 61 and was inducted into their Hall of Fame in 2010.

Apparently someone was paying attention in Civics class at Lincoln... Janet Weir Creighton'68 has been elected for a four year term as Stark County Commissioner, Chip Conde'68 is running for Canton City Mayor this November, Greg Hawk is a Canton City Councilman and Rick Homrighausen'66 is the Mayor of Dover. Any other Lincoln High School politicians out there? Please send us the information!



Sally Stone Buffo '51 presents a \$600.00 check from the class of '51 to Scholarship Chairman Roger Hegnauer '71. Joe Sommers '45 of North Canton received 2010 The Lifetime Achievement Award from Stark Parks. Sommers is a former Stark County Commissioner and Director of the Ohio Department of Natural Resources. He served on the first County Parks Commission in 1967 and is a member of Friends of Stark Parks. The Sippo Lake Marina is dedicated to him. He was recognized for more than 40 years of dedicated service on behalf of the Park district.

Former Lincoln teacher **Nan DeMuesy** writes a weekly column Thursdays in The Repository which is available online at www.cantonrep.com. Her columns often mention Lincoln High School.

Cheryl Bohnsack Garris '64 traveled from Arkansas to Canton for two weeks this past winter to visit some of her Lincoln High School friends, including Vannie Miller Rapp '64 and Kathy Swihart Kane '64. Kathy and Cheryl baked 18 dozen cookies for Pastor Chuck Kirkpatrick of New Life United Methodist Church to take to a medium security prison near Warren, Ohio.



The J. Babe Stern 2011 Hall of Fame inductees included Lincoln Alumni Don Mulheim '56, Wayne Todd '65, Dan Todd '67, Joe Seich '53 and Dave Marcelli '56. Coach Ken Newlon, who coached basketball at Lincoln from 1956-1976 and Canton McKinley from

1976-1981, received a special award for mentoring many young men throughout his career.

Jean (Mulholland) Emerick '58 wrote in: I was one of band members in the program on Saturday at Lincoln HS / Heritage Christian School. It felt great being on the stage playing in the band again, and I even got to sit in the same chair that I sat in when I was in school, the third seat in the last row of clarinets. It brought back lots of wonderful memories. My family was in the audience and said that we played and the choir sang really well. It was great seeing the school again. I showed my family around and took pictures. I also got to see old classmates and friends who came to see the show. I thank Ed for directing us. It was a successful and fun day!

# One Man's Generosity Brings Flood of Lincoln Memories & Alumni Scholarship Support Across America

#### By Elaine Campbell '71



As many of you are aware, Lincoln High School choir and band alumni recreated their second Spring Fiesta in our beloved high school auditorium on June 12, 2010. Over 550 people attended this fun filled, enjoyable musical trip down memory lane with the proceeds from the ticket price going to the Alumni Scholarship Fund.

The excitement of this event did not end when the curtain dropped. Dave Sponseller, LHS Class of 1949, took the initiative and sponsored the DVD video commemorating the occasion and personally sent it to all 4167 alumni of the Ruth Cogan era this past March. The letter enclosed with the DVD suggested that if the recipients wanted to show their appreciation for the delightful memento, they could send a tax deductible donation to the Lincoln Scholarship Fund.

Well, lo and behold, the CLHSAA post office box began to overflow with heartfelt notes of appreciation, alumni news, and generous donations to the Scholarship Fund from across the nation. Alumni living in Florida, Colorado, Arizona, California, Missouri, and every state had the opportunity to relive high school memories and be an active participant in a Lincoln Alumni activity. The following excerpts share the impact the DVD has had:

"Thanks so much for the DVD of the Spring Fiesta. It brought back so many memories of Lincoln High years and the marvelous music program. Since I was in the first graduating class, it was Miss Cogan whom I remember for the outstanding programs. Congratulations on your excellent scholarship program." – Marilyn Cordray Lilley

"We want to thank you for the DVD. It certainly brought back fond memories of choir and LHS. Time has flown by but our memories are still vivid and treasured. It was so thoughtful of you to remember us with the video." – Sandra Wenger DeStefano, Class of 1960 and Michael DeStefano, Class of 1961

"Received the DVD and I want to thank David Sponseller so much for sharing it....It was more than just a joy to listen to some of those old songs, to hear the fight song and alma mater again. I cried when those memories were brought to life again....The DVD helped me regain focus of a part of my life that was so influential." - Lynn Dougherty Wehmeyer, Class of 1959

"Thanks much for the DVD – very entertaining and nostalgic....My best to those of you helping to keep the memories alive. Good Job!" – Russ (Skip) Lehmann, Class of 1949

(Dave recently stated that, because of the very enthusiastic response to the DVD mailout, he will have more DVD's reproduced and sent to all the remaining alumni that attended Lincoln after the Ruth Cogan era, altogether about 7,000 DVDs.)



The Canton Lincoln High School Alumni Association Executive Committee extends a sincere "Thank you" to Dave Sponseller for his generosity and act of kindness that so richly impacted fellow Lincoln Lions across America! The donations continue to come in. Well over \$2,000 has been donated to the Scholarship Fund as a result of the DVD mailing. The scholarship awards will allow the legacy of Lincoln High School to continue to ROAR for future generations.

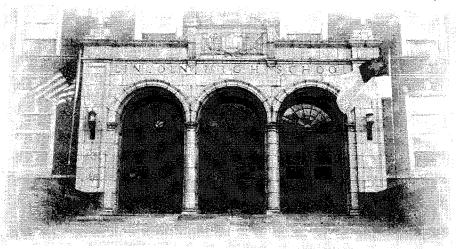
# Former 'Echo' Editor Evelyn Stewart Hight, '49 By David L. Sponseller, '49

Evelyn Stewart Hight '49 was the editor of the original Lincoln Echo in the late 1940's. It's been said that Evelyn took to writing as a duck to water. Overcoming family financial hardship that plucked her from one school to another throughout her grade school years, "Evelyn Jean", from her earliest years, enjoyed writing stories and poetry. While at Lincoln she wrote for and edited both the literary magazine and the Lincoln Echo. Words flowed from her pen as effortlessly as cool water from a mountain spring, refreshing and delighting all that would imbibe her prose and poetry. Throughout her life, but especially in her later years, Evelyn wrote many short stories, novels, and poems, including some novels based in Canton. While at Lincoln Evelyn distinguished herself as one of the school's most brilliant students; she was admitted to the National Honor Society in her Junior year and was Valedictorian of the Class of 1949. During her years at Lincoln Evelyn also was active in the civil air patrol, and leadership ability was recognized by her being chosen as a delegate to the 1948 national convention of the American Red Cross, junior division, in San Francisco.



