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## SO, WHAT'S GOING ON AT MY ALMA MATER?

In life, the memories that impact our hearts and intellects are remembered forever. At Mayfield, students will remember navigating the traffic jammed halls in between classes, the teachers that motivated them, and ultimately, what it truly means to be a Wildcat. While summer has temporarily bottled up our academic lives, it has also given us the opportunity to reminisce about the past year and sometimes, inspire us toward the future.

Second semester began with new athletic highlights, academic achievements, and two new sets of kings and queens. Winter Formal officially kicked off the second half the year by crowning a new pair of individuals that joined Mayfield's royalty alumni. King **Brad Wolfe** and Queen **Stephanie Tripi** were crowned after a grandiose assembly in the Wood Gym. Soon after, Cat's Cabinet donated a great deal of time and energy into making the 52<sup>nd</sup> Valentines dance, *Masquerade*, memorable. President **Nicole Falsone** and Vice President **Stephanie Tighe** led Cat's Cabinet this year. Following Winter Formal, students were now anxious for the last dance of the year, Prom. Led by Junior Class President **Antonia Kopp**, the Junior-Senior Prom, *Who I Am*, proved to be an amazing night. After crowning Queen **Josette Galiano** and King **Mark Fadel**, the upperclassmen danced the night away at St. Noel's Banquet Center and then traveled over to the middle school for a night of mayhem (After-Prom).

Following the wild weekend, athletes prepared for their anticipated tournaments. In sports, the girl's swim team earned the first NOC championship title in Mayfield history and Junior **Daniel Nemeth** qualified for swimming states' in the 100 and 200 freestyle. Wrestling qualified three individual place winners at states, runner-up **Cory Hayes** at 171, **Tylan Coleman** 4th at 160 and **Dan McNulty** 4th at 119. Spring sports equally matched the winter sports. Senior **Tyler Begun** became the second Wildcat to win the annual Home Run Derby at Classic Park and broke the Wildcat's home run record, hitting 14 home runs this past season. The Baseball team now hopes for a third straight winner next year, best contenders being Juniors **Tim Wetzell** and **Lee Longo**. The Girl's Track team had a couple records broken as well, including the 800 relay and Distance Medley Relay, both made up of **Michelle Olie**, **Stephanie Buda**, **Deanna Godby**, and **Marie Lorentz**.

In academics, Mayfield honored its seniors in the annual Honor's Day Assembly, where many deserving seniors earned scholarships for their future education. Other highlights included the Mayfield Calculus Team placed first in the state on the annual Continental Math League test. In the annual Excel Tecc Competitions, **Maurice Chazaro**, **Melissa Fuerst**, **Lauren Kraska**, and **Mary Vasinko** made up the Regional Gold Medal winning team at the state competition. Graduation presented us with the opportunity to highlight these winners as well as many other achievements. Before Principal Tony Loewer highlighted all the achievements of the seniors, Salutatorian **Jenny Liu**, Student Council President **Josette Galiano**, and Valedictorian & Senior Class President **Mark Fadel** gave the graduation addresses to the crowded Palace Theater. The year ended as it should, with diplomas awarded and a new senior class preparing for their spotlight.

Mark Fadel, Class of 2009

## Mayfield Alumni Association Staff Hall of Fame



Edward Andrews, Chick Beach, Gerry Beach, Harriet Bush, Joe Chilbert, Kay DelBrocco, Ed Ferris, Mary Grootegoed, Gene Havas, Bill Hunt, Carrie Jackson, Lee Johns, Rod Meadows, Rick Miner, Mike Niland, Mike Ostovic, Joanne Paller, Barb Pfender, Joe Popelka, Lou Ramicone, Carl Roth, Frank Russell, Paul Sabatino, Ernie Safran, Joe Santora, Harvey Scheetz, Dutch Schmidt, Bill Shaylor, Bob Sheridan, Ed Siebenhar, John Steadman, John Szuhay, Herm Treu, Sandy Turner, Jean Zasio.

## Scholarship Awards Establish New Record

The Mayfield Alumni Association established a new high in scholarship awards at the annual Honor's Day Program May 29, 2009. This year 22 outstanding students shared a total of \$18,000. Alums can be very proud of the financial assistance they provide to seniors who work diligently in the classroom and who also manage to get highly involved in athletics, clubs, volunteerism, and extra-curricular activities. Our committee of **Chairman Dave Huelsman, Dan Cox, Diane Mastrobuono, and Laurie Blood** had their usual difficult and time consuming task of reviewing 71 applications and interviewing many students to reach a final decision. With much gratitude, the Association thanks all alums who donated during the 2008-09 scholarship drive. Your names will appear in the next issue of *The Alumni Voice*. Following is a brief summary of this year's scholarship recipients.

