

Western Hills High School
2144 Ferguson Rd. / Cincinnati, Ohio 45238

Alumni News

Spring 2018

Ink sketch by Beth Lucas Muench, 83'

**You are invited to join us for our
30th Annual Alumni Night**

****Saturday June 9th, 2018****

***Tour the school 4:45-5:45pm** See What's New!

***Dinner from 5:45 to 6:45pm** 4th Floor Lunchroom

***Alumni Show 7:00pm** Main Auditorium

Catering will be provided by R&R Meats. The musical entertainment will be presented by the Alumni Band which is led by **Bruce Knapp** and accompanied with singing from the Alumni Choir led by **Marcellene Winfrey**.

We would love to have some of our previous Maroon Award Recipients attend since it is our 30th Anniversary of the Maroon Award!

**Everyone Has a
Story to Tell**

What's your favorite memory about your time at Western Hills High School? Send us your stories, we want to put them all in a keepsake album for others to enjoy!

Send them to alumniwhhs@fuse.net or by regular mail to the high school. Be sure to include your name & graduation year.

Look inside to read about this year's Maroon Award Recipients both from the Class of 1958!!

James Lemen & Carole Gudgeon

Greetings Alumni,

My name is Kennedy Jones III from the Class of 1977 and President of the WHHS Foundation.

I am very pleased to give a quick update on some projects completed and projects underway which are supported by the Western Hills High School Foundation.

The 1st phase of the renovation at the athletic fields has been completed as many of you know.

Additional seating was installed at the football field and new bathrooms and a concession stand were installed. The Foundation has purchased 5 new scoreboards, one for the baseball field, 2 for the football field, and 2 for the basketball gym. In addition, the Foundation has supported several field trips for the students and the sound system in the auditorium has also been replaced.

Of course on behalf of the entire Foundation Board, the Faculty and the Students, I want to thank all those that have supported the Foundation with their mission to provide wonderful opportunities to the students and the school. Anyone that would like to make an additional or a new donation, we will gladly accept it to continue to do good work.

May God Bless all of you and please keep the Board and the Students of Western Hills High School in your Daily Prayers.

Sincerely, Ken Jones / WHHS Foundation President



Alumni Coordinator's Report



Hello West High Alumni and Friends,

I am the Treasurer and Coordinator for the WHHS Alumni Foundation. This is my 12th year on the Foundation Board and I have met so many interesting people while performing my duties with the Alumni Foundation. I have learned so much and I am excited to see all of the good things that we can continue to accomplish for the students and the school. If you would like to be a part of what we do, please contact me.

Once again this year we have a change of date for the **Alumni Dinner and Show**

It is now on **Saturday June 9, 2018**

Please join us for a relaxing night of dinner and music

Another one of my tasks involves updating and maintaining the Alumni database with current names and addresses. To update your information and/or inform me of any upcoming class reunions, which can then be posted on the website, go to

www.westernhillsalumni.com

Or send an e-mail to alumniwhhs@fuse.net

We appreciate all of your support!!

Thank you, **Gina Frimming Schmidt, Class of 1989**

Good times come and go,
but the memories
will last forever.....

The Alumni Foundation is always interested in old photos or memorabilia that you may have stored away. What a great way to preserve our history and show the younger generations our school spirit during our high school days!

If you have any items you would like to donate, or photos you would allow us to copy, please contact the school office at 513-363-8900.

WHHS Alumni Foundation Board Members

Kennedy Jones, 1977..... President
Judy Elder Siefferman, 1961.....Secretary
Gina Frimming Schmidt, 1989...Treasurer and
Alumni Coordinator

Directors on the Board

Marge Purcell Vetter, 1956
William Seitz, 1972
Tom Shaver / Former Western Hills H.S. Principal

Upcoming Reunion Information

Below is a list of all known reunions

Please continue to check the

WHHS Alumni Website for updates
www.WesternHillsAlumni.com

Click on the **“Reunions”** tab and choose your year

Multi-Year Reunion

1949,1950, 1951, 1952

3rd Tuesday in September: **The Farm / Delhi**
Marlene Tarvin (513) 662-1759 Or

ktarvin1@msn.com

Class of 1968 / 50th Reunion

New date for our 50th Reunion Weekend!!

