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Volume Two

Greetings Alumni! Hope you're all staying cool this Summer. And, for you alumni who don't live in Cincinnati, we hope your temperatures are lower than ours.

Colerain Alumni Association (CAA) has been busy planning two upcoming events for you! A lot of hard work has gone into these plans, so we hope you'll come out and support your alumni association. We know you'll have a great time.

Come beat the heat on August 13 at our family pool social. We'll be gathering at the new Colerain YMCA on Cheviot Road from 6-9 PM. Admission is only \$1 for ages 3 and up. Under 3 is free. Bring your coolers (no glass or alcohol, please), snacks, and lawn chairs. Lifeguards will be on duty, so you can relax knowing the kids are being watched while they're swimming and playing. That way, you'll be free to swim and play, toe! If you don't want to swim, come anyway to socialize. It promises to be a fun, affordable evening for the whole family!!

Don't forget to mark your calendars, too, for the October 14 Alumni Night football game and DANCE. This is going to be a terrific night! It starts at 8 PM at the Colerain/Western Hills football game. We'll have a section of bleachers reserved for alumni - any alumni, regardless of whether or not they belong to the Association. At half-time and during the game, alumni Band, Cheerleaders, Majorettes, Flag Corps, and Rhythmettes will perform. Also, Colerain Hall of Fame awardees will be honored. The good times continue after the game at a DANCE in Lakeridge Hall. A D.J. will be spinning all the great music from every era; you're bound to hear your personal favorites - oh! the memories! Get a whole group of alumni friends together and plan on sharing those memories. Make some new friends, too. There will be a major raffle prize (more details on this next newsletter), as well as door prizes and a split-the-pot raffle. Here's the best part - admission is only \$7 per person in advance/\$9 per person night of the game. And, the price covers your admission to both the game and the DANCE; the DANCE includes beer, soft drinks, and set-ups. Sounds like a great time and a great bargain! So, get your tickets early. They'll be available mid-August from many CAA members as well as the high school. See you there!

For those of you who plan on participating in Alumni Night with the Alumni Band, Majorettes, Cheerleaders, Rhythmettes, and Flag Corps, please contact one of the following Chairpersons sometime in the near future so they'll be sure you're on the contact lists:

Band Cheerleaders Henry Huber, 741-7098 Sylvia Rennekamp,

385-7507

Flag Corps Majorettes Rhythmettes Andrea Meyer, 385-9747 Holly Coors, 662-3215 Doris Hayes, 681-4512 or Margo Thomson, 385-5949

Now, for a little nostalgia. How many of you remember Serendipity? If you do, then you just might remember The Poems Serendipity Wouldn't Publish (And We Still Don't Blame Them). Let's play "that was then, this is now." Here's poems from two of the latter book's alumni - a poem from "then" and a poem from "now."

THEN

IN LOVE WITH A PICKLE

I have found girls to be basically fickle, So I have fallen in love with a pickle, When we met it was love at first bite, Everything about her was out of sight.

Like a hungry fish I had taken the bait, Our love grew date after date, Soon things changed from I to We, I thought of marriage and how happy we'd be.

Then something happened I just can't explain,
I know now I'll never be the same.
Just when I thought we were having fun,
She ran away with a hamburger bun.

Dean Smith, 1972

NOW

LIFE AFTER HIGH SCHOOL

High school days were grand indeed, No cares in the world, or so it seemed. Harassing teachers, skipping classes, It was truly a world through rose colored glasses.

"Preparing us for the world" we were told, But we were sure having fun was our only goal. Graduation Day was a long awaited date, We were confident success was our only fate.

What! No more high school? What are we to do? Some on to college, others to work, one even married Sue.

We found the world to be tough indeed, No more party time, hard work & study was the need.

As we arose to the challenges and took on life, We think back on the carefree days without strife. And remember what Carl Banks once said, "Touch my daughter Cindy and you are dead!"

Life after high school, there is one you know, But things aren't as simple, you must learn to grow.

For the challenges are greater, the rewards can be, too.

What happens after high school is all up to you.

Dean Smith, 1988

THEN

GETHSEMANE (JESUS PRAYING)

I came in glory as a man at my birth, To open the bondage between heaven and earth.

