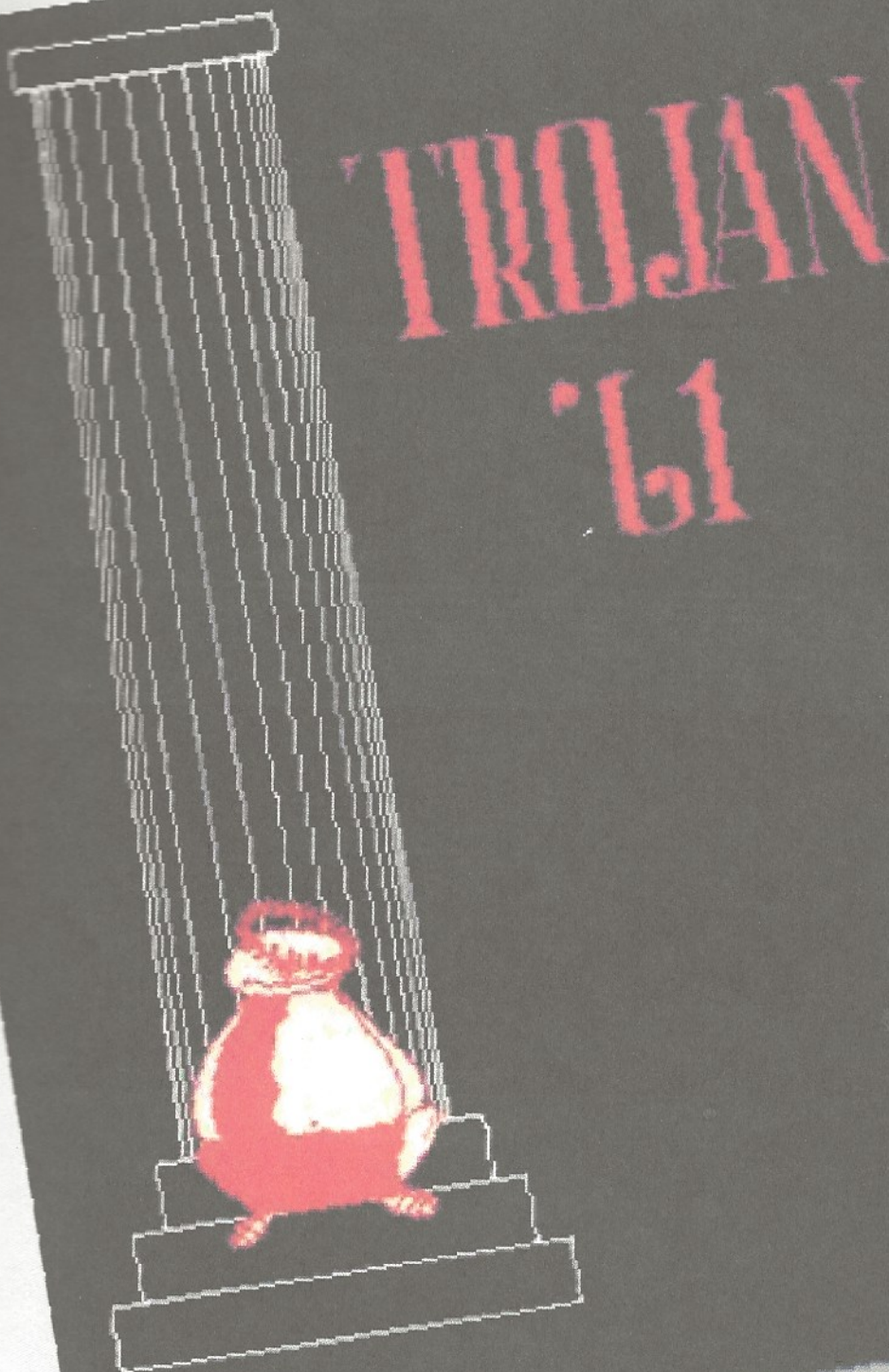


CLASS OF 1961



45TH REUNION AUGUST 2006

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1961 Class Memories-- Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61: No Comment.

Personal Goals--Now that you are in your Senior Years of Life, what is a dream you have yet to attain, or something you still want to do in this lifetime? Response: Live life to the fullest-no schedule to live by. Enjoy the grandkids.

Memory for your Classmates---if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey ---what would you say to the Class of 61'? Response: We are a great class! I love that we like to get together every 5 years! I hope you all have a life as fulfilled as mine.

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1961 Class Memories- Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61: I don't have any most memorable moments from THS.

Personal Goals- Now that you are in your Senior Years of Life, what is a dream you have yet to attain, or something you still want to do in this lifetime? Response: I want to continue to enjoy life with Herb, our 3 adult children & their spouses, and our 6 precious grandchildren. I also want to keep on volunteering in our church and in the Holland community. I have a strong desire to help people in whatever their needs are.

Memory for your Classmates---if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey ---what would you say to the Class of 61'? Response: Our every five-year reunions have been so wonderful! Such a great way to stay connected, especially since we live in MI and we don't see our classmates otherwise. Thank you to everyone who has worked on organizing the reunions and done the physical work!

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Family Information Update: Lib and I have two daughters (both living in Tuscaloosa, AL) and three grandchildren (ages 12, 9, and 3).

1961 Class Memories- Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61: Positive memories are: Trojanaire trips thanks for Fred West; getting a Kiwanis Club Scholarship; time in the chemistry lab with Melanie Hamilton as my lab partner; teaching Cliff Houk's chemistry class on days he had Kiwanis Club meetings (I'll bet we were breaking the law); the sojourn down to the music class for me the sing "When I was a Lad" from HMS Pinafore to earn my poetry line credits in Mr. Prouty's class (got double the number of lines for singing it); dramatics club and choir musicals; shooting pool at the Rec; the Rec dances where I DJ'd (A related story was that when I was a professor at Penn State, I had developed a reputation as an excellent instructor in the statistics classes I taught. An internationally known professor who specialized in research on teaching asked me once why I thought I was good at it. I thought a while and said I had experience being in front of large groups as a DJ and that I was comfortable doing that. That was an answer he had never heard and certainly didn't expect.)



Negative memories are: the tragic death of my good friend Ted Updike and his Dad; the car crash the previous year that killed two of the 1960 graduates; after high school, the death of Barbara Watson

**Personal Goals--** Now that you are in your Senior Years of Life, what is a dream you have yet to attain, or something you still want to do in this lifetime? I still feel that I want to work several more years in graduate level teaching and educational administration. I am enjoying my work more than I ever have at anytime in my career mostly because of the varied national and international level experiences and the travel I get to do. I'm considering seeking a dean of public health or dean of graduate school position within the next few years. I don't intend to retire for another 6-7 years, God willing that my health allows this to happen. There are also lots of places in the US and world that Lib and I want to visit or revisit. At least once before I die, I want to sit in a front row seat of the Fitzgerald Theater in St. Paul, Minnesota watching a live Prairie Home Companion Show.

**Memory for your Classmates--**if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey ---what would you say to the Class of 61'? **Response:**

- To all the girls I asked out in high school, I had the feeling that you, as a group, had the cleanest hair in town.
- To Herb Dershem for being my best high school friend and to your Dad who took us around and hit fly balls for us to catch at Heywood School.
- To Mary Rose Prouty, remember all the good times we had living across the street from each other on Lincoln Ave; I was totally impressed by and in awe of your Dad (I know he was not at all impressed with me); he taught us all well; he was probably the first "Renaissance Man" I ever met.
- To Rosemary Abshire for all the great food (especially those banana and peanut butter sandwiches) and a warm place to crash at your folk's house
- To Mary Lois Dudley, remember when I doused your head in the chemistry water trough when you splashed heated sulphuric acid in your face.
- To Tom Myers, do you remember coming to visit me in the dorm when Northwestern was at Ohio State to play football; the guys on my floor didn't believe it was really you; I can't remember who won, Tom do you remember?
- To Judy Putney, do you remember that I was your date for the Senior Prom (when you were Prom Queen) since Mike had already graduated and he was not eligible to go; it was a hard thing to do (right), but someone had to do it.
- To Barb Hill, I wanted to impress you so I thought listening to classical music might help. I loved Van Cliburn's Tchaikovsky's Piano Concerto No. 1 so much that I'm sure I wore the record out that I checked out of the library.
- To Suzy Walker, I remember being so enamored with you when you moved to town (the new girl in town) and the way you could skate (I had never met an ice-skater before).
- To Jeff May and others, remember the night when two local rascals someplace around Fairborn (or close to that) tried to run your car off the road and threw a bottle or stone or something like that into the windshield (my life passed before my eyes that night), I can't remember who else was in the car, but there were 5 or 6 of us, do any of the rest of you remember who was in the car?
- To Gaius Hershey and many others, remember our caravan to Piqua, lead by you in your pick-up, when we yelled while traveling around the Piqua High School after winning the conference football championship, remember the guidance counselors were waiting for us when we got back, and the post-card signing ceremony after school when Charles Secoy yelled at us (he told me years later that he actually thought what we did was really not all that bad, but he had a role he had to fulfill), some parents didn't have good senses of humor about this!

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**Family Information Update:** I married Betty Eggers April 14, 1967. We have one daughter Tracy Anne Bice. Tracy is married and has a daughter, Taylor. She and her husband live in Florida. Betty and I lived in Tipp City for 27 years before selling out and moving to Florida in 2000. We rented a house in Largo, Florida with the option to buy, but after 10 months there we decided to move back to Ohio. While in Florida, Betty's mother was in and out of the hospital several times and Betty was in Ohio more than Florida. Once again, we called the movers and headed back to Ohio. We lived in a Townhouse for a year before finding a house in our price range that we wanted to buy. Betty & I renewed our marriage vows the 14<sup>th</sup> of April 2006 in the Catholic Church.

**1961 Class Memories- Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61: Response:** I have a hard time remembering yesterday let alone anything that happened 45 years ago!