Friday Sept. 28, 2018: Informal Gathering
at The Montgomery Inn Boathouse

Guided tour of the high school
(Saturday morning)

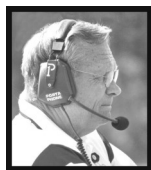
Saturday Sept. 29, 2018 Metropolitan Club

For more details please visit the
reunion website

www.westhigh1968.myevent.com

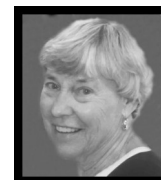
The 2018 Maroon Award Recipients to be Honored

James Lemen / Class of 1958



Jim Lemen is a true sports enthusiast who was involved in many sports activities during his years at West High. He played football where he was the captain, played basketball, baseball and ran track. He became the president of both his Junior and Senior class as well as his fraternity. He was selected as the All-Around Boy in his class. Jim graduated from West High in 1958 and attended Dartmouth College where he played football, was elected Captain, played basketball as well as rugby and graduated as a history major. He continued his schooling to earn his Masters at Harvard Graduate School of Education. He began his career at John Burroughs High School in 1963 as a history teacher where he also coached football, baseball and basketball. Between his two stints at John Burroughs, Jim was an Assistant Football Coach at Cornell University for four years. At John Burroughs, Jim was chosen to teach geography but felt that he should teach something that would be worthwhile and touch on other subjects relating to prejudice. In 1985 Jim was chosen to travel to Israel to visit and study at Yad Vashem where he attended a program to train educators on how to teach the Holocaust. The Holocaust curriculum he began at Burroughs later expanded to become multi-cultural studies. He and his wife Carole, who are both teachers, adopted a bi-racial child in 1971 and an African American child moved in with them in 1999 which has expanded their family to five children. He and his wife Carole have devoted their lives to teaching, coaching and mentoring children both professionally and personally. During his time as Head Football Coach, Jim won eight state titles. As the Head Baseball Coach, Jim took four teams to the final four. Jim has received numerous Coaches of the Year Awards, Missouri Football Coaches Association Hall of fame, Western Hills Athletics Hall of Honor as well as the Jewish Light Unsung Hero Award. He co-authored a book on the History of Sports at John Burroughs School. Jim really enjoyed his days at Western Hills and is really looking forward to coming back to see the school on Alumni Night. Perhaps his greatest joy was coaching and teaching his own children and grandchildren.

Carole Gudgeon Lemen / Class of 1958



Carole Lemen loved being involved in sports during her high school years. She participated in field hockey, basketball, softball and tennis on the advanced and honors team. She was a Varsity cheerleader her Junior and Senior years. She was also a Student Council Officer, President of GAA and was the co-recipient winner of the All-Around Girl Award. She played softball for "Industrial Rope" a women's team, from ages 9-22. After graduating in 1958, she attended the University of Cincinnati. Carole taught at several different places before moving with her husband Jim to St. Louis, Missouri where he accepted his coaching position at John Burroughs School. They enrolled their children at Community School and by 1973 Carole began her 41 year elementary teaching career there. Carole taught children in grades two, four and kindergarten. Besides teaching children how to read and do math, many have commented on "her dedication and understanding of each child she taught." Because of her many years at Community School, she was selected as a "Life Member" of legendary teachers in Community School's history. Carole was the Director of Young Camper Program for Burr Oak Camp, and a little league, as well as high school softball coach. For the past three years, she has volunteered two days a week in a kindergarten classroom at Central Elementary School in Ferguson, Missouri. Carole continues to remain active by playing golf, attending the sporting activities of her grandchildren and she is an avid St. Louis Cardinal fan. Her husband Jim believes she has attended more athletic contests than any other living woman. Her love of athletics is long and she was inducted into the Western Hills Athletic Hall of Fame. She and Jim are both active in the Grandparents Association at Burroughs and dedicate as much time as possible to their children who all live in different parts of the world. They have five children, eight grandchildren and two great grandchildren. Though they have been married for 56 years, they actually started dating following a Valentine's Day dance their freshman year at West Hi. They have been together for 64 years.

