



Brentwood Alumni Association

Newsletter

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Thank You, Thank You, Thank You to Our New Charter Members

Our first newsletter! Because of more than 400 Brentwood High School alumni who joined the new Brentwood Alumni Association, we have been able to establish contact with many old friends, classmates, teachers and neighbors. New members are listed on the two inside pages and a cut-off/send-in application is included for others who might now be interested in joining.

The Brentwood School District, City of Brentwood, and Brentwood Historical Society have given "thumbs up" to our new organization and have assisted us with the proper procedures of operation.

For over a year, a committee has collected and organized names of former students. We have a list of "Class Representatives" who have volunteered to keep track of former classmates, recover names of those who have not responded, and have a continued interest in promoting class reunions for their graduating classes. Names/phone numbers are included for you to contact, and there are opportunities available for you to sign up.

Donations have also been received toward our first scholarship that will be presented in May, 2004. We are dedicated to giving this annual award to a graduating student attending either a local community college, four-year university, or a technical school.

Contributions to this fund are tax deductible; therefore, we hope you will give consideration to this very worthy activity. As we grow in membership, we will be able to offer more help to graduating seniors who, indeed, want to continue their educations. Membership dues will sustain the Association, and will provide for two newsletter mailings each year.

Another focus of the Association is to promote "Brentwood Days" for class reunions. This event will take place the third weekend in September of each year. Festivities begin with the homecoming football game on Friday night. All classes congregate in the courtyard at BHS prior to the game, have refreshments, tour the school and then sit in the Alumni Section to cheer the team during the game. On Saturday alumni can meet at Brentwood Park for the city fair, which includes fireworks after dark. Each class may prepare its own party or join another class for more festivities.

Thank you to our Charter Members. We look forward to new members. In the weeks ahead the Scholarship Committee will be preparing criteria for the first alumni scholarship award in May.

Remember BHS fondly,

Marianne Hill Vahlkamp '48

Your Brentwood Alumni Board of Directors

Jean Eves Anton	1966	Norma Hodges Murphy	1942
Carl E Day	1948	Judith Turner Peckham	1961
France Langan	1956	Robert Penn	Brentwood School District
Mary Ann Eckler Koetting,	1959	Peggy Atkins Smith	Volunteer
Rosemarie Schweizer Kornfeld	1947	Marianne Hill Vahlkamp	1948



Newsletter Needs Name

A contest to choose the name of our newsletter is in the offering. A prize and recognition in the next publication will go to the person whose winning name is selected. Send ideas to: BHS Alumni, 90 Yorkshire Lane, Saint Louis, MO 63144.



Memorabilia Scrapbook

Charter members have sent letters, pictures, and fun memories about their days at Brentwood High School. The committee always welcomes additional items and hopes more of our alumni will forward ideas and group memorabilia. Send to: BHS Alumni, 90 Yorkshire Lane, Saint Louis, MO 63144.

The Scrapbook will be on display at the September Alumni Night and at Brentwood Days.

Eager to Participate?

Call your class representative and volunteer to help find lost classmates or parents/siblings who might know where they are hiding. We need people who want to help with future mailings, such as special event invitations, fundraising for our scholarship fund, and newsletter mailings twice a year. We would really like your help.

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Attorneys, Program developers for alumni activities, tax preparers, Graphic designers, computer technology experts, and board members to represent 1980's, 1990's, and 2000's, as well as the 50's, 60's, and 70's.

Class Notes

*There is a group of men, mainly from the class of 1943 but others, also, ranging from 1941 through about 1946, who meet every two weeks at various restaurants. Recently there were seventeen alums in this group. Contact Norma Hodges Murphy for more information, 636 227-7927.

*The girls from class of 1945 meet on the second Tuesday of the month at Miss Sheri's in Warson Woods.

*The class of 1947 has been very active with reunions, having held seven over the years. The 50th was held at the Brentwood American Legion Hall, with a tour of BHS and a picnic at Memorial Park the next day. The 55th was held at Cheshire Inn. Classmates from seven different states have attended these successful reunions.

*Class of 1948 held their 50th reunion in 1998 at a Kirkwood restaurant. For that event they produced a very handsome booklet with past and present photos, including the latest information on each classmate, for that event. They also had a 55th reunion. The class contributed to the Alumni Fund.