### **\$2,500 Jonathon Green Leadership Scholarship**

**Mark Fadel**—Mark, ranked 1<sup>st</sup> in his class and was a two-year National Honor Society member. He was also his class president for four years, Student Council president, Future Business Leaders of America vice president, co-editor of the yearbook, four-year member of Key Club and a writing contributor to *The Alumni Voice*, the Mayfield High School Alumni Association newsletter for two years. Mark was on the swimming team for four years and its senior captain. He was also a Northeast Ohio District Qualifier in the 200 and 400 yd freestyle relays. He competed with the cross country team and volunteered at Hospice of the Western Reserve for the past three years and also attended various summer programs and camps. Mark plans to attend a medical school at one of the following colleges he has been accepted to: University of Michigan, DePauw University, Miami University, Penn State or the University of Richmond.

### **\$500 William Shaylor Memorial Scholarship**

**Brad Wolfe**—Brad, a two-year National Honor Society member, was also involved in sports, band, student council, clubs and owns/runs his own DJ business. A scholar athlete, he lettered three times in Ice Hockey (captain) and enjoyed Track & Field as well. He performed in the Jazz, Concert and Marching bands. His activities extended to community volunteer ventures as well. He has been a DJ for over 50 school-related, public and private events. Brad has been accepted to The Ohio State University, Pittsburgh and Wright State.

### **\$1,000 Michael Patrick Colombi Memorial Schol.**

**Lauren Sterle**—Lauren, a two-year National Honor Society member and scholar athlete, ranked 4<sup>th</sup> in her class, and earned varsity letters in golf and swimming, where she was a team captain as well. She was involved in many aquatics-related activities, both inside and outside of school as well as instructing in special needs classes. Lauren will be attending Miami University this fall.

### **\$1,000 Michael Patrick Colombi Memorial Schol.**

**Michelle Olie**—Michelle, a National Honor Society member and this year's Homecoming Queen was also quite involved in athletics as evidenced by being a nine-time varsity letter winner in cross country (2), soccer (3) and track (4 & captain). Her education became well-rounded by participating in Key Club and Student Council as well as community involvement. Michelle has been accepted to The Ohio State University, Penn State, Ohio University and Miami of Ohio.

### **\$500 Tim Collaros Memorial Scholarship**

**Yongjia "Jenny" Liu**—Jenny, a two-year National Honor Society member, a National Merit Finalist and ranked 2<sup>nd</sup> in her class won numerous awards in math, science and writing. She participated in synchronized swimming and diving as well as being involved in many other Mayfield organizations. Jenny will be attending Washington University in St. Louis and major in Bio-medical Engineering and Pre-Medicine.

### **\$500 John Szuhay Memorial Theatre Scholarship**

**Olivia Morris**—Olivia, a four-year Principal's List student, was involved in drama, art, dance, and theater clubs throughout her years at Mayfield. Not only did she participate in many of the high school productions, she also participated in similar organizations outside of school. She was a People to People Student Ambassador on an 18-day trip to Australia. Olivia also participated in the school Chorale. She has been accepted to James Madison University and the Univ. of Wisconsin.

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## Thank You Very Much

Your scholarship donations are helping many excellent students attend college. This year's group has accomplishments second to none.

## \$18,000 Awarded to 22 Students on Honors Day

### **\$500 Norm Huelsman Memorial Scholarship**

**Megan Puskar**—Megan, a Scholar Athlete, participated in Cats Cabinet for two-years, soccer for four years and was also a student aide to the school athletic trainer for two-years. She was involved in the Excel Tech Early Childhood Education Program where she had an opportunity to work with pre-kindergarten and kindergarten classes. It was here she finally realized that she wanted to pursue a double major in Early Childhood Education and Special Education at Slippery Rock University or the University of South Carolina.

