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## 2006 Beachwood High School Gallery of Success

### DATES TO REMEMBER

Mark your calendars for these Alumni Association meetings:

**Thurs., Feb. 1, 2007**  
**Thurs., May 3, 2007**

Meetings are held at 7 p.m. in the Beachwood High School library. We look forward to seeing you there!



BEACHWOOD SCHOOLS  
LEARNING FOR LIFE

• **Jennifer L. Eberhardt, Ph.D. '83**

*In recognition of her groundbreaking research and investigation into racial stereotyping and how the underlying beliefs of society may guide our perceptions and behaviors.*

• **Eric G. Mart, Ph.D., ABPP '73**

*In recognition of his international expertise on the disorder Munchausen's syndrome by proxy and the costs of false accusations to a child and family.*

• **Robin Edelman Roffer '80**

*In recognition of her innovative and creative talents as a brand strategist for some of the best known names in the world and for serving as an inspiration for women who are seeking self-discovery and expression.*

• **Daniel Ruben '74**

*In recognition of his determination and devotion to making the world a healthier and more sustainable place for its citizens of today and tomorrow.*

• **Scott E. Singer, M.D., M.P.H. '80**

*In recognition of his compassion and humanitarian efforts to provide medical care to the people of New Orleans in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina.*

• **Sharon Solwitz, Ph.D. '64**

*In recognition of her extraordinary, award-winning creativity and talent as a distinguished and gifted writer, storyteller and teacher.*

• **Rochelle D. Weitzner '86**

*In recognition of her innovation, leadership and outstanding achievements as a corporate executive, leader and mentor.*

• **Nicole Yvonne Williams '96**

*In recognition of her rapid rise to success in the political arena as spokesperson for Rep. Stephanie Tubbs Jones and her active and energetic commitment to community service.*

• **Daniel (Danno) A. Wolkoff '82**

*In recognition of his talent, enthusiasm, vision and entrepreneurial spirit in developing the largest independently owned radio syndicator in the United States.*

Many thanks to **Paula Zavell Rollins '71** for organizing the wonderful Oct. 27-28 Gallery of Success weekend.

## Reunion News

### CLASS OF '66

Late October is not an ideal time for a high school reunion in Cleveland. It's true that people tend to be available and no one has to worry about donning a bathing suit, but the weather is a problem. This Oct. 28, it rained and hailed with a vengeance, but someone was watching out for the Class of '66, because the storm ended on cue, making way for a magical evening.

The venue was **Barry Minoff's** mansion—spacious, yet warm and homey. The food was plentiful, delicious and exotic. The event was catered by Sergio and **Susan**

**Greenberg Abramof.** Lest money be an obstacle to attending, a classmate who wishes to remain anonymous footed the bill for the evening.

As wonderful as the food and setting were, they were just the backdrop. The real treasures were the people. After 40 years, the distinctions between jocks and intellectuals, artists and cheerleaders dissolved as everyone shared memories, good and bad. There was a closeness, a bond that was rekindled that night. Everyone left with the gifts of past friendship that will be carried into the future

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# Reunion News

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through email, phone calls and visits.

The force behind it all was **Donna Bickoff Cohen**. Not only did she plan the party, but she also tracked down classmates and encouraged them to come. As the list of attendees grew, so did the excitement. Eventually everyone got into the act, sending messages back and forth.

All of Donna's work paid off. Two thirds of the class found its way to Cleveland for what turned out to be an amazing weekend. Although the main event was Saturday night, it wasn't the only party. On Friday, there were separate "boys" and "girls" get-togethers complete with Geraci's pizza and other wonderful foods that got us through high school. On Sunday, there was a brunch to give everyone one more chance to say goodbye, exchange contact information and start planning for the next reunion.

*by Ronnie Caplane*

**CLASS OF '67**

The Class of '67 will be holding its 40-year class reunion during the weekend of July 27 and 28, 2007. Please save the dates and help us find the following "missing classmates":

**Susan Eisenberg Meinhard**  
**Robert Feldman**  
**Stephen Hart**  
**Idyan Stein Lambert**  
**Mike Manocchio**  
**Lorene Rosen McCreight**  
**Charles Restivo**  
**Jean Stern**  
**Jerry Stoklas**  
**Michael Sullivan**

**Barbara Weisman**

**Karen Yesikoff**

Please forward any information or questions to **Arlene Pesselman** at [apesselman@adelphia.net](mailto:apesselman@adelphia.net).

