

J.H.S. ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Michigan's Oldest Continuing Alumni Association

JONESVILLE, MICHIGAN

APRIL 2017

Jonesville Alumni Annual Meeting Minutes

The annual meeting of the Jonesville High School Alumni Association was held on Saturday, June 11, 2016, at the Jonesville High School gymnasium. The evening began with social hour and dinner enjoyed by over 250 attendees.

President Engle, as Master of Ceremonies,

- Led us in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Introduced Kathi Mick Boyle ('66), who offered the invocation.
- Introduced Robert Thompson ('50) and his wife, Ellen, our honored guests for the evening.
- Asked for a moment of silence to honor our members who have died in the last year.
- Announced the use of baskets for those who desire to make a donation to help defray the costs of the Annual Banquet.
- Acknowledged the North Adams Coffee Shop for catering the meal and offered instructions for accessing the buffet.

- At the conclusion of the meal, she introduced Bob Drake, who recognized the members of the Class of 2016 in attendance. This class has been awarded over \$750,000 in grants and scholarships to further their education. Of that total, the Alumni Association has provided \$24,000. He introduced those present who are receiving scholarships:

Percy Stough Scholarship: Carter Ballinger, Nicholas Ballinger and Taylor Colotti are renewing their existing scholarships, and Jordan Johnston and Ashley Varney are receiving new scholarships.

D. E. Spotts Scholarship: Haley Lemle.

Emily B Williams Scholarship: Jonah Boot, Brittany Marshall, Kaitlyn Mann, Morgan Tesch, Kalie Spencer and Brianna Tesch.

- Introduced Jonesville High School Superintendent, Chellie Broesamle ('86), who reported on the activities/honors of the high school:
 - Great Start and STEM programs
 - Marching and concert bands with an invitation to Disney World and winning straight #1 rankings in regional competitions
 - A very active FFA has built a barn on the premises.
 - Pre-Kindergarten through 5th Grade were given their own personal Ipad. 6th through 12th grade students were given Chrome books. Teachers were trained to provide instruction in the use of these wonderful educational tools.
 - Thanked our very generous alumni, including the Alumni Association, for supporting the school by funding scholarships.

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THE JONESVILLE HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

desires your presence at the 123rd Banquet
on Saturday, the tenth of June
two thousand seventeen
at 7:00 in the evening
at the Jonesville High School Gym

Social Hour: 6:00 - 7:00

\$15.00 per person with reservation
\$20.00 per person at the door

Reservation with remittance
required by May 21st.

Remember, dues are \$5.00 per year,
and \$10.00 will bring you up to date on dues
regardless of the number of years.

ATTENTION: **DEADLINE FOR ARTICLES**

FOR THE 2018 ALUMNI NEWSLETTER
WILL BE MARCH 2, 2018

*If your article arrives later than that,
it may not get in for printing*

- Foundation started by Bob Thompson ('50) has awarded to all students receiving scholarships additional funding to cover the "gap" between the actual costs of attending a state-supported college and their financial aid; \$2.1 million to provide laptops plus robotic equipment to initiate an industrial arts program here. We've found a teacher for the Industrial Arts. (It's very difficult to locate people with these abilities.)
- Purchased the Manor Foundation property for \$1! It will supplement our existing facilities greatly with new areas for administration, garage, gymnasium and more.
- With 1485 students, we have become a much larger school than most of us alumni remember, and we are now the school of choice in the county.

President Engle

- Recognized Bill Langs, who spoke on behalf of the 50 year class, the Class of '66. They started with 26 girls and 19 boys way back in 1953, had a fairly routine educational experience, but had a couple of embarrassing situations during their senior year.
- Recognized the oldest alumnus present: Doris Pfau ('39)
- Recognized the alumnus who traveled the greatest distance to attend the banquet, Bill Langs ('66), who traveled from Reno, Nevada.
- Recognized the family with most generations present: Pfau's/ Godfreys/ Briners, with four represented by Doris Pfau ('39), Martha Pfau Godfrey ('60), Carol Godfrey Briner and Charles Briner.
- Thanked the Class of 1960 for preparing the social hour refreshments.
- Thanked the FFA for providing the table center pieces and the North Adams Coffee Shop for catering the meal, and the Class of '60 for hosting the Social Hour.
- Announced that the Secretary's and Treasurer's reports appeared in the Annual Newsletter.
- Asked for nominations for the officers of the Association. Since there were none, it was moved and seconded that the current holders be elected by acclimation. Motion carried.
- Asked for new business: There was none.
- Noted that in this year's newsletter, Doris Pfau was incorrectly identified as Doris Fowle and that corrections will be made.
- Kathi Mick Boyle offered the Benediction.
- Annual Meeting was adjourned.