Evelyn attended Ohio Wesleyan University and Mount Union College, becoming a medical technician, and serving in that capacity at Aultman Hospital, where she met Richard Hight (LHS, '47). After their marriage in 1952 they lived in Canton, and in Norfolk, Va., Towson, Md., and the Hartford and Boston areas, where Richard became an insurance executive. When her son and daughter reached high school age she returned to school, earning her master's degree in psychology at the U. of Connecticut and teaching undergraduate courses while pursuing a Ph.D. degree. She then served as a psychotherapist and business consultant for many years, and as a national officer of the American Association of Marriage and Family Therapists. Richard and Evelyn created a thriving third-party-administrator health insurance business in Phoenix for 12 years, and also traveled the globe extensively. They retired in Wilmington, North Carolina in 1999 to be near family. Following Richard's death from cancer in 2000 Evelyn toured China with her daughter, Marnie. Evelyn led an active life in Wilmington, participating in writers groups, leading neighborhood associations, strolling on the ocean beach, playing tennis, and socializing with neighbors and with friends in Red Hats and Rose Buddies. She taught Sunday School and Bible classes in the Methodist congregation near her Wilmington home, and was a major benefactor of that church.

Most sadly, one of the brightest stars in the firmament of Lincoln alumni flickered out just as the 2010 issue of Echoes of Lincoln was going to press last year. Evelyn Stewart Hight died in Wilmington, North Carolina on July 10th, 2010 after battling abdominal cancer for 12 months. A faith-filled and patriotic woman of great accomplishment, Evelyn will be missed by many for her wise counsel, bright wit, and loyal friendship.



# 2011 CLHSAA

# BUSINESS ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

**Blue Water Industrial Supply** 

**Blum-Sekeres Supply** 

Cardinal Glass & Mirror Inc

**Hub Victor** 

Johnnie's Bakery of Canton

W. L. Logan Trucking

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Mr. Mike's Catering

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The Printer

Windsor Hall, Inc.

# **CLHSAA Gives Back to the Community**

The purpose of CLHSAA is defined in our constitution. In essence, it is to promote and continue the memories and spirit of the alumni, friends, and staff of Canton Lincoln High School. An important intent of our association is to contribute to various community projects and to make use of our energy and funds for the betterment of the community.

To this end, board members in November 2010, voted to donate \$100.00 each to the libraries of the Canton Public Schools from which students entered into Lincoln High School. Today these schools are Cedar, Clarendon, Deuber, Harter and McGregor Elementary Schools. In addition, monies were also donated St. Joseph Elementary and Heritage Christian Schools.

Treasurer Cindy-King Fickes and President Andrea Roman-Herbst attended the December 2010 School Board Meeting (delayed one week by a snow day) hosted by Clarendon. How fitting a setting for this occasion was, for this was Cindy's grade school!

The letter of intention was personally delivered to Michelle Evans-Gardell, Superintendent of the Canton City Schools at the meeting and our treasurer sent the individual checks to the schools for 2011.

These donations, which have been made in the past years, are one small way that CLHSAA is still participating in the local community and striving to "Keep the spirit of Lincoln High School Alive!"

## **Teacher Recognition**

Was there a teacher at Lincoln who helped you in some special way, made a subject come alive, or gave you special training preparing you for the future? If the answer is yes, please describe that teacher's contribution to you, and send it to us. We would really like to publish your school memories. Include your favorite teacher's name, subject, year you were in his/her class, how he/she affected you, and your name and class year.

Send your response no later than February 2012 to the attention of the Echoes Editor at CLHSAA, PO Box 20192, Canton, OH 44701 or to the association's website.

Thank you to these Lincoln alums who wrote about their memories of former LHS teachers. Their memories stir our memories, and we thank them for sharing.

# 2010 HOF Community Parade

Georgene Roman '66 (330-833-5150)

Beautiful skies and warm weather were part of the line up for the 2010 HOF Community Parade! Once again, there was a terrific turnout from our CLSHAA members (42) that made this day another fun event for all involved. Our CLHSAA unit was well received by those in the "audience," including young and old alike and all those in-betweens.

Band members played a spirited rendition of the Lincoln Fight Song, cheerleaders cheered, we walked and carried banners, drove in cars or rode a cart attached to a car provided by the Gerhart Girls! Several 2010 Scholarship awardees also joined the group and carried their own special banner identifying their connection to CHHSAA. We even had a special surprise at the end of our unit - Debbie Fowler '66 drove her BEAUTIFUL RED CORVETTE! Extending out of the back was a lion's tail and a sign saying, "The End"!

Maybe it is not the Grand Parade, but it is a GRAND day of fun and yes, a little exercise! Join us this year in the HOF Community Parade! Hearing our "fight song" played in the streets of Canton brought back great memories and stirred our loin's pride! Give back to our community and "Keep the Spirit of Lincoln Alive!"



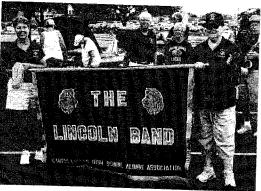












# Ever wish you could be in a parade? Well, here's your chance!

If you would like to march or ride (there will be a vehicle available to carry those who prefer not to walk) in the HOF Community Parade on Sunday, July 31, 2011, you can join other CLHSAA members by contacting Georgene Roman at 330-833-5150 as soon as possible with your name and phone number.

In order to make a unified appearance, volunteers need to wear a maroon shirt, khaki pants or shorts, and tennis shoes. The parade distance is approximately 1.3 miles straight south on Market Avenue beginning across from the Civic Center.

All Lincoln alumni (and former scholarship honorees) are invited and encouraged to participate.

Call NOW-Join the parade!

# Lincoln Band Members Marching and Non-Marching

Mark Lowe '75 and Ed Hostetter '68 are hoping to get the Lincoln Band together again either for the parade or for other performances. If you would like to be a part of this, please contact Mark at Kewrow@aol. com or 216-371-0337 and Ed at 330-454-9610 or edhostetter@att.net.

In order to march in the HOF Community Parade this year, please call NOW. Join other Lincolnites on July 31st by meeting in the Nationwide parking lot at 1:30 PM with your instrument, maroon shirt, khaki shorts or pants, tennis shoes, and your LHS spirit. Go, Lions!

# 'I will study and get ready and perhaps some day my chance will come." - Abraham Lincoln

## **CLHSAA SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**

The purpose of the Scholarship Committee is to award non-repayable grants to deserving students who are either graduates or attendees of Canton Lincoln Junior or Senior High School or their descendants. Descendants include child(ren), grandchild(ren), great-grandchild(ren), step-child(ren), adopted child(ren), or spouse of attendees or graduates who are <u>paid members</u> of CLHSAA for the <u>current</u> calendar year. If the applicant's only lineal Lincoln ancestor is deceased, then the paid membership requirement is waived.

The Scholarship Committee will consider all applicants for grants regardless of race, color, creed, religion, sex, or national origin. All information supplied by applicants is strictly confidential with exception of names, addresses, telephone numbers, and names of ancestors who attended Canton Lincoln Junior or Senior High School.

CLHSAA reserves the right to determine the amount and number of grants to be presented in any year. Scholarships are awarded to students who are pursuing **ANY** type of post high school education at any type of accredited school; i.e., college, junior college, technical, or trade schools. Checks are made payable to each student's **school**. An Awards Reception where presentations are announced and recipients are honored is planned for July.