**CLASS OF '77**

The Class of '77 will be holding its 30-year class reunion Saturday, May 26, 2007. The reunion committee needs your help in finding:

**Anthony Battiato**  
**Richard Brown**  
**Anglaia Caro**  
**Mark Chandler**  
**James Farley**  
**Amy Friedman**  
**Kevin Gannis**  
**Debbie Bell Garber**  
**Lou Heigaard**  
**Lenny Hoffman**  
**Sheila Horn**  
**Janet Kavin**  
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**David Kraus**  
**Ivan Lapsley**  
**Farah Lashgari**  
**Sherri Lubin**  
**Adrienne Lyons**  
**Giovanny Quiroz**  
**Adrienne Russo**  
**Vicki Schoen**  
**Howard Singer**  
**Darrell Tate**  
**Gary Terkel**  
**Bart Thurber Jr.**  
**Judy Wolfe**

If you have any information on the whereabouts of these classmates, please email **Sara Schrode** at [adcom101@aol.com](mailto:adcom101@aol.com).

## Class of '98

The Class of '98 is getting ready to begin working on its 10-year reunion. If you have an update such as a new name or address or know someone who does, please email Barb Taich at [bet@bw.beachwood.k12.oh.us](mailto:bet@bw.beachwood.k12.oh.us).

If you are interested in helping to plan the reunion, please contact **Gayle Horwitz** and/or **Jay Lurie** at [gayle.horwitz@gmail.com](mailto:gayle.horwitz@gmail.com).

# OverHerd

Photographer **Sharon Dennis '61** was featured in *The Fountain Hills* (Arizona) *Times*.

**Dan Buchler '69** recently retired from the Wisconsin Department of Corrections after a 32-year career. He and his wife, Fern, moved to Sarasota, Florida, finally escaping the cold weather!

**Jo-Ellen Samuels Balogh '72** and husband Gary shared a milestone with son Elijah when he celebrated his Bar Mitzvah in November.

**Martin Goodman '81** is the author of *Earning High Yields in a Low Yield World*, available on amazon.com. He lives in San Diego.

**Stacy Miller Halpern '85** spent seven years working on Preston's H.O.P.E., a \$3 million 60,000-square-foot accessible playground at the Beachwood Jewish Community Center.

**Tracy Bloom Goldman '92** is a second-year resident in Family Medicine at Akron Summa Hospital. She lives in Akron with her husband, William.

Update on the Klempner girls: **Jessica Klempner Gutter '92** is mom to 3-year-old Ethan and a nurse clinician at the University of Wisconsin Reproductive Clinic.

**Stephanie Klempner '94** is vice president of Teacherwide in Bohemia, N.Y. She was recently seen on ESPN on the World Series of Poker 2006. Her entire family and friend **Julie**

**Markowitz '94** were in Las Vegas to see her play.

**Rebecca Klempner Nessel '95** finished the internal medicine residency program at the University of California, San Francisco, and is currently an attending physician at the UCSF Hospitalist Group.

**Brea Berman Weisman '92**, a stay-at-home mom, publishes books for newborns called "A Story of Me." info@myperfectmemories.com

**Joanne Davis '93** earned her master's degree in education and human development from The George Washington University.

**Amy Chanlongbutra '95** was an author of *Salmonella Enteritidis in Broiler Chickens, United States, 2000-2005* in the monthly journal *Emerging Infectious Diseases*, published by the National Center for Infectious Diseases, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

**Josh Mandel '96** was elected State Representative of Ohio District 17.

After serving tours in Japan and as navigator on the U.S.S. Enterprise, U.S. Navy Lt. **Robin Marling '97** will teach amphibious warfare to the U.S. Marines at Quantico.

**Kara Eisen '98** earned her law degree at DePaul University College of Law.

**Abby Kraus '98** is doing her residency in pediatrics at St. Louis Children's Hospital.

**Benjamin Weiner '98** graduated from The Ohio State University with a master's degree in city and regional planning and public administration.

**Meghann Snow '01** earned her bachelor's degree in liberal and fine arts, painting and drawing, from the University of Akron, Myers School of Art. She commuted from Akron to New York to dance with the Jennifer Muller/The Works Dance Company. She earned a scholarship to study for her master's degree in painting and drawing at the Parsons School of Design in New York, and will continue to dance there with the MidGet Dance Company. Her art has been shown in New York and Cleveland galleries.

