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From Your President

Dear Fellow Bison:

Hello and happy warm weather! Finally, the sun is shining and the flowers are growing. I'm very excited.

I'm also excited about the future of the Alumni Association. We've been brainstorming so that we can better focus our attention

and efforts. Stay tuned for the new and improved Alumni Association coming soon to the Beachwood High School campus.

Have a great summer and I'll talk to you in the fall.

Stacy Gerdy Edelstein '85

President, Beachwood High School Alumni Association

DATES TO REMEMBER

Mark Your Calendars
for 2007 Homecoming!

Friday, Oct. 5:
Homecoming Parade
and Bonfire

Saturday, Oct. 6:
Bison vs. Orange

Join in the celebration!
For more information,
email:

feedback@bw.beachwood.k12.oh.us

Reunion News

CLASS OF '67

Just a reminder—we have our 40th class reunion coming up during the weekend of July 27-28. Clear your calendars and make your travel plans. We want to see everyone there! We are still missing the following classmates:

Fred Adelman
Susan Eisenberg Meinhard
Robert Feldman
Stephen Hart
Lorene Rosen Mcreight
Idyan Stein Lambert
Jean Stern
Jerry Stoklas
Michael Sullivan
Barbara Weisman
Karen Yesikoff

If you have any information on these people or if you just need an update on the reunion, email **Arlene Pesselman** at apesselman@adelphia.net

CLASS OF '87

The Class of 1987 will hold its 20th reunion over the weekend of July 20-22. Tickets are \$75 per person and can be purchased by visiting our Web site at www.selectmoments.com/ab/bhs or by sending a check to: **Michelle Seder Dooner**, 1401 S. Fletcher Ave., Ferdinandina Beach, FL 32034.

CLASS OF '87 ACTIVITY SCHEDULE:

CLASSMATES ONLY: Friday, July 20, at 8:30 p.m.—Totally fun and casual get-together at one of our classmate's homes

CLASSMATES, FRIENDS, THE MORE THE MERRIER!—Saturday, July 21:

Morning/Afternoon—Golf Coordinated by Danny Levitt

CLASSMATES AND GUESTS - ADULTS ONLY: 6:30 p.m.-Midnight—MAIN EVENT!! At Maggiano's at Beachwood Place: dinner, casino tables, and special surprises planned

ENTIRE FAMILY, ESPECIALLY THE KIDS - Sunday, July 22, from 10 a.m.-2 p.m.—Picnic, playground and swimming at the Family Aquatic Center (a.k.a. the Beachwood Pool)

CLASS OF '88

Our 20-year reunion is quickly approaching. If you are interested in helping with planning to help make this a great event, contact **Melanie Rosenberg Luria** at 216/593-0280 or email: samluria@sbcglobal.net

CLASS OF '97

Save the date of Saturday, Nov. 24, for our 10-year reunion! It will take place at 7 p.m. at Maggiano's at Beachwood Place. E-mail Darcy Heller Hershey with any questions or interest to help out at dchika18@aol.com.



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From the Halls of Your Alma Mater

The Beachwood School District will reconfigure its buildings for the 2007-08 school year, moving kindergarten classes from Fairmount Early Childhood Center to Bryden Elementary, third grade classes from Bryden to Hilltop Elementary, and sixth grade classes from Hilltop to Beachwood Middle School. The reconfiguration will not impact Beachwood High School. This realignment will improve transitioning and allow the District to expand learning opportunities for students.

Five Beachwood High School seniors were honored by the National Merit Scholarship Program: one National Achievement Scholar, two National Merit Scholarship Finalists (including Laura Robertson, daughter of **Sharon Elinsky Robertson '74**) and two National Merit Commended Scholars. Eight students in the Class of 2008 have met the requirements to enter next year's competition as high scorers on the PSAT.

Beachwood High School students in the Junior Council on World Affairs (JCWA) program won the highest group honors at two national Model United Nations conferences this school year, and the students also received 33 awards for individual performance, under the direction of advisor Evan Luzar.

The Lady Bison track team won the second place team award at the 2007 Ohio Indoor Track and Field Championships, with senior Ava Haynes, daughter of Pam and Huey

Haynes '77, taking home the state champion title in the 60m hurdles and third place in the 100m hurdles at the outdoor State competition. Ava served as anchor on the second place 4x400m relay team, which also included junior Alana Oif, daughter of Marilyn and **Ken Oif '76**, and Samantha Friedman, daughter of Amy Friedman and **Mitchell Friedman '75**. Alana, Talya Sterling, daughter of David and **Debbie Rubin Sterling '73**, and Rebecca Wolkoff, daughter of **Laura Orkin Wolkoff '82** and **Daniel "Danno" Wolkoff '82**, were members of the 4x800 relay team, which won third place in the state. The distance girls are coached by **Jamie Lader '92**, who teaches science at BHS.

Congratulations are in order once again for the Bison wrestling team, which won the 2007 Chagrin Valley Conference (CVC) Metro Division championship. Four Bison wrestlers qualified for State competition, earning, sixth, seventh and eighth place in their respective weight classes. Spring sports teams earned three conference championships—baseball, girls' track and tennis.

Staff News: BHS math teacher Carole Katz received the 2007 Greater Cleveland Council of Teachers of Mathematics Outstanding Mathematics Teacher Award. Social studies teacher Greg Deegan was named a Wal-Mart/Sam's Club 2007 Teacher of the Year (he was nominated by BHS senior Juanita Padilla). Best wishes to long-time BHS teachers Loraine Hammack and Debi Hanzl on their retirement.

Many thanks to Laura Robertson for her contributions to this issue of BisoNews during her Senior Search project.