Applicants may apply every year; however, **scholarship** <u>recipients</u> are <u>eligible</u> only every <u>third year</u>, <u>with a <u>lifetime maximum of two</u> CLHSAA scholarships. Students interested in applying for a 2012 CLHSAA grant should watch for a scholarship application form, which will be included with 2012 membership renewal forms to be mailed in January 2012.</u>

The 2011 scholarship application forms were mailed in January along with membership renewal forms. «The deadline for 2011 applications was March 15, 2011.

Tax deductible donations to the Scholarship Fund and/or inquiries should be mailed to:

CLHSAA PO Box 20192 Canton, OH 44701

# SCHOLARSHIP FUND DONATION and/or MEMORIAL CONTRIBUTION

Tax-deductible donations can be made to the CLHSAA Scholarship Fund by simply filling out this form and returning it with your check to:

CLHSAA, P.O. Box 20192, Canton, OH 44701

YOUR NAME					
ADDRESS					
CITY, STATE, ZIP					
AMOUNT					
IN HONOR [] OR MEMORY [] OF					
	CLASS YEAR				
SEND NOTICE OF DONATION TO FAMILY	YES[] NO[]				
IF YES PLEASE PROVIDE FAMILY'S ADDR	ESS				

### DONATIONS BEQUESTS

As you undoubtedly know, CLHSAA has one of the best scholarship programs around. (Not bad considering our school was closed thirty-four years ago!) The success of the program depends on money raised through memberships, fundraisers, and contributions.

The CLHSAA Scholarship Fund has received some charitable donations, but the one area that has not yet yielded funds is the last will and testament of a Lincoln alumnus. If you are thinking of making a revision of your will, you may wish to remember the CLHSAA Scholarship Fund. Of course, a donation made during your lifetime is always welcome-and preferred!

Contributions of any amount are appreciated and are vital to the continued success of the program. See the form on this page.

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Echoes of
Lincoln
is
Dedicated
to the
Memory of All
Deceased
Alumni and
Friends
of
Canton Lincoln
High School

# **Stark County Fair Booth**

By Mary Snellenberger Spreainde '66

Attending elementary school in the 50's, I fondly remember getting a free pass to the Stark County Fair in my final report card. I guarded that pass with my life knowing that my last fling before the start of school would be a trip to the fair. Do you know how to get a free pass to the 2011 fair? Sign up to be a volunteer at the Alumni Booth and you may be one of the lucky ones to get a pass and a chance to "Keep the Spirit Alive."

Looking back, we had a great year at the 2010 Stark County Fair at the Lincoln Alumni booth under the Grandstand. The weather was wonderful and there was a steady stream of visitors to our booth. Many thanks to all our volunteers and to all the alumni who stopped by to visit. Seems many of you just loved our new white and gold tee shirts! A new addition to the booth was a collage of photos from the scholarship ceremonies over the past several years. Thanks to Nicci DiMarzio for all her work designing and assembling the board! Thanks also to Jim "Ozzie" Osborn for all his work in setting up and tearing down the booth as well as his efforts to keep us well stocked in shirts and souvenirs. Congratulations to Cheryl Sanko '71 and Cyndy Isom '74, winners of our CLHSAA sweatshirt drawing!













# The 21st Annual General Meeting

By Andrea Roman Herbst '66

The 21st Annual General Meeting of the CLHSAA met Thursday, September 16, 2010 at Tozzi's on 12th. President Andrea Roman-Herbst provided a brief business meeting and recap of the 2010 events while members munched on an excellent array of appetizers. Vice-President Mary Snellenberger-Spreainde '66 presented the slate of candidates for the 2011 board members. Nominations from the floor were requested and, upon none, voice majority elected 2011 members.

Jim McVay '51 provided a stroll down memory lane with his presentation of a slide show of pictures form Canton's history! Remember when Canton Center, Belden Village and Interstate 77 didn't exist? The slides provided a great glimpse of Canton's treasured past! A delicious cake from Johnnies was enjoyed by all.

Plan to attend the 22nd Annual General Meeting on September 22nd of this year. Alumni Service Awards will be presented to those volunteers who have given their time and talents over the years. Check the Lincoln website: www.cantonlincolnhighschool.org

# SEEDS FROM LINCOLN HIGH SCHOOL STILL GROWING

"Anyone can count the seeds in an apple, but only God can count the apples in a seed."

Robert H. Schuller

#### The Lincoln Band By Mark Lowe '75

When I left Canton Lincoln High in June of 1975, I knew that soon my alma mater and band would be gone. Gone, would be the people that I had shared four years of my life with. Gone would be my time marching and playing with the Maroon and Gold. Gone would be my beloved high school where my family and father had graduated from. (Mom was a Lehman grad) Soon, the New Colonial March would fade from the city of Canton.

How lucky was I to make The Ohio State University Marching Band in the fall of 1975, as a freshman! I knew that at least the college I had chosen would be there forever! My success at The Ohio State University were because of the great teachers, and band directors at Canton Lincoln High. But even after graduating from OSU, I still had my strong love of Lincoln, that spirit of the Maroon and Gold would be with me forever, and so would the friends I had made!

As I entered my last fifteen years of being a high school band director, I decided that I needed to keep that Lincoln Spirit alive! Somehow, I "found" the music to New Colonial in my personal files where it had been waiting to be played again. Not only did it become the pre-game downfield but also a march at contest. Lucky for my students, I remembered how much I loved marching up and down the parking lot at the Memorial Field House working on leg lift. My students loved it just as much! Who were the lucky ones now?!

The Lincoln Band has played such a big part in so many lives, this is why the Lincoln Band still performs today. We are the "ROAR OF THE LION". I will not beg, twist arms or plead to get former band members back again, but I will make you laugh and cry! Playing in the band is like riding a bike, once you have played, it will always be with you! When you join us, there are no tryouts, no music checks, (well, we do memorize our music), no chair placements, and no stress. Everyone sits first chair, everyone is the best, and everyone has fun!

You may wonder why I still march and play. Its simple, I still love Lincoln High. I was proud to march for four years, I was ecstatic to play in the pep band when our Alumni Basketball team won the FINAL CITY CHAMPIONSHIP! I get a thrill marching down Market St. in August playing the New Colonial March (our fight song) and still yelling "GO LIONS!", during the stop time, I love the fact that Canton still gets to see that beautiful large Maroon and Gold banner that says "CANTON LINCOLN". And what better music for the city, to hear but our Lincoln Band playing our proud fight song!

We march in the HOF Kickoff Parade and play at the Stark County Fair, and the Lincoln Concerts like the May Fiesta, the Veteran's Recognition, and a concert that honored the 85 years our beautiful Lincoln High has stood proud in the southwest end of Canton. Come, share your story, join the band! Cheerleaders, Majorettes, Musicians, all are needed and welcome. When you join us, I promise that you will not feel your joints ache, you will remember everything, you will laugh, find old friends, make new ones, and be the teenager you were at Lincoln High. GO LIONS! JOIN BAND! Use home phone....216.371.0337......Email Kewrow@aol.com

### THE SEEDS OF MUSIC

By Jane Heckaman Robb '66



The seeds of music in my life were planted early on with my Dad and Grandfather, who both played trumpet, and were professional musicians. Little did I know there would be five generations in my family who have benefitted from the gift of music so far. It all started for me at Harter grade school. I thought my Dad would be thrilled when I told him that I had told the band director that I would play trumpet. My Dad informed me that trumpet was not a "girl's instrument". (My how times have changed.) So, I played clarinet. Although I took private lessons from professional musicians, my Dad's friends, and I practiced every day, I am sorry to say that I was a less than stellar clarinet player when I arrived at Lincoln.