MARRIAGES

Rob Moore (2011) and Tiffany (Powers) Moore (2012)
 Roger Lewis (1954) and Marcia (Reed-Muma) Lewis (1954)
 Matthew Acker (2007) and Jessica Caldwell

DEATHS

Charles H Packer ('37)
 Garry Maxwell Sarles ('39)
 William Godfrey ('41)
 Donna (Bliss) Wellein ('42)
 Barbara (Gochanour) Crandall ('43)
 Raymond Denning ('43)
 Antoinette "Toni" (Merchant) Caldwell ('45)
 Phyllis (Gillespie) Dryer ('45)
 Mary Jo (Kennedy) Walworth ('45)
 John B Fish ('47)
 Phyllis (Moultrop) Lewis ('48)
 Florence (Crotty) Douglas ('49)
 Donna (Miller) Moore ('49)
 Elaine "Skip" (England) Walker ('49)
 June (May) Davis ('50)
 Owen Roberts ('50)
 Florence (Boiler) Wood ('51)
 William Gary Kellam ('54)
 David Cole ('55)
 Emma Lee (May) Holtsberry ('55)
 Kenneth Drayton ('56)
 Arnold Porter ('56)
 Linda Clapp ('57)
 Laurine (Bechler) Kies ('57)
 Roger Steward ('59)
 Lester Carmen Champion ('59)
 Janet (Rossman) Simkins ('60)
 Terry Devlin ('61)
 John Sterling ('62)
 Janice (Strohaver) Baker ('66)
 Marian (Rock) Hofmann ('66)
 Mark F Baker ('67)
 Marilyn Benson ('67)
 Mary (Vaughn) Morris ('67)
 Linda (Warren) Ellison ('69)
 Rita (Thompson) Reeves ('69)
 Barbara (Morris) Bigelow ('70)
 Duane M Tesch ('70)
 James A Fiebig ('74)
 Carla Sue Longman ('75)
 Michael Bailey ('87)
 Daniel Lou "Boone" Page ('89)
 Roy Signor (?)
 Cathleen (Smith) Signor ('90)
 Jessica Blaker ('92)
 Jessica Newton (2003)
 Tyler Craig Herenden (2005)
 Paige Holland Graves (2012)

Please Note: If an alumnus wishes to have the above information published in our newsletter, please send notification to one of the following:

Nila Newcomb 517-849-9531
 409 Wright St., Jonesville, MI 49250

Vada Mercer 269-962-8279
 401 Gething Circle, Battle Creek, MI 49015

For the information to be published, we must receive it by March 1st each year.



City of Jonesville

Greetings Jonesville Alumni!

This past year has been an exciting one in Jonesville. We saw two major projects come to a conclusion along with celebrating our second anniversary as a city. We held three elections this year which went very well; practice makes perfect. The Cemetery Committee is still working diligently on the care and maintenance of the Sunset View Cemetery. The city crew and the sexton have truly enhanced the look of the cemetery this year. Rules have been posted at the entrances to the cemetery and on the city's website, www.jonesville.org.

The completion of the Heritage Lane apartments, in the former J.J. Deal Buggy and Car Company and later the Kiddie Brush and Toy Company building, was celebrated with the grand opening held on August 11, 2016. People from the community were allowed to walk through the building and view apartments that were not already occupied. By the end of November 2016, all 44 one- and two-bedroom apartments were rented and there is a waiting list. The Excel Realty Company was very pleased with these results.