### **\$1,000 Ron Ritner Memorial Scholarship**

**Josette Galiano**—Josette, a two-year National Honor Society member and Student Council President, is a two-year letter winner and team captain in tennis. She also won awards in art competitions and publications as well as being involved in the community, dance and school clubs. She designed and painted two murals for The Cleveland Clinic Children's Hospital. Josette will be attending Case Western Reserve University following the pre-med track, majoring in Cognitive Science with a minor in Art.

### **\$500 Alvarez-MarkFrank Cosmetology Scholarship**

**Carla Nocero**—Carla was a senior Cosmetology student who excels in all she does. She is currently working at Imagine Salon in Willoughby. She will be an asset to the salon because of her work ethic and caring nature with clients. She showed much maturity in the classroom and is very deserving of this alumni award. Carla plans on attending Salon-life beauty show in Chicago in August and is planning to take additional classes in her field.

### **\$500 Butch Woodie Memorial Scholarship**

**Rachel Kravitz**—Rachel, a Scholar Athlete, was on the Honor Roll and also is a four-time letter winner in soccer (captain) and a letter winner in track. She was also involved in Cats Cabinet, Junior Achievement and the soccer club. She has participated in Relay-4-Life, Rock-A-Thon and referees recreational soccer games and instructs youth soccer clinics. Rachel will be attending the Univ. of Toledo on an athletic scholarship.

### **\$1,000 Rich Vojticek Memorial Scholarship**

**Carli Vandrak**—Carli, a Scholar Athlete, which requires excellence in both academics and athletics, has shown a passion for community service and volunteering. She

participated in Student Council and Marching Band and was involved in Key Club and P.R.I.D.E., which do volunteer work. She spent her own time volunteering with a number of organizations which include Hospice of the Western Reserve, Aids Walk and Adaptive Game Night. Carli will be attending The Ohio State University.

### **\$1,000 Harvey Scheetz Memorial Scholarship**

**Christina Johns**—Christina, a National Honor Society member, was involved in sports, is a scholar athlete and lettered in fast pitch softball while also participating in volleyball. She participated in Key Club, marching band and the wind ensemble. She is a teacher at her church's Sunday School. Christina will be attending Marietta College to pursue a career in teaching.

### **\$1,000 Alumni Association General Scholarship**

**Lisa Marko**—Lisa, a two-year National Honor Society member and 15<sup>th</sup> in her class, participated in student council, Key Club, Cat's Cabinet and in peer tutoring. She is a four-time letter winner and two-time captain in golf. She played fast pitch softball and basketball and volunteers at her church. Lisa will be attending The Ohio State University this fall and plans on majoring in the medical field, although not quite decided in which specialty at this time.

### **\$1,000 Alumni Association General Scholarship**

**Andrew Rovito**—Andrew, a National Honor Society member and a member of Marching Band, Symphonic Band, Wind Ensemble, Jazz Ensemble and Honors Band. He participated in the Astronomy Club, Ultimate Frisbee Club, Future Business Leaders of America and also volunteers at his church. He also was a two-time letter winner in track and competed in indoor track as well. Andrew plans to major in Mechanical Engineering at either Case Western Reserve University or the University of Toledo.

### **\$500 Alumni Association General Scholarship**

**Ethan Brown**—Ethan, a Principal's List and Honor Roll student, was a three-time letter winner in soccer where he was co-captain of this year's Conference and District Championship team. He participated in Key Club, CYO Basketball, MARC floor hockey and assisted in Youth Soccer clinics. Ethan plans to attend either Wright State University or Shawnee State University and major in Computer Engineering.



# CLASS REUNIONS



<u>CLASS</u>	<u>REUNION</u>	<u>WHEN</u>	<u>SAT. COST</u>	<u>CONTACT PERSON</u>	<u>PHONE / E-MAIL</u>
1949	60th	July 24-25, 2009	\$45.00	Mary Grootegoed	mary13jack@sbcglobal.net
1959	50th	June 26-28, 2009	\$70.00	Maureen Zihelr Erb	nanaerb@bellsouth.net
1964	45th	Nov. 14, 2009	\$45.00	Jeff Day	jeffreyhday@yahoo.com
1969	40th	Nov. 14, 2009	\$45.00	Bob Terlizzi	rlterlizzi@hotmail.com
1984	25th	July, 10-11, 2009	\$??	Jolene Liuzzo Greve	jolene986@yahoo.com
1989	20th	Nov. 7, 2009	\$65.00	Dan Farinacci	mayfield1989.myevent.com
1999	10th	Sept. 26, 2009	\$??	Concetta Coletta	ccoletta@consultc2.com

## Will The Real Carl R. Anderson Please Stand Up!!

The Alumni Association recently received a letter from an alum who thought he should save the Association a little postage in mailing our newsletter out (see letter at right). You see, this particular alum was receiving two newsletters for some time and thought it was time to put a stop to that. We think you will find the following letter a bit humorous, and really kind of hard to believe.