*Class of 1961 has been busy lately with get-togethers. About a dozen alums met for dinner at Bahama Breeze in Chesterfield one night in December and had a nice evening reminiscing. In February we met again at a classmate's home for an evening dinner. Another get-together is planned for May.

Note: **Alum News** column coming in next issue of your newsletter. We are holding articles received to-date until next issue. Keep those notes coming! (to your class rep or the administration office) **Class Notes** and **Alum News** articles are encouraged!

What is this?



Answer in the next newsletter.

Brentwood School Memorabilia

Donate school related pictures, books, prom pictures, letter sweaters, etc., to:
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Mary Beth Powell

With special thanks and recognition to our former teachers
Mary Beth Powell, retired
Patricia Harris, retired

Deadline Next Newsletter:
July 31, 2004



Our mission is to perpetuate the spirit of Brentwood High School and to keep communications open between graduates and BHS.

Brentwood Alumni Association Charter Members

February 2004

1931	June Bryant Strassner	1947	Alma Vahlkamp Muir	1953	Shirley Parker Horine
1932	Mildred McManis	1947	Rosemarie Schweizer Kornfeld	1953	G Richard Oscarson
1936	Mary Peat Naquin	1948	Stewart Kenney	1953	Shirley Moritz Taylor
1938	Charles Peat	1948	Jeanne Thane Uelner	1953	James Manser
1939	Virginia Wiehe Reeder	1948	Gerard Voelkers MD	1953	Donald V Dodson
1939	Dorothy Ford Leiter	1948	Marianne Hill Vahlkamp	1953	Susanne Weber Young
1940	Patricia Wolfsberger Kaufman	1948	Marilyn George Miller	1953	Carol Pittman Riemer
1940	Violet Dot Martin Zumwalt	1948	Pat Koelling Deffry	1953	Betty Rick Dilthey
1940	Margarette Copeland Steiner	1948	Carl E Day	1955	William J Jesson
1940	Jerry Wahlbrink Franklin	1948	Barbara Burkhouse Hayes	1955	Richard Leaver
1941	Bette L. Strong Pickrel	1948	William D Hoskins	1955	Alice Vahlkamp Schaffner
1941	Harold Michener	1948	Peggy Dodson Bittner	1955	Joyce Deschamp Howlett
1941	Paul Ford	1948	Herbert Hitchings	1955	Harold Mitchell
1941	Maxine Gray Reisenleiter	1948	William H Thoelke	1955	Sylvia Street Engle
1941	Doris Lauth Allen	1948	Catherine Curtis Rafferty	1955	Tom White
1941	Ronald Vassalli	1948	Class of 1948	1955	Judith Keith Litts
1941	Edward Wright	1948	Marvin Lee Hayes	1955	Jo Ann Thomas Welch
1942	Edward J Micka	1948	Bernice Morrissey Edwards	1955	Paul Mars
1941	Charles R Pickrel	1949	Bill Hulett	1955	Judy Green Arnett
1942	Margaret Flora Micka	1949	Marilyn Wert Eller	1955	Carol Eves Bowley
1942	Daniel Welsch	1949	Waldon Wahlbrink	1955	James C Bender
1942	Elaine Schulze Ketchelmeier	1949	Marlene Sitze Wynn	1955	Darlene Brink Roland