We also completed construction of the 1.4 mile walking and biking path. The "Rail Trail," which utilize, a portion of abandoned railroad right-of-way, is a 10-foot wide paved path with a trailhead at US-12/Chicago Street behind the Jonesville Police Department and across from the Udder Side. The path is providing public access to the St. Joseph River and a scenic recreation opportunity. We held a ribbon cutting ceremony on October 27th with Donald and Donna Playford helping with the ribbon cutting. This is another project that would not be completed without the help of community organizations and community members. Jonesville, you should be proud!

One of the great programs we offer here each summer is the youth baseball and softball program. The Wright Street Park is filled with activity at least six days a week for the month of June. The Jonesville Community Schools are a great partner in this program, helping us to get registration forms to the kids and making fields available. Some interesting statistics from this program include the following: In 2016 we had 485 participants (an increase of 76 from 2010), 265 boys, 218 girls, 144 from

the city of Jonesville and 341 non-city residents. There were 40 teams with kids from 20 communities (Addison, Allen, Camden, Cement City, Hanover, Hillsdale, Horton, Hudson, Jackson, Jerome, Jonesville, Litchfield, Michigan Center, Morenci, Mosherville, North Adams, Osseo, Pittsford, Quincy and Reading). It is wonderful to see all the activity at the park, which includes the kids and their families. Cindy Means, our dedicated recreation director, does a great job with this program every year.

Just before ball season, we will catch up with you downtown for the 43rd annual Riverfest. Riverfest 2017 will be May 19th through the 21st and will be a great weekend filled with food, crafts, events, and (of course) river races. Visit www.jonesvilleriverfest.org for more information.

You can keep up on all the happening in your hometown through our Facebook page. Follow us at www.facebook.com/jonesville.michigan. I welcome you to check in on our photo albums, latest activities, and to post your questions and comments.

Sincerely,

Gerald E. Arno, Mayor
City of Jonesville



GUY SCHOOL



Guy school, also known as Fayette #6, was located on the south side of US 12 just east of Bunn Road. It is now at the Preston's Antique Gaslight Village, Allen MI. and it has not been restored as of this date. William N. Guy purchased the land from John Howard, April 4, 1842, with a lease granted for a school house site. Some of the family names attending the school

from 1925 to 1935 are Baker, Salway, Miller, Sarles, Brown, Shearman, McLaughlin, Kyser, Dryer, Pulver, Greene, Bland, Randolph, Dillie, Merchant, Van Allen, Tasker, Polsdorfer, Alexander, Kelligan, Elliot, Moulton, and Petrie.

Names of a few of the teacher who taught at Guy School are Frances S. Sears (1926), Claire H. Hoadley (1930), Isabel Sarles (1932), and Kathryn Wilkinson (1935).

The Alumni Association is looking for information about the country schools that consolidated into Jonesville. If you have photos, names of students and teachers, the present condition of the building, or memorabilia, please consider contacting a board member for adding to the Jonesville Community Schools archives.



Guy School - July 15, 2011 | Photo taken by Beverly Baker Keicher
School now located in Allen, MI.



Bottom Row: Benjamin Merchant, Antionette Merchant (Caldwell), Janice Van Allen (Deka), Ruth Randolph (Engle), Norma Dillie (Gloar), Floyd Tasker Jr.
Middle Row: Ronald Dillie, Evelyn Kyser (Sinclair), Gwendolyn Dryer (Lane), Doris Baker (Pfau), Martha Randolph (Porter), Lawrence Henry, Ralph Baker
Top Row: L.Z. Kyser, Douglas Randolph, Robert Othal Greene, Garry Sarles, Kathryn Wilkinson (Kelso) (the teacher), Irene Miller (Wollam), Phyllis Polsdorfer (Holloman), Phyllis Dryer (Hale), Elizabeth Salway, Walter Alexander.

Absent: Joseph Randolph, Daniel Van Allen

Kathryn Wilkinson was single when teaching in 1935.

Photo and information supplied by Doris Baker Pfau (January 2017).

JHS Class of 1963

(from their 50th Class Reunion)

Five members of the Class of 1963 are pictured on the right at their 50th Class Reunion.