Dear Wayne,

I'll try to save you some postage for your next mailings, as you can see I received duplicates on the Fall/Winter **Alumni Voice** (he cut out and sent both mailing labels). It is sort of humorous how all this happened, probably going back to 1933 or 1934 in the second grade.

We had just started writing cursive and my signature showed more like "Carol" than "Carl". **Miss Madsen** mistakenly took it to be just that, and **Carol Scheuring**, the smartest girl in the class, was getting graded on my papers and I was getting her much better grades. Her parents, who owned and operated the general store on the southeast corner of SOM Center Rd. and Wilson Mills Rd. called it to the attention of Miss Madsen and she called my parents in to suggest that from thereon, I might consider signing my paperwork with my middle name, Richard. That I did and never remembered the whole issue until my mom mentioned it in her later years. I even graduated in error as Richard C. Anderson. I think in one of your publication, I was listed as deceased.

When I enlisted in the U. S. Marines in 1945, they straightened that faux pas out quickly by giving me no choice but to use my first name and middle name on all documents and correspondence. What a story in my 81st year to still try to rectify my name.

Sincerely,  
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## Bogus Web Site Has No Connection To Mayfield

There is a web site (and others like it) that is not connected with the Mayfield High School Alumni Association nor Mayfield High School. For some time, this site has been causing much confusion with graduates who think they are connecting with the Mayfield High School Alumni Association. The site is "[alumniiclass.com](http://alumniiclass.com)" and purports to be part of the Mayfield City Schools. It is not!! In fact, Tony Loewer, high school principal, has refused this company, and others like it, to have a link to the high school/school district web site.

This company offers spirit apparel and reunion information that is not directly related to anything that is actually going on. In fact, they don't seem to be using the Wildcat logo nor the term "Association", which would be a blatant misuse of copyrighted material. Please don't be confused by this and other web sites that want you to believe they are connected, directly or indirectly, to the Mayfield City Schools. This company is in business purely for monetary gain. They prey on people throughout the country who may want to connect with classmates, then get them to purchase "spirit wear" and other items for a cost. Imagine the money they make by pretending to be any high school in the country. They know each school's name, colors, nick-name, and mascot. The more people who post information on this site, the more credibility they gain. Unfortunately, anybody you may want to connect with would have to do the same as you or you won't find a match.

This company is even trying to establish a "wall of fame" (on their web site). As most of you already know, M.H.S. actually has a real Wall of Fame in the main hallway outside the office. Additionally, the high school maintains an Athletic Wall of Fame in the hallway leading to the main gym, as well as plaques for each member of the "Mayfield Alumni Hall of Fame", also in the main hallway by the office. These are real - not e-mailed in over the internet!

About 25 years ago, companies like "alumniiclass.com" went to local companies within the community and duped many of them to put their company name (paid of course) on a seat cushion. These companies thought they were supporting the high school when they "bought in". When principal Jim Mollenkopf discovered what was going on, he immediately contacted the imposter company and forbid them to purport to be connected with Mayfield High School. That put an end to that money-generating scheme. However, today, it is very difficult to put your hands around a company's neck to choke off their ability to make money off people who think they are doing the right thing. Please don't be duped.

Your Mayfield High School Alumni Association, Mayfield High School, and the Mayfield City Schools in general, will always be in a position to provide assistance to graduates and any needs they may have. Please contact the Association via e-mail or connect with the district's web site. Our Alumni Directory (published by Harris Publishing Co.) is also the best way to maintain contacts with your classmates because your classmates actually confirmed their personal information that is printed in the Alumni Directory. These are the most accurate methods to use to be sure you are communicating with "real Mayfield people". The Mayfield Alumni Association has always provided many forms of assistance to class reunion committees. That is one of our main purposes.

### And Speaking of Web Sites...

The Mayfield Alumni Association would like to improve our site by keeping it more up-to-date. We are looking for a volunteer who is skilled (semi-skilled??) in web site construction. The Association has used current high school students in the past, but because these students move on, we have not been able to have a consistent approach to improving our web site. Please contact the Association if you may be interested in helping out in this important area.

