

Le Journal Toullois

Toul American High School
Toul, France 1962 - 1966
October, 2006



Reunion 2006 Pensacola Beach, Florida



- Back Row: Lynn Rice, Linda Richardson, Mike Kotecki, Gloria Moore
Middle Row: Pete Boyd, Maria Rich, Neil Van Arsdol, Eddie Lazorda, Erica Weaver, Michelle Richardson, Ginger McKown
Front Row: Cathy Smith, Margitta Henson, Kathleen McKown, Judy Ward, Annette Fortner, Georgina Federonis, Jane Nelson, Denise Bartuska



Our Two Hostesses: Georgina Federonis, Jane Nelson (head turned again), and Ericka Weaver

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Reunion 2006 continued

The party started Thursday evening pool-side with a great steel band. Friday night was a blast with an excellent buffet dinner, a DJ (connected to the internet so he could retrieve whatever oldie we wanted to hear), and dance. We all went to Georgina's home on Saturday night for a shrimp fest and more time to reminisce. We had tons of time together to visit, laugh, remember, feel like teenagers again (sort of), and get to know each other again. If you have never been to a reunion, you really need to. *More on page 3.*

Junior High Brat Reunion Muskogee, OK



Left to right starting in back: Jerry D. Smith '65, Jim Harrison '68, Ralph Ferri '67, Kim Rice '67?
Sam Pilato '67, Carla Crawford '69, Annie Hurley '69
Barry Scoggin '68, Cindy Scoggin, Judy Chaplin '68, Jan Smith (Mrs. Jerry D.)
Also attending but not pictured: Harold '68 and Harla Acheson

On June 1 - 4, 2006, several Toulies descended upon Muskogee, OK, at Carla Crawford's home. They sat around and caught up with what they had been doing for the past 40+ years. Annie was the token Army brat. Pictures, scrapbooks and memories were shared by all. It proved to be a very relaxed and congenial time and one that holds new memories. It still amazes me that people who lived in the same place for a short period of time could mesh so well after a period of 40+ years. While all of us remembered the teen club and the infamous bus trips, certain other memories from one would spark another memory from someone else and then the stories came out. After 40 years we know who accidentally peed on someone else in the "kiddie woods". My thanks to all who ventured to the place where we don't smoke marijuana and to Judy, THE GRAND POOBAH, for finding people and getting them here. As Annie so eloquently stated "my heart soared" for the time we had together. Can't wait to do it again. Carla Lockwood Wiggs '69.

TAHS REUNION 2006

Pensacola Beach, Florida

June 22 - June 25, 2006

Hosts: Jane Kramer '64 and Georgina Federonis '66

Attendees: Denise Bartuska '64 and husband Mike
Annette Fortner '64
Mike (John) Kotecki '66 and wife Karen
Ginger McKown '67
Gloria Moore '66
Maria Rich '66 and husband Ted
Michelle Richardson '69
Cathy Smith '68
Judy Ward '64

Pete Boyd '65 and friend Ann Byers
Margitta Henson '65
Eddie Lazorda '66
Kathleen McKown '69
Lynn Rice '66 and friend Judy Barley
Linda Richardson '65
Pam Smith '65 and husband Clayton
Neil Van Arsdol '65 and wife Jan
Erika Weaver '66

Comments:

It was so great to see all of you who came to Pensacola Beach!! It was a small intimate group but I think we all really enjoyed ourselves. The beach and water was outstanding and the food and hotel were wonderful. Jane Nelson

We had a great time in Pensacola and enjoyed seeing all the old friends AGAIN. Neil Van Arsdol

The reunion was great. We had a lot of fun and lots and lots of visiting. We all enjoyed the DJ and dancing on Saturday night....the stroll, the twist...we still have it ☺. It was great getting to know old friends better and making new ones. Jane and George, thanks for all your work, effort, and patience. Margitta

Message from a Spouse:

I'd like to say how much I enjoy the reunions. I haven't been to all of them, but have thoroughly enjoyed each one I've attended. I urge all of you spouses to join us next time. Your loved one will enjoy the reunion more if they have someone close to share the dancing and special moments. The alumni treat you as one of their own and I've never felt out of place with them. I can't begin to tell you how much I look forward to the reunions and how disappointed I am when we can't attend for some reason. Since I've finally written this letter, I would like to thank everyone who has planned a reunion. You've all done a fantastic job.

Sincerely,

Jan Van Arsdol (Neil Van Arsdol's better half)

More Reunion 2006 on page 7.

Future Reunion Discussion

FYI, it has been traditional to decide on the next reunion at the current reunion. The location is decided upon by whoever volunteers to host it. So if you want to host a reunion in the future and can't make the next reunion, let me know and I'll bring it up to the attendees. It also has been stated that "official" reunions will be at a minimum of every 2 years and in the 3rd or 4th week in June. Also, know that if you host a reunion, the fee that you require should cover all your expenses.

It was **decided and voted** by the group to have another cruise in 2008. Specifics will be researched by Denise Bartuska, but the options that she and her travel agent will be looking at are 3-, 4-, or 5-day possibilities. Probably out of FL somewhere, probably to the Caribbean and depending on the cabin you choose, probably in the \$350-\$650 range per person plus air fare. The cruise fee includes all your food; alcohol is extra. It really is a reasonable way to go and so very nice. If you start putting away \$20 a month, you got your cruise fare paid for by 2008. You will need a **passport** (<http://travel.state.gov/passport>). The larger the group, the more perks are added. Any issues need to be known now, so if you have comments, let Denise know (mstone11@cfl.rr.com) before the end of 2006. The next newsletter will contain the specifics of the cruise which are not available until April/May 2007.