THANK YOU TO ALL ALUMNI AND FRIENDS

LISTED ON THE FOLLOWING PAGES

YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT HELPS TO FUND MANY WORTHWHILE
STUDENT BENEFITTING PROGRAMS

- 1938**
Rosemary Waltamath Barnhart
- 1939**
Walter Stacy
Verna Ritchie Bertsche
- 1940**
Vi Schubert Paulding
- 1941**
Ralph Wessel
Harry Newman
- 1942**
Betty Spencer Kruse
John Conner
Una Skirvin Schaeperklau
Dr. Robert L. Moore
Lillian Rome Dartnall
- 1943**
Thomas Mangold
Florence Grasser Kraushar
- 1944**
Robert Suddendorf
Marion Falquet Wuebbing
Richard Neidhard
Donald Pelling
Jerry Domier
Stanley Schweinfurth
Jackie Lower Suddendorf
Robert Mecklenborg
- 1945**
Mace Justice
- 1946**
Janet Esslinger Geiger
Flo Gard Mayer
Marceline Cox Penno
Virginia Kindt Lyle
Robert Kappes
William Gerhardt, M.D.
- 1947**
Bruce Loughry
Gertrude Klose Seybold
Jack Metz
- 1948**
Wilma Pegg Essel
- 1949**
Joyce Fisher Martin
Janet Nailor
Bill Sachs
Patricia Rodgers Stevens
Carole Fuller Shaeffer
James C. Kautz
Mary Mueller Nickerson-Kautz
Warren Greiner
Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Bassett
- 1950** continued
Dr. John Bennet Sr.
Roger West M.D.
Janet Murphy Jones
Karleen Wilhelm Miller
- 1951**
David Preston, M.D.
Glenn Streibig
Marlene Miller Tarvin
Willard Hoffman Jr.
Ruth Kallmeyer Tierney
Carroll Baker
Carol Baker
Erwin & Ruth Single
George Koesterman
Fran Bauer Parker
Billie Lou Meyer Lacy
Jacqueline Doerman Armstrong
William Eckerle
Mary Andon Kokkinakis
- 1952**
Jack Wetzel
Jawanna Johnson Streibig
Roy Thompson Jr.
Gary Thompson
Maurice Long
Earl Williams
Barbara Edelmann Williams
Owen Williams
Jane Ellen Roberts West
David Harrison
Ervin & Linda Bauer
Kim Yost
Sylvia List Wetzel
- 1953**
Robert Zulagel
Russell Hoffer
JoAnn Bauer Oswald
Richard Schneider
Richard Manifold Sr.
Helen "Tootie" Powell Pierson
Jean Hartmann Harrison
- 1954**
June Fritsch White
Janet Arnold Cummings
William Schulte Jr.
- 1955**
Doug Brooke
Richard Cashman
Dick Oehler
Ron Bommer
Sue Lewis Woodruff
Eileen Jones Rothhaas
Jerry Vetter
- 1956**
Marge Purcell Vetter
Janet Huelsman Maxstadt
Kaye Kaemmerle Heckman
Sally Heidrich Dessauer
Linda Schmid Sine
Joan Rinckel Wilson
- 1957**
Robert Shimizu
Gwen James Haverkamp
Martha Hayes Smith
Harry Panaro
- 1958**
Janet Probst Frederick
William Reusing
Fredric Rissover
Darrell Brooke
Barbara Nieman Rubin
Peggy Heisel Somoza
Robert Fair
Ken Conatser
- 1959**
Jim Frederick
William "Buzz" Dalton
Tedd Bunce
Sharon Wolf Edmondson
Joyce Ferrell Newman
Kenneth Randall
Loretta Ward Lewis
Harry Patterson
Robert Noell
S. Diane Peters Park
Richard Park
Diane Brater Griesser
Mike Rose
- 1960**
Bruce Knapp
Bill Fox
Nancy Laymon Benson
Phillip Meng
John Rathkamp
Jeri Hall Rathkamp
Charlotte Helmbold Sheard
Frank Brown
Cathie Flint DeFazio
David Ulrich
Jane Taylor Hissett
Dan Carmichael
John Russell
Elaine O'Connor McCoy
John Frey
Charles Yarbrough
Keith Koerber
Phyllis Radcliff Crawford
Carol Schrank Thomas
Jeff Spragens
Peter Sereque
Carlene Poppe Clements
David Gibson
Patricia Darmody Miller
Jim Wietholter
Carole Forster Conatser
David Reif
Steven Spreen
Daniel Beechuk
Lorraine Beechuk
Gail Simkin Makin
Stephen M. McNamee
Donna Sparks Peterson
Samuel Peterson
Les Covey
- 1961**
Dick Huseman
Ray Mauer
Mary Lu Moorhead Mauer
M.A. Takahashi
Jean Anderson Leeper
Elizabeth Martin Preble
Lynn Bernius Schiff
Judy Elder Siefferman
Joan Elder Wichman
Wayne Koelling
Jerry Scarlato
Janis Kukainis
Nikki Orlemann
Irene "Reeni" O'Connor
Michael Hirsch
Warren Besore
H. Lon Swearingen
- 1962**
Andrea Sue Hale Smith
Joan Illian Anderson
Tim Nenninger
Carol Horton Heina
Dwight Vogel
Janet Renner Rajadhyaksha
Dan Nieman
Fred Tritschler
Rudy Boerio
June Becker Sereque
John Brettschneider
Richard Stewart
Judith Heidrich Creasy
- 1963**
Robert Mattlin
Tom Dillon
Judy Staft Dillon
Joan Eckert Jackson
Barbara "Bobbie" Franzreb Deifel
Jon "Chip" Deifel
Patrick Thomas
Linda Snodgrass Koelling
Paul Tuerck
Joann Fellens Smith
Barbara Boyd Schildman
- 1964**
Vicki Atwood Biery
Frank "Sparky" Claypool
Trudy Kolb Backus
Dale Clark
Ronald Evans
John Hader
Jill Alban Haft
Nancy Whitehurst Melville
- 1965**
Barbara Allgeyer Howland
Barbara Lemcke
Robert Eckel
Terry & Carol Timmester
Mary Jane Wynne Norvell
Jeff Griffith
Roger Ketterer
Janet Schrank Foster
Jim Eger
Dian Scheidenberger Brannon
- 1965** Continued
Chris Wurster
Daphne Loew Jameson
Thomas Schiff
Harold & Patricia Scharf
- 1966**
Rodney Thomas
Sharon Sullivan Rudesill
Cheryl Gulden Mahan
Tim Peters
John Whitehurst
Linda Vinson Eger
Jeff Brown
David Martin
Karen Norden Webb
Barry Webb
- 1967**
Kay Wagner
Edward Paul
Paul Staubitz
Jill Ambrosius Staubitz
Karen Klusmeyer Lubke
Diane Heilmann
Ronald Dieckmann
Terry Transier
Art Dieckmann
Jay Enginger
Marcellene Winfrey
- 1968**
Jim Ruthemeyer
James Corbin
Linda Percer Chandler
Jerry Fritz
Valerie Gambrel Tiller
Bill McElroy
- 1969**
Belinda Peace
Steve Gray
Nancy Taylor
Noel Brumage
Gail Tiettmeyer Curtis
Debbie Bredenfoerder Krantz
Diane Beall Watts
Jack Boeing
Mary Jo Wuebbing Hines
Brett Goodson
John Snape
Scott Mulhauser
- 1970**
Jill Driskill Ruthemeyer
Robert Ruehlman
Michael Sparks
Linda Niehaus Jones
- 1971**
Chuck Beasley
Carl Scheidenberger
Kathleen Mitchell Stack
Randy McMillen
Ken Brater