1942	William Martin	1949	Ann Kirkpatrick Whitworth	1955	Wanda Carmack Behrens
1942	Robert H Mardis	1949	Martha Dederick Hall	1956	Barbara Schaeffer Borghoff
1942	William Koch	1949	Betty Deimeker Maguire	1956	Ed Jordan
1942	William G Flora	1949	Donald Dunham	1956	France Langan
1942	Clem G Helmke	1949	Pat Evans Henderson	1956	Kay Langenbarker Simpson
1943	Ethel Wert Holland	1949	Col (Ret) Forrest E St Aubin	1956	Carl Horstman
1943	Doris Vogelsang Mays	1950	Carol Light Williams	1956	Gail Schwartz Bruffee
1943	Oscar G Polster	1950	Walter Seeger	1956	Ellie Keller White
1943	Theodore J Steinmeyer	1950	Lois Bernard Johns	1956	Robert Haynes
1943	Dorris Walker Doerres	1950	Laura Brockmeyer Franzwa	1956	Helene Day Borisch
1943	Tom Buder	1950	Elma Day Lazzareschi	1956	Donna Featherson Timms
1943	Arthur H Bode Jr	1950	Jackie Elders Weiss	1956	Jack Fuchs
1943	Norman Dreyer	1950	Kurt Herrmann	1956	LaVerne Rocklage Kerkoski
1944	Audrey Maher	1950	Jeanne Hey Van Steen	1956	Estella Roberts Young
1944	Betty Schall Gore	1950	Elsie Mackay Yacono	1956	Janet Curtis Manser
1944	Elvira Payne Dieatrick	1951	Jane Debandt Lochmoeller	1956	Rita L Bosmans
1945	Harold Jordan	1951	Carolyn Scheffler Baker	1956	William R Borghoff
1945	Kathleen Yadon Pepin	1951	Robert Baker	1956	Larry C Armentrout
1945	Pat Enders Mann	1951	Joan Martin Bardgett	1956	Donald E Drake
1945	Anne Hitt Hegwer	1951	James Drake	1957	Judith Granger Opfer
1945	Ted Holland	1951	Nancy Busche Jones	1957	Dennis L Beebe
1945	Shirley Schall Tysklind	1951	Donald Franz	1957	Louise Sharp Horstman
1946	Jack Truesdell	1951	Richard Schwehr	1957	George W Clements Jr
1946	L Glenn Day	1951	Sally Padon Johnson	1957	Eugene R Eastin
1946	Joe Olderworth	1951	Gene Pearl	1957	Mary Fischer Beckman
1947	Gerry Colabianchi John	1951	Arnold Pierce	1957	Donald K Gayer
1947	Moir Brown Stevens	1951	Mary Ann Dunlap Pierce	1958	Babara Barrett Dethlefsen
1947	Joyce Wahlbrink Meier	1951	Carol Rhea Canfield	1958	Dr Jacqueline Schust Thursby
1947	Mary Cuno Kearney	1952	Janet Holmes Urzi	1958	Bruce Swaine
1947	Ruth Ann Flora Zimmerman	1952	DeAnn May Stewart	1958	Barry Short
1947	Jack Hitt	1952	Charlotte Groce Unversaw	1958	Jackie Estell Seddon
1947	Peggy Jones Moeckel	1952	James Q Busse	1958	Reginia Stimson Gahr
1947	Mary Evelyn Ruegg Eckard	1952	Norman Ramsey	1958	Carolyn Ellis
1947	Arthur Bert	1952	Robert F Henkel	1958	Irene Ledbetter Christenson
1947	Virginia Walsh Andrews	1952	Marybeth Coffy Remes	1958	James L Chambers
1947	Sonny Payne	1952	Phyllis E Elliott Oakley	1958	Mary Jo Martin LeFevre
1947	Irv J Carroll	1952	Terry L Wolfsberger	1958	Edward Holt
1947	Betty Whitford Clark	1952	George H Wilson	1958	Kenneth Keller
		1953	Michael Pearl	1958	Donald Hodapp