Any Alumni member interested in helping restore the 1950's J.H.S. BASS DRUM via labor and/or monetary contribution, please contact Dick Morgan ('62) at 517-745-8566. A new drum head (pictured) has already been completed thanks to the efforts of Mike Clerici ('64), Jim Benedict ('64), and Judi KLOKO's Class of '63. KLOKO Family Memorabilia will, hopefully, be on display at The GROSVENOR HOUSE MUSEUM by Alumni Weekend 2017. Please direct checks toward the above to GROSVENOR HOUSE MUSEUM, P.O. BOX 63, JONESTVILLE, MI 49250 /att: KLOKO DISPLAY. If you attended Jonesville Schools during the years that Judi Kloko was there, you may find yourself in some of the photo albums. HAPPY HUNTING!



Left to Right: Dick Cramer, Audrey Baker, Ann Packer, Gena Frey and Sharon Persons

JHS 1943-1944



Do you recognize these teachers?

Class of 1956 (61st Reunion)

Jun 10, 2017

Catered luncheon at 3471 Mechanic Rd., Hillsdale, MI 49242
12:00 P.M. - Eat at 1:00 P.M. \$10.00 ea.

Memories & fellowship. No card reminders sent this year
RSVP Nancy King 517-437-1059 or Carol Burton 517-849-9233

Class of 1957

Saturday, June 10, 2017

12 NOON at Olivia's Chop House

Invitations have been sent out!

Contact: Mary Anne Hayes mh1023@juno.com or
Joyce Roberts 517-849-8578 If you did not receive an invitation.

The JHS Class of 1962 (55th Class Reunion)

Friday, June 9, 2017

Meeting at the "Hot Spot," also known as the Market House in Hillsdale. There is a lounge within the Biggby Coffee Shop that has been reserved from 5:00p.m. to 7:00p.m. Please RSVP to Pam Martin Schultz no later than May 1st, 2017. It is necessary to let us know if you are attending, so that the right amount of food will be available. You may RSVP Pam at 3cposchultz@sbcglobal.net or by phone at 517-849-9465. We look forward to seeing you there!

The JHS Class of '67 (50th Class Reunion)

June 9th & 10th, 2017

We will start with a Friday night gathering at 6 p.m. at Olivia's for supper and then move west to the Fire Barn for more time to visit and enjoy music from our high school years, provided by Fraz Benedict. On Saturday, a tour of the Jonesville Middle School (our old high school) will begin at 4 p.m. and end with a class picture on the front steps before we head to the new high school to participate in the Jonesville High School Alumni Banquet at 6 p.m. (Please remember to make your Saturday dinner reservations for the Alumni Banquet on the form in this newsletter.) If you have any questions, contact Suzi Fowler Matthews at suzi309@comcast.net. We look forward to seeing as many classmates as possible and for making lots of new memories and celebrating the old memories!

Attention JHS Class of 1972!!

Saturday, June 10, 2017

Hoping many of you can put this date on your calendar! We'll be celebrating our 45th class reunion with a brunch at Olivia's Chop House in Jonesville from 11 am - 1 pm in their banquet room. Price per person will be whatever you can contribute/donate. Bring your old yearbooks & photo albums. Harold and Connie Caldwell have graciously offered their home for us all to hang out/relax in between our brunch at Olivia's Chop House and the Alumni Banquet at 6 pm on Saturday June 10th.

Please RSVP to me, Alicia Jones Lessard,
517-525-1015 for the brunch. Hope to see you there :)
Go Orange! Go Black!

The Class of 1987 (30th Class Reunion)

June 10, 2017 - 2pm - ?

Will be held at Marcy (Pope) Boone's house. Bring a passing dish and your own drinks. Another option is to attend Alumni Banquet for dinner and then back to Boone's. Dannie Larder is providing music. Any questions call Marcy 517-287-4720

The Class of 1992

Saturday, June 10, 2017

Greetings Class of 1992! We blinked and 25 years have passed us by. Please join the Class of 1992 and Friends of the Class of 1992 for our reunion event. This will be held on Saturday, June 10, 2017, to coincide with the JHS Alumni Banquet. We'll begin with attendance at the banquet Social Hour (6 pm) and continue the festivities at Saucy Dogs in Jonesville when the banquet concludes (around 8:30-9 pm). Our PR department has been in contact with the J. Cook Band to reprise their concert performance featuring cover songs of Def Leppard. Please stay tuned as we continue to negotiate this contract. Also, there are many friends out there who may have attended our class at some point but lack the technicality of a 1992 diploma.

