

# *Le Journal Toullois*

Toul American High School  
Toul, France 1962 - 1966  
Summer 2007



## Reunion 2008



### SAVE THESE DATES!!!!

June 16th thru June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2008, for the 2008 TAHS High School Reunion!

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WHERE: Majesty of the Seas, a Royal Caribbean Cruise Line

ITINERARY: June 16th...departs Miami

June 17th...Nassau, Bahamas

June 18th...Coco Cay, Bahamas

June 19th...Key West, Florida

June 20th...return to Miami

More details on pages 2 and 3.

# TOUL American H.S. Ultimate Class Reunion Classes of 1963 - 1966

*You're Invited.....*

*Join the classes of 1962- 1966 as we celebrate our  
Ultimate Class Reunion aboard  
Royal Caribbean "Majesty of the Seas"*



*June 16-20, 2008*

*4-Night Bahamas Cruise*

*Miami to Nassau Bahamas, Coco Cay Bahamas and Key West FL*

*A reunion to remember! Enjoy four days reminiscing old times and catching up on the past years. Special events have been planned for the cruise. What better way for the TOUL American High School to celebrate their Ultimate Class Reunion than at sea. Please join us for this very special reunion.*

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| <i>Junior Suite with balcony "JS"</i>        | <i>\$ 896.72 per person</i> |
| <i>Superior Ocean View Stateroom "SO"</i>    | <i>\$ 706.72 per person</i> |
| <i>Ocean View Stateroom "F-1"</i>            | <i>\$ 566.72 per person</i> |
| <i>Ocean View (obstructed) Stateroom "I"</i> | <i>\$ 526.72 per person</i> |
| <i>Interior Stateroom "K"</i>                | <i>\$ 516.72 per person</i> |

*All prices quoted are per person, cruise only, based double occupancy and Includes All port charges, and government fees of \$146.72. Transfers from Ft. Lauderdale and Miami airports are available. Pre -cruise hotel available for those arriving early. Optional Trip Protection Plan is additional. Prices and availability subject to change after Sept 5, 2007. Ship registry: Bahamas.*

*Deposit of \$100 per person at time of reservation*

*Final payment due April 1, 2008*



Need Additional Information? Call Reunion Committee member  
Denise Stone 321-453-5807

Independent Cruise Specialists  
Greg & Jeanne Bernard ACC

**CRUISEONE**

Indian Harbour Beach, FL  
321-777-8850 or 800-957-8850

Email [cruise@cfl.rr.com](mailto:cruise@cfl.rr.com)

To see the ship, staterooms, ports of call, and shore excursions, go to:

<http://www.royalcaribbean.com/gohome.do>

To reserve your room, contact:

Jeanne Bernard

Phone: 321-777-8850 or 800-957-8850

Email: [cruise@cfl.rr.com](mailto:cruise@cfl.rr.com)

### Notes from Denise:

If you do go to the website, you will notice that cabins start at \$429 per person...these are also available to us but I didn't put any on hold due to the fact they are on Deck 2 and 3....small and inside, but they are an option if someone is on a budget. A better choice would be to team up with some classmates and share the cost of a cabin that holds 3 or 4 people. You would get a better cabin on a higher deck at about the same price. Email me if you'd like breakdown on that pricing. You get a lot of engine noise plus movement of the ship down on Deck 2, 3, and 4. The cabins we have a hold on are on Deck 5 and above for that reason. If you need a roommate, contact Denise. A \$100 deposit needs to be paid to the travel agent by SEPTEMBER 5, 2007, in order to hold your room. No guarantee on these prices after that date.

Depending on the number going we can add nice benefits, like a cocktail party with open bar. The cruise line wants 100 in a group to do this but I'm working with an agent if we only have 30 or 40 people.

I think it would be great if classmates brought their adult kids and grandkids on this. It would be nice to meet each others families.

The transfers from the Miami Airport are \$29 to the Port and the travel agent is lining up a hotel for those flying in the day before. You could spend the day touring South Beach or renting a car and going to the Everglades or the upper Keys.

The cruise fee includes your food, cabin, and entertainment; alcohol is extra. The prices listed on page 2 also include port charges. You will need a **passport** (<http://travel.state.gov/passport>). This process is taking about 3 months so plan ahead.

On-going and current discussion about the cruise can be found on the Toul Forum (<http://forums.delphiforums.com/toul/start>). Or if you have questions, you can either contact Denise or the travel agent. We'll send out another newsletter in the spring.