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## Scholarship Awards Total \$18,000

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### \$500 Alumni Association General Scholarship

**Gianni Ferritto**—Gianni, a National Honor Society member, has participated in football, Key Club, track and baseball. As a young child, Gianni was diagnosed with Burkitts Lymphoma and after a long and successful struggle he is completely cured and become a better person for it. He now truly knows how to fight adversity. He earned honors in football, such as All-Conference 1<sup>st</sup> Team and Honorable Mention, captain of the team and McDonalds Player of the Week. He will be attending The Ohio State University and major in Medicine.

### \$500 Alumni Association General Scholarship

**Michael Pinto**—Michael, a National Honor Society member, scholar athlete, and four-year baseball and football participant, earned awards for football such as Honorable Mention All-State, First Team All-Conference, Academic All-Ohio, Academic All-Conference (3 yrs) and team captain. Other interests include volunteering at a soup kitchen and the Wildcat Youth Football Camp. He also won Ceramic "Student of the Year". Michael will be attending The Ohio State University where he plans to major in accounting, engineering or education.

### \$500 Alumni Association General Scholarship

**Amanda Warner**—Amanda, a National Honor Society member, ranked 12<sup>th</sup> in her class and won numerous academic and athletic awards. She was awarded biology, health and German "Student of the Year" honors. She is a four-time letter winner in tennis and a three-time letter winner in track. She was also a tennis State Doubles Team tournament qualifier, playing with her sister. A member of Student Council, Key Club, Cat's Cabinet and Marching Band, Amanda will be attending The Ohio State University (Honors program).

### \$1,000 Nancy West Business Scholarship

**Phillip Dworzen**—Phillip, a two-year National Honor Society member, has been involved in tennis, Key Club, Wildcat Focus, and other various organizations and fundraisers, both in and out of school. He worked with the Eighth Grade Advantage program where he enjoyed assisting teachers and helping 8<sup>th</sup> graders prepare for high school. Phillip will be attending The Ohio State University where he will be working hard to be admitted to the Fisher School of Business.

### \$1,000 Paul Gadke Memorial Scholarship

**Sara Wu**—Sara, a two-year National Honor Society member and a two-time letter winner in track and field, was involved in clubs/organizations in and out of school, such as Wildcat Focus, Peer Tutoring, Key Club, PAWSOhio and World Affairs. She won departmental awards in mathematics, English, science and Spanish and is also fluent in Chinese (Cantonese). Sara has been accepted to or waiting on response from five major colleges and universities.

### \$500 Judy Delfs Spirit Scholarship

**Megan Bogaki**—Megan, an Honor Roll student and a three-time letter winner in both tennis and track and was selected as a captain in each, by her peers. She served as an aide to the high school athletic trainer for two years. Megan had an excellent attendance record during her high school years and was involved with Cat's Cabinet, Key Club, Relay for Life and Mayfield Village's Halloween party. She has been accepted to Baldwin-Wallace College, Mount Union College and Capital University.

### \$1,000 Laura Rinker Nursing Scholarship

**Nicole Falsone**—Nicole, a multiple Principal's List and Honor Roll student, was involved in sports, clubs and volunteering. She played volleyball, basketball, and tennis and was in Cat's Cabinet (as this year's president) and held an officer position on Student Council. She has been proud to be a blood donor since the age of 17 and was a guest speaker to the 5<sup>th</sup> graders at Center Elementary School speaking about the D.A.R.E. program. Nicole has been accepted to the nursing program at Kent State and Notre Dame of Ohio and plans on earning a Bachelor's Degree in Nursing Sciences.

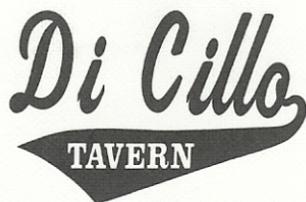
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## IN MEMORIAM