1958	Jack Baumgartner	1966	William Albert Jarrett	1973	James L Lich
1958	Barbara Fieser Brown	1966	Jean Eves Anton	1973	Sean Mills
1958	Colleen Moran McMillan	1966	Susan Mowris Fechter	1974	Barbara Kiehnhoff Dwyer
1958	Barbara Higginbotham Novotny	1966	Gregory Niehoff	1975	Marsha Sullins Ring
1958	Joseph M Dougherty	1966	Sylvia Fraley	1975	Robert Peat
1959	JoAnn Rittensbacher Bartz	1966	Melinda Reisenleiter	1975	Mark E Kurtz
1959	Nancy Pollard O'Loughlin	1966	Diana Wessler Skogseth	1976	Lisa Kerth Roberts
1959	Joyce Rinck Arneson	1966	Paige West Kelley	1976	Debra Brunner
1959	Richard H Carlson	1966	Nelson Morgan	1976	Mark Surgener
1959	Jerry Marshall	1966	Jim Dobernic	1976	Bob Smith
1959	David Cain	1966	Sandra Brick Roberts	1976	Merry Sloan Mosbacher
1959	Diane Baker Keeter	1966	Deborah Blattner Hauser	1976	Kevin Seelbach
1959	Charles G LaGarce	1966	Linda Pribble Hamberg	1976	Mary Ketchelmeier Surgener
1959	Judith Maginnis Rosa	1966	Linda Dollar	1976	Anne Drury Matheis
1959	Robert H Niemeyer	1967	Charles Edgar Boles Jr	1976	Rebecca Day
1959	Judith L Miler Jung	1967	Barbara Peat Jacobs	1977	Brenda Christmas Marlowe
1959	Ann Henley Barcus	1967	Edward Wright, Jr	1977	Suzy LaTourrette Scheidecker
1959	Jean Flint Sevrens	1967	Richard Oppenheim	1977	Annette Bliss Ayoub
1959	Kaye Wessler Shumate	1968	Honorable Roy Richter	1978	John Laseter
1959	Sondra Fields Earnhardt	1968	Joyce Hadapp Jones	1978	William Lee Marshall Jr
1959	Mary Ann Eckler Koetting	1968	Nina Gillespie Jolly	1978	Barbara Timms Nappen
1959	Donald C Shumate	1968	Marilyn O'Hara	1978	Dr Steven A Olsen
1959	Judy Heynen Robinson	1968	Cathy Hippert	1979	Jeff Timms
1960	Walter A Henkel	1968	Tom Gammon	1979	Keith Seelbach
1960	Bill Henkel	1969	Jon A LeClaire	1979	Beverly Beimdiek
1960	Carol Colligan	1969	Linda J Gan Duncan	1980	Nedra Wicks Jeffress
1960	Ralph Craft	1969	Allan J Bott	1980	Sonia Sirota Dobinsky
1960	Don F Eves	1969	Nancy Olson Hacker	1980	Steve Keuss
1960	Dwight Prade	1969	Patricia B Brigham Knowles	1981	John Tolish
1960	Sue Frossard Taylor	1969	Vicki Marshall Suntrup	1981	Robert Peetz
1960	Julie Swyers Loftin	1969	Kurt Niehoff	1981	Tim McGrath
1960	Laura Iezzi Stadelman	1969	Yvonne S Suess	1981	Doreen Jorn Farwig
1960	Rev Jack Spratte	1969	Joe Epstein	1981	Leonard Bredwood
1960	Mark McAnany	1969	Debra Schott Bott	1981	Phillip Wilson
1960	Ricky Schaeperkoetter	1969	John C Moser	1982	Alice Kapfer Baker
1961	Pat Kleisly Brinkhorst	1969	Steve Thomas	1982	Kenneth Rush
1961	Sandy Kurre LaGarce	1969	Vikki Hasty Belgeri	1983	Anthony Harper
1961	Judith Turner Peckham	1969	Casey A Geisz	1983	Joann Sirota Kole
1961	Jill Oppelt Manestar	1970	Zach Cartwright	1983	David Heger
1961	Judith Mallow Price	1970	Gary Rinck	1983	Suzanne Gill Bennett
1962	Donna Campbell Dcamp	1970	Terry Krause	1983	David Conner
1962	Richard K Dunham	1970	Mary Kalb Meers	1983	Kathleen Cartwright
1962	Marilyn Mollman Rymer	1970	Jennifer Jones Benne	1983	Melanie Buerkle Surgener
1962	Martha Haddock Stephens	1970	Joseph Johnson	1983	Debra Shaw Boswell
1962	Martha Hinkamp Watson	1970	Richard Hellwege	1983	Virgil Avanzado
1962	Betty Hughes Edelmann	1970	Mark J Boles	1984	Michael Sicilia
1962	Stephanie Stoyanoff	1970	Vicki Beekman Mansfield	1985	Terry Wicks
1962	Kathy Miller Farrington	1970	Pam McAlincy Strueber	1986	Beth Featherston Clay
1962	Marilyn Blitz Blumoff	1971	Melissa Mae Reisenleiter	1987	Denise Kennett
1962	Bob Farrington	1971	Jan Drury Hellwege	1987	Charles Moore
1962	Michael R Rooney	1971	Susan Olson Lopez	1987	Stephen Brown
1962	Jim Torbert	1971	Rosalyn Golden Fulton	1987	Brad Kapfer
1962	Peggy Viehland Fossett	1971	Mary S Higginbotham Byler	1987	Cindy L Camp Foley
1962	Barbara Barry Van Rhein	1971	James A Smith Jr	1987	Mariann Bauer Lewis
1962	Nell Mier Newton	1971	Patricia McCoy Snodgrass	1990	Maurice Crump
1964	Jean Fischer Dunham	1971	Deborah Schwartz Miller	1992	Matthew J McClure
1964	Ron Stahl	1971	Joan Wright Lonnemann	1994	June Wright
1964	Paul DeMargel	1971	Karen Hunter	1995	Kevin Burkhardt
1964	Barbara Dobern Watkins	1972	Cathy Stubbs Geisz	1996	Tom Magee
1965	Michael J Epstein	1972	Greg Kornfeld	1997	Lisa Newton Magee
1965	Jan Brunner Stahl	1972	James N Foster	2000	Paul Keuss
1966	Judy Olsen Weber	1972	Neil Sprague	2002	Paul Johnson
1966	Theodore Ganahl	1973	Gary Kornfeld	2002	Margaret Zinsser
1966	Allen Haines	1973	Elizabeth J Head Foster	2003	Andy Morris
1966	Bill Hippert	1973	Rebecca Lape		
1966	Peggy Hundley Spitz	1973	Susan Wiseman Meeks		
1966	Marica Hunsing Werremeyer	1973	Jane Stone Mauldin		