**Personal Goals- Now that you are in your Senior Years of Life, what is a dream you have yet to attain, or something you still want to do in this lifetime? Response:** A couple of things---a priority in my life is to reunite my entire Army Unit of 250 people. I started this quest last year and located thirty guys. Of the thirty, 12 of us and our wives had a mini-reunion in Vicksburg, Mississippi in October 2005. Since that time, I have located a total of 85 guys and we are planning a reunion in Branson, MO this coming September. The next thing I will complete two more years of college. The big hold up there is finding the time. Hopefully, before I meet my maker, I hope that I will learn to program my DVD recorder.

**Memory for your Classmates--if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey ---what would you say to the Class of 61'? Response:** Continue to have your reunions and keep in touch with your friends.

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**Family Information Update:** I am an antique dealer (retired paralegal). Married Dick (husband)-Professor of English and Abnormal Psychology-Edison Community College, Piqua. Daughter-Leah Freed, teacher, Piqua, Ohio. Son-Aaron Freed-concrete carpenter, Troy, Ohio. (Daughter-in-law) Granddaughter-Lauren Freed, age 8; Grandson-Ethan Freed, Age 3.

**1961 Class Memories- Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61: Response:** Attending a brand new high school as a sophomore---WOW!

**Personal Goals- Now that you are in your Senior Years of Life, what is a dream you have yet to attain, or something you still want to do in this lifetime? Response:** Do more genealogy; write a family cookbook-(just for the family!); travel; volunteer more.

**Memory for your Classmates--if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey ---what would you say to the Class of 61'? Response:** WE ARE FAMILY!

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**Family Information Update:** Son- Scott- married-daughter Rachel 18 & step-daughter Shauna 29; Son-Steve-married-daughter Samantha 24; Son-Greg-married-son 13 & daughter 5. Married to Charles now for 45 years! Both of us are retired and winter in Holiday, Florida.

**1961 Class Memories- Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61: Response:** No Comment

**Personal Goals- Now that you are in your Senior Years of Life, what is a dream you have yet to attain, or something you still want to do in this lifetime? Response:** No Comment

**Memory for your Classmates--if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey ---what would you say to the Class of 61'? Response:** No Comment

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**Family Information Update:** We have one son, David (29) who got married last fall. So the newest Murgatroyd is our beautiful daughter-in-law, Amy. They live in Boston, MA where Amy is a physical therapist and Dave develops computational linguistic software. Keith's parents, brother and sister all live near Chicago. My sister, Barb, is enjoying her retirement in Athens, OH.

**1961 Class Memories- Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61: Response:** As you might guess, my most memorable THS moment would have to be meeting Keith. I remember the first time I ever saw him. He walked into my science class freshman year (old Van Cleve) and I turned to Diane (Pittsenbarger) and told her "that's the guy I'm going to marry!" Sept 1957 – I was only 14 years old! Some of you may remember that I spent most of the next 4 years working to get and keep his attention.

**Personal Goals- Now that you are in your Senior Years of Life, what is a dream you have yet to attain, or something you still want to do in this lifetime? Response:** We have a long postponed project of totally renovating our lake house. We moved to TN in 1998 with a goal of downsizing our home and simplifying our lifestyle. When responsibilities for aging parents took priority, the house project was delayed indefinitely. This probably is our biggest "goal" – IF we can ever agree on the master plan!

Other "Dreams:"

1. Watch Ohio State win the National Championship, Jan. 8, 2007 in Glendale, AZ  
(I was at the National Championship game in Tempe, Jan. 2003. What a great game!)
2. Watch the Cubs play in and win the World Series. Yes, a diehard Cub's fan am I!
3. Annual ski trips with Dave and Amy.
4. A family trip to New Zealand.

**Memory for your Classmates--if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey ---what would you say to the Class of 61'? Response:** The current buzz from our son's generation is: "30 is the new 20." IF that is true, then it must follow that 60 is the new 40. I know Mr. Kindy would approve of that logic.

But can it really be 45 years since THS? In that time, we have lived in 7 different places: Pittsburgh, PA; Columbus, OH; Buffalo, NY; Chicago, IL; Bedford, TX; Rome, Italy; and now Mt Juliet, TN (east of Nashville.) What a journey – so many adventures and friendships.

Southerners often ask me, "Where are you from?" They claim I have a northern accent. I always tell them I'm from Troy, O-hi-ah. Troy will always be home to me. My life experiences in those early years shaped who I am today as well as my accent.

Over the years, I've learned that many people including close friends come into my life for only a limited period of time. I'm thankful for old friendships that can be quickly renewed -- even if it is only every five years at a THS reunion!

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**1961 Class Memories- Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61: Response:** Ushering 1960 graduation

**Personal Goals- Now that you are in your Senior Years of Life, what is a dream you have yet to attain, or something you still want to do in this lifetime? Response:** Retire and live in peace.

**Memory for your Classmates--if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey ---what would you say to the Class of 61'? Response:** No Comment.

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**Family Information Update:** Children: Angie 35 & Drew 32---3 grandchildren.

**1961 Class Memories- Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61: Response:** Dances at the REC after football games. Driving around Frisches many times to see who was there. Working concessions at football games in our senior year.



**Personal Goals-** Now that you are in your Senior Years of Life, what is a dream you have yet to attain, or something you still want to do in this lifetime? **Response:** I want to see all 50 states (I have 12 to go) and travel to many foreign countries. More importantly, I hope I can be of more service to others and would love to write a book.

**Memory for your Classmates--if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey ---what would you say to the Class of 61'?** **Response:** No Comment.

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**1961 Class Memories- Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61:** **Response:** Sitting on the Senior Bench!

**Personal Goals-** Now that you are in your Senior Years of Life, what is a dream you have yet to attain, or something you still want to do in this lifetime? **Response:** Move back to Hawaii where we lived for over 25 years and travel the world.

**Memory for your Classmates--if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey ---what would you say to the Class of 61'?** **Response:** No Comment.

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**1961 Class Memories- Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61:** **Response:** Marching Band, Football Games, being in the 1<sup>st</sup> Sophomore Class in the new school.

**Personal Goals-** Now that you are in your Senior Years of Life, what is a dream you have yet to attain, or something you still want to do in this lifetime? **Response:** I want to go on a foreign mission trip.

**Memory for your Classmates--if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey ---what would you say to the Class of 61'?** **Response:** Not being in the upper part of the class, but being middle class use to bother me, but I know it does not matter now. Life is what we make of it for our self---no matter what we have! I have over come a lot in my life, but the Lord has been good to me.

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**1961 Class Memories- Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61:** **Response:** Friday night football games & the "REC"---just having a great time with friends.

**Personal Goals-** Now that you are in your Senior Years of Life, what is a dream you have yet to attain, or something you still want to do in this lifetime? **Response:** We still have a lot of traveling to do.

**Memory for your Classmates--if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey ---what would you say to the Class of 61'? Response:** No Comment.

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**Family Information Update:** Children: Aric Scott Dershem, age 36 married to Marie, lives in Grand Rapids, MI, 3 children: Hannah (7), Anton (3), Christian (2 months). Angela Marie Dershem-Tracy, age 33 ½ married to Todd, lives in Holland MI, 3 children: Emma (4), Maura (2), Samuel (4 months). Kurt Andrew Dershem, age 33 ½, lives in Mankato, MN and is a college professor.

**1961 Class Memories- Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61: Response:** I'll never forget our trip to Piqua, after winning the MVL football championship, circling Piqua HS as a class. Then returning to the waiting THS administration and their scowling faces.

**Personal Goals- Now that you are in your Senior Years of Life, what is a dream you have yet to attain, or something you still want to do in this lifetime? Response:** My dream is to finish strong, making a difference in the lives of others, especially my grandchildren. I also wish to take an exit path that avoids the land of dementia.

**Memory for your Classmates--if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey ---what would you say to the Class of 61'? Response:** Although we only see classmates every five years, we always know we are with friends when we do get together. The bond with our high school classmates is different, and in some ways deeper, than our bonds with others. We have always been and will always be proud to be members of the THS Class of 1961!

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**1961 Class Memories- Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61: Response:** First was the opportunity to be a member of the Trojans. I could carry a tune but was not extremely talented. As a member of this group, I was permitted to travel to Denver one year and Canada the next year. These trips would not have been available to me without Trojans. An added bonus was the trip to Canada when I started dating my eventual spouse, Susan. The second best memory was the opportunity to play football on the Troy football team with such fine athletes and Tom Vaughn and Tom Myers. The rest of the team was outstanding as well. During this time I befriended Lyle Shaw who has been a friend since then.

**Personal Goals- Now that you are in your Senior Years of Life, what is a dream you have yet to attain, or something you still want to do in this lifetime? Response:** One event we look forward to is the opportunity to retire from the aviation business and perhaps travel some. I also hope during retirement I can improve my golf game. Staying healthy is a challenge I hope we can accomplish. We have already accomplished a lot more than we ever thought possible, so who knows what tomorrow may hold in store for us.

**Memory for your Classmates--if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey ---what would you say to the Class of 61'? Response:** The school system of Troy, Ohio was very outstanding during our years in Troy. The graduating Class of '61 had a lot of outstanding individuals and we were all very lucky to have the opportunity to associate with them. As we travel down life's highway we realize the basis for success that started in Troy. Each of us made choices along the way that were probably, in part, influenced by our years at Troy High School.



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**Family Information Update:** Husband-James R. Kirkland Troy High Class of '62, attorney. Two daughters (Alicia & Heather) and 3 grandchildren. I manage Jim's law firm.

**1961 Class Memories-- Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61:** **Response:** I don't recall any one "most memorable moment", but I do know that I daily attended school with much enthusiasm. The classrooms were a pleasant environment and I embraced my many friendships. These friendships have grown thru the years.

**Personal Goals-- Now that you are in your Senior Years of Life, what is a dream you have yet to attain, or something you still want to do in this lifetime?** **Response:** I pray that Jim and I will maintain our good health during our "senior" years so that we can continue traveling, enjoying sports and life in general. We so enjoy the pleasures that our children and their spouses and grandchildren bestow upon us. By hard work and a positive attitude we have attained our dreams over the past 40 years.