I came as you sent me - I ask myself, Why? Why must I pay for their sins and then die?

I pray in this garden to keep me alive, Just a little bit longer so I can derive -A plan in its glory to save all of men, But leaving me peacefully to heaven again.

I know this is selfish, I know this is vain - But all I want from you God is to live free again.

My bones are soon wearied; They'll take me away.

And I'll die for those people I love - I'll obey.

I love you my Father - I know what I must do. I'll do it with courage - I'll do it for you. But help me while tripping and falling across, The barren and heavy and torturous cross!

Cindy Lohner, 1972

NOW

(Presented to my husband, Rob, with a reindeer ornament, Christmas 1980; a very difficult year for us financially. I was not working at the time, and wanted to help out. So, I made and sold reindeer ornaments.)

This funny little reindeer, And all his brothers, too, Were keeping very busy, With a lot of work to do.

Now, the money from these reindeer, Is especially for you. It paid off the McAlpin's charge; It paid the Sears off, too.

Please know that you are loved alot, And know it took some time, And lots of luck not getting caught With reindeer on my mind.

Your Christmas wasn't bought this year With quarters or with dollars. It was bought with love and cheer And fifty reindeer brothers!

Cindy Lohner, 1980

How about you? Do you have some nostalgia you'd like to share? Maybe a "remember when?" Send your contributions to the editor.

VISORS

CAA has white, plastic visors for sale for only \$3. The visors say "Colerain Alumni Association" in red lettering. Be sure to get yours so everyone knows you're a proud Colerain alumni. Visors can be obtained through any CAA officer or at any alumni meeting.

WHERE'S YOUR SPACE IN THE WORLD?

Please help us keep our mailing list current. If you've moved in the past three years, please drop us a line and notify us of your new address. We'll soon be obtaining a bulk mailing status so, if your mail is being forwarded, you'll no longer receive this newsletter. We want to keep in touch, but can't if we don't know your correct address. Also, if you know of another alumni who has moved, please either give us their new address, or ask them to contact us. Also, we'd like to know if we have any duplications (i.e., more than 1 newsletter to family members living at the same address). Thanks for your anticipated help!

WELCOME NEW PAID MEMBERS

A big CAA "HELLO!" and welcome to our recently paid Alumni Association members:

Norbert Snow ('58), Judy Kottman ('61), Andrea Meyer ('86), Robert Schildman ('60), Diana Lynn Kroger ('88), Lisa Huber ('88), Gary & Janet Benzinger ('70), Dean Smith ('73), Cindy Lohner ('73), Randy Rice, Cindy Jackson ('71) & Michael Jackson ('65), Fred Marsh ('71), Evelyn Moore Ruth ('66), Ron Stewart ('66), Mary Lee Tracy ('77), Tonya Stewart ('88), Robert Strub M.D. ('65), Donald Casey ('72), Ronald Johnson ('64), Carol Puzzitiello ('59), Kent Benzinger ('73), Nickolett Mitchell ('77), Debbie (Schultz) & George Beeler ('76)

And, here's a few words from one of our new members, Ron Johnson, who sent his membership all the way from California: "Please join me up! Here's five bucks for good ole' CHS!" Thanks for your enthusiasm, Ron.

JOIN UP!

If you haven't paid your membership fee yet, we encourage you to send it in! Only \$5 gets you a <u>lifetime</u> membership in CAA. You need only be a graduate of CHS (any year) to belong. Also, please share information about the Association with your alumni friends and encourage them to join, too. Just fill out the form below and send it to our Treasurer, Michele Hughes, at 3629 Ashhill Court, Cincinnati, Ohio 45247.

DROP US A LINE

If you have any items you'd like to share with your fellow alumni through this newsletter, please contact the Editor, Doris Hayes, through the high school at 8801 Cheviot Road, Cincinnati, Ohio 45251. Or call at 681-4512 (please leave a message if no answer). Hope to hear from you!

SEE YOU SOON!

PLEASE FILL OUT COMPLETELY

YES, I want to join CAA. I have enclosed my \$5 membership fee.

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