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Annual dues: _____ \$10.00 Individual \$10.00 Scholarship Donation\$ _____
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		2000 open
		2001 open
		2002 open
		2003 open
		2004 open

If there is no representative for your class, try to get a volunteer and call the administration office, 314 962-4507 x15, so that it can be published in the next newsletter. Please submit Class Notes articles, Alum news, photos and other information to your Class Representative or call 314-962-4705 x15.



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Our First Newsletter!

Brentwood Schools Archaeology.... "Diggin the ole Facts"

The Brentwood School District officially began on March 3, 1920. Brentwood High School, built in 1927, opened in 1928 at 2221 High School Drive. The first class of three students, graduated in 1929. None are still living.

Following is a list of the high school principals: Wendell R. Evans, Frank Derocker, Wilber Shankland, Ira Gladfelder, Don Edwards, Hubert Filley, 1953-1975, Ned Wicks, 1975-1989, Mike Ludwell, 1989-1991, Chris Corley, 1991-present

Most of us attended one of the five great grade schools in Brentwood. The first was appropriately name Brentwood No. 1. Built in 1920, it was located at the corner of Brentwood Blvd. and Litzsinger Road, the site of the present Walgreen's. After 1957, it was sold and used for other purposes for several years.

When No. 1 became quite crowded, Mark Twain Elementary was built several blocks to the east in 1934. There is no evidence of why the name was chosen, but apparently 1934 was the 100th birthday of the author Mark Twain (Samuel Clemens). Because of increasing enrollment, there were several additions made to the school over the years.

Frazier Elementary, built in 1939, opened as a middle school, and ninth graders from the over-crowded high school moved to Frazier. In 1950 it became an elementary school. A few years later, a building addition almost doubled the size of the school, again due to increasing enrollment. Frazier was razed in 1995.

L'Ouverture School opened around 1926 on Rose Avenue. It was on the present Brentwood Promenade site. An 8th grade class named the school after Pierre Dominique Toussaint Breda, a black revolutionist and general who became ruler of Haiti and revolted against the French. His nickname was "L'Ouverture" which meant "the opening" because a French Governor of Haiti remarked that this man could find an opening everywhere, referring to his ability to break through enemy lines. L'Ouverture closed in 1963; students moved to Mark Twain.

McGrath School was built near High School Drive and Litzsinger Road to replace No. 1. Opened in 1957, it was named after two long time and much loved teachers, Margaret and Josephine McGrath.

In 1966 a new Administration Building was built at 90 Yorkshire Lane, near the site of the old Frazier Elementary School.