**Memory for your Classmates--if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey ---what would you say to the Class of 61'?** **Response:** Troy High School required from each student discipline, positive attitude, morality, sense of community, a religious structure, etc. and this background allowed us to become mature adults of good character with respect for others.

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**Family Information Update:** My daughter Jennifer has been married for six years and is the mother of a four-year old daughter named Sierra, and a two-year old son named Joshua. They all make their home in Windham, Maine. My son Jamie has been married for two years, and they are planning a family in the next two years or so. They live in Maricopa, Arizona.

**1961 Class Memories- Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61:** **Response:** Okay, you "got me" with the story about Lucretia ... if she can make the effort, so can I! I was not going to submit anything, not because I don't value the project and appreciate the efforts of Melanie and David Weaver, but because I felt I had nothing new to add. The times at the Rec ... slow dancing to the Platters in the back behind the pool tables or upstairs at the "official" dances, the football games, Kay's, strawberry pie at the Big Boy, frosted root beer and old fashioned cream pie at the place on Rt. 55, chocolate candy the Gigicoses (spelling?), winning the jitterbug contest with Melanie our freshman year, John Morton's graceful flight past Mr. Prouty's window, honking and circling around Piqua High School during school hours our senior year... and being grounded for same...these are the good times and memories that most of us share.

But I must say, however, that it was a rather routine English assignment that made a lasting impact on my life. Gladys Helton asked us to write a paper on our favorite hobby. I struggled with daring to tell the truth or writing about something safe. At that time I was in the midst of reading a book by David Reisman which spoke of people who are outer-directed (driven by the desire to please others) or inner-directed (driven by listening to one's own, inner voice), and finally, I decided to take a chance, to risk rejection, and to reveal myself. I wrote that my favorite hobby was studying the people around me; watching, observing, trying to figure out what motivated them, soaking up their aura, so to speak. Then I waited for the bomb to drop. Amazingly, Mrs. Helton was so supportive, and she shared that she, too, had the same hobby! She said I would be a fine writer, some day. Well, I have yet to write a novel, but such a seemingly minor incident made all the difference to me. To learn that one can be true to oneself and still be accepted by someone made all of the difference.

**Personal Goals- Now that you are in your Senior Years of Life, what is a dream you have yet to attain, or something you still want to do in this lifetime?** **Response:** I have been fortunate to follow my dreams ... "follow my bliss", as Joseph Campbell, would have said ... and I hope to be able to continue on this path. I would love to remain productive, useful, and appreciated by my family and friends, just as I cherish them.

**Memory for your Classmates--if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey ---what would you say to the Class of 61'?** **Response:** It is difficult to answer

this without sounding like one of the million or so "forwarded" e-mails which circulate the world daily – some of which have shining gems of wisdom. Yes, we should live every day to the fullest – find something to appreciate in every moment, and never miss an opportunity to share a smile or a kind word. We are all together on this journey called Life, and we have been blessed to have shared some of that time together.

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**Family Information Update:** We now have 4 grandchildren, two boys, two girls. They live in Washington. Mother and Daddy are not well; Mother has Alzheimer's and Dad bladder cancer. Bob is more at home now as his terms on his many boards are finished. Now he has Fort Benton things to keep him busy. I am upright and mainly use a cane. We love Fort Benton and the quiet life here. Life is good.

**1961 Class Memories- Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61:** **Response:** Graduation and the beginning of my life.

**Personal Goals- Now that you are in your Senior Years of Life, what is a dream you have yet to attain, or something you still want to do in this lifetime?** **Response:** I want to help those with depression and long-term illness. My main goal is to get my energy back. I am starting over and the learning experience fills me with awe. I like this part of my life and I love the part that includes you. I love seeing the change and hearing all the wonderful stories that are being shared. How fortunate we are that we can stay in touch

**Memory for your Classmates--if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey ---what would you say to the Class of 61?** **Response:** I feel very lucky to have had the friendships I enjoyed. The crazy things we did and the special discussions we were able to share. We really had a neat class. Thank you for being a part of my life.

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**Family Information Update:** David (39) married, 2 sons-Aaron (4) and Alex (6 months living in Springboro, Ohio. Alan (36) married, 3 daughters-Alyssa (12), Hannah (8), Sophia (6) living in Granville, Ohio. Amy (32) married, 1 daughter Hailey (6 months) living in Brooklyn, NY.

**1961 Class Memories- Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61:** **Response:** I'll never forget Coach Welbaum causing Henry Lucas to have a wardrobe malfunction as he tried to rush Henry into a basketball game at Hobart Arena.

**Personal Goals- Now that you are in your Senior Years of Life, what is a dream you have yet to attain, or something you still want to do in this lifetime?** **Response:** I would like to shoot my age in golf!! My only hope is that I get much older.

**Memory for your Classmates--if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey ---what would you say to the Class of 61?** **Response:** When I came to Troy, I was impressed by the pride and optimism that exuded from virtually everyone. I was so glad that I was able to be a part of that experience.

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**1961 Class Memories- Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61: Response:** The Miami Valley Championship in Autumn 1960 when we raced off to Piqua High parading around their school. Sure seems mild compared with today's antics.

**Personal Goals- Now that you are in your Senior Years of Life, what is a dream you have yet to attain, or something you still want to do in this lifetime? Response:** Getting back into painting.

**Memory for your Classmates--if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey ---what would you say to the Class of 61'? Response:** Always have goals, and go for it. Coming from a small town in Ohio, I had no idea I would ever travel as much as I have or had the opportunity to live in San Francisco, London, Paris and Rome. I have friends all over the world and look forward to seeing them as well as classmates I have kept in touch with and visited.

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**Family Information Update:** I have been married to Chuck for 22 years. Five of our 8 grandchildren are now in college with the 2 youngest heading off to college after graduation in June.

**1961 Class Memories- Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61: Response:** Being fortunate enough to belong to the Trojanaires, I recall not only the grueling practices two nights a week, but also the fun times of performing our concerts and going on tour to the East Coast and New York. Perhaps that's where my sense of adventure originated.

**Personal Goals- Now that you are in your Senior Years of Life, what is a dream you have yet to attain, or something you still want to do in this lifetime? Response:** There are continuously new dreams for me, but my present one is to go to the Antarctica, which would complete all 7 Continents that we have visited.

**Memory for your Classmates--if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey ---what would you say to the Class of 61'? Response:** Living in the Los Angeles area for over half of my life, I especially realize how blessed I was to grow up in Troy, Ohio. Community Spirit is one thing I especially miss. Neighborhoods are not the same here as "back home", nor are most of the friendships as deep. It is my wish that I could sit down with each of my Classmates and personally hear their life's story.

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**Family Information Update:** Still married-43 years to Frank. 1 Son Jeff---married wife Brenda; Granddaughters Brandy 17 & Amanda 13.

**1961 Class Memories- Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61: Response:** Going with Miss Birt & Mrs. Fair to the F.H.A. Awards week-end. And the time we went to Piqua during lunch. That was one long line of cars!

**Personal Goals- Now that you are in your Senior Years of Life, what is a dream you have yet to attain, or something you still want to do in this lifetime? Response:** Go on a cruise.

**Memory for your Classmates--if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey ---what would you say to the Class of 61'? Response:** No Comment.

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**Family Information Update:** My mother & dad and three sisters still live in Troy. I come home to see them at least once a year. Gary lives in Memphis, TN. My oldest son, Mark & Jackie are in Durango, CO and are about to have their 1<sup>st</sup> baby. Thaxton will be our 6<sup>th</sup> grandson. Pat & Lori live in Peoria, AZ and have 2 boys—Kade & Jace. Karen & Mark are in Dallas, TX with Mitchell, Nicolas & Terry.

**1961 Class Memories- Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61: Response:** Football games & Pep Rally's on Fridays. Testing and passing for the State FHA award. It took months of work and studying. Ms. Birt was a great help to me, and a good supporter. I had so many challenges and it was fun as well as work to overcome some of the things.

**Personal Goals- Now that you are in your Senior Years of Life, what is a dream you have yet to attain, or something you still want to do in this lifetime? Response:** I am interested in opening a bakery here in Colorado Springs— Just a small neighborhood business. It would be much like Town & Country Pastry Shop on E. Main, when I was growing up.

**Memory for your Classmates—if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey —what would you say to the Class of 61? Response:** Looking backwards over the years, I would like to have gone to college in order to be better prepared for employment. Going to college was not an option however, because it would have been a hardship on my family. I remember growing up how my mom & dad taught me to do the best I could with what I possessed. As I grew up, I realized that advice was "The Best" and it was up to me and me alone, to make it in my world. I am proud to say I was very successful in the world of finance. I managed loan departments in a couple of large Federal Credit Unions and a few automobile dealerships. Fortunately, with tenacity and my faith in God I made it. Thank goodness this was years ago and not today. Today, college is a necessity in order to survive.

I did this without a college degree (I did have some extra classes), and at the same time I raised three children. My goal at that time was to get them through college. They each are very successful and happy adults with wonderful families. My oldest son, Mark Abshire is married, has a son and they live in Durango, CO. Patrick Abshire, my second child, is married and has two sons and they live in Peoria, AZ. Karen Abshire Arnold, my third child is married, has three sons and lives in Colleyville, TX (just west of Dallas).

Geography & history classes were boring to me way back then. However, when I was in London, England the first time, reality set in. It was so exciting to walk the cobblestone roads and touch buildings that were so ancient. My classrooms in geography and history were in front of me as if it were today. It was awesome! To be able to experience antiquity first hand, at its best is unbelievable. I even walked the pier and steps that the Pilgrims used when boarding the ships for America.

My journey through life thus far has been great. I wouldn't change my life in anyway. I have had thrills, happiness, rough roads and sadness, but together I am a stronger person and more resilient. A dear friend once told me "Everything begins and ends at the right time and at the right place". How true this has been for me. The more changes & differences that I have experienced has only made me a better person and more self-confident. I look forward to seeing you in August. Betty P. Proctor

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**1961 Class Memories- Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61: Response:** Music, friends and dancing filled my high school life---Trojanaires, choir, band, and orchestra; Friday night dances at the REC-winning jitterbug contests with John Houck, football games and of course cheerleading. I can still remember the smell of fresh mowed grass, bonfires and the chlorine footbath we had to step into at the Trojan Pool upon entering and leaving!!! Without Jack Barnette as my Chemistry Lab partner, I would have never made it through Chemistry—thank you Jack!