OverHerd

David Gandal '75 sends his regards and hopes you'll come hear his jazz trio Ryan Jackson Gandal playing in Colorado resorts all summer.

Celebration time for **Gayle Curtis Heiser '75** – a big birthday and 25th wedding anniversary.

Visit the Web site of **Shelley Roth '74**, Pierre's Ice Cream — www.holafruta.com.

Dr. Scott Peters '83 is currently serving as president of the Beachwood Board of Education.

Amy Kann '85 appeared during National Heart Month on PBS *The Hidden Epidemic Heart Disease in America*.

David A. Arnold '86 has a new hit television show "Black Men Revealed."

Mitch Luxenburg '89 is working on development of The Tricia Luxenburg Memorial Scholarship Fund to honor the memory of his late wife.

Jamie Feldman '95 currently works as an REIT equity research analyst at UBS in New York City.

Lt. **Jean Dietz '97**, USN, a Meteorology and Oceanography Officer in the U.S. Navy, serves as a

staff officer in the Office of Unified Operations. Her job is to facilitate collaboration, coordination and sharing of information across the National System of Geospatial Intelligence.

Jack Dietz '99 is a validation engineer in the Boston area. His responsibilities include ensuring that hardware and software utilized by pharmaceutical companies meet industry and government standards.

Brandon Joseph '99 is an IT Manager for Advanced Technology Services.

Jeremy Banchek '04 writes about his first experience running the Boston Marathon: "This was my first Boston Marathon and third marathon overall, and my time was 2:59:08. I placed 880 out of 20,000. My goal was to enjoy the race and break three hours, which I did... The race was incredible, with close to 500,000 spectators, who help keep you pushing through the pain — at times, their cheering is deafening. The last five to six miles were the hardest thing I have ever done both physically and mentally. Heartbreak Hill is given its name for a reason... My personal best in the marathon is 2:52:43 and I look forward to running Boston again next year."

ENGAGED

Vanessa Bloom (daughter of **Michael '67** and **Cuca de Combariza Bloom '73**) and Craig Smylie (son of Steven and **Shari Friedman Smylie '77**)

Jamie Daly '95 and **Rob Silver '91**

Elise Kleinman '95 and Gregg Jaffe

Brian Kreinberg '96 (son of **Karen Zavell Kreinberg '65** and husband Norman) and Emmy Peterson

Karen Leeds '96 and **Ryan Greene '96**

Betsy Zucker '96 and Brett Silver

Jill Dubal '98 and Mark Leyser

Jacqueline Wertheim '04 and David Vanderburgh

WEDDING BELLS

Scott Peterson '90 and Allison Goldberg (daughter of Marcy and **Allard Goldberg '66**)

Rachel Avner '93 (daughter of **Steve '66** and Barbara Avner and **Debbie Opper Avner '67**) and Gideon Torrance

Stacey Nolish '95 and Tamir Blank

Lisa Freedman '96 and Brian Wagner

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

Matt Winograd '00 and Michelle Friedman

NEXT GENERATION BISON

Robin Lockshine Shell '89 and husband David welcome Lucas James, who joins big brother Gabriel Charles.

Marla Korenstein Wolf '89 and husband Howard welcome daughter Rachel Danielle.

David Markowitz '90 and wife Missy welcome son Nathan Hunter. Nathan joins big sisters Harleigh and Maggie.

Parents **Tracy Bloom Goldman '92** and husband William and grandparents **Steve '68** and **Sharyl Cowan Bloom '68** welcome Avery Manuel.

Kimberly '94 and **Josh Cohen '91** welcome Kelsey Brooke Cohen, who joins brother Zachary. Proud grandparents are Jerry and **Donna Cohen '66** and Rhonda and **Roger Wolfson '66**.

NEXT GENERATION BISON *continued*

Scott Kreinberg '94
(son of **Karen Zavell Kreinberg '65** and husband Norman) and wife Janette Mutilva welcome daughter Corinna.

Kelly Alperin Stolyar '95 and husband **Alex '94** welcome son Dylan Robert.

Stacie Aguilar Blatnick '95 and husband Dan welcome Talon Abe, who joins big sister Julia Erin.

Jamie Feldman '95 and wife Lauren welcome daughter Madison Jill.

Rebecca Klemptner Nessel '96 and husband Ariel welcome son Jonah Jai.

Parents **Aaron '97** and **Darcy Heller Hershey '97** and grandparents **Jimmy '64** and **Barbara Weiner Heller '64** and **Denny '70** and **Judy Kleinman Hershey '74** welcome Dylan.

IN MEMORIAM

Dr. Edward Eberlin '62	Ivy Weider Gralnick '74
Robert H. Sternberg '62	Robert Golub '75
Dr. Mark Nathanson '65	Richard Schwartz '76
Alan Zeiger '71	Scott Mendes '82
Bruce Becker '72	

Alumni Gifts

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

James Cowan '61

Wolf Schubach '62

Merle '64 and **Harriet Weingart Gorden '64**, in honor of Judy Shamir to recognize her service to the Cleveland Hebrew School

Cathy Klein Phillips '64 in memory of Jack and Flora Levin, parents of **Donna Levin Garsha '64**

Ronnie Caplane '66 in honor of **Donna Bickoff Cohen '66**

Rodger Cahn '69

Jed Davis '70 in honor of **Paula Zavell Rollins '71**

Bill and Nancy Prescott Levine '70 in honor of **Abby Gottesman Heurman '98** and husband Jeff

Randy and Janie Freiberg Dunay '71 and **Shawna Leavitt '02** in memory of Dr. Julius Drossin, grandfather of **Shira Mitchell '02**

Deborah Price '77 in memory of **Pamela Sue Viny '78**

Martin I. Goodman '81

New address? New baby? News to share?
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