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This was a fact that Mr. Bayless did not miss, and I was made an alternate my freshman year. (alternate - def: someone who only marches the field show if someone else is sick) Everyone feared Mr. Bayless because of his demand for perfection. I really considered quitting the band, but my Dad and Mr. Bayless convinced me to stay.

It was my worst nightmare that Mr. Bayless' major instrument was the clarinet and, because of this, always critiqued our section most thoroughly. However, I certainly became a much improved player while studying with him. He instilled in me an appreciation for music of all kinds and I truly loved being a part of the "band family". I distinctly remember that during my time in the Lincoln band, we were invited to the Rose Parade. Mr. Bayless posted the telegram (yes I said telegram) on the band bulletin board. At that time they selected 2 bands from each state and, as it is today, it was a huge honor to be selected. The Canton Board of Education refused to let us go. No reason was given. We were so disappointed. Mr. Bayless was so angry he refused to talk about it. I just knew that was an opportunity that I would never have again. Or so I thought.



Jane Heckaman Robb '66 in the 1964 HOF Parade

In my adult life, I have been a band booster/music advocate for the past 23 years. Both of my daughters started on piano and then played in band all through their schooling here in Upland, CA. They were both proud members of the Upland Highland Regiment, our high school band. My husband, Steve, and I served ten years as Regiment booster board members. One of my duties during this time was to be in charge of the bag pipe band. In 1990 the Regiment was selected for the Rose Parade and I was thrilled when the director asked me to be one of four adults allowed on the street with the band. So, 25 years later, I eventually made it to the Rose Parade!

As we made our way down Colorado Blvd., I thought about Mr. Bayless and my friends from the Lincoln band who earned, but never got to have, this opportunity. This was Jan 1, 1991 when my oldest daughter, Stephanie, was a senior. Stephanie now has two daughters who are our 2nd generation in the Upland Highland Regiment. Last year they were selected, for only the second time in school history, to be in the Rose Parade. This was exactly 20 years after their Mom and I were in the parade.

For my youngest daughter Annie, who adored my Dad, music has always been at the center of her life. In 1996, while still in high school, she was selected to play with the Pasadena City College Honor Band, which is augmented by 100 talented music students from all over the state to march in the Rose parade. That makes five of us from three generations who have participated in the Rose Parade.

Annie majored in music education and became a band director herself. In 2003, the high school band she directed was selected to march in the Rose Parade. So, she has done the parade 2 times, once as a student and once as a director. As I watch her conduct and teach I think of my Dad who would be so proud of her and the outstanding program she has built at her school, bringing the magic of music to so many students. Annie played her bagpipes at his funeral in Canton in the spring of 1996.

Despite being a less than stellar clarinet player, I have not given up playing music myself. I play in my church hand bell choir and will travel with them the summer of 2012 to the International Hand Bell Symposium in Scotland. I also direct the hand bell choir at Annie's school as an after school program. After leaving Lincoln, I learned to play the flute (thanks to Susie's husband, Joe Vitale) and am presently learning to play the violin, a gift from Annie.

When I am not helping with Annie's band, I am a staunch music advocate. With this work, I like to think I am paying forward the legacy of the two people who gave the gift of music to me, my Dad and Mr. Bayless. I have written countless letters, made many presentations, and attended endless school board meetings in the ongoing effort to keep music education in our public schools. I would like to think that many of the former Lincoln band members feel the same and we are all providing support for music education in our communities. Mr. Bayless would be proud.

#### **Nominating Form**

# DISTINGUISHED ALUMNUS AWARD

(Nominees must be Lincoln graduates.)

Please complete all requested information for any individual you feel deserves to be nominated as a distinguished alumnus. Indicate the category you feel this individual represents (Civic. Community. Education. Athletics, Military, Arts, Religion, Medical, Business, Other) and include a brief summary of why you feel your nominee should be considered. Use a separate piece of paper as necessary. Former nominees can be considered ONLY if they are re-nominated for the current biennial event. You may nominate more than one person and/ or vourself.

PHONE NUMBER, CLASS YEAR, CATEGORY:
YOUR NAME & PHONE NUMBER:

Please return to: CLHSAA Awards Chairman PO Box 20192 Canton, OH 44701

## **CLHSAA AWARDS**

#### **ALUMNI SERVICE AWARD**

The Alumni Service Award is given every other year to paid members of CLHSAA who have demonstrated outstanding service to the association. The next Alumni Service Award recipients will be recognized at CLHSAA's Annual General Meeting in September 2011.

#### DISTINGUISHED ALUMNUS AWARD

The Distinguished Alumnus Award is presented biennially to honor graduates of Lincoln High School who have distinguished themselves through their achievements. Please consider nominating a Lincoln graduate whom you feel deserves consideration as a distinguished alumnus. Use the form provided below and nominate a viable candidate now. The next DAA's will be honored in 2012.

#### **NOTICE TO ALL CLASSES**

Each class or reunion committee should nominate their outstanding classmate(s) for the Distinguished Alumnus Award, which is presented every second year.

The DAA Committee is made up of dedicated individuals from various classes; however, they cannot begin to know who from each class have distinguished themselves through their achievements and deserve to be considered for this award. The DAA Committee needs your help!

# CLHSAA Distinguished Alumnus Award Recipients

1994

Don Nehlen'54

1996

Jan L.Boal'48 J. Robert Coleman '51 James W. Lessig '53 James P. McCarthy '53 Joseph J. Sommer '45

1998

Robert E. Boni'46 Janet Weir Creighton '68 John D. Dickerson '60 Phyllis J. Elsass '50 Toby T. Zettler'55

2000

Louie E. Mattachione '57 Thomas J. Seaman '48 Christ Vagotis '63 F. Stuart Wilkins '45

2002

William Albers'51 John P. Dougherty '51 Gary A. Regula'68 George Saimes '59 2004

Amold B. Cheyney '44 James H. McVay '51 Doug Miller '70 Richard D. Miller'44 George Wiant'50

2006

Ronald W. Dougherty '50 Jon T.Elsasser '70 Eugene R. Mancini '45 Alfred A.Olivieri '48 Dennis Reed '60

2008

Steve Amerson 72 Shelly Bamberger Bailey '71 John W. Parrish, Jr. '59 Thomas A. Shoup '65 Nan DeMuesy - LTA

2010

Toni Bodway Trueblood '72 Trina Cutter '75 Michael DeComo'53 James Griffin '61 Susie Swihart Vitale '66 Ken Newlon-LTA



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## **Lincoln High School Building History**

The history of the portrait of Abraham Lincoln and two of his quotations, "Cling to liberty and right and have confidence in God" and "With malice toward none, with charity for all," and the seals of The State of Ohio and The United States of America became a topic of interest during the celebration of the 85th birthday of the building this spring. Veronica "Ronnie" Parkinson and Jim "Ozzy" Osborn remembered that in 1959 the student council chose the quotations and paid for the project when the auditorium was being newly painted that year.