**Dorothy Gary Young, '30**, passed away March 1, 2009.  
**Mabel Avery McKinley, '36**, passed away Nov., 2007.  
**Dorothy Beyer Lane, '37**, passed away April, 2009.  
**Angie Sturniolo, '39**.  
**Jim Woerne, '42**, passed away March 23, 2009.  
**Robert T. Wood, '42**, passed away June, 2009.  
**Ruth Simpson, '43**, passed away May 8, 2008.  
**Dodee Copper McAllister, '45**.  
**John Ransome, '47**, passed away March, 2009.  
**Nancy Maher McClusky, '53**, passed away in June, 2009 from an automobile accident.  
**Kenneth Ozawa, Ph.D., '53**, passed away March 4, 2009.  
**Patricia Harris Brown, '58**, passed away Jan., 2009.  
**Barbara Rhodes, '67**.  
**Gail Zion, '67**.  
**Robert John Patek II, '68**, passed away from heart failure.  
**Larry Lechowicz, '72**, passed away March 18, 2009 from a serious auto accident.  
**Steven Maurer, '73**, passed away June, 2009.  
**Cathy Riedel Papotto, '79**, passed away Dec. 2008.  
**Anne Feigenbaum, '81**, passed away June 4, 2008.  
**Robert Kevin Farinacci, '85**, passed away January 3, 2009 from cancer.  
**Wendy DiVita Murphy, '87**, passed away February 5, 2009.  
**Ingrid Marie Hess, '96**, passed away April 21, 2009.

### Staff Deaths:

**Arthur Chokenea**, bus driver, passed away January 31, 2009 from lung cancer.  
**Edward Saleem Ferris**, Social Studies, OWE teacher, started MHS wrestling program, football coach, passed away April 19, 2009.



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## Help Us Inform Our Members

If you are aware of the passing of Mayfield graduates, the Association would welcome this information. Often, with our membership living all over the United States, the only way some members learn of the death of their classmates is through our newsletter. You can send this information to us through our e-mail address.

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# Wildcattin' With Kitty



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**Baiju Shah, '89**, is President and Chief Executive Officer of BioEnterprise. A man variously described as "a walking Rolodex," "smart as hell," and a "master facilitator" heads BioEnterprise, a nonprofit organization, headquartered in University Circle, charged with boosting growth in the region's health care economy. So far, BioEnterprise claims a hand in the growth of 89 biomedical companies throughout Northeast Ohio. They've drawn \$859 million in capital and generated 1,900 jobs. That work has established the region as a hot spot for biomedical investment in the Midwest. BioEnterprise's goal is to see its client companies reach \$1 billion in capital raised by next summer, when the organization turns eight years old. "We try to make it as easy as possible for people to fine each other when they have a common goal around the biomedical space," said Baiju on developing health-care companies.

**Bob Reid, '69**. Cuyahoga County Democrats recently selected Bob Reid, a former Bedford police chief, as the new sheriff to replace Gerald McFaul. Reid's election marks the first time in more than 32 years that the county's top lawman will have police experience. Reid was a police officer for 25 years. He graduated from the FBI's national academy and has a degree in business administration. "Trust will be restored in the sheriff's department," Reid declared after his victory.

**Don Golga, '67**, was inducted into the Greater Cleveland Slo Pitch Softball Hall of Fame Museum in October, 2008. "Donnie Ballgame" currently a softball manager, has been heavily involved the the game from 1978 to the present. Prior to being a manager, Donnie Ballgame was a player and has amassed an overall record of 1,755 wins and 383 losses. He has also played for or managed teams to the following accomplishments: Cleveland Metro Championships - Open, Major, A, & D (5 times), Ohio State Championships (5 times), and World Championships (3 times). Don was influenced by **Coach Joe Santora** who coached the Mayfield Wildcat baseball program for over 30 years. Donnie Ballgame is very proud of the fact that he has never been thrown out of a game by an umpire in over 2,000 games.



**Barille Electric** was also inducted to the Greater Cleveland Slo Pitch Softball Hall of Fame Museum in October, 2008. The company has long been a softball team sponsor and made significant contributions to the game. The award was accepted by **Richard Barille, '72 and Damien Barille**.

**Jim McCartney, '89**, has been working in the area of Identity Theft for several years. He is part of a group that has recently released a book which takes this scary area and makes it more understandable. The book had a launch date of March 19th of this year. Jim was able to get some face time on some morning news shows, in USA Today and the Wall Street Journal. The book is available on Amazon. The Association encourages you to pass this announcement along to everyone in your family and to anyone you feel might benefit from learning more about what Identity Theft really is and what protective measures can be taken.