**Personal Goals- Now that you are in your Senior Years of Life, what is a dream you have yet to attain, or something you still want to do in this lifetime? Response:** I want to continue to give back as much love, as I have been fortunate to know in my life---help others reach goals—know the love of God and His forgiveness and someday RETIRE!!



**Memory for your Classmates--if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey ---what would you say to the Class of 61'?** **Response:** I've been a small town girl at heart all my life. I have loved you all and missed Troy, Ohio since the day we left. Thank you for endless memories, laughs, loves and friendships that will be with me until my last breath of life is called home to God.

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**Family Information Update:** Ed and I are still in Troy after 40 plus years (and that is just us together.) Our only son, Scott, has two boys, Soren 13 and Sevrin 6. He and wife Sisy live in Eugene Oregon where they met in grad school. Needless to say, we do not see them as often as we would like. Our time is spent with my mother, who is the only parent left. Some of you remember Thelma Hartstein who lives across the road from us. She is 95 and going strong. Ed oversees the family farms and businesses and I try to exercise instead of sitting in front of the computer.

**1961 Class Memories- Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61:** **Response:** Coming from Concord, I was slow to blend in and driving to Troy for after school activities was a big deal. We go several times a day now. I think being on annual staff senior year was the most enjoyable time. You guys know who you are.

**Personal Goals- Now that you are in your Senior Years of Life, what is a dream you have yet to attain, or something you still want to do in this lifetime?** **Response:** Fortunately, I have had the best life and feel I have done all that I could dream of. We have traveled a lot and that is fortunate, because we both have arthritis and find plane travel and hiking a real challenge these days. We do hope to spend more time with our youngest grandchild in the future. I am a day-by-day person and enjoy my home, farm, and Mother. I hate to say "I've done it all," but that does make me very content.

**Memory for your Classmates--if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey ---what would you say to the Class of 61'?** **Response:** I believe we grew up in the best of times. No big drug problems or weapons in the schools. And Troy had to be the best of schools. Doesn't sound too sentimental, but I have tears in my eyes. I hope your lives have been half as good as mine.

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**Family Information Update:** My wife Carol and I have been married for 43 years. We have two daughters and four grandsons. They all live nearby in the Covington area. We have been around Troy most of our lives. We recently built and moved into a new home after being in the last one for 38 years. We're enjoying it enormously. At this time we're both still working (by choice) and are still in good health..

**1961 Class Memories- Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61:** **Response:** Looking back, although I wasn't involved in as much of the extra curriculum activities as I would like to have been in High School it was still an amazing time and so were the great classmates and school.

**Personal Goals- Now that you are in your Senior Years of Life, what is a dream you have yet to attain, or something you still want to do in this lifetime?** **Response:** Going back through memory lane my wife Carol and I have achieved our dreams as we have been blessed with both good luck and success. We have a beautiful family, a new home and good health. What more do you need? We are both looking to retire in the very near future. We have always been fortunate enough to do a great deal of traveling and we plan on being able to continue doing that however at this stage in our busy lives its somewhat time to slow down and start smelling the roses.

**Memory for your Classmates--if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey ---what would you say to the Class of 61'?** **Response:** Life is always a journey and you don't really know where it will lead you but high school and classmates are part of the foundation for this journey and are something that you will always take with you. Although the years pass and some memories may somewhat fade the friendships from school days remain for a lifetime and I'll always be a member of the "Class of 61" from Troy High School.



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**Family Information Update:** Married to Micheline now for 23 years. No children. Parents have both passed on. Our mother died this past March at 97.

**1961 Class Memories- Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61: Response:** Good classes and teachers, especially architectural drafting with Ted Bascomb and physics with Dale Vesper. I have interesting memories of Fred Petty in biology. Out of school the football games and the Rec on Fridays, the library on evenings during the week. Climbing the stadium light mast on Halloween with the dummy that stayed there for a year. I once did a tour of Piqua that got mixed reviews. Driving around town with my pick-up truck.

**Personal Goals- Now that you are in your Senior Years of Life, what is a dream you have yet to attain, or something you still want to do in this lifetime? Response:** I spent ten years working and living in Germany and Egypt. Now I would like to see the rest of the globe (without working).

**Memory for your Classmates--if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey --what would you say to the Class of 61'? Response:** It was a unique group at a pivotal point in our history and culture. We got to enjoy the 50's and graduated just before the turbulence of the 60's. We didn't know how good we had it, with the new school, the stadium, the arena, the academics, the shops. We had so many things the kids now do not have.

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**Family Information Update:** George and I will soon celebrate our 24<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary. We are so grateful for niece Susan, nephew and godson Geoff, godson Randy, goddaughter Maggie, and "borrowed"-daughter Janet and their families for our close relationships and for sharing their seven "little people," ages three to seven, with us. What joy!

**1961 Class Memories:** Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61: Just one? Here are three. . . Remember trying to squeeze a dozen people on the senior bench between classes? Remember how Mr. Prouty really "pushed" us with poetry memorization, book after book to read, and term papers? (And how I thank him for that solid foundation for college and for life. . .) And Trojanaires: Mr. West brought together a fantastic group of classmates (if not all-stellar vocalists). I recall that at one concert half of us started in one key and the other half another. . . Yes, every time I hear "Battle Hymn of the Republic," I get all teary.

**Personal Goals:** Now that you are in your Senior Years of Life, what is a dream you have yet to attain, or something you still want to do in this lifetime? Drink in the beauty of Alaska, my favorite state, at least one more time. Bring more joy to the lives of my business and life coaching clients, and spend more time with family and friends.

**Memory for your Classmates--if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey --what would you say to the Class of 61'? Blessings to each of you.**

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**Family Information Update:** I have been married for 38 years to Lawrence "Dusty" Young. We have a son, Phillip, who is 29, married, and living in Jacksonville, FL, and a daughter, Sarah, who is 28 and has been living in Santa Fe, NM.

**1961 Class Memories- Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61: Response:** I loved performing duo piano and piano duets with John Williams and traveling with the Trojanaires. We were privileged to have an excellent music program at THS, as well as good academics and sports.



**Personal Goals-** Now that you are in your Senior Years of Life, what is a dream you have yet to attain, or something you still want to do in this lifetime? **Response:** I would like to do more travel, more reading, and more visiting with old and new friends. I would also like to continue performing as a freelance accompanist and playing tennis with friends. Most of all, I hope to maintain a positive outlook, a healthy body, and an active mind, for as long as possible.

**Memory for your Classmates--if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey ---what would you say to the Class of 61'?** **Response:** I think we grew up in the best possible times, in a safe, nurturing environment both in our homes and in our schools, giving us solid roots and values. I am fortunate to have had many WONDERFUL experiences, and I LOVE life's journey. I feel there is much more to explore ahead, and I welcome each new adventure and every new day!

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**1961 Class Memories- Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61:** **Response:** No Comment.

**Personal Goals-** Now that you are in your Senior Years of Life, what is a dream you have yet to attain, or something you still want to do in this lifetime? **Response:** I want to dance a whole lot more! And there are so many countries, so little time!

**Memory for your Classmates--if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey ---what would you say to the Class of 61'?** **Response:** We make a living by what we get. We make a life by what we give. (Winston Churchill)

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**Family Information Update:** Remarried 9/2003 to Stacy, adding 2 stepdaughters to my 3 sons; Granddaughter-Madeline 5 yrs; Grandson-Jeffrey 8 months.

**1961 Class Memories- Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61:** **Response:** Road trip to Lexington, KY and Mammoth Cave with Burton (Butch) Garfield after graduating.

**Personal Goals-** Now that you are in your Senior Years of Life, what is a dream you have yet to attain, or something you still want to do in this lifetime? **Response:** Own an antique automobile.

**Memory for your Classmates--if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey ---what would you say to the Class of 61'?** **Response:** No Comment.

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**Family Information Update:** Niece received her Ph.D. in Chemistry in 2005. One great-niece arrived May 1, 2005. Parents have both passed away.

**1961 Class Memories- Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61:** **Response:** Mr. Kindy's math classes-----working concession stands at the football games.

**Memory for your Classmates--if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey ---what would you say to the Class of 61'? Response:** Dear Classmates, I look forward to seeing everyone at our 45<sup>th</sup> reunion. It is hard to believe it has been that long. We grew up in a great place at a great time. Thanks for all the wonderful memories. Also, a big thank you to all of you, who have worked so hard and given time over the years to make all of our reunions possible. Life has been good and I feel very blessed. I wish you all peace, good health, and much happiness!! Love to all, Linda.

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**1961 Class Memories- Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61: Response:** I got perfect attendance record; if I wasn't in the Hospital, I was in school. I have Multiple Sclerosis.

**Personal Goals- Now that you are in your Senior Years of Life, what is a dream you have yet to attain, or something you still want to do in this lifetime? Response:** No Comment

**Memory for your Classmates--if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey ---what would you say to the Class of 61'? Response:** No Comment.

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**Family Information Update:** Still married-43 years to Sandy. 1 Son Jeff---married wife Brenda; Granddaughters Brandy 17 & Amanda 13.

**1961 Class Memories- Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61: Response:** Slicing part of 2 fingers off in shop---the trip to Piqua.

**Personal Goals- Now that you are in your Senior Years of Life, what is a dream you have yet to attain, or something you still want to do in this lifetime? Response:** Looking forward to regaining a seat on City Council. Going on a cruise.

**Memory for your Classmates--if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey ---what would you say to the Class of 61'? Response:** No Comment.

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**Family Information Update:** Husband-Jim retired; Son, Jim C.---PGA teaching Pro-wife Kathy-3 sons Alec 10, Brant 8, Benjamin 7; Daughter Angie-husband Paul-daughter Ashley 20, Nick 13, and stepdaughter Jennifer, 18; Son Jeff-a licensed barber with his own shop-wife Kristie and stepson, Anthony 13.