Jim searched back into his old Echoes and found the story in the May 27, 1959 edition. The portrait, quotations and seals were painted with oils and then mounted with cement by the Nobis Decorating Company of North Canton. The name of the artist who painted the portrait is unknown. If anyone has the answer or any other building history or stories, please write to us!



Thank you, Heritage Christian School, for taking such excellent care of our 85 year old Lincoln High School building, and for leaving "Lincoln High School" engraved over the front entrance on Sixth Street SW. We appreciate so much that you not only allow us, but you welcome us to visit and tour our former school and hold events there. You have restored the building without changing the look of it and continue to do so with enthusiasm. We are blessed that you have ownership of the building and consider you part of our Lincoln Alumni family. *Photo by: Pix by Bix™* 

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more than conquerors
through Him who loved us.'
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Immense gratitude to Karen Gerzina Samuelson '60 for her 21 years of excellence as Echoes of Lincoln Editor "Keeping the Spirit of Lincoln High Alive!"

#### Has your address changed?

The Echoes of Lincoln newsletter Is published only ONCE A YEAR, so there are quite a few alums who are "lost" due to change of address each year. Please remember to send us your new address If/when you move. CLHSAA pays so much for return postage for those of you who forget.

YOU are responsible for keeping YOUR ADDRESS current, or YOU will be a "lost" member and will miss the next issue.

CLHSAA Is a Non-Profit Organization with NO paid employees and is supported only by your volunteer contributions.

#### **YEARBOOKS**

From time to time graduates or friends donate their yearbooks to our memorabilia collection. While we appreciate ALL donations of memorabilia, it is impossible to keep (and store!) every item; therefore, extra annuals are available for sale.

If you want to purchase a yearbook from a particular year, it may or may not be available when you are looking for it. However, we encourage you to write to CLHSAA, PO Box 20192, Canton, OH 44701, or to the website, stating the year(s) you are looking for. If that year's book is available, you will be contacted. You can then send a check payable to CLHSAA for your purchase. The price is \$15 plus \$6 shipping. Please allow six weeks for delivery.

We are always looking for Lincoln memorabilia and/or yearbooks. Some even say they watch for Lincoln "stuff1 when they are out at garage sales. So, keep your eyes open! If you would like to donate a yearbook or other memorabilia, please contact the association historian by writing to our post office box. Your donations are always greatly appreciated.

#### Web Page & E-Mail

Dave Schemansky '66

CLHSAA has its own web page (domain name) http://www. cantonlincolnhighschool.org Check it out periodically!

Register your e-mail address in the Alumni Connections section of the alumni web page. It is a great way to connect with former friends and classmates. Please contact the web master whenever you change your e-mail address, or if you find a link that is no longer valid. The board will attempt to re-establish contact with the missing grad

#### **Missing List**

CLHSAA is asking anyone with access to the web page to check out the lists of missing grads. These lists name grads/ attendees whom we are trying to locate, and we could use help. Someone out there knows where these people are or knows someone that the board could contact regarding that missing grad's whereabouts. Please take a look as we try to update the web page regularly. We can use your help in our effort to find all of Lincoln's grads.

#### **Christmas Shoppe 2011**

Souvenir items will be available for purchase, either as a gift or for yourself, on Saturday, December 3 and Saturday, December 10, when the alumni office, located at 715 Wertz Avenue, N.W., will be open from 10:00 AM till 2:00 PM for your holiday shopping. You will have the opportunity then to purchase any / all of the items listed on our souvenir page.

#### **GOT NEWS?**

Articles and/or news from you about any subject you feel would interest our readers is always welcome. DO NOT WAIT to be asked! Send items NOW for the next Echoes of Lincoln issue.

Send to the Echoes Editor, CLHSAA, PO Box 20192, Canton, OH 44701. Thank you for contributing to our Echoes of Lincoln newsletter that keeps us all in touch!

#### Questions, concerns, suggestions-

Please call CLHSAA Volunteer Jim "Ozzie" Osborn

330-477-9831

#### **Attention, Business Owners!**

In January, when the form arrives in the mail asking for your help, don't delay! Please fill it out and return it immediately so that your sponsorship will appear in the 2012 Echoes.

What a special way to help CLHSAA!

Thank you, CLHSAA Echoes Staff

# 22nd Annual Reverse Raffle 2011

Peggy Robart '66 - Chairperson

What a great night for the Lincoln High School Alumni Association's 22nd annual reverse raffle! The weather was actually spring-like and the turnout was great. Over 125 people attended and all 225 tickets were sold leaving some people wanting. The dinner was held on Thursday, February 17 at Tozzi's on 12th and the meals were delicious. Thanks Tozzi's!

This year's ticket auction brought in \$225 and the 50/50 drawing netted the Alumni Association \$215. After expenses, the net profit for scholarships was \$4,798. That funds 9 ½ scholarships!!! Thanks so much to the loyal members and friends for their generous support of this function. If you have never been, or it has been a long time since you attended, you may want to consider it next year. It's a blast and so much fun to see old friends.



Prize money went to 14 ticket holders with the grand prize of \$2,800 being shared among the final five consisting of Mark Roman, Mike Yannone, Ron Richards, Chic Weaver and Bill Miller. The 50/50 winner was Jim Griffen who received \$225. Bob Biddle's was the 125th ticket pulled for a \$50 prize and Bob donated it back to the Association. Thanks Bob!

I would like to thank the committee for all their hard work to make this event a success. They are: Jim Osborn, cochair, Andrea Herbst, Georgene Roman, Elaine Campbell, Mary Spreainde, Dave Schemansky, Gary Love, Jerry Snyder, Roni Parkinson and Chip Conde. A special thanks goes to Cindy Fickes because without her, this raffle would not happen. Cindy handles all the mail, ticket sales and finances. Great job Cindy!!

The 2012 Reverse Raffle will be held on Thursday, February 16. Ticket information will be included with the January mailing. Make plans now to attend and support the students who benefit from our scholarship program.





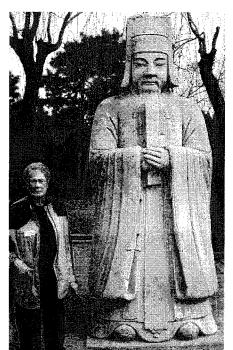






# I Finally Did It!

By Nicci Ardean DiMarzio '46



The lure of the "Mysterious East" was fueled in my youth by Pearl Buck's novels and the love of flying from Amelia Earhart's exploits. From the time I was a little girl I wanted to fly, be a missionary, and go to China. One out of three's not bad! To make my lifelong dream come true, last April after I finally retired at 82, I signed up for a twelve day tour with a wonderful group from Primetime at Aultman Hospital. My trip was a whirlwind of the amazing sights, sounds, colors, fragrances and foods of China's unique culture.

Our long flight ended in Beijing, China. The first morning we toured the Forbidden City, the World's Largest Palace Complex, the enormous Tiananmen Square and then visited the 700 acre summer palace and man-made Kung Ming Lake, where the Imperial Court escaped the bustle of Beijing. That evening we dined on delicious Peking duck and went to the Peking Opera.