**Dennis Palmer, '62**, was recently inducted into the Ohio State Wrestling Coaches & Officials Association Hall of Fame. Dennis officiated for 39 years in total and officiated at state 20 of those years. The Mayfield High and Case Western Reserve graduate has served as the Northeast Ohio Wrestling Officials president and rules interpreter.

## On the prowl for Alumni News...

Help us keep our readers informed about other Mayfield alums: business news, class websites, deaths, etc. Include graduation year if possible.

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# WELCOME NEW MEMBERS



We are pleased to acknowledge the following individuals for joining the Mayfield Alumni Association. Whether referred by a classmate, friend, or relative, the Alumni Association continues to grow and has become stronger through the participation of new members.

A lifetime membership to the Alumni Association is only \$35. It is the surest way to be located by your class reunion committee and stay up-to-date on your alma mater's activities. Also, it becomes much easier to participate in Association events. Remember, there is no fee for those alumni who are over 65 years old. Also, married Mayfield graduates can join for the same \$35 lifetime fee. Please feel free to clip the registration form from this newsletter and give it to a fellow alum. If you have any questions regarding membership, you may contact us at: [Mayfieldalum@sbcglobal.net](mailto:Mayfieldalum@sbcglobal.net)

### A warm WILDCAT WELCOME to:

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- Pat Murphy Rivera, '55
- Frances Pitrone, '58
- Glen Weinberger, '61
- Donna McCloud Stepanek, '62
- Ginny Virant Manzer, '63
- Edwin Season, '63
- Ted Brewer, '66
- David Maynard, '66
- Lillian Briggs Maynard, '66
- Anthony DiVita, '73
- Nancy Ladd DiVita, '74
- David Ferris, '83
- Edward Ferris, '85
- Bill Ferris, '87
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I/We are willing to work on or help with the following committee:

\_\_\_\_\_ Membership      \_\_\_\_\_ Scholarship      \_\_\_\_\_ Fund Raising

\_\_\_\_\_ Newsletter      \_\_\_\_\_ Historical      \_\_\_\_\_ Social

## Remembering Ed Ferris

The Mayfield Schools and community lost a great friend when Ed Ferris passed away earlier this year. Many former students, and wrestlers especially, made a point to come from far and near to pay their respects for this influential teacher and coach. Fortunately, Ed was elected into the Alumni Association's Staff Hall of Fame in November, 2000, while he was able to enjoy the adulation we heaped upon him.

The funeral home was filled with pictures of Ed. All kinds of them. The pictures included some when he was a cute little kid, football at Ohio University, teacher/coach pictures, those with his wife Patti and their three sons, and many with dear friends. One of the more interesting items on display was a letter from Assistant Superintendent, Kenneth Faulhaber. As most readers know, Ed Ferris is responsible for starting the Mayfield Wrestling Program when it was nothing more than a dream. The Association is reprinting the letter here because we know a majority of those members who knew Ed were not able to make it to the funeral home. We also want you to know what a great man he was and how influential he was to the many students he guided and developed. Ed's family has established a scholarship in his name. It will be included in our 2009-10 scholarship drive.

March 26, 1968

Dear Ed,

I remember - -

I remember - an enthusiastic young man who started teaching at Oakville Elementary School - 5th grade - and the girls all loved him - who, as I talked with him, told me of his love for wrestling and how he wished Mayfield had a wrestling team.

There was a bond established, for you found out that I liked wrestling and had tried to establish it - back when. So I supervised physical education - and we talked wrestling and sooner than seemed possible you were at the Junior High and had talked Mr. Scheetz and others into starting a wrestling team. I don't recall which came first, your assignment to the Junior High or your assignment to wrestling - but - -

I remember - how you used to plead for better mats, more mats, repair of mats - and now we have mats.

I remember - how you emphasized that wrestlers, representing the school, must always make an appearance that was a credit to the school - and how, on the days of meets, your boys presented that well groomed appearance. Somehow Ed, you were able to get that desirable image across to boys better than most coaches.

I remember - in those beginning years when there was time to visit, your enthusiasm, your arguments for weight control. against Dutch and me, your way with parents as you convinced them wrestling was a gentlemanly sport that demanded discipline - and not what passed for wrestling in those days of TV.

I remember - the response as year by year more boys participated in the sport at Mayfield and in Northeastern Ohio. You contributed more than your share of influence on the sport in this section of the state by the manner in which you influenced Mayfield boys and the way you conducted yourself as a man and coach.