**1961 Class Memories- Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61: Response:** Receiving a scholarship to nursing school.

**Personal Goals- Now that you are in your Senior Years of Life, what is a dream you have yet to attain, or something you still want to do in this lifetime? Response:** Travel: my husband, Jim who was forced to retire 2 years ago, for medical reasons, and I want to enjoy a lot of time traveling in our RV and enjoying our grandchildren and their activities.



**Memory for your Classmates--if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey ---what would you say to the Class of 61'? Response:** What a great, quality class we were!!

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**Family Information Update:** Upon his retirement after 32 years in the ministry in northeast Ohio, Don and I relocated to Springfield, Ohio in 2002 with the expert and friendly assistance of Roediger Realty.

**1961 Class Memories- Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61: Response:** Rather than a focus on one memorable moment, there is the reflection on a time and environment of secure learning and dedicated teaching in public education that we took for granted then and which appears at risk today.

**Personal Goals- Now that you are in your Senior Years of Life, what is a dream you have yet to attain, or something you still want to do in this lifetime? Response:** In the words of the Ina Ogdon song taught us by "Smeed" Walters during a student assembly (probably our first and his last year), it would be grand to always "Brrrighten the Corner Where You Are."

**Memory for your Classmates--if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey ---what would you say to the Class of 61'? Response:** If we had the choice of time, place and classmates for our high school years, few, if any, of us would rewrite that history. Thank you to each of you for being a companion then and now.

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**1961 Class Memories- Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61: Response:** Graduating!

**Personal Goals- Now that you are in your Senior Years of Life, what is a dream you have yet to attain, or something you still want to do in this lifetime? Response:** 1) end the war in Iraq 2) hike some more mountains

**Memory for your Classmates--if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey ---what would you say to the Class of 61'? Response:** Wonderful friends, wonderful town, wonderful education, wonderful journey.

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**1961 Class Memories- Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61: Response:** I loved the dances at the REC after the football games.

**Personal Goals- Now that you are in your Senior Years of Life, what is a dream you have yet to attain, or something you still want to do in this lifetime? Response:** I have retired this year and just love it. My husband will work another

three years, then we will finally get to travel longer distances. We have a trailer and camp. We would love to go to California.

**Memory for your Classmates--if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey ---what would you say to the Class of 61'? Response:** Since we all live so far away it is great to have these reunions to see everyone again. When we get to this age, old friendships start to mean more. Thanks to everyone who helps put the reunion together.

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**1961 Class Memories- Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61: Response:** No Comment.

**Personal Goals- Now that you are in your Senior Years of Life, what is a dream you have yet to attain, or something you still want to do in this lifetime? Response:** I retired December 2001 and still trying to find some fishing time!

**Memory for your Classmates--if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey ---what would you say to the Class of 61'? Response:** No Comment.

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**Family Information Update:** 4 children happily married and living in the Cincinnati area; 10 grandchildren with number #11 due in August. Jerry and I are still active working and volunteering. We enjoy flexible time for traveling and family time at our lake home on Norris Lake in Tennessee.

**1961 Class Memories- Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61: Response:** What a great class! I remember the move our sophomore year to the new building. So many fun times spent with friends. Friday night football games with our unbeatable football team! Yea, Trojans!

**Personal Goals- Now that you are in your Senior Years of Life, what is a dream you have yet to attain, or something you still want to do in this lifetime? Response:** Actually, I feel so very fortunate with all the blessings we have been given. Like most people, we wish for good health so that we are able to enjoy our grandchildren as they grow and achieve their goals.

**Memory for your Classmates--if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey ---what would you say to the Class of 61'? Response:** The Class of '61 has a real bond. Although we are now spread throughout the country, there is the constant memory of how fortunate we were to have lived and developed life long friendships in Troy. We especially thank those in Troy who have kept us connected through their organization and e-mails and dedication.

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**1961 Class Memories- Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61: Response:** great sport moments Tom Myers drop kicks extra point against Xenia; Tom Myers scores 5 points in 5 seconds to beat a team from Dayton Stivers, I



think reserve game Hobart Arena, Doug Meek intercepts ball against Miamisburg three times returns ball to 1 yard line all three times only to be taken into end zone by TOM MYERS!! Henry Lucas in a hurry to get into game in Dayton (basketball) pulls pants off butt naked jammed packed gym!! GOD REST HIS SOUL!!

**Personal Goals- Now that you are in your Senior Years of Life, what is a dream you have yet to attain, or something you still want to do in this lifetime?** Response: No Comment.

**Memory for your Classmates--if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey ---what would you say to the Class of 61'?** Response: No Comment.

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**Family Information Update:** Married to James Pyle for almost 39 years on November 17<sup>th</sup>. Have 2 sons, Chris married to Tammy Lou and they have no Children, live in Lex. KY. Chris is a professor at Bluegrass Technical and Community College in Lexington. His wife is employed as a Benefits Counselor at Toyota in Georgetown, KY. Brian is married to a Tammy also and they live here in Harrodsburg. Brian owns his own business, P&H Truck and Trailer repair. Tammy works as a State Farm Agent. They have 2 children Ashley, 15 yr and Zachary 7 yr. that Grandma and Grandpa certainly do spoil!! I retired after 40 yr in Nursing from the Thomson-Hood Veterans Center. Am enjoying retirement and the ability for us to pack up and travel or do anything we want. Jim continues to design equipment and system for the materials handling industry and has his office in our home. I lost my Dad on Jan. 21, 2006 to lymphoma. This was his third bout and did not beat it as in the past. Both Jim and I miss him.

**1961 Class Memories- Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61:** Response: The proms and the activities after them. Football games and going to the "REC". Friends getting together.

**Personal Goals- Now that you are in your Senior Years of Life, what is a dream you have yet to attain, or something you still want to do in this lifetime?** Response: Want to travel some of the USA that haven't seen. Accompany my husband in his dream to explore some of the waterways in the states. Volunteer in some capacity at our local hospital. Be a mentor and an example to my children and grandchildren.

**Memory for your Classmates--if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey ---what would you say to the Class of 61'?** Response: Live life to the fullest; cherish memories of family and friends—Be Happy!

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**Family Information Update:** Married Ann Henschen in 1966. Have 2 beautiful daughters, Catherine and Sara; 2 great son-in-laws and 4 grandchildren.

**1961 Class Memories- Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61:** Response: My 1<sup>st</sup> day as a junior and last day as a senior.

**Personal Goals- Now that you are in your Senior Years of Life, what is a dream you have yet to attain, or something you still want to do in this lifetime?** Response: Hike the Grand Canyon from rim to rim.

**Memory for your Classmates--if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey ---what would you say to the Class of 61'?** Response: No Comment.

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**Family Information Update:** Although I retired from American Airlines/Sabre in 1998, I work full time at LifeWay Christian Resources, where I integrate the corporate Business Intelligence (BI) environment, which is challenging and most of the time fun. I doubt that I will retire again any time soon.

Bev and I have one son, David who was married Oct 8, 2005. So we now have a beautiful daughter-in-law, Amy. They live in Boston (Waltham), MA. Amy is manager of a hospital physical therapy clinic. Dave builds computational linguistic software, currently for [www.basistech.com](http://www.basistech.com).

**1961 Class Memories- Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61: Response:**

3) Operating, for several weeks senior year, the "senior candy bar locker". Business model: Resell very near cost on a self-service honor system. Could you find a high school today where this would work?

2) Reciting a blasphemous poem in AP English relating to "angel" John Morton being lowered past the window on a rope from the science lab above. Chief instigators holding the rope were Jim Roediger and Tom Myers. Today, the DaVinci Code offends me and I'm sure the poem would too if I could find it. I wish I could apologize to Mr. Prouty.

1) Being noticed by the "cute little red-headed girl" in freshman science who sat in the front row, when I was a "new boy" in town, and all that followed. I found roots in that science class when I was otherwise totally lost.

**Personal Goals- Now that you are in your Senior Years of Life, what is a dream you have yet to attain, or something you still want to do in this lifetime? Response:** Now that I'm a "senior" again, I still have a lot of goals, for example: 5) Hiking in New Zealand, 4) Climbing and caving with Dave and Amy at Seneca Rocks, 3) Seeing "Kingdom results" from a new BI culture at LifeWay, 2) Remodeling our Nashville lake home as a place for small group bible studies, 1) Encouraging (future) grandkids to become spiritual champions.

**Memory for your Classmates--if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey ---what would you say to the Class of 61'? Response:** Are you in the group "whose work is work and whose pleasure is pleasure", or are you, like me, one of the fortunate ones "whose work and pleasure are one"? We're 63 now. If you enjoy your work because of its personal challenges, what else will similarly challenge you in your next "career" - retirement?

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**Family Information Update:** 3 sons—all now married. Matt is an attorney in Knoxville & has a son 8 and a daughter 3. His wife is an attorney, but currently is a full-time mom. Graham is the (administrative) supervisor of the Vanderbilt Medical Center Surgical Pathology lab where his wife is a pathologist. His twin Greg is doing post-doctoral brain research at the University of Arizona in Tucson.

**1961 Class Memories- Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61: Response:** Mr. Prouty's English class probably stretched my brain more than any other. At one point, he had me do a special project on the *Canterbury Tales*, prefacing it by warning me that "there are some stories that aren't fit for a demure, petite, little maiden to read. "I immediately found them and told his daughter which ones they were"!

**Personal Goals- Now that you are in your Senior Years of Life, what is a dream you have yet to attain, or something you still want to do in this lifetime? Response:** I'm working toward my own genealogical consulting business and certification as a genealogist.

**Memory for your Classmates--if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey ---what would you say to the Class of 61'? Response:** I spent 15 years as a classroom teacher and can certify that some classes are just plain better than others. And Dang! We were good!



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**Family Information Update:** My four children and eight grandchildren (ages 2 to 11) all live in southwest Ohio within one hour of my home. Les' three children and seven grandchildren (ages 6 to 25) all live in WY.