Please know you're more than welcome to join us.

Please RSVP to any of the following:

Alyssa Null Prazeau (aprazeau@context-design.com)

Terra Helmick Wiseley

Becky Fowler McGuire (bm McGuire2@gmail.com)

Missy Wells Gutowski (missguts@comcast.net)

'92 RULES!

The Class of 1997 (20th Class Reunion)

Saturday, August 19, 2017 | 2-6 PM

It is time for a reunion! We hope you will join us at Ben and Katherine Graves' house, 3780 Addison Rd., Jonesville, MI, Saturday, August 19th from 2 - 6 PM. Please bring a passing dish, family and lots of memories to share. We are hoping for a great turn out and would like to discuss plans for a formal dinner to celebrate our 25th reunion and some memorial suggestions for those classmates we have lost.

JHS '97!



**JHS Alumni
Association
is on Facebook!
Please Join Us!**

Jonesville Alumni Association Treasurer's Report

Balance on Hand March 2017	\$10,185.00
Receipts	
Dues	\$1,200.00
Alumni Donations	\$1,425.00
Prepaid Dinners & Door	\$3,715.00
Transfer Edward Jones Acc's	\$22,000.00
Return One Scholarship	\$1,000.00
Sub Total	\$29,340.00
Total	\$39,525.00

Disbursements	
Scholarships	\$22,000.00
Postage	\$1,450.00
Alumni News Letter	\$1,370.00
Programs	\$76.00
Social Hour	\$78.00
N.A. Coffee Shop (Dinners & Tip)	\$2,600.00
Misc. Names Tags, Bildner PC & Office Supplies	\$364.00
Total	\$27,938.00
Balance on Hand, March 2017	\$11,587.00

Jonesville Alumni Association Scholarship & Edward Jones Investments

D.E. Spotts Scholarship

Balance on Hand, March 2016	\$14,381.68
Donations & Interest	\$815.19
Edward Jones Acc. Value	\$13,663.50
Scholarships	(\$2,000.00)
Balance on Hand, March 2017	\$12,478.69

Percy Stough Scholarship

Balance on Hand, March 2016	\$160,009.11
Donations & Interest	\$250.13
Edward Jones Acc. Value	\$123,595.82
Scholarships	(\$8,000.00)
Balance on Hand, March 2017	\$165,845.95

Emily B. Williams Scholarship

Balance on Hand, March 2016	\$137,800.28
Donations & Interest	\$285.27
Edward Jones Acc. Value	\$144,742.53
Scholarships	(\$12,000.00)
Return One Scholarship	\$1,000.00
Balance on Hand, March 2017	\$134,027.80

Submitted by Cinda Piper, Treasurer

Donations to the Jonesville Alumni Association
are potentially tax-deductible!

RESERVATIONS/DONATIONS

Name _____ Class _____

Maiden Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____

I AM ENCLOSING \$ FOR THE FOLLOWING:

\$ _____ for dues - \$5/yr. or \$10 to bring dues
up to date

\$ _____ for _____ banquet reservations
(\$15/person advance or \$20 at door)

\$ _____ for JHS Alumni
Emily B. Williams Scholarship Fund

\$ _____ for JHS Alumni
D.E. Spotts Scholarship Fund

\$ _____ for JHS Alumni
Percy Stough Scholarship Fund

\$ _____ for Alumni Association

\$ _____ TOTAL

RESERVATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY MAY 22, 2017

Make checks payable to Jonesville Alumni
Association Return to: Cinda Hinkle Piper

7311 Concord Rd.

Jonesville, MI 49250

Phone: 517-849-9362

Your reserved tickets will be available at the door.

Note: Remember that next year's Alumni Banquet will
be held on Saturday, June 9, 2018.

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THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP!

Support Jonesville Community Schools - GO COMETS!