## **Notes from Margitta:**

I just wanted to add my 2-cents as I did not go on the 2000 Toul cruise because I thought cruising was too expensive, too crowded, and too confining. I have since been on several cruises; David says I have a cruise-monkey on my back. I absolutely love it. David was equally reluctant to go on a cruise, but now loves it...we use all his vacation for cruises. The food and service is wonderful, there is entertainment of all kinds, there is a casino, the ocean is beautiful, the ports of call offer a variety of things to do...or not. There is privacy if that is what you want and if clothing is a concern, formal night is optional...you can dine in the casual dining room if you choose. We had friends that reserved their spot on a cruise at the last minute and had to settle for an inside cabin. She was concerned about claustrophobia and darkness, but ended up liking the room very much. If you are prone to motion sickness, the ships provide free dramamine. So please consider joining us.

## **Future Reunion Discussion**

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 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> week in June. Also, know that if you host a reunion, the fee that you require should cover all your expenses.

At Reunion 2006 there was discussion about an overseas reunion in France in 2010. Also, Lynn Rice Wasinger '66 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    | 2006 Pensacola, FL |                                 |

## **Homecoming 2007**

Overseas Brats Reunion

August 2-5, 2007

Dallas, TX

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

## 507th Engineer Company Reunion

The 507th Engineer Company from Toul is hosting a reunion in Branson, MO, Oct 15-19, 2007, and have invited all of us who were there, not just GIs. Reunion Central is the Grand Plaza Hotel for \$89 per night. An activities package of \$225 includes, among other things, the Jim Stafford Show, a dinner, a dinner cruise on a paddle wheeler, a group photo, etc. Partial packages are also available. For those of you who hung out at TED, the 507th is the company across the street from the tennis courts and the gym.

If you are interested, either contact Sue Crowley at [polarsac@aol.com](mailto:polarsac@aol.com) or email the coordinator, Tom Fortney, directly, at: [bigtomfort@msn.com](mailto:bigtomfort@msn.com) or phone: 760-377-5699. They are also looking for current photos of TED if available.

### Class Ring

Bill Baltzell '66 has designed and bought a Toul class ring. It has the Toul Cathedral on one side and a Warrior on the other side. It is very similar to the class of 67. The basic ring cost \$339.95, but it may vary slightly depending on what bells and whistles you want.

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](mailto: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](http://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](mailto:lynn@chswichita.org)

## 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

Toul Forum: <http://forums.delphiforums.com/toul/start>

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/>

The **newsletters** from 2004, 2005, 2006, and 2007 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".

## In Memoriam:

Jean Gordon '63



Died June 2006

## SMALL WORLD, N'EST CE PAS?

I am continually amazed just how 'small' our world is—let me explain. My wife, Cathy, and I were lucky enough to be able to retire early, and build a mountain home in western North Carolina. We truly enjoy our time spent here, and have met many new friends. Most are transplants, like us! We split our year between Burnsville, NC and Melbourne, FL.

Our local Humane Society holds an annual flea market to raise necessary funds to supplement their budget. We attend this worthwhile event each year, and always find bargains we can't live without. Little did I know at last year's market I would find someone from my FATHER'S past...

I was looking at some electronic items that had been donated for sale and overheard a man next to me mention "Toul Rosieres". When he concluded his discussion, I asked him about Toul. Turns out he was stationed there in the early 60s, when my family was also there. My Dad worked for the DoD as a civilian in the Personnel office, and my sister and I attended the DoDs high school. As you can imagine, it was quite a surprise to find out we had overlapped our tenures at Toul.

The retired Air Force fellow's wife was also there at the market, and I went over to talk to her. She is a French native who grew up around Toul, met a nice serviceman and married him at the base. As we talked, she asked about why my family was stationed there. When I told her my Dad worked in the Personnel Office, she asked his name----and then realized she knew my Dad! She worked on base in a similar office and was very familiar with my Dad. Talk about a small world! Here we are in the mountains of North Carolina, at a Humane Society flea market, and I meet a woman who worked with my Dad forty-some years ago in France.

We now count Skip and Nicole Blankenship as new friends, as they also live here in Burnsville and spend part of the year in Florida, too. Who knows who else I'll meet, or just miss meeting, from the past????

Submitted by: Art Kramer (brother of Jane Kramer-Nelson '64)  
'66 Wiesbaden HS grad  
(attended TAHS '64)

## 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  
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### TOUL DIRECTORY

Cost: \$5.00

SEND MONEY TO:      Sue Crowley  
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