**1961 Class Memories- Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61:** **Response:** I am remembering freshman year in Van Cleve and the new high school our sophomore year, marching band, yearbook staff, "Our Town" junior year, and so much more.

**Personal Goals- Now that you are in your Senior Years of Life, what is a dream you have yet to attain, or something you still want to do in this lifetime?** **Response:** One of my goals is to ride on a motorcycle in all fifty states. So far I have been on two wheels in forty-two of the states and that has been in the last ten years. Only have three east coast states and five southern states to go. There are many other things I desire to experience... maybe experience a mission trip, or experience skydiving, or something I am not aware of yet. Life is exciting!

**Memory for your Classmates--if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey ---what would you say to the Class of 61'?** **Response:** I enjoyed and continue to enjoy everyone in our class. For me there was a very special feeling about our class. Through my life's journey I have learned that everyone has a path to follow, that I am the only person that can make me happy, and that if I can accomplish loving everyone unconditionally, being humble, showing gratitude for everything in my life, and have faith then I experience my days being filled with an abundance of wealth in health, relationships, and finances. This is what I wish for each member of our class to enjoy also.

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**1961 Class Memories- Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61:** **Response:** Football game bon fires.

**Personal Goals- Now that you are in your Senior Years of Life, what is a dream you have yet to attain, or something you still want to do in this lifetime?** **Response:** Go on a trip to Hawaii.

**Memory for your Classmates--if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey ---what would you say to the Class of 61'?** **Response:** I've enjoyed being a mother and grandmother...also the 20 plus years I spent being active in Girl Scouts.

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**Family Information Update:** Husband- Darrell Sweeney. Daughter Lara Cevallos lives in Greenville SC. She has one son Stephen Cevallos, 15 years old. Son Craig Sweeney lives in Columbia, SC. He has 5 children: Amber 13, Taylor 10, Noah 7, Tabitha 4, and Jenna 5 months.

**1961 Class Memories- Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61:** **Response:** No Comment

**Personal Goals- Now that you are in your Senior Years of Life, what is a dream you have yet to attain, or something you still want to do in this lifetime?** **Response:** No Comment

**Memory for your Classmates--if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey ---what would you say to the Class of 61'?** **Response:** No Comment

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**Family Information Update:** Husband Richard Coe-retired dentist, avid fisherman, boating & many hobbies. 3 children: Amy, Greg, Steven, and 4 stepchildren. Brother Frank Rabe moved from Key Largo, FL to Greenville S.C. in 2005. Dad passed away in 1988—Mom almost 95 years old! Not doing well this year. She is in a nursing home. I watch over her and her care. I love her and hold her hand and do all I can to bless her last years.

**1961 Class Memories- Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61: Response:** Everyone remembers my first day at Concord in Nov. 1956. I am remembered for my yellow & black polka dot dress, hose & flats! The boys stared in shock!! Also many wonderful friends, slumber parties, and cheerleading. I feel blessed to be part of such a close class of friends.

**Personal Goals- Now that you are in your Senior Years of Life, what is a dream you have yet to attain, or something you still want to do in this lifetime? Response:** I would like to go on the Alaskan cruise; possibly move to Greenville S.C. near my brother & buy new home & love to decorate all over again. I always make new friends, but have many here that make the choice difficult. We are tired of hurricanes!

**Memory for your Classmates--if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey ---what would you say to the Class of 61'? Response:** Thank you for accepting me immediately when we moved to Troy in 1956. That was 8<sup>th</sup> grade and we all had a great bond through our years at good ole Troy High. I wish you all the happiness I have found in my life and wish you all the same blessings!

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**Family Information Update:** I presently work part-time for the Troy Schools as their Coordinator for the Education Management Information System. I am involved with a local barbershop chorus and quartet. My wife, Deanna (Grove-'63 grad at THS), retired from Troy Schools this past July. She is presently working ½ time as a special education teacher in Troy. We have two sons, one granddaughter, one grandson, with another grandson on the way.

**1961 Class Memories- Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61: Response:** I have many wonderful memories of our class. As I think back, I would have to say most of those memories are associated with my classmates. The interactions with members of our class have resulted in many moments to remember.

**Personal Goals- Now that you are in your Senior Years of Life, what is a dream you have yet to attain, or something you still want to do in this lifetime? Response:** Deanna and I hope to do some traveling—including trips with our children and grandchildren.

**Memory for your Classmates--if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey ---what would you say to the Class of 61'? Response:** I am thankful for the blessings I have received and continue to receive. I consider one of those blessings being a part of the Class of '61. I will always remember our class and our experiences together.

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**Family Information Update:** Three sons—all doing well. Three wonderful grandchildren.

**1961 Class Memories- Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61: Response:** Our first date Homecoming 59'.



**Personal Goals- Now that you are in your Senior Years of Life, what is a dream you have yet to attain, or something you still want to do in this lifetime? Response:** Retirement years!!!!

**Memory for your Classmates--if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey --what would you say to the Class of 61'? Response:** Unique class---which we have carried the friendships and fellowship bonds over the years!!

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**Family Information Update:** Currently single but looking for a rich 98 year old woman. I have 9 children

**1961 Class Memories- Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61: Response:** That I actually graduated without having to bribe the teaching staff with my promise to leave town!

**Personal Goals- Now that you are in your Senior Years of Life, what is a dream you have yet to attain, or something you still want to do in this lifetime? Response:** I did not know I am in my senior years. I've only just celebrated my 24<sup>th</sup> anniversary of my 39<sup>th</sup> year. I hope for another 24<sup>th</sup> celebration.

**Memory for your Classmates--if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey --what would you say to the Class of 61'? Response:** I did not realize in 1961 how many times during the following 45 years I would have such good memories of my classmates! I am currently retired after about 24 years in the Hospitality and Food Industry. Most of those years were managing Country Clubs.

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**Family Information Update:** Married to Ken Besecker of Class of 1960; have one daughter Tammy Hagemeyer; have 2 grandchildren-- graduates of the Class of THS 2006.

**1961 Class Memories- Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61: Response:** I don't have one.

**Personal Goals- Now that you are in your Senior Years of Life, what is a dream you have yet to attain, or something you still want to do in this lifetime? Response:** Continue to be a productive human being and spending time as volunteer in my community.

**Memory for your Classmates--if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey --what would you say to the Class of 61'? Response:** I appreciate the friendships that I have developed by being a part of the alumni committee.

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**1961 Class Memories- Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61: Response:** I remember so many things when I think back to our four years at Troy High: Being in the marching band and hating to memorize poetry; being a Freshman at Van Cleve and moving to the "new" high school; collecting 100 insects and learning to drive; being "mobile"



as friends got cars and being able to go to Frisch's, the Root Beer stand and drive-in movies; calling my best friends by their mother's first names; flat-tops, ducktails and pineapple haircuts; singing in Trojanners and dancing at the "Rec"; attending pep rally's and supporting great football teams; going to Bing's and the excitement of the weeks before graduation; the sadness of Senior Chapel and knowing that Graduation meant moving on with your life and leaving good friends; the feeling you had ( and still have) when you hear the Troy Alma Mater.

**Personal Goals- Now that you are in your Senior Years of Life, what is a dream you have yet to attain, or something you still want to do in this lifetime? Response:** No Comment.

**Memory for your Classmates--if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey ---what would you say to the Class of 61'? Response:** No Comment.

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**Family Information Update:** Son Paul (architect) married to Kim (Teacher) 3 children: Rachel 12, Paul 8, Tommy 6; Daughter (Nurse) married to Stephen (Senior Process Engineer) 3 children: Nicole 14, Matthew 12, Stephanie 9 Husband (Retired Surgeon) teaching in local college 4 children and 8 grandchildren. Total of 6 Children and 14 Grandchildren We are really busy keeping up with the gang. I am a Certified Registered Nurse First Assistant. I work in a local hospital as an OR Nurse (scrubbing, circulating and assisting). I also work independently for surgeons that contract me to help them. I hope to build that part of my career up to be only working independently. I love my job and do not see retirement in the near future.

**1961 Class Memories- Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61: Response:** I am not a writer but I will list some of the memorable events. I am sure when this is finished and I have sent it in that I will remember lots more. I know other classmates memories will spark more of mine. I sometimes have a hard time remembering yesterday.

The dances in the cafeteria with the big glass globe and all the colored lights.

The assemblies with the singing of the weekday song (am I remembering that from High School)?

The football games and the wonderful team we had. They are still being written and talked about.

Sitting in Mr. Prouty's English room on the first floor and seeing someone being lowered on a rope from the lab in the room above us. Mr. Prouty took off and ran (really) up the steps. We thought he would have a heart attack. I wish I could remember who it was.

Mr. Dooley's chorus, band and orchestra classes. Listening to John Williams play Slaughter on Tenth Avenue.

The parties at Tony Friedman's.

The rides out past the statue farm that were always scary.

The great times we had at the "REC". All the after game dances and just hanging out on Friday and Saturday nights and Saturday afternoons. I will always remember what a great dancer Melanie was and I'm sure still is. We were lucky to have Mom and Pop Dixon to care enough about the youth and to keep the place safe and fun. They instilled a lot of values in us and taught us to respect the "RULES." I remember the day someone (can't remember who) was drinking a bottle of coke from the coke machine in the "REC" and at the bottom was a dead (obviously) mouse. They immediately vomited. We didn't know what to do and someone called the hospital to see what we should do. "Nothing" was the reply.

**Personal Goals- Now that you are in your Senior Years of Life, what is a dream you have yet to attain, or something you still want to do in this lifetime? Response:** I want to stay healthy and be involved in the lives of my children and grandchildren. I hope to leave some kind of positive memorable impression in their lives. I think our generation was fortunate to have some opportunities and experiences that today's youth do not have. I hope I can in some way help them have a positive walk through life. I feel that I have reached this phase of my life learning and growing from the mistakes I've made along the road of life. I have achieved my career goal, and I am enjoying a beautiful relationship with my husband and our children and grandchildren. So far it's been a great ride.