The next day we traveled to Badaling Hills to see and climb a section of the 4,000 year old Great Wall and visited The Sacred Way, a tree-lined avenue to the Ming Dynasty tombs where I saw sculptures of lions,

camels and elephants. Then we went to Old Bejing, had a rickshaw ride, saw a silk carpet workshop and finally flew to Xian, key city of the Tang Dynasty where we were treated to the historic grandeur of traditional Chinese song and dance.

We visited Emperor Qin Shihuang's 2,000 year old mausoleum and got to see over 8,000 life-sized terra cotta warriors buried with him. It was an amazing sight! Then we flew to Chong Qing, the gateway to the Yangtze River, where we boarded the Viking Century Sun cruise ship for a 5 day trip. We visited a 12 story shibaozhai built in 1650, and were amazed by the spectacular limestone ridges called The Three Gorges, which are flanked by towering cliffs and hanging coffins of the Ba people. Then we went through the 5 stage lock system of The Three Gorges Dam, the largest dam in the world, took a cruise to Xiling Gorge.



and stopped at Jingzhou, where we were wonderfully greeted by elementary school children. We finally disembarked at Wultan, visited Hubei Museum and enjoyed the music of ancient bronze bells.

With our trip winding down, we flew to Shanghi, China's largest city, toured the elegant Bund Area's historic buildings and went to an exciting evening show by the famous Shanghi Acrobatic Troop. Our final day started with breakfast at the hotel and then we headed to the airport for the LONG flight home! I waited a lifetime to take this trip, and I'll always remember every exciting minute. I finally made my dream come true!

d's note: Did you have a dream that you made come true? Please send us an article!

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What a thrill for our combined band and choir members to perform again in our alma mater while Abraham Lincoln and his famous words loomed over our heads above the stage!

When Heritage Christian School's choir and band, directed by Andrea Clemens, joined us it was an emotional and beautiful blend of young and old, and past, present and future for all who witnessed and savored the first and, probably, not last collaboration of talents and spirits.

The nostalgia for us was enhanced by practicing in the old band room, visiting classrooms, roaming the halls, and eating lunch in the cafeteria, thanks to the generous hospitality of Heritage Christian School. Room 104 is now being restored and made into a museum room to honor Lincoln High School and Heritage Christian School's past.

It was an honor working with Heritage staff members Kathy Martin, Wendy Nowak, Andrea Clemens, Brian Brooks and Howard Pizor, who welcomed us with love and support and made this such a special heart-warming event. Proceeds went toward updating and renovating "our' building. One Lincoln alumnus jokingly offered Mr. Pizor a million dollars to paint over the red and black hallway walls with cream color. Mr. Pizor quipped, "We've got the paint rollers ready! I'll be in the back of the auditorium waiting to accept your check."

Our brightest cheerleader, Nan DeMuesy, wasn't there to witness our combined talents, but we all knew that she was with us in spirit. Hopefully we all can become cheerleaders and continue to keep the spirit of LHS alive by enthusiastically and financially supporting Heritage Christian School's care and upkeep of our beloved building that holds so many wonderful memories. A DVD of the event is available by contacting Heritage Christian School at 330-452-8271 for more information.







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of Ceremonies for the concert.

I've spent many hours on that stage over the past half-century, performing in Lincoln concert bands, pep bands, dance bands, and in recent years, the alumni band. However, none of those performances has ever affected me so deeply as that Saturday concert in early spring. As I was playing and conducting this concert, I couldn't avoid reflecting on those years, and sensing Mr. Bayless looking over my shoulder the whole time. I can only hope we made him proud!



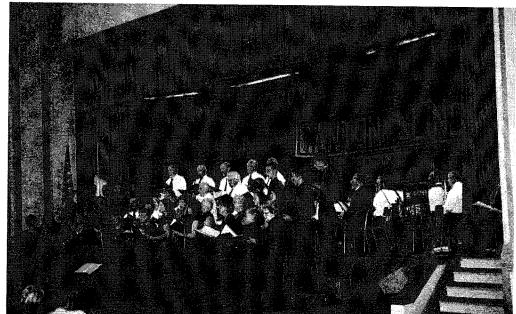


Trumpet player Steve Martin '71 said it best. "What a remarkable testament to the teachers and leaders who gave a big part of their lives to impact so many students! As I sat there on stage, I became even more aware of the tremendous blessings I received as a result of attending Lincoln High, and the training acquired which helped create the individual I am today."

There was a sense of togetherness and camaraderie between generations which the combined bands and choirs fostered. Horn player Cathy Carr Langreder '74 summed it up saying, "Something that hit me most was the kindness of everyone. The Heritage students were warm and friendly, and after listening to their principal, I realized that the feeling was everywhere in the building."

Drummer Mike Ray '64 reports, "I was excited by and enjoyed participating in my first concert since 1964. Being in that auditorium, and on that stage, brought back a flood of great memories."

With its participation in this concert, the Lincoln Alumni Association has once again upheld its mandate of "Keeping the Spirit of Lincoln High School alive!" That spirit continues to draw back its former students, even after so many years have passed, and so many miles have separated us. Fred Gray ('70), who attended the concert with his wife Rosie (Carr), told me, "It was wonderful! We enjoyed it so much! The bands and choirs were far above our highest expectation." When I reminded him that we are all a lot older and many are out of practice, he added, "It may not have been technically the best, but to us it was the best ever!" Based on that logic, I must agree wholeheartedly.



# Love You All Lincoln Alumni!! Donna Chopson Brendus '55

I graduated from Lincoln High School in 1955 where I was a cheerleader for 3 yrs. My senior year I met my sweetheart, John Brendus, when he asked me to go to the Jr. / Sr. Prom. The rest is history! We've been married 53 yrs. this past April 5, 2011 and are presently living in a condo in Jackson Twp. I'm glad to say we're both retired and doing well physically. I have a YMCA membership and work out, walk, or swim regularly.

We have two granddaughters, 11 and 18, from our son John Paul and daughter-in-law Wendi. The oldest, Julia, will begin her college years this fall at OSU in Columbus and was just chosen for the dance team for her freshman year. Our soon-to-be 12 year old, Mary Brendus, will be starting Jr. High in North Canton in the fall where she plays the flute in the orchestra and sings in the choir. We are kept very busy going to all their functions.



We spend a couple of weeks each winter in Florida with my sister Merry Ann & Don Nehlen. Next year we're going to test out a longer stay and find a rental and see how we like it after a month or two. After the last two winters here, need I say why?

My Card Club Group that I belong to is some of the same girls that I graduated with from Lincoln High School and also the same group that goes to the "Y" together. I had a wonderful time cheering for Lincoln again for the All City Alumni Basketball games held at the Field House in 1995. I also enjoy the Lincoln Ladies Alumni Luncheon which meets 3 times /yr. It's always such a nice time to see and visit with each other. By the way, John & I have never missed any of my class reunions. The last one we celebrated was the 55th. Great times at each and every one of them!! Just to let all the 1955 graduates of Lincoln High School know, those years at Lincoln were some of the very best years of my life along with the rest of my very best years with John.