Ed - thanks for a lot of memories - not all with wrestling - but believe me - I will miss you at future matches as I look across the gym and no longer see you imperturbably hunched over like "The Thinker" of nonchalantly leaning back "we got it made". For an emotional person, your control at matches seemed like cast iron.

Ed, you should be proud of these years.

Sincerely,  
Kenneth F. Faulhaber, Assistant Superintendent

This letter serves as a reminder that we should dig up and dust off the Mayfield memorabilia we have accumulated over the years, perhaps forgot about, and get it into the proper hands. Through this letter and the many stories we told one another, the memory of Ed Ferris will live with us for many years to come.

Wouldn't it be nice if a letter like this one could be written about all of us?

Sincerely,  
Mayfield Alumni Executive Board

## HOLE IN ONE AND INCREASED ATTENDANCE MARK THIS YEAR'S ALUMNI GOLF OUTING



The Mayfield Alumni Association's 15th annual golf outing was held at Grantwood Golf Course on June 28<sup>TH</sup>, 2009. This year **Sal Perconti, '84**, astounded everybody by aing the 182 yard par 3 on the 14th hole. To no one's surprise, Sal received many pats on the back for that one. Attendance was up significantly this year, due mostly to handing out a quality door prize to every entrant instead of giving out money to the top three finishers. Feedback from the golfers was that this was much appreciated and should continue in the future.

The second unusual situation occurred when three teams finished with the identical score of 62. After consulting with **Grantwood Pro Scott Pollack**, who informed us as to the PGA method of breaking ties, we had a winner! Al Agresta, Steve Agresta, Lee Luzar, and Mike Mehallis will be added to the Alumni Golf Outing trophy for 2009. See chart to the right for total results.

The third unusual situation occurred when, after all holes were tallied, we realized there was only one skin out. The \$330 skin game total went to the team of **Sal Perconti, Rob Somogyi, Jeff Stabler, and Jeff Griener**. Congratulations, guys; spend it wisely!!

Cash payouts were given for pin shots and long drives as follows: Closest to the Pin - #4 **Kevin Farrell**, #7 **Jeff Thomas**, #9 **Kevin Farrell**, #12 **Tony Schubert**, and #14 **Chuck Pona**. Long drives - #5 **Chuck Chokenea**, and #17 **Steve Agresta**. Each winner received \$10 and a golf bag mug.

We could not have a successful outing without the help of our sponsors. The Association and golfers greatly appreciate the following companies and alums for providing such great golf gifts:

**Brian McClain, '88**  
**DiCillo Tavern, Annette DiCillo, '78/Pete DiCillo, '50**  
**The Glidden House Inn, Tom Farinacci, '87**  
**Bowden Manufacturing, Andy McCartney, '88**  
**Class of '82, Mitch Opalich and Dave Orloff**  
**Class of '63, Ginny Virant Manzer**  
**Gino's Awards**

Finally, the Association wants to thank our organizer **Al Agresta, '63** for making all the arrangements and obtaining sponsors. We would also like to thank our scorekeepers and registration assistants **Sandie Agresta and Anna Farinacci**.

Next year's date—**Sunday, June 27th** with lunch at 11:00am and shotgun start at noon. A steak dinner will be held after golf. Cost is projected to be \$95/golfer and includes absolutely everything.

62 Al Agresta (1st) Steve Agresta Lee Luzar Mike Mehallis	62 Rob Somogyi (2nd) Sal Perconti Jeff Stabler Jeff Griener
62 Mitch Opalich (3rd) Wayne Impullitti Jeff Thomas Randy Hart	63 John Zagara Dave Orloff Jeff Agresta Kevin Emerman
64 Brian Delisio Brian Liederbach Jay Ujcz Pete Kaplan	65 Cam Elliot Dave Elliot Ed Season
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## Alumni Executive Board 2009-10

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 Dave Huelsman, '74 - Scholarship  
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## Alumni Calendar 2009-10

**Events:**

September 25, 2009	Homecoming Tailgate Party
November 14, 2009	Raffle/Staff Hall of Fame
	Induction/Multi Class Reunion
May 3, 2010	Memorabilia Night
June 27, 2010	Alumni Golf Outing

**Executive Board Meetings: (held at Alumni Museum)**

September 14, 2009	February 8, 2010
October 12, 2009	March 8, 2010
November 2, 2009	April 12, 2010
January 11, 2010	May 10, 2010

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