There was also discussion of an overseas reunion in France in 2010; Annette Harris will be researching that, but that option won't be discussed and decided upon until we gather at the 2008 reunion. If we get information, I'll include it in the next newsletter for food for thought. Also, Lynn Rice would like to host a reunion in Wichita when the Overseas Brat museum is completed (ground has not been broken), so that might happen in 2010 or 2012.

Previous Reunions:

1977 Athens, GA	1991 Orlando, FL	1993 Las Vegas, NV
1995 Estes Park, CO	1997 Athens, GA	2000 Cruise out of LA to Mexico
2002 White Bear Lake, MN	2003 Seattle, WA	2004 Las Vegas, NV
2005 Sand Springs, OK		

Lost and Found - Guess Who?

Johnny Ard '65, for those of you who were in Toul in the early 60's, was found this spring. A couple of emails and some chat on the forum, and we caught up. A lot of us remember this high energy, funny, crazy even, boy (no offense Johnny). He lives in NY with his family. Nothing but the best for you, John. Hope to see you at a reunion one day.

Class Ring

Here is an earlier update from Bill Baltzell '66. "My ring is designed and on order!!! It has the Toul Cathedral on one side and a Warrior on the other side. It is very similar to the class of 67, but not exact. I funded the men's die. If someone wants a ladies ring, the die will cost \$275. The basic ring cost me \$339.95, but it may vary slightly depending on what bells and whistles you want. I paid an additional \$85 for a simulated blue sapphire."

And the latest news from Bill: "I have my ring and love it. I'm glad I did it. This is my 3rd THS ring. One was stolen in '71 and I re-ordered. The 2nd one was stolen in '94. So now, it hardly ever comes off my finger".

So if you want a ring, just email: Kerri Dolena at <mailto:kerri.dolena@jostens.com>

If you have questions, contact Bill at: Phone: (530) 634-2777 (w)
(530) 432-9362 (h)

e-mail: William.Baltzell@beale.af.mil

TAHS Paver

Lynn Rice Wasinger '66 is doing some research on "The American Overseas Schools Historical Society" Memorial Program. www.aoshs.org/kiosk Pavers can be purchased to represent an overseas school. Sizes range from 4"x8" to 24"x24". Prices range from \$100 to \$2500.

If you have questions, contact Lynn at: Phone: (316) 618-4945 (h)
e-mail: lynn@chswichita.org

Homecoming 2007

Overseas Brats Reunion

August 2-5, 2007

Dallas, TX

<http://www.overseasbrats.com/Homecoming.asp>

Change of Address

We sure would hate to lose contact with you. Please send your change of address to Sue Crowley (see last page).

Other Links You Might Be Interested In

Verdun High School: <http://www.vahs.org/>
TRAB Website: <http://trab.packwebs.net/>
Military Brats: <http://www.militarybrats.com/>
Overseas Brats: <http://overseasbrats.com/>
<http://bratsourjourneyhome.com/>
Toul Forum: <http://forums.delphiforums.com/toul/start>

The **newsletters** from 2004, 2005, and 2006 are available to read and print from the Toul Forum. Simply go to the forum, click on the Webpage tab, and click on the "Archive of Newsletters". If you prefer to receive your future newsletters from the Forum saving us some postage, e-mail me at margitta@rehler.com and put Toul Newsletter in the subject line.

In Memoriam:

Joel Bentley
Chemistry Teacher 1962-1963
Died May 4, 2004





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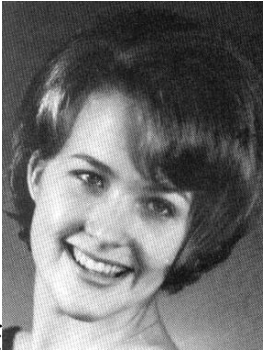


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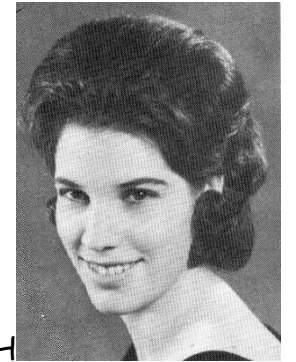


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Answers
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TAHS FUND RAISERS

YEARBOOK CD

Cost: \$20.00

The CD contains the following Yearbooks:

1962 Green (Junior High) 1963 HS 1965 HS

1963 Junior High 1964 HS 1966 HS

plus: newspapers, pictures, and miscellaneous remembrances

SEND MONEY TO: Margitta Henson Rehler
4226 North Highway 97
Sand Springs, OK 74063
Phone: (918) 245-9950
e-mail: margitta@rehler.com

TOUL DIRECTORY

Cost: \$5.00

SEND MONEY TO: Sue Crowley
1719 Whitaker Ave.
White Bear Lake, MN 55110
Phone: (651) 429-3530 (c) (612) 270-6526
e-mail: polarsac@aol.com

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(in order to continue mailings)

SEND DONATIONS TO Sue Crowley. Any amount would be appreciated. Merci.

Answers: 1G, 2F, 3J, 4E, 5I, 6D, 7A, 8H, 9C, 10B.

COMPUTER TIP: Hold CTRL + scroll button, and the font will change size. Does have its uses. Thanks Carol Walsh.