**Memory for your Classmates--if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey ---what would you say to the Class of 61'? Response:** I am proud to be a member of the Class of 1961. There are memories that are not able to be put into words. Each one of you have in some way contributed to my life. I have learned something from all of you that touched my life. I only wish I could turn back the clock and do some things a little differently. But, I guess we all have those feelings from time to time. I wish you all good health and a long and happy life. May God Bless you and yours. I wish I could be with you at this Forty-fifth reunion and look forward to the 50th.



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**1961 Class Memories- Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61: Response:** No Comment.

**Personal Goals- Now that you are in your Senior Years of Life, what is a dream you have yet to attain, or something you still want to do in this lifetime? Response:** I just want to finish my golden years with my husband and children and grandchildren. I hope both of us can keep our health and please avoid the nursing home.

**Memory for your Classmates--if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey ---what would you say to the Class of 61'? Response:** I have had a very good life. I have two great kids, a great son-in-law. My life gets better as I get older. My family is close and I really appreciate that.

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**Family Information Update:** David (39) married, 2 sons-Aaron (4) and Alex (6 months living in Springboro, Ohio. Alan (36) married, 3 daughters-Alyssa (12), Hannah (8), and Sophia (6) living in Granville, Ohio. Amy (32) married, 1 daughter Hailey (6 months) living in Brooklyn, NY.

**1961 Class Memories- Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61: Response:** 1) The great Friday night football games and going to the REC afterwards 2) When Teri Carey and I blew up our lab experiment in Mr. Houck's chemistry class 3) When Keith Murgatroyd lowered John Morton down past the windows of Mr. Prouty's English class.

**Personal Goals- Now that you are in your Senior Years of Life, what is a dream you have yet to attain, or something you still want to do in this lifetime? Response:** I would like to visit Mount Rushmore and continue to travel in the USA and the world.

**Memory for your Classmates--if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey ---what would you say to the Class of 61'? Response:** I am amazed at the wonderful friendships of classmates that are still so active in our lives. Our class has a great sense of commitment to each other and a terrific sense of pride in being a member of the Class of 61'.

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**Family Information Update:** Holly: lives in MN, is active in personal and professional activities related to advertising, is the proud mother of a baby boy born April 23 (first) and generally keeps her parents feeling young.

Todd: lives in MN, is active and learning the hardships of real estate investments, believes that he is still an athlete at 34, may never get the courage to marry, and occasionally surprises his parents with help around the house.

**1961 Class Memories- Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61: Response:**

This has been an interesting exercise. I dredged up memories that relate to just about everybody in our class. And, since I moved to Troy in the 9<sup>th</sup> grade, many of these memories are "first time" events in Troy. Because there are so many personal memories, I decided to write about two vivid group memories:



**Memory 1:** During the last days of our senior year, we began to play a few good-natured pranks. In one case, we began to lower John Morton down the side of the building by rope from the lab of Dale Vesper. Unfortunately, Mr. Vesper was conducting his class in the next room. As another partner in crime, Keith Murgatroyd was in Frank Prouty's English class directly below Mr. Vesper's Physics class. At the appropriate time, Keith stood up and started to recite a poem. During the poem, Keith pointed to the windows and said "and then God descended from Heaven". John dropped off the rope at the designated time just above the windows and ran away. Being one of the people on the rope, I assume that all went well below.

While lowering John on the rope, it made a loud rubbing noise on the aluminum windows. All of a sudden, Mr. Vesper appeared in the room. It seemed like 10 minutes that we stopped our activities and stared at each other. Finally, Mr. Vesper said to finish what we were doing and leave.

About 10 years later, I spoke with him about the prank. He said that he was between a rock and a hard spot. He thought it was funny, but he was also supposed to maintain control as a teacher. What a great guy!!

**Memory 2:** The Key Club was always looking for ways to raise money. In one case, a Dayton radio station had a contest to record all the songs (correctly spelled) in the exact order they were played from around Friday night to Monday morning. The most accurate and earliest postmarked letter won \$100. Talk about some weird shifts and assignments. And, somebody was a real organizer at the time. We had two locations with a cross checking procedure between locations. To ensure the postmarked time, somebody arranged for the Post Office to postmark the letter at 6:00 AM. Amazing, because the Post Office didn't unlock its doors until 6:00 AM.

I especially remember this event because of the disc jockey for the radio station. It was around this time that he locked himself in the room and played Mack The Knife for umpteen hours. He would announce various songs, but always play Mack The Knife.

**Personal Goals- Now that you are in your Senior Years of Life, what is a dream you have yet to attain, or something you still want to do in this lifetime? Response:** Stay healthy and in good shape, maintain a sense of humor, maintain an awareness of critical issues, be able to travel to new places, and wish the same for all my classmates.

**Memory for your Classmates--if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey --what would you say to the Class of 61'? Response:** About the class: This is an amazing class. In retrospect, it consists of people that are rather professional in nature and motivated to achieve their potential in life. At the same time, I am struck by the collective personal and caring attitude--from the continual communication, to the planning and attendance at reunions, to the scholarship fund to the achievements of class members. It reflects a group of people that have a similar set of high standards and have lived a life achieving those standards. That is unique.

About friendships: some classes appear(ed) to be burdened with a severe case of "cliques" where the various groups didn't have much to do with the other groups. You only see the world through your own eyes, but I don't remember that being a real issue with the Class of 61 then, or now.

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**Family Information Update:** I will be officially retired as of Feb 6, 2006. I'm currently on 5 weeks vacation. Jim & I have moved back to Tipp City. We will be closer to our family. I miss the people I have worked with the last 28 ½ years, but it is time for Jim & myself to spend some time together. My daughter Michele now has 2 children. Caleb will be 6 years old in April & Luke will be 2 years old in April. Michael's daughter Meredith will be 16 Feb 1<sup>st</sup> & his son Andrew will be 13 in Feb. Jim & I plan on doing some traveling. I will become more involved in my Sorority. I will be running for Secretary of our Province this March. They have been waiting for me to retire to get me more involved. They sure didn't waste any time. I can tell already that I will be enjoying retirement. I'm finally out of the Corporate hassle.

**1961 Class Memories- Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61: Response:** Coming from the country Concord School to the City High School & meeting all the city kids. Running to Kay's Hamburger Shop at noon. Going to the Rec on Friday nights after the football games. And of course GRADUATION!

**Personal Goals- Now that you are in your Senior Years of Life, what is a dream you have yet to attain, or something you still want to do in this lifetime? Response:** I met my personal goal working for Sonoco Products. I was able to work for a company for 28 ½ years that had a retirement plan. Employees hired after 2001 will not have this unless they save on



their own. I was Material Coordinator/Inventory Control & the best in our Division of 35 plants. I feel I met my goal. My goal now is to enjoy retirement!!!!!! \_I still want to go on a cruise. I cannot get Jim to do this. Maybe someday in the near future I can change his mind, but I'm not sure he will ever change how he feels about a cruise. Jim & I have done a lot of things & been a lot of places in our 25 years of knowing each other. If I don't get to do a cruise that will be o.k

**Memory for your Classmates—if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey —what would you say to the Class of 61'? Response:** The class of 61 is a very special class. There is not another class like us. I have talked to many people from other classes & they cannot believe how close our class is & how so many of us stay in touch & how many come to our reunions. They are sooooo jealous. Class of 61 is the best & let's continue to be the best.

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**1961 Class Memories- Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61: Response:** Playing on the baseball team. Trying out for basketball, but not making it. Mr. McHenry who encouraged me in class and gave me confidence to go to college.

**Personal Goals- Now that you are in your Senior Years of Life, what is a dream you have yet to attain, or something you still want to do in this lifetime? Response:** Retire! I retired once from 30 years of teaching. Moved to Lake Murray in South Carolina. Went back to work 7 years ago in real estate.

**Memory for your Classmates—if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey —what would you say to the Class of 61'? Response:** I moved to Troy in my junior year—I remember the classmates who treated me as their friend even though I was new. And, the football team was the best ever!

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**Family Information Update:** Spouse—Connie; Children—Kurt & Maggie; Message: Retired from education, but still coaching football at Tecumseh H.S.

**1961 Class Memories- Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61: Response:** Our strong athletic teams and coaching staffs, plus the great athletes I was able to play with during my four years at Troy H.S.

**Personal Goals- Now that you are in your Senior Years of Life, what is a dream you have yet to attain, or something you still want to do in this lifetime? Response:** Continue to positively influence young men thru coaching; spend quality time with my children and grandchildren; travel with my wife and family and play on some great golf courses..

**Memory for your Classmates—if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey ---what would you say to the Class of 61'? Response:** I am privileged to be a part of a highly successful group of outstanding high school graduates. The friendships I made and the fond memories I have of my time at T.H.S. will forever remain with me as the years pass.

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**Family Information Update:** I'm still married (41 yrs) this 7-18-06. My son died at the age of 32. My daughter is 35 yrs old. No mother and father---4 sisters living in Miami County.

**1961 Class Memories- Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61:** Response: I graduated.

**Personal Goals- Now that you are in your Senior Years of Life, what is a dream you have yet to attain, or something you still want to do in this lifetime?** Response: Take another cruise.

**Memory for your Classmates--if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey ---what would you say to the Class of 61'?** Response: I can't---I can't think that far back.

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**Family Information Update:** Married to Joe Miller---retired postal worker. Sons-Jeff Ross married to Jill. They have 2 sons Randall (6) & Patrick (3). Son: John, still single. Sharon---High School Principal---still working.

**1961 Class Memories- Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61:** Response: All the fun and excitement following our awesome football team. Being a part of the high school band where perfection was expected and achieved.

**Personal Goals- Now that you are in your Senior Years of Life, what is a dream you have yet to attain, or something you still want to do in this lifetime?** Response: To retire from a wonderful educational career, travel and enjoy my two grandsons in 2-3 years; then I will seek employment at the "Wilds" Nature Preserve doing educational tours.

**Memory for your Classmates--if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey ---what would you say to the Class of 61'?** Response: There have been many twists and turns in my road through life and I have enjoyed them all! I am the eternal optimist.