1972

Rick Green
Teresa Spille Vogel
Greg Brokamp
Lynn Tarvin Sparks
Carl Grueninger
Bill Sietz
Robert Brandt
Jean Martin Foutch
Debbie Dieckmann Brater

1973

Lisbeth Lazaron
Cathy Ireland Roberto
Randall Kuhn
Vickie Lauck

1974

Jerry Fry
Valerie Schmidt

1975

Mary Ann Bosse
Mark Doebrich
Mary Ann Jacobs
Denise Girtten Frey
Christie Schill Monaghan
Dianne Greiner

1976

Bill Schoonover
Susan Wesley
Jim Zenz
Rickey Wilkins
Matt Meyer
Patricia Stirrat Mezger
Raymond Wilke

1977

Mike Owens
Kennedy Jones
Melody McCoy Sheahan
Miles Hoff

1978

Barry Morgan
Patricia Williams
Marina Abanto
Jeanine Gray Broderick
Mary Pat Lazon Cerimele
Debbie Estes DePuccio
Diana Dornbusch Cron

1979

Tom Altenau
Gertie Becker

1980

James Rathbone
Vince Peters

1981

Robyn Kirk Thrasher

1982

Scott Fisbeck
Christina Vasiliou Lendenski

1983

Kenneth Mundy
Timothy Mabley
Barbara Goldschmidt Harding
Lenna Toleski Schott

1984

James Martin
Tina Stoeberl

1986

Sherry Smith Howe

1987

Rich Webber
Darren Woods

1988

Robin Johns Leonhardt
Rachel Naegele-Lucas

1989

Jennifer Williamson Wilkymacky
Gina Frimming Schmidt

1990

Elizabeth Mancini Young
Brian Hensley

1991

James Schmidt
Bennie McClanahan
David Mays

1992

William Morris

Company Matching Donations

- Pfizer Foundation
- 5/3 Bank Matching

Did You Know??