## ENGAGED

**Brian Feinsilber '87** and Sarah Walsh

**Shawn Fink '89** and Elizabeth Leeson

**Ari Siegel-Seaman '89** and Liza Mandel

**Jodi Jacobson '95** and Ethan Balis

**Elise Kleinman '95** (daughter of Lenore Kleinman and **Jan '68** and Terrie Kleinman)

**Abigail Glass '97** (daughter of Joel and **Deborah Stein Glass '65**) and Matt Silverman (son of Ron and **Marci Koenig Kulberg '70**)

**Abby Gottesman '98** (daughter of Michael and **Susan Axelband Gottesman '70**) and Jeffrey Heuerman

**Melissa Meckler '98** and Jeffrey Rosen (son of Marilyn and **Richard Rosen '63**)

**Sara Greenberg '05** (daughter of **Susan Greenberg '67**) and Danny Wolfe

## WEDDING BELLS

**Steven Ulmer '73** and Ellen Beth Wice

**Sheryl Markowitz '82** and Robert Labes

**Derrick Britton '91** and Stephanie Pickens

**Stephen Kramer '93** and Lindsay Davis

**Amy Polster '93** and Richard David Blum

**Angela West '93** and Tracey Malone

**Shannon Diamond '94** and Dave Deitsch

**Becca Boroff '95** and Michael Suhy

**Rich Markowitz '95** and Karen Weiner

**Jackie Reimer '95** and Dan Yeazell

**Lisa Freedman '96** and Brian Wagner

**Robin Marling '97** and Aron Hantman

**Brett Cohen '98** and **Sheryl Jacobs '97** (daughter of **Melvin '64** and Stephanie)

**Niki Evans '98** (daughter of Joel and **Linda Vinocur Evans '68**) and Todd Resnick

**Abby Kraus '98** and Vladimir Kushnir

**Nikki Taich '98** and John Herbert

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**Scott Heller '99** and **Jaclyn Levinstein '00** (daughter of Carol Levinstein and **Rick Levinstein '74**)

**Debra Powers '99** and Adam Cutler

**Jay Robbins '00** and Sandra Fowler

## NEXT GENERATION BISON

**Kelli Newman Hoffman '88** and husband John welcome Hannah Rachael, who joins big sister Samantha Lindsay.

**Joshua '89** and **Carly Israel Borstein '97** welcome son Graham Franklin. **Beverly Gips Israel '72** is a proud grandmother.

**Allison Cramer Harris '89** and husband Jon welcome daughter Sloane Julia. Proud grandparents are Alan and **Reggie Gilbert Harris '65**.

**Brad Zucker '91** and wife Lisa welcome daughter Camryn Ally.

**Jessica Jelfo Mugrage '92** and husband Mike welcome son Matthew Ryan.

**Joshua Mintz '93** and wife Elana welcome daughter Isabel Dahlia. Proud grandparents are **Mark '68** and **Nancy Gilbert Mintz '69**.

**Scott Kulberg '94** and wife Stefanie welcome daughter Eliana Grace (Elli).

**Alison Bloom Rossen '94** and husband Marc welcome son Joshua Howard. Proud grandparents are **Stephen '68** and **Sharyl Cowan Bloom '68**.

**Andy Rafal '95** and wife Jules welcome daughter Winter Harlow. Proud grandparents are Nancy and **Ron Rafal '65** and Debbie and Alan Malkin.

**Revital Gorodeski Baskin '96** and husband Joseph welcome daughter Yonat.

**Michelle Davis Golan '96** and husband Efi welcome daughter Shai Lea.

## IN MEMORIAM

**Bob Stechler '74**

# Alumni Gifts

Unless otherwise noted, donations apply to scholarships and operating expenses.

**Michael Zabell '63** and family in memory of Fran Gilbert, mother of **Reggie '65**, **Nancy '69**, **Laura '72** and **Richard '74**

**Merle '64** and **Harriet Weingart Gorden '64** in memory of Howard Maniker, father of **Michael '90**, **Susan '93** and **Robert '97**

**Burt '64** and **Marcia Solwitz Katz '66** in memory of Ruth Ozan, mother of **Felice Petti '66**

**Burt '64** and **Marcia Solwitz Katz '66** in memory of Mark Zatz, husband of **Susan Leiptz Zatz '66**

Jerry and **Donna Bickoff Cohen '66** in memory of Mark Zatz, husband of **Susan Leiptz Zatz '66**

**Gary Hart '66** in memory of Mark Zatz, husband of **Susan Leiptz Zatz '66**

The **Class of '66** in honor of **Barry Minoff '66** – “a '66 Class Act”

The **Class of '66** in honor of '66 anonymous donor

Ellen and **David Spero '69** in honor of the marriage of their son, Adam, to Linda Gongwer

**Jed Davis '70**

**Scott '72** and **Ricki Bernstein Miller '73** in memory of **Ron Madow '71**

**Scott '72** and **Ricki Bernstein Miller '73** in honor of the 32nd wedding anniversary of Sue and **Rodger Cahn '69**

**Bob '78** and **Lauri Jacobson Ross '86** in honor of their son, **Ben '06**, for his 2006 baseball season achievements

New address? New baby? News to share?  
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