So in closing, May all of your skies be blue, May all of your lights be green, and May all of your hang-ups be drip-dry. Love you all Lincoln Alumni!!

The Class of 1945 celebrated its 65th Class Reunion on September 17th & 18th of 2010. The celebration began Friday with a welcome party and picnic on the patio at Tam O' Shanter Golf Club. Saturday's activities included a tour of Lincoln High School and a luncheon at Brookside Country Club. A wonderful time was had by all!

FIRST ROW: Norma Maurer White, Alice Young Marson, Polly Blanc Caley, Marjorie Miller Trott, Betty Shane Pratt SECOND ROW: Norma Saddler Huffman, Dorothy Snyder Hahn, Marjorie Whitson Shirack, Marjorie Alleshouse Roth, Ed Shriver. THIRD ROW: Thelma Wilson Bauman, Don Lozier, Earl Sprankle, Myrna Wallick Watson, Jim Markling. FOURTH ROW: Bob Moss, Bob Tennant, Eugene Mancini, Roy Estep, Joe Sommer. FIFTH ROW: Bob McKee, Don France. SIXTH ROW: Stu Wilkins, Bob Smith, Marilyn Bickart Stertzbach. Not Pictured: Jim Chievitz, Dick Bixler (Photographer)



## **CLASS OF 1946 SUMMER PICNIC**







#### Class of 1950 - 60th Anniversary Reunion

**The Class of 1950** held their 60th Class Reunion on August 21-21, 2010. Fifty-six class members attended at least one of the events – a casual picnic on Friday at the Jackson Township Park Pavilion and a dinner on Saturday at the Meyers Lake Ballroom.

Four of the original 14 "Class of 1950 Couples" who attended the reunion. Top left: Paul & Mareth Kennedy Longwell, Top right: Beverly Buker & Bud Iden, Lower left: David & Joy Price Reed and Right: Carole Stover & Ron Dougherty.





#### Class of 1953 – 57th Reunion & 75th Birthdays

**The Class of 1953** celebrated their 57th Reunion and their 75th Birthday party at LaPizzeria August 21, 2010! We love Lincoln!! Left to right: Jane Wagner, Eleanor Mizer Yoder, Sylvia Ondak Furlow, Gail Jones Kuttrus, Gerry Shunkwiler Bowman, Mary Ellen Needham Pitz

#### Class of 1955 - 55th Anniversary Reunion

**The Class of 1955** met at Skyland Pines Rustic Lodge on September 24th & 25th for their 55th Class reunion. There was a great turn out on Friday for drinks, hors d'oeuvres, conversation and door prizes. We gathered again at Skyland on Saturday afternoon for a wonderful picnic. The weather was great and renewing of old friendships priceless!



Allen Heilman & wife, Jean, Emil Popa, Pat Hahn McVay & husband Jim (rear) Helen Semple Wise & Bill Wise, Nancy Gobely Maurer



Kaye Harmon Paar, Jim Lombardi & wife Nita, Mike Toney

#### **Class of 1962**

Several of us **Lincoln Ladies 1962** get together for breakfast every 5-6 weeks. Front: Arlene Cunningham Wharton, Sue Umstead Mullaly, Marcella Grossy Emmons, Donna Carlisle Calabrese, Karen Aiken Mann, Joan McKain Johnston Back: Ann Myer Brokaw, Pat Hinton Suter, Maureen Mentges Nye, Barbara Kline Harter, Joan Griffin Rothermel, Betty Goldbourne Ventresca





#### Class of 1965 & 66 - 45th Anniversary Reunion

**The Classes of 1965 & 66** celebrated our 45th Class Reunion together, in August of 2010, chaired by Bill Miller '65 and Bob Clemens '66. The Friday night gathering was held at The Canton Club and the Saturday night dinner dance was held at Meyers Lake Ballroom. Carol Yates '65 came the farthest distance to attend her first reunion ever, traveling from QuinDao University, Shandong, China, where she teaches. Carol loves to sing, is in several choirs and has received the award "The Most Outstanding Teacher at QingDao University Award." She wore a beautiful traditional Chinese dress which was made for her.

# Class of 1960 - 50th Anniversary Reunion Karen Gerzina Samuelson

It was our "Golden Anniversary," and we will always have "golden memories" of the fabulous weekend. Classmates celebrated our 50th Year Anniversary with a three-day extravaganza on September 17, 18, 19, 2010. The event brought back many fond memories and created many new ones.

Classmates met Friday at the Meyers Lake Ballroom Garden Room for a casual evening of getting re-acquainted. Laughs and snapshots were the order of the evening. Believe it or not, people who had never been to one of our reunions came this time! There are some of us who attend every five years, and some who attend every so often; however, either way, it was obvious that everyone was having a great time.

On Saturday night, we again met in the Garden Room for the main event. There was a fabulous dinner, candle-lit memorials honoring our deceased classmates, a disc jockey who played music for dancing, a caricaturist (who was a big hit, by the way), a beautiful class booklet, chocolate favors, a delicious cake, memorabilia from Meyers Lake and "the good old days at LHS," and even Elvis (or a life-size cut-out of him!) put in an appearance. A group picture was taken, and a lot of stories and catching up took place. To top off the weekend, we enjoyed a delicious Sunday Brunch and tour of the lovely facility at The Canton Club.

It was all wonderful! Many thanks to Dolores Glover Dasco, who chaired the event, and to the committee for all their help. The Class of 1960 is looking forward to our 70th Birthday Party in 2012 and to our next reunion in 2015. (Yes, we are that old, but we still think young—especially at our reunions!)



FRONT L-R: Linda Parker Scuiry, Patty May Kiefer, Dolores Glover Dasco (chair.), Judy Workman Kackley, Linda Lacy Potocsnak, Carol Holmes McKelley BACK L-R: Paul Wolfe, Larry Leslie. Ron Milbrodt, Sherry Schario Cini-Putnam, Linda Barton Kennedy, Rita Koller Clappsaddle, Karen Gerzina Samuelson

# Class of 1975 - 35th Class Reunion Trina Cutter '75

"The Best of My Love" by the Eagles was a popular song in 1975, and, by all accounts, the 35th reunion for The Class of 1975 brought that song to life on November 26, 2010. Cindy King Fickes, Jeanne Lee Jordan, Melanie Johnson Archibald, Shelly Zinn Croston and I, Trina Cutter, planned our fabulous event in less than five weeks!

I offered a huge multi-purpose room at Western Reserve PBS in Kent, where I am the president/CEO. I also donated the up-front cost of the food with the idea that we would take donations at the door to help offset the cost. Tables were decorated with maroon and gold tablecloths that Cindy spent hours ironing. The "table runners" were black and white copies of the pages of the 1975 senior yearbook pictures encased in plastic page protectors and taped together to make 24-foot runners to go down the center of the tables. The centerpieces were miniature maroon LHS megaphones with maroon and gold streamers.

Thirty-three classmates showed up along with spouses, significant others and friends. Shout Out Awards were presented and we reminisced about our triple overtime victory over Canton South our senior year when Mark Kounovelzelis sunk a 25-footer and won the game!