Facts about the
year 1958 when our
Maroon Award
Recipients
graduated.

- Cost of a new house \$12,750.00
- Average Monthly Rent \$92.00
- Average Yearly Wages \$4,600.00
- Cost of a gallon of Gas .25 cents
- Elvis Presley is inducted into the Army
- The Wham-O company introduces the Hula Hoop
- NASA was established

Thank you to the following Family and Friends of WHHS for their Monetary Donations

- Anonymous Fund of the Greater Cincinnati Foundation
- Bassett Family Fund of the Greater Cincinnati Foundation
- John J. Schiff and Mary R. Schiff Foundation
- Cheviot Savings and Loan
- Michael D. Rose Family Fund
- Harvest Home Fair Association
- Kiwanis Club of Cheviot and Westwood
- Cheviot Charitable Foundation
- Marjorie Conatser
- Janet Bolland
- Albert Jakstadt
- Mary Jo Neumann
- Pat Scharf

The WHHS Stadium Project

If you would like to contribute to the final phase of the stadium project, please send your donation with an attached note earmarking it for the **Stadium Fund**.

Make your check payable to **WHHS Foundation** and send to

**WHHS Foundation * 2144 Ferguson Rd.
Cincinnati, OH 45238**

Donations Were Given In Memory of

1938 Charles Fick
1939 Dorcas Schweinfurth Kowalski
1941 Mildred Cleary Kemme
1942 Michael Schiller
1944 Jacqueline Lower Suddendorf
1948 Gloria Siebert Ruehlman Feeley
1948 Thomas Bolland
1949 Joan McNamee Riggs
1950 Gloria McNamee Jansen
1951 Janet Kipp Greiner
1951 William Conatser
1952 Sylvia List Wetzel
1952 Marie Schneider Jakstadt
1959 Patricia Greene
1959 Jerry Nickerson
1959 Michael D. Rose
1960 Jerry Brannon
1960 All members of 1960 who have passed
1961 William Ireland
1962 Joan Illian Anderson
1969 Ralph Eppensteiner
1973 Dennis Cleary
1976 Mary Fry Schaller
1991 Rebecca Schwartz Yadron

In Memory of Staff

James D. Heinhold, Helen Walters, Henry Hess
Arthur Chesley and Anna Klaserner

The Maroon Award Recognizes Our Own Notables

The Maroon Award was established in 1988 to recognize West High graduates who have distinguished themselves through important contributions to or exceptional achievements in many fields of endeavor.

The graduates to be honored should have made important impacts on society through professional, vocational or volunteer actions. **Service to the public is important.** Anyone may nominate any Western Hills High School graduate for the Maroon Award by completing the form below and sending it to the Alumni Coordinator or via the website (**www.westernhillsalumni.com**). Please remember, the committee selects but does not research information on nominees. All applications remain on file for consideration in subsequent years. **Nominations can be submitted through December 31st, 2018 to be considered for the 2019 award.**

2019 Maroon Award Nomination Form

Name of Nominee _____	Your Name _____
WHHS Class of _____	Your Class Year _____
Street Addresses _____	Your Address _____
City/State/Zip _____	City/State/Zip _____
Telephone () _____	Your Telephone () _____

On a separate sheet, please provide information about your nominee detailing the following:

Professional Achievements, Community Service / Volunteer Activities,
Honors and Recognition, Personal and/or Academic Achievements, etc.

**Complete this form on our website (www.westernhillsalumni.com) and send completed form(s) to:
Western Hills High School, Alumni Maroon Award, 2144 Ferguson Road, Cincinnati, Ohio 45238**

ALUMNI NIGHT DINNER & SHOW RESERVATION FORM

Saturday **June 09, 2018** * Dinner served at WHHS from **5:45 to 6:45pm** * **\$15.00** per person

Show begins at **7:00pm** * Mail form with check made payable for **WHHS Foundation** to:

Alumni Foundation c/o Western Hills High School, 2144 Ferguson Rd. Cincinnati, Ohio 45238

Name(s) _____ Graduation Year(s) From West High _____

Name(s) _____ Graduation Year(s) From West High _____

Reservation # _____ at **\$15.00** each Total \$ _____ Phone: () _____

Reservations should be received by Wednesday June 6, 2018

(Menu: Tossed Salad, Chicken Breast, Roast Beef, Potatoes, Mostaccioli, Green Beans, Rolls, Dessert and Drink)