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**Family Information Update:** Brother: Lowell, lives in Annville, Kentucky retired-seems to mostly hang out in Costa Rica, Ireland, Utah, Oregon and decadent spas and pleasure doms of the western world. Brother Skip- retired living in Richmond, Indiana, but teaching Intro to Lit trying to find books that will shock and offend naïve Indiana white trash. Everyone else is still dead.

**1961 Class Memories- Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61:** Response: Now this is the hard one. My response turned into a dissertation-so here is the condensed version: Linda Rabe's yellow polka dot dress; I found my freshman English paper titled "My Freshman Year" written for Ms. Floyd. It was embarrassingly juvenile, (she thought so too-C-) maybe I will bring it in Aug.; Fairmont brought a big cardboard horse to the football game, like Cassandra, I screamed that we should burn it, but no, Mr. Secoy accepted it and thanked them, then they trounced Troy ending the 27 game winning streak; Toilet on the flagpole; Just going to Friday night football games and then hanging out at the REC, Mom & Pop Dixon making sure we all behaved and had a good time-mostly I watched 77 Sunset Strip; Last day of school (for me at Troy), I was wandering about trying to take in everything, regretting that I would never get to sit on the senior bench. Barbara Hill and John Williams were practicing in the Auditorium they stopped to tell me they would miss me-I left for the levy immediately fearing that I might be seen all weepy; Trojanaires came to perform in Quarryville, PA (our new home) Jack Barnett and Tommy Kingham stayed at our house, we talked all night. Pat Drake said we thought maybe you would be some sophisticated Easterner-but you're the same old Phil. Lowell and I went to visit them the next night at Sally Larimer's aunt's house; Enough.

**Personal Goals- Now that you are in your Senior Years of Life, what is a dream you have yet to attain, or something you still want to do in this lifetime?** Response: Ski till my legs fall off; Learn to play the piano real good so when my legs



and mind fail I'll still be able to do something; Christmas in Lapland; Take the Tran Siberian Express; Hike the Appalachian Trail; Live in a commune with a bunch of freaks-just like in the 60's; Impeach Bush and work for world peace.

**Memory for your Classmates--if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey ---what would you say to the Class of 61'?** **Response:** There is a proverb that goes something like "bring up a child in the way he should go and when he is old he will not depart from it..." maybe there's truth in that because I still see Troy as my home, my Rock of Gibraltar.

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**Family Information Update:** Doug Loomer and I were married August 20, 2005 surrounded by our family, including our 4 parents. We feel so blessed to have found each other and look forward to the adventure of our lives together. My three sons, their wives and my 6 grandchildren live respectively in Tulsa, OK; Kronbery, Germany and Glen Ridge, NJ. Living on Flathead Lake, this is always a good reunion spot for some of us - or all of us! Doug is retired from the Department of Defense in Washington, D.C., and now we enjoy traveling south with our travel trailer, riding the rails (since he is a huge train buff and collector); enjoying our dogs, kayaking; cross country skiing and all the fun social activities (this is a huge retirement area in spite of all the snow) And I still do a little traveling and judging of figure skating.

**1961 Class Memories- Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61: Response:** Two memories stand out: my bug collection for Mr. Petty's biology class being eaten the night before it was to be graded (and only mine.....it looked very suspicious), and being Margie in our Senior Class play, "My Little Margie".

**Personal Goals- Now that you are in your Senior Years of Life, what is a dream you have yet to attain, or something you still want to do in this lifetime? Response:** What??? I'm in my senior years??? OK, lets see, truthfully, I would still like to make a difference.....somehow, somewhere. I would like to just enjoy, cherish and build upon the foundation of my new marriage. Of course I would still like to be fluent in another language, but that's not going to happen!!! I've studied off and on my whole life, with little in the way of results!

**Memory for your Classmates--if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey ---what would you say to the Class of 61'?** **Response:** Weren't we all fortunate to have gone to school in Troy, Ohio, in the United States? Did we realize what an idyllic town we lived in, with friends/relationships/a school system and the attendant values that launched us on our life's course, and which for most of us I believe has been good.

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**1961 Class Memories- Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61: Response:** The warm way I was greeted by classmates when I came to THS in January 1960. Thanks to all of you, I felt accepted right away.

**Personal Goals- Now that you are in your Senior Years of Life, what is a dream you have yet to attain, or something you still want to do in this lifetime? Response:** To follow my dear 87 year old mother's examples-66 years (and counting) of marriage to a great man; providing lots of love & support to Jerry, our children, grandchildren & anticipated great-grandchildren; as well as to extended family members, friends and others. I also plan to try new adventures as they occur.

**Memory for your Classmates--if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey ---what would you say to the Class of 61'?** **Response:** Embrace each opportunity to enrich someone else's life (no matter how small or large it is). Then, thank God for the privilege to do so.

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**1961 Class Memories- Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61: Response:** Sitting on the Senior Bench, going to the football games, the REC, K's Hamburger Shop, Isley's Ice Shop, Barry's Skateland, Graduation.

**Personal Goals- Now that you are in your Senior Years of Life, what is a dream you have yet to attain, or something you still want to do in this lifetime? Response:** I'm retired now and would like to travel a little bit and be with my grandchildren.

**Memory for your Classmates--if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey ---what would you say to the Class of 61'? Response:** Classmates of 61 was the best class. We had lots of friends. To all my friends, Bev Sotzing, Dorothy Brown, Sandy Carithers, Becky Brown, Rita Corn, Darlene Collins, Nancy Crawford, Sandy Garby, thanks for being there for me and we all had a blast in school. To my other classmates, you are my friends too. Each time we meet it seems that we get closer to each and everyone. We are one big family and I am so glad to be part of this family. We all have to be strong and to help each other. Peace be with the classmates of 1961. Love to All, Joyce.

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**1961 Class Memories- Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61: Response:** I always enjoyed playing in the band.

**Personal Goals- Now that you are in your Senior Years of Life, what is a dream you have yet to attain, or something you still want to do in this lifetime? Response:** We would like to travel in New England.

**Memory for your Classmates--if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey ---what would you say to the Class of 61'? Response:** Just be yourself....take each day you are given and make the most of it.

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**1961 Class Memories- Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61: Response:** My most memorable moments are marching in the band and being on the homecoming court. To this day, hearing a drum cadence always reminds me of the pride we felt for THS and our many laughs and good times we had during our practices and especially at the football games. Being a member of the Trojanaires was another highlight of my high school years. Little did I know that many years later my experience in the Trojanaires would help give me the nerve to join our very talented church choir.



I always get nostalgic when I hear the song, "You'll Never Walk Alone"...it was one of my favorites that we sang and reminds me of some very special times.

**Personal Goals- Now that you are in your Senior Years of Life, what is a dream you have yet to attain, or something you still want to do in this lifetime?** Response: My dream is to stay healthy and active so that I may enjoy my grandchildren and also to contribute to the community through volunteer activities.

**Memory for your Classmates--if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey ---what would you say to the Class of 61'?** Response: I know it's a cliché but so true, make each day count, life is so very short!

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**Family Information Update:** Three sons—all doing well. Three wonderful grandchildren.

**1961 Class Memories- Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61:** Response: Our first date Homecoming 59'.

**Personal Goals- Now that you are in your Senior Years of Life, what is a dream you have yet to attain, or something you still want to do in this lifetime?** Response: Retirement years!!!!

**Memory for your Classmates--if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey ---what would you say to the Class of 61'?** Response: Unique class---which we have carried the friendships and fellowship bonds over the years!!

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**1961 Class Memories- Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61:** Response: I do have memories that are like flowers pressed between the pages of my mind. The colors may have faded but the fragrance lingers on. I remember the girls that I dated. Not just the first kiss, holding hands or dancing at the REC, but more importantly the time we shared just getting to know one another. I remember the pranks that I did, many of which I'm not proud of. For example here's a couple. I stole a concrete duck from Crazy Daisy's statue garden and placed it on a traffic island in East Main St. Even though it was a strange misshapen duck, it stayed there for several months. The maintenance workers even trimmed the grass around it; Before Mr. Bascombe's drafting class, we would slide pennies into the display case. I slid a note in saying that all contributions would go toward buying Three Hairs a wig. The next day there was a note from Mr. Bascombe, thanking us for the contributions and urging us to keep them coming.

**Personal Goals- Now that you are in your Senior Years of Life, what is a dream you have yet to attain, or something you still want to do in this lifetime?** Response: I'm into bicycling so my goal is to bike to the end of the road.

**Memory for your Classmates--if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey ---what would you say to the Class of 61'?** Response: I really appreciate the efforts of several classmates to alleviate my feelings of inferiority. It gave me a lack of cynicism that has lasted me my whole life.

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**1961 Class Memories- Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61:** **Response:** Times spent with friends at the REC. Great learning experiences provided by our teachers (I do not think we knew how good we had it).

**Personal Goals- Now that you are in your Senior Years of Life, what is a dream you have yet to attain, or something you still want to do in this lifetime?** **Response:** My goal and the goal of my wife and family is to start a business in approximately 3 more years.

**Memory for your Classmates--if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey ---what would you say to the Class of 61'?** **Response:** How fragile life is and how important it is to stay in touch with friends and classmates that have been a part of our lives. These are the people that you can say "remember the time that we (did whatever)" or "do you remember (something out of the 50's or 60's)" and they know what you are talking about.

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**1961 Class Memories- Most memorable moment(s) for you in the Class of 61:** **Response:** Ability to turn our class ring "over" and still read "1961"!—Just Kidding!!—The success of our football team and what this meant to this school, community and future of my teammates—college scholarships, etc.

**Personal Goals- Now that you are in your Senior Years of Life, what is a dream you have yet to attain, or something you still want to do in this lifetime?** **Response:** Sell my business (our business) retire and "travel".

**Memory for your Classmates--if you could write any statement to your classmates to embrace your feelings about our Class, friendships, or life's journey ---what would you say to the Class of 61'?** **Response:** T.H.S. 4 years in our "life journey"—our first "big step" to maturity-education by some great teachers; fellowships within all the clubs and sponsored community programs; friendship through sports, REC Dances, parties; memories to last a lifetime!!



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