Hopefully the 1975 Lincoln High School 35th Class Reunion will go down in history as a "best time ever" memory and more classmates will show up at the 40th reunion in 2015



to see what they missed. Until then, "sweet darlin', you get the best of my love."

# **CLASS REUNIONS**

## Class of 1946 – 65th Reunion

\* Friday August 12th Informal gathering Geisen Haus after 6:30 PM (room reserved) \* Saturday August 13th - La Pizzaria Socializing 6:00 PM, dinner 7:00 PM \* Sunday August 14th – Brunch Holiday Inn Restaurant, 10:00 AM (room reserved)

Contact: Paul Blohm - 330 499-3047 or Lou Glew - 330 492-4275

## Class of 1951 – 60th Reunion

"Diamond Anniversary"

\* Saturday September 17 - 4:00 PM 5:30 PM - Dinner at Tozzi's on 12th 4210 12th St. N.W., Canton Questions? Please call Sally Stone Buffo 330 492-4918 or Jim McVay 330 492-4776

## Class of 1956 – 55th Reunion

\* September 9th - cocktail party 7:00 PM at the American Legion on Cleveland Ave. NW. The Legion has meals from 5-8:00 PM serving steak or scrod, if anyone's interested. \* Saturday September 10th Rolando's on Whipple Rd. NW. Cash bar from 6 - 7:00 PM followed by dinner. Contact: Dave Fowler, 4633 11th St. NW, Canton, OH 44708. Call 330 477-5053 & 330 224-4653 dfowler0206@sbcglobal.net

## Class of 1961 – 50th Reunion

"Golden Anniversary Weekend"

\* Friday, July 22 - Pizza Social at the home of Margie Thorley Wright \* Sat July 23 - Dinner at La Pizzaria \* Sun July 24 -Brunch at The Holiday Inn Contact: Jackie Hutter Clark 330 477-2055

# Class of 1971 – 40th Reunion

No information available

# Class of 1976 – 35th Reunion No information available

### **PLEASE CALL US!!**

**Class Reunion Committees** 

Does your reunion committee need a place to hold your planned meetings? If so, the Alumni Association Office is available. Just contact a board member with the date and time and the board member will check on the availability of the office and make arrangements to have the room open for your committee. Please remember the Lincoln Alumni Board meetings are held on the first Monday evening of the month.

AS SOON AS YOUR PLANS ARE KNOWN, PLEASE contact The Alumni Association and the ECHO Editor: We will publicize your event, provide updated address lists. and give you mailing labels FREE OF CHARGE! Just contact us early.

Also, please let us know if you would like CLHSAA SOUVENIRS at your event. The souvenir committee will be happy to bring a variety of items for your classmates to purchase.

ALL REUNION CHAIRMEN - Please send updates of your class rosters to the association after your reunion.

WHEN YOUR REUNION IS OVER, send us a short paragraph about reunion and a photo of a small group, including the names of those pictured. (Sorry, space does not permit the publication of large photos of the entire group.) If you send it, we will publish it in next year's Echoes.

## "In-Between Reunions"

### Class of 1944 – Luncheon

Second Wednesday of the month (except July & August) Different locations, so please call -Bob Miller 330 644-5628 Betty Gray Tremelling 330 492-2684

### Class of 1947 – Monthly

Second Thursday 1:00 PM at Golden Corrai Please call: Juanita Ellis Bathol 330 494-3779

#### **Class of 1955**

Ladie's Luncheon 3x a year Call Pat Hahn McVay 330 492-4776

### Class of 1967 - Monthly Dinner

Second Tuesday of the month Please call: Jeannie Baker John 330 832-2142

## **Paid Members by Class**

Memberships as of May 6, 2011. If you are not already a paid member, join today!
(Not that this is a competition, but notice the \*\* numbers. Join and encourage your classmates to as well!)

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#### HELP!!!!

The CLHSAA is seeking assistance from anyone who might know the whereabouts of the following graduates or class members. If you can help us locate these individuals, please contact:

Dave Schemansky ('66), 5323 Ridge Ave. SE, Canton, OH 44707, 330-484-4826 or e-mail oubobcat@neo.rr.com.

#### <u>1972</u>

Mike Bramlett; Mike Brant; Linda Sue Byder; Pearl Fey Rusnok; Vinc Henderson;
David A Hersher; Barbara Ihinger Christian; Elaine Leonakis, Demetria Leonakis; Peter Maher;
Pat Murray; Lucy Stewart Muller; Marc Wagner; Ken Wynn

#### 1967

David Borgner; Ronald Cordray; Richard Hites; Charles Jones; Gail A Prager Martin; Patricia Moore Pitts; Sharon O'Brien; Randy Skiles

#### 1962

Rebecca Deiwert; Erika K Denton Carpenter; Clarence Holman; Randy McFadden; Ruth Moralis; Richard Williams

#### 1957

Buddy Barrett; Phillip Goldberg; Daniel Hale; Marlene Holliday Griffith; Betty Jacobs; Gail Johnson Schrack; Peggy Pritchard Villard; Harvey Rinehart; Bill Roshong; Ralph G Scott; Carolyn Sells Schreiner

#### 1952

Donna Mae Breedlove; Robert Hartzell; Connie Martin; Carole Peterman; Lois Thomas Richardson

#### 1947

Lynn Benson; Helen H Heyard Muha; Dorothy Scheerer; Elaine Spoerke; Mary Jane Wagener

# Canton Lincoln High School Souvenirs 2011

Item	Size	Color	Price		Qty.	Size	Color	Price
Ball Cap - wool	adjustable	maroon	10.00					
Long sleeve T-Shirt embroidered	M, L, XL	maroon or white						
Alumni logo	XXL XXXL		15.00	16.00				
T-Shirt - Lion transfer	M, L, XL	maroon	9.00	10.00			<del></del>	
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T-Shirt - Property of Lincoln	M, L, XL	gray	9.00	11.00		<del> </del>		
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T-Shirt - All City Champions	M, L, XL	maroon	9.00	22.00		<del></del>		
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Men's Denim Shirt - embroidered	S, M, L, XL	button-down	35.00					
Alumni logo	XXL XXXL		38.00	40.00				
Women's Denim Shirt - embroid.	S, M, L, XL		35.00					
Alumni logo	XXL		38.00			<del></del>		
Zip-front Windbreaker - Alumni	S, M, L, XL	lined/maroon	45.00					
	XXL XXXL		48.00	50.00				
Sweatshirt - Lion transfer	M, L, XL	maroon	18.00					
	XXL XXXL		20.00	22.00				
Sweatshirt - embroidered	M, L, XL	maroon or white	20.00					•
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Golf Shirt - embroidered	S, M, L, XL	maroon or white	23.00					
Alumni logo	XXL XXXL		25.00	27.00				
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Coffee Mug (not shippable)	8 x 10 overall	in color	8.00					
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Key Chain **	Lion design	gold metal	9.00				• 4.0	
Lincoln Pen ** (new & improved)		gold	1.00					
Lion Bookmark **		maroon	1.25					
License Plate Holder (not shippable	N	